

City of Earlville



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New mayor excited for the future in Village of Earlville

A new grocery store is coming to town, which is welcome news for local residents. Earlville Mayor Mark Actis said the new Earlville Fresh Market will be located downtownwheretheformergrocerystorewas.

"They're remodeling the building, and I think it will be a nice addition to town and much more convenient for people," he said.

Another new business, The Lounge, was also opened downtown recently by Sandy, owner of Sandy's Shear Magic, and her husband, Jeff. Located in a former law office, the coffee, wine, beer and gaming bar is intended to be a social gathering spot for the community.

Actis, who was elected mayor in April 2021, believes Earlville is now going in the right direction and sees good things for the town in the future. "I'm working on a new water tower and filtration system, if the federal government passes the infrastructure bill," he said. "We hope to buy one acre of land from the school, and the water tower would be located on that land west of the school."

A few community events were able to return this year. Actis said there was decent weather and a good turnout for the car show in May. Lions Fest was scaled back to a drive thru dinner this year and a golf outing was also held.

Trick or Treat in Earlville will take place from 4-7 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 31 and local businesses are planning to have a Christmas Fest coming up in December. "We managed to get through the pandemic and we're getting back to normal as much as we can," Actis noted.

During his short tenure as mayor, Actis said the past several months have been hectic. "I also have a 1-year-old, but I'm managing," he chuckled. "And I hope to have some big announcements coming in the next year. Every day it's something new, you never know what to expect. But I was an alderman for six years, so I was familiar with city government. I enjoy it - I like serving the community and I've done a lot of volunteer work over the years."

Looking ahead, Actis firmly believes there is a lot of potential in Earlville. "We needed a better step forward, a new image, and things are going to change," he said. "This is a nice place to live. I don't think there's an empty house in town - as soon as homes go on the market, they're sold. That tells you something."



Earlville Historical Society

The Earlyille Community Historical Society (ECHS) Museum is located at 136 S. Ottawa St. in downtown Earlville. The Museum was opened in 2013 as a headquarters for the town's 150th celebration. There are two floors of exhibits that showcase items from the early settlers of Earlville, businesses through the years, Earlville public school, and a military section honoring the local veterans. This past year the attached shed was converted to a display to honor the history of Earlville's agricultural industry.

ECHS sponsors free public programs of historical interest and is available to speak about the museum and Earlville history at clubs or organizations. ECHS also participates with

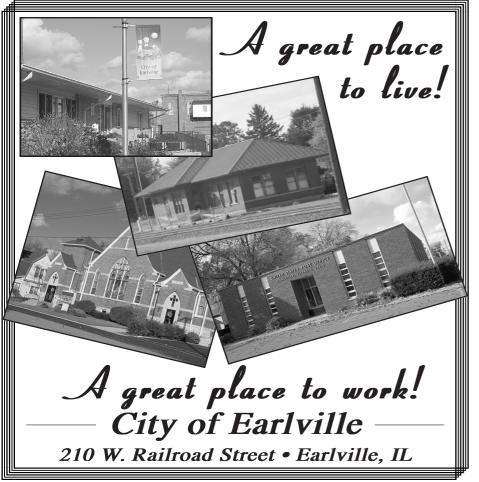
other civic organizations and clubs for community events.

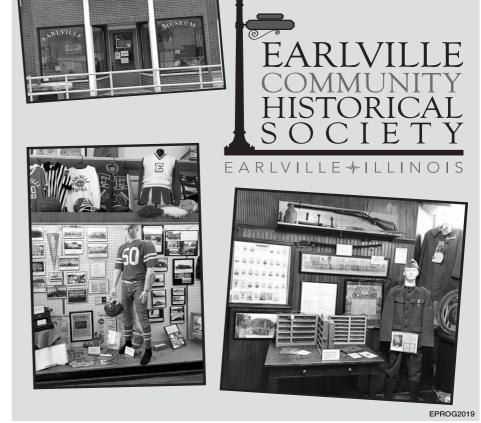
For the fourth year in a row the Museum is conducting its calendar fundraiser. Each page of the calendar is filled with vintage photos of Earlville. The cost is \$15 (plus \$3/per calendar for shipping). Calendars can be purchased at Sandy's Shear Magic, First State Insurance (Earlville), The Lounge, and the Barber Shop. They can also be ordered by sending a check with mailing information to Earlville Community Historical Society to: ECHS, PO Box 683, Earlville IL 60518. A building project is underway to add a handicapped accessible bathroom and small kitchenette on the first floor so all donations are needed and appreciated.

The museum is staffed by

volunteers and always looking for new members. Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to contact Anna at (815) 985-3763 or Kris at (815) 252-9380. Annual memberships are \$15, and lifetime memberships are \$150. Membership forms can be accessed on the organization's website.

Museum hours are Saturdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sundays from noon-2 p.m., or by appointment. Appointments can be made using the contact numbers above. For more information, visit www.earlvillehistory.org, the Earlville Community Historical Society Facebook page or via e-mail at earlville.history@yahoo.com. The museum is closed except by appointment during the months of January, February and March.





◆ The Lounge ◆

Teff Theurer and San-J dra Cox are Earlyille locals - Sandra born and raised and Jeff growing up in Leland. Sandra has owned the local beauty salon, just a block over, Sandy's Shear Magic, since 1985. They have lived together in Earlville the past 10 years and have dreamed of owning a gathering spot in town for the community. After the pandemic left few social spots in town, they decided to spend their free time fixing up an old law office to create The Lounge. Jeff led the remodel, self-performing a majority of work with local support including his brother, Matt Theurer, and a team of Earlville native tradesmen. Thanks to Brian Niles, Gary Imel,



Sandra Cox and Jeff Theurer, owners of The Lounge.

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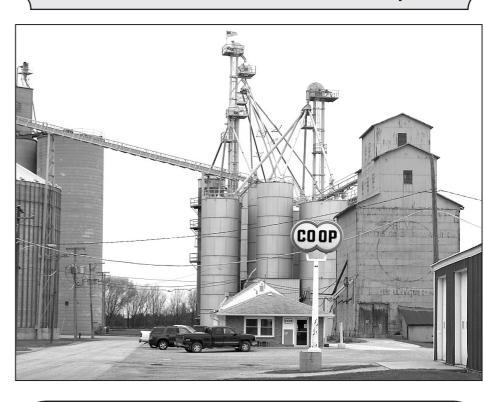
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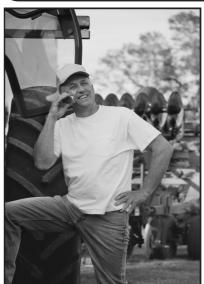
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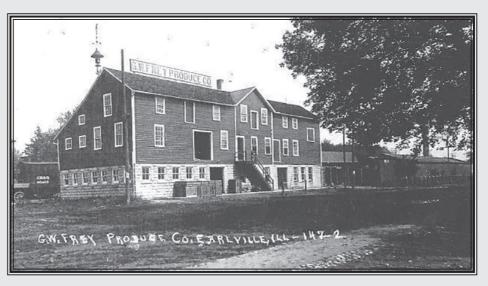


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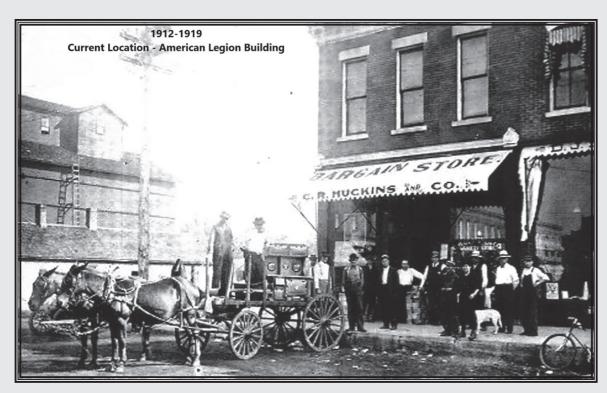
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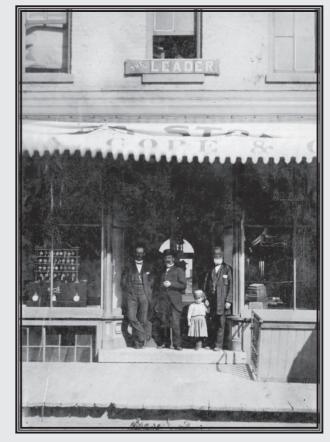
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Earlville Cold Storage

Their slogan is proudly painted on the front door of their East Street business.

"Meating you is our pleasure."

Earlville Cold Storage Locker offers consumers a wide range of meats at competitive retail prices. Smoked sausage is made onsite to the satisfaction of their customers.

The business, which opened in 1937, is celebrating its 84th year in Earlville. Gene Coppes and his family celebrated 30 years as owner/operators of Earlville Cold Storage on Aug. 31, 2021.

The Cold Storage Locker works with area farmers doing custom butchering and slaughtering. Some of the other services offered include custom butchering and meat processing, curing and smoking of meats. Various specialty products are offered by the company such as cooked roast beef and roast pork, retail meats and smoked sausage.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching, Cold Storage is taking orders for fresh Ho-Ka turkeys and prime rib. They can also make meat and cheese trays for all your holiday entertaining.

The locker offers two dozen types of sausage along with bratwurst, hot dogs, smoked or garlic sausage and 11 different flavors of smoked sausage snack sticks. Venison sausage processing is also available.

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Tri-County Veterinary

The Tri-County Veterinary Service, located just off U.S. Rt. 34 in Earlville, is at the service of all area pet owners.

According to Dr. Kevin Zollars, personal care is a point of pride for the clinic. "We pride ourselves on

good service," he said. "It's important to have contact with the people we serve."

Tri-County Veterinary

Service is a full-service clinic, offering diagnosis and disease prevention for both pets and livestock. Consultations can be obtained at the clinic, as well as pet vaccinations.

Boarding services are offered by Tri-County Veterinary Service and staffers are available to make school



presentations. The staff knows emergency situations can occur at all times and the clinic's phone number, (815) 246-9545, doubles as an emergency line. All species of animal are treated by the staff at the clinic, and Dr. Zollars has a special interest in surgery and orthopedic surgery. A new service, inhouse euthanization, has also been added.

Dr. Zollars is assisted by Suzy Albers, Katie Olson, Stephanie Rohrer, Amie Wiesbrook, Megan Johnson, Colleen Bokoski, Morgan Keller, Emily Zollars, Emily Kuhn and Bella Ray.

The clinic is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 a.m.–5 p.m., Thursday 8 a.m.–8 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m.–

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Thinking about hiring a horse-drawn carriage for your next special event? Country Lane Carriage in Earlville has you covered.

Owners Mark and Pam Moore along with their beautiful Haflinger horses, Max and Marty, are ready to add some pizzazz to your plans. Whether your upcoming event is a wedding, wedding proposal, birthday party or surprise party, business event, family Christmas or other holiday party, reunion, lighted parade, or any other special get-together, Country Lane Carriage is ready to make it even more memorable.

The Moores started their business 10 years ago in

Pontiac, when they would sit in front of a popular restaurant with their horsedrawn carriage and provide rides to visitors. During that time, Pam said they had fun meeting many people from all over the world who were visiting Pontiac as tourists. The couple moved to Earlyille, Pam's hometown, bringing their business along with them. The Moores are proud to be a part of the Earlville community and support community events including the Earlville car shows, Earlville Christmas Festival and the Earlville Lions Summer Celebrations.

The Moores have recently had the honor of granting the

last wishes to those who wish to be taken to their final resting place by horse drawn hearse.

Carriage rides may be scheduled through the month of December. Additionally, if weather permits, a horse-drawn sled is also available. Pam said they are willing to travel throughout the region for events.

To learn more about their services and see photos of Max and Marty at various outings, or to send a message, visit their Facebook page (Country Lane Memories & Carriage). For additional information or to schedule your next special event, phone Pam at 815-867-7471.



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