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Soap Maker of the Year

Oregon Soap Shoppe's Olson honored with national award

By Brad Jennings **Editor**

OREGON – When Lynnel Olson first heard that she had been named Soap Maker of the Year, she thought it was a prank call.

"When she called the first time, I hung up on her," said Olson, owner of the Oregon Soap Shoppe and Green Art

mate and that she had earned the award from the National Registry of Soap Makers, she said was pleased. "I was deeply honored by the fact

Once she realized the call was legiti-

that they chose me, because to be honest with you, I didn't know anybody knew about me or paid attention," Olson said. "So that was pretty cool."

Olson, who runs the shop with her husband Michael, has been making soap for about 32 years, before there was a National Registry of Soap Makers. She said back then, there were 11

soap makers around the country who kept in touch through their own selfmade newsletter.

Before she made soap, Olson was a nurse. But she moved to Oregon from Rockford with her former husband to be a farm wife. It was then that she first got into making soap. Since there was no Internet in those days, she had to learn anyway she could. One things she did was read encyclopedias to get information.

Trial and error were also important to the process – learning to use heat effectively, and what oils are best.

Olson said the formulas they developed for their soaps use food grade oils. And all bars of soap that they sell can be used as shampoos as well.

"We use lots of good stuff in it for people, so it's luxurious for their skin,"

After making soap at home – often leaving soap out front when she was not home for customers to come



Lynnel Olson has been making soap for 32 years. She makes about 5,000 bars a month. (Brad Jennings photo)

by, pick it up and leave money – she opened a shop in Conover Square. For the past 18 years, the shop has been at its current location, 91C S. Daysville Road in Oregon.

The shop allows for plenty of parking for customer, and a place for them to make the soap.

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Forreston Library sets Oct. 23 celebration

FORRESTON - Forreston Public Library opened its doors on May 6, 1938 in a back room of the post office as a WPA project (Works Progress Administration).

It moved numerous times before the Village of Forreston purchased the former Duitsman Hardware building in 1974 and it became the library's permanent home.

The 2021 Forreston Public Library Board consisting of Sue Milnes, President and Trustees Wilma Akins, Jan Cotter, Judy Greenfield, Teresa Meyer, Kathy Pasch and Matt Snider along with Library Director Julie Voss invites you to an Open House to celebrate the 20-year anniversary of the library's renovation. It will be held on Saturday, Oct. 23 from 2-4 p.m. Come see the recent improvements to the library, sign up for door prizes, enjoy some refreshments, and discover all the library has to offer.

By 1998, the Library Board found that it had outgrown the location. A library referendum was added to the Nov. 1998 election asking voters to expand the boundaries of the



The Foreston Library as it looks today. It was renovated 20 years ago.

library district to include all of the Forrestville Valley School District except Leaf River, which had its own library. Board members worked diligently to promote their cause but without success. Voters rejected the expansion.

In 1998, Forreston Public Library was bursting at the seams. Story hours was so well attended kids barely had room to squirm. A book had to be removed for every new one that came in. The Library Board decided it was time for action.

After working with a lawyer, a library referendum was added to the Nov. 1998 election asking voters to expand the boundaries of the library district to include all of the Forrestville Valley School District except Leaf River, which had its own library. Board members worked diligently to promote their cause but without success. Voters rejected the expansion.

The board next started looking at other properties. The former Smitty's Pantry convenience store/gas station

at 301 N. Walnut was pursued however the possibility of underground gas tanks eliminated that prospect.

In April of 1999, Village President Robert Dillavou was contacted by a former Forreston resident about a potential donation. The meeting Dillavou, Library Board President Anne Herkert and Librarian Sandy Stukenberg had with the donor would change the future for the library. Darrell Windle made an offer of \$50,000 to bring the library into the 21st century and if the citizens would match it, he would donate an additional \$50,000. Windle, living in Chicago, graduated from Forreston High School and his parents were lifelong residents who often utilized the library.

A Fund-Raising Steering Committee was formed consisting of Nola DeVries, Robert Dillavou, Ann Elder, Doug Elder, Bev Groenewold, and Noreen Sweetwood. The organizations and citizens of Forreston held fundraisers, and goals were met in no time.

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At right, freshly made soap that needs to be scored and cut. All soap is made on-site at the Oregon store. Below left, Olson and her husband Michael have been in their current location for 18 years. Below right, some of the hundreds of soaps for sale at the shop. (Brad Jennings photos)







SOAP: Have sold bars all over the world

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"I used to make it at home in the basement, but that got really old hauling it up and down the steps," she said.

When the current location opened, Michael said they sold 156 different kinds of soaps. That is now at about 500. Not all are always on the shelf, as some are seasonal or for special

Michael said they do make soaps for businesses like a bed and breakfast and for special

events like weddings.

If that sounds like a lot of soap, it is a lot of soap. Olson said they make about 5,000 bars a month.

And those bars are sold all over the world. Michael said they have sold to people in Australia, China and England. And people who are travelling often make a special trip to Oregon just to grab some soap.

"We have people who have taken detours (to buy soap)," Olson said.

Even the recent pandemic

didn't slow them down much. The City of Oregon deemed the business essential, so they continued to make and sell soap. Soap, by the way, which can kill the virus.

"People did not come in," she said of sales at the height of the pandemic. "People were afraid to come in."

So, they delivered the soap to their cars.

The business is open 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Saturday.



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Bus trip to Arboretum will be on Dec. 1

MOUNT MORRIS -Encore! Mt. Morris will be sponsoring a chartered bus trip to "Illumination: Tree Lights at The Morton Arboretum" on Dec. 1.

An exciting exhibit of hundreds of trees, lit up for the holidays will be the feature of the trip. An art-oriented excursion seeing the Naperville murals and eating dinner prior to the Illumination visit will begin the trip. In its ninth year, "Illumination" will surround us by color as we walk a one-mile paved path amid interactive lighting effects that highlight the beauty of trees in winter.

We'll enjoy seasonal music, marvel at ever-changing, interactive lighting designs, and warm up by a crackling fire with a cozy drink or seasonal snacks from concession stands on the grounds. Cost: \$55 (\$49 for accom-

panied children 2-17) + dinner.

Approximate schedule is noon-10:30 p.m. Bus capacity will be limited to 30 participants in a 56-seat bus so that participants can spread out. Vaccination of all participants is encouraged so that all will be comfortable. Registration can be completed online at Encore's web site (encoremtmorris.com) or stop by Village Hall. Registration deadline: Oct 23 because tickets for the Illumination event must be purchased in advance. Questions? mollyb@encoremtmorris.com More details will be provided upon registration. Encore! Mt. Morris is composed of volunteers committed to developing Mt. Morris, IL into a unique, thriving rural and cultural arts destination in northwest Illinois. Learn more at EncoreMtMorris.

Trunk or Treat event Oct. 30

or Treat event in the parking lot of United Church of Byron, 701 W. 2nd St., on Oct. 30 for the whole family starting at 3 p.m. and concluding at 5 p.m. In accordance with Local, State and Federal guide-

BYRON – There will be a socially distance Trunk

lines masks will be required and social distancing must be observed. Necessary precautions will be taken when distributing candy.

The theme this year is "Under the Sea." If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 815-234-8777.



The library as it looked before renovations.

LIBRARY: A gift helped make it all possible

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With the start that Windle gave, the library was able to apply for and receive a number of grants including the Live and Learn Grant for \$192,231 along with Illinois First program for \$50,000 with an additional \$25,000. The total cost of the renovation was estimated at \$586,000. Larson and Darby of Rockford was hired as Building Architect and Harn Construction of Freeport was hired as Building Contractor. The Village of Forreston sold the library the vacant lot directly north for \$1 to allow for the addition.

Books were moved to Forreston Grade School by an Anderson Transportation semi where the football team formed a human chain to the third floor where the books would be stored. A small temporary library was located at 214 First Ave., a former beauty

salon/apartment. A groundbreaking ceremony was held July 30, 2000 consisting of Library Board members Anne Herkert, Bette Romanowski, Virginia Gapinski, Cindy Zumdahl, Dennis Osterloo, Carol Anderson and Mary Engebretson along with Darrell Windle and his mother Florence.

Construction progressed and by March 4, 2001 an open house was held for the public to view the new facility. The books were moved back in and on April 16 the library was open to the public. On June 3, 2001 a dedication ceremony was held.

The library we have today is a result of the spark that Darrell Windle's donation gave to the project. His generous gift was inspired by his mother whose birthday sentiment was "Make my gift - a gift to the library." Her birthday would have been Oct. 20.





The current church on Kishwakee Road that was built in 1996.

Celebrating 25 years

Church holding special event to mark anniversary of new facility

STILLMAN VALLEY – It is now 25 years since the congregation of the Kishwaukee Community Church began worshipping in its current facility at 8195 Kishwaukee Road, Stillman Valley.

This new church building was dedicated on Oct. 27, 1996 and will hold a Celebration Sunday on Oct. 24 at 10 a.m. as we remember and give thanks to God for his many

As part of that celebration, we are inviting all past and present members and friends to join us in this time of celebration.

Few people realize that the Kishwaukee Community Church is the oldest church in the Kishwaukee area of Winnebago and Ogle counties.

Settlers began to arrive in this area, where the Kishwaukee River flows into the Rock, in the late 1830s. People from Lancashire, England and Oberlin, Ohio began to carve farms out of the then wilderness as well as battle outbreaks of scarlet fever, malaria,

Th old brick

church on Con-

don Road before itwas replaced by

the new church.

and extremes in weather.

These early settlers, perhaps because of the hardships of life during that time, began almost immediately to meet for worship in each other's log homes. And by 1844 a small group of those same families organized as a congregation of the Wesleyan Methodist denomination, becoming one of seven churches of what was known as the Rock River Circuit. Those were the days of the Methodist 'circuit riding pastor' who would go from settlement to settlement on horseback to preach, baptize, marry and bury the faithful. Kishwaukee's first pastor was the Reverend Jeptha

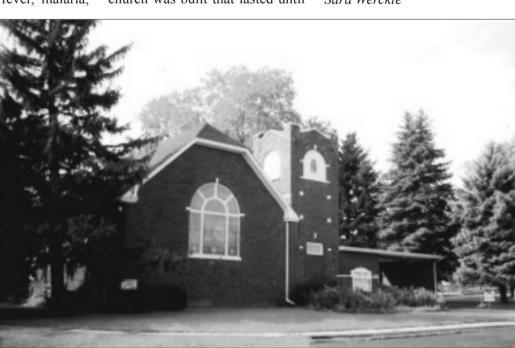
The congregation met in several different locations until 1868 when a wood frame church was built on Condon Road – at a time when there was both a school and post office at the cross roads of Condon and Stillman Valley Roads. At a cost of \$2,000, including the \$50 they paid for two acres of land, a church was built that lasted until Sara Werckle

fire destroyed it in 1929. Wisdom dictated replacing the old wooden structure with a new, modern brick one, completed in 1930.

At the same time, Kishwaukee changed its affiliation from Methodist to Presbyterian, largely because of the proximity to McCormick Theological Seminary. For almost twenty years student pastors would come by train to serve the church each Sunday.

By the late 1980s the church's membership, standing now at almost four hundred, outgrew the Condon Road facility – due largely to a very active mid-week youth ministry – and the church needed additional space. Land was soon found at the intersection of Stillman Valley and Kishwaukee Roads and the current building constructed at a cost of almost one million dollars a far cry from the \$2,000 spent in 1868! Regardless of buildings, however, it has always been the people, a people seeking to faithfully follow their Christian faith, who made Kishwaukee the church it was and continues to be today.

Written by Trevor Smith with



Annual coat drive now underway

POLO - The GFWC IL Polo Women's Club is partnering with Crossroads Community Church in Polo for our second annual community coat

Please donate new or clean "like new" condition coats, gloves, hats, mittens, and scarves. All sizes requested. Please drop-off donations at 103 E. Oregon St. in Polo.

The distribution date will be Saturday, Nov. 6th at Crossroads Community Church campus in Polo. More details to follow. Thank you for your participation and generosity at this time of economic

hardship for many.



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Pantry seeks meal box donations

MOUNT MORRIS

Mount Morris Loaves and Fish Food Pantry is seeking donations to provide holiday meal boxes to local families in need.

As in previous years, the pantry will be providing Thanksgiving meal boxes to its clients. The meal boxes, made possible in partnership with Northern Illinois Food Bank, contain a turkey, potatoes, stuffing, gravy, canned fruit and vegetables, coffee and dessert – enough to feed a family of eight.

An \$18 donation will allow Mt. Morris Loaves and Fish Food Pantry to provide a local family the opportunity to enjoy a traditional holiday meal with their loved ones this Thanksgiving. To sponsor one, two or more families, please send your gift to Loaves and Fish Food Pantry, Attn: Steve Opalka, Treas., P.O. Box 202, Mt. Morris, IL 61054.

Please send your gift by Nov. 15. The Thanksgiving meal boxes will be distributed to Mt. Morris and Leaf River residents in need on Nov. 22.

The pantry hopes to raise \$2,520 above our regular donations in order to purchase 140 Thanksgiving boxes. Will you help us reach our goal to provide each family in need with a Thanksgiving meal? Any donations received above the amount needed to purchase the meal boxes will be used to purchase food for the

Mt. Morris Loaves and Fish Food Pantry provides food to an average of over 215 individuals each month. The pantry is a partner with Northern Illinois Food Bank which provides food to food pantries and feeding programs across 13 Illinois counties.

For more information about the food pantry, please call Loaves and Fish Food Pantry at 815-734-4573.

Thank you for helping feed the hungry in our

Annual turkey dinner event take-out, drive through this year

Disciples United Methodist is addressing COVID safety concerns by offering its famous Fall Fest Turkey Casserole Dinner as a takeout, drive-through only event on Friday, Oct. 29 from 4-7:30 p.m.

Each dinner will include a generous serving of Disciples' famous turkey casserole, along with coleslaw, cranberry sauce, a Hawaiian roll, and a choice of apple, pecan, pumpkin, or rhubarb pie for a cost of \$11. Turkey casseroles for 4 people (\$20) and ready to bake or freeze, will also be available. Cookies will be in 3-pound boxes (\$16) and will include homemade chocolate chip bars, Kit Kat bars, lemon bars, pumpkin bars, snickerdoodles, and white chip dream cookies.

All purchases must be made in advance by using one of the options:

* Go to https://disciplesumc2017.homesteadcloud.com/ and complete the on-line ordering pro-

* Pick up and order form from the Mt Morris Library, the Mt Morris Senior Center, or the "News Box" off the Disciples parking lot and place it with your payment in Disciples' secure drop box located on the north side building off the church parking lot (Corner of Maple and Hitt streets).

Call the order in at 815-734-4853 during office hours (9 a.m.-1 p.m., M-F). Only orders with payments will be processed.

* Go to the Disciples UMC Facebook page to download a form or link to the on-line ordering system.

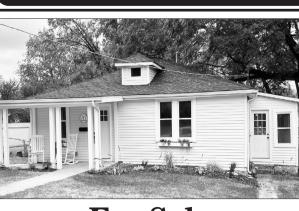
Ogle County Fair Association Winter Storage

Our check in will be Saturday Oct. 30, 2021 9 am - Noon at the Ogle County Fairgrounds. Information needed when checking in: Owners Name, address & phone number. The length and width of the item being stored (this is the overall measurements including trailers). The license plate number and approximate value of the unit. Cost is based on the length and width of your unit and the type of building you wish to place your unit (Exhibit Building \$5/ft. or Barn \$2.50/ft.). The formula is (length + width) x Building price + \$40 fee. If storing more than one item, the \$40 fee is

only charged once Spring Check Out will be March 26, 2022.

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Obituaries

Eleanor Anne Kane

DAVIS JUNCTION—Eleanor Anne Kane, age 92, of Davis Junction, passed peacefully on Oct. 9, 2021 at her home with loved ones at her side. She was born April 1, 1929 to Ricardo and Antonia (Medina) Navarro in Davis Junction. She was deeply loved by her whole family and will be greatly missed by all.

Eleanor graduated

from Stillman Valley High

School in 1947. She went on to work at Nylint Toy Corporation in Rockford for 31 years retiring in 1994. She then went to work at Eswood Grade School in Lindenwood in the school cafeteria eventually retiring again. She enjoyed the children and the friends she made there. She was always active, walking and riding her bike well into her 80's. All of Davis Junction new her as the lady in the hat that was always walking. She was devoted to our Lord and to her church. She loved her children and her grandchildren with all her heart and created many loving memories for them all. She was always present at all the family events including graduations, birthdays, weddings, and especially the new babies



in the family. She also enjoyed baking homemade cakes for many years for her family and friends.

She is survived by her son Michael (Barbara) Kane of Davis Junction, grandchildren; Crystal Kane (Matt Blum) of Rockford, Michael (Kirsten) Kane of Byron, Karena Kane (Kevin Kemnetz) of Rockford, Aimee (JR) McBride of Milwaukee, Wis., Julie Wills of Milwaukee, Wis., Lesly Wills of Rockford, great grandchildren; Nolan McBride, Savannah Stier, Kyle Stier all of Milwaukee, Wis., Kashlyn Kane of Byron, Kenneth Wills of Rockford, sonin-law Kenneth Wills of Stillman Valley, siblings; Ricardo (Tong) Navarro of California, Angie Cash of Rockford, Antonia Crosser of Rockford,

Robert (JoAnn) Navarro of Joliet, Nancy Hogan of Rockford, and uncle Vincent Medina of Rockford, many nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and cousins.

She was predeceased by her husband Donald Kane, Dec. 19, 1960, daughter Joyce Wills, Nov. 20, 2020, her parents, and brother Frank Navarro.

A special thank you to the wonderful "family" of care givers who made mom's last years and then days, so comfortable and full of love and life that she needed. You are so appreciated more than you know.

Christian funeral Mass was held 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021 at the St. Mary's Catholic Church 220 East 2nd Street in Byron, with the Monsignor Michael Tierney officiating. Visitation was prior to the service from 9:30-10:45 a.m. at the church. Burial in the St. Mary's Cemetery in Byron. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund is established in Eleanor's name for the Northern Illinois Hospice. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory of Eleanor.

Richard Meyer - Richfound cam realize Rec

CHANA – Richard Eugene Meyer, 89, passed away Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021. Richard was born Jan. 16, 1932 to Wallace and Helen Stern in Paw Paw. Because of hard times, Richard, age 5, and brother Harold, age 7, moved in with their Uncle Bill and Aunt Ruth Meyer on the farm in Chana.

Richard graduat-

ed from Ashton High School in 1949. He married Jane A. Christensen on Jan. 26, 1952 at the Chana United Methodist Church where they met in the youth group. Together they raised four children on the family farm and hosted a foreign exchange student, Philip Morphew, from Australia in 1978-79. After high school, Richard drove truck for F/S out of Oregon until he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1952. He was stationed in Germany for 17 months with the 690 Field Artillery Unit as a tractor driver for Howitzer artillery guns. After his service, Richard returned to the family dairy farm where he and Jane had a grade A herd of dairy cattle until 1968. He then worked as the maintenance man for the Oregon Schools



until 1989. In 1987, Richard and Jane owned and operated Rochelle and Byron car washes, retiring after 20 years.

Richard and Jane were members of the Blackhawk Twirlers Square Dance Club. They also traveled throughout and hiked within the national parks in the western US where they could walk the land and enjoy nature. They experienced a 381 mile long whitewater rafting trip on the Colorado River. They were fortunate to hike in and out of the Grand Canyon six times. Other trips included the Fairbanks area of Alaska, Sequoia National Park, Arches National Park and Banff National Park. They relaxed walking the beaches in Gulf Shores, Alabama. Richard traveled with his son, Duane, to Australia in 1999. In their later years, Richard and Jane were often found camping at local parks, Rock Cut State Park and Starved Rock State Park. Richard's hobbies were restoring and showing Studebakers and maintaining his Allis-Chalmers tractors. Survivors include his

wife, Jane, of Chana; Daughter, Betti Jo (Cisco) Puentes of Sterling; Sons, Rick (Jodi) of Byron, Duane (Carolyn) of Stillman Valley, Jerry (Christina) of Oregon. Seven grandchildren: Erik, Mark, Duane, Brent, Jessica, Casey and Carynn. Ten great grandchildren: Addison, Hunter, Preston, Grayson, Emmy, Rhys, Corbin, Nolan, Quinn and Tucker. Aussie son Philip Morphew, wife Maria and their children, Oscar, Molly, Daisy and Hugo. Sister, Gloria Peters of East

Predeceased by his parents, brother Harold Meyer and great grandson, Amos Meyer.

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A celebration of Richard's life will be held at a later date. Memorials are established for Serenity Hospice and Home.

To leave an online condolence please visit www.FarrellHolland-Gale.com

Marilyn Eickman

MOUNT MORRIS – Marilyn Elaine Eickman, age 92, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021 in Pinecrest Manor Nursing Home, Mt. Morris. Marilyn was born on Oct. 24, 1928 in Leaf River, the daughter of Hibbard H. and Helen E. (Cramer) Reber, Sr.

She graduated from Leaf River High School class of 1946. Marilyn worked as a receptionist at WREX-TV, then she worked as a secretary and later production manager of "Travel & Leisure and Food & Wine" at Quebecor in Mt. Morris, retiring in 1991. She was a Leaf River and Mt. Morris area resident all her life. Marilyn married Leo Ridenour on July 20, 1946, then she married Eugene Marshall on Febr. 28, 1965, and Merlyn J. Eickman on Feb. 18, 2006 in the Disciples United Methodist Church, Mt. Morris; and he preced-



14, 2019.

Marilyn is survived by her children: Jerre L. (Charles/Butch) Duffy, Mt. Morris; Melody J. (Gary) Henderson, Byron; Rev. Dr. Michael L. (Jan) Marshall, Fort Worth, Texas; Patrick E. (Rhonda) Marshall, Byron; and Kevin R. (MaryKay) Marshall, Mt. Morris; grandchildren: Cheryl (Joe) Jicha, Lauren (Jon) Silvers, Timothy (Rhonda) Duffy, Dr. Todd (Dr. Alicia) Duffy, Corey (Jamie) Buck, Mindy (Tom) Becker, Allison Marshall, Adam Marshall,

Andrea (Patrick) Kelley, Collin (Alix), Marshall, Hanna (Skyler) Starnes; step-grandchildren: Dana (John Hill) Henderson, and Todd (Amy) Henderson; Several great grandchildren, and many great great grandchildren. Marilyn is preceded

Marilyn is preceded in death by her parents, husbands: Eugene and Merlyn, son: Steven D. Ridenour, brother: Hibbard "Junior."

Services were held in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris, on Saturday October 16, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Dr. Michael Marshall officiating. Burial in 12 Mile Grove Cemetery, Pecatonica, at 1:30 p.m. Visitation from 9:30 a.m. until service time in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris.

Memorials to Pinecrest Manor Nursing Home and/or Disciples United Methodist Church.

Patricia R. Wells

Patricia R. Wells, 94 of Scottsdale, Ariz., formerly of Byron, died Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021, surrounded by her family. She was born July 1, 1927 in Rockford to Kenneth and Lois Hamer.

She married Thomas Wells on May 30, 1946 in Dixon. She is survived by 3 daughters, Carolyn (Jim) Swanson of Las Vegas, Nev.; Pam Wells Cupp of Scottsdale, Ariz.; Patty (Mike) Merriman of Scottsdale, Ariz., and 1 son Tom (Lisa) Wells of Lone Rock, Wis.; 9 Grandchildren, Joe Gleason of Surprise, Ariz.; Tadd (Jenn) Gleason of Homewood, Ill.; Kristen (Vince) Stephens of Las Vegas, NV; Rachel (Dale) Gilbert of Phoenix, AZ; Jane Glea-



son Cook of Scottsdale, Ariz.; Tricia (Tim) Olson of Scottsdale, Ariz.; Brian (Tanya) Merriman of Albion, Idaho; Justin Wells of Madison, Wis., and Ryan Wells of Madison, Wis.; 16 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great-Great Grandchild; a sister, Kathy Berkes of Webster, N.Y.; Sistersin-Law, Nancy Hamer of Byron, and Marka

Bednar of State College, Pa., and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Tom, her parents, brothers David Hamer and Donald Hamer and brother-in-law John Berkes.

She was a former member of the United Church of Byron. A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, Oct. 24, 2021 at 2 p.m. at United Church of Byron, 702 W Second St., Byron, with Reverend Tyler Spellious officiating. A Visitation will be held prior to the service from 1-2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to United Church of Byron or the Gary Sinise Foundation. (www.garysinisefoundation.org)

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Wilma Nance

Wilma Nicole Dillon Nance, 71, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021, at the Rochelle Community Hospital. Wilma was born on June 4, 1950, to William and Mary (Lawson) Dillon in Rochelle.

Wilma was a NA-SCAR, college football and NFL sports fan. She loved life and people, finding good in all. She believed in God and knew no matter what life brought her way; He was always there to save us. She loved her significant other, Dan. She loved watching auto

racing and football with him. She said she liked to argue with him and, a little while later, make up. Their arguments were always in good fun. She loved her twin sisters. She was more proud of them and loved them more than they will ever know. Family was very important to her

important to her.

Wilma is survived by her significant other, Dan Davis of Rochelle; her sisters, Virginia Gouker of Chana and Verne Williams of Macomb; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and

great-nephews.

Wilma is preceded in death by her father, William Dillon; mother, Mary Lawson Dalberg; step-father, Clyde Dalberg; brothers William E. Dillon and Ole Dalberg, and nephew, Jay Dillon.

Cremation care has been provided by Unger-Horner Funeral Home in Rochelle. A graveside service was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 16,2021, at Flagg Center Cemetery. Please visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Free Medicare program set for Oct. 20

BYRON – A free educational and informational presentation on Social Security and Medicare programs will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 20, at The United Church of Byron, at 701 West Second St.

The emphasis will be on the eligibility and enrollment periods, benefits, and options concerning Social Security and Medicare. All are welcome. Presenter

will be Greg Wills for the program. This program is sponsored by the Legacy and Endowment Committee of The United Church of Byron as a community service.

The United Church of Byron is a fun and diverse church with a heart for mission! Check us out at www.united-churchofbyron.org Illinois covid-19 guidelines will be followed for this program.

Ogle County Sheriff

At 7:44 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 11000 block of East Illinois Rte38 for an equipment violation. After a short investigation Deputies arrested Shannon Mancillas 46 of Ashton Illinois for driving while license suspended. Mancillas was released on an I-bond and will appear in court at a later date.

At 8:59 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 400 block of Lincoln Highway for a moving violation. After a short investigation Deputies arrested Samantha Metzger ,27 of Rochelle for Possession of Cannabis Improper Container and a citation for Improper Stopping at a Stop Sign. Metzger was released on scene and will appear in court at a later date. Deputies also arrested Candace Collins 29 of Rochelle for Possession of Cannabis Improper Container, and Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance (Zanex). Collins was transported to the Ogle Co Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 23

At approximately 11:57 p.m.Deputies performed a traffic stop at the intersection of Main Street and Chestnut Avenue in Forreston after the a vehicle had been called in as a driving complaint traveling all over the roadway and in the oncoming lane of traffic. After investigation Deputies placed Bradley Burke, 36 of Dixon under arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Burke was additionally issued a citation for Operating an Uninsured Vehicle. Burke was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu

At 6:56 p.m., Deputies were dispatched to W. IL RTE 64 and N. IL RTE 26 in reference to a single-vehicle accident with injuries. After an investigation, Deputies learned Margaret L. Kovaka, 74, of Savannah IL, was driving west bound on W. ILRTE 64. Kovaka drove through the intersection, exited the roadway,

and drove through a dry retention pond, before coming to a stop in her 2016 Dodge. Kovaka was transported to KSB Hospital in Dixon, IL for non-life threatening injuries she suffered due to the crash. Deputies were assisted on scene by Polo Fire Department, and the Polo Police Department.

Sept. 19

At 5:01 a.m., Deputies were dispatched to 8163 S. Grist Mill Road in reference to a single-vehicle accident. After an investigation, Deputies learned Cherly Chojnacki, 50, of Mount Morris, failed to negotiate a curve and drove her 2004 Honda into the westbound ditch and struck a tree head-on. Chojnacki was transported to the Rochelle Hospital for minor injuries she suffered due to the crash. Deputies were assisted on scene by Rochelle Fire, Flagg Center Fire and Oregon Fire.

At approximately 9:18 p.m. Deputies performed a traffic stop near the intersection of Blackhawk Road and IL Rte. 64. After investigation, Deputies placed Adam Swanson, 50 of Byron under arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Swanson was additionally issued citations for Improper Lane Usage and Illegal Transportation of Alcohol. Swanson was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

At about 3:40 p.m., Deputies were advised of a possible reckless driver on Illinois Rte. 2 North of Grand Detour. At about 3:50 hours, Deputies located the offending vehicle in Oregon and conducted a traffic stop. After a short investigation Deputies arrested Samantha A. Bright, 45 of Rock Falls, for Driving While License Suspended and Attempted Obstruction of Justice. Bright also received citations for No Insurance, and Improper Lane Use. Bright was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 17 At approximately 10:11 p.m., Ogle County Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 5000 block of W. ILRTE 72. After investigation, Deputies arrested Douglas Vargas, 28 of Tampa, Fla., for Driving While License Suspended. Barrett was also issued citations for Speeding 21-25 mph over the speed limit. Vargas received an I Bond with a return court date later next month.

Sept. 15

At 7:33 a.m., The Ogle County Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop in the 6000 block of E Rt 72. After a brief investigation, Tyrell Taylor, 33, of Rockford was arrested for No Valid Driver's License, Improper turning at an intersection, speeding 75/55, and no insurance on the car. He was transported to the Ogle County

Sept. 14

At approximately 10:40 p.m., Ogle County Deputies conducted a traffic stop on I39 Mile Marker 97. After investigation, Deputies arrested Luna Barrett, 20 of Princeton for Driving While License Suspended. Barrett was also issued citations for Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle and an equipment violation. Barrett received an I Bond with a return court date later next month.

At 2:16 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop on Rt. 251 at Rt. 72 for an equipment violation. After an investigation, Azaleia Ellis, 19 of Rockford was arrested for no valid driver's license. Ellis was also cited for operating and uninsured motor vehicle, and no registration light. Ellis was released from the scene on a \$2500 I-Bond.

Sept. 12

Ogle County Deputies investigated a motorcycle complaint in the 10,000 block of E. IL. Rte. 64. The motorcycle and driver were located at the intersection of E. IL. Rte. 64 and Meridian Rd. The driver, 40 year old, Ryan S. Fox of DeKalb, was arrested for Driving While License Revoked. Fox was also arrested for a failure to appear warrant out of Dekalb County. Fox was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 11

At approximately 12:30 p.m., Deputies responded to a domestic problem at 126 Windward Lane in Hillcrest. Prior to arriving on scene the Communications Center advised the male half had left the residence. Shortly thereafter, Stephen Gadson, 32 of Hillcrest, was located at Casey's General Store on Powers Road. After further investigation Gadson was presumed to be under the influence. While taking Gadson into custody he resisted arrest. With the assistance of Rochelle Police Department, Gadson was taken into custody and transported to Rochelle Community Hospital for minor abrasions. Once medically cleared, Gadson was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was charged with Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and Drugs as well as resisting arrest. Gadson was held in lieu of bond.

At approximately 1 p.m., Deputies along with Byron Fire/ EMS responded to a two vehicle accident in the 5000 block of N. River Road. After conducting an investigation, Renee Felts, 58 of Oregon, was discovered to be traveling southbound on River Road at a suspected high rate of speed. Felts struck the rear end of a vehicle turning in front of her and continued approximately 1300 feet south before crashing into a tree and coming to rest. Renee was transported to Swedish American Hospital where she was placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Felts was also issued citations for Failure to Reduce Speed, Improper lane usage, No Seat belt, and No Valid Insurance. Felts was admitted to the Hospital and received an I-bond with a future court date.

At approximately 10 p.m., Deputies assisted the Byron Police Department while attempting to stop a vehicle at the 700 block of Blackhawk Road in Byron. The Chevrolet Impala was pursued for a short time before the vehicle crashed in the 9000 block of N Barker Road. After further investigation, Patrick Larson (age 21) of Rochelle, was arrested by Byron Police for multiple charges and was transported to the Ogle County Jail in lieu of bond. Patrick was also cited for Improper Lane Usage, Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle, and Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident.

Sept. 10

At 5 a.m., Deputies responded to the report of a crash involving a car versus house. Upon conducting an investigation, Michael Schlenbecker, 18 of Rochelle, was placed under arrest and cited for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, No Valid Insurance, Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid and Accident, and Illegal Transportation of Alcohol. Michael's car was towed from the scene and Michael was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 9

At 11:09 a.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop at 1st Street and Washington Street in Oregon on a 2016 Jeep Patriot. After a short investigation, Deputies arrested Laurrel Hayes, 53 of Rochelle, for driving while license suspended. Hayes was transported to the Ogle Co. Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 8

At approximately 11:49 a.m., Ogle County Deputies responded to a single vehicle roll over accident in the 8100 Blk of South Illinois Route 2. After an investigation it was learned that Christopher Coley, 33 of Oregon, was northbound on Route 2 when he crossed the center line and struck a guard rail, he then crossed then center line a second time and struck a utility pole. The vehicle then overturned and struck a parked car. The vehicle was removed by Big Jim's towing. Coley was transported the KSB Hospital by Dixon Rural EMS for non life threating injuries.



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Recycling, food donation event is Oct. 29 in Oregon

OREGON – The second opportunity for residential electronics recycling and food donations will be taking place Friday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the County Annex Building located at 909 Pines Road in Oregon.

A free permit is required to attend and permits can be obtained by calling 815-732-4020 or via email at solidwaste@ ogleocunty.org. Please provide your name, address, and phone number in your email. Permits will be available up

until noon on Oct. 27. Please limit one permit per household, permits are valid for anytime between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 29.

Accepted items include all televisions and computer monitors, all computers, computer hardware and cables, back-up power supply units, laptops, tablets, cell phones, DVD/VCR's, cable and satellite receivers, printers, FAX machines, scanners, copiers, stereo equipment, landline phone systems, video gaming equipment,

digital clocks, radios, boom boxes, cameras, shredders, holiday lights, extension cords, rechargeable batteries, printer cartridges, and CFL bulbs. Microwave ovens are accepted for a charge of \$5 per unit.

If you can bring in a giant television, please consider also bringing in some non-perishable food items as well. All food collected will be distributed to local food pantries here in Ogle County. Be sure the food items are sealed and not expired. Other items accepted include

personal care items, laundry supplies, and home cleaning supplies. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

If you have questions about this residential electronics recycling event please call the Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department at 815-732-4020, visit the Ogle County website or go to Facebook at Ogle County Solid Waste Management Dept. Thank you for recycling and thank you for your generosity in the food drive.

Leaf River sets Halloween hours

LEAF RIVER – Halloween hours are set for Leaf River on Sunday, Oct. 31 from 4-7 p.m., and the afternoon will begin with the Leaf River Lion's sponsored Costume Contest at 3:30 p.m., which will be held at the Bertolet Memorial Building.

Weather permitting the contest will be outside.

There will be several different classes for the judging as follows: 0-2 years,

for the judging as follows: 0-2 years, 3-4 years, 5 years and Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades; Middle School, High School and Adult. First place in each division will receive \$5, second place will receive \$3, and runner up will receive \$1 (everyone will receive a prize). Everyone in costume will receive a free hot dog sandwich,

chips, and lemonade. There will hot dogs available at 4 p.m. to purchase. Come and enjoy seeing the many costumes and the fun everyone is having.

This year the Lions will again offer a

This year the Lions will again offer a "Trunk N' Treat" event. Cars will park along the west side of Bertolet Park, on both sides of the street, with their trunks open. Those in costume will proceed along the rows of cars and receive their treats in that manner. The Village has agreed to block off Blaine St. for this to happen. This provides a quick and safe Trick or Treat environment for the children. If Blaine St. fills with cars, we will line up around the corner in front of the Bertolet Building. Trunk N' Treat will begin at 4 p.m. and run until there are no more Trick or Treaters.

Fair Association meeting is Nov. 13

OREGON – The Annual Meeting of the Ogle County Fair Association will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 13 in the Farm Bureau Auditorium on Pines Road in Oregon.

All Fair members are invited to attend. Membership to the association is

accomplished through contribution or volunteering of time for improvement of the fair.

This year we will not have dinner but

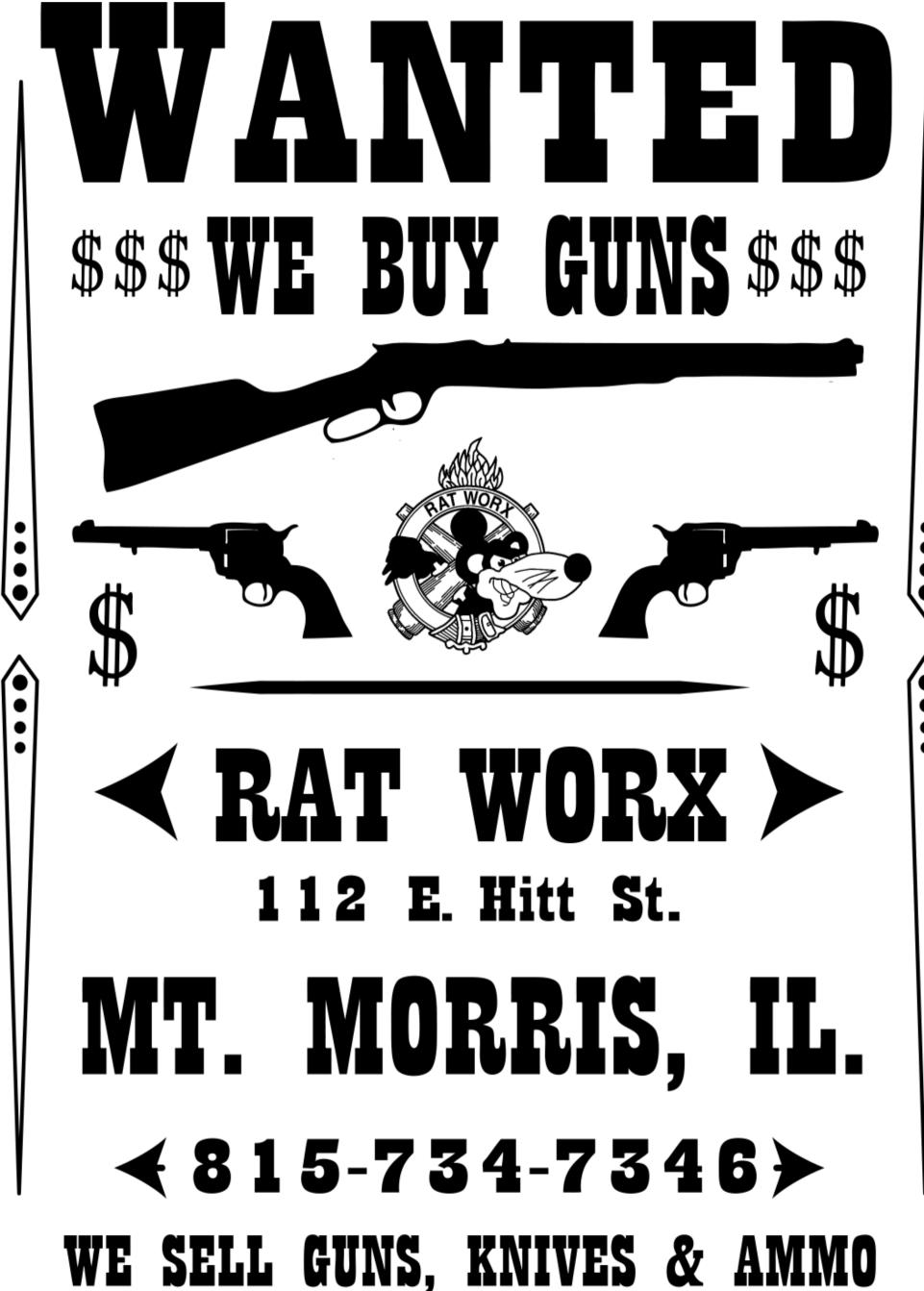
This year we will not have dinner, but the board is providing desserts and beverages. The meeting will include review of the year and election of board directors.

Annual Harvest Feast dinner drive through only

BYRON – UCB Fellowship of the United Church of Byron is having its annual Harvest Feast Turkey Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 6, and this year will be done as a drive through only.

Curbside pickup times are 4-5 p.m., 5-6 p.m. or 6-7 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and may only be purchased in advance by calling or visiting the church office at 815-234-8777. Tickets are also available

thru a link on our website at: http://www.unitedchurchofbyron.org, or our church's Facebook page. Ticket deadline is Oct. 31. The church is located at 701 West Second Street in Byron. For the dinner pickup, please enter via the Second Street entrance and exit onto Colfax/Tower. The dinner will feature turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cranberries, cole slaw and dessert.



Rock River Center has upcoming activities, group meetings

Rock River Center is a resource center located at 810 S. 10th Street, Oregon. Our activities and trips are open to all ages. Call our office at 815-732-3252 with any questions. Visit us on the web at www.rockrivercenter.org and like us on Facebook. Registration is requested for anyone planning to attend a scheduled program or class at Rock River Center. It helps us plan enough seating. Just give us call 815-732-3252. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Microsoft 2016 Excel Basics

Thursday, Oct. 21, 10-11:30 a.m. The new class provides the basics functions of Microsoft 2010 Excel. Learn tasks such as opening existing workbooks, creating new workbooks, setting up a spreadsheet, formatting, formulas, saving and printing. Handouts will be provided. Experience using a mouse is helpful, but not required.

Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to register.

Health & Wellness Fair

Friday, Oct. 22, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Rock River Center, 810 S 10th St, Oregon. The Ogle County Health Department will hold a flu shot clinic.

Medicare Annual Open Enrollment Period – Oct. 15-Dec.7

Here it is again, time for the Medicare

Annual Open Enrollment period which begins Oct. 15 and ends Dec. 7. This is the time of year for Medicare beneficiaries to make decisions regarding their Medicare drug coverage.

What can I do?

Change from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage plan

Change from a Medicare Advantage plan back to Original Medicare Switch from a Medicare Advantage

plan to another Medicare Advantage plan Join a Medicare Prescription Drug plan Switch from one Medicare drug plan

to another Medicare drug plan completely Drop your Medicare pre-

scription drug coverage

Do you need help? Just give us a call here at Rock River Center where we have trained SHIP counselors on staff who can help you find your options for prescription drug coverage and also help you complete your enrollment into the plan of your choice.

Call 815-732-3252 for your forms to be mailed to you. Send your completed forms to Rock River Center and once we received your forms, we will call you to schedule your phone appointment to discuss options.

2021 heating assistance

LIHEAP

Colder weather is just around the corner and we all will be experiencing higher utility bills as we need to turn on the heat in our homes. There are two programs that help those with low income pay for their heating utility bills.

The LIHEAP program continues to accept applications for assistance with paying heating bills.

Tri County Opportunities Council is the agency that processes those applications and they will be available at two locations in Ogle County, Oregon and Rochelle, by appointment only.

The Oregon Tri-County Office is located inside the Rock River Center, 810 S 10th Street. Appointments are available on Mon-

days and Thursdays from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 815-732-2907 for an appointment in Oregon.

located at 306 N 6th Street. Appointments are available Tuesdays

The Rochelle Tri County Office is

and Wednesdays from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 815-562-6938 for an appointment

in Rochelle. Please have copies made of all of your

documentation before your appointment. You can call their Rock Falls office for more details at 800-323-5434.

In order to qualify, your household must meet the following income guidelines, no more than 200% of the poverty level. For a 1-person household the 30-day income limit is \$2,147; 2-person household is \$2,903; 3-person household is \$3,660, etc.

Support groups

Cancer support group

"Facing the Challenge" is a support group that provides a safe, accepting environment for patients currently going through treatment, survivors, caregivers and loved ones to talk openly about the challenges a cancer diagnosis brings. ANYONE who has been affected by cancer is invited to attend! Rock River Center and Home of Hope are partnering to offer information to this group. They meet quarterly on the 4th Wednesday of the month in March, June, September & December from 2-3 p.m. at Rock River Center.

Caregiver support group

Kaylene Park, RN from Serenity Hospice & Home, leads the Caregiver Support Group. This group is not limited to those caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's. We welcome those new to caregiving, those who anticipate care giving, and those for whom caregiving is already a way of life. You will find information, resources, encouragement & answers to difficult questions. Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month from 10-11:30 a.m. at Rock River Center. For more information, call the Center at 815-732-3252.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., Oct. 18

Loaves & Fish Food Pantry alongside Northern Illinois Food Bank is hosting a Mobile Food Pan-try from 10-11:30 a.m. The truck will be located at Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren, 409 W. Brayton Road, and is open anyone in Ogle County.

Weds., Oct. 20

A free educational and informational presentation on Social Security and Medicare

Byron, at 701 West Second St.

Thurs., Oct. 21

Oct. 21: Evening Support Group will be at The Serenity Home 1658 S IL RT 2 from 5:30-6:30. This group is open to all adult bereaved in the community. Please use the back parking lot and en-trance. A mask is required. Please call our office at 815-732-4111 by noon to register.

Fri., Oct. 22

Clinic, 1107 S. Division (Route 52), in Polo. The meeting is also on Zoom; in-formation for that option may be acquired by calling 815-732-7616.

Sat., Oct. 23

Serenity Hospice is hosting a free Q&A Forum featuring local experts in the areas of finance, law and advanced directives. The panel discussion will from 10-11:30 a.m. at **Pinecrest Grove Com-munity** Center located at 500 Ever-The New Beginnings Al- green Lane in Mt. Morris and the weekly Community Calenprograms will be presented Anon Family Group is now is open to the public. Attendees dar to bjennings@oglecounfor the community at 6-7:30 meeting each Friday morning will have the chance to ask p.m. at The United Church of at 10 a.m. at the KSB Medical questions and chat individu- items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.

ally with the panel of experts.

Sun., Oct. 24

This is the last Sunday for the Cornerstone Family Church of Byron Corn Maze, located at the corner of Tower and Lynn Road just one mile north of Byron. Come experience five acres of a great corn maze in a convenient location. It is open from 4-8 p.m. today.

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VIEWPOINT

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

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

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Sheriff left facts out of column

The recent guest opinion from Brian VanVickle leaves out several facts that matter. Mr VanVickle mentions the last 30 days while completely ignoring the election that just happened. The Republicans and Trump continue to flat out lie about the results at the detriment to our fragile democracy. It has been proven over and over again the last election wasn't stolen or fraudulent in anyway.

He mentions Afghanistan as one example then conveniently leaves out some very pertinent facts. Mr. Trump negotiated the May 1st withdrawal that was a year before that deadline. Trump did not start removing Americans or Afghan interpreters or military hardware, in fact he and Republicans blocked and slowed all the applications for special immigration Visas.

Causing a massive backlog. Mr. Trump also bragged about his negotiating skills that released 5000 Taliban fighters, including their leader and had to be talked out of bringing these known terrorists to camp David for a sit down. He also mentions the gerrymandering issue that

Republicans have mastered into securing legisla-tive monopolies when they are clearly in the minority. 78 percent of Republicans still believe that Trump actually won the election even 9 months later after every kind of election audit they can find. That, my friends, is the real God's to honest problem with

I also hear Republicans saying my body my choice, except when it comes to females. Doesn't a company or employer also have a right to protect its workforce from possible infection or contami-nation? As Paul Harvey would always say and that is the rest of the story.

Brian Opsahl, Byron

MOMENTS IN

- *On Nov. 5, 1605, King James I of England learns of a plot to blow up the Parliament building. Guy Fawkes had been found lurking in a cellar with 20 barrels of gunpowder. Fawkes revealed that he was part of a conspiracy to annihilate England's Protestant government and replace it with Catholic leadership.
- ther-in-law, Benjamin Franklin, as postmaster general. Benjamin Franklin was fired for opening and sending to a publisher Massachusetts Royal Governor Thomas Hutchinson's correspondence.

* On Nov. 7, 1774, Richard Bache succeeds his fa-

- * On Nov. 6, 1854, John Philip Sousa, "The March King," is born in Washington, D.C. Sousa composed 136 marches, including "The Washington Post" (1889) and "Stars and Stripes Forever" (1896).
- *On Nov. 4, 1922, British archaeologists discover the tomb of King Tutankhamen in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. The tomb contained a stone sarcophagus with three nested coffins. Inside the final solid gold coffin was the mummy of the boy-king Tutankhamen, preserved for more than 3,000 years.
- * On Nov. 2, 1947, the Hughes Flying Boat -- the largestaircraftever built -- is piloted by designer Howard Hughes on its first and only flight. The massive wooden aircraft had a wingspan longer than a football field and was designed to carry more than 700 men to battle.
- * On Nov. 1, 1959, Montreal Canadien Jacques Plante becomes the first NHL goaltender to wear a full facemask. Despite the coach's objection, Plante put his foot down as he'd "already had four broken noses, a broken jaw, two broken cheekbones and almost 200 stitches" in his head.
- * On Nov. 3, 1976, "Carrie," a horror film starring Sissy Spacek and based on Stephen King's 1974 best-selling first novel, opens in theaters. It tells the story of a high-school outcast who uses her telekinetic powers to exact a violent revenge on prom night.

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are received, unless there is a time factor involved, space permitting.

I don't care what celebrities thin Living

Celebrities are human beings.

That is something we all know, right? They might present themselves at times as something above human, or superhuman, but they are just human beings. They snore and burp and fall and make stupid mistakes just like all of us do. There are many peo-

ple I admire for their talents. Russell Crowe, for example, is a fantastic actor. I love most of his work. There are also musicians, like German guitar player Michael Schenker, who transport me to places with their music. I appreciate their work as artists. But that doesn't mean

I want to follow their advice.

A reader recently asked me why, as a guitar player, I didn't follow the advice of anti-vaccination guitar slinger Eric Clapton. I will admit this left me very perplexed. Sure, old Slow Hand – as he is called – is a fine guitar player. He has made some brilliant music and is a solid Rock and Roll

the Life

By Brad Jennings



But that doesn't mean I will take advice from him. I take my COVID-19 advice from scientists and doctors, not a guitar player with zero medical training. He is simply not qualified to tell me what to do when it comes to my health. While I admire Crowe.

he has been a famously hot-headed jerk on occasion, so I won't be looking to him for life lessons. Schenker? While you may not have heard of him, he is very influential to many guitarists worldwide. But he has also, in the past,

been known for being a temperamental wild card who was wholly unreliable. I won't be taking advice from him. It is odd to me that

people would look to any celebrity from music or movies or TV or art to give them life advice. Sure, they can say things like, "Don't drink and drive," or "Stay off drugs, they almost killed me." That's fine. But when they start

spouting about science and politics and the free market or whatever, I tend to tune them out. Sure, celebrities have as much right as everyone else to blab about whatever they want. Please, have at it. But that doesn't mean I will listen to it, even if I agree with them. People often make

fun of so-called liberal celebrities like Sean Penn and Rob Reiner, to name just two. I get it. Hearing people shout down from a lofty height about how we should do things is galling. The same goes for

celebrities from the right from Motor City Madman Ted Nugent to TV star Tim Allen. I appreciate their work, but I honestly don't care to hear their political ramblings. Many of these people

barely graduated from high school, so I am not going to consider them ex-perts in medicine or the economy. I am not saying they aren't smart, but I am saying they don't have the qualifications that require me to pay attention to their opinions on topics they know little about.

I don't care if someone feels their heart is in the right place, I don't have to take them seriously.

One of our problems right now is that we take the voices of people who have money or celebrity status way too seriously. We need to listen to experts. They may say things you might not want to hear, but they are worth listening to, unlike someone who once made a movie or record that you liked.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County

The men and women behind the beauty

Our natural areas are often seen in many lights, beauty is in the eye of the beholder. We all see na-ture on many different scales and for many different reasons. Maybe you are a bird watcher trying to capture the perfect picture of a Bobolink in flight, or perhaps a trail walker on a dry summer day enjoying the wind push waves of prairie grasses that ebb and flow like the ocean waves across the horizon, or maybe a family just getting out of the house who gets to witness a plethora of butter-flies collecting nectar from one of the many prairie plants that abound in our many preserves. Whatever the nature of your visit, there is a hardworking, dedicated, passionate, and very knowl-edgeable team of workers who strive every day to restore our land back to its pre-settlement condi-tion.

This team is our Restoration Department at the Byron Forest Preserve. They do so much hard work that goes unnoticed by the average person. I assure you that they work very hard, mostly because they believe in their effort to provide the local flora and fauna of Northern Illinois with the proper habitat in which to

Guest **Opinion**

By Todd Tucker



flourish. They endeavor to maintain and develop the small protected areas that still remain. They also work hard to provide our patrons a great place to view and interact with our natural world.

This team of nature restorers I speak of works in many harsh and undesirable conditions: many very hot and very cold days, wet prairies in the morning, and buggy conditions (mosquitoes, ticks, chiggers, biting flies, wasps, bees, and hornets, to name a few). Their work environment is often filled with poisonous and prickly plants such as poison ivy, wild parsnip, multiflora rose, black berries, and goose berries, just to name a few. They spend many hours chain sawing, pulling weeds, weed eating non-native plants and shrubs, picking seeds, mowing trails,

clearing brush, opening Oak savannas, burning brush piles, and doing prescribed burns. The four of them do these tasks day in and day out all year long with the hope of bringing back what has mostly been lost, which is the small percentage of Illinois Grand Prairies that are left hanging on in these pre-serves they so proudly work to restore.

The team of restoration workers are very educated. Each of them holds a college degree in various fields of conservation. They are also skilled in the many facets of our natural region. They main-tain licenses in applicator spraying, prescribed burning, and CDLs to operate and haul heavy equipment. They know how to operate chainsaws, skid steers, and tractors. They adhere to many safety protocols, policies, and procedures. They are mechanically-minded so they are often able to repair equipment in the field when necessary. They are also experts in identifying plants, trees, birds, butterflies, turtles, snakes, invasive species, insects, plant diseases, shrubs, and so much more.

I am very proud of the hard work each worker

exhibits each day and the personal dedication these people have not just to the District but to the natural areas as a whole. They get up each day and come to work for nothing more than trying to keep our beautiful plant and animal communities healthy and vibrant. I hope that the next time you take a stroll through one of our great preserves, you take just a second to appreciate the very hard work that it takes to make these areas look the way they do. If you see one of these hard workers, please don't hesitate to give them a wave, or a nod of appreciation, or maybe even a quick chat. They would love to tell you about what they do and why they do it. They love to educate someone about the very passion that drives them to re-store and love the natural areas that is their "office." Thanks to you to those who enjoy their efforts and the beautiful places they work so hard to restore. My kudos and respect as your co-worker and lover of what we do and why we do it.

Peace and Land Love,

Todd Tucker. Todd Tucker is executive director of the Byron Forest protection

Thanks for helping make Jamboree a success

Dear Editor,

The Mt. Morris Jamboree Committee would like to graciously thank our growing list of financial donors, without whom we couldn't provide free concerts on our historic campus on Friday nights this

This program is partially supported by a grant from the Community Foundation of Northern Illi-nois. Local businesses and individuals generously donating funds to our program this year include: Spectrum Preferred Meats, Dave and Mary Jane Warkins, Union Savings Bank, Doug and Dar-lene Raney, George and Nancy Poe, Steve Duncan, Berryview Orchard, Ed and Molly Baker, Flow-Right Seam-

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kind generosity, we couldn't do it

Larry Ubben, Executive Director of the Mt. Morris Jamboree



Thanks for market support

The Byron Farmer's Market 2021 outdoor season ended Oct. 2. Fifty-four vendors registered and offered their goods at one or more times throughout the season. We thank the community for supporting us and look forward to the Second Saturday indoor markets on Oct. 9, Nov. 13, and Dec. 11 hosted by the Byron Museum of History located at 110 N. Union St., Byron, IL 61010. For information about the indoor markets, please call the Museum at 815-234-5031.

Theatre announces youth program

hosting a fall theatre program for youth, ages 4-18.

BYRON-The Byron Civic Theatre is

The program includes singing, acting, and dance classes, as well as some oneday special workshops.

The first one-day workshop, Spells on Stage, will be held Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Byron Museum of History. In this workshop, participants will enter the a day, get sorted into their houses, find a wizarding wand, dabble in the art of divination, and create potions. Kids in grades K-4 and grades 5-8 will explore characters and creatures of the wizarding world. Cost is \$40.

Grades K-4 will meet 1-3 p.m.; grades 5-8 will meet 4-6 p.m. Costumes and cosplay are encouraged but not required.

Register by visiting www.byronciv-

Stillman Valley teacher earns educator award

STILLMAN VAL-LEY - Angela Palmer, Stillman Valley High School English teacher, has received the University of Chicago Outstanding Educator Award.

She was nominated by Nate Youman, SVHS 2021 Graduate, who now attends University of Chicago. Nate said in his letter to Mrs. Palmer, "You have been such a blessing in my life. It was in your class freshman year that I felt I truly began to grow as a person. Your class discussions provoked intense thought and allowed me to find untapped charisma and confidence I really don't know where I would be without. You've always been kind, supportive, and invested in your students' lives, and I'm quite thankful for that. You've also given me such and intense love for all thing's literature. I'm now eager for complex classics I can sink my teeth into and find themes, symbolism and (dare I say it??) juxtaposition."

"Angie is an incredible asset to our district



and more than deserving of this honor," said Superintendent Dr. PJ Caposey. "Angie does the right thing the right way all the time and it's incredible to see her recognized in such a public manner for her incredible work. We are very lucky to have her on our team."

Palmer teaches Speech, Advanced English and AP English at SVHS. She is also a Division Leader for the English Department, Freshman Class Adviser, and Book Club Adviser at SVHS.

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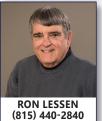


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OHS students take home art awards

OREGON – Three Oregon High School students made the most of an opportunity to present their artwork at a long-running Ogle County art festival.

Sophomore Briley Berns, sophomore Jasmine Coy-Fulton, and junior Sophia Stender showcased their work at the Grand Detour Arts Festival on Sunday, Sept. 12 at the John Deere Historic Site in Grand Detour.

In addition to being part of the historic festival, two of the students won awards in the high school division. Coy-Fulton took home the first-place ribbon for her photograph, "God of Light," while Stender won third place for her acrylic painting, "Deep Blue Koi," and an honorable mention for her ink wash titled "Morel."

"I am proud of these ladies for choosing to submit their artwork for the festival," said Oregon High School art teacher Olivia Guerra. "It was a great afternoon and I loved seeing my students and their families be so proud of their artwork."

The Grand Detour Arts Festival has been held annually since 1949. Next year's event is scheduled for Sept. 11, 2022.

About OCUSD 220: The Oregon Community Unit School District, board and staff are committed to providing the highest learning standards in a safe and welcoming educational environment. OCUSD 220 is located in Ogle County with schools in Oregon and Mt. Morris and has more than 1,500 students enrolled. It is committed to its mission statement to: "Educate students to be life-long learners who are productive, responsible citizens."



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Forreston Homecoming winners announced

Throughout homecoming week, students from each class were involved in a variety of activities, contests and float building worth points.

This year the floats were excellent and competition was

* Freshmen float theme was "Kickin' the Warriors into Orbit." Freshmen advisors are Lynnette Frederick and Kim Snider. The Freshmen class float finished in 4th place in

* Sophomore float theme was "Launch the Warriors into Space." Sophomore class advisors are Nona Forster, and Jonathan Stauffer. Sophomore class float finished in 3rd place in the judging.

* Junior class float theme was "Alien Invasion." Junior class advisors are Joel Tuten and Kyle Getz. Junior class float finished in 1st place in the judging.

* Senior class float theme was "One Step for Man, One Giant Leap for the Cardinals." Senior class advisors are Anne Magarity and Heather Politsch. Senior class float finished in 2nd place in the judging.

Final scores for class competition were as followed.

4th Place with a total of 3,150 points is the Freshmen Class 3rd Place with a total of 3,250 points is the Sophmore

2nd Place with a total of 5,000 points is the Junior Class This year's winner with a total of 5,400 points is the Senior Class

The student body chose Aaron Anderson and Taylor Akins as Homecoming King and Queen. They were officially crowned at the dance on Saturday night. The following were members of the Homecoming court: Seniors - Kara Erdmann and Cole Becker, Autumn McGlynn and Mason Fox; Juniors - Lily Johnson and Quinten Frederick; Sophomores - Jenna Greenfield and Grant Johnson; Freshmen Aspen McGlynn and Dane Setterstrom.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 2021 Forreston High School homecoming a success.



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431 Williams Drive, Oregon \$135,000 Call Rebecca

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400 Williams Drive, Oregon \$140,000 **Call Boone**

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SPORTS

Byron downs Oregon 49-7

The Byron High School football team continued its roll on Oct. 8, beating Oregon 49-7.

The Tigers scored 21 points in the first quarter and added 28 in the second. Oregon's lone score came in the third quarter.

Ethan Palzkill had scoring runs of 23 and 3 yards. Kye Aken also had two touchdowns, one 2-yard plunge and another 2-yard reception. Chandler Binkley added at 49yard TD run, Drew Harper a 1-yard run and Jacob Lenz recovered a fumble in the endzone for a score.

Binkley led Byron on the ground with 96 on five carries. The Tigers netted 307 yard rushing and 18 yards passing.

Defensively, James Cone had four solo tackles and four assists, while Harper added two solo tackles and five assists.

Daniel Dominquez led the Hawks with 43 yards rushing. Oregon's lone score was a 6-yard run from Seth Stevens.

2021 Big Northern All-Conference golf honors

Boys:

First Team

Grace Haas, Stillman Valley Ava Hackman, Oregon Amelia Dunseth, Stillman Valley

Second Team

Shannon McHale, Byron Cassandra Nyderek, Oregon Ava Kultgen, Byron Ella Challand, Stillman Valley

Boys:

First Team

Maison Brandt, Byron Brayden Baker, Byron Owen Dunseth, Stillman Valley Griffin Smits, Stillman Valley

Second Team

Aaron Lorenz, Byron

Honorable Mention: Isaac Kaltenbrun (Oregon), Nicholas Jordal (Stillman Valley), Charley Mershon (Byron).

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Varsity Soccer

Oct. 6

Stillman Valley 1, Rockford Jefferson 6 Oct. 9

Stillman Valley 4, Oregon 3

Stillman Valley 0, Marengo 1

Varsity Football

Oct. 8

Oct. 12

Stillman Valley 14, Winnebago 13

Varsity Volleyball

Oct. 7

Stillman Valley 2, Rockford Christian 1

25-16, 22-25, 20-25

Oregon falls to Byron

Jenae Bothe had 12 kills, 3 blocks and 1 ace: Ava Wight had 9 kills and 11 digs; Sophie Stender had 24 digs and 3 aces

Oct. 9

Stillman Valley 0, Annawan 2 (United Township Tournament – 4th place finish)

Stillman Valley 1, Rockridge 1

Stillman Valley 1, Knoxville 2

Stillman Valley 2, LaSalle-Peru 0 Stillman Valley 1, Annawan 1

Oct. 12

Oregon falls to Genoa-Kingston 12-25, 9-25



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StoryWalks at the Byron Forest Preserve

A new StoryWalk® is up at the Byron Forest Preserve! Stroll the 1/2-mile Indigo Trail while reading "The Golden Acorn" by Katy Hudson. The StoryWalk® is a joint project of the Byron Public Library and the Byron Forest Preserve. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

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Bertolet Library News

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On Wednesday, Oct. 20 at 4 p.m., we will be having our first Read To A Dog session. Register your independent reader for a 15-minute session to read to a trained therapy dog at Bertolet Memorial Library. Bring a book from home or school, or choose one from our library. Registration required at 815-738-2742. Masks will be required.

Bertolet Book of the Month Club:

Have you ever wished you could join a book discussion group but were unable to commit to a specific time and place? Bertolet Memorial Library is now offering you an opportunity to read a book a month at your own speed and with no group meeting. You can pick up the book, either in regular print, large print, or audio format, along with handouts providing author information, a list of questions to enhance the reading experience, and a comment sheet for those who wish to give feedback. Books will include a variety of fiction genres and non-fiction titles. Bertolet Book of the Month for October is bestseller Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens. Stop by the Circulation Desk and check out a copy the next time you are in the library!

Story Hour with Miss Jana is back in session! We will be meeting each Thursday at 10 a.m. Registration requested but not required. Masks will be required.

Craft Kits for Adults:

Bertolet Memorial Library is now offering take home craft kits for adults and/or

families. The kits provide the materials and instructions needed to make a craft. It's a great opportunity to be creative and de-stress at the same time. This month's craft will be a yarn pumpkin. Stop in to pick up your kit today!

Create-a-Card:

Create-a-Card is back! Join Jessie on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. Make a special card for that special someone or occasion. Weddings, birthdays, holidays... The only limit is your imagination!

Masks are required at Bertolet Memorial Library for all patrons over age 2. We

Masks:

will be happy to provide curbside service as needed.

Plastic Recycling:

Update: Animal/pet food bags, silage/hay bags are no longer accepted in this program. Also, no vinyl shower curtains or tablecloths or pool toys/covers. We ask that you make sure plastic is clean with no debris in the donation. Also please remove any ziploc-type seals and paper/sticker labels. Thank you for your cooperation.

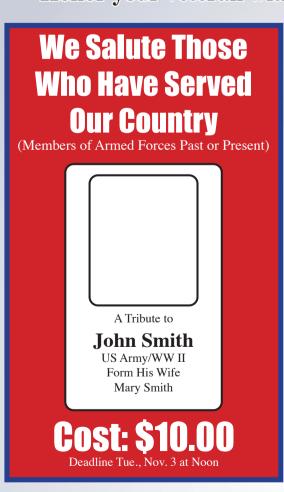
New Releases:

Adult Books

Twisted Tea Christmas by Laura Childs The Party Crasher by Sophie Kinsella The Butler by Danielle Steel



Veteran's Day, Nov. 11 is a special day to honor America's Veterans, living and deceased. Honor your veteran with a photo to be published on Monday, November 8th, 2021.

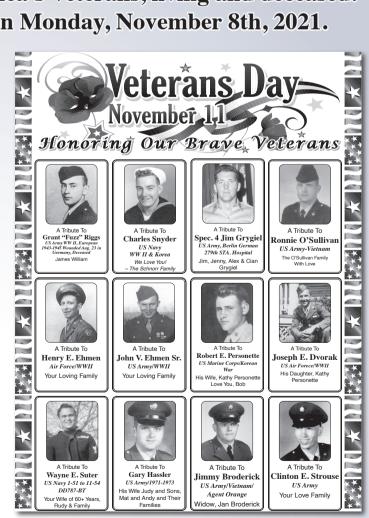


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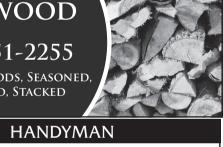
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Ink with a Friend Card Club – Monday, Oct. 18, 6:30 p.m. Sending personal cards

to your friends and family

papers for new releases!

is a way to let them know you care and are thinking about them. Creating these cards makes it even more special. Come join us for Ink with a Friend. You will be provided a pre-cut kit along with personal instruction on how to create the wonderful cards while learning a variety of card making techniques. All designs include beautiful colored cardstock, gorgeous designer series paper, detailed stamped images, die cut pieces, matching ink, ribbon, and embellishments. This month, Liz has designed two (2) Fall/Thanksgiving cards for you to make. All cards come with matching envelopes. We need a minimum of three (3) participants. Whether you're a new card

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With Laura Keves -Tuesday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. **Virtual Event**

On the eve of Hallow-

een 1938, a young actor/

director broadcast a radio drama based on a 40-yearold novel: The War of the Worlds. While the original broadcast had a relatively low audience, the impact it had, and continues to have, on American culture is staggering. But how much of that impact was reality, and how much has been exaggerated over the years? Were there riots in the streets from panicked listeners, or did most of the audience simply enjoy a well-done piece of theatre? Did Orson Welles know he would frighten listeners, or was this an unintended accident? Gather the family and join Laura Keyes live virtual event. Registration required (815) 732-2724.

Positive Behavior Intervention & IDEA- Wednesday, Oct. 20 6 p.m.

Live Training Location: Oregon Public Library

Registration Required, deadline Oct. 13 - Call 866-436-7842, Ext. 3516 or visit http://www.fmptic. org/events/trainings

Does your child's behavior impede learning at school? Do you know what positive interventions should be implemented? Join us for a FREE workshop where you will learn about: functional behavior assessments, teaching expected behaviors, positive behavior interventions in the IEP. This training will have 4 zoom locations (Odell Public Library, Mt Morris Public Library,

Dixon Public Library and

Polo Public Library) and

is open to all residents of Ogle County.

Mothman and Other Flying Creatures of the Midwest - Thursday, Oct. 21st at 7 p.m.

Virtual Program Shetan Noir is a Michigan based Author and paranormal travel Journalist. She also teaches courses on the paranormal history of the great lakes at community colleges. Shetan has written several books on cryptozoology and is working on more upcoming book projects. Her current book is The marvelous misadventures of teagun gray (Teagun gray meets bigfoot). Shetan has also written Mothman and other flying creatures of the midwest. In 2018, she wrote Lake monsters and odd creatures of the great lakes. She also writes articles for several paranormal and cryptozoology based magazines including being head writer for squatch GQ magazine and a contributor to Supernatural magazine. Registration required (815) 732-2724 or www.oregonpubliclibrary.

Halloween at the Library - (youth) ages 3 and up

Come by the Library between Tuesday, Oct. 26 and Thursday, Oct. 28 and pick a papier-mâché pumpkin from our indoor pumpkin patch (plain, so you can decorate it at home or already decorated and ready to go)!

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, for grades 3rd and up, decorate the papier-mache pumpkins here by registering for one of the half hour sessions from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Limited spaces and masks are required.

Chris Bohjalian, author - Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Program Author Chris Bohjalian, the #1 New York Times bestselling author of 22 books adapted into three movies and a TV series, will speak in this live virtual event about his newest release "The Hour of the Witch". This is a collaboration with other libraries. We are able to send three questions from our library, please email any questions to cbergoply@gmail.com and register for the event on our website at www. oregonpubliclibrary.com. Registration required.

Trivia Night at Cork N Tap-Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Grab some friends and head down to Cork N Tap for Halloween Themed Trivia. Teams of up to 6 can compete for prizes and bragging rights. Registration required, call (815) 732-2724 or visit [http:// www.oregonpubliclibrary. com to save yourteams spot.]http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.com to save your teams spot.

Halloween Eve, Saturday, Oct. 30 from 3-5 p.m., (ages 12 and under only)

Visit our front yard "Halloween patch" and pick out your surprised filled papier - mache pumpkin! Limited supply. In case of inclement weather come to the elevator entrance to receive a pumpkin.

Oregon Writers **Group** – 2nd Tuesday each month at 10 a.m.

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

New DVD Releases

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PG-13) A Quiet Place-Part II (Rated PG-13)

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Mare Of Easttown (Rated R)

"But God..."

On April 10, 1912, man set sail to the greatest ship the world had ever seen. The Titanic was designed to break nearly every record held by previous ships, with regards to size, capacity, speed, luxury, and safety. Many referred to it as "unsinkable." One person reportedly claimed "even God couldn't sink this ship."

But God, allowed the unthinkable to happen. Four days after embarkment, the Titanic struck an iceberg, and within 3 hours the unsinkable had sunk. Over 1.500 lives were lost with it.

God is sovereign. He has limitless power and authority. The phrase, "But God" is the deciding factor in every man's life, whether he believes it or not. Jesus told a parable about a very wealthy man in Luke 12:18-21.

He had but one problem. His barns were not large enough to hold his harvest. Notice his plan to solve the problem. "And he said, this will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater: ... But God said unto him, "Thou fool, this night thy soul

shall be required of thee: This man had provided well for himself in this life. But, when God stepped in, he was without a plan for his soul. He needed to answer

Dear reader, you and I need to answer to God's authority also. "For it is written, as I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and

every tongue shall confess to God." (Romans 14:11) We can choose to ignore God, until He steps in and we are forced to acknowledge His authority, or we can accept that authority now and allow it to guide and bless our life.

We don't need to live in fear of God's power and authority over us! This little phrase "But God" can be a very positive thought, if we

are on the right side of it. When we believe in God, and do His will, He intervenes for our good. He loves doing this for us, and it is beautiful to experience! The Bible says, "for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) But God loved us so much that "He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

We are small and weak. God is great and sovereign. His plan is perfect and He can accomplish His will. Will you resist God in your life and stand in the way of His plan?

Or will you acknowledge Him and become part of His plan? Which side of the phrase "But God" will you be on?

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Forreston Library News

Snow Removal Bids

The library is currently seeking bids for snow removal from our sidewalks, ramp, and front steps/porch for this winter. Following an overnight snowfall, snow will need to be removed by 8:00 am and some daytime removal may also be necessary. Please submit your written proposal to the library in person or by email to forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com. Bids must be received by Monday, November 1st. For more information, contact Julie at (815)938-2624.

Open House

Saturday, Oct. 23, 2-4 p.m. Make plans to join us Saturday, Oct. 23 from 2-4 p.m. for an Open House to

in the library and community room. Meet the library trustees and staff, sign up for door prizes, enjoy some refreshments, and discover all the library has to offer! **Book Club** Tuesday, Oct. 26, 7 p.m. This month's book club selection is "Mrs. Lincoln's Sisters" by Jennifer

celebrate the 20th anniversary of our renovation and to see recent improvements

Chiaverini. Pick up your copy at the circulation desk and join us for delicious refreshments and a lively discussion.

Spooktacular Saturday Saturday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Be sure to stop by the library during Downtown Trick or Treating for a special

treat! We can't wait to see your costumes! **New Materials**

New Adult Fiction includes: "The Santa Suit" by Mary Kay Andrews, "The Christmas Wedding Guest" by Susan Mallery, and "Foul Play" by Stuart Woods.

Library Hours

The library is open the following hours: Monday 10 a.m.-1 p.m, 2-7 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 2-6 p.m, and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon. We are closed on Friday and Sunday. Masks are currently required for anyone over the age of 3.

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Polo Library News

Polo Library Hours

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Storytime Saturday

Virtual - Facebook & YouTube, Nov. 6 and 20 at 10:30 a.m.

Visit Facebook.com/pololibrary or search "Polo Public Library" on YouTube to vatch virtual Storytime Saturday. New videos air at 10:30am on these weeks. In Person, Polo Library Lawn or Pavilion Oct. 23 and 30 at 10:30 a.m.

Join Ms. Melanie *LIVE* at 10:30am these Saturdays on the Library Lawn, or in the Library Pavilion, for a story and a craft! - Outdoors as long as weather permits. When Storytime is moved indoors, masks are required for anyone over the age of 2. Register by calling 815-946-2713 or emailing melaniew@pololibrary.org

Tails & Tales Fall Reading Program – Sept. 13-Oct. 30, ages 3-18

Watch Facebook.com/pololibrary or email melaniew@pololibrary.org for more information and to register

Saturday, Oct. 23, 6:30 p.m. – S'more Night at the Library, Polo Library **Parking Lot**

Join Ms. Melanie for S'mores and Stories around a campfire! Be sure to bring chairs and blankets to sit on. This is a family event. Call 815-946-2713 or email Ms. Melanie at melaniew@pololibrary.org to register so we make sure we have enough s'more supplies for everyone!

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 6:30 p.m. – Live Virtual Author Event, Chris Bohjalian

Live on Zoom, watch a conversation with author Chris Bohjalian (author of 22 books including Midwives, The Light in the Ruins, and his newest - Hour of the Witch). Call 815-946-2713 or email library@pololibrary.org to register.

Thursday, Nov. 4, 5 p.m. - "The Wizard of Oz" Movie Night at the Library Join us for "The Wizard of Oz" at Polo Public Library! This is an all ages, indoor event. Masks will be required for anyone over the age of 2.

Genealogy Help - First Wednesday (5-7 p.m.) and Third Saturday (10 a.m.noon) of each month

Are you interested in genealogy but don't know where to start? Or do you have a start but need some help? Come by Polo Library on the first Wednesday or third Saturday of each month and let Donna help you with your research.

Polo Library is now FamilySearch Affiliate Library!

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Polo Library has three book clubs that are open to new participants. If you are interested in joining a book club or knowing what we're reading, call 815-946-2713 or email library@pololibrary.org.

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Rock River Center Senior Information Services at Polo Public Library

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DAVIS JUNCTION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH DAVIS JUNCTION

Pastor Brad Pittman www.graceisforyou.com

14080 Rt. 72 East, Davis Junction (Next to Fritz's Electrical) • 815-973-1369 Worship Service: Saturday at 5pm

FORRESTON

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 402 First Ave., Forreston, IL Phone: 815-938-2380

Pastor Sung-Eun Kim OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS Worship at 9:00 a.m. (childcare provided) with coffee and fellowship immediately following. Sunday School Age 3-Adult, 10:15 am. AA meets Mondays, 8:00 AM. Monthly United Methodist Women's meetings God is Good, All the Time, All the Time, God is Good!

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH

West Grove Rd. At Columbine Rd • Karyn Kost • 815-938-3511 Worship Service 10:30 am. Communion is served the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. "Singing the Song of Christian Faith in Worship, Service, Learning, Outreach and Welcome" in a beautiful rural setting Everyone is cordially invited to be with us.

LEAF RIVER

ADELINE ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH 9106 Cedar St. in Adeline, Leaf River, IL 61047 • Ph:815-541-4863 Sunday

Services: Sunday School 9:00 am, Worship Service 10:15 am VISITORS WELCOME

LEAF RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Billy Hardy Live Sermon Streaming: Sundays at 10:00 AM at www.facebook.com/ LEAFRIVERBC/ Archived Sermons on our YouTube channel: Leaf River Baptist Church (Until

9:30 Church Service. Nursery available, 11:00 Sunday school for all ages. 6941 N Mt Morris Rd, Leaf River, IL 61047 815-738-2205 leafriverbc@gmail.com

LINDENWOOD

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – LCMS

el-lindenwood.org (for sermons, events, etc.) 16060 E. Lindenwood Road, Lindenwood, IL 61049 815-393-4500 • office@immanuel-lindenwood.org Sunday Mornings: Divine Service @ 9am; Food & Fellowship @ 10am; Sunday School and Adult Bible Study @ 10:30am Food Bank: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 9am-12pm Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Rosebrock pastor@immanuel-lindenwood.org

LINDENWOOD UNION CHURCH 101 N Galena st, P.O box 67

Lindenwood IL 815-393-4658 Worship- 10:00 am Coffee Fellowship following service

further notice)

KINGS

ELIM REFORMED CHURCH 140 S. Church Road, Kings, IL 61068 • Rev. Cary Winn

Phone 815-562-6811 E-mail: office@goelimchurch.org Website: www.goelimchurch.org Sunday morning worship 10:00 am • Sunday School 9:00 am

MOUNT MORRIS

DISCIPLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH All are welcome here!

"By God's grace in Christ: Live, Love & Serve" During the COVID-19 pandemic, weekly worship is online at www. disciplesumc.org In-person communion services, are offered at various times Call or email for upcoming dates/times and to register. We wear masks, keep distance, and limit attendance. 815-734-4853 secretary@disciplesumc.ora 102 N. Maple Ave. Mt. Morris, IL 61054

Pastor – Rev. Julie Bunt

Rockford

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

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

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

Pastor-Rodney Caldwell. Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship service available online, call for details. Other activities currently suspended due to pandemic.

MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 308 E. Brayton Rd. Mt. Morris, IL Phone: 734-6354 Rev. Josh Ehrler

Worship Services: Saturday 5:30 PM; Worship Sunday 9:30 AM Sunday Church School 10:45 AM; (Sept. 10, 2017 Thru May 2018) Sept.-May Chime Choir Wednesday 6:00 PM; Chancel Choir Wednesday 7:00 PM.

OREGON

CROSSWALK MINISTRIES "Building relationships through Christ" The corner of Rt 64 and 9 th St, Oregon, il

Sunday Worship Service 10 am

EBENEZER REFORMED CHURCH 2997 N. German Church Rd., 815-732-6313 3 miles east of Oregon on Rt. #64 then 2 miles north on German Church Rd Rev. Josiah Youngquist

www.EBENEZERREFORMED.com • Sunday school 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 FREEDOM LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

(815) 661-6315 Website: http://www.freedomlutheran.org We are no longer meeting at First Presbyterian Church. When we meet in person, it is at Oregon United Methodist Church. We are currently meeting only nic. There is no in person worship currently. There is no pastor currently serving Freedom Lutheran

LIGHTHOUSE UNITED METHODIST Pastor Matthew J. Smith 4962 S. Daysville Rd., Oregon, IL 61061 815-732-7683

Worship at 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion celebrated the first Sunday of each of month. Lighthouse will lite up your life! **OREGON CHURCH OF GOD**

860 W. Oregon Trail Road Oregon, IL Phone: 732-6847 or 732-2604 Pastor Michael Hoffman; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday activities: Adult, Children, and Youth Groups 7 p.m. At the church. **OREGON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

505 Hill St. Oregon, IL 61061 Phone: 732-2642 Pastor: David Snow "A Christ-centered, Bible-believing, family-oriented

ministry." Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

OREGON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 200 S. 4th St, Oregon, IL 61061 • 815/732-2994

www.oregonumc.org • Pastor Rev. Megan Smick 9:00am Fellowship/Sunday School; 10:00am Worship with music, meditation & Fellowship; 10:15am Announcements begin.

RIVERSTONE CHRISTIAN CHURCH 609 S. 10th St., Oregon, IL, 812-236-1213 • riverstonecc.co

Sunday 10:45 a.m. ST. BRIDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1000 Highway 64, West (Hwy 64 W & Mongan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon
• 732-7211 – Office Rev. Eldred George
Webpage: saintbrides.org • E-mail:saint.bride.church@gmail.com •
Worship Services: Sunday 10 am Holy Communion with Hymns Christian Education Available

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH, NALC 114 S. 5th St. Oregon, IL Phone: (815) 732-2367 Website: stpaulnalcoregonil.weebly.com

10:15 a.m. Fellowship/Education hours 11:30 a.m. Worship

POLO

ST. MARY CHURCH Rectory/Office: 211 North Franklin Ave., Polo, IL 61064

PHONE: 815-946-2535 • Rev. Joseph P. Naill Masses: Sun 10:30am, Tuesday Mass 8 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE

302 S. Franklin Ave., Polo, Illinois • 815-946-2848 • Luke N. Schier, Pastor Sunday Worship: 9:30am We include our children in our Sunday Worship Experience. ""THE GRAND Kids Class" Ages 3-10 are then dismissed right after Praise & Worship. Blended Services. "Passion for God" "Compassion for People" Visit our website: PoloOpenBible.org

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH ~ POLO CAMPUS

Meeting Sundays @ 10AM Service 205 N. Jefferson Avenue, Polo ~ 815.837.5255 polo@crossroadscn.com . We offer contemporary worship and relevant Bible teaching through engaging messages and powerful video. Join us after services for coffee snacks & fellowship. Kidzlink Children's Ministry (nursery-5th grade)

during 10AM service Crave Youth Group (6th-12th grade) ~ Sunday nights 6PM, Visit our website: www.crossroadscn.com

FAITH DISCOVERY CHURCH 801 W. Oregon St., Polo • 815-946-3588 • Jeremy Heller, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Worship Service 10:00 a.m., Nursery Available, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. We Are an independent nondenominational Christian church. Visitors are always welcome.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

702 E. Dixon Street, Polo, IL 61064 • Tel:815-946-3212 Sunday School for all ages 9am followed by Worship at 10am Pastor Brian LeBaron Website: www.faithumcpolo.com • facebook.com/Faithumcpolo

RED BRICK CHURCH OF STILLMAN VALLEY

(CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH)

STILLMAN VALLEY

Pastor Rev. Dr. Chris Brauns | Associate Pastor David Bogner 207 W Roosevelt Road (Rte 72), Stillman Valley. 815-645-2526 | www.theredbrickchurch.org Sunday: Worship at 9:00 and 10:30 am. Sunday School at 9:00 am. Wednesday: AWANA (Sept – April) from 6:00 to 7:15 pm. Men, women, youth Bible Studies throughout the year See website for all activities or contact the church office.

KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8195 Kishwaukee Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084 / 815-965-1940 Pastor Eric Tonjes, www.kishchurch.org Sunday Schedule: Discipleship Hour 9:00 AM, Coffee Fellowship 9:50 AM Gathered Worship 10:00 AM For complete ministry schedule check out our website or call the church

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

Rt. 72 & Maple St., in Stillman Valley • Phone 815-645-8872 Pastor: Rev. Rick Lindholtz • www.valleycov.org Chuck Potts, Pastor to Students, Childrens Sunday morning 9:15am "Gather" for learning and conversation; 10:15am Worship, both onsite and online at www.facebook.com/VECCofSV We are requesting all attendees wear masks, practice social distancing, and stay home if ill. Communion is served the first Sunday of the month.

WINNEBAGO

Please call or visit the website more info about Bible study groups, Youth

Group, Bread of Life Food Pantry, and Valley Covenant Preschool. Also the home of Valley Covenant Preschool 815-645-8882.

MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Connect with People, Connect with Christ 12473 Montague Road, Winnebago, IL 61088 Located near the intersection of Montague and Tower roads; Phone: 815-335-2609; e-mail: middlecreekchurch@gmail.com Pastor: Rev. Dr. Anita Stuart-Steva

Sunday mornings: Family Communion Worship 8:30 a.m.; Blended

Worship 10:20 a.m. (Sept. – May) and 10 a.m. (June – Aug.); Sunday School Other activities include: Bible studies; Praise Band; Social/Service Groups; Kindred Heart Stitchers For more information call the church office



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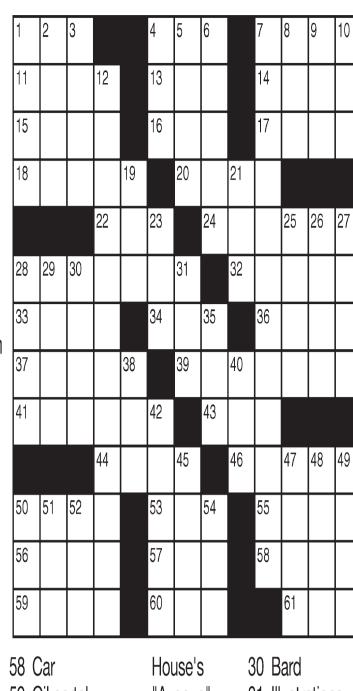
211 Hwy. 38 E. Rochelle, IL 61068 Ph: 815-732-2156 Fax: 815-562-2161 MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021

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Weekly Brain Busters



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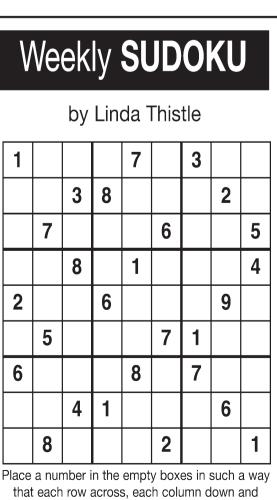
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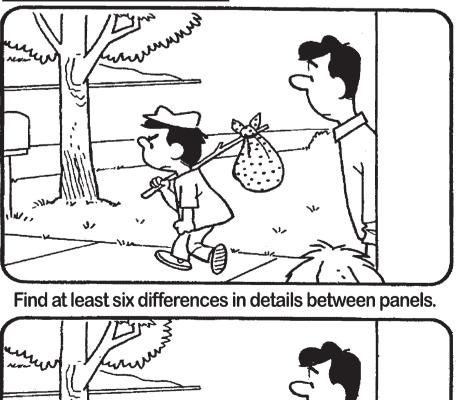
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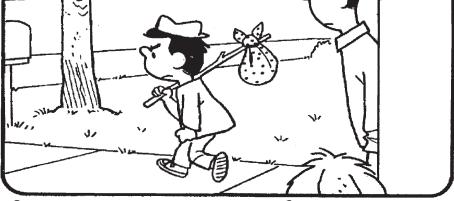


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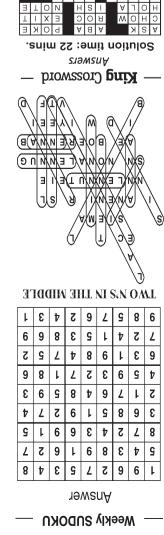
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OGLE COUNTY **OGLE** COUNTY OGLE OGLE

Village of Davis Junction

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2021

RECEIPTS

GENERAL FUND>; PROPERTY TAX 70,291; ROAD & BRIDGE TAX 32,980;
TELECOMMUNICATIONS 23,602; ZONING PERMITS & FEES 9,450; STATE INCOME TAX
272,035; USE TAX 106,096; CANNABIS USE TAX 1,940; SALES TAX 78,389; STATE
GRANT-EOC 4,140; OTHER GRANTS 97,893; INTEREST INCOME 55,641; MEDICOM 10,042;
LR COMMUNICATIONS 4,174; VERIZON WIRELESS TOWER RENT 28,455; RENTAL INCOME
6,550; VIDEO GAMING 15,271; LAND USE 3,355; MISCELLANEOUS INCOME 58,852;
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT 11,888; BUILDING PERMITS 28,517; PLAT 10 FUTURE
IMPR TIL 2025 2,000; FINES / ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS 1,111; PARK SHELTER RENTAL
430; BALL FIELDS REVENUE 3,881; MERIDIAN YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE 11,090;
DONATIONS/SPONSORSHIPS 1,360; TOTAL 939,431; DONATIONS/SPONSORSHIPS 1,360; TOTAL 939,431;

<TIF FUND>; TIF REVENUE 23,238; INTEREST INCOME 10; TOTAL 23,248;

<WATER FUND>; PENALTIES 2,940; WATER SALES 146,983; BULK WATER
/ POOL FILLS 483; WATER CONNECTION FEES 11,800; METER SALES 3,150; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES 400; TOTAL 165,756;

<SEWER FUND>; REPLACEMENT TAX SAN DIST 1,100; PENALTIES 2,939;
SEWER SALES 204,254; SEPTIC TANK RECEIVABLES 1,477; CONNECTION FEES 16,000;
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME 1,022; TOTAL 226,792;

<GARBAGE FUND>; PENALTIES 2,700; GRABAGE DISPOSAL INCOME 108,247; TOTAL 110,946;

<LANDFILL FUND>; HOST BENEFIT FEES 2,284,828; INTEREST INCOME 275; TOTAL 2,285,103;

25,000.00 PAYROLL: 0.01 TO 25,000.00

ANDERSON, JONAH, BALLARD, CRRISTINE; BLOOMINGDALE, GLENDA; BRATKO, MARK;
CALABRESE, JOSEPH; CARR, NANCY; CHALLAND, WILLIAM; CHRISTENSON, JENNIFER;
DIPPNER, MARK; DOANE, JARRED; DOWTY, AUSTIN; KLAREN, BENJAMIN; KUBISZEWSKI,
TYLER; LAMER, KENNETH; LARSON, GARY; LOEFFELHOLZ, SARAH; LUCHSINGER, WILLIAM
; OGNIBENE, DAVID; OGNIBENE, TYLER; POLLOCK, HARVEY; REBER, JEFFERY; SAMPLES,
CHRISTOPHER; SIMPSON, DEANA; TALBOT, JOHN; WHITE, WILLIAM D; WURM, RICKY;

GALLARDO, JORGE; MAGNUSON, KYLE; MCMANAWAY SR, REX; OGNIBENE, BRENDA;

PAYROLL: 49,999.01 TO 74,999.99 FERGE, BRET W; HILL, NATHAN; MAAHS, SANDRA; WEAVER, BRENT; TOTAL 579,849;

LIABILITY
JOHN HANCOCK 95,694; AFLAC INSURANCE 10,327; IRS 156,410; JOHN HANCOCK 7,644;
PEKIN LIFE INSURANCE 649; ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE 29,736; TOTAL 300,460;

EXPENDITURES AND EXPENSES

<GENERAL FUND>; ADVANCED DISPOSAL 3,298; B & F CONSTRUCTION CODE SERVIC
20,948; B & H OFFICE FURNITURE 6,099; BLAKE OIL CO 5,143; BLU PETROLEUM,
INC. 7,038; BLUE CROSS BLUE SHEELD 64,012; BOBCAT OF ROCKFORD 28,377;
BONNELL INDUSTRIES INC 149,652; BRAD MANNING FORD, INC 35,608; BREAD OF LIVE
MINISTRY 2,500; CASSIDAY SCHADE LLP 2,807; CIVIL CONSTRUCTORS INC 18,953;
COMED 16,424; COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA INC 18,481; CONIN CONTRACTOR SERVCES, COMED 16,424; COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA INC 18,481; CONIN CONTRACTOR SERVCES, INC 7,500; EUCLID MANAGERS 3,293; Fischers Excavating Inc 8,000; FRONTIER 4,596; GENSLER GARDENS 3,416; HARRIS COMUPUTERS 4,256; HERBIG BLACKTOP CONSTRUCTION 7,931; ILLINOIS COUNTIES RISK 74,017; JOHN HANCOCK 3,938; KELSEY EXCAVATING INC 55,478; KELSO BURNETT CO 8,490; ANCEL GLINK, P.C. 208,373; Martin & CO 7,858, MCC TECHNOLOGY, INC 4,469; MCMAHON ENGINEERS ARCHITECTS 47,647; MUNICIPAL CODE CORPORATION 4,352; N-TRACK GROUP, LLC 525,873; PRESCOTT BROTHERS 34,397; R A ADAMS ENTERPRISES, INC 17,125; R&R AUTO & DIESEL REPAIR 2,866; RKM FIREWORKS COMPANY 16,000; SHERNI INDUSTRIES INC 4,000; SIKICH LLP 10,710; SISSON'S TREE SERVICE, LLC 4,250; STENSTROM EXCAVATION & BLACKTO 29,829; STENSTROM PETROLEUM SERVICES 9,252; Sunset Cinema Inc 2,500; THOMPSON GAS 5,081; Valk Systems 4,590; Verizon Wireless 15,815; VISA 7,842; VISA 20,822; VISA 26,250; WALTER WILLIS 4,725; Willett Hofmann & Associates, 71,532; WOLF BROS TREE SERVICE 8,270; ZORO 3,891; EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS UNDER 2,500.00 104,063; TOTAL 1,762,635;

<WATER FUND>; ComeD 20,524; CORE&MAIN 3,850; G&L TANK SANDBLASTING AND
409,050; INTEGRATED PUBLIC RESOURCES 25,074; KELSO BURNETT CO 2,700; Miller
Engineering Company 6,728; NORTHERN ILLILMOIS SERVICE CO 8,555; STEMSTROM
PETROLEUM SERVICES 3,971; USA BLUE BOOK 4,077; VISCONIK CONTRACTING CO 8,400;
WATER PRODUCTS COMPANY 8,643; Willett Hofmann & Associates, 31,832;
EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS UNDER 2,500.00 31,729; TOTAL 565,134;

<SEWER FUND>; ComED 30,716; Frinks Sewer And Drain Inc 5,849; HAWKINS, INC
6,859; Illinois EPA 7,500; INTEGRATED PUBLIC RESOURCES 25,074; KELSO BURNETT
CO 2,700; MCMAHON ENGINEERS ARCHITECTS 9,899; MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PUMP, INC
7,815; ILLINOIS RAILWAY, LLC 3,217; STENSTROM PETROLEUM SERVICES 3,971; USA
BLUE BOOK 8,214; VISA 3,975; WATSON SEPPTIC INC 98,731;
EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS UNDER 2,500.00 24,041; TOTAL 238,561;

<GARBAGE FUND>; ADVANCED DISPOSAL 102,123; TOTAL 102.239:

<LANDFILL FUND>; ADVANCED DISPOSAL 19,740; ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL 745,117; EXPENSE DISBURSEMENTS UNDER 2,500.00 23; TOTAL 764,879;

VILLAGE OF DAVIS JUNCTION, ILLINOIS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES COLLECTED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASI:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Year Ended April 30, 2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE Public Notice is hereby

given that on September 27, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Painted by Chloe, 700 Washington St., Oregon, IL 61061. Dated: September 27, 2021. Laura J. Cook, Ogle

County Clerk No. 1001 (Oct. 4, 11,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 24, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Valley Small Sauk Engine Repair, 609 Central St., Woosung, II 61091

Dated: September 24, 2021. Laura J. Cook, Ogle

County Clerk No. 1002 (Oct. 4, 11,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on October 1, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons conducting owning, and transacting the business known as: Sweet Mods, 104 Emily St., Mount Morris, IL 61054.

Dated: October 2021Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 1015 (Oct. 11, 18,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 17, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting transacting the and business known as: 1st Time 2nd Time Around, 201 N. 3rd Street, Oregon, IL 61061. Dated: September 17, 2021Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No.1016 (Oct. 11, 18,





Garage Sale LEAF RIVER 10636 N. Leaf River Rd. 2 FAMILY HOLIDAY DECORATIONS **DOWNSIZING**

Thursday October 21st 3pm-6pm Friday, October 22nd 9am-6pm Saturday Oct. 23rd 9am-3pm

Christmas, Fall & Winter Decorations: Wreaths, Garlands, Ornaments of all Colors, Candle Holders, Outdoor Lights and More - 50+ Years of Collecting. Also: Antiques, More Household Small Appliances and FREE STUFF. PIA#72

SALE SALE SALE SALE Garage Sale OREGON 807 Monroe St. Thursday October 21st & Friday October 22nd 9am-4pm and Saturday October 23rd 9am-12pm. HUGE SALE. Furniture, Household Items, Decorations, Clothing, Lots of Everything SAL SAL SAL SAL

> Garage Sale BYRON 203 S Lafayette St. Garage Faces Merchant Street. Friday October 22nd & Saturday October 23rd 9am-4pm.

Pre-moving Sale - Housewares, Seasonal Items, Tools and More, Something for Almost Everyone, No Baby Items.PIA#66



Other Harley Collectibles, Bicycles, Guitar with Case and Stand, Furniture Indoor and Outdoor, Men's Winter Coats and Clothes XL and XXL all in Excellent Condition, Tools and Lots of Miscellaneous. PIA#72

103 **AUCTIONS**

FARM LAND AUCTION SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6th 11am

Prairie View Golf Club 6734 N. German Valley Road Byron, IL

Selling 2 adjoining tracts by Public Auction with reserve

- 76.215 Surveyed Acres with ap-PARCEL 1 prox. 73 tillable acres.

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for creating, planning, organizing, staffing, implementing, budgeting, and evaluating the following program areas: Before and After School Program, Summer Camp, youth and adult recreation programs, and general interest programs. Coordinator is responsible for assisting in customer service, which includes, but is not limited to customer issues, comments, complaints, and concerns and respond to internal and external phone calls, e-mails comments and suggestions in a timely manner. Coordinator must perform all job tasks within the rules and guidelines of the Oregon Park District's policies and procedures. Coordinator is responsible for preparing budgets, financial reports and staffing needs, while making recommendations for revenue and expenditure adjustments.

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Mount Morris Library News

Program Coordinator Needed

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Closed 2nd and 4th Saturdays

Due to staffing issues, starting Oct. 9, the library will be closed on the second and fourth Saturdays until further notice. We are hoping that this will be a temporary measure. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the director or a member of the library board. Contact information is available on the website. www.mtmorris-il.org

Masks are required

Due to the upsurge in cases, we are requiring everyone over the age of two to wear masks in the library. We understand how everyone feels, but we ask for your understanding and cooperation. Thank you!

Curbside Service is available!

We want to remind everyone that you still have the option of having your materials delivered to your vehicle. If you have holds waiting for you, call us to tell us you are on your way, and we will bring them out to your vehicle when you arrive. Call us if you need more information.

Storytime

Adult Book Club

We will be having story time on Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. Donna Wells will be our guest reader, and we will have a fun craft to do also. All preschool children are welcome.

The October book will be the 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared by Jonas Jonasson. Copies are available at the library. This group will meet in-person at the library on Monday, Oct.25th.

Display Case Showings

We have a new display for the month of October. Carolyn Janatka and Mary Head will be filling our display cases. Come and check it out! (Our display case schedule is full for 2021 but we're taking reservations for next year! If you have a collection you would like to display, let us know!)

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

Julia Hull Library News

A Song & A Story

Join Miss Kelly Wednesdays at 10 a.m. on Facebook Live for stories, songs and a craft! Accompanying craft kits available monthly, while supplies last. As for one when you stop in, or place an order using our online form: https://www.juliahull. org/order-request

Chicago's Sweet Candy History

Did you know? For most its history, Chicago produced about one-third of the nation's candy. From Brach's caramels, Snickers and Milky Way bars, to Wrigley's gum, Cracker Jack, Baby Ruth and Butterfinger, Tootsie Rolls and Frango Mints. Learn the history of these tasty treats and explore what made Chicago such an ideal location for candymakers. Find out why immigrants played a critical role in confectionery history, discover how Baby Ruth and Milk Duds got their names, and take a fun "candy quiz." Join Leslie Goddard, PhD for this deliciously fun and interative Zoom program on Monday, October 18 at 6:30 PM. Email Joanna at jkluever@mail.meridian223. org to register.

Teen Crafternoon: Haunted Gingerbread Houses

Just like Jack the Pumpkin King, we're taking a Christmas tradition and twisting it to spooky perfection this Halloween.

Join Kelly at the library on Friday, Oct. 22 at 3 p.m. to make some gruesome haunted houses out of gingerbread and candy. All supplies provided. Ages 13-18. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Halloween Science: Ghastly Goo!

Calling all little mad scientists! Join Miss Kelly in the library for some hair-raising Halloween fun. We're whipping up all kinds of ghastly goo: from spooky slime to frightening floam! Saturday, Oct. 23 at 10 a.m.. Ages 5-9. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Tween Reads: The Graveyard Book Join Zoey at the library on Thursday, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m., for a discussion and activity all about Neil Gaiman's The Graveyard Book. Ages 10-12. Stop by, or call the library to register and pick up

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