

# ANTIQUE TRACTOR AND TOY SHOW ROLLS ON

**BY GEORGE HOWE**  
Amboy News Reporter

**SUBLETTE** — It was a tale of two weather days for the 40th annual Sublette Antique Tractor and Toy Show held March 19 and 20. The opening day was rainy, cool, and blustery but that didn’t dampen the spirits of the visitors who braved the conditions as they walked down Main Street. The first day of spring, brought sunshine on Sunday and gave everyone a better opportunity to wander around and gaze at the impressive variety of tractors including John Deere, New Holland, Case, Ford and International Harvester the featured brand of the event. Some classics were completely restored, while others were in original condition dating back to the 1940’s and 50’s.

If your passion is toys, five buildings including the Sublette Community Building, Ellice Dinges Center, and Farmers Elevator Shed were filled with miniature fun size tractors, trucks, and cars. Completely using up every square inch of the stage of the community building, father and son ‘Double Collectors’ as their business card states, displayed an incredible array of Hot Wheels, Johnny Lightning, Greenlight, and Ertl cars, trucks, toys, and pedal cars, more than two thousand in all. You would think that it would take days to set up, but according to Randy Withrow that wasn’t the case.

“My father Paul and I have a good system of setting up and it only takes a couple of hours,” he said. “Hopefully we’ll sell a lot and the takedown will be even quicker.”

If you were looking to buy, items ranged in price from a buck to hundreds of dollars.

If you preferred something a little different there were choices for almost all tastes like; vintage Hesston Rodeo belt buckles. Homemade quilts, made to order decorative wood carvings, gourmet dog treats, and the old reliable Avon products. The passion and dedication of the participants wasn’t lost on first time show guest Shannon Sloane from Zionsville Indiana.



Visitors walk through the line-up of tractors on Sunday in downtown Sublette for the annual Sublette Antique Tractor and Toy Show March 19 and 20.

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News

“I think that the extensive collections are very impressive and they seem to have a lot of time and money invested,” Sloane shared.

“It’s fun to see people’s hobbies and what they have to say and offer. I’m glad that I came.”

A 50-50 raffle, food booths run by the area 4-H clubs, a

Fireman’s hosted Pancake Breakfast and the proceeds from this fundraiser, help benefit the community of approximately 450 residents. “Our slogan has been that we are ‘the small town with the big tractor and toy show,’” explained Sublette Village President John Stenzel. “We hope to carry on this tradition for many years to come.”



Above, visitors walk through the line-up of tractors on Sunday in downtown Sublette for the annual Sublette Antique Tractor and Toy Show March 19 and 20. Right, collectibles were on display at five different locations, including at the Sublette Community Building

Jamie Stanford/Amboy News



## More than an exhibit on display



Beau Sabotta, 16 years old of Putnam, displayed a working farm scene during the annual Sublette Antique Tractor and Toy Show.

George Howe/Amboy News

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**SUBLETTE** — As I made my way throughout five buildings packed with antique tractors and toys at the 40th annual show in Sublette, on Saturday March 19, over in the very far corner of one of many rooms used at the grammar school, I came upon a farm display lovingly put together by 16, year old, soon to be 17 on March 30, Beau Sabotta of Putnam. This young man shared with me that he had been coming to the show every year of his young life. Growing up around farming and being from a family that collects classic tractors he caught the bug early on and was inspired by his Grandpa who enjoyed building displays, and getting the chance to hang around other display hobby enthusiasts. “I’ve always had displays whether it was on the carpet of our living room floor, or sheets of plywood on saw horses in the basement,” he said. “I was always building something.”

His exhibit featured a working farm complete with a barn, livestock, pole barn, tractors, haulers, pickups, tillers, a garage under construction, trees, and soybeans being harvested. It was very detailed and took careful planning and time.

“The display as a whole took several months to complete,” he said. “As I accumulated more things and started to put the boards together, it took an additional two to three weeks of daily work.”

“The non-harvested beans I made from carpet and the stubble is static grass,” he explained.

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## Sublette working deal with local wrestling club

**BY TONJA GREENFIELD**

Publisher

**SUBLETTE** — The Village of Sublette is working up a contract for the Clipper Wrestling Club to use the Ellice Dinges Center for practice starting this fall.

Brent Montavon and Jennifer Phelps from the Clipper Wrestling Club attended the monthly Sublette Village Board meeting on Monday, March 14, in the Ellice Dinges Center. The Sublette board has been looking into the possibility of the club renting the EDC for practice. All members of the board were present except trustee Jeff Myers.

Montavon told the board that the club was looking for a place for practice. He said the season starts November 1 and is done in March. He said the club was looking to use the EDC four nights a week for practice, with practices averages a hour and half to two hours. He said they can use the Amboy High School for free but if the school is shut

down for any reason, they cannot use the facility.

He added that the Mendota wrestling club shut down, so he was trying to find a central location where the area wrestlers could come together for practice. He said the goal is to grow the wrestling program.

He proposed the club paying the village \$2,000 for a rental fee and \$400 for a storage fee for the mats. The mats are currently being housed at the Amboy Junior High.

Phelps said the club comes with its own insurance and that the parents of the wrestlers would sign waivers so the village would not be responsible for injuries.

Board members expressed agreement over the terms presented, and asked for time to fine tune the rental agreement for the club.

#### Heartland Cable

Jim Frances of Heartland Cable Broadband spoke to the board about the services Heartland

Cable offers to the Sublette residents. Frances was asked to speak to the board because another company, Surf Broadband Solutions, has approached the village about putting fiber optic internet in Sublette.

Frances told the board that Heartland has more than 22,000 feet of cable in the village. He added that there are currently 95 internet customers and 80 television customers. He said he can sell customers a plan up to 500 mb, adding he has two customers who do 100 mb. Frances said the cost for 10 mb is \$39.99, 25 mb is \$49.99, 50 mb is \$75, and 100 mb is \$100 per month.

He also told the board that if fiber was installed it would probably be 100 percent underground.

Stenzel mentioned that if the village ever established it’s own sewer system and needed to run sewer lines to every residents, that would be the time to run fiber lines.

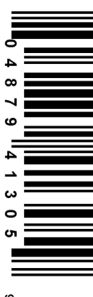
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# LOCAL NEWS



## FIRE DEPARTMENT BREAKFAST

Sublette firefighter Bryce Erbes, pictured left, serves up breakfast to hungry guests on Sunday morning during the annual Sublette Antique Tractor and Toy Show. Also serving is Bryce's father and former Sublette Fire Chief Doug Erbes. Current Sublette Fire Chief Kevin Schultz said he thought the fire department was looking at a record breaking year for the annual breakfast.

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News



Haden McCoy

## McCoy named March Student of the Month

AMBOY — Haden McCoy, son of Amy McCoy and Marty Quest, was named the Amboy High School Student of the Month for March.

GPA: 3.6/4.0

Memberships and involvement: FFA, basketball team, baseball team

Awards and Honors: SVCC part time students dean's list, American Citizenship Award, 2021 Varsity Basketball Hardest Working Player

Best Memories of AHS: Watching the boys go to the final four in football.

Future Plans: "I will go to SVCC to complete my general education, I then plan on transferring to a four year university. I would like to potentially acquire a degree in media and communications, but I am not for sure what my plans are."

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Sabotta's passion and commitment wasn't lost on Sublette Village President John Stenzel who Sabotta contacted about entering the show.

"This young man has a lot of character and showed it to me when he originally asked if we could talk on the telephone

when he was on break from work," said Stenzel. "I don't think that a lot of young people his age would be worried about interrupting their work to talk."

"This is what the show is all about," Stenzel continued. "Eventually, we will pass the torch and Beau is a perfect example of who will keep it going."

Sabotta is currently a junior in high school and plans on going into construction and heavy equipment operating. He did say that he will find time for his hobby.

"I plan on staying busy building and will continue the tradition of coming to the show for many years to come."



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Pope Francis will consecrate **Russia** to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**.

Bishop Malloy will consecrate **our country** and **the Diocese of Rockford** to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**.

We, the priest and parishioners, of **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Sublette, St. Mary of the Assumption Church, West Brooklyn, and St. Patrick's Church, Maytown** are being encouraged to take part in this renewal of the consecration of **Russia** called for by our **Lady of Fatima in 1917**.

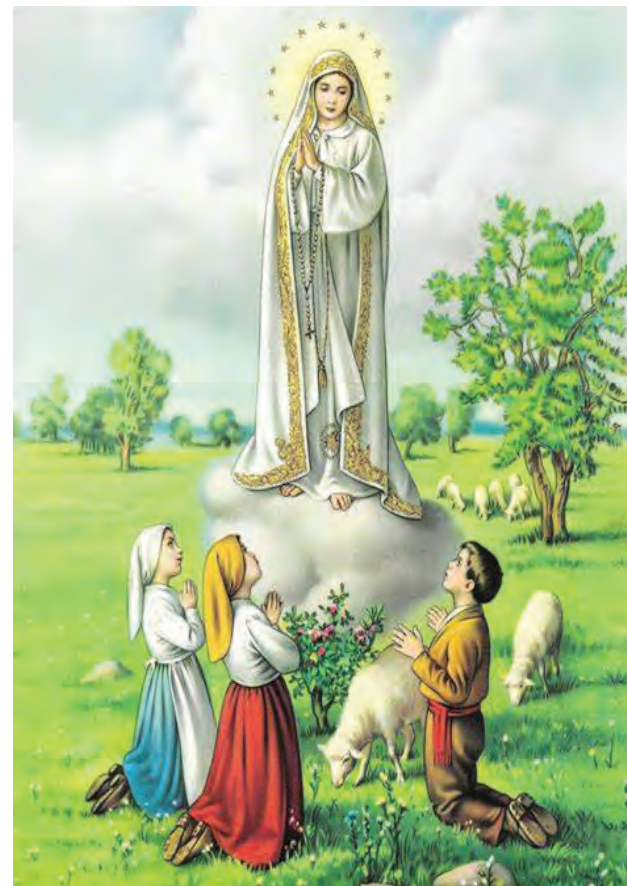
Come to Mass at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** on the **Solemnity of the Annunciation**, March 25th at either 8:00 am or 5:30 pm, and take part in this critical consecration in **salvation history**.

**Consecration** – to set apart a thing or a person from a common or profane use to a Sacred use; to dedicate a thing or a person to the service and worship of God

*In a moment of unity and solidarity with our Holy Father as well as with the people of Ukraine and Russia and all people of good will, Bishop Malloy will consecrate our country and the Diocese of Rockford to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in the Cathedral in Rockford on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Friday, March 25, 2022 at 7 pm.*



Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,  
I love you very much.  
I beg you to spare the  
life of N.,  
(mention the name you  
give to this baby)  
the unborn baby  
that I have spiritually  
adopted,  
who is in danger  
of abortion. Amen.





## LOCAL NEWS

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**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](http://www.lchd.com) for a list of services available.

**SUBLETTE**-The Seven Sorrows of Mary devotion will be held every Wednesday evening during Lent. Gather for Confessions at 4:30 p.m. and at 5 p.m. pray the Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of Mary. This sacramental will be followed by the Holy Mass. On Wednesday, March 23, this devotion will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, in Sublette.

**AMBOY**- On Friday, March 25, the Amboy Lions Club scholarship applications are due to the AHS counselor by 3:30 p.m. The Club will

be giving up to \$1,000 per person and not to exceed \$3,000 based on the number of applicants.

**LEE CENTER**- The Lee Center Congregational Church and the Amboy Lions Club will be holding a chili/soup luncheon on Sunday, March 27 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Amboy Community Center with the net proceeds being divided between the church and the club.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd., on Monday, March 28. Anyone interested in joining or wants more information on the Lions Club is invited to attend.

**WEST BROOKLYN**-The Seven Sorrows of Mary devotion will be held every Wednesday evening during Lent. Gather for Confessions

at 4:30 p.m. and at 5 p.m. pray the Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of Mary. This sacramental will be followed by the Holy Mass. On Wednesday, March 30, this devotion will be held at the St. Mary of the Assumption in West Brooklyn.

**LEE CENTER TWP**-The Lee Center Township will hold its budget hearings/annual audit at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, at the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy.

**AMBOY**-The City of Amboy committee meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 4, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**AMBOY**-All ACO members are invited to gather Tuesday, April 5, at Maria's Pizza, 110 E. Main St., Amboy. Optional diners will gather at 4 p.m. The meeting

will follow dinner at approximately 5 p.m. Optional Bunco party will follow meeting.

**MAYTOWN**-The Seven Sorrows of Mary devotion will be held every Wednesday evening during Lent. Gather for Confessions at 4:30 p.m. and at 5 p.m. pray the Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of Mary. This sacramental will be followed by the Holy Mass. On Wednesday, April 6, this devotion will be held at the St. Patrick Church, Maytown.

**AMBOY**- Mark your calendar for the Amboy Lions Club Rose Day event on Saturday, April 9. This event is one of the Club's two major fund-raisers throughout the year. The cost is \$20 per dozen. If interested in roses and supporting the Lions, please contact a Lions Club member.

## TEEN TURF

## Fish Fry

We are having our Drive-Thru Fish Fry on Friday, April 8 from 4 to 7 p.m. It will be a pick up only at the Boehle Youth Center (Teen Turf building) 235 W. Main in Amboy. Dinner includes Fish, Coleslaw Bread, Potato Salad, and a cookie. Cost of dinner is \$12. All proceeds benefit our free programs. Our afterschool students and parents will be selling tickets. If they sell all their tickets, they will be able to attend a pizza party. Please see Eileen Piper 815-440-8195 and Board members for tickets as well: Deb Albee, Barb Harrison, Pam Thomas, Mark Grossman, Trese McNinch, Shannon Nichols, Shelli Bump, Janine and Scott Huffman, Kaylee Jones, and Kimberly Watley.

## Future Events

We will holding our 23rd annual Teen Turf Draw Down on May 7, 2022. It will be a drive-thru Dinner from 4-6 p.m., and the drawing will be held on Facebook Live at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$50 and includes two dinners, dessert, and a chance to win the Grand Prize of \$1,500. The Teen Turf Virtual Auction will be on Airauctioneer.com starting April 28, at noon and will end at 8 p.m. on May 5.

## Americorps Help Wanted

This wonderful program has provided us with so many great individuals over the years. Many of these volunteers have become teachers and other workforce leaders. They receive a stipend and school money after they complete each term. Right now we have Gabby and Pam, however we will need another person for the summer. If interested, please call Eileen Piper at 815-857-4800 or Nicole with Americorps at 815-835-6313.

## Our FREE after-school program

Students in third-eighth grade. It began Tuesday, Sept. 7, from 3:30-5 p.m. Like last school year, we are only taking a set amount. You must have your child or children pre-registered prior to coming. If you are interested in having them attend, please call 815-857-4800.

## Aerobics

Open to the public: Anyone is invited to gather at Teen Turf on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. for group chair exercises and walking. They have a great time together.

## Thank You's

We are grateful for those who help us: Anonymous monetary donation; John and Isabella Glaser for monetary donation; Candy Robinson for the bag of candy; Sandy Draper for the pie for pi day; Irene and Eileen Ramsdell for the meat, cheese, bread, and St. Patty's Day cupcakes; Mark and Veronica Grossman for the items; Anonymous for the lot of snacks; Sandy Morrissey for the monetary donation for senior dinners; Diane and Joe Stewart for their monetary donation; Nancy and Terry Leffelman for the donation towards the Fish Fry and Dance; Donna Wellman for the money toward the grand prize in the balloon drop and Claudia Leffelman for the backpacks and Barb Harrison for delivering them. Thank

## SVCC to host Spring Blood Drive March 28

**STERLING** — Sauk Valley Community College invites you to participate in the Fall blood drive. Visit the SVCC campus, Monday, March 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Dillon Mall.

The past year has been hard for everyone. The Red Cross has seen blood donor turnout decline by nearly 10 percent while hospital demand for blood products continues to outpace donations, please help us save lives. With your help, we can give the gift of life.

Appointments are required at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

## Old Car Donations Needed

The Amboy Fire Department is looking for donations of old cars to be used in training at the Amboy Fire & Extrication School 2022 on April 9.



Cars need to be donated by **April 1** and the fire department will come and pick them up.



To donate, contact the Amboy Fire Department at 815-857-2325.

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*Margaret and Jerry Shaw recently donated money to Teen Turf for a new coffee pot in memory of her mother, Rose Coss.*

Photo submitted

you for our wonderful volunteers: Mary, Sandy, Candy, Chris, Donna, Megan, and Mary.

## Needs

If anyone has an open garage or an empty storage unit, we are looking for one to store furniture for those in need. Please contact Eileen Piper at 815-857-4800.

## Pray for the Week

Dear Heavenly Father, our bodies and minds are filled with turmoil. We're worried about situations in our lives that we can't control. We are concerned about our family, friends, and strangers. We worry that the world is falling apart and there are people who don't know You. From medical tests to strained relationships, to our long "to do" list, we are filled with stress.

Please release us from these worries. Remind us of your love. Please cover us with Your peace and calm. Allow our bodies and minds to find rest with You. God, thank you for always listening and hearing prayers.

We pray for inner peace and calm for every person. In the name of Your Son, Amen.

Donors should plan to bring their photo ID, eat a healthy meal, and drink plenty of water prior to donating blood. This event is sponsored by the SVCC Student Government Association and AmeriCorps of Sauk Valley Community College.

For more information, please contact Ana Salgado at [ana.s.salgado@svcc.edu](mailto:ana.s.salgado@svcc.edu)

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# OBITUARIES

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### Esther Marie Lachat Feb. 23, 1942 - March 19, 2022

**DIXON** — Esther Marie Lachat, 80 formerly of Bemidji, Minn., and lately of Dixon, passed away on March 19, 2022.

She was born on Feb. 23, 1942 in Dayton, Ohio, the daughter of Joseph and Leona M. (Klein) Lachat.

Esther is preceded in death by her parents, significant other Andrew Janssen, and their daughter, Andrea Janssen.

She is survived by her grandson, John; her siblings, Eugene Lachat, of Ozark, Ark., Francis (Dean Ann) Lachat, of Amboy, Eileen Helfrich, of Dodge City, Kansas, Nora Woolley, of Braselton Ga., Jerome Lachat, of Braselton, Ga., Therese (Chester) Smith, of Franklin Grove, David

(JoAnn) Lachat, of Olympia, Wash., Joseph (Pat) Lachat, of Franklin Gove, Michele (Larry) Houghtby, of Waterman, Christina (David) Shaw, of Amboy; her aunt, Darlene Klein, of Metamora, and uncle Norbert (Rose) Lachat, of Russia, Ohio.

Esther is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins, along with many great nieces and nephews.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Funeral services will be on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 11 a.m., at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., prior to mass on March 24, 2022 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. A memorial has been established to the St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Patrick



Catholic Church in Amboy.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Online condolences can be left at [www.thejonesfh.com](http://www.thejonesfh.com).

### Ted J. Etheridge Sept. 3, 1933 - March 15, 2022

**AMBOY** — Ted J. Etheridge, 88, of Amboy, died at his home on Tuesday, March 15, 2022.

He was born on Sept. 3, 1933 in Amboy, the son of Lyle and Florine (Wheaton) Etheridge.

Ted worked for the Dixon State School, Schmitt Plumbing and Heating prior to his retirement in 1993, and was the City of Amboy school crossing guard for many years. He was a veteran of the Air Force serving from 1953 to 1957, a member of the Amboy American Legion, the Plumber and Pipe Fitters Local 25, past member of the Amboy City Council, and the Odd Fellows. Ted loved fishing especially on the Rock River.

Ted married Carolyn Lovgren on July 21, 1958 in Amboy. He is preceded in death by his wife Carolyn

who passed on Sept. 14, 2012. Ted is also preceded in death by his parents; step father, Virgil Dewey; daughter, Tracey Etheridge; two granddaughters; two sisters, Helen Reed, Hazel Forman; and brother Dale "Mike" Etheridge.

He is survived by his children, Lori (Bob) Bumpus of Amboy, Jill (Hank) Groth, of Amboy; five grandchildren, Matt (April) Hood, Erin (Brett) Revenig, Andrew Groth, Daniel (Samantha) Groth, Nathan Rinard; seven great-grandchildren; one sister, Joan Etheridge, of Amboy; and one brother, Lyle "Kerm" Etheridge, of Ottawa.

Funeral Services were held on Thursday March 17, 2022 at 11 a.m., at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy with Pastor Rocky Fritz Officiating. Burial



followed at Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy with military honors. Visitation preceded the service from 10 to 11 a.m., on March 17, 2022 at the funeral home.

A memorial has been established to Prairie Repose Cemetery Association.

Online Condolences can be left at [www.thejonesfh.com](http://www.thejonesfh.com).

## Lee County Sheriff's Office announces St. Patrick's Day enforcement results

**LEE COUNTY** — The Lee County Sheriff's Office announced it made no DUI arrests and issued four seat-belt citations during the St.

Patrick's Day enforcement period. Deputies issued eight other citations during the campaign which included; four speeding citations,

one distracted driving citation, two lane violations, one suspended driver's license. Ten warnings were also issued.

"We strongly enforce traffic laws for one reason — to save lives," said Sgt. Der-

ek Ranken. "Encouraging sober driving and seat-belt use improves safety for all."

The Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click It or Ticket enforcement effort ran from Friday, March 11, through the early morning

hours of Friday, March 18, to keep impaired drivers off the roads and ensure more people buckle up and follow all traffic safety laws.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office joined forces with state and local law enforce-

ment and highway safety partners for the St. Patrick's Day enforcement campaign.

The effort was made possible by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Email news items to [tgreenfield@amboynews.com](mailto:tgreenfield@amboynews.com)



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## Amboy Police

Failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident

On March 17, at 5 p.m., William Morrison, 21, of Amboy, was issued a citation for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. He was given notice to appear in court.

Operating lawn mower on city sidewalk

On March 16, at 4:39 p.m., Patrick Green, 70, of Amboy,

was issued a city ordinance citation for operating a lawn mower on a city sidewalk.

#### Lee County Warrant

On March 17, at 1 p.m., Tosha Darnell, 37, of Amboy, was arrested on a Lee County warrant for failure to appear-contempt. She was taken to the Lee County Jail.

#### Lee County Warrant

On March 17, at 12:15

p.m., Miranda E. Wright, 30, of Amboy, was arrested on a Lee County warrant for

failure to appear — contempt of court. She was taken to the Lee County Jail.

## BOARD continued from page A1—

Stenzel asked the board what they wanted to do about Surf Broadband. Village trustee Julie Kessel said the board should wait to do anything. Village trustee Larry Ellis voiced the

village should do nothing with the company. Stenzel recommended leaving the discussion open for one more month.

In other board news:

- The village has set Saturday, April 23 as the annual village clean-up day. Sign-up sheets will be available at the post office and Bonnell's General Store.

- Garbage rates went up from \$11.54 per month to \$12 per month as of March 1.

The next Sublette Village Board meeting will be held on Monday, April 11, at 7 p.m., in the Ellice Dinges Center.

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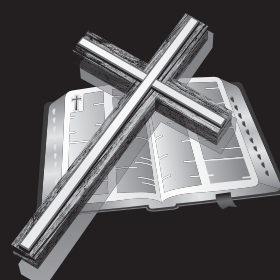
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## SOCIAL NEWS



## THE PASTOR'S PEN

### THY WILL BE DONE

**BY PASTOR JOHN KALEBAUGH**  
 Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven..." (Matthew 6:10) is certainly a familiar portion of Scripture to most everyone reading this. It is a portion of the Lord's Prayer (The Our Father) which Jesus taught His followers in The Sermon on the Mount... It is the most famous prayer of all time! A prayer that most of us learned when we were young, and that many churches corporately pray as part of their regular church service. It is a powerful prayer, when prayed with the right heart attitude, which acknowledges that many things in life are beyond our control. We ask our Father in heaven to answer in His power and wisdom.

During this season of Lent, however, as I have reflected upon this prayer and this verse in particular, I thought about how our Lord lived-out this verse in His own daily life by actively participating in submitting to the "will" of His heavenly Father. By doing this it seems that people either loved Him and celebrated Him or

hated Him and wanted to destroy Him. I am reminded of yet another time our Lord specifically prayed these words. It was in the Garden of Gethsemane. The fate of all humanity hung in the balance as Jesus wrestled in prayer saying, "... O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will." Matthew 26:39 In this instance praying, "Thy will be done," involved Jesus in a very personal way. It would require from Him a great deal of suffering, followed by an excruciating death. And all of redeemed humanity should rejoice in that He said, "Nevertheless not My will, but Thine be done," for our sins were atoned for through His sacrifice.

I wonder how often (if ever) when we pray... "Thy will be done" do we consider the possibility that we may be part of the answer to the prayer on a personal level and that there may be sacrifice... or even suffering involved on our part? Would we still pray it and really mean it, as Jesus did? If so, I truly believe that God will use it in a

glorious way.

The life of St. Patrick is a prime example. He was kidnapped at a young age and sold into slavery in Ireland. He converted to Christianity while there and eventually escaped back to his home. I don't know if Patrick literally prayed, "Thy will be done"... but he certainly lived it. Most people would probably never even want to see Ireland again after that awful experience... but not Patrick. God gave him a love for the unsaved people of Ireland, and he actually went back as a missionary. In his ministry in Ireland, it is estimated that he founded 300 churches and baptized 100,000 converts. What a powerful and beautiful example of someone yielding to God's will in this life.

May our Lord's example, and Patrick's, inspire us during this season of Lent. Let us consider the possibility and even look for the opportunities in which praying... "Thy will be done," may actually involve us personally... as part of the answer to our own prayer. 'Til next time... God Bless you.

## The Book Nook

By:  
Tatjana Kazan

### CROSSING THE LINE

Cormac McCarthy's "The Crossing," the second volume of his Border Trilogy, is a masterpiece that can, perhaps justifiably, be criticized for its overwriting, for scenes of extreme violence, and for some untranslated Spanish dialogues. Since most of "The Crossing" takes place in Mexico, McCarthy possibly wished to inject authenticity with these Spanish dialogues, or perhaps to make his readers feel like foreigners in such an alien landscape. I found it trying. The overwriting is at times tiresome, but McCarthy's descriptions of the Mexican landscape and its people are so superb and unique to him that they can hold you spellbound. As to the violence, it too belongs to McCarthy's stories, though I found some of it quite unbearable.

"The Crossing" takes place along the border between New Mexico and Mexico before and during the Second World War. The protagonist is Billy Parham, a teenage cowboy who crosses the border three times during those years. A she-wolf is preying on cattle, and Billy goes out with his father and younger brother Boyd to trap her. They use very old traps because by then wolves were extinct. When Billy finds the pregnant she-wolf in a trap, he decides to take the injured animal to the Mexican mountains and set her free. During the journey, Billy bonds with the wolf, though an old man warns him, "The wolf is made the way the world is made. You cannot touch the world. You cannot hold it in your hand for it is made of breath only." The wolf is a sensation in the villages they pass through, but Billy, risking his life, must save her repeatedly from outlaws.

Years later, Billy returns home to New Mexico. The homestead is empty, his parents are dead, but Boyd is alive. Supposedly a group of Indians attacked the farm and stole the horses. Billy and Boyd return to Mexico to find the horses and to exact revenge. After various adventures and misadventures, they come upon the horses and in the harrowing encounter with the thieves, manage to flee with the horses. In constant peril, Boyd is shot in the chest, but survives. He disappears, and eventually Billy undertakes the third crossing to find him.

Desolation has overtaken Billy when he returns home on an Ash Wednesday. In the rain he finds shelter in a dilapidated house. A horribly crippled, yellow dog approaches him. Billy screams at him, and when the dog hobbles away, Billy picks up a water pipe and runs after him. The dog "howled in its heart despair." Billy awakes before daybreak and walks out and calls and calls for the dog. "After a while he sat in the road, he took off his hat and bowed his head and held his face in his hands and wept."

## Pegasus Special Riders sees building damage from windstorm

**BY BRAD JENNINGS**  
 Ogle County Life Editor  
**OREGON** — Pegasus Special Riders, Inc. is seeking donations after a windstorm on Saturday, March 5 severely damaged its main arena building.

The high winds tore off about 120 feet of canopy, twisted the steel frame and the large front door was blown off and landed inside of the arena, said Sara Morris, Pegasus administrator. She said the back doors were blown off the tracks.

All 11 horses and the two cats were not harmed.

Pegasus Special Riders, located at 6668 S. Carthage Road, has been operating since 1997. It is a therapeutic riding program for children and adults with special needs. Volunteers perform

all of the required duties, such as working with the riders, caring for the horses and facilities, raising funds and providing the necessary administrative support.

Twelve volunteers come out on March 6 to help with some cleanup.

Lessons at Pegasus are supposed to start on April 19, but it is unclear when and where those lessons will happen.

Anyone who would like to donate to Pegasus can use the Donate button on its Facebook page or website — [www.pegassusspecialriders.org](http://www.pegassusspecialriders.org).

"Thank you everyone for your continued support towards the program," Morris said. "We are in need of volunteers for lessons, feeders, grounds and additional instructors."

They recently held a vol-

unteer training on March 18. Volunteers at Pegasus help with anything from lessons to feeding the horses. If you are interested, please RSVP by calling Morris at 815-973-3177.

Help from the community in the form of donations is already coming in too. Rochelle Kiwanis Golden K recently donated to Pegasus to help cover costs of the damage to the facility.

## A.C.O. taking sealed bids to name the street

**AMBOY** — A tradition started in 1997 to honor a loved ones memory by naming a street for one year after that person is being done again this year. The A.C.O. is taking sealed bids to name the street north of the business district until Friday, April 15.

The sign will be hung on May 1 and remain there for one year.

The sign will then be given to the successful bidder.

Currently the street is named after Mackenzies Way.

Previous honorees were Cliff and

Pat Weller, Allen "Zip" Sensenig, Avery Lovgren Jake Metzen, Gary Hart, Howard and Ruth Shaw, Douglas Blaine, Louis Grasser, Doug Antoine, Dave Yentzer, James "Mort" Hinkle, James Mead, Bob Smith, Lisa Nauman, Dave Payne, Dale

Etheridge, Elmer "Rocky" Sensenig, Arnie Stahr, Bob Machen and Jeff "Bodine" Bonnell.

The money raised will be given to the Pankhurst Memorial Library. The minimum bid is \$200 and will be accepted at the Amboy City Hall.

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# Opinion

## Collateral damage when a politician gets in trouble

I always feel bad for the spouses. When politicians get charged with a crime, the political powers that be go after their mates too.

Early this month, Gov. JB Pritzker booted Shirley Madigan from her position as chair of the Illinois Arts Council. It's a position that she served well and ably in for 37 years.

When she took that job, Ronald Reagan was president, J.B. Pritzker was in high school and House Speaker Chris Welch was in the third grade.

In the decades I covered state government, I've never heard a bad word about her. Ever.

She has done remarkable work on behalf of the people of Illinois bringing art programs throughout the Land of Lincoln. For example, last month my oldest daughter competed in a poetry recital sponsored by the Arts Council.

And she has developed partnerships with public television to educate viewers about Illinois artists. The job is voluntary. She has never received a dime for her work but has contributed mightily.

But this month Pritzker said he wants to take the council in a new direction and fired her. No one believes the governor. He gave her the boot because her husband former Speaker Mike Madigan is in trouble and Pritzker wants to distance himself.

So, a few hours before Mike Madigan was indicted on corruption charges, Pritzker picked up the phone and called him to let him know his wife was fired. Oh, they dressed it up a bit and let her submit her resignation. But you get the idea.

The implications of the conversation were clear: a powerful man was talking to a once powerful man and letting him

### Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



people.

A few years ago, I heard similar sentiments expressed against Illinois Chief Justice Anne Burke.

"Illinois voters should be appalled that Justice Burke has been named chief justice in the wake of her husband being under federal investigation. It's scandalous that we would have a couple like that, the wife of an indicted alderman sitting as the Chief Justice of our Supreme Court. In Illinois, you just can't make it up," former state Rep. Jeanne Ives told the DuPage Policy Journal.

Anne's husband, Ed Burke is Chicago's longest-serving alderman. He faces 14 federal corruption charges.

And let me emphasize this: Both Burke and Madigan are merely accused of breaking the law. They have not stood trial

know his wife's fate. She wasn't a part of the conversation. She was treated as an appendage, not someone contributing in her own right, not even worthy of being spoken to directly when being let go.

It smacks of sexism.

Now, I'll be the first to say that the governor has every right to put whoever he wants into that job. And no one owns a job forever. But one has to ask if this is a gracious way to cut someone loose. Her only transgression would appear to be that she is married to the wrong fellow.

No doubt, some will say she almost certainly wouldn't have received the position if it wasn't for her husband. I won't argue that. But I'll also point out that anyone who gets elected to high office in Illinois or serves in a prestigious post like heading the Arts Council is there because they have the backing of powerful, influential

or been convicted of a crime. In the United States of America, a person is innocent until proven guilty.

Regular readers of this column know my strong libertarian sentiments. I'm skeptical of government. I'm not a fan of either Mike Madigan or Ed Burke's political philosophies.

That's OK. In a democracy, we want diverse points of view in the public forum. While I admire the work and intellect of Anne Burke and Shirley Madigan, I haven't always agreed with their positions, either. But this isn't a defense or an endorsement of either person's policy positions.

It's merely an observation that in the American legal system relatives of those accused of crimes are not punished simply for their kinship. And the American sense of fair play would seem to command that should be the case for public life as well.

Even after her husband, former Gov. George Ryan, went to prison, his wife Lura Lynn continued to serve on the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission. She was instrumental in helping make the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum a reality.

President Barack Obama sought her out when he spoke in Springfield to honor our sixteenth president.

That was a kindness that spoke well of the man. He gained nothing by talking to the wife of a convicted politician. But that didn't stop him from according her the dignity and respect she deserved.

It sets an example of graciousness worthy of emulation.

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



## On This Day in History

### 100 Years Ago March 24, 1922

Probably for the first time in the history of the town, no one is seeking the office of Assessor in Amboy. The term of the present Assessor, Mr. John N. Gentry expires this spring.

The Mason Street road still remains very treacherous. There are five quicksand holes which it seems impossible to fill up. Cars are stuck in one or the other of these holes every day.

Louis Scott has purchased the Steve Rossman house on Plant Street and will move his family there in the near future.

### 75 Years Ago March 27, 1947

Carleton Russell purchased the Amboy Café from Mr. and Mrs. T.G. Arend in a deal closed Saturday. The café is closed this week for reconditioning and Mr. Russell announces it will be open for business Saturday.

Roger Boone and Maribel Hicks,

Amboy Township High School students, won first places Saturday at Sandwich in the district contest of the Illinois Latin Tournament.

Carl D. Shearer of Mendota purchased the Gamble Store in this city from Bert Howe in a deal closed the middle of last week and will take over the business sometime this week.

### 50 Years Ago March 23, 1972

Athletes in all sports were honored Monday evening at the annual Amboy High School Athletic banquet.

Basketball awards were presented to: Dennis Gehrt, free throw award; James Mason, most valuable player; Louis Bontz, best defensive player; Bob Flessner, most improved player; and Jerry Fitzpatrick, frosh-soph free throw award.

Football and wrestling awards were presented to: Louis Bontz, best offensive back; Rob Horner, outstanding wrestler; Gary Robert Jones, best lineman; Dennis

Chandler, most improved wrestler; and Jack Glessner, the Mike Janson Memorial Award.

### 25 Years Ago March 20, 1997

Central School Principal Dennis Weidman made good on a promise last Friday by allowing a Burmese Python to be draped around his shoulders at a school assembly. Weidman had challenged Central School students to meet their reading goals as part of Pizza Hut's Book-It Reading Program. According to Weidman, the top class at Central read 849 books totaling 37,675 pages.

Dana Nauman, daughter of Dan and Laurie Nauman, of Amboy, was named the winner of the Section 2 FFA Proficiency Award in Safety. Dana, an 18-year-old and member of the Amboy FFA Chapter, works as a Gate Assistant at Woodhaven Lakes in Sublette.

Billy Elvis, a 10-year-old Pygmy goat, visited the kindergarten classes at Central School this week.



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# LOCAL NEWS



# MARCH IS SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS MONTH

## THE SEASON IS HERE. BE PREPARED.

As a record number of tornado outbreaks in December clearly demonstrated, severe weather can happen at any time of the year. To help people better prepare for weather emergencies, IEMA and local emergency management agencies will be promoting Severe Weather Preparedness Month throughout the month of March.

The National Weather Service and state and local emergency management officials strongly encourage people to have a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) All Hazards Weather Radio with battery backup. These radios can be programmed to receive alerts for specified counties to keep you and your family apprised of impending weather and post-event information for all types of hazards including natural (earthquakes), environmental (chemical spills) and public safety hazards (AMBER alerts). When an alert is issued for the programmed area, the device will sound a warning alarm tone followed by the essential information.

In this day and age of families constantly on the go, it is also critical for people to have multiple ways to receive notifications and updated information about severe weather warnings. FEMA offers a FREE mobile app that provides fast and reliable weather alerts from the National Weather Service (NWS). The app can be tailored to offer alerts for up to five different locations nationwide. The mobile app can also help you locate open shelters and disaster resource centers near you in the event of an emergency.

For more information about what to do before, during and after a storm, please visit [www.Ready.Illinois.gov](http://www.Ready.Illinois.gov). There you will find a Severe Weather Preparedness Guide, developed by IEMA and NWS, which provides tips on how to prepare for all weather emergencies. Additional tips and information are available on the Ready Illinois Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/ReadyIllinois](https://www.facebook.com/ReadyIllinois)) and Twitter page ([www.twitter.com/ReadyIllinois](https://www.twitter.com/ReadyIllinois)).

### Tornado Watches and Warnings

Two key alerts relate specifically to tornado conditions.

**Tornado Watch** - Conditions are conducive to the development of tornadoes in and close to the watch area.

**Tornado Warning** - A tornado has actually been sighted by spotters or indicated on radar and is occurring or imminent in the warning area.

In addition, severe thunderstorms can produce tornadoes, or cause damage of their own from wind gusts of 58 mph or greater and/or hail 3/4-inch in diameter or larger.

**Severe Thunderstorm Watch** - Conditions are conducive to the development of severe thunderstorms in and close to the watch area.

**Severe Thunderstorm Warning** - A severe thunderstorm has actually been observed by spotters or indicated on radar, and is occurring or imminent in the warning area.

While tornadoes can still occur without a watch or warning being in effect, advances in the science and technology have greatly increased the ability of meteorologists to provide advance notice of them.

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- Become familiar with your community's severe weather warning system and make certain every adult and teenager in your family knows what to do when a tornado "watch" or "warning" sounds. Learn about your workplace's disaster safety plans and similar measures at your children's schools or day care centers.
- Study your community's disaster preparedness plans and create a family plan in case you are able to move to a community shelter. Identify escape routes from your home and neighborhood and designate an emergency meeting place for your family to reunite if you become separated. Also establish a contact point to communicate with concerned relatives.
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# SPORTS

## Clippers begin season on winning note against Morrison

**AMBOY** – The Amboy Clippers began the 2022 baseball season on a winning note with a 10-4 triumph over Morrison on March 16 at Parker Field.

The Clippers trailed 4-1 entering the bottom of the fifth, but they sent 13 batters to the plate and scored nine runs in the frame to put the game on ice.

Tucker Lindenmeyer and Haden McCoy both delivered two-run doubles in the fifth, while Andruw Jones had a run-scoring single.

Ian Eller started the game on the mound and threw four innings, earning a no-decision. Jones came on in the fifth and shut the door

to earn the win.

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Bureau Valley handed the Clippers a 12-2 setback in a March 17 contest at Parker Field. The game was called after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Lindenmeyer and Sam Russell had two hits apiece for Amboy, with Russell driving in a run with a single in the third.

Jackson Rogers absorbed the loss for the Clippers. He worked the first three innings and allowed five runs and five hits, striking out three.

Lindenmeyer finished up on the hill.

## Lady Clippers lose season opener against Morrison

**AMBOY** – Morrison cruised past Amboy, 9-1, in the varsity softball season-opener on March 16 at the AHS field.

Morrison held a 1-0 lead into the third when it erupted for five runs to take control. Amboy's lone tally came in the sixth.

Hannah Blanton, Maeve Larson and Haleigh Stenzel each had one hit for the Lady Clippers.

Blanton was the losing pitcher.

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Bureau Valley handed the Lady Clippers a 17-0 loss on March 17 at the AHS field.

The game was halted after three innings.

Bureau Valley scored three runs in the first, nine in the second and five in the third.

Tyrah Vaessen had the only hit for the Lady Clippers.

Baylie Nickel took the pitching loss for AHS.



### BRIAR WINS AT 98 POUNDS

*Tavarius Briar, a fifth grade student at Amboy Junior High School attended the Illinois Midget State Championship in Bedford Park this past weekend. He wrestles for Nate Martinez at NWO in Sheridan. Briar was the 98 pound 2022 champion.*

Photo submitted

## Wrestlers compete at state tourney

**ROCKFORD** — Three area wrestlers place at the IKWF State tournament BMO Bank Harris Center March 11-12. Evan Flanigan novice 215 pound Clipper Wrestling Club finished in seventh place. Amboy and AFC that wrestle for NWO wrestling club, Aden Spinelli novice at 60 pounds, placed seventh, and Landon Near novice at 69 pounds placed in eighth place.



*Aden Spinelli novice at 60 pounds, placed seventh.*

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*Evan Flanigan novice 215 pound Clipper Wrestling Club finished in seventh place.*

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*Landon Near novice at 69 pounds placed in eighth place.*

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## SPORTS

## Clipper Highlights: #5 Adam Lusz

As always when we highlight a former Clipper Quarterback, it is always a little more special for me. Not only was this week's Clipper a former Clipper signal-caller but lived across the street from my family home. I not only got to watch his Clipper career, I, then as a little boy, would have one of my first role models. I am so proud and honored to announce this week's Clipper, #5, Adam Lusz.

Adam was a 1998 graduate of Amboy High School and two-year Varsity starter at Quarterback.

We rarely write about our career's as Rowboats, but Adam's is important. Adam's Freshman season, he and his classmates got to practice against the 1994 Clipper playoff team. Adam and the underclassmen dressed for the playoff's that season.

Adam shared, "We got to scrimmage them that season and for playoffs and it was fun. They were a good team and it was fun to be a part of."

Adam's Sophomore season, he led the Rowboats in rushing yards from the Quarterback position. Adam recalled the 42/43 option accounting for most of the offensive plays. Adam's class was not whole that season as a few Sophomore linemen were called to aid the Varsity team.

Riding the momentum from a successful Sophomore campaign, Adam went into his Junior season confident, a needed quality for any Quarterback. Adam started for the Clipper's all season, minus one contest due to a concussion. At a time in the prime of the Big Rivers conference, the Clippers played a "playoff-like"

opponent each week. Add in the non-conference games against Burlington Central and powerhouse Stillman Valley and that makes for a grueling nine game season. To add difficulty, the Clippers would lose Running Back, Whitey Streit, during the first contest of the season to a leg injury. Adam recalls a highlight of that season being his aerial connection with Jason Cook, especially his multiple touchdown game against Erie-Propheetstown. Adam and Cook were among the top in passing and receiving at the season's end. The 1996 Clippers finished 3-6 overall but not because a shortage of talent or hard work. The Clippers never were out of a game. Due to mostly everyone playing both ways and special teams, opponents could rely on greater numbers to seal victories.

Adam began his final season as the Clipper signal-caller and again faced a loaded conference and non-conference schedule including Burlington Central and Stillman Valley again. Midway through his Senior year, Adam moved from Quarterback to Wide Receiver and Safety on defense.

Adam shared, "The move was a good change of venue on the field. Our offense was focusing a little more on throwing the ball and it was great to have an impact in aiding our passing game. I also played Safety which was a lot of fun because I got to hit people and have an impact defensively also. I was on offense, defense, and special teams. I never came off the field it seemed."

The schedule that season again proved too much for our sails. However, as I shared with Adam, Amboy

## Clipper Highlights

By Spencer Morrissey



Football is a whole. Records, statistics, talent, and numbers have all been different since our program's inception but each year has contributed to the success and in this case, the success that would follow.

Friend and former teammate, Nick Nauman, shared, "Adam was a pure leader. We were a close knit group of kids and Adam just brought us all closer. He was as solid of a teammate as you could ask for as he did whatever he needed to in order to benefit the team. He was always doing what he was supposed to. A great team guy."

Immediately upon graduation, Adam began coaching in our Junior Tackle program.

"We didn't have a Junior Tackle program, we almost did a couple times and then a flag league, but it never came to fruition. It would have helped us so much because at that young age you have to start learning the offense and defense you will run at the high school level," Adam shared.

Adam was my brother Wes's first football coach in fifth grade.

Wes shared, "Adam Lusz

was just an all around great guy. He played his heart out every game, in a very tough era for the Clippers. He was so nice to Spencer and I growing up. Playing football with us in the front yard and later coaching us in Jr. Tackle. He invited me one time to go watch his flag football game and after he bought me donuts. I thought I was so cool riding in his truck that day. Congrats Coach Lusz. You deserve this honor."

I remember it like yesterday, my dad, Wes, and I were pulling into our driveway one night and saw Adam getting into his truck. My dad said, "If I was that kid I would be over throwing passes to you guys everyday". My dad's comment stayed with me and one afternoon, I was outside kicking the ball over the phone wire that hung in the middle of our yard when I saw Adam outside. I yelled, "hey kid, do you want to come over and teach me to throw and I'll teach you to kick?" I was no more than eight or nine years old at the time. Adam, without hesitation came over and proceeded to play catch with me. I am unsure which season (Jr/Sr) it was, Adam hosted team dinner before the game and my brother and I were the most excited kids in Amboy to have the entire Varsity across the street. I forget the exact details, but before I knew it, the entire Varsity Clippers were in our yard playing catch with my brother and I. I remember before they all left, my dad, being the Clipper fan he is, gave them one of his famous speeches about the opportunity they had to go out and beat a more favored opponent. The details of the game



#5 Adam Lusz

that followed have escaped me but I'll never forget that moment, seeing all the white jerseys in my front yard, with #5 captaining the ship.

Amboy Football to Adam is more than just time spent between the sidelines. It is something that is still with him to this day.

Adam concluded, "We grew up with the old stories from the 80's. There was so much pride in the program with all of those great teams. We longed to be them. We longed for our trophy to sit with theirs. Nick and I would spend hours as kids playing football in the yard and we would look to the old field (The Boatyard) and share our excitement for our time under those lights. We couldn't wait to represent Amboy. The work ethic that Amboy and our program instills in you will stay with you all of your life. It has for me in my career in sales. Amboy Football brought you up that way. When you think you are done or have given it all, you haven't and you push on. You got the absolute most out of yourself. I'm blessed as that work ethic continues with me

and so many of us today."

So, to my fellow Clipper Quarterback, first Clipper role model, #5, Adam Lusz, thank you for your contributions to Amboy Football. You gave back to the program you care so much for and without men like you, who devote their energy, effort, and time, a program cannot grow. Above all, thank you for the kindness and humility you showed me all those years ago with a simple game of catch. That simple act made my day back then as it does now to have the honor of writing this article. 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.



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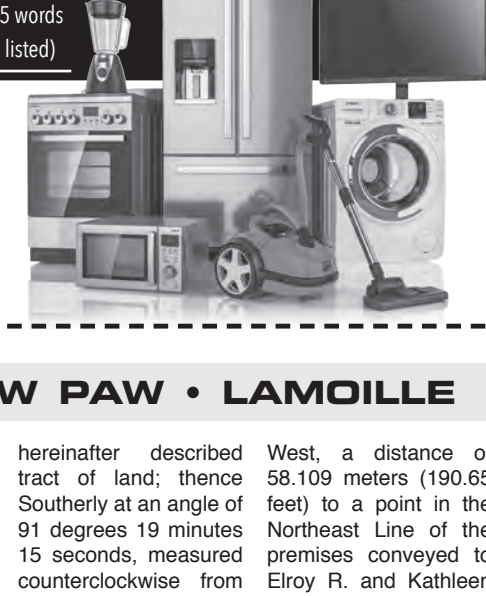
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Southwesterly on a line having a bearing of South 17 degrees 40 minutes 17 seconds West a distance of 38.530 meters (126.41 feet) to a point; thence Southwesterly on a line having a bearing of South 46 degrees 06 minutes 24 seconds West, a distance of 17.367 meters (56.98 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 55 degrees 31 minutes 14 seconds West, a distance of 82.290 meters (269.98 feet) to a point in the North line of the Southeast Quarter of said Southwest Quarter; thence Westerly on the North Line of the Southeast Quarter of said Southwest Quarter, said line having a bearing of South 88 degrees 39 minutes 02 seconds West, a distance of 66.044 meters (216.68 feet) to a point; thence Southeasterly on a line having a bearing of South 50 degrees 42 minutes 44 seconds East, a distance of 34.932 meters (114.61 feet) to a point; thence Southeasterly on a line having a bearing of South 53 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East a distance of 88.920 meters (291.73 feet) to a point in the Southwest Line of the premises conveyed to the Woodhaven Association from Ralph Leffelman by Warranty Deed recorded 6 February 1992 as Document No. 509364 in Book 9202 at Page 368 in the Recorder's Office of Lee County; thence Northwesterly on the Southwest Line of said premises so conveyed, said line having a bearing of North 45 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds West, a distance of 80.246 meters (263.27 feet) to a point in the Southwesterly Right-of-Way Line of a public highway designated F.A. Route 694 (US 52); thence Southeasterly on said Southwesterly Right-of-Way Line, said line having a bearing of South 54 degrees 08 minutes 45 seconds East, a distance of 352.167 meters (1155.40 feet) to the East Corner of said premises so conveyed; thence Southwesterly on the Southeast Line of said Premises so conveyed said line having a bearing of South 35 degrees 52 minutes 07 seconds West, a distance of 6.112 meters (20.05 feet) to the South Corner of said premises so conveyed; thence Northwesterly on the Southwest Line of said premises so conveyed said line having a bearing of North 63 degrees 46 minutes 43 seconds West, a distance of 11.225 meters (36.83 feet) to a point; thence Southeasterly on a line having a bearing of South 49 degrees 34 minutes 19 seconds East, a distance of 49.542 meters (162.54 feet) to a point; thence Southeasterly on a line having a bearing of South 54 degrees 40 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 75.027 meters (246.15 feet) to a point; thence Southeasterly on a line having a bearing of South 55 degrees 40 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 120.909 meters (396.68 feet) to a point in the South Line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 5; thence Easterly on the South

Line of said Southeast Quarter, said line having a bearing of North 88 degrees 38 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 85.361 meters (280.06 feet) to a point thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 53 degrees 34 minutes 22 seconds West, a distance of 13.702 meters (44.95 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 54 degrees 08 minutes 45 seconds West, a distance of 150.000 meters (492.13 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 52 degrees 46 minutes 15 seconds West, a distance of 125.036 meters (410.22 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 60 degrees 59 minutes 19 seconds West, a distance of 75.538 meters (247.83 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 54 degrees 08 minutes 45 seconds West a distance of 50.00 meters (164.04 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 49 degrees 54 minutes 25 seconds West, a distance of 125.248 meters (410.92 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on a line having a bearing of North 13 degrees 37 minutes 29 seconds East, a distance of 75.234 meters (246.83 feet) to a point in the North Line of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 5; thence Westerly on the North Line of the South Half of said Southeast Quarter, said line having a bearing of South 88 degrees 39 minutes 02 seconds West a distance of 8.480 meters (27.82 feet) to the Point of Beginning.

Tract Two: Commencing at the South Quarter Corner of said Section 5; thence Northerly on the West line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 5, said line having a bearing of North 1 degree 17 minutes 08 seconds West, a distance of 105.042 meters (344.62 feet) to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence Northeasterly on a line having a bearing of North 17 degrees 09 minutes 25 seconds East, a distance of 15.829 meters (51.93 feet) to a point; thence Northerly on a line having a bearing of North 3 degrees 14 minutes 20 seconds West, a distance of 48.555 meters (159.03 feet) to a point; thence Northerly on a line having a bearing of North 8 degrees 22 minutes 18 seconds East, a distance of 23.684 meters (77.70 feet) to a point; thence Northeasterly on a line having a bearing of North 22 degrees 19 minutes 52 seconds East, a distance of 30.554 meters (100.24 feet) to a point in the Southwest Line of the premises, conveyed to the Woodhaven Association from Ralph Leffelman by Warranty Deed recorded 6 February 1992 as Document No. 509364 in Book 9202 at Page 368 in the Recorder's Office of Lee County; thence Northwesterly on the Southwest Line of said premises so conveyed, said line having a bearing of North 63 degrees 46 minutes 43 seconds West, a distance of 22.060 meters (72.38 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on the Southwest Line of said premises so

conveyed, said line having a bearing of North 46 degrees 21 minutes 31 seconds West, a distance of 12.712 meters (41.71 feet) to a point; thence Southerly on a line having a bearing of South 9 degrees 59 minutes 55 seconds West, a distance of 58.878 meters (225.98 feet) to a point; thence Southerly on a line having a bearing of South 2 degrees 36 minutes 41 seconds West, a distance of 51.709 meters (169.65 feet) to a point; thence Southeasterly on a line having a bearing of South 21 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East, a distance of 15.987 meters (52.45 feet) to a point in the Westerly Right-of-Way Line of a public road designated Green Wing Road; thence Easterly on a line having a bearing of North 88 degrees 31 minutes 49 seconds East, a distance of 20.414 meters (70.26 feet) to a Point of Beginning. (For the purposes of this description, the West Line of the West Half of said Section 5 has been assigned the bearing of South 0 degrees 17 minutes 08 seconds East.) All situated in Lee County, Illinois.

E X C E P T I N G THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING: Part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South Line of said Southeast Quarter, being South 88 degrees 38 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 1201.73 feet from the Southeast Corner thereof; thence continuing South 88 degrees 38 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 50.37 feet to the Easterly right of way line of F. A. Route 694 (US 52); thence North 53 degrees 34 minutes 08 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 45.87 feet; thence North 54 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 420.54 feet; thence North 35 degrees 51 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 136.00 feet; thence South 54 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 215.00 feet; thence South 35 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 106.00 feet; thence South 54 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 291.51 feet to the point of beginning.

Any and all interest in the South One-half of the Southeast Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of part of Section Five, Township Nineteen North Range 11 East of the 4th Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois.

SAVE AND EXCEPT that certain parcel described in Instrument No. 2021004016, Official Public Records, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows: Part of the South Half of Section 5, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter Corner of said Section 5; thence Southerly, along the West Line of the East Half of said Section 5, a distance of 3,723.94 feet to the Northwest Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 5;

thence Easterly, along the North Line of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, at an angle of 89 degrees 56 minutes 10 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 27.82 feet to the point of beginning, of the hereinafter described tract of land, said point being on the Easterly right of way line of a public road known as Green Wing Road; thence continuing along the last described course, 359.31 feet; thence Southerly perpendicular to the last described course, 223.81 feet; thence Westerly perpendicular to the last described course, 419.17 feet to the said Easterly right of way line of Green Wing Road; thence Northerly, along said right of way line, 231.68 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.00 acres more or less. Subject to that land used for public road purposes and any easements of record, all situated in Sublette Township, Lee County, Illinois.

Permanent Index Number(s): Part of 19-22-05-400-010 SAVE AND EXCEPT that certain parcel described in Instrument No. 2006-008493, Official Public Records, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows:

Part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois described as follows: Beginning at a point on the south line of said Southeast Quarter, bearing South 88 degrees 38 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 1201.73 feet from the southeast corner thereof; thence continuing South 88 degrees 38 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 50.37 feet to the easterly right of way line of F. A. Route 694 (US 52); thence North 53 degrees 34 minutes 08 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 45.87 feet; thence North 54 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 420.54 feet; thence North 35 degrees 51 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 136.00 feet; thence South 54 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 215.00 feet; thence South 35 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 106.00 feet; thence South 54 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 291.51 feet to the point of beginning.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 19-22-09-100-015, HENKEL GREGORY A, 39.22 acres mol located at the Southwest corner of the intersection of Inlet Road and Tower Road, approximately 0.2 miles Northeast of U.S. Route 52, The Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of Section Nine (9), in Township Nineteen (19) North, Range 11, East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, situated in Lee County, Illinois. EXCEPT THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING FROM SECTION 9: Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 9; thence South 1 degree 07 minutes 47 seconds East along the East Line of said Northwest Quarter, a distance of 932.70 feet; thence South 86 degrees 02 minutes 46 seconds West, a distance of 43.69 feet to the

Westerly Right of Way Line of a public road designated Inlet Road, said point being the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence continuing South 86 degrees 02 minutes 46 seconds West along the Centerline of a Drainage Ditch, a distance of 1280.05 feet to the West Line of the Northeast Quarter of said Northwest Quarter; thence South degree 07 minutes 23 seconds East along said West Line, a distance of 259.19 feet to the Southwest Corner of the Northeast Quarter of said Northwest Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 22 minutes 22 seconds East along the South Line of the Northeast Quarter of said Northwest Quarter, a distance of 1278.74 feet to a point on the Westerly Right-of-Way Line of said Inlet Road; thence North 1 degree 09 minutes 31 seconds West along said Westerly Right of Way Line, a distance of 333.47 feet to the Point of Beginning," containing 8.698 acres, more or less, subject to all easements, agreements, county codes and/or ordinances of record if any, all situated in the Township of Sublette; the County of Lee and the State of Illinois.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 19-22-02-200-010, ERNST FAMILY TRUST, 88.58 acres mol located approximately 0.50 miles East of Burkhardt Road, south and adjacent to Shady Oaks Road, and approximately 0.5 miles North of Tower Road, The East one-half (1/2) of the Northeast One Quarter, and the Northerly 28 acres of the West One-half (1/2) of the Northeast One-Quarter (excepting the Westerly Forty-seven (47) feet of such Northerly 28 acres of the West one-half (1/2) of such Northeast one-quarter (1/4), all in Section Two, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described tract:

A part of the West Half of Government Lot 2 in the Northeast Fractional Quarter of Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest Corner of Northeast Fractional Quarter of said Section 2; thence easterly along north line of said Northeast Fractional Quarter 47.00 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence continue along aforementioned line 295.19 feet; thence southerly at an angle of 91 degrees 01 minute 50 seconds measured counterclockwise 295.19 feet; thence westerly at an angle of 88 degrees 58 minutes 10 seconds measured counterclockwise 295.19 feet; thence northerly at an angle of 91 degrees 01 minute 50 seconds measured counterclockwise 295.19 feet to Point of Beginning; containing 2,000 acres of land, more or less, all in Lee County, Illinois.

Part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence Easterly, along the North line of said Northeast Quarter, 1492.46 feet to the Point of Beginning of the

hereinafter described tract of land; thence Southerly at an angle of 91 degrees 19 minutes 15 seconds, measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 492.00 feet; thence Easterly, parallel with the said North line, at an angle of 91 degrees 19 minutes 15 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 419.00 feet; thence Northerly at an angle of 88 degrees 40 minutes 45 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 492.00 feet to the said North line; thence Westerly, along said North line 419.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, all situated in Sublette Township, the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 19-22-08-200-010, FPC SERVICES INC, 1973 TOWER RD SUBLETTE IL 61367, Parcel 1:

The Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Nine (9) and that part of the North Half (N ½) of the Northeast (NE) Quarter of Section Eight (8) lying Northeasterly of the right of way line or U. S. Highway 52, all situated in Township Nineteen (19) North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, EXCEPTING a parcel of land in the North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 8, and in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 8; thence Westerly on the North Line of said Northeast Quarter, said line having a bearing of South 88 degrees 38 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 50.104 meters (164.38 feet) to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel 2: That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter lying North and East of the Right of Way of the Illinois Central Railroad Company (now abandoned) E X C E P T I N G THEREFROM bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Fractional Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9 and running thence South along the East line of said Fractional Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 9 to the Easterly extension of the Northerly right-of-way line of a highway designated U. S. Route 52, thence Westerly along said Easterly extension and along said Northerly right of way line of Route 52 to a point Westerly of and 90 feet perpendicularly distant from the survey line for a highway designated FAS Route 183; thence Northwesterly to a point Westerly of and 40 feet perpendicularly distant from said survey line opposite Station 628+88 on said survey line; thence Northerly parallel with said survey line to the North line of said Southeast Fractional Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9; thence East along said North line to the point of beginning, all in Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, and also EXCEPTING Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows:

West, a distance of 58.109 meters (190.65 feet) to a point in the Northeast Line of the premises conveyed to Elroy R. and Kathleen H. Lauer from Elroy R. and Kathleen H. Lauer by Warranty Deed recorded 28 September 1995 as Document No. 1995-00968 in Book 9502 at Page 1588 in the Recorder's Office of Lee County; thence Northeasterly on the Northeast Line of said premises so conveyed, said line having a bearing of North 35 degrees 51 minutes 15 seconds East, a distance of 7.620 meters (25.00 feet) to a point; thence Northwesterly on the Northeast Line of said premises so conveyed, said line having a bearing of North 54 degrees 08 minutes 45 seconds West, a distance of 56.023 meters (183.80 feet) to the Northeast Corner of the premises conveyed to Carla Zimmerman from Carla Zimmerman and Orrin L. Bonnell, Independent Executors and Trustees, by Quitclaim Executor's and Trustee's Deed recorded 17 November 1997 as Document No. 1997-07714 in Book 9711 at Page 1540 in said Recorder's Office; thence Northwesterly on the Northeast Line of said premises so conveyed, said line having a bearing of North 54 degrees 08 minutes 45 seconds West, a distance of 540.706 meters (1773.97 feet) to a point in the North Line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 8; thence Easterly on the North Line of said Northeast Quarter, said line having a bearing of North 88 degrees 38 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 50.104 meters (164.38 feet) to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel 2: That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter lying North and East of the Right of Way of the Illinois Central Railroad Company (now abandoned) E X C E P T I N G THEREFROM bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Fractional Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9 and running thence South along the East line of said Fractional Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 9 to the Easterly extension of the Northerly right-of-way line of a highway designated U. S. Route 52, thence Westerly along said Easterly extension and along said Northerly right of way line of Route 52 to a point Westerly of and 90 feet perpendicularly distant from the survey line for a highway designated FAS Route 183; thence Northwesterly to a point Westerly of and 40 feet perpendicularly distant from said survey line opposite Station 628+88 on said survey line; thence Northerly parallel with said survey line to the North line of said Southeast Fractional Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9; thence East along said North line to the point of beginning, all in Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, and also EXCEPTING Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows:







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dedicated or taken and used for public road use for Tower Road.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 19-22-09-100-018, LEFFELMAN TRUST EUGENE A, 36.15 acres mol located approximately 0.39 mi West of Inlet Road, Northeast of U.S. Route 52, and South of the Tower Road, Part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8 and part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 9; thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes 32 seconds East (assumed bearing) on the north line of said Northwest Quarter of Section 9, a distance of 946.32 feet; thence South 1 degree 07 minutes 14 seconds East, a distance of 1075.90 feet to the centerline of a drainage ditch; thence South 86 degrees 34 minutes 02 seconds West on said centerline of drainage ditch, a distance of 748.77 feet, to the northerly right of way line of FA Route 694 (US 52); thence North 37 degrees 26 minutes 23 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 69.36 feet; thence North 54 degrees 54 minutes 23 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 492.17 feet; thence North 55 degrees 51 minutes 34 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 328.23 feet; thence North 53 degrees 34 minutes 08 seconds West on said right of way line, a distance of 514.62 feet; thence North 1 degree 21 minutes 08 seconds West, a distance of 259.70 feet to the north line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 8; thence North 88 degrees 38 minutes 52 seconds East on said north line of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, a distance of 917.10 feet, to the Point of Beginning; containing 36.15 acres, more or less, subject to that part dedicated or taken and used for public road use for Tower Road.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 05-17-16-300-004, GSG, LLC C/O BABCOCK & BROWN, 2612 SHADY OAKS RD WEST BROOKLYN IL 61378, Part of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Sixteen (16), Township Thirty-Seven (37) North, Range One (1) East of the Third (3rd) Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the South line of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section Sixteen (16), said point being 534.84 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4); thence Easterly along the South line of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), a distance of 220.00 feet; thence Northerly perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 350.00 feet; thence Southerly perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 350.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.788 acres more or less.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 05-17-16-300-008, ZINKE IRREVOCABLE GIFT TRUST COLLEEN Z & ZINKE FAMILY TRUST HAROLD W, 76.49 acres mol located at the Northeast corner of the intersection of Shady Oaks Road and State Route 251, approximately 0.75 miles West of Carnahan Road, The West Half (W 1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), Township Thirty-seven (37) North, Range One (1) East of the Third (3rd) Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following: Beginning at a point on the South line of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section Sixteen (16), said point being 534.84 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4); thence Easterly along the South line of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), a distance of 220.00 feet; thence Northerly perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 350.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.788 acres more or less.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 05-17-16-300-008, ZINKE IRREVOCABLE GIFT TRUST COLLEEN Z & ZINKE FAMILY TRUST HAROLD W, 76.49

acres mol located at the Northeast corner of the intersection of Shady Oaks Road and State Route 251, approximately 0.75 miles West of Carnahan Road, The West Half (W 1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), Township Thirty-seven (37) North, Range One (1) East of the Third (3rd) Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following: Beginning at a point on the South line of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section Sixteen (16), said point being 534.84 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4); thence Easterly along the South line of said Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), a distance of 220.00 feet; thence Northerly perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 350.00 feet; thence Southerly perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 350.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.788 acres more or less.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 05-17-16-100-009, SHAW KENNETH L & SHAW SHERMAN M, 2609 SPUR RD WEST BROOKLYN IL 61378, The Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) lying North and West of State Route 251, Township Thirty-seven (37) North, Range One (1), East of the Third (3rd) Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois.

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the Petition of the WECS at 6:00 p.m., on April 7, 2022, at the Old Lee County Court House Building, 112 East Second Street, Dixon, Illinois 61021.

The transcripts and minutes of each meeting conducted by the Zoning Board of Appeals will be posted to the Lee County website at [www.lee-county-il.com](http://www.lee-county-il.com) as they are received. The sole member of GSG Wind, LLC is Leeward Energy, LLC, with its principal place of business located at 6688 N Central Expressway, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75206. The petitioner, GSG Wind, LLC, is acting for itself. The officers and directors of GSG Wind, LLC are Jason Allen (CEO), Christopher Loehr, Andrew Flanagan, Theodore D. Matula, and Jennifer Shears, whose business address is that of the Applicant, as stated above.

Dated this 21st day of March 2022. Legal 0314 (03-23-2022)

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

To the legal voters, residents of the Town of May-Sublette in the County of Lee and State of Illinois, that the Annual Town Meeting of said Town will take place on April 4, 2022 at the hour of 7 o'clock PM at the Sublette Township Building for the transaction of the miscellaneous business of the said town; and after a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers, and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting; and especially to consider and decide the following:  
Dated March 1, 2022.  
No. 0301  
(March 23, 2022)

### PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE )  
OF ) C a s e  
Ledford ) No.  
Korey ) 2022  
Davis, ) PR 9  
deceased )  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of Ledford Korey Davis of Sublette, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on February 24, 2022 to Richard Kelly Davis of 615 E. Swords, Edelstein, IL 61526 as Independent Administrator whose attorney is Guilfoyle

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Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the Attorney within ten days after it has been filed.  
Legal No. 0307 (3/16, 3/23, 3/30 2022)

### PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE )  
ESTATE ) No  
OF ) 2022  
VIOLET ) PR 10  
AGNES )  
KASTNER, )  
a/k/a )  
VIOLET )  
GIANNETTO )  
KASTNER, )  
Deceased. )  
CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of the death of VIOLET AGNES KASTNER, a/k/a VIOLET GIANNETTO KASTNER, of 817 Chestnut Avenue, Dixon, Lee County, Illinois on December 24, 2021. Letters of Office were issued on March 1, 2022, by the 15th Judicial Circuit Court of Lee County to the representatives and Independent Co-Executors, DIANE ELANA KALLAS CORNWELL, 503 E. McKenney Street,

Dixon, IL 61021 & KARL JOSEPH KASTNER, 921 North Riverhills Drive, Temple Terrace, FL 33617.  
The attorney for the representatives and Co-Executors of the estate is Robert J. Thompson, 119 West First Street, Ste. 200, P.O. Box 1016, Dixon, Illinois 61021.  
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Lee County Services building, 309 South Galena Avenue, Dixon, IL 61021, or with the representatives, DIANE ELANA KALLAS CORNWELL, 503 E. McKenney Street, Dixon, IL 61021 or KARL JOSEPH KASTNER, 921 North Riverhills Drive, Temple Terrace, FL 33617, within six (6) months from the first publication of this Claim Notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of specific notice to known creditors, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that time period is barred.  
Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and/or to the attorney within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed.  
BY: DIANE ELANA KALLAS CORNWELL & KARL JOSEPH KASTNER, Representatives/Co-Executors.  
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Legal No. 0308 (3/16, 3/23, 3/30 2022)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice of Public Hearing on Road District Budget  
Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Lee Center Road District, Lee County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2023 will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at Lee Center Township Building located at 2202 Shaw Road, Amboy, Illinois from and after 7:00 p.m. on April 12, 2022.  
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Dated this 10th day of March, 2022  
Jan Bonnell  
Lee Center Township Clerk  
Legal No. 0309 (3/23 2022)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice of Public Hearing on Township Budget  
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Lee Center Township Clerk  
Legal No. 0311 (3/23 2022)

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
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Charlie Gonigam, East Grove Twp. Clerk  
Legal No. 0312 (3/23 2022)

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Dated March 10, 2022  
Janice Bonnell  
Lee Center Township Clerk  
Legal No. 0310 (3/23 2022)

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
East Grove Township Board Meetings for 2022-2023 will meet on the set dates at 7:30 PM at the East Grove Township Hall.  
April 12, 2022  
May 10, 2022  
June 14, 2022  
July 12, 2022  
Aug 09, 2022  
Sept 13, 2022  
Oct 11, 2022  
Nov 08, 2022  
Dec 13, 2022  
Jan 10, 2023  
Feb 14, 2023  
Mar 14, 2023  
Charlie Gonigam  
Clerk East Grove Township  
Legal No. 0313 (3/23 2022)

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

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

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

**119 ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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### 127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

Furman Lawn Care and Tree Service.  
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### 201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

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### 203 HELP WANTED

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

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### 309 PETS AND SUPPLIES

FOUND Black & White Female Cat. Has been well cared for. Front nails have been cut short. Loves attention and likes to sit on your lap. Has been around here for two months and is in my garage to keep her safe from the elements and predators. Somewhat fearful of strangers. This was someone's cat. Owner please call (815) 539-6318 (3-23-22)

### 501 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Large 2 bedroom Northside of Rochelle. FREE heat and water. NO PETS! Available Now at \$750/month. Security Deposit, Credit Report, and Job Verification needed. Call (815) 919-9015



# LOCAL NEWS

## Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



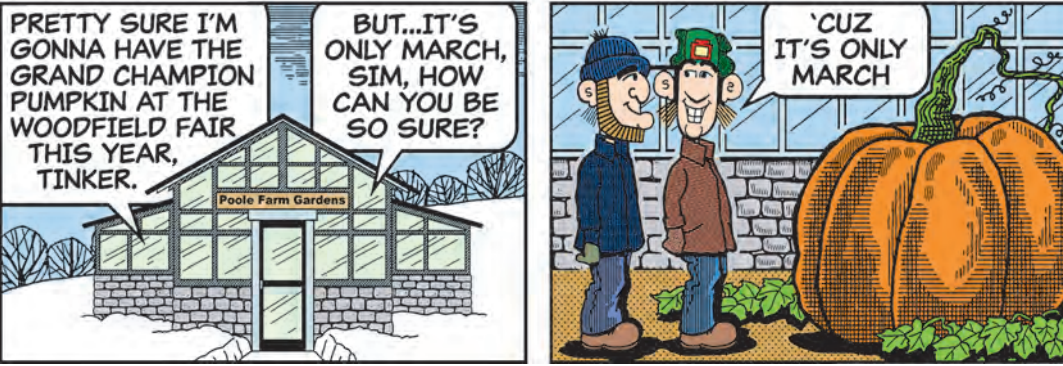
## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



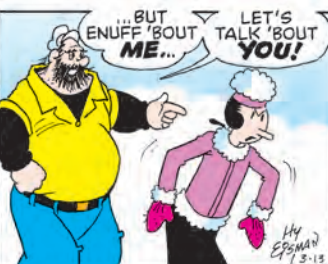
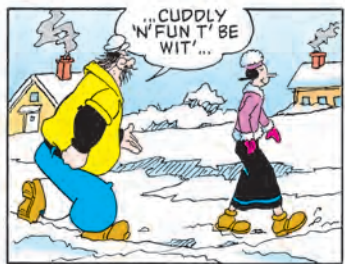
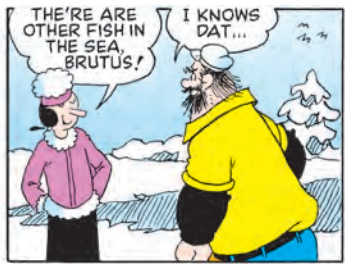
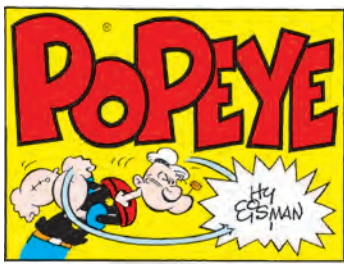
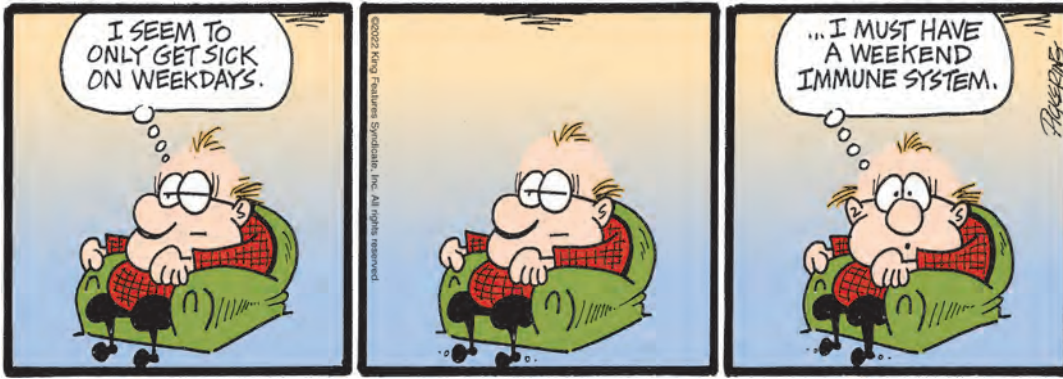
## R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



## The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## LAFF-A-DAY



## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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MORFIN  
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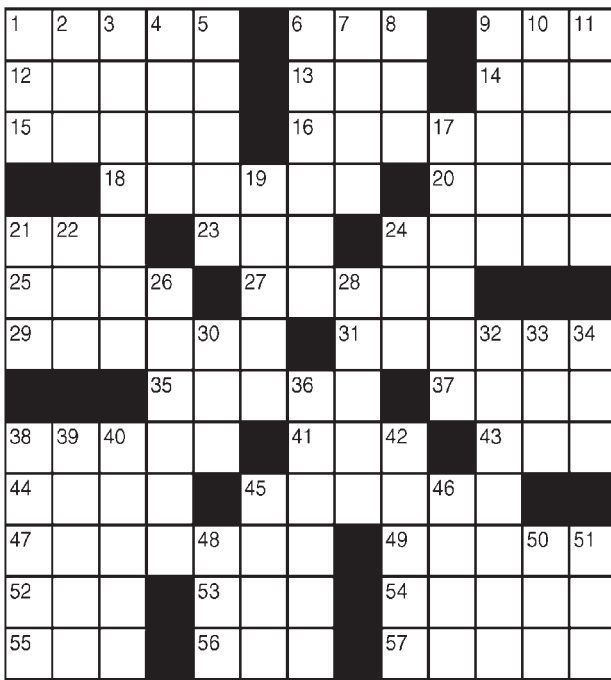
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9 Old map letters  
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13 Goal  
14 Salt Lake athlete  
15 Lightweight wood  
16 "Lust for Life" punk rocker  
18 Duration  
20 Sea predator  
21 "I'm not im-pressed"  
23 Poseidon's home  
24 Serpentine  
25 "— a roll!"  
27 Lent a hand  
29 Live-in nanny  
31 Mine vehicle  
35 Call on  
37 Activist Parks  
38 Island porch  
41 Stitch  
43 Resistance unit  
44 "Oops!"  
45 Proverbial burg  
47 1987 Peter Weller film  
49 Hotel posting  
52 CBS logo

## King Crossword





# LOCAL NEWS



Marie Shaw

## Shaw named February Student of the Month

AMBOY — Marie Shaw, from Amboy High School, was recently named February Student of the Month for outstanding effort and performance in welding and manufacturing at Whiteside Area Career Center in Sterling.

Marie is the daughter of Jay and Beth Shaw. She is a junior at Amboy High School.



Marie Shaw

## Wittenauer named February Student of the Month

AMBOY — Caden Wittenauer, from Amboy High School, was recently named February Student of the Month for outstanding effort and performance in Automotive Technology at Whiteside Area Career Center in Sterling.

Caden is the son of Jason and Allison Wittenauer. He is a senior at Amboy High School.

## SVCC Nursing and Radiologic Technology programs host informational sessions

STERLING — Sauk Valley Community College Health Professions department is hosting informational sessions for those interested in applying for Nursing or Radiologic Technology programs.

Separate sessions are available for Nursing and Radiologic Technology. In each respective session, attendees will learn more about the individual program requirements, expectations, and cost. Tours are also available after each session upon request.

Applications for the Fall 2022 semester are due on June 1. Those interested in applying for the Nursing or Radiologic Technology programs are required to attend one informational session and meet with an advisor prior to applying.

Nursing program sessions:

\*All sessions will be held in Rm 2F02  
April 12 - 12:30-1:30 p.m.

May 3 - 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
May 24 - 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Rad Tech program sessions:

\*All sessions will be held in Rm 2H22

March 22 - 4:30-5:30 p.m.

April 26 - 4:30-5:30 p.m.

May 17 - 4:30-5:30 p.m.

June 15 - 12-1p.m.

For more information on SVCC's Health Professions, or to register to attend an informational session, please call MaryBeth at 815-835-6374.

SVCC and The Career Center Partner for Automotive Program

Sauk Valley Community College and Whiteside Area Career Center are partnering

to offer a seven-week Entry-Level Automotive Technician Program. The program will be held at WACC May 31 through July 13 with a two week off-site externship.

Students will gain an entry level understanding in suspension and steering, brakes, exhaust systems, and routine maintenance and servicing of vehicle systems. Minimal automotive knowledge or experience is needed to be successful in this program. The program will provide students with a solid foundation

and skills to enter the automotive industry. Dedicated students will receive a tool kit and tool box before they start their externship (worth up to \$500).

The program will be four weeks of instruction and hands-on learning, a two-week externship (minimum of 40 hours), and three days of review and ASE test preparation. Classroom instruction will be held May 31-June 24 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at WACC. A required 40-hour externship will be held

June 27 through July 9. The program will wrap up with review and ASE test prep on July 11 through July 13 at WACC.

Students must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license. Space is limited to 10 students. The cost for this program is \$500.

For more information, and to register, please call Brenda Helms at 815-835-6212.

## Ashton Firemen's Breakfast Sunday, April 3

7 a.m. - noon  
Mills and Petrie  
704 N. First St.,  
Ashton

Price: 13 and over \$7  
6 - 12 - \$5  
5 and under - free



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## LYEESCAPE COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. Senior Dining Menu March 28-April 1

8 oz. of low-fat milk served with each meal

Monday — BBQ Riblett wgr wheat bun, cheesy potatoes, country mixed vegetables, diced pears.

Tuesday — Creamy chicken pasta, carrots, steamed peas, wgr wheat bread-1, chilled pineapple.

Wednesday — Cheeseburger on wgr wheat bun, tator tots, baked beans, ambrosia fruit salad.

Thursday — Lemon pepper chicken, wild rice, broccoli, wgr dinner roll, applesauce.

Friday — Black bean burger wgr bun, butternut squash, potato wedges and mandarin oranges.

Meals served  
Mon.-Fri. at 11:00 am

Reservations needed  
10:00 am day before

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## Educational Briefs

### August graduates, Dean's List honorees named

CHAMPAIGN — The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign announced Dean's List honorees and graduates for August 2021.

Nine thousand six hundred and fourteen students were named to the Dean's List in December.

Dean's List eligibility is limited to the top 20% of a student's college class or curriculum. To be eligible for the Dean's List recognition, students must complete at least 12 academic semester hours taken for a letter grade.

#### Fall 2021 Dean's List honorees

Margaret Vaessen, Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences

#### August 2021 Graduates

Brigantia O'Sadnick, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography

## Amboy school library gets grant from state

AMBOY — Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White has awarded more than \$1.4 million in FY 22 School District Library Grant Program awards to 672 public school districts. More than 1.5 million Illinois students served by school library programs will benefit from the grants. Amboy CUSD #272 was awarded \$850. From FY 22 appropriations approved by the General Assembly and the Governor, school library grants were awarded based on a formula of \$.885 per student, with a minimum grant award of \$850.

## REAL ESTATE AUCTION APRIL 26, 2022

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