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Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk to hold Giveaways

AMBOY — The Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk Giveaways are back again this year.

Starting Nov. 12, you can stop by Amboy Food & Liquor, Amboy City Hall, Amboy Shell, and Revolution Wellness to throw your name in the red box drawing for the big Ham and Turkey giveaways sponsored by the City of Amboy.

Organizers will be drawing two more times - Dec. 3 and Dec. 10. These drawings will consist of two winners each at drawing – one for a holiday ham or one for a holiday turkey. They will be given out first come first serve.

The winners of the first week of the Ham & Turkey giveaway are Judy King and Nancy Montavon.

The second week winners are Bill McGuire and John Pierce.

Online Giveaways

On the The Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk's Facebook page you will find other giveaways. Paige Wittenauer, was the winner of the first Facebook giveaway, that was sponsored by Maria's Pizza Amboy. Elizabeth Latta, won the giveaway of Santa's Sleigh filled with the perfect Christmas decor. This gift was sponsored by Bonita Willis of Woodhaven Lakes Realty.



Tour of school planned for Dec. 17

AMBOY — Save the Date - the Amboy CUSD #272 is inviting the public to tour the new Amboy Junior High and High School additions from 5 – 7 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 17. The school is located at Hawley and Metcalf. More information will be announced closer to the date.

Lee County Nov. 22, 2021 COVID update

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Health Department announces 122 new positive cases between Nov. 9-22. They also announced the death of a female and male resident in their 80s.

Here are the ages that were reported: 9 under the age of 12, 5 in his or her teens, 13 in his or her 20s, 15 in his or her 30s, 10 in his or her 40s, 7 in his or her 50s, 7 in his or her 60s, 3 in his or her 70s, and 1 on his or her 80s.

This brings the total number of cases to 4,693 as of Nov. 8. The Lee County Health Department's website has a COVID-19 section, including information for people who have tested positive. See www.LCHD.com/Covid19 for more.

Vaccine

As of Nov. 29, according to IDPH 40,453 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered in Lee County, and a total of 18,290 people in Lee County are fully vaccinated, which is 53.44 percent of the population. A total of 4,619 people have received the vaccine booster shot.

To get scheduled for the vaccine, go to www.LCHD.com and click on the COVID-19 vaccination to self-schedule.



Community Foundation partnership creates funding opportunities for Amboy Depot Museum

AMBOY — The Starved Rock Country Community Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of two charitable funds in partnership with the Amboy Depot Commission. The funds were created to attract and facilitate financial contributions to the Amboy Depot Museum by generous donors to support both current operational expenses of the museum, and to ensure that the Museum exists in perpetuity through an Endowment fund.

The mission of the Foundation is to connect people who care with causes that matter by creating individual funds to positively impact charitable organizations who serve LaSalle, Bureau and Putnam Counties.

“It was our mission and a knowledge of community foundations that led to our initial conversations about creating the funds for the Amboy Depot Museum, however, as often is the case, it was the relationships we discovered along the way that solidified it,” said Pamela Beckett, Founder and Past President of the SRCCF. Beckett said she learned early on that there was a lot more to the story than a simple inquiry about creating a fund to support the museum. “We created the SRCCF to enable individuals and corporations to support what’s important in their lives and in their friends’ and neighbors’ lives, now and long after those lives have ended,” said Beckett.

Peggy Shapiro Horstman, the daughter of the late Illinois State Senator David Shapiro and his wife, Norma, life-long residents of Amboy, initially inquired about the work of the Community Foundation. Peggy then learned that Jay McCracken, a former classmate of hers, now living in Hennepin, was the first Chairman of the Board of the SRCCF. Jay’s father, Kenneth McCracken, was the Mayor of Amboy in the

1970’s, the same time when Peggy’s father was an Illinois State Senator. Both men were instrumental in the preservation of the Amboy Depot Museum, working tirelessly to secure funding for its preservation and continued operations.

“Peggy was excited to reconnect with her former Amboy classmate, and learn of Jay’s role with us,” Beckett said, who later learned that Peggy had also been a University of Illinois classmate of Reed Wilson, the current Vice-Chair of the Community Foundation. I

t was quite remarkable to hear about the friendship of David Shapiro and Ken McCracken, their commitment, and that of their families, to the museum. Several conversations and a few presentations later with the leadership of the City of Amboy and the Depot Commission led to the creation of the two funds in excess of \$125,000 to support the Museum. The initial donations were made by a generous Amboy family and other contributors who want the Museum preserved forever. George Carizey, the current President of the SRCCF agrees that, “these are the kinds of wonderful stories we hear at the Community Foundation, and it’s heartwarming to partner with so many people who care about what matters in their community.”

The Amboy Depot Museum and its surrounding museum grounds were once a vibrant and vital part of Illinois History. At least six American Presidents, including Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S Grant, Zachary Taylor, William McKinley, Herbert Hoover, and Ronald Reagan are documented as having visited the Amboy Depot.

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New congressional maps signed into law

By **PETER HANCOCK**

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SPRINGFIELD — Gov. JB Pritzker on Tuesday signed legislation redrawing the state’s congressional district maps, saying they reflect Illinois’ diversity and preserve minority representation.

“These maps align with the landmark Voting Rights Act and will ensure all communities are equitably represented in our congressional delegation,” Pritzker said in a statement.

Due to the state’s declining population, Illinois will have only 17 congressional seats after the 2022 elections, one fewer than it currently has.

Because most of the state’s population loss occurred in southern Illinois, the new maps combine what are currently the 12th and 15th Districts, held by Republican Reps. Mike Bost and Mary Miller, respectively, into a new 12th District that covers most of the southern one-third of the state.

Miller, however, has indicated she might run in the newly-drawn 15th District, which stretches from west-central Illinois eastward across the state, curling around the city of Champaign and stretching back west and south to an area just west of Collinsville.

It also creates a new 13th District stretching from the Metro East region across a narrow strip of land through Springfield and Decatur, to Champaign.

In the Chicago metropolitan area, the maps create a new largely-Latino 3rd District that currently has no incumbent while also putting

Democratic Rep. Marie Newman’s residence in the same district as fellow-Democratic Rep. Jesús “Chuy” Garcia.

Newman, however, has indicated she intends to run in the new 6th District where she would face Democratic Rep. Sean Casten in a primary.

Elsewhere, the new maps link Rockford, the Quad Cities, Galesburg, Macomb and Bloomington into one large C-shaped district.

Analysts at the Princeton Gerrymandering Project gave the new maps an overall grade of F in the categories of partisan fairness, competitiveness and compactness. They estimate the maps create 14 likely Democratic districts and three likely Republican districts.

The Illinois delegation is currently split between 13 Democrats and five Republicans.

The political reform advocacy group CHANGE Illinois, which has advocated for an independent redistricting commission, also harshly criticized the new maps, saying it was designed to produce “predetermined winners and losers in nearly all 17 districts.”

“The map is undemocratic and leaves all voters without choices, undermining the very elections that are supposed to allow voters to hold officials accountable,” the organization said in a statement.

Pritzker, however, said the maps align with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, which prohibits practices and procedures that discriminate on the basis of race, color or membership in a recognized language minority.

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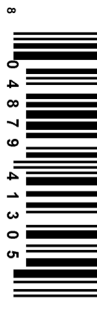
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Sublette Christmas in the Village Thursday, Dec. 2



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*Wishing You Happy Holidays
and a Joyful New Year*

The Village of Sublette will ring in the holidays during its annual Christmas Walk, "Christmas in the Village," from 6 – 8 p.m., on Thursday, Dec. 2. The Christmas Walk committee promises something for the whole family.

A craft and vendor show will be held at 6 p.m. at La Fiesta Restaurant and in the Ellice Dinges Center. There will be a large variety of vendors that can fulfill your holiday shopping needs.

The evening's festivities will continue with the official lighting of the village Christmas tree at 6 p.m., by Santa Claus, then he will head to his headquarters in the Ellice Dinges Center to greet the children with cookies and treat bags.

Ellice Dinges Center will have vendors, Enchanted Memory Photography, Santa, carolers, dancers, and goodie bags from the local 4-H!

The village will have punch cards made for people to get punches from each business, and then if they fill the card, their name will be entered into a drawing for \$100.

Downtown Sublette businesses will be open for all your shopping and refreshment needs.

Leffelman & Associates will be open and host a face painter, so your kids can become anything they want for the night.

Grace Fellowship Church will be hosting activities in the church.

The committee is collecting winter coats, hats and gloves for kids. To donate, call Julie at 815-440-4689 or Grace Fellowship Church.

"Christmas in the Village" is always the highlight of the Christmas season in Sublette. Families are invited to come and enjoy a festive evening.



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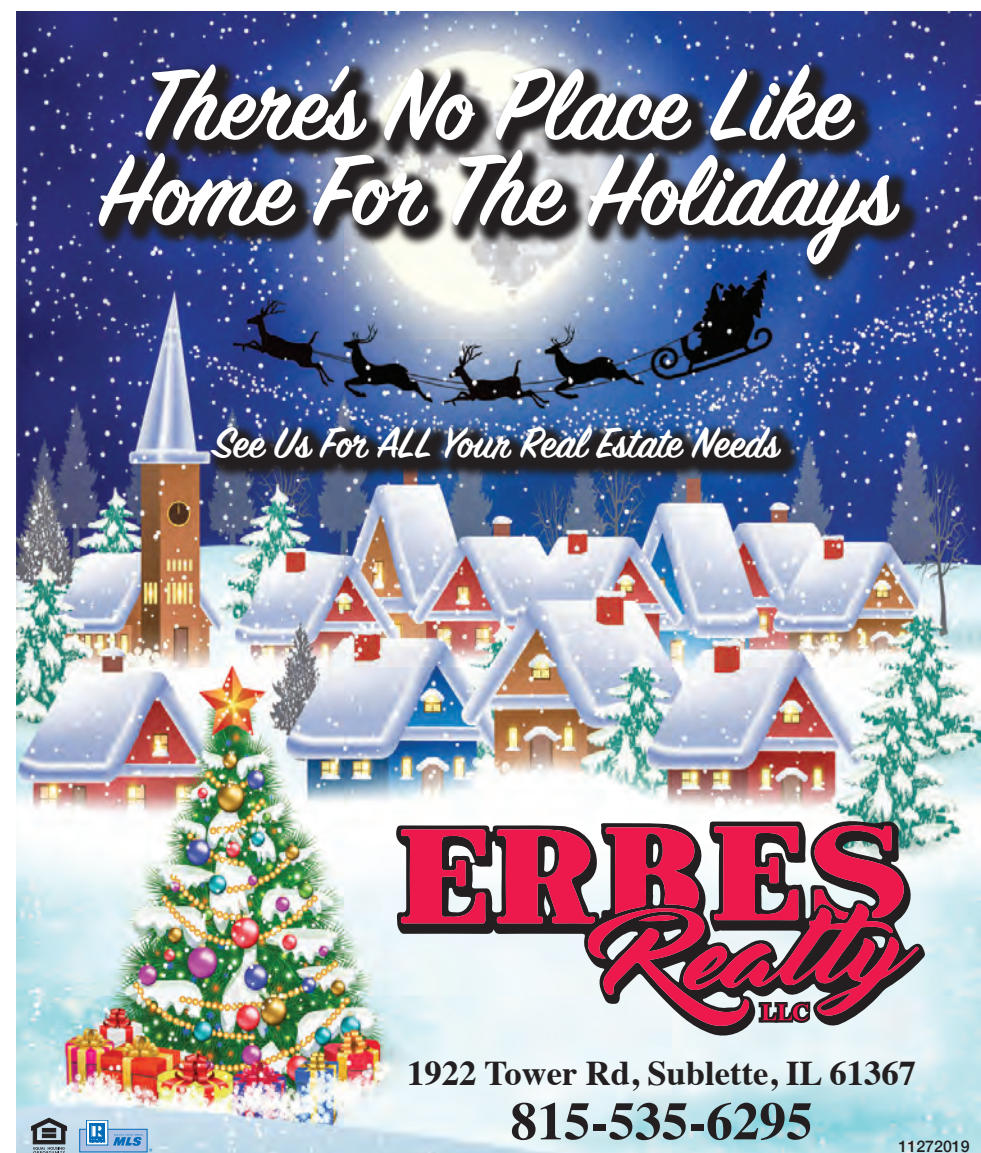
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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 for a list of services available.

SUBLETTE-Christmas in the Village will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 2, in downtown

Sublette.

AMBOY-The U of I Extension will host 4-H Handmade Holidays at the Lee County 4-H Center, Franklin Rd. & USRT 30, on Saturday, Dec. 4. The cost is \$10 and pre-registration is required. Register online at go.illinois.edu/handmadeholidays

AMBOY-The City of Amboy committee meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 6, at the

Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

AMBOY-The U of I Extension will host a free webinar, SCORE: A Mentoring Resource for Illinois' Small Businesses, on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at Noon. Register online at go.illinois.edu/2021LGE-SCOREMentoring

AMBOY-The U of I Extension will host the "Get Savvy-Grow Your Green Stuff" free webinar from Noon to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8. This session is Planning for the Unseen. Register online at <https://forms.uofi.illinois.edu/sec/1279302>

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at Dixon Hope Bible Fellowship, 732 Brinton Ave. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

MAY TWP-The May Township meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the township maintenance building.

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

STERLING-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 9, at Wesley United Methodist Church, 2200 16th Ave. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make

an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

AMBOY-The U of I Extension will host the Everyday Environment webinar, Winter Precipitation, on Thursday, Dec. 9, at 1 p.m. Register online at go.illinois.edu/everydayenvironment-webinars

AMBOY-The U of I Extension will host the Mental Health First Aid for the Agriculture Community webinar from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 10. The webinar is designed to help farm families deal with the heavy mental toll associated with the unpredictability of agriculture. Register at <https://illinoisaces.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV-4lqy1L-BqCMTXnvg>

AMBOY-The 2021 Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 11, throughout Amboy.

ASHTON-The Lee County Health Department and Illinois Department of Public Health will hold a Walk-in Covid Vaccine Clinic from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mills-Petrie Building, 704 N. First St., on Monday, Dec. 13. This clinic will have first shots, second shots and boosters available. Call 815-284-3371 for more information. Visit lchd.com for updates on Covid Vaccine Clinics.

LEE CENTER TWP-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 9, at the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy.

PRINCETON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 10, at the American Legion, 1549 W. Peru St. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

AMBOY-The Amboy Fire Protection District will meet at 8 a.m. at the Fire Station, 25 N. East Ave., on Monday, Dec. 13.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 13, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

TEEN TURF

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

We wanted to Thank East Grove Union Church and the following people: Richard and Marlene Lohsey; Les and Betty Shaw; Pastor Rick Wolfe; Sandy Draper; Alice and Leroy Dukes; Michael and Michael Farrar; Brooklyn Strub and Sydney, Hayden, and Maddy Thomas.

Upcoming Christmas Walk

We will be participating in the Amboy Christmas walk on Dec. 11, from 4-7 p.m. We will be making wreaths and having gifts to sell. We can't wait to see you there.

Our free after-school program for third - eighth grade 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 and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. for group chair exercises and walking. They have a great time together.

Thank You's

We are blessed to have the following people help us: Joey, Sue, and Dean Stephenitch for the turkey for the dinner; Sandy Morrissey for the memorial donation for Dennis Donna; Fran Kessel for doing all our after school paperwork; Pam Love for cutting items; Tammy and Scott Strub for her donation; and Candy, Chris, Kathy, and Maddy for helping during Homework time.

Needs

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Final Word

"Fortify us with the grace of Your Holy Spirit and give Your peace to our soul that we may be free from all needless anxiety, solicitude and worry. Help us to desire always that which is pleasing and acceptable to You so that Your will may be our will. Amen."

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Situated on what was the railyard of the Northern Division Headquarters of the Charter Line of the Illinois Central Railroad, it was the first line built by the railroad, running from Cairo, at the southernmost tip of Illinois, northward through Galena, to East Dubuque, in the extreme northwest corner of the state. When completed in 1855, it was the longest railroad line in the world. The primary building of the museum is the railroad depot, built in 1876, as a replacement for the original combination depot/hotel which had been constructed in 1854, but had been destroyed by fire in 1875. This current structure was built as a 19-room, two-story depot and division headquarters with an architecturally unique combination of brick and cut Joliet limestone. The Depot provided all facilities for a small-town depot, and as a division headquarters, it also contained two large walk-in vaults for storage of valuables and cash as well as additional rooms for dispatchers, civil engineering staff, accountants and all other workers needed to keep a division headquarters functioning.

However, in 1894, although having been described as "the finest IC division headquarters outside of Chicago," the division headquarters functions in Amboy were discontinued by the railroad. The eight-foot tall and elaborately trimmed windows and doors, the eleven-foot-high ceilings, and the grand curved central stairway have all remained unmodified from their original design. The depot has thus been preserved in its nearly original configuration and provides a prime example of 19th century railroad architecture.

The depot operated in this scaled-back configuration until 1967, when the last station agent, Carl Edwards, died and the depot was closed by the railroad. Amboy's Mayor, Kenneth McCracken, became concerned about the deteriorating landmark and took the initial steps to reverse its decline. By 1973, he had negotiated a long-term lease of the depot from the Illinois Central. He formed the Amboy Depot Commission to undertake what stabilization could be done. Commission members turned to local townspeople who donated everything from glass to replace the broken windowpanes to treasured family items donated for display in the fledgling museum. This basic restoration gradually allowed the depot to re-open in 1976, as a museum in what became Amboy's Bi-Centennial project. The City of Amboy took title to the depot when the Illinois Central abandoned its Charter Line through Amboy in 1984. By 1991, after 115 years of exposure to the elements,

and only cosmetic restoration of the building affordable, severe deterioration was underway. The beginning of the turnaround of the depot's fate was its listing in the National Register of Historic Places in 1992. Adequate funding was secured to make major renovations and with the hard work of caring individuals, the depot's Grand Opening as the Amboy Depot Museum was held on June 21, 2003.

The Amboy Depot Commission is currently facing a major fundraising challenge; \$650,000 is needed for restoration and repairs to the depot building itself. Donations should be made through the Starved Rock Country Community Foundation by cash, check or online at <https://www.srccf.org/funds/Amboy-Depot-Museum-Endowment-Fund>. Donations to the fund are tax-deductible in accordance with IRS Guidelines.

For additional information about the Depot Museum, visit www.amboymuseumdepot.org; email Amboydepot-museum@gmail.com or find them on Facebook: Amboy Depot Museum.

More information about the SRCCF is available at www.srccf.org; by calling the Foundation office at 815-252-2906, or sending an email to info@srccf.org.

The SRCCF is a tax-exempt charity that allows individuals, businesses and non-profit organizations to establish funds within the confines of one large Foundation to enhance to quality of life throughout Starved Rock Country. The Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization as designated by the IRS and the state of Illinois. Your financial contributions are tax-deductible in accordance with IRS guidelines.



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Elvin "Arkie" Jones, Sr.

Aug. 1, 1943 - Nov. 19, 2021

AMBOY — Elvin "Arkie" Jones Sr., 78, formerly of Amboy, died Friday, Nov. 19, 2021 in Eyota Minn.

He was born Aug. 1, 1943 in Martling, Ala., the son of Alvin and Violet (Sims) Jones. Arkie worked as a truck driver, at Green River Oaks, Grossman Farms, and had been a member of Amboy ESDA.

He married Bonnie Meiners on May 8, 1965 in Rock Falls. She preceded him in death Feb. 9, 2009.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; two grandsons; two great-grandchildren; one brother; and two sisters.

Arkie is survived by his

children, Donna (David) Geiger, of Amboy, Elvin (Laura) Jones, Jr., of Rockford, Dawn (Todd) Bass, of Dixon, Fred (Michelle) Jones, of Rochester, Minn.; 17 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren; and six brothers and three sisters.

The Family would like to give thanks to their special brother and his wife, Mike and Darla Wright, and their daughter, Michelle for their care of Arkie.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., on Saturday, Nov. 27, 2021, in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Burial will follow in Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be



from 2–4 p.m. and then from 6–8 p.m., on Friday, Nov. 26, at the funeral home.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Condolences can be left at www.thejonesfh.com.

Kishwaukee College to offer sparkling wine appreciation class in December

MALTA — The Kishwaukee College Continuing Education department is offering an online sparkling wine appreciation class from 6-7 p.m., on Monday, Dec. 20. The class will provide an overview of sparkling wines, their grapes and regions, and will be taught by certified sommeliers from Geneva Wine Cellars.

From the earliest examples of medieval sparklers to Prosecco, Cava, Champagne and more, this session will give you a new

appreciation for sparkling wine. Learn about sparkling wine's quality levels as well as its methods of production, classic regions and how to best pair it with food.

Presenters Tim Campbell and Liz Kowal, sommeliers from Geneva Wine Cellars, are certified through the Court of Master Sommeliers.

For more information or to register for the wine course, visit www.kish.edu/personalenrichment.

MAPS continued from page A1

He said they also align with the Illinois Voting Rights Act, which requires redistricting plans to preserve clusters of minority voting groups that are large enough and cohesive enough to exert collective electoral power.

Pritzker's signing of the

congressional maps comes less than two weeks before a three-judge federal court panel will hear oral arguments in three separate lawsuits challenging the new legislative maps that Democrats pushed through in August and Pritzker signed into law

in September.

Plaintiffs in those suits include Republican leaders in the General Assembly; a group of Latino voters in the Chicago area represented by the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, or MALDEF; and a

Mega and Jumbo passes available just in time for the holidays

SPRINGFIELD — The countdown to the 2022 Illinois State Fair is formally underway with fair officials announcing the start of the traditional holiday promotional campaign starring the Mega and Jumbo Passes.

The Mega Pass gives you unlimited rides in the Midway and Adventure Village, while the Jumbo Pass has the bonus of unlimited trips down the Giant Slide. The Illinois State Fair will be offering a Holiday Special on both passes Dec. 1, 2021 through Dec. 31, 2021. During this time the 2022 Mega Pass is just \$60, while the Jumbo Pass will be offered at \$70.

Making a return for the 2022 Illinois State Fair is North American Midway Entertainment. The carnival first debuted on the fairgrounds nearly three decades ago and will bring back some fan favorites as well as some new attractions. Rides fairgoers can expect to see include favorites: Pharaohs Fury,

Freak Out, Rock Star, Wacky Mouse Coaster and new for 2022, Arctic Express.

"We are excited to continue the tradition of making our Mega and Jumbo Passes available for the holidays as it's never too early to be thinking about the Illinois State Fair," said Illinois Department of Agriculture Director, Jerry Costello II. "Our top priority remains the health and safety of our fairgoers, as well as providing great entertainment for families. I look forward to welcoming fairgoers back in 2022 and building off the success of the 2021 Illinois State Fair."

Mega and Jumbo Passes will be available for purchase throughout the Fair. However, the price will increase to \$70 for the Mega Pass and \$80 for the Jumbo Pass on Jan. 1, 2022 and increase to \$80 and \$100 beginning Aug. 1, 2022.

Admission Bargain Books and Seasonal Infield Parking

Passes are also available and make great stocking stuffers. For just \$45, the Admission Bargain Book provides eleven any-day admissions to the 2022 Illinois State Fair. The Seasonal Infield Parking Pass is only \$40. This allows you to park on the infield all eleven days of the fair.

Take advantage of these limited time deals in any of the following ways:

24/7 (including holidays and weekends) Online: www.illinoisstatefair.info

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By Mail: Download the application at www.illinoisstatefair.info and mail to the address on the order form.

To Order By Phone or Have Questions: Call 217-782-0775 and leave a message. We will get back to you directly to take your order.

The 2022 Illinois State Fair will take place Aug. 11-21, 2022.

Lee County Sheriff's Office responds to single vehicle accident

DIXON — On Nov. 17, 2021, at 4:43 p.m., the Lee County Sheriff's Office responded to the area of IL Route 26 and McCoy Road, for a single vehicle accident with entrapment.

The driver, Kailla McGlown 22, of Amboy, was south bound on IL Route 26,


when the vehicle entered the east ditch, and struck a tree.

The driver and front passenger, Kelsi Love 22, of Amboy, were transported to OSF ST. Anthony's for medical treatment.

The rear juvenile passenger was transported to KSB Hospital, and later released.

McGlown, and Love's current condition is stable.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office was assisted by Amboy, Sublette, and Dixon Fire Departments, as well as Advance EMS, and Life Flight Aviation.



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THE PASTOR'S PEN

The numerous things we give thanks for

BY PASTOR JOHN KALEBAUGH

I know that at the time this is published, Thanksgiving Day is already past... yet I feel that "Thanksgiving" should be part of our DNA as Christian's anytime of the year. And all year. Last Sunday, I spoke to our church from the passage of Luke 17:11-19. This passage tells us that there were 10 men who had leprosy—an awful skin disease which isolated them from the rest of society. All ten cried out to Jesus for "mercy" and He told all of them to go and show themselves to the priest. And "as they went, they were cleansed." All 10 of them were healed! Afterwards however, only one of them came back to thank Jesus... only one. Jesus Himself seemed astonished. He even asked, "Were there not 10 who were cleansed?"

This passage serves as a reminder that it does not go unnoticed when we

give thanks to God. In fact, it seems that those who did not give thanks to Him were the ones who surprised Him. Another interesting thing about this passage is that the man who came to give thanks to Jesus was a Samaritan, or a "foreigner" as Jesus referred to him as. But those who did not give Jesus thanks were Jewish — as was Jesus.

In other words, they were the ones of whom it was assumed would respond with the obvious courtesy of saying "Thank you" for such an incredible gift of healing.

This is a good reminder to all of us as we enter the Holiday Season. We can and should be "intentional" to remember to say, "Thank you" to God for all that He has bestowed upon us! Some things are obvious of course. Like saying, "Thank you" for our salvation in Christ, our families, church families, and our nation... But then there are the numerous other

things... perhaps even common things, such as a beautiful flower that burst forth through a broken piece of concrete. Or a warm cuddly puppy or a loyal old dog... Perhaps it could be something as common as a normal (even boring) night at home.

Something we may experience hundreds of times, yet something we would also miss if it were denied to us. The examples are endless... but I think you know what I mean. We Christians should be the first to see the numerous things (obvious or not) to give thanks to God for.

How about if during this Holiday season we take a little extra time every day to be intentional and look for things to say "Thank you" to God for. In so doing, we may find that we see the normal and mundane things of our lives in a new and fresh light and appreciation. May God bless you.

The Book Nook

By:
Tatjana Kazan

A Bridge Too Far

Max Byrd's "Pont Neuf" (2019) is such a terrific historical novel that I had to put everything aside (mountains of leaves in the yard, far too many bulbs awaiting their burial) and sit down to read it straight through. It takes place the summer after the Normandy landings in June 1944. Two women war correspondents are trying to get to the front. One of the reporters is fictional; she is the novice Annie March, writing for the utterly inconsequential "British Vogue;" the other is the famous war correspondent Martha Gellhorn, writing for the "New York Times." Martha is also the third wife of Ernest Hemingway, though by then divorce was inevitable.

Martha, who is fearless, gets them into a field hospital at the front. "She had morals but not scruples," she tells Annie, who can barely look at the blood soaked horror they've come upon. In Paris, Annie meets two friends of Martha's — two officers, Adams and Shaw, known as the Twins, have been best friends since their days at Harvard. Adams analyzes Army intelligence and interrogates prisoners, whereas Shaw is a much-decorated captain in the 101st Airborne Division. Both men fall for Annie, and their rivalry becomes the parallel theme to the two massive battles on the Western Front.

Byrd's close-up description of Operation Market Garden in mid-September 1944 and the Battle of the Bulge three months later is masterful. Market Garden was a famous failure in which 9,000 British paratroopers were dropped near Arnhem, Holland to secure six bridges to provide a clear path into the heart of Germany. Nearly all the paratroopers were killed or captured. The phrase "A bridge too far" comes from this battle. As with the Battle of Arnhem, the Battle of the Bulge was based on miscalculation and hesitation and cost the Americans 90,000 casualties. We experience the tensions and killings in both battles through Shaw and his men.

Pont Neuf — New Bridge — is the oldest (built in 1578) and most famous bridge across the River Seine. It appears in the novel's Prologue and again in the Epilogue, where Annie and Adams and Shaw meet a year after the Battle of the Bulge. Annie thought bridges carried one from one world into another, one life into another, and that is certainly true in war. The lives of the young correspondent and the two soldiers have changed tragically, irrevocably, and crossing a bridge is its most apt metaphor.

A short-hand description of "Pont Neuf" does not do justice to the pitch-perfect prose, the assured handling of the action, or the luminous love affair once Annie picks one of the men. The shattering tragedy in the battle for Arnhem bridge finds its intimate parallel on Pont Neuf, the New Bridge which, like love and war, is as old as time.

Recycle! Recycle!

On This Day in History

100 Years Ago Dec. 2, 1921

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reniff and daughter motored out from Chicago and visited over Thanksgiving in the C.E. Standard home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Blocher and daughters Eva Lucile and Helen of Franklin Grove ate their last Sunday dinner at the George Blocher home.

Misses Elmina and Ellen Wilcox went to Chicago Wednesday where they were to meet Mrs. Alice Felker and start for Biloxi, Miss., to spend the winter.

75 Years Ago Dec. 5, 1946

Miss Winnifred McCracken was a Thanksgiving dinner guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Grace Buckingham.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kriche, Mr. and Mrs. Dearl Ellsworth and son Dean, were guests at a scramble dinner in

Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ankney.

Mrs. John Ditsch is now employed as a receptionist in the dental office of Dr. A.J. Chrouser.

Dale Pitzer entertained for dinner Mrs. Helen Lohse, Mr. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lohse, all of Franklin Grove, and Mrs. Eva Marie Siebens and Eugene of Amboy.

50 Years Ago Dec. 2, 1971

Nobert Brachle of Amboy entered his 466 cu. in. Chevy powered tractor in the special interest class of Chicago's 10th annual rod and custom car show held at McCormick place over the Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 25-28. His tractor placed third to win a trophy and a cash award in a class of 10.

Pastor Harvey G. Feustel, presently serving the Lutheran Church of the Cross at Metropolis, has accepted the call to the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Amboy. He is a graduate of the St. Paul Luther Academy and of St. Paul Luther College, both located in St. Paul, Minn. On Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs.

25 Years Ago Nov. 28, 1996

Darlene Hinkle, Amboy City Clerk, holds the award she received as she is congratulated by Amboy Mayor Hank Gerdes, for being accepted as a member of the Academy for Advanced Education of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. Fewer than 12 percent of the Institute's members worldwide achieve Academy membership.

National Guard PFC Joseph Cook took first place in an annual competition for Enlisted Man of the Year. Cook will complete next month for Enlisted Man of the Year of the Brigade. He is the son of Tony and Susan Cook.

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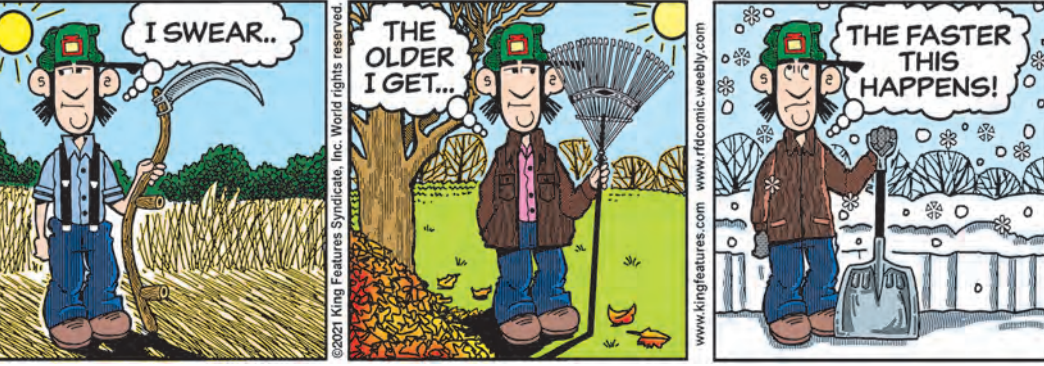
Out on a Limb

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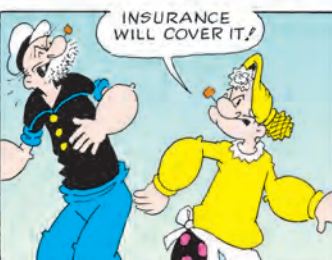
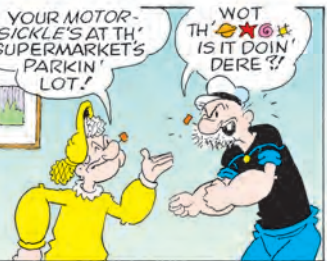
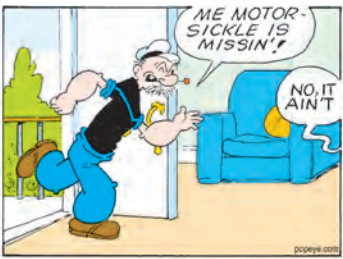
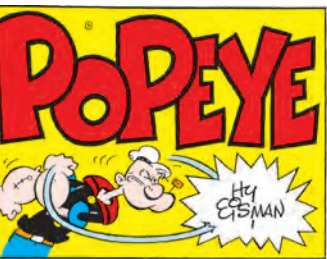
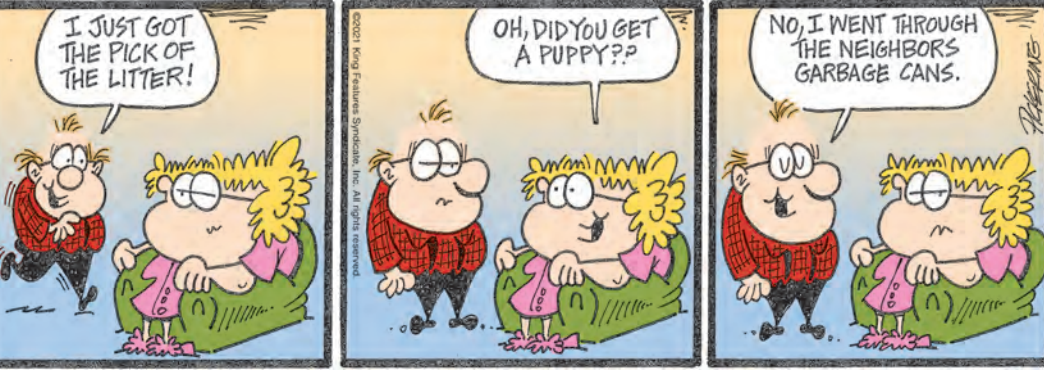
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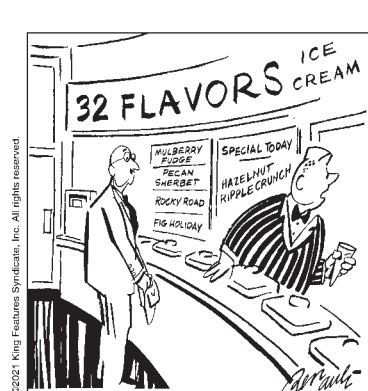


Just Like Cats & Dogs

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!

Dainty
RENTED
Dream
RANEY
Unkind
DINES
Sniff
HEALIN

32 FLAVORS ICE CREAM
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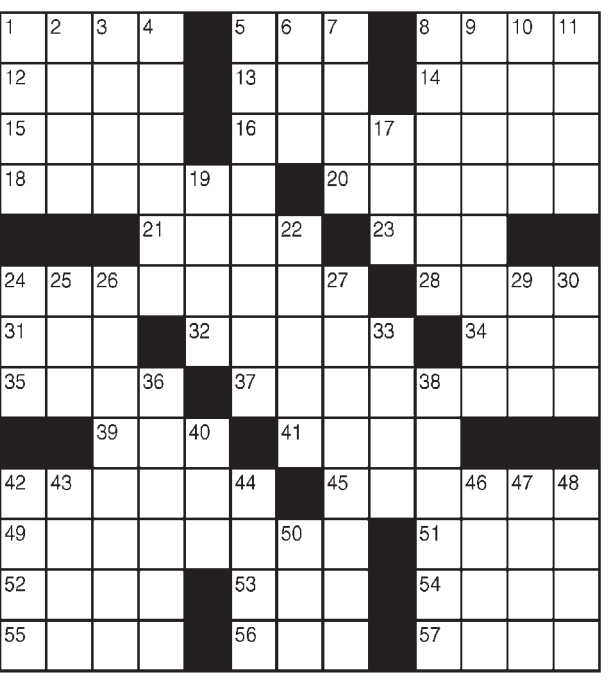
TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

November 29, 2021 Posting Date

ACROSS

- 1 Creche trio
- 5 The whole enchilada
- 8 Outlet letters
- 12 Teensy bit
- 13 Irish actor Stephen
- 14 Vivacity, in music
- 15 At the summit of
- 16 Her bed was too soft
- 18 Jungle trek
- 20 Make happy
- 21 Swindles
- 23 Workout site
- 24 Spaghetti topper
- 28 Whirled
- 31 Hosp. area
- 32 Small stream
- 34 "As I see it," to a texter
- 35 Lavish affection (on)
- 37 Lunar light
- 39 Family card game
- 41 Greek letters
- 42 Regard highly
- 45 Morals
- 49 Legume used in Asian cuisine
- 51 Acknowledge
- 52 Wax-coated cheese
- 53 Baton Rouge



- sch.
- Country's McEntire
- Actress Ward
- Shrill bark
- "Hey!"
- Slapstick mis-sile
- "Buenos —!"
- Apple center
- H.S. math
- Eldest Stark child on "Game of Thrones"
- Sailing vessel
- Central
- Green prefix
- Fall-related
- Relax
- Actress Thurman
- de plume
- Make a scarf
- Puzzle
- It's equivalent to C, in some scores
- Sphere
- Iowa city
- Ranch visitor
- Slithery
- Currier's partner
- Corn castoffs
- Smack a baseball
- was saying ..."

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

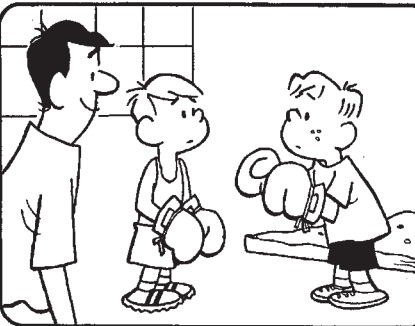
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLITNOFF



Differences: 1. Shirt is different. 2. Sleeve is shorter. 3. Freckles are missing. 4. Hat is thicker. 5. Stripe is added. 6. Nose is smaller.

VANILLA

Today's Word

1. Field 2. Flange; 3. Invest; 4. Detail

solution

SCRAMBLERS

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. GEOGRAPHY: What percent of the world's population lives in the Northern Hemisphere?
- 2. MOVIES: Which 1987 film contains the catchy line, "May the Schwartz be with you?"
- 3. LITERATURE: Author John Steinbeck contends that his dog ate the first draft of which of his novels?
- 4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of parrots called?
- 5. MUSIC: Who is considered the "Father of the Blues"?
- 6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first sitting president to throw out the first pitch on baseball's opening day?
- 7. FOOD & DRINK: Which fruit also is sometimes called a "love apple"?
- 8. TELEVISION: Where do the vampires live in "What We Do in the Shadows"?
- 9. HISTORY: In what year did East Germany start to build the Berlin Wall?
- 10. INVENTIONS: Which scientist invented the color wheel?

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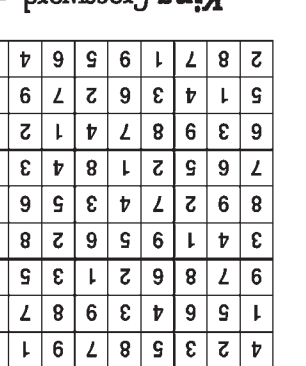
- 10. Sir Isaac Newton
- 9. 1961
- 8. Staten Island, New York
- 7. Tomato
- 6. William Howard Taft (1910)
- 5. W.C. Handy
- 4. A pandemonium
- 3. "Of Mice and Men"
- 2. "Spaceballs"
- 1. 90%



Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

King Crossword



Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Cuddle calls.

What amorous little sounds might you hear from people who are nestling comfily?

Answers

Cryptoquip

Cryptoquip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: O equals M

ZRJB JOCUCGM QVBBQD MCGYHM

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TGHHQD TJQQM.

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WEST BROOKLYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NO 21- 02

AN ORDINANCE FOR LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2022 FOR THE WEST BROOKLYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY ILLINOIS.

WHEREAS on July 24, 2021, the Board of Trustees passed an Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the District for the fiscal year ending on April 30, 2022, the amount of which is ascertained to be the aggregate sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$170,500.00). One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Five and 00/100 Dollars(\$105,675.00) for corporate fund purposes and Sixty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$64,825.00) for the Ambulance Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that there is hereby levied upon all taxable property located

within the limits of the West Brooklyn Fire Protection District of Lee County, Illinois, which is subject to taxation for the said tax year 2021 payable 2022 the total sum of One Hundred Twenty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Two and 00/100 (\$129,652.00) Dollars for the following general corporate purposes mentioned in said appropriation ordinance in the respective sum as follows, to wit:

Section 1-General Corporate: There be and is hereby levied upon all taxable property within the corporate limits of the District subject to taxation for the tax year 2020 payable 2021 the total sum of Seventy One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Seven and 00/100 (\$71,367.00) Dollars for the following general corporate purposes mentioned in said appropriation ordinance in the respective sum as follows, to wit:

CORPORATE FUND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Items of Appropriation and Levy Amount Appropriated For 2021-2022Budget Amount levied For 2021 Payable 2022

a. Trustee Salaries	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
b. Legal Services	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00
c. Bookkeeping Services	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
d. Social security and medical	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
E. Liability Insurance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
f. Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
g. Compilation/Financial Report	\$ 875.00	\$ 875.00
h. Publishing and Printing	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
i. Office and Postage	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
j. Dues, Memberships and Fees	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
k. Miscellaneous	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
l. Transfers out	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -0-

PUBLIC SAFETY EXPENSES:

m. Volunteer fire department (1/2 of \$6,000)	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
n. Emergency Service training	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
o. Repairs and fuel	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
p. Utilities and telephone (1/2 of \$4,000)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
q. Material and supplies (1/2 of \$5,000)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
r. Capital equipment outlay	\$ 30,000.00	\$8599.00
s. Debit retirement (tanker payment 5 of 20)	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
t. Building maintenance and repair (reserve)	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25,093.00
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Corporate Total	\$ 105,675.00	\$ 71,367.00

Section 2- Ambulance Fund: There be and is hereby levied upon all taxable property within the corporate limits of the District subject to taxation for year 2020 payable 2021 that total sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Five and 00/100 (\$58,285.00) Dollars for the following ambulance purpose mentioned in said appropriation ordinance in the respective sums as follows to wit:

AMBULANCE FUND

Items of Appropriation and Levy Amount Appropriated For 2021-2022Budget Amount levied For 2021 Payable 2022

u. Intergovernmental Ambulance Agreements	\$ 25,500.00	\$ 20,500.00
v. Liability Insurance	\$5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
w. Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
x. Trustee Salaries (1/2 of \$2,400)	\$1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
y. Legal services (1/2 of \$1,400)	\$1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00
z. Bookkeeping Services (1/2 of \$2,000)	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
aa. Compilation/Financial report (1/2 of \$1,750)	\$875.00	\$ 875.00
bb. Volunteer Fire Department (1/2 of \$6,000)	\$3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
cc. Rescue per call fees	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
dd. Utilities and Telephone (1/2 of \$ 4,000)	\$2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
ee. Materials and Supplies (1/2 of \$4,400)	\$2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
ff. Repairs and Fuel	\$4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
gg. Capital Equipment Outlay	\$10,000.00	\$8460.00
hh. Building Maintenance Repair (reserve)	\$5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
ii. Miscellaneous	-	-
Ambulance Total	\$64,825.00	\$ 58,285.00

Corporate Levy \$71,367.00
Ambulance Levy \$58,285.00
Total Levy \$129,652.00

Section 3 –Necessity: That each of the sums above for the Corporate Fund and Ambulance Fund are deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees of the West Brooklyn Fire Protection District for the fiscal year end in April 30, 2022.

Section 4- Filing of Certified Copy: That there shall be filled with the Office of the Clerk of Lee County a duly certified copy of this ordinance.

Section 5- When Effective: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approved in accordance with law and shall be known as Ordinance 21-02

Passed: October 27, 2021

WEST BROOKLYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Douglas Letteng
Douglas Letteng, President/Trustee
William Mathieu
WILLIAM MATHEU
Donna Jungels
Donna Jungels, Trustee/Secretary

No. 1201
Dec. 01, 2021

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS CAUSE NO. 2019TX1: TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS (AND IF DECEASED, TO THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES), AND TO THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND TO ALL INTERESTED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES THEREOF, INCLUDING AMONG OTHERS ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL, ILLINOIS DEPT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPT OF HEALTHCARE & FAMILY SERVICES (PUBLIC AID) GENERAL COUNSEL AND LEE COUNTY CLERK, LEE COUNTY TREASURER, LEE COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY AND CITY OF AMBOY, CITY OF DIXON, AQUA, IL, INC FORMERLY CONSUMERS IL WATER CO, COMMONWEALTH EDISON CO ATTN: LEGAL DEPT, HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK INDIVIDUALLY & AS TRUSTEE, THE WOODHAVEN ASSOCIATION WOODHAVEN LAKES, AND TO OCCUPANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE PARCELS HEREINAFTER NAMED:

Parcel Number	Owners/Parties Interested	Cert Number	Street Or Common Address
02-15-15-357-015	INOC LLC	2019-00009	204 W HUBBARD ST
02-15-15-453-024	GERSCH, FRANK L HEIRS AND DEVISEES	2019-00013	148 N MASON
02-15-15-453-024	GERSCH, RUTH	2019-00013	148 N MASON
02-15-15-477-008	TOTH, MICHAEL L	2019-00015	117 N JEFFERSON AVE
02-15-15-477-008	THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN AMBOY	2019-00015	117 N JEFFERSON AVE
02-15-22-180-006	COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY	2019-00015	117 N JEFFERSON AVE
02-15-22-180-006	RHINE, WILLIAM JR	2019-00021	
02-15-22-180-006	RHINE, BARBARA A	2019-00021	
05-17-11-156-008	HARTLEY, JOHN E	2019-00037	536 CHERRY ST
05-17-11-156-008	HARTLEY, MARY E	2019-00037	536 CHERRY ST
05-17-11-156-008	CITIBANK, NA	2019-00037	536 CHERRY ST
05-17-28-400-003	FLEIT, FRANK	2019-00042	2698 COTTAGE HILL RD
05-17-28-400-003	REALTAX DEVELOPERS, LTD	2019-00042	2698 COTTAGE HILL RD
07-08-06-329-029	OBANION, DAVID A	2019-00121	222 CROPSEY AVE
07-08-06-329-029	STERLING FEDERAL BANK, F.S.B	2019-00121	222 CROPSEY AVE
07-08-06-329-029	CITY OF DIXON	2019-00121	222 CROPSEY AVE
07-08-06-329-029	COX, JAMES	2019-00121	222 CROPSEY AVE
07-08-06-329-029	CONTIMORTGAGE CORP	2019-00121	222 CROPSEY AVE
07-08-06-329-029	PRES: ROBERT DAVIS		
07-08-06-329-029	CONTIWEST	2019-00121	222 CROPSEY AVE
07-08-06-329-029	PRES: JOSEPHY M RUTTER		
07-08-06-379-002	DICKSON, ROBERT	2019-00123	2500 W FOURTH ST
11-16-06-329-007	WESELOH, DAVID A	2019-00150	1136 INLET RD
13-21-01-355-011	YANEZ, TIBURCIO	2019-00180	
13-21-01-355-011	YANEZ, TERESA	2019-00180	
13-21-01-355-011	YANEZ, JANET	2019-00180	
13-21-01-355-011	MARTINEZ, OSCAR	2019-00180	
13-21-01-376-008	VARGAS, CARLOTA	2019-00182	96 westwood trl
13-21-01-378-010	HADSALL, CHRISTOFER	2019-00186	32 westwood trl
13-21-01-378-010	HADSALL, GEORGI	2019-00186	32 westwood trl
13-21-01-378-011	HADSALL, CHRISTOFER	2019-00187	
13-21-01-378-011	HADSALL, GEORGI	2019-00187	
13-21-01-452-019	ANDRADE, CARLOS	2019-00191	
13-21-01-452-019	ANDRADE, DORA	2019-00191	
13-21-11-128-035	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00236	
	RA: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM		
13-21-11-128-035	MELENDEZ, MARITZA	2019-00236	
13-21-11-130-005	LAGUNA, BARBARA	2019-00239	
13-21-11-130-005	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00239	
	RA: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM		
13-21-11-179-012	VILLAR, CATALINA	2019-00254	
	AKA DELIA CATALINA VASQUEZ		
13-21-11-179-012	MIDWEST TULSA PROPERTIES	2019-00254	
	RA: L P AGENTS LLC		
13-21-11-201-003	OGOREK, JOZEF	2019-00255	286 Rustic ln
13-21-11-201-003	OGOREK, AGNIESZKA	2019-00255	286 Rustic ln
13-21-11-201-003	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00255	286 Rustic ln
	SEC: CHRISTOPHER LUNING		
13-21-11-205-019	LUKASIK, SANDRA K	2019-00262	
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, MARY	2019-00263	
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, BERNADETTE	2019-00263	
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, EDWARD	2019-00263	
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, MARK	2019-00263	
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, BARBARA	2019-00263	
13-21-11-207-026	AKA BARBARA KASPAR		
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, BETTY	2019-00263	
	AKA BETTY FRANGELLA		
13-21-11-207-026	BUDZ, STANLEY	2019-00263	
13-21-11-207-026	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00263	
	RA: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM		
13-21-11-278-015	ACEVEDO, RICARDO A	2019-00267	
13-21-11-278-015	ACEVEDO, PATRICIA A	2019-00267	
13-21-11-328-028	VILLALOVOS, MARTIN	2019-00274	
13-21-11-328-028	VILLALOVOS, KRISTIN	2019-00274	
13-21-11-328-028	MIDWEST TULSA PROPERTIES	2019-00274	
	RA: L P AGENTS LLC		
13-21-11-328-028	THE WOODHAVEN ASSOCIATION	2019-00274	
	RA: JEFFREY S HICKEY		
13-21-11-330-004	MACAK, KEVIN	2019-00276	
13-21-11-405-009	MARTINEZ, MIGUEL	2019-00282	34 woodhaven dr w
13-21-11-405-009	MARTINEZ, PACIANA	2019-00282	34 woodhaven dr w
13-21-11-406-023	FREEMAN, LEONARD	2019-00283	
13-21-11-406-023	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00283	
	SEC: CHRISTOPHER LUNING		
13-21-11-431-009	STANTON, CHARLETTE	2019-00292	
13-21-11-431-009	STANTON, HENRY C	2019-00292	
13-21-11-431-009	THOMAS, JACARE	2019-00292	
13-21-12-155-010	BONILLA, LUIS M	2019-00304	
13-21-12-155-010	BONILLA, LUIS	2019-00304	
13-21-12-178-002	WANTROBA, DENNIS	2019-00306	
13-21-12-178-002	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00306	
	RA: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM		
13-21-12-180-002	LANINGA, KEASHA R	2019-00315	
13-21-12-180-002	STAHL, MATTHEW	2019-00315	
13-21-12-255-005	ENGLISH, HEATHER	2019-00329	
13-21-12-255-005	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00329	
	SEC: CHRISTOPHER LUNING		
13-21-12-256-012	BIRD, MIKE	2019-00334	280 Mayfair trl
13-21-12-257-010	ARANGO, JHON J	2019-00338	221 Beachwood trl
13-21-12-257-010	LUNA, CINDY K	2019-00338	221 Beachwood trl
13-21-12-331-009	BARTH, JILL	2019-00355	
13-21-12-331-009	BARTH, JILL A	2019-00355	
13-21-12-331-009	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00355	
	RA: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM		
13-21-12-331-010	BARTH, JILL	2019-00356	272 Sherbrook trl
13-21-12-331-010	BARTH, JILL A	2019-00356	272 Sherbrook trl
13-21-12-331-010	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00356	272 Sherbrook trl
	RA: CT CORPORATION SYSTEM		
13-21-12-427-006	HIGAKI, MATTHEW JAMES	2019-00365	
13-21-12-427-006	HIGAKI, LORI	2019-00365	
13-21-12-427-031	WILLIS, MARK	2019-00368	
13-21-12-427-031	WILLIS, DEBRA	2019-00368	
13-21-12-428-017	HALPER-CROW, MICHELLE	2019-00369	
13-21-12-428-050	INCLAN, LUCIA	2019-00372	
13-21-12-428-050	MIDWEST TULSA PROPERTIES	2019-00372	
	PRES: MICHELLE T LOZINS		
13-21-12-428-050	INCLAN, ANA	2019-00372	
	AKA ANA NELLY INCLAN		
13-21-12-428-057	RASPOLICH, RONALD	2019-00374	
13-21-12-430-027	CASTILLO, ARTURO	2019-00375	
13-21-12-431-027	ZYNIEWICZ, ROBERT J	2019-00378	43 Valcour trl
13-21-12-431-027	ZYNIEWICZ, MARY ELLEN	2019-00378	43 Valcour trl
13-21-12-431-029	ZYNIEWICZ, PAUL E	2019-00379	45 Valcour
13-21-12-431-030	ZYNIEWICZ, PAUL E	2019-00380	
13-21-12-451-002	ROMERO, GINA	2019-00383	
13-21-12-451-002	ROMERO, MONICA	2019-00383	
	AKA MONICA AVELAR		
13-21-12-451-002	ROMERO, MAGDALENA	2019-00383	
13-21-12-451-043	SPAARGAREN, JASON	2019-00385	
13-21-12-451-043	SPAARGAREN, SERAFINA	2019-00385	
13-21-12-478-016	ESCANIO, EMMA F	2019-00395	
15-07-15-252-002	WHALEY, THOMAS L	2019-00410	1575 JOLIET WAY
15-07-15-252-002	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	2019-00410	1575 JOLIET WAY
	ATTORNEY GENERAL		
18-08-36-200-001	SPENCER, JEFFREY	2019-00428	1153 S ELDENA RD
18-08-36-200-001	SPENCER, SHARON	2019-00428	1153 S ELDENA RD
19-22-06-355-018	KRYSTOPA, KRZYSZTOF	2019-00432	
19-22-06-355-018	AQUA ILLINOIS INC	2019-00432	
	SEC: CHRISTOPHER LUNING		
19-22-07-107-022	ARROYO, ABEL	2019-00442	
19-22-07-107-022	ARROYO, ROBERTA	2019-00442	
19-22-07-152-044	FRANCO, THERESA	2019-00457	
19-22-07-301-002	PARKER, DAVID R	2019-00464	152 Squire trl
19-22-07-304-014	MARTINEZ, EDGAR J	2019-00465	
19-22-07-304-014	MARTINEZ, JOSE	2019-00465	
19-22-07-304-018	KELLY, BRYAN	2019-00466	
19-22-07-304-018	ULREY, WILLIAM COLTON	2019-00466	
19-22-07-351-066	SALOGA, WILLIAM A	2019-00471	
19-22-07-351-066	SALOGA, JULIE LYNN	2019-00471	
19-22-07-354-009	DOMINGUEZ, ADRIANA	2019-00476	216 orchard circle
19-22-07-354-009	DEANG, CELESTE	2019-00476	216 orchard circle

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ABOVE SAID PARCELS WERE SOLD ON OCTOBER 30, 2019, FOR GENERAL TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2018 AND PRIOR YEARS, AND THAT THE PERIOD OF REDEMPTION FROM SUCH SALE EXPIRES MAY 13, 2022. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT A PETITION FOR ORDER DIRECTING ISSUANCE OF TAX DEEDS HAS BEEN FILED IN THE ABOVE SAID CAUSE AS TO THE ABOVE NAMED PARCELS BY LEE COUNTY, AS TRUSTEE, AND THAT ON JUNE 8, 2022 AT 3:00 PM, SAID PETITIONER WILL APPLY FOR AN ORDER THAT A TAX DEED ISSUE AS TO EACH ABOVE SAID PARCEL NOT REDEEMED ON OR BEFORE MAY 13, 2022 /S/ LEE COUNTY AS TRUSTEE, PETITIONER.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK
ADDRESS: 112 E 2ND STREET, DIXON, IL 61021
TELEPHONE: (815) 288-3309

No. 1202
December 1, 8, 15, 2021

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SPORTS

Clipper Highlights: #54 Jeramy Wittenauer

This Clipper has made an invaluable mark on our program and ranks among the best overall Clipper contributors our program has. It was an honor to play for him and a great honor this week to highlight him. This week's Clipper is #54, (Coach) Jeramy Wittenauer. Jeramy was a 1994 graduate of Amboy High School and three year Varsity Football Clipper.

At a time when numbers were low, Jeramy, who led a talented Sophomore class, was called up to Varsity on Friday nights after the freshman/sophomore game. Pulling double duty was nothing for a hard worker like Jeramy as he relished the opportunity to see Varsity snaps at Nose Tackle. In speaking of his Sophomore season, Jeramy shared the difference in the speed of the game at the Varsity level and how valuable that experience was moving into his Junior season.

Jeramy's Junior season he started at Offensive Guard and Defensive Tackle. Jeramy shared the highlight of the '92 season was the home win against the state ranked, undefeated, Morrison Mustangs.

"We had the momentum all game and never lost it. The awe we had throughout the game ended in the 4th quarter and we realized victory was a reality," Jeramy shared.

Going into his Senior season, Jeramy and his fellow Seniors came together and made a commitment to right the ship and make the playoffs. The '93 Clippers brought a great work ethic and serious level of "buy-in" to the attainment of their goal.

Jeramy, The Trench Captain, again led the Clippers from his positions on the

Clipper Highlights

By Spencer Morrissey



offensive and defensive lines. Splitting the first two non-conference games, the '93 Clippers would begin their grueling conference schedule. Throughout the victories and defeats, the '93 Clippers earned the nickname, "The Cardiac Clippers" by trailing in every victory they posted. The nickname speaks for itself and Amboy, a community that has always starved for great Football, once again, football was at the forefront of everyone's minds.

Jeramy shared, "Our fan base was great, they would take fan buses to away games and seeing that excitement, we never felt we were out of it."

The regular season was filled with playoff-like games which led to a roller coaster of a season. As an offensive and defensive lineman, Jeramy knew he wouldn't receive the accolades, statistics, or credit for victories, however, in true Clipper Lineman fashion, winning football games was all that mattered to Jeramy.

"I took a lot of pride in my role on the line. I knew my role to the team and took so much pride in the fact that our Running Back, Bud Fer-

ris, earned All Conference. It was a dirty business but I took pride in every block or taking on two guys so a linebacker could make a tackle," Jeramy shared.

The '93 Clippers came just short of their playoff goal. Going into Riverdale at 5-3, the hostile environment and playoff caliber Ram team proved too much for our Clippers and the season ended with another 5-4 record. As any/all accolades would have been traded for a playoff game, Jeramy earned 2nd Team All Conference and 1st Team All Area honors at Offensive Guard.

Jeramy's Clipper path went from player, to Clipper fan, and in the year 2000, to Clipper Coach.

Jeramy began his coaching career in the year 2000 and spent seven seasons at the Freshman/Sophomore level. In those seven Clipper seasons, (2000-2006) the number of freshman/sophomore wins was staggering and multiple Conference Championships were won.



Coach Jeramy Wittenauer



#54 Jeramy Wittenauer

success this season and future seasons. Clipper Football is something I hold very close to my heart."

So, to #54, "The Trench Captain," (Coach) Jeramy Wittenauer, thank you for your contributions to Amboy Clipper Football. Your continued contributions to our program provide a comforting assurance that the ship will always sail in the direction of success. I speak for the collective in saying we could not be happier for you, Coach Payne, and the rest of the 2021 Clippers and coaches on all of this season's success. We all look forward to the 2022 season and wish you the very best of luck. Go Clippers. Go Big Red. Go Mean Machine. 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.

Second firearm deer season is Dec. 2-5

SPRINGFIELD – The second weekend of the Illinois Firearm Deer Season will be Dec. 2-5.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) reminds hunters in counties where chronic wasting disease (CWD) has been detected that Firearm Deer Check Stations will be open this year in CWD-testing counties. Check stations were not open in 2020 due to health and safety protocols in place at that time.

Check stations are used by the IDNR to monitor CWD in Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, Grundy, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, LaSalle, Livingston, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Will, and Winnebago counties.

A list of check station locations for CWD testing can be found on the IDNR website Firearm Deer Hunting Information for CWD Counties page. The list this year includes a Carroll County check station at Mississippi Palisades State Park. Hunters harvesting deer in Kane County should take their deer to a check station in an adjacent county.

In those counties, hunter-harvested deer must be

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Successful deer hunters in all other counties may have their deer tested for CWD. Hunters can visit participating vendors (taxidermists and meat processors) or drop deer heads at self-serve drop off sites.

A list of locations is available on the IDNR website at: <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/programs/CWD/Documents/CWDSamplingLocations.pdf>

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SPORTS

All Onboard

BY GEORGE HOWE
Amboy News Reporter
AMBOY — According to Head Coach Brad Dunlap, the Amboy Boy's Basketball program has been slowing sinking the last few seasons and his objective going into the 2021-22 campaign is to right the 'Clipper' ship.

Dunlap and his staff started the transformation back in early November, instilling a new culture of discipline, hard work, and accountability. There hasn't been a quiet moment at Clipper practices, and the sounds of squeaky shoes fills the gym from a regular dose of offensive, defensive and running drills. "I expect the team to play hard all of the time," said Dunlap. "We aren't going to make excuses for why we aren't doing well. We like to say that we are the Clippers and we foresee everyone getting onboard."

Change doesn't always come easy. Often times there are growing pains as the players who have been in the program for awhile adjust to a new approach. Tucker Lindenmeyer, a 5'9 junior guard and a returning starter clearly sees the attitude adjustment on the floor and in the locker room so far.

"Everything is more structured and organized and we have all bought into the coach's expectations," said Lindenmeyer. "Communication has been the key, and we have a better bond as a result."

Lindenmeyer prides himself on tough in your face defense and will have a supporting cast of 5'9 senior guard Connor Simpson, 5'10 senior guard Ian Eller, 5'10 junior guard Hayden Wittenauer, 5'11 senior forward Hayden McCoy, who Dunlap is counting on to do the dirty work under the basket, along with 6'1 sophomore Brennan Blake and 6'0 senior forward



Amboy Varsity Boys' Basketball

Front row, left to right, Andruw Jones, Kyler McNinch, Jordan Guley. Middle row, Connor Simpson, Ian Eller, Haden McCoy, Wes Wilson, Hayden Wittenauer, Tucker Lindenmeyer. Back row, Garrett Ringenberg, Caden Wittenauer, assistant coach Joe Heavner, head coach Brad Dunlap, assistant coach Abel Sustatia, Brennan Blaine, Garrett Pertell.

Courtesy photo

Garrett Ringenberg to help score inside and pull down rebounds. During all of the new challenges Dunlap's philosophy and expectations hasn't wavered and he explained that the team won't lose a game for lack of determination.

"Every practice, our motto and words that we stress are; effort, energy, communication, and discipline," he said. "I like this group of guys and the attitude from what we are trying to instill. I expect better things ahead."

Proof of the direction that the team and program are heading was never more evident than the recent results from the AFC Thanksgiving Tournament. Although they finished runner up to Midland, the Clipper's won their first

three contests over LaMoille, Polo, and Hiawatha outscoring their opponents 147-90, and matching their total wins from last year's

Covid shortened season.

"It's a good start for us and something to build on," said Assistant Coach Joe Heavner. "The player's showed us that

what we are building towards was communicated from

their efforts in these opening games."

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SPORTS

Clippers take second place in AFC Tournament

ASHTON – The Amboy Clippers opened up the new basketball season by winning three of four games to finish in second place in the Ashton-Franklin Center Tournament. Amboy started off the action with a 54-40 triumph over Polo on Nov. 22.

The game was tight after one quarter, with the Clippers owning a 10-7 lead, but they turned up the heat in the second quarter and outscored the Marcos, 15-7, to take a 25-14 advantage to the locker room. The count stood at 36-23 after three frames.

Brennan Blaine was the top scorer for Amboy with 20 points. He nailed four shots from beyond the three-point arc. Ian Eller had a pair of treys and finished with 10 tallies, while Connor Simpson provided eight markers and Tucker Lindenmeyer supplied seven.

The Clippers had an easy time in disposing of LaMoille, 51-23, on Nov. 23.

It was another game that Amboy was able to pull away in the second quarter. Leading 10-4 after the opening stanza, the Clippers zoomed out to a 22-10 margin at halftime. They kept building in the lead in the third period and held a 40-15 cushion heading to the fourth.

Blaine led the offensive attack with 14 points, while Simpson added 12. Nine Clippers broke into the scoring column. Austin Fischer paced LaMoille with 11 markers.

Amboy rolled into the championship game with a 42-27 verdict over Kirkland Hiawatha in a third-round game on Nov. 26.

The Clippers took control from the opening tip, owning a 12-5 lead after the first frame and taking a 24-10 advantage to the break.

Lindenmeyer and Eller topped the scoring chart with eight points apiece, while Simpson added six tallies and Blaine chipped in with five markers.

A solid Midland team dealt the Clippers a 51-25 loss in the championship game on Nov. 27.

Amboy was slow out of the gate and found themselves staring up at a 15-4 deficit after the first eight-minute session and 30-8 at halftime. The Clippers heated up with 15 third-quarter points, but then only managed a bucket in the fourth quarter.

Simpson's nine points paced Amboy and Lindenmeyer dropped in seven points.



Amboy's #4 Connor Simpson is pictured on defense during Amboy's game against Polo Marcos in the Ashton-Franklin Center Tournament on Nov. 22.

Photo courtesy of Tina Eller



Pictured above, Amboy's #32 Brennan Blaine in action against against Polo Marcos in the Ashton-Franklin Center Tournament on Nov. 22. Pictured right, Amboy's #24 Haden McCoy goes for the rim against LaMoille on Nov. 23 in the Ashton-Franklin Center Tournament.

Photo courtesy of Tina Eller



Above, Amboy's #14 Kyler McNinch dribbles around a Midland defender with #4 Connor Simpson also pictured. Midland defeated the Clippers in the championship game of the Ashton-Franklin Center Tournament on Nov. 27.

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Below, a solid Midland team dealt the Clippers a 51-25 loss in the championship game of the Ashton-Franklin Center Tournament on Nov. 27.

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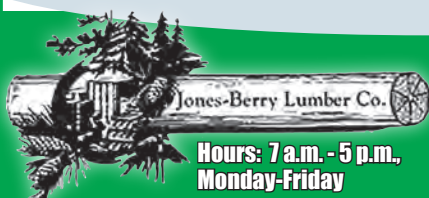
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HOLIDAY NEWS

Christmas tree tips and tricks

(METRO)—Freshly cut Christmas trees are farmed specifically for the holiday season and support local economies. They also tend to last a bit longer than pre-cut trees available elsewhere.

Christmas trees are an iconic symbol of the holiday season. Whether they are personal trees nestled in the corner of a living room for families to enjoy or towering evergreens serving as the focal point of a town square, Christmas trees are a wonder to behold.

Many people have fond memories of time spent around the Christmas tree sharing gifts and family traditions. Live trees and their pine-like aroma can be especially nostalgic trees to include in holiday plans.

The National Christmas Tree Association says that approximately 25 to 30 million real Christmas trees are sold in the United States every year. North American trees hail from all 50 states and areas of Canada.

While freshly cut trees can be particularly beautiful and aromatic additions to the season, they require a bit more

work than artificial trees in order to remain beautiful and thrive throughout the holiday season. Maintenance can help keep Christmas trees as perfect as possible.

· Even though it is tempting to buy a real tree as early as possible, their shelf life is limited even with the best care. Dural Christmas Tree Farm advises that, under the best conditions, a real tree should last up to four weeks before drying out.

· Consider the needles when looking for a real tree. Pull your hand toward your body along the branches. If many needles fall off, the tree is past its peak.

· Think about the room in which the tree will be located. Leave at least 6 inches between the tip of the tree and the ceiling, accounting for the height of the tree stand as well.

· If needle retention is a goal, the Scotch pine variety has the best needle retention and a high survival rate, lending to its popularity, offers Precision Tree and Landscape. Douglas fir and balsam fir are other durable trees.

· If possible, buy a freshly cut tree from a reputable nursery or tree farm, advises The Old Farmer's Almanac. Many pre-cut trees sold elsewhere were likely cut weeks before and may not be fresh.

· Cut the bottom of the tree trunk before bringing it home to facilitate the uptake of fresh water daily. Trees can absorb as much as a gallon of water in a day, so make sure the tree gets fresh water every day.

· Keep trees away from as many heat sources as possible and away from direct sunlight to prolong longevity.

· According to Karabin Farms in Connecticut, to make a Christmas tree last longer, boil a gallon of water and then dissolve one cup of sugar in the water. Allow to cool. After freshly cutting the trunk, pour in the warm sugar water. Continue to add fresh, cool, plain water to the tree stand afterward.

Once needles begin to fall off with frequency, the tree is reaching its prime. Remove it so it does not become a fire hazard.



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HOLIDAY NEWS

Classic holiday films families can enjoy together

(METRO) — The holiday season is steeped in tradition. Few traditions may elicit more collective belly laughs than holiday movie night, a tradition in millions of households across the globe. Families can consider these classic holiday films as they plan family movie night this holiday season.

· “Miracle on 34th Street” (1947): This classic is centered around a man named “Kris Kringle” (Edmund Gwenn) who claims to be the real Santa Claus after a successful stint as a department store Santa in midtown Manhattan. A trial to determine if Mr. Kringle is telling the truth soon follows. This version of the tale has earned a 96 percent rating on the popular film review aggregator Rotten Tomatoes.

· “A Christmas Story” (1983): Though it airs all day long on Christmas on the cable television network TBS, families can get a head-start on that marathon and watch the film uninterrupted whenever they choose. Families can laugh together as 9-year-old Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) hopes to unwrap his official Red Ryder BB gun on Christmas morning. The film, which boasts an 89 percent on Rotten Tomatoes, includes a memorable performance by Darren McGavin, who plays Ralphie’s father.

· “Babes In Toyland” (1934): Also known as “March of the Wooden Soldiers,” this nearly century-old classic stars the legendary comedy duo Laurel and Hardy as two helpful tenants living in Mother Peep’s shoe in Toyland.

· “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” (1967): An animated version of the Dr. Seuss classic, this film has entertained scores of children since it was first released more than 50 years ago.

· “Holiday Inn” (1942): Hollywood legends Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire star in this classic that is perhaps most remembered for introducing the Irving Berlin class “White Christmas” to the masses. The film boasts a 100 percent rating on Rotten Tomatoes and has something for fans of song, dance and romance.

· “Arthur Christmas” (2011): Not all Christmas films date back to the 20th century. This animated tale tells the story of Arthur (voiced by James McAvoy), Santa’s youngest son who is thrust into the Christmas Eve business of delivering presents when his father fails to deliver a present to one child out of the hundreds of millions of kids on his list.

· “A Christmas Carol” (1951): Many holiday season celebrants cannot imagine letting a season go by without

watching at least one adaptation of Charles Dickens’ classic tale. The 1951 version is widely considered the most faithful to Dickens’ 1843 novella that recounts the story of Ebenezer Scrooge. Alastair Sim stars as Scrooge, and many consider his performance the best of any actor to take a turn as the notorious 19th century miser.



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Dreaming of a “White Christmas”

(METRO) — Snow-covered landscapes can make the holiday season that much more special. The beauty of such landscapes are captured in the song “White Christmas,” which was penned by Irving Berlin. No one is sure when Berlin actually composed the song, but it is widely believed he did so in the late 1920s or early 1930s. Just what compelled Berlin, who was Jewish, to write the song also remains a mystery. But “White Christmas” is one of the best-selling songs of all time—particularly after it was included in the musical “Holiday Inn.” The song earned Berlin an Academy Award for Best Original Song in 1942. In the film, “White Christmas” was performed as a duet by crooner Bing Crosby and Marjorie Reynolds, but Crosby’s solo recording is a time-honored classic that can always be heard during the holiday season.

“White Christmas”

I’m dreaming of a white Christmas,
Just like the ones I used to know,
Where the treetops glisten
And children listen,
To hear sleigh bells in the snow.
I’m dreaming of a white Christmas,
With every Christmas card I write,
May your days be merry and bright,
And may all your Christmases be white.
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May your days be merry and bright,
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Written by Irving Berlin

Lyrics courtesy of Christmassongs.net



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Visit The First National Bank in Amboy during the annual Amboy Christmas Walk on Saturday, December 10th.

The Lobby of the Main Branch will be open from 4-7 p.m.
Enjoy the hot chocolate bar and fill up your cup with all the goodies!

There will also be a craft area for kids to pick up an ornament kit

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Holiday Decorating Contest

Show off your Holiday Decorating Skills in the Amboy News' and the Amboy Hometown Christmas Walks' Holiday Decorating Photo Contest.

Pictures can be of indoor or outdoor decorations. Submissions will be accepted beginning Sunday, Nov. 28 at 4 p.m. until Sunday, Dec. 12 at 4 p.m.



Voting will start on Monday, Dec. 13, at 8 a.m. and run until Sunday, Dec. 19 at 5 p.m.

Click on the banner ad at www.AmboyNews.com to enter and to vote! The top vote getter will receive a \$100 cash prize!

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Santa Claus is coming to town so The Amboy News has made special arrangements with the North Pole to publish letters to Santa in our December 22nd issue.

Letters may be dropped off until noon, on Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021 at the Amboy News office. After we publish the letters, we will send them directly to Santa Claus at the North Pole in plenty of time for Christmas.

Letters may be sent to:
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PO Box 162, Amboy, IL 61310

OR, drop them off at our location at 245 E. Main Street in Amboy
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