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Pictured, left to right, are Jace, Emily, Alice, Kaiya, Leah with the butterflies.

Memorial Day ceremonies planned in Amboy, Sublette

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The guest speaker for the annual ceremony will E7 Navy Chief Cody Martinez, who is stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Station in Chicago. Martinez is a graduate of Amboy High School, and in 2004 he joined the Navy and was stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Station in Chicago to train. After 17 years, and many deployments, he has returned to his post at Great Lakes Naval Station where

he is an E7 Navy Chief. He married Alex Crumb, from Amboy, and the couple have three children, Luca, Cainan and Gwen. The couple currently resides in Lindenhurst.

Also included in the Memorial Day ceremony are prayer by Pastor Rocky Fritz, Gettysburg address, and reading of General Logan's orders.

The Legion members will then head to Sublette for the Memorial Day ceremony at the Ellice Dinges Center at 11 a.m., on Monday, May 30.

City approves bid for road, alley work

BY GEORGE HOWE

Amboy News Reporter

AMBOY — Mayor Pro Tem Third Ward Alderman Frank Stenzel presided over the Amboy City Council meeting held on Monday, May, 16 as a result of Mayor John Schamberger's absence. First Ward Alderman Jake Leffelman was also not in attendance but enough members of the council were able to approve a couple of new business items on the evening's agenda.

A successful bid of \$221,603.44 by Helm Civil Construction Company out of Rock Falls for major road and alley general maintenance, repair, chip seal and repaying project is moving forward. The funding for this work will primarily come from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund.

A full page of the 2022-2023 elected officials and appointments by the Mayor was passed out to all present. Most current Alderman, Commissioner's and Board members were retained and unanimously approved by the council. (See page A5 for appointments) Second Ward Alderman and Park Board member Bill Bontz reported that four new concrete pads were poured and installed at City Park where the dumpsters currently sit.

Third Ward Alderman Dave Shaw informed everyone that most of the area ponds had been sprayed to help control the annual mayfly invasion.

In unfinished business, continued discussion centered on local businessman Jared Zellhoffer purchase of several city owned land parcels located at 305 Water Street, which is the site of the old maintenance building, 405 South Mason Avenue, along with the vacated portion of South East Avenue, south of Bluff Street. This has been an ongoing process for several months and it appears to be very close to being completed according to city attorney Matt Keegan. Alderman Stenzel remarked that 'it's been baby steps most of the way' and thanked Zellhoffer for his continued patience.

The Memorandum of Understanding or MOU contract and intergovernmental agreement with Lee County to create an ordinance that would provide new pipeline throughout the city continued to be deliberated and was ratified by the council. The contract for the new cold storage building loan of approximately \$200,000 from the First National Bank of Amboy was updated and although the loan has been approved, the city won't act on it until sometime in August.

George Howe/Amboy News

A Journey to Freedom

BY GEORGE HOWE

Amboy News Reporter

AMBOY — The yearly cycle of the Midwest change of seasons leaving behind fallen leaves and perished flowers of autumn and winter, give way to a new rebirth and fresh start of spring and summer. Birds sing their mating songs, bees pollinate flowers and butterflies and moths are indicators of a healthy environment and ecosystem. There is approximately 750 different butterfly species in the U.S. The primary purpose of an adult stage butterfly is to mate and reproduce. With a lifespan of about three weeks, time is of the essence. The Monarch for example is closely tied to the milkweed plant. Its caterpillar feeds only on milk-

a source of nectar. At our local Pankhurst Memorial Library

weeds, and the adult favors the flowers as

they recently gave all who came through the doors a first hand look of how a 'Painted Lady' butterfly comes to be.

They first start out as caterpillars and in just a few days after gaining nourishment from sugar water, they inch toward the top of the enclosure where their chrysalis stage is formed. You may ask; what's the difference between a cocoon and a chrysalis? Well, a cocoon is for moths and a chrysalis is for butterflies. Then in about 7 to 10 days they emerge as a full fledged canker.

See JOURNEY page A7







AJHS VIPS

On Thursday, May 19, the Amboy Junior High hosted a VIP Day. Students were able bring someone who is special to them for a tour. Students met their VIPs and went through rotations! The rotations consisted of junior high gym/new high school gym and Clipper Cove, library, new cafeteria, and classes. The students and their VIPs also had a chance to capture their special day with a photo opportunity. Thank you to the AJHS staff and all the student volunteers for making this a successful event.



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Courtesy photos

Lee County moves to HIGH community level of COVID-19

County is now at a HIGH Community Level of COVID-19 due to an increase in the case rate in the community. The Lee County Health Department (LCHD) is advising residents to take additional actions to protect themselves and those around them from the spread of COVID-19.

CDC's county tracker indicates high community level for Lee County, as well as some other counties in our region. CDC Community Level metrics are designed to help communities take action when COVID-19 spread is

LEE COUNTY - Lee increasing impacting health and healthcare systems in their locality.

At HIGH Community Level, the public can take the following actions to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

· Wear A Mask while in public indoor settings, regardless of your vaccination status

 Avoid Crowded Indoor Settings.

- Stay Up-To-Date On COVID-19 Vaccines by being vaccinated and getting your booster shots when eligible.

Know Your Risk and Plan Ahead. Those at risk



for serious illness from COVID-19 should talk to their healthcare provider and have a plan for possible treatment options if they become ill with COVID-19. Consider asking indoor contacts to selftest to detect infection before

getting together.

"To protect yourself, your family, and community, take the recommended actions to prevent COVID-19 based on community level. This phase of the pandemic calls for self-care." said Cathy Fer-

guson-Allen, Administrator of the Lee County Health Department. "Due to the High Community Level of COVID-19, all individuals regardless of vaccination status are strongly encouraged to wear masks when in public indoor settings. If you test positive for COVID-19 contact your healthcare provider right away to see if treatment options are right for you, even if you currently have mild symptoms. Let's work together to have a safe, healthy, and fun summer."

See COVID page A3

Memorial Day Program Amboy Veterans' Park Monday, May 30, 2022 - 10 a.m.

EMEMBER

Prelude	Amboy High School
Post Colors	Amboy American Legion Post #453
National Anthem	
Opening Prayer	Pastor Rocky Fritz
Pledge to the Flag	

Audience remains standing for Moment of Silent Prayer for War Dead Introduction of SpeakerAmboy American Legion Commander Jack Mead AddressE7 Navy Chief Cody Martinez, Great Lakes Naval Station, Chicago Song.... Lincoln's Gettysburg Address Reading of General Logan's Orders Musical selection of service songs Salute by American Legion Post #453... Taps In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Amboy Community Center

Additional Legion Ceremonies: 11 a.m. – Ellice Dinges Center, Sublette

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TEEN TURF

Dance

Gabby Ketchum, one of our Americorps workers created a "glow in the dark" dance where we had over 65 kids show up. We played games, listened to music, and had fun in a neon setting. We would like to thank the following chaperones: Shelli, Wayne, Larry, Mari, Jennifer, and Will. It was our last dance of the school year and thank everyone who came.

Summer Splash Program

Let's all go to the movies will be our theme for six weeks. It will begin June 13 and end July 20. Information packets for pre-k to fourth grade are at Amboy Central School and Clipper Kiddies Preschool. In addition for those kids going into fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth grade, and high school, we are accepting applications for the all day community program. That program starts on June 6 and goes till the 4-H fair at the end of July. Those will be located at the Junior High and more information on Parentsquare. If you have any questions, please call Teen Turf building at 815-857-4800. There are also flyers and forms in our 24/7 entry way.

Thank You's

We are always blessed to have the following folks help us: Donna Wellman for the monetary donation to the dance grand prizes; Mary Graff for the juice boxes; Angela O'Callaghan for the monetary donation; Irene and Eileen Ramsdell for the meat, cheese, bread, and patriotic cupcakes; Sue Erisman for the puppets; and we cannot thank our afterschool volunteers enough this year: Donna; Shannon; Kathy; Meagan; Candy; Chris; Sandy; Mary; Brooklyn; Trevyn; Maddy; Sid; and all the Amboy students who volunteered.

Needs

Granola bars and ice pops for the summer **Final Word**

Father God, we come before You today to ask for your protection over our families. Let no trouble fall on them today. Keep them away from accidents. Allow no evil to influence their hearts. Cover them with the precious blood of Christ. Take charge over them so that they do not strike their foot against a stone.

We may not be with our families all the time today, but we trust that You, Lord, are always with them. Keep them safe today and allow them to give glory to You further. Give them peace of mind so that they may not worry about anything. Guard their hearts so that they may only display love instead of hate, anger, or bitterness. Amen

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department will have Immunization Clinics for Children and Adults by appointment only. Call 815-284-3371 to make an appointment or for information on other services available. You may also visit the website at www.lchd.com for a list of services available.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 until 6 p.m. on Friday, May 27, at the Dixon St Paul Lutheran Church, 421 S. Peoria Ave. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

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<u>COMMUNITY CALENDAR</u>

AMBOY-The City of Amboy committee meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 6, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

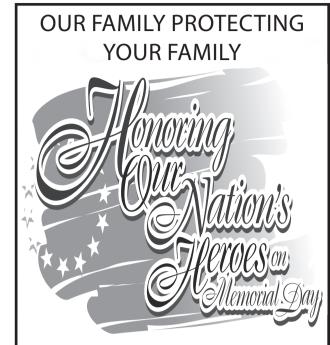
AMBOY-The Amboy Civic Organization invites ACO members and guests to gather at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, June 7, at Long Branch Saloon, Amboy. This will be our last get-together before we take a summer break. Members and guests will order and pay for their own dinners. After eating, ACO will treat members and guests to the acoustic stylings and vocals of Jeff Kagay. Please call Chris Noble, by June 1, at 815-857-3963 if you plan to attend. We want to plan accommodations in advance. Looking forward to seeing you.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, at the Sauk Valley Community College Student Government, 173 IL Route 2. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

AMBOY-The Amboy Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, at the township building, 106 S. Prospect.

MAY TWP-The May Township meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, at the township LEE CENTER TWP-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 9, at the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy.

maintenance building.



THEIR SACRIFICE OUR REMEMBRANCE

As we enjoy a long weekend, remember those that gave everything for the freedoms we enjoy. Please join a local event honoring the sacrifice made by our military members and their families for our country.

Lee County tax bills mailed out May 25

LEE COUNTY — Paula Meyer, Lee County Treasurer, announced that her office mailed real estate tax bills on May 25 to Lee County property owners. Taxes are payable in two installments due on June 24 and Sept. 2.

Anyone not receiving a bill can pay or print their bill from www.leecountyil. com.

Failure to receive a bill does not exempt liability for payment. This is the only bill taxpayers will receive. Methods of payment are:

1) Online by direct debit from a bank account at www.leecountyil.com. The online payment service provider charges a \$1 convenience fee for direct debit payments. No portion of these fees are received by Lee County.

2) Online by credit card at www. leecountyil.com. The online payment service provider charges a 2.35% convenience fee for credit card payments. No portion of these fees are received by Lee County.

3) By mail to the Lee County Treasurer, PO Box 328, Dixon, IL 61021. Please include the stubs with the payment.

4)Payment at any bank in Amboy, Ashton, Dixon, Franklin Grove, Paw Paw, Sublette, and West Brooklyn. Please bring the entire tax bill to the bank.

5) Payment in person at the Lee County Treasurer's Office on the second floor of the Old Lee County Courthouse, 112 E 2nd St. Dixon, IL.



Lee County Sheriff's Office reminds motorists to 'Click It or Ticket'

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Sheriff's Office today announced it is stepping up enforcement for the Memorial Day "Click It or Ticket" campaign May 13 – 31 and reminds motorists to buckle up. "Click It or Ticket" focuses on safety education and law enforcement support to save lives.

"Seat belts have proven to be one of the best ways to save

the country, make sure you buckle up every time. Wearing a seat belt can reduce the risk of fatal injury by 45%. Seat belts save lives every day, but they're only effective if they're used.

While Illinois currently has a 93.5% seat belt use compliance rate, unbelted occupants still account for more than half of those killed in motor vehicle crashes. The simple click of

your life in a crash," said Sgt. Derek Ranken. "Unfortunately, many still don't buckle up. Worse yet, not wearing a seat belt is a habit that can be passed on to younger generations who follow the example set by their elders."

Memorial Day weekend marks the unofficial start of summer, a popular time for traveling to visit family and friends. Whether you are traveling down the block or across

Amboy Police

City ordinance citations

On May 22, at 5:20 p.m., Ryan R. Rowe, 33, of Amboy, was issued a city ordinance violation for disorderly conduct and unlawful conduct.

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To order free masks and test kits or to find treatment, vaccine, and booster shot locations, visit covid.gov.

The Lee County Health Department has free test kits available as we are out in the community; you can also receive by stopping by the health department Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. If you are symptomatic, please don't come in to the department to pick up a kit. Call 284-3371, ext. 2124 to make arrangements.

The Lee County Health Department will be holding a vaccine clinic soon-watch our Facebook page or website (www.lchd.com) for information.

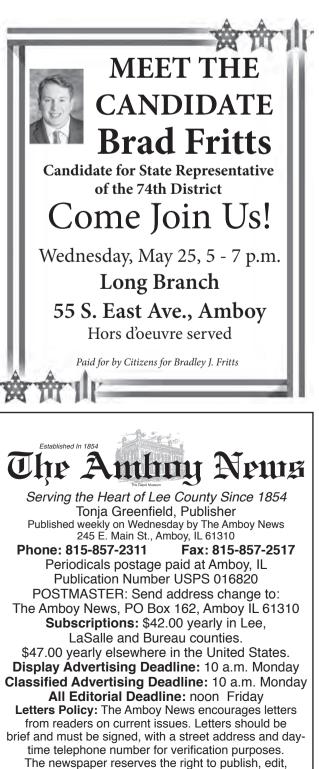


a first responder please check out our website, fill out a brief application, and schedule a visit with us!

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a seat belt could save thousands of lives each year.

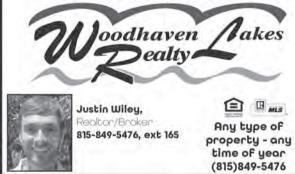
The "Click It or Ticket" campaign is administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation with federal highway safety funds.



condense, revise or reject any submissions.

PRICE REDUCED

123 S. Mason St., Amboy \$97,400 This listing offers a lovely 3 bedroom home with a large screened in front porch. The spacious living and dining room will certainly offer plenty of space for hosting holiday dinners! The attic could be turned into a 4th bedroom with a little work. The fenced in back yard is private and a perfect spot to enjoy a campfire and some s'mores. So much character to this lovely one of a kind home. Call for a showing today.



NOTICE OF VOTE BY MAIL AND EARLY VOTING

Nancy Petersen, Lee County Clerk and Recorder would like to announce that beginning THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022, VOTE BY MAIL and EARLY VOTING will be conducted in the Election Department of her office, first floor of the Old Lee County Courthouse, 112 E. Second St., Dixon.

VOTE BY MAIL~ signed applications will be accepted through Thursday, June 23, 2022, and is available for properly registered Lee County voters. Applications are available on the website or by contacting the Election Department of her office.

EARLY VOTING~ must be conducted in person Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. and Saturday, June 25, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Closed legal holidays. The votes cast during this time will not be counted until Election Day. Once a ballot has been cast it cannot be rescinded.

Website: www.leecountyil.com

Email: <u>election@countyoflee.org</u> Phone: 815-288-3309

Nancy Petersen Lee County Clerk & Recorder

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BY GRACE KINNICUTT Capitol News Illinois gkinnicutt@capitolnewsillinois.com

SPRINGFIELD – Amid a campaign season in which every constitutional office and seat in the Illinois General Assembly will be up for vote, rising crime and a landmark criminal justice reform passed in 2021 have become dominant topics for Republicans trying to loosen Democrats' hold on state government.

The Safety, Accountability, Fairness and Equity-Today Act, known as the SAFE-TAct, passed with the backing of the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus in the early hours of Jan. 13, 2021.

The broad-ranging measure abolishes cash bail

30 in front of Ellice Dinges Center.

nam in 1969 and 1970.

will be master of ceremonies.

Sublette News

MEMORIAL DAY

SPEAKER IN SUBLETTE

Mick Hartley of Mendota will be the speaker at the Sublette

Memorial Day Service to be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May

Hartley grew up in Compton. He is a member and past

Poths Lavelle American Legion will give the presentation

MEMORIAL DAY

MASS PLANNED

Father Randy Fronek will offer a Memorial Day Mass at

CRUISE RAINED OUT

Due to the all-day rain, only four cars were on display for

9:30 a.m. Monday, May 30 at St. Mary's Cemetery in Sublette.

Anyone attending may bring a lawn chair.

Sublette's Cruise 'N Show on May 21.

commander of Mendota VFW Post 4079. He served in Viet-

of colors and perform the firing of the volley. Larry Leffelman

beginning in January 2023, reforms police training, certification and use-of-force standards, expands detainee rights, and requires body cameras at all departments by 2025.

Since its passage, the measure has been amended twice to accommodate concerns of law enforcement groups, pushing back certain effective dates and changing some of the initial use-offorce language.

In a phone interview with Capitol News Illinois, House chair of the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus, Rep. Kam Buckner, D-Chicago, said the SAFE-T Act was the "first stab" at addressing public safety issues and police distrust in minority communities.

Republicans, meanwhile, have referred to the bill as a "de facto defund the police bill" due to its added training and equipment requirements and purported effect on officer morale, even though it doesn't directly affect law enforcement funding.

The measure passed on razor-thin majorities in the lame duck session of 2021, which led to a brief effort by Republican superminorities to repeal the act that ultimately fell flat.

Law enforcement groups have since softened their opposition to the bill amid the two follow-up proposals.

"Let me make it clear to you that the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police is not against the SAFE-T Act (because) we have put countless hours in collaborating with elected officials,"Hazel Crest Police Chief Mitchell Davis said at a news conference earlier this year.

Davis was the president of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police during the bill's passage. Ed Wojcicki, the executive director of that organization, said in an interview the "ship has sailed" on a full repeal, although discussions on fine-tuning the law continue.

"We're perfectly fine with saying hold us more accountable, make us be transparent, require more training," Wojcicki said. "We just tried to educate the legislature that what they wrote down in the law was very difficult to implement on the street."

Cash bail

One of the more contro-

versial provisions of the bill abolishes cash bail in Illinois and replaces it with a system that will prioritize the severity of an offense, the risk of not appearing for court and the threat and danger the individual poses to another person or the community if they were to be released.

The provision does not go into effect until Jan. 1, 2023, but opponents claim it will allow "dangerous and violent criminals" back on the street, tying the hands of prosecutors who seek to keep the accused individuals incarcerated before a conviction.

Rep. Justin Slaughter is the Chicago Democrat who carried the SAFE-T Act in 2021. In April, he accused Republicans of a "bad stench of racism" in their opposition to the reform.

In an interview, he said the current system of cash bail has an "adverse impact on those that don't have the money," and eliminating cash bail will make it more difficult for violent offenders to be released compared to lower level, nonviolent offenders.

"If this is a violent, dangerous offense, we certainly want to hold offenders accountable but at the same time, we want to have an understanding of the root causes of crime and violence," Slaughter said.

But Republicans and some state's attorneys have lately been arguing that the opposite may be true.

James Glasgow, a Democratic Will County state's attorney, argued that the SAFE-T Act requires a high-

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Use of force

The SAFE-T Act also changed the use-of-force standards by only allowing deadly force when necessary for officers to defend themselves from bodily harm. If a suspect is attempting to escape, officers are only authorized to use deadly force if that person is likely to harm others and cannot be caught at a later time.

It also banned the use of chokeholds and any other actions that restrict breathing from being applied above the chest unless an officer is in a situation that authorizes deadly force.

But Wojcicki noted the two follow-up bills addressed concerns surrounding the use of stun guns, chokeholds, pepper spray and tear gas.

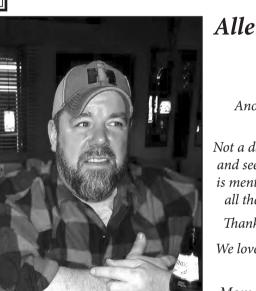
The original bill prevented stun guns from being aimed at someone's back, but Wojcicki said the back is the recommended target and that hitting them in front could inadvertently hit the heart. He said the first follow-up measure, House Bill 3443, changed it so that it is okay to target the back with a stun gun.

But Wojcicki said they are still pushing to clarify the language surrounding the definition of a stun gun because they want officers to use lethal weapons less often, yet the law defines a stun gun as a "firearm."

Slaughter filed House Bill 3904 that would remove stun guns from the definition of "firearms." The measure passed the House 106-1 in March but has yet to pass the Senate. The law also creates a duty to intervene when another officer is using excessive force and a duty to provide medical assistance to those who are injured.

Wojcicki also noted they hope to see a provision regarding trespassing changed. The SAFE-T Act says that if a person is committing a Class B or C misdemeanor, officers can only issue a citation, rather than detaining an individual.

That means, he said, if someone were to trespass on a homeowner's front porch and the homeowner wanted them removed, an officer wouldn't be able to arrest them or force them to leave. Most people, I think, would say there's something wrong with that," Wojcicki said. "That's why we keep saying we want some commonsense changes."



Allen E. "Zip" Sensenig "Zip," Another year has come and almost

gone again.

Not a day goes by we don't get pictures out and see all the fun we had, or your name is mentioned and someone tells a story of all the fun they used to have with you.

Thank God for memories and pictures.

We love you and miss you so much, "Zip." Love,

Mom, Dad, Tim Sensenig and Yucon



accused violent criminals

that all defendants "shall be

presumed eligible" for pretrial

release unless prosecutors

present "clear and convinc-

ing" evidence to deny the

suspect pretrial release, such

as proof that the suspect com-

mitted the crime and poses a

threat to the physical safety

of a "specific, identifiable"

submit a request for detention

if the offender committed a

crime that poses a significant

threat to public safety of an

individual or community. The

state is also required to provide

each suspect a hearing within

48 hours to determine if the

Glasgow said it's nearly

suspect should be released.

impossible to provide evi-

dence needed within 48 hours

since it takes time to review

body and surveillance camer-

as and crime labs take time to

nonviolent crimes," Glasgow

said. "But when it's protecting

the health, safety and welfare

of the law-abiding citizens, we

Sen. John Curran. R-Down-

ers Grove, who is a former

prosecutor, said that instead

of eliminating cash bail al-

together in Illinois, he would

prefer a model similar to one

in place in New Jersey, which

permits cash bail in narrow

circumstances.

In a phone interview,

have to be able to do that."

"I'm not against no bail for

process evidence.

Prosecutors are required to

The SAFE-T Act states

until trial.

person.



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St. Patrick Church Fr. John Gow 32 N Jones, Amboy 815-857-2315 • www.stpatrickamboy.org Masses: Tuesday – Friday Daily Mass 8 am Saturday 4 pm • Sunday 7:30 am & 10 am Confessions: Saturday, 3-3:45 pm Wednesday, 5:30-6:15 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday, 8am-5 pm

> St. Mary Church Fr. John Gow 912 Walton Rd., Walton 815-857-2670 Mass: Saturday, 5:30 pm

St. Flannen Church Fr. John Gow 213 S Second St., Harmon 815-857-2670 Mass: Sunday, 9 am

United First Church of Amboy Pastor Mark Glenn East Main & Jefferson 815-440-0745 Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of **Christ of Lee Center** Pastor Jack M. Briggs 1140 Inlet Road, Lee Center www.LeeCenter-UCC.org Phone 815-732-7032 Family Worship - 10:30 a.m.

> **Grace Fellowship Church Amboy-Sublette** Pastor Brian McWethy 500 W. Main Street, Sublette Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. www.graceisforyou.com

East Grove Union Church Pastor Richard Wulf, 815-440-5321 449 Reuter Road, Amboy Phone 815-376-6661 1/2 Mile East of Route 26 on Union Rd. Sun., 9:00 a.m. Morning Service Youth Church, ages 3-Grade 4 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, Ages 3 - Adult 6:00 p.m. Evening Service Wed., 6:00 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study First Sunday night of each month, 6:00p.m. First Sunday Family Film Night Fourth Saturday of each month, 6:00p.m. 'Fun & Fellowship Game Night for the Whole Family!' Come as you are and join us on the journey!

First Baptist Church Pastor Rocky Fritz 24 N. Mason Avenue Church Phone 857-2682 www.fbcamboy.com Sunday School for all ages - 9:30 a.m. Morning Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m. Wed. prayer meeting & Bible Study 6:30 p.m. King's Kids program from 6:30-8 p.m. Friday Reformers Unanimous addictions program from 7-9 p.m.

St. James Evangelical **Congregational Church** Robert Dunbar., Pastor US Route 52 & Red Brick Rd., Dixon 815-288-2447 Sunday 10:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Ladies Bible Study, Wed. 9 a.m.

> St. Mary's Church **Rev. Randy Fronek** West Brooklyn Tuesday & Thursday - 7:30 a.m. Saturday - 5:30 p.m.

St. Patrick Church **Rev. Randy Fronek - Maytown** Mass - Fri. 8 a.m., Sun, 8 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church Pastor Barb Otten 960 U.S. Route 52 Phone 857-2225 Sun. Worship - 9:00 a.m. Fellowship - 10:00 a.m. Sunday School - 9:40-10:15 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Rev. Randy Fronek Locust Street, Sublette Phone 815-849-5412 Saturday Mass - 4:00 p.m. Sunday Mass -10:30 a.m. Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. Thursday - 8:30 a.m.

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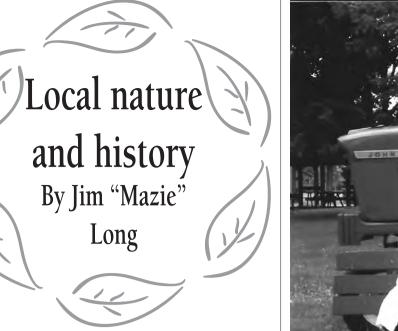
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5 odd, rare plants grow here YOU DON'T HAVE TO TRAVEL TO FAR-AWAY PLACES TO SEE SOME OF NATURE'S MORE EXOTIC PLANTS...

1. Scouring Rushes I am sure scour-

ing-rushes were used to scour many a pan in the earlier days. The evergreen (Equisetum hyemale), grows about three feet tall and can be found on river-banks and ditch-banks growing in great

masses. The stems are coated in silex, which is similar to a flexible glass, and when worked into a ball can be used to scour pots and pans. It is available year-round.

2. Woodland Horsetail When I discovered the Woodland Horsetail growing in Lee County in 1991, I soon learned that it had never been found before in Illinois. Some believed that Illinois was too far south for this "Northwoods" plant to grow here. I found it growing abundantly on a seeping-bank south of Amboy. A seeping bank is a hillside that is spring-fed and remains saturated all summer. Here, the spores of the plant found a cool soil much like "home".

3. St. John's Wort

In Lee County, I have found ten species of St. John's Wort. The most unusual is Halm's St. John's Wort, found only in temporary sandy ponds that hold water for a short time in the spring. This is a small, woody shrub that blooms abundantly with yellow blossoms in July and August. This species is rare in Illinois and almost restricted to the shores of Lake Michigan. The largest of this group (Genus), is the Giant St. John's Wort. Often four or more feet tall, with yellow flowers over two inches wide with a "brush' of numerous stamens in the center, it's a large-leaved, impressive plant.



Long it. He wanted his

> land to be in Paw Paw Grove. The Paw Paw plant did not grow in Shabbona Grove. 5. Kentucky Coffee

The Kentucky Coffee tree has leaves that are larger than any tree I know. They are two or three feet long and up to two feet wide. They are in the bean family and have very large, stout pods in the fall. The Coffee-tree can produce new trees from its lateral roots. They are found in small groves in the creek-bottoms. (According to Wikipedia, the seed may be roasted and used as a substitute for coffee beans; however, the unroasted pods and seeds are toxic.-Editor).

Editor's Note: James Brady Long was born in Amboy on June 12, 1926. Known by many as "Mazie", he grew up in Amboy, served in the army during World War II, then studied forestry at the Michigan College of Mining and Technology. His studies in botany and forest protection continued as he ventured into farming here. A beloved story-teller, his farm became a place of learning and adventure for relatives and friends. In his later years, he contributed a series of local nature articles to The Amboy News. Upon his death in 2000, his many hand-written drafts were gathered and initially curated by Brenda Boyle. *The present, renewed series* draws from those drafts, both unpublished and previously published.

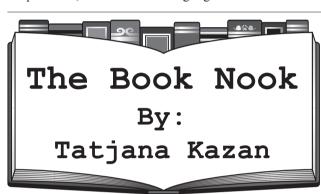


Borells to celebrate 60th wedding anniversary

AMBOY — Albert and Norma Borell of Amboy will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with a celebration Mass on Sunday, June 5, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Sublette.

Albert Borell Jr. and Normajean Bulfer were united in marriage June 2, 1962, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Sublette.

They have five children, eight grandchildren and five



AGAINST A LOVELESS WORLD

n Susan Abulhawa's novel"Againsta Loveless World," a Palestinian woman who spends 16 years in solitary confinement in an Israeli prison records the story of the ordeal of statelessness. Her language is rather salty, but it fits her character. In her isolation, "silence here is not the absence of sound, but the presence of a dense, unshakable stillness. Like dark matter in space, silence here is a living force that slides into all corners and seams. I have come to depend on it."

Her name is Nahr. Growing up in Kuwait, she is rebellious and naive, and more than anything, she loves to dance. Palestine is a mere word to her. "My life returns to me in images, smells and sounds, but never feelings. I

feel nothing." She becomes a prostitute and her family's sole breadwinner. All that changes when Saddam invades Kuwait and the Palestinians, accused of being on Iraq's side, are expelled. Nahr's mother, brother, and grandmother move to Jordan. Nahr eventually follows. From there she enters Palestine and her world changes.

Nahr is a modern woman, strong, but angry about how little control she has over her own life. She learns about her family: "Mama kept a box of black-and-white photographs from her life in Haifa. Her family had been well-off, but European Jews stole everything when they conquered Palestine in 1948 -right down to their furniture, books, and bank accounts. Her family became penniless

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overnight, then scattered to different corners of the world or died."

Nahr falls in love not only with the land of Palestine, but also with Bilal, a resistance fighter, whose band of fighters Nahr gladly joins. She works in a girlfriend's salon and takes long, romantic walks with Bilal. She enjoys the danger of planning and carrying out their attacks on Israeli soldiers and the newly arrived settlers. "Israeli settlers setting fire to trees during the harvest had become so commonplace in the past ten years that international aid organizations had been established for the sole purpose of defending Palestinian farmers."

Her best friend asks Nahr why they both ended up in prison. "It means fate lacks imagination,' I say, but I sit with the question. 'Or maybe it just proves the state will always find a way to imprison those who are truly free, who do not accept social, economic, or political chains.' That is all we say about prison. We return home, where I

2022-2023 City of Amboy **Elected Officials and Appointments**

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Bill Bontz: Amboy Fire Department Liaison, Police Commission, Park Board, Streets & Maintenance Dept.

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4. Paw Paw

The Paw Paw is a tropical tree, although it grows in temperate eastern America. One can go to the islands of the Caribbean and find our Paw Paw growing there. The fruits are edible in late fall. They resemble a brown, 3-inch banana

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Notice is hereby given that the colors of the official party ballots issued for the June 28, 2022 General Primary Election held in Lee County, Illinois are as follows:

The Republican Party Ballot is Yellow The Democratic Party Ballot is Green The Non-Partisan Ballot (containing referenda only) is White

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LOCAL NEWS



THE PASTOR'S PEN

CALL OUT TO HIM IN FAITH

BY PASTOR RICK WULF East Grove Union Church of Rural

Amboy i, Friends, As we are now into the second month of Spring, we sense the change of temperature and smell in the air that Summer is coming our way. We enjoy the warmer temperatures. We anticipate the filling out of the leaves on the trees. The gardens starting to grow and produce the fruits and vegetables.

The Apostle Paul spoke of change in 1 Thessalonians 15:50-58 when he wrote these words:

"I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. When

the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: Death has been swallowed up in victory."

Paul speaks of change and many times in this life, change is inevitable, and many times change isn't always pleasant to deal with and accept. The change to which Paul was referring to in 1 Corinthians is the change that we, the Children of God, will experience at the resurrection at the end of time. Our perishable, mortality, Paul says will be changed in the twinkling of an eye to be forever with Him in the immortal, imperishable state of Heaven. This is certainly one of the most acceptable changes to which we can look forward. This physical body that houses our soul, as a Child of God, which for many of us is failing us will one day be shed. and we are given the promise of a new eternal body. This promise of God for eternity is what gives us the hope for all eternity as God's Children. This is also what separates us as Christians from all other religious people. Our personal relationship with the Creator God of Heaven is very unique. Even though the world classifies Christianity as a religion, in actuality it is not. God loved the world so much that according to the Apostle Paul in Romans 5:6, 8, 10, we read: "You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life.'

As a servant of God, I encourage you that if don't know God in a personal way, call out to Him in faith before it is too late. He loves so very much. He wants only the best for you, and He wants you to spend Eternity with Him in Heaven. This is the most important decision that you will ever make in your life.

May God bless you and help you with whatever you may be going through. Please be encouraged that God is in control and He is there to help you.

Rock and roll up your sleeve: Give blood or platelets with the Red Cross

LEE COUNTY — Elvis Presley is known for being the first global rock and roll icon. He was also a blood donor himself.

While times have changed, the need for blood has not – donors can leave a lasting legacy themselves by making a lifesaving blood or platelet donation with the American Red Cross.

In honor of the new Baz Luhrmann film, Elvis, all who come to give in the month of June will be automatically entered for a chance to win a VIP trip to Graceland for two, including round-trip airfare to Memphis, plus a three-night stay at The Guest House and Elvis Entourage VIP tour, courtesy of Graceland, a custom-wrapped Gibson Epiphone guitar and more. Additionally, those who come to donate June 1-30 will also receive a \$5 e-gift card to a merchant of choice.* *Terms apply. Visit rcblood. org/elvismovie.

It's critically important the Red Cross maintain a stable blood supply for patients this summer. To schedule an appointment to donate, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit Red-CrossBlood.org or call 1-800-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Final days of COVID-19 antibody testing

All Red Cross blood, platelet and plasma donations are being tested for COVID-19 antibodies through June 3. Donors can learn if their donation has the antibody levels needed to potentially help COVID-19 patients with a weakened immune system.

Woodside Cemetery Memorial Day service planned for Sunday, May 29

LEE CENTER — The Lee Center Congregational Church and the Lee Center Woodside Cemetery Maintenance District Committee will be holding the annual Memorial Day Weekend Service at the Woodside Cemetery on Sunday,

Miss.

May 29 at 10:30 a.m. The service will include a message by Pastor Jack Briggs, along with the traditional reading of the veteran roll call. Please bring along a lawn chair.

In the event of rain, the service will

be held at the Lee Center First Congregational UCC church.

Special thanks to the volunteers for placing flags out on the veterans graves.

On This Day in History 100 YEARS AGO

May 26, 1922

The city of Dixon has the right system for dealing with gypsies. As soon as a band lands within the city limits, the police give them the hot foot right out. After the experience other cities have had with gypsies, it would be good to adopt a similar system.

School Notes: The following have perfect attendance for the whole school year: Joseph Barlow, Ralph Douglas, Vera Gooch, Mary Reniff, Darlene Weaver, Edna Blemaster, and Norman Jewett.

75 YEARS AGO May 29, 1947

Leo Dempsey was elected president of Amboy Chamber of Commerce. He is a local real estate broker and insurance salesman.

L.L. Brink, vice president and cashier of First National Bank, is completing 45 years in the banking business. Within a few weeks of his graduation from Steinman College, he accepted a position as stenographer at the First National Bank in Amboy and has held various positions over the years.

50 YEARS AGO May 27, 1972

June 17 and 18 have been set as the dates for the National Championship Rodeo to be held in Amboy. Plans for the rodeo were recently finalized by a committee representing the four sponsoring organizations – The Amboy Chamber of Commerce, Amboy Lions Club, Amboy Volunteer Firemen, Inc., and the Green River Saddle Club, Inc.

On Monday evening, May 22, the Amboy Education Association met to discuss the recent action by the District 272 Board of Education, when the board suddenly passed a salary schedule for the 1972-73 school year. Prior to this board action, no notice of this intent was given to the Negotiating Committee of the AEA, nor was the committee asked to share its suggestions after many hours of work trying to produce some suggestions for educational improvements and a salary schedule which is fairer to all concerned.

25 YEARS AGO May 22, 1997

The Illinois Department of Public Health fined Baptist Retirement Home of Maywood \$10,000 for failure to assure the safety of its residents. Department surveyors learned an 85-year-old resident wandered unnoticed the from facility in January and was found lying outside in the snow. The woman exited the facility through a door where the door alarm was not functioning.

In a presentation to the Amboy City Council, Mike Hickey, President of the Amboy Lions Club, went over a proposal by the Lions for the purchase of 17 acres of land that would eventually become a city park. The property is available for \$40,000. Under the proposal, the Lions Club would provide \$25,000 and the City of Amboy \$10,00, with the remaining \$5,000 to be raised through various fundraisers.

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> Love, John and Tonja

Mary B. Marchesi Jan. 3, 1911 – July 12, 1998

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Byron "Bys" Walter April 20, 1938 – July 12, 2017

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Always in our Hearts, Marilyn, Kirk, Kent, Kyle and Families **Don Wellman** Nov. 22, 1934 – Jan. 14, 2015

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Donna Wellman and Family



Ronald Vaessen July 19, 1940 – July 31, 2020

Forever missed, never forgotten. May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Ruth Ann and Family

Richard J. Wagner March 29, 1932 – Oct. 9, 2008

Forever missed, never forgotten. May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Donna, John, Jeff, Eileen, Dirk and Nick



Donald H. Schamberger 1933-2015

You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts.

Sandra Schamberger

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On the day that I arrived there were several enthusiastic youths gathered around the exhibit including nine year old's Kaiya and Alice.

"I watched them from the beginning and it's just so neat how they formed the chrysalis on their own," explained Kaiva.

"I like how they would eat a lot and it was so cool to see them hatch," added Alice.

Library Director Emily Goff, has been employed at the library for 19 years, seven of those as director, originally had the idea about the butterfly exhibit a couple of years ago and remembered how it caught the attention of so many patrons.

"The first time that we did this it went over really well," said Goff. "Since covid restrictions are over for now, I wanted to bring it back for this group of youngsters and adults alike. It's so satisfying to see the reactions and smiles from everyone that came in and witnessed something special. Our intent or objective was to bring in some new faces along with our familiar regulars to let everyone know what we offer program wise in addition to see some pretty butterflies."

There are quite a few programs and activities available including: tales for tots, where kids ages one to pre-school get to make crafts and enjoy story time; one thousand books before kindergarten; a junior craft club; a school age reading group on Saturdays; and a month long summer reading collective in June. Adults can participate in the Diamond Painting Art class which is a combination of painting and applying little jewels to a canvas. On a warm sunny Friday morning just last week, Assistant Librarian Christina Holt was given the enjoyable duty of setting all 10 of the Painted Ladies free "When we opened the cage they wouldn't fly out on their own so we had to reach in and pick them out as they crawled on our hands it tickled," Holt said with a laugh. "There really isn't anything like the experience of opening up the habitat and helping them out. 'They didn't know quite what to do since they have spent their entire short lives inside the enclosure. Now they can enjoy the sunshine and flowers," Holt said. If you are interested in raising your own painted ladies at home or perhaps in a classroom setting, Goff shared that there are several online sites where you can purchase the entire kit including the caterpillars between \$40 and \$50 dollars. Go rediscover what your local library has to offer, open everyday, Monday through Saturday.

Dear Editor.

Each year, Memorial Day serves as a reminder of the freedom we have and the bravery and sacrifice of those that have fought to preserve it. The holiday also marks the unofficial start of summer and unfortunately, one of the most dangerous times of year for drivers on our roads.

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a part of the special moments where we all come together, and we are committed to helping safeguard your Memorial Day traditions continue for years to come.

Before you raise a glass at your Memorial Day gatherings, remember to plan ahead and schedule a ride share to and from the festivities. Making sure you take steps to protect yourself and others ensures that everyone can enjoy the holiday and respectfully honor those who country.

Letters to the Editor

LOCAL NEWS

Over the last 35 years, we have worked together with our partners to invest more than \$1 billion on initiatives and community-based programs to prevent underage drinking, impaired driving, and other harmful uses of alcohol. This summer, all of us at G&M have also joined forces with Anheuser-Busch, Uber and MADD to encourage everyone to plan ahead for a safe ride and 'Decide

served our communities and to Ride' if you are drinking to help keep our roads and communities safe.

You can't drive drunk if vou don't drive there and by focusing on planning ahead, it makes it easier for you to make smart decisions while having a happy and safe Memorial Day.

> Sincerely, Mary Adolphson **Corporate Social Re**sponsibility Coordinator

Congratulations to the top students of the Amboy and LaMoille Classes of 2022!





LHS Top Students

AHS Top Students Pictured from left to right, Dana Merriman, Lauren Althaus, Samuel Russell, Lauren Richardson, Andruw Jones, Lauren Tarr, and Alexis Morgan. Not pictured are Madelyn Shuck, Sabdy Herrera and Connor Hummel.

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SPORTS Jones, Althaus compete at state track meet

CHARLESTON – Lauren Althaus and Elly Jones did themselves proud after the Amboy-LaMoille girls' track team members competed in the IHSA Class 1A Girls' Track & Field Meet held May 19-21 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Jones, a sophomore, competed in four events and placed in the top nine in two of them. Jones took seventh place in the state in the 100-meter hurdles. She ran a time of 15.87 and was in ninth place in the preliminaries, which qualified her for the finals. In the finals, Jones improved her time to 15.80 and her placement by two places up to seventh.

First place in the 100-meter hurdles went

to Grace Nelson of Altamont in a time of 14.19.

Jones finished in ninth place in the triple jump. Her jump in the preliminaries measured 10.33 meters (33-9), which put her in ninth place heading to the finals. She remained in ninth place after the conclusion of the finals, but bettered her distance to 10.35 meters (33-9.5).

Megan Williams of Newark claimed the triple jump state title with a leap of 11.28 meters (37-0).

Jones also competed in the 300-meter hurdles and the long jump, but did not make the finals in either event. In the 300 hurdles, she had a time of 50.20 in the preliminaries and in the long jump she measured out at 4.90 meters (16-0) in the preliminaries.

The state champion in the 300 hurdles was Cambria Gever of Tremont at 44.43, while Williams of Newark won the long jump state title with a distance of 5.66 meters (18-5).

Althaus, a senior, closed out her high school career with a seventh-place state finish in the 400-meter dash. Althaus had a time of 1:00.83 in the preliminaries, which had her sitting in ninth place entering the finals. She ramped up her time to 1:00.66 in the finals and improved her standing by two places to finish seventh overall.

Nakeita Kessling of Henry-Senachwine took top honors in the 400-meter dash with a time of 58.42.

Althaus also ran in the 200-meter dash. Her time of 27.85 in the preliminaries was not fast enough to send her to the finals.

Alyssa Williams of Tuscola claimed the 200 state crown with a clocking of 25.04.

Tuscola captured the team state championship with 57 points, edging Newark by three points. Winnebago (44), Glen Carbon Father McGivney (34) and Catlin Salt Fork (32) rounded out the top five.

Other teams placing in the top 10 were Tremont (28), DuQuoin (27), Eureka (26), Altamont (25) and Maroa-Forsyth (25). Amboy-LaMoille scored seven points and finished in 36th place.

Loftus heads to compete at state track meet in Charleston

ERIE - Brock Loftus will cap off his high school running career in the state meet after the Amboy-LaMoille Clippers competed in the Erie Class 1A Boys' Track & Field Meet on May 19

Loftus will be the Clippers' lone representative at state. He earned his bid by finishing in second place in the 3200-meter run with a time of 10:27.52. Tommy Murray of Riverdale won the event in 10:04.67.

Loftus finished third in the 1600-meter run with a clocking of 4:51.28. Kyler McNinch came in fourth in the 3200-meter run with a time of 10:53.96, while Ian Sundberg grabbed fourth in the discus with a toss of 132-7.

Fifth-place finishes for the Clippers were by Chanlor Pohl in the shot put (42-9) and the 4×800 -meter relay team (10:01.78). Runners were Wyatt Lundquist, Ed Fry, Damion Dubois and Atticus Horner.

Riverdale claimed the sectional team title with 97 points. Amboy-LaMoille finished in 10th place with 27 points.

The IHSA State Track & Field Meet will be held May 26-28 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

May 19 - Erie Sectional

Riverdale 97, Erie-Prophetstown 81, Indian Creek 51, Rockridge 48, Sherrard 45, Newman 43, Morrison 32, Milledgeville 31, Fulton 31, Amboy-LaMoille 27, Rock Island Alleman 20, Hinckley-Big Rock 17, Bureau Valley

11, Stockton 11, Somonauk 8, Orion 4

A-L 2nd place: *Brock Loftus, 3200m run, 10:27.52

A-L 3rd place: Loftus, 1600m run, 4:51.28

A-L 4th place: Kyler McNinch, 3200m run, 10:53.96; Ian Sundberg, discus, 132-7

A-L 5th place: 4x800m relay (Wyatt Lundquist, Ed Fry, Damion Dubois, Atticus Horner), 10:01.78; Chanlor Pohl, shot put, 42-9

A-L 6th place: 4x200m relay (Caleb Yonos, Joel Billhorn, Kelton Schwamberger, Zane Murphy), 1:38.75

A-L 7th place: Sundberg, shot put, 42-6; Pohl, discus, 125-2; Billhorn, high jump, 5-4

A-L 8th place: 4x400m relay (Fry, Lundquist, Dubois, Horner), 3:58.42

A-L 9th place: Murphy, 100m dash, 11.76; 4x100m relay (Yonos, Billhorn, Schwamberger, Murphy), 47.62

A-L 10th place: Yonos, 100m dash, 11.82; Murphy, 200m dash, 24.63

CGH vision centers

Clippers season comes to an end in Regionals

AMBOY – The season came to an end for the Amboy Clippers after they dropped a 6-3 decision to Eastland in the semifinal-round of the Amboy Class 1A Regional Baseball Tournament on May 18 at Parker Field.

Eastland took an early 4-0 lead with two runs in each of the first two innings. Amboy got on the board in the top of the fifth when Andruw Jones reached on an error and came around to score when Quinn Leffelman was also safe on a Cougar miscue.

Eastland stretched its lead to 6-1 with a pair of tallies in the bottom of the fifth.

Amboy completed the scoring when it took advantage of more defensive lapses by the Cougars to score two runs in the top of the seventh. Jones had a single in the frame, while a walk and two Eastland errors contributed

to Amboy's scoring.

Jones had a pair of singles for the Clippers, while Haden McCoy collected a double.

Jones got the start on the mound for Amboy and worked four innings. He gave up six hits and four runs, walked two and struck out six.

Amboy concluded the season with a 7-11 overall record.

Lady Clippers end season at Regionals

HENRY – Amboy closed out the softball season with a 4-0 setback to Henry-Senachwine in the opening round of the St. Bede Class 1A Regional Softball Tournament on May 16 at Henry.

The game was scoreless through three

innings before Henry struck for all four of its runs in the bottom of the fourth.

Amboy's lone hit of the contest was a double off the bat of Hannah Blanton. Blanton was in the circle for the Lady Clippers and took the loss.

Lauren Harbison pitched for Henry and recorded 15 strikeouts.

Amboy ended the season with a 6-12 record.



AREA STUDENT(S) NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT ST. NORBERT COLLEGE

DE PERE, Wis. - The following student(s) have been named to the 2022 spring semester dean's list at St. Norbert College. A minimum 3.5 grade point average is required for academic eligibility.

Natalie DeArvil, of Dixon

Founded in 1898, St. Norbert College is a private, Catholic, liberal arts college located in De Pere, Wisconsin, just outside of Green Bay. Recent years have seen record enrollments and unprecedented investments in the St. Norbert College campus. The academic excellence and character-building qualities of the college are nationally recognized by U.S. News & World Report, Forbes, Princeton Review and others. St. Norbert College is home to the Medical College of Wisconsin-Green Bay. www.snc.edu

WIU DEAN'S LIST SPRING 2022

MACOMB/MOLINE - A total of 1,080 undergraduate students enrolled at Western Illinois University were named to the 2022 Spring Dean's List. The total includes 107 students

12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in the fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits over two consecutive terms (EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6).

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with an 89-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 165,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers approximately 200 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, available online and on its 300-acre campus in Manchester, NH. Recognized as the "Most Innovative" regional university by U.S. News & World Report and one of the fastest-growing universities in the country, SNHU is committed to expanding access to high quality, affordable pathways that meet the needs of each learner. Learn more at www.snhu.edu.

HASTINGS COLLEGE HONORS **136TH GRADUATING CLASS**

HASTINGS, Neb. - Hastings College held its 136th Commencement on Saturday, May 14, 2022. During the ceremony, the College awarded degrees to 175 undergraduates and seven Master of Arts in Teaching graduates. Graduates represented 21 states and seven countries.

participates in healthy vision month

STERLING - This May, during Healthy Vision Month, the CGH Vision Centers are bringing awareness to inspire families to team up and learn how to protect their vision together. The CDC is encouraging all Americans to make vision a health priority this Healthy Vision Month.

Good eye health begins with routine care. If you have a comprehensive dilated eye exam, you can check for common eye problems. This is when an eye care professional will use drops to widen the pupils to check for common vision problems and eye diseases. It is also the best way to find out if you need glasses or contacts for youth and adults.

If you're like most Americans surveyed in a recent Harris Poll, you probably thought you would notice a change in your vision if you had an eye disease. The fact is some of the leading causes of blindness—such as glaucoma or diabetic retinopathy—can begin without any symptoms. That's why CGH Medical Center and the American Academy of Ophthalmology urge all healthy adults to get an eye exam at age 40, even if their vision seems fine. Early signs of disease and changes in vision may start to happen at this age.

"Even if you think you have 20/20 vision, set up a time to get your eyes checked. It may save your sight," said Dianna Seldomridge, M.D., clinical spokesperson for the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

"Your eyes help you see and navigate in your day-today life," said John Hahn,

MD, FACC, CGH Vision Center, "so protecting them is paramount."

Need more motivation to have your eyes examined? Your brain adapts to vision loss, making some eye diseases go unnoticed until it is too late. Once vision is lost, it cannot be restored. Ophthalmologists can spot eye disease before vision is compromised and protect your sight.

For more tips and information, visit www.cghmc. com/vision. If you haven't had an eye exam in a while, consider scheduling one today.

at the WIU-Quad Cities Campus.

To receive this award, an undergraduate student must earn at least a 3.6 grade point average on a scale of 4.0, which equals an A in a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded courses; pass-fail hours are not counted (e.g., student teaching, internships)

Local students earning Dean's List honors include:

Amboy

Noelle E. Jones (Senior) **Franklin Grove** Tyler D. Reyes (Junior)

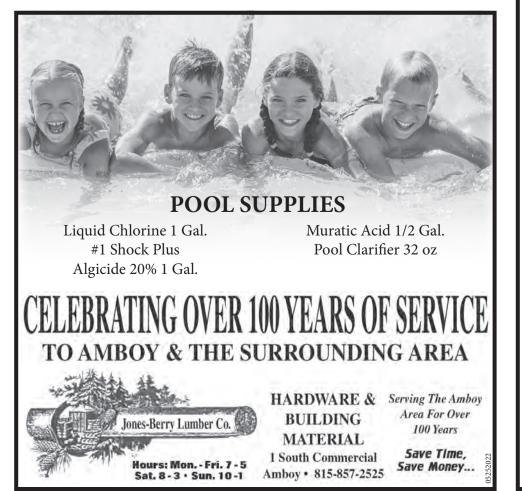
SNHU ANNOUNCES WINTER 2022 PRESIDENT'S LIST

MANCHESTER, N.H. —It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Winter 2022 President's List.

Garret Patti of Compton

Charles Jaworski of West Brooklyn

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning



Locally, Melissa Bates, of Dixon, graduated with degrees in Accounting and Business Administration.

Graduation honors are awarded to those students with outstanding academic records in their undergraduate work. Degrees with distinction are awarded as follows: Summa Cum Laude, overall GPA of 3.97 or higher; Magna Cum Laude, overall GPA of 3.94 or higher; and Cum Laude, overall GPA of 3.85 or higher.

Students who graduated with High Distinction in their major(s) earned a 3.85-4.0 grade point average, while students awarded Distinction earned at least a 3.7 grade point average in their major(s).

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SPORTS Clipper Highlights: The Schrock family

e grew up playing football. It was all we wanted to do and I thank the McCaffrey boys (Carl and Mark) for getting me into it," Doug Schrock shared to open our conversation.

I don't think it is a question to anyone in our community to see where Clipper Football ranks in Doug's life. Doug was a Sophomore on the 1979 Runner-Up team and sometimes punted to give Rick Considine a play off. The following season, his Junior season, Doug saw the field amongst a highly talented Senior class. Doug got injured early on in the season but still punted every game in the 1980 Runner-Up season.

"I remember the Havanna game well. That atmosphere was unreal. Ten people deep around the dirt track, right on top of you on the field it seemed. I knew at that point that our fan base was second to none," Doug reminisced.

Doug's Senior year, he was relied on to play Monster Back defensively along with continuing his punting duties. Doug also saw reps offensively at the Slot Back position throughout the Clipper campaign. The 1981 Clippers would go 6-3 and miss the playoff because of the infamous "Simultaneous Catch" game against Morrison. Doug finished his Clipper career earning Honorable Mention All Conference honors.

Doug was also a standout Clipper wrestler and earned All Conference honors on the mat.

Doug transitioned from Clipper player, to young fan in watching his friends, Dennis Nauman, Doug Ely, Brian Ely, Joe Nauman, and Dennis Ely enjoy their Clipper successes. Doug's Clipper career transitioned again when Danny was old enough to start wrestling and Jr. Tackle Football. Doug became a coach and provided more than just knowledge of the game. He provided passion for Clipper Football and what it meant to be a part of our proud tradition.

Doug shared, "I always wanted you guys to have pride and all I wanted was for him and those teams was to experience what we had. I can't put the pride and what it means into words. It really is something that you have to be a part of to fully understand."

Doug and Danny shared a moment following the loss to Plano, at the 50 yard line of The Harbor that culminated a illustrious Clipper legacy.

Like a lot of us, Danny grew up with the stories and tales of all the great Clipper teams. A prime athlete from his early days, there was no doubt that Danny would excel in the Clipper red.

As a Junior, Danny would be a crucial component of one of the best Linebacking corps in our program. Danny, Tav Kaleel, Aaron Setchell, and Richard Harris made up, arguably, the strongest position group on that 2005 Clipper team. They all played so well off of one another. Harris and Kaleel, two tough nose, never back down, instinctual players matched with the supreme athleticism of Setchell and Danny. Danny praised Coach Jones as a position coach.

Danny shared, "We all were one on one with him every day in defensive breakdown. The competition with all of us was intense. It's fair to say that because of that one on one with Coach Jones, we all took on his mentality. It also created a greater sense of respect because letting him down was two-fold as the Head Coach and as our position coach."

Danny remembers the closeness of the 2005 Clipper team and believed that if a couple of outcomes had been different than a further playoff run would have been the result.

Danny shared his thought on the best week of the 2005 season, "Our best week of practice that season was the week before our first

Clipper Highlights By Spencer

Morrissey



game against BV. We were making plays in practice that surprised us at times and that's when we know we had something special. I think if we beat BV that changes the whole outcome of our season."

Danny summarized his Junior season perfectly along with giving great compliments in toughness, athleticism, and leadership to the class of 2006. Danny punted for the 2005 Clippers all season also.

It needs to be highlighted that between Danny's Junior and Senior year of Football, he brought home some nice hardware as he was an All-State Wrestler and placed third in the State Tournament. I can still remember Danny walking through the tunnel made of all AHS students, in his letterman jacket and wrestling bag on his shoulder. Then as now, humility, focus, and a pride in representing his community was what we all saw from Danny.

Instead of coasting on his successes his Junior year, Danny transformed from an asset on a loaded team, to a leader. Danny did this all while learning a new offensive position, Offensive Guard. Assuming his normal punting and Linebacker duties, Danny never came



off the field during the 2006

season. On top of the new-

ness at the Offensive Line,

Danny became the leader of

the young, Junior dominated

Clipper hogs. Danny was

quick, athletic, and strong

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at Offensive Guard, Line-

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Danny's Senior year in

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Doug Schrock

an All Conference Football player on a Quarterfinal team, All Conference Wrestler, and All Conference catcher in baseball. What most may not know, is that Danny was asked by his classmates and coaches to join the Clipper basketball team prior to the Regional. To think about that for a second is astonishing and all the information anyone would need to know of the athlete that Danny was. Danny played very good defense, was quick, and he didn't have a bad jump shot. Not bad for a kid who hadn't picked up a basketball in over two years.

Danny continued his wrestling career at one of the top wrestling schools in the country, Iowa State. Danny wrestled with the very best the Big XII had to offer and has a Big XII championship team wrestling ring to show for it.

Amboy Clipper Football holds a special place in Danny's heart. For a kid who went to the top in wrestling, who's best sport was baseball, Clipper Football sticks with Danny to this day.

Danny concluded with his meaning.

"Amboy has always been a football town so when it was our time, it was absolutely everything. The history of all the great athletes combined with the talent that we had, nothing else mattered at that time in life. Today, I have to say it's the same feeling. I haven't been home in 15 years and I can guarantee if you get all of us together, the first thing we all will be talking about, after asking how everyone's family is doing, is Amboy Clipper Football and all the great memories we made that will last a lifetime," Danny shared.

So, to #32 Doug Schrock and #52, Danny "Danimal" Schrock, thank you for your contributions to Amboy Clipper Football. Thank you for your contributions to Clipper Wrestling as well. One of the great legacies in our program but two of the best men our wonderful community produced. Sail on!

Spencer Morrissey, is a former resident of Amboy and 2009 graduate of Amboy High School. In April 2020, he created a private Facebook group specifically for Amboy Clipper Football Alumni. To have played Amboy football for any period of time, 1 year or all 4 years, is the only membership requirement. The group features photos, stories, and memories of past Clippers and Clipper teams. The best feature of the group is every Friday, he highlights a former player.





those same great experiences that we did, or better."

Doug was on the sidelines keeping stats and always being another coach and positive support while Danny was in high school and beyond. As great of moments as he had on the field, there is no doubt his joy, excitement, and pride came from watching Danny star in all of his athletic successes as a Clipper and also all of his daughter Emily's successes as a Lady Clipper athlete.

To Doug, Amboy Football is a way of life.

Doug concluded, "It was all we wanted to do. We hated it when it was over. In Amboy it is a way of life. When it came Dan's time to play, it was such a sense of

Danny Schrock

Early Deadlines



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The Amboy News will have EARLY

DEADLINES for our issue of June 1 due to Memorial Day.

> Advertising deadline is Thursday, May 26 at noon

Editorial deadline is Friday, May 27 at 10 a.m.

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LOCAL NEWS **IDNR reminds boaters to wear life jackets, boat sober**

SPRINGFIELD-As the summer boating season approaches, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources conservation police are reminding people to wear life jackets anytime they're on the water and to only operate boats while sober.

The message to "Wear It!" is timed with National Safe Boating Week, May 21-27.

"The 'Wear It!' message is a simple and easy message to understand," said Illinois Conservation Police Lt. Curt Lewis, who is the state's boating law administrator. "Wearing a life jacket isn't just a reminder for everyone on a motorboat; it's also important for everyone who enjoys paddle sports, such as kayaks, canoes, and stand-up paddleboards.'

In 2021 there were 93 reportable boating accidents on Illinois waters, resulting in 28 injuries and 16 fatalities, according to statistics compiled by the conservation police.

In 2020, there were 81 boating accidents with 21 fatalities and 36 injuries. And in 2019, there were 72 accidents with 14 fatalities and 42 injuries. (Annual boating accident statistics are compiled based on the federal fiscal year Oct. 1 through Sept. 30.)

Boating accident reports indicate most

accidents occur between noon and 6 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays between June and August.

Conditions are usually clear with good visibility, light winds and calm water. Most accidents involve operators between the ages of 20 and 40 who have more than 100 hours of boating experience but little or no classroom boating safety instruction. They also usually involve open motorboats cruising in a careless or reckless manner, culminating in a collision with another boat.

With Memorial Day weekend approaching and boating season getting underway, everyone enjoying the waterways needs to make safety their priority," Lewis said. "Wearing a life jacket can save your life, and staying sober while operating a boat is not only common sense, it's the law."

As part of the Illinois Conservation Police boating safety enforcement effort, officers also strictly enforce laws regarding operating under the influence (OUI) for boat operators.

Operating a boat under the influence is in some ways riskier than operating a motor vehicle under the influence, Lewis said. On waterways, there are no lane markers, boats have no seatbelts, and there is little protection for occupants should a collision occur.

In 2021 Illinois Conservation Police officers arrested 65 boaters for operating under the influence (OUI), a 36% decrease from 2020.

Four of the 16 boating-related fatalities in Illinois in 2021 involved alcohol or drug impairment. The other 12 who died were not wearing life jackets or vests.

Illinois law requires that personal floatation devices, or PFDs-which are life jackets or life vests - be available for each person aboard a boat or other watercraft.

Effective June 1, 2022, no person may operate a watercraft unless everyone under the age of 13 on the deck or in an open watercraft is wearing an approved and appropriately sized PFD. The requirement does not apply to people who are inside a cabin or below the top deck on a watercraft, on an anchored watercraft that is a platform for swimming or diving, or aboard a charter "passenger for hire" watercraft with a licensed captain.

Illinois law requires everyone to wear a PFD while operating a personal watercraft or jet ski.

Lewis stressed that the most proactive action boaters can take to ensure their safety on the water is to wear a Coast Guard-approved PFD of the appropriate size and in serviceable condition.

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The Illinois Department of Natural Resources offers free boating safety courses that provide a review of boating laws and regulations, as well as instruction on the safe and attentive operation of watercraft. The department encourages boaters of all ages to take a safety course. Anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1998, must pass a course and have a valid Boating Safety Certificate to operate a motorboat (with over 10 horsepower). State law also requires boating safety education for people ages 12 to 17 to operate a motorboat.

Free safety courses are taught by volunteer instructors and are available throughout Illinois. Find a schedule of courses at https://bit. ly/IDNRsafeboating. For a fee, online boating safety courses are also available.

National Safe Boating Week is observed each year during the week leading up to the Memorial Day holiday weekend. For more information on the campaign, visit safeboatingcampaign.com.

KISH DONOR, **SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT BUILD CONNECTION**

Peter Rood and Anthony Patino, past recipient of the Kishwaukee College Foundation Mathew J. Rood Diesel Power Technology Scholarship, pose for a photo following a breakfast earlier this month. Peter Rood, the father of former Kish graduate Mathew Rood, established the scholarship in memory of his son to benefit Kish Diesel Power Technology students. Patino was the first recipient of the scholarship and is currently working to complete the DPT program. He is an active service member in the United States Army Reserves and is pursuing his education in diesel power technology to help advance both his military and civilian careers. For more information on Kishwaukee College Foundation scholarships, visit kish.edu/ kcfscholarships or contact the Kishwaukee College Foundation at 815-825-2952 or foundation@kish. edu.

Photo submitted

Amboy FFA Chapter elects new slate of officers

AMBOY-On May 19, Amboy High School FFA Chapter elected its 2022-2023 new slate of officers. Speeches were held during lunch, and interviews were conducted after school by alumni members Susie Heavner and Rebecca Bontz. The newly elected officers include:

President- Kelton Schwamberger Vice President- Emma Dinges **Reporter-Natalie Pratt** Secretary- Tyler Huggins Treasure- Brad Dinwiddie Sentinel-Brysen Full

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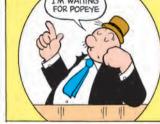
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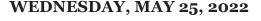






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DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for the 2022-2023 fiscal year for the Amboy Fire Protection District, Lee County, Illinois, at 8:00 A.M., on Monday, July 11, 2022, at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Amboy Fire Protection District, at the District's headquarters station located at 25 N. East Avenue, Amboy, IL 61310.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a tentative form of said Budget Appropriations and Ordinance will be on file and available for public inspection at the District's headquarters station located at 25 N. East Avenue, Amboy, IL on appointment from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday beginning on June 10, 2022

Legal No. 0504 (5/25 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE LEE COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a tentative Budget Appropriation and Ordinance the for Lee Community Fire Protection District of Dekalb County and Lee County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022 has been prepared and the public notice has been posted

the said Fire District, and also printed in the Dekalb Daily Chronicle and The Amboy News

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that a public hearing shall be held as to such Budget Appropriation and Ordinance at the Lee Community Fire Department. Lee. IL on July 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Cass Larson, Secretary of the Board of Trustees

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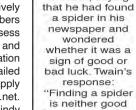
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LOCAL NEWS **IDOA continues emergency rule to protect** poultry from highly pathogenic avaian

SPRINGFIELD - The Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA) announced today that it will continue to enforce emergency rules prohibiting the sale or exhibiting of poultry and poultry products at swap meets, exhibitions, flea markets, and auction markets in Illinois to prevent the spread of avian influenza.

The Department's emergency rules took effect on April 5, 2022. The emergency rules may be effective for up to 150 days; however, the Department is evaluating the need for the emergency rules every 45 days based on the most up to date avian influenza information. At the close of the first 45-day period, the Department has determined that the emergency rules should remain in effect as avian influenza has been detected in the State as recently as May 17. The Department will continue to evaluate in 45-day increments for up to 150 days.

In conjunction with this announcement, Illinois 4-H will move all county fair 4-H poultry shows to an alternate format while the emergency rules are in place. If and when the emergency rules are lifted. 4-H will return to live shows. "We want all youth to know they will still have an opportunity to exhibit and share what they've learned in their 4-H poultry project this year," said Dr. Lisa Diaz, University of Illinois Extension 4-H Director.

A decision regarding State Fair poultry shows will be made by June 17.

"The extended waterfowl migration, cooler average temperatures, and increased rainfall this spring, are factors contributing to the identification of additional detections in Illinois," said Dr. Mark Ernst, IDOA State Veterinarian. "It is our hope that within the coming weeks, migration will be completed, the weather will be consistently warmer and drier, and the risk for spread will be dramatically lower."

Flock owners, managers, or veterinarians should report any unusual findings in domestic poultry such as increase in mortality, decrease in water consumption, decrease in egg production, or respiratory signs including coughing and sneezing immediately to the IDOA at 217-782-4944 or the USDA at 866-536-7593.

For more information regarding Avian Influenza, including links to the USDA's websites and biosecurity tips,

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Learn more about the Flora, Fauna, and Fungi of the Mississippi **Palisades State Park**

Kick off your Memorial Day weekend! Join University of Illinois Extension Master Naturalist as we explore the flora, fauna and fungi of the Mississippi Palisades State Park.

This program will start at the Savanna Museum and Cultural Center: 406 Main St. Savanna, where our three presenters will talk about the flora, fauna and fungi native to the Mississippi Palisades State Park. The program will end with a walk of the Sentinel trail in the park. This mile-long trail through Sentinel Nature Preserve, leads upward through a north facing slope that begins with various ferns interlaced with early spring blooms; meadow rue, bloodroot, wild ginger, Virginia bluebells and even the occasional yellow lady's slipper orchid.

NOTE: The Sentinel trail is classified as moderately challenging and includes a series of slippery wooden

steps. Walking the trail is optional, you may choose to attend the education at the Savanna Museum and Cultural Center only.

Wild Palisades will take place on May 28, starting at 9:30 a.m., at the Savanna Museum and Cultural Center. We will travel to the Mississippi Palisades State Park, South Park Entrance to walk the Sentinel Trail. The program is scheduled to end at noon. No reservations needed. Family

friendly event. Youth are welcome with an adult. Hands On Gardening

Activities at

Sterling Public Library Start the gardening season off on the right foot, join Whiteside County Master Gardeners on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at the Sterling Public library for Hands on Home, a drop-in workshop creating natural remedies to enhance vour gardening experience. Stop in any time between 10AM – Noon and enjoy making your own natural hand scrub and bug spray. Get a start on growing your garden with seed starting and seed tape and create your own garden marker by painting a garden stone. The cost is \$5 per person, payable at the door. Youth are welcome with an adult. Call Whiteside County Extension at 815-632-3611, or email Mary at mnelsn25@illinois.edu, for more information.



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