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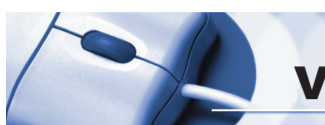
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### KNOW IT TODAY



#### Tree donated for Candlelight Walk

Prairie Preservation Society again selects, donates tree for annual event. 10A

# Booster shots now available

## CDC recommends that certain groups get the extra vaccine

Ogle County Health Department is offering the booster shots by appointment only in the Rochelle or Oregon office to anyone who meets the recommendations below.

For Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, a single COVID-19 vaccine booster dose is recommended greater than or equal to 6 months after completion of an mRNA primary series, in the same risk groups for whom CDC recommended a booster of

Pfizer-BioNTech, under FDA's Emergency Use Authorization. The Moderna booster dose is a smaller 50 microgram dose.

CDC recommends the following groups should receive boosters:

- \* people aged 50-64 years with underlying medical conditions should receive a 50-mcg booster shot of Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Moderna primary series.
- \* people aged 18-49 years with underlying medical conditions may receive a 50-mcg booster shot of Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Moderna primary series, based on their individual benefits and risks, and
- \* people aged 18-64 years

who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting may receive a 50-mcg booster shot of Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine at least 6 months after their Moderna primary series, based on their individual benefits and risks.

For Janssen (Johnson and Johnson) COVID-19 vaccine, a single COVID-19 vaccine booster dose is recommended for persons aged 18 years and older, greater than or equal to 2 months after receipt of the initial Janssen dose, under the FDA's Emergency Use Authorization.

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### WEATHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Snyder Pharmacy
- Aetna

# Candlelight Walk



## Annual event returns to Oregon on Nov. 27

By Brad Jennings  
Editor

**OREGON** – As the weather grow colder and leaves fall, many in Oregon turn their attention to a favorite even of the season – the annual Candlelight Walk.

The event, in its 35th year, is set for Saturday, Nov. 27 from 3-8 p.m.

Liz Vos, executive director of the Oregon Area Chamber of Commerce, said that this is her third year being involved in planning Candlelight Walk with other volunteers.

“We meet every month to talk about ways to make everyone’s Christmas brighter, and everyone

involved has that Griswold spirit where we just want to make the holidays so special for everyone,” she said.

Vos sat down to answer some questions about Candlelight Walk.

**Question:** How long does it take to plan the Candlelight Walk every year?

**Answer:** “We begin planning Candlelight Walk in April every year. The committee comes together with fun new ideas they’ve thought about over the winter and we try to do something new and exciting every year to keep building on the festival.”



Liz Vos of the Oregon Chamber of Commerce said Candlelight Walk will feature new activities this year. (Photo courtesy of Long Shots Photography)

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## Operation Santa sees changes for 2021

**BYRON** – Byron Police Department’s Operation Santa has been making Christmas a little brighter for the less fortunate children in the Byron community for the past 31 years.

Byron Kiwanis has been partnering with the police department for 13 years, hosting Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus where all toy and monetary donations are given to Operation Santa.

Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus is canceled for 2021. However, the needs of the children in the Byron area have not been canceled, and we are still intending to provide Christmas gifts to those who otherwise would go without. In lieu of gathering actual toys, we are asking you to make a monetary donation to Operation Santa. These donations will be used to purchase toys for specific age groups to be distributed through People Helping People. Donation checks, payable to Operation Santa, can be dropped off at or mailed to the Byron Police Department, PO Box 923, Byron, IL 61010.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## WALK: Winter carnival kids, Holiday Gift Fair

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**Q:** What makes this event such a special one for Oregon?

**A:** "Oregon is kind of a Hallmark Christmas town already. Everyone knows each other, we help our neighbors, we shop locally at our friends stores, and plan special events together. Candlelight Walk is a special event because we all come together and transform the town into a magical little Christmas town. The garland and bows are matching, the lights are twinkling, and people are walking around shopping and sipping hot coco, enjoying free wagon rides with friends, and smiling at Santa and the kids."

**Q:** Do you know the history of the event, why it was started?

**A:** "Candlelight Walk began in Conover Square Mall 35 years ago. The store owners at the time wanted to invite everyone to a Christmas Walk to do something special for their holiday shoppers. We're happy to honor the spirit of the founders, and as Oregon grew: the Christmas cheer spread throughout town too. All of our local businesses

love having you out to visit and thank you for shopping small for the holidays!"

**Q:** The horse drawn wagon rides are a favorite. Who are the people with the horses and wagon doing the ride, and how long has that been a feature of Walk?

**A:** "Mr. and Mrs. Cargill and their family facilitate the horse drawn wagon rides. It's such a special feature and thanks to the support of our sponsors we're able to offer them for free to visitors. This year we'll have more fire baskets to warm you up while you wait and of course hot coco too. Horse drawn wagon rides have been a feature for over 20 years and oh what fun it is to ride!"

**Q:** Finally, anything special that people can look forward to this year?

**A:** "There are so many new things this year. Santa and Mrs Claus will be located at Ukulele Station America (the little stone cottage at 1000 W Washington St.) Can you just imagine the adorable Christmas pictures at the little stone cottage? We'll be offering a free shuttle from the Kid's

Winter Carnival which will now be located at Oregon United Methodist Church 200 S 4th st. They have so much room there for activities, so no one will feel cramped! We're even adding more activities like a cake walk and an inexpensive craft for adults too.

"Kids at the Winter Carnival who are 3 and under can play games, make crafts, and visit our balloon artist for free. Kids over 3 can purchase a \$5 wrist band that night for unlimited crafts, games, and balloon figures. Visits with Santa are always free. Oregon United Methodist Church will also have a very special feature this year: A live nativity!

"The shuttle will run frequently to bring families to and from Ukulele Station America where they'll wait at the large space in the new Oregon's Music Garage to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus one on one. There will be fun little things for them to see and do while they wait and of course they'll be entertained with music. Families wanting to see Santa please utilize the shuttle instead of driving to Ukulele Station

America.

"We're bringing back the Holiday Gift Fair with your favorite handmade and hard to find items. It will be located in the basement of the Coliseum. Be sure to stop in to do your shopping and see the space newly transformed. We do not have access to the main floor of the Coliseum this year.

"The Madrigals will be back signing our favorite songs of old, the OHS band will perform at Northside BarbaQ event space 117 N 4th St. Our tree lighting, live music, and dance performances will surely be special. We've also added nearly 10,000 lights to the town's Christmas tree this year. Thanks to our presenting sponsor Woods Equipment for lighting up Oregon for 75 years!

"There are some new features, we're bringing back attractions from 2019. As always, we're just here to make the holidays a little more magical for locals and visitors alike who just love a small-town Christmas! If anyone has any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to chamber. [director@oregonil.com](mailto:director@oregonil.com) or call us any time at



### Touchless water fountain

Forrestville Valley CUSD #221 would like to thank Elkay, Carrie Sigafus, and Mark Kuelling for the addition of a new touchless water fountain at Forreston Grade School Elkay donated the touchless drinking fountain which will be a useful resource for years to come.

## SANTA: Names must be submitted by Nov. 17

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Operation Santa continues to succeed with the dedicated volunteers and thrives on the generosity of our community members. Through this program, over 4,900 children have received gifts at Christmas.

Parents or guardians of children (up to age 14) in the Byron area who would benefit from the Operation

Santa Claus program are asked call the Police Department, 815-234-5000, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm to register.

Parents will be asked to provide the children's names, ages, and gender.

Names must be submitted no later than Wednesday, Nov. 17.

## Byron's Holiday Food Drive open until Dec. 1

**BYRON** – With the holidays approaching, Mayor John Rickard, the Byron City Council and the employees of the City of Byron cordially invite you to help families in our community by participating in the Holiday Food Drive.

Reusable shopping bags are available for pick-up at Byron City Hall, 232 W. Second St. Please fill the bags with non-perishable food items and paper products and

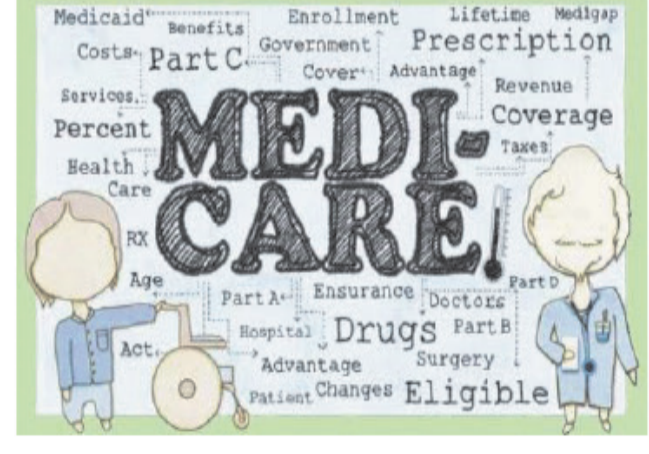
return to City Hall by Dec. 1. The bags will be donated to People Helping People, Byron's food pantry, and distributed to area families.

This community outreach provides so much for those in need. So, remember when buying food and necessities for your family, pick up extras to help another family this season.

For more information contact Byron City Hall at 815-234-2762.

## Medicare & Medicare Advantage:

### Get Ready for Open Enrollment



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- Making Informed Decisions About Your Health Coverage
  - Getting Ready for Open Enrollment
  - What Changes Should You Expect



## BOOSTER: People can get a flu shot at the same time

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You may call 815-562-6976 to schedule an appointment. Other locations in Ogle county offering boosters are also listed below or contact your provider.

- \* Family Health Care Clinic - Rochelle Community Hospital
- \* KSB\_Hospital/Clinics
- \* Rochelle\_Pharmacy

\* Snyders\_Pharmacy\_both\_Byron\_and\_Oregon\_locations

\* Walmart - Rochelle

\* Walgreens - Rochelle

Ogle County Health

Department also is accepting appointments for the flu vaccine.

This can be given at the same time as your COVID Booster. We have both the regular dose and high dose (for those 65 and older) available.

## Cheers to 90 YEARS!

**Chuck Ballard is celebrating his 90th birthday!**

### Open House

Saturday, Nov. 6 — Noon to 3 p.m.  
VFW Post 3878  
318 Fourth Ave.  
Rochelle  
*Light refreshments will be served*

Birthday wishes may be sent to:  
28659 Surrey Dr., Sterling, IL 61081

# LOCAL NEWS

## Household hazardous waste disposal available

In every house, every garage, in the cabinets, on shelves, in the basement or outbuildings, you're likely to find household hazardous waste, or "HHW." These materials include any household products that can either be flammable, corrosive, toxic, or poisonous.

The proper disposal of these materials can be challenging as they should not be openly

dumped, put down drains, or included with your regular waste pick-up. Proper disposal of these materials is a bit less challenging here in Ogle County thanks to an Illinois EPA drop-off point located in Rockford at 3333 Kishwaukee St. This site is operated by the Illinois EPA in conjunction with the City of Rockford and the Rock River Water Reclamation District and

is open to Illinois residents, at no charge, every Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and every Sunday noon to 4 p.m., excluding holidays.

Materials accepted include acids, adhesives, antifreeze, all automotive fluids, batteries, cleaning solvents, degreasers, fertilizers, flammable liquids, florescent tubes and ballasts, CFL bulbs, fungicides, gasoline in the proper containers,

herbicides, insecticides, waste medicine and pharmaceuticals (no sharps), mercury, oil-based paints (no latex paint), paint strippers and thinners, pesticides, poisons, pool chemicals, motor oil, thermometers, thermostats, tires (4 car/light truck per day), varnish, and wood stains.

The drop-off is quick and easy, users remain in their cars,

and staff unloads and sorts your materials for proper disposal or recycling. Residential materials only, no business or industrial materials accepted.

If you would like more information on this regional HHW opportunity, please call the Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department at 815-732-4020 or visit the county website at [www.oglecounty.org](http://www.oglecounty.org).



### Pumpkin carving fun

*Kneez in the Breeze, 215 Washington St. in Oregon, hosted a pumpkin carving contest on Oct. 23. Thanks to Sam and Basum from Sam's smoke shop for making it extra special by donating sparklers for the kids.*



## Stillman Valley High School student honored

**STILLMAN VALLEY** – Stillman Valley High School student, Richard Sutliff, has been named a Commended Student for the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Students are chosen because of their test score from the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). These students have shown outstanding academic potential and are among the 50,000 highest-scoring participants.

Sutliff is a senior and is active in the school musical, the academic teams and is currently Senior Class President.

"Those being named Commended Students



have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC.

"Mister Richie Sutliff is an excellent student," said SVHS Principal Leslie Showers. "He uses his talents in the academic arena as well as extracurricular activities."

## Obituaries

### Christine Scott

Christine Scott passed away on Oct. 16, 2021, at KSB Hospital in Dixon. Christine was born on Dec. 8, 1947, to Walter and Agnes Scott in Charleston, Ill. Christine and her family moved to Byron in 1958.

Christine is survived by her sister Linda (Roger) Hellinga of New Lenox, Ill., and two nephews, Scott (Donna) Hellinga, of Roscoe and Brett (Jamie) Hellinga of Morton, Ill.; three grand-nieces and three



grand-nephews.

Christine was a graduate of Byron High School. After graduation Christine trained and worked at the Village of Progress in Oregon. She was later

employed at Quality Metals in Byron for almost 25 years.

Despite a hearing loss in early childhood and some physical limitations, Christine made the best of her life. She was an avid sports fan, devoted to her favorite team, the Byron Tigers and she enjoyed reading, making good use of the Byron Library.

She was fortunate to travel with her family and had been able to visit all but three states. But

most of all Chris loved being with her family and friends. She had many good times with the Whetsel, Pederson and Sabin families.

Christine and her family were very grateful for the help and friendship of her caregivers, Lynn Wahl and Rite Reader, which allowed her to remain in her home when her health began to fail. Recently, Christine had been a resident of Pinecrest manor of Mount Morris.

### Gregory Alan Wood

**CLARKSVILLE, Tenn.** – Gregory Alan Wood, age 70, passed away on Oct. 14, 2021 in his home in Clarksville, Tenn., after a long battle with cancer. Greg was born on February 19, 1951 in Rockford, the son of Harvey and Betty (Gulbranson) Wood.

Greg graduated from Leaf River High School, Leaf River. He served in

the U.S. Marine Corps from 1970 to 1975 during the Vietnam War; during his time in Vietnam he was exposed to Agent Orange. Greg married Beverly Kielsmeier and then he married Julie Kirkwood. Greg was a police officer for Mt. Morris for several years and was also a security officer for the Byron Nuclear Plant, Byron. He was

also a consultant human resources director for several companies. Due to his exposure to Agent Orange he received full military disability.

Greg enjoyed all sports, coaching youth baseball and football, fishing, cooking, and spending time with his family.

Greg is survived by his wife Julie; children:

James (Patty) Wood, Marcus (Nicole) Wood, Amanda (Payton) Pennington, and Rachel (Brent) Hall; grandchildren: Tyler and Travis Wood, and Melody Pennington.

Greg is preceded in death by parents, brothers, sister, and grandson: Gregory James Wood.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

### Ogle County Fair Association meeting 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 the board is providing desserts and beverages.

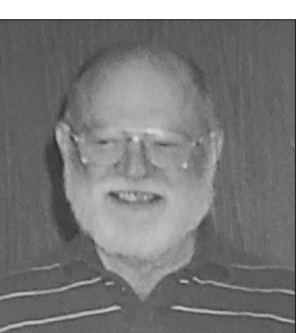
The meeting will include review of the year and election of board directors.

# LOCAL NEWS

## Obituaries

### John Lewis Burns

**MOUNT MORRIS** — John Lewis Burns, age 85, passed away on Oct. 19, 2021 in Pinecrest Manor Nursing Home, Mt. Morris. John was born on Sept. 27, 1936 in Cypress, Ill.; the son of John Lester and Mildred (Huckleberry) Burns.



John graduated from high school and he received his Education Degree from Eastern Illinois University. John married Marilyn Yvonne Hamby on Nov. 23, 1958. He was a teacher and he was an international service manager for Woods Equipment, Oregon, and he worked for Spectrum Meats as the water quality control,

children: Cherie Renee Goodemann, Teresa Colleen Burns, and Connie Sue Burns; grandchildren: Renee Yvonne Peterson, Travis John Burns, and Ryan Austin Burns; great grandchildren: Evan Roger Peterson, Austin Alexander Peterson, and Willow Renee Burns; and sister: Ramona Davis.

Oregon. John served in the U.S. Navy from January 1955 through January 1957. John was a 23 degree Mason and he rode in the Tebala Shrine Honda Patrol, avid hunter and fisherman, he loved to fly, and race cars.

John is survived by his wife: Marilyn Burns;

when they both reported for orientation as civil servants for the Navy.

Surviving in addition to his wife, Judith, are three daughters, Vera Embick of Alexandria, Kara Embick and husband Kevin Talkington of Fredericksburg, and Jennifer Fimbres, also of Alexandria; and three grandsons, Joshua Talkington and wife Jennifer of Parkville, Md., Jacob Talkington of Fredericksburg, and Conrad Fimbres of Fairfax, two Cousins Steve Embrick of Illinois and Margaret Stafford of Michigan.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Ronald Embick; and a sister, Janis Stafford.

A graveside service will be in Luray VA with military honors by the VFW. Memorial contributions may be made to the Morning Star Cemetery Fund. Online Condolences can be found at [www.TheBradleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.TheBradleyFuneralHome.com)

### Juanita Lavon Irving

Juanita Lavon Irving died on Oct. 24, 2021 in Byron, Illinois with family present. She was born Nov. 26, 1934, in Oregon, she was the daughter of Harold and Leila Eshbaugh.



She followed the history of the Bemis family, of which she descended. Juanita was a member of New Life Assembly, helping with funeral lunches and attending services regularly. She is survived by 4 adult children, Gary Irving, Oregon, Cindy Frantz of Rockford, Joseph (Angela) Irving of Beloit, Wis., and Jeremy Irving (Polo); 15 grandchildren, Shelly (Peter) Mataykea, Robert (Meni) Irving, Sarah Irving, Cory

She married Robert L. Irving on Aug. 16, 1952 at the Lighthouse Church near Oregon. Juanita graduated from Oregon High School. She was a homemaker and raised 7 children. She was active in keeping up with friends and family through class reunions, her church, and in long standing friendships. She enjoyed hosting large family gatherings, with as many children and grandchildren attending as possible. Juanita loved all things "old" and was an avid antique collector. She loved hunting for "primitives" to add to her collection.

(Travis) Livingood, Jason and Jennifer Irving, Teri (Paul) Unrath, Stacey Antoine, Tom Losey, Michael and Travis Frantz, Elizabeth Irving, Abigail (Sam) Krueger, and Virginia and Kenny Irving; 17 great grandchildren; and a brother Harold Bemis (Jan) Eshbaugh of Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Robert L. Irving, two sons, Robert and William, a daughter Kathy Hines, a granddaughter Brianna Hines and a great grandson Steven Unrath. A private graveside service will be held at the Daysville Cemetery near Oregon with the Pastor David Demmer officiating. There will be no visitation. Visit [www.farrellhollandgale.com](http://www.farrellhollandgale.com) or call (815) 732-7272 for more information.

### Richard Embick

Richard Lambert "Dick" Embick, 85, of Alexandria, Va., passed away on Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021, at Inova Fairfax in Falls Church.



He was born on Sept. 3, 1936, in Joliet, and was a son of the late Paul Embick and Grace Glotfelty Embick.

Dick was a veteran of the United States Navy, serving for four years—two years of active military duty traveling the world and two years at the Pentagon. He was employed for 32 years in government civilian work as an audio visual specialist for the Navy and for NASA during the creation of the space program.

Dick was a member of the Boys Scouts of America, Order of the Arrow. He was a founding member of the Chesapeake Chapter of the New England MG "T" Register and enjoyed tinkering on his classic MG cars, especially his 1948

MG TC. He played guitar and participated and managed several bands, specializing in "Big Band" music. He enjoyed the annual tradition of eating Chesapeake blue crabs each year for his birthday.

Dick loved history, especially WWI and WWII, and had a keen interest in German and Russian languages. Often described as quirky, stubborn, unique, determined, creative, obstinate and one-of-a-kind, Dick was known for his silly stories and memories.

On Aug. 18, 1962, he married Judith Ann Miller Embick, whom he met

when they both reported for orientation as civil servants for the Navy.

Surviving in addition to his wife, Judith, are three daughters, Vera Embick of Alexandria, Kara Embick and husband Kevin Talkington of Fredericksburg, and Jennifer Fimbres, also of Alexandria; and three grandsons, Joshua Talkington and wife Jennifer of Parkville, Md., Jacob Talkington of Fredericksburg, and Conrad Fimbres of Fairfax, two Cousins Steve Embrick of Illinois and Margaret Stafford of Michigan.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Ronald Embick; and a sister, Janis Stafford.

A graveside service will be in Luray VA with military honors by the VFW.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Morning Star Cemetery Fund.

Online Condolences can be found at [www.TheBradleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.TheBradleyFuneralHome.com)

### Leonard J. Kinner

**BYRON** — Leonard "Len" J. Kinner, 86, of Byron, passed away Oct. 19, 2021. Born March 11, 1935 in Chicago. Married Barbara DeVries on Nov. 11, 1986 in Las Vegas, N.V. Retired as a pipe-fitter and engineer.



Survivors include children, Kim (Paul) Hampton, Clark (Tonya) Faris, Craig (Nicole) Faris, Scott Kinner; grandchildren, Matthew (Jennifer) Hampton, Justin Detrich,

Natasha Christian, Britany Iraheta, Brandon Faris; great grandchildren, Maelynn Christian, Lillian Hampton, and

Ellie Faris. Predeceased by wife, Barbara; and 1 brother.

Memorial service was held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, 2021 in Honquest Family Funeral Home with Crematory — Mulford Chapel, 4311 N. Mulford Road, Loves Park. Private inurnment in Crane's Grove Cemetery, Baileyville To share a memory or condolence please visit [www.honquestfh.com](http://www.honquestfh.com).

### Juanita Spink

**MOUNT MORRIS** — Juanita "Sue" "Smurf" Kathleen Suzanne Spink, 60, of Mt. Morris, died Monday, Oct. 18, 2021, at her home. She worked at Quebecor World for 10 years prior to her disability.



Kyker of Dixon and many nieces and nephews.

Sue was an active member of the Moose Lodge and The Women of The Moose.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021 from 1-4 p.m. at the Mt Morris Moose Lodge in Mt. Morris.

Cremation rites have been accorded and handled by Finch Funeral Home, Mt. Morris, IL

A memorial has been established to Moose Charities.

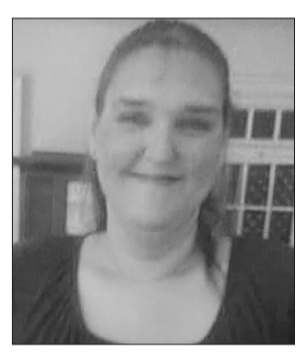
Sue Jenkins Spink was born Feb. 19, 1961 in Dixon to Anthony and Donna (Heyer) Jenkins. She was preceded in death by both her parents and one brother (John J. Jenkins).

Survivors include her husband, David Spink of

Mt Morris: four sisters, Ramona (Rodney) Bungler of Rochelle, Kimberly Zera and Treasa Werner (both of Dixon) and Brenda Triplett of Mayfield, Ky., one aunt Eleanor

### Tracy L. Weems

**FORRESTON** — Tracy L. Weems, age 49 of Forreston, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021 at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital in Winfield, Ill. She was born March 27, 1972; the daughter of the late James and Phyllis Stamper. She graduated from Oregon High School and went on to Rock Valley College. Tracy married Mickal Weems on October 2, 2014.



for her two fur babies, Little Bit and Bob.

She is survived by her husband Mickal Weems of Forreston; father and mother-in-law, Glenn and Judy Weems of Baileyville; grandmother-in-law, Annice Weems of Byron; and several cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents and grandparents.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. A memorial fund has been established in her name. Condolences may be shared at [www.walker-mortuary.com](http://www.walker-mortuary.com).

She loved family trips of all kinds, especially to Edwards Apple Orchard and the Pecks Farm Stand. Halloween was her favorite Holiday and

she loved everything about the season. She also enjoyed crocheting and cooking, which she was very talented at. Tracy was an avid collector of angels along with piggies, unicorns, and Minnie Mouse. She was a kind person who had a great love for animals. She had a special love

### Douglas Paul Roberts

Douglas Paul Roberts, born Feb. 16, 1957 to parents Paul and Marlene (Johnson) Roberts, passed away in his home Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2021, from natural causes.



father Paul, and both sets of grandparents

He is survived by his mother Marlene, wife Tracy, Brothers Randy (Teresa) (Ariz.) and David (Byron), sister Sarah Lingel (Rockford), children Chad (Byron) and Haley Roberts (Pecatonica), and granddaughters Lylah and Lydia, and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial was held at All Saints Lutheran Church, 624 Luther Dr., Byron, on Saturday, Oct. 16.

A longtime machinist, he worked in the Rockford area for local companies Androck Hardware and Thomason Machine Works. An avid fisherman, Doug fished many B.A.S.S. tournament with local clubs, The Rockford Hawk Hunters, and was

a founding member of Staline Bass Anglers. Doug was happiest when fishing, or visiting with his grandchildren. Preceded in death by his

### Oregon Together wants to hear your ideas

**OREGON** — Ever had an idea you wish we could do for the town of Oregon? Aren't sure who to talk to about it?

Oregon Together will be hosting a public meeting for our "Small town, Big Ideas" initiative. Join us at Cork & Tap on Thursday, Nov. 4 from 7-9 p.m. and bring your ideas and dreams along to share. No idea is too small, no dream too big.

All current and former Oregon Together members, and anyone interested in learning more about this volunteer organization, are encouraged to attend. A quick presentation of the organization's previous achievements will start the conversation.

Light hors' d'oeuvres from Hazel's will be served, and beverages may be purchased from Cork & Tap.

#### Report policy

Any arrests listed in this paper are merely charges and the defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Please note that all police reports received from the Oregon Police, Byron Police, Polo Police, Mt. Morris

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# LOCAL NEWS

## Funds being raised for teen's open heart surgery



### Benefit is Nov. 5, GoFundMe ongoing

By Jeff Helfrich  
Rochelle  
News-Leader

**ROCHELLE** – Cierra McGinnis will be having open heart surgery on Jan. 14, just 15 days after her 16th birthday. Cierra is nonverbal and has Down Syndrome. Two years ago she was diagnosed with Hypertrophic Obstructive Cardiomyopathy with severe subaortic stenosis (narrowing below the aortic valve) and an enlarging heart, all of which are not normal for Down Syndrome.

Her family was looking into having surgery done days before the COVID-19 shutdown. “Due to the shutdown, doctors began monitoring her heart and put her on Atenolol to ‘buy time,’” Cierra said. “In Sept. 2021, doctors stated it was time to do surgery as it cannot be delayed any longer.” Her surgery is set to take place at Children’s Hospital in Milwaukee. There, they will be surgically removing a block of her heart muscle which will widen the left ventricle

allowing better outflow. This muscle is right next to her “electrical line” within the heart, which heightens her chances of it coming back in the future or having other underlying issues post surgery. Over the last two years, Cierra’s family has watched her energy level decline “drastically.” “She is eating less and has lost close to 10 pounds,” the GoFundMe page said. “She also is sleeping a lot and has little to no desire to play or even go outside. As a result, if we need to take her anywhere, we tend to have to use a wheelchair because she throws a fit and refuses to move. She has also been home schooled these last two years because it’s not safe for her to be in a school setting due to the chances of her catching something. So, needless to say we have had to adjust our lifestyle to care for her needs.” Cierra’s mother, Stacy Leifheit, was encouraged by friends to set up a GoFundMe page in hopes of getting some of the expenses she’s incurred and will continue to incur back. “Over the last two

years, we have taken her to several cardiologists appointments in Rockford, Chicago and Milwaukee,” the GoFundMe page said. “Plus, come January, we will sustain travel and hotel costs due to her surgery as well, as we live in Rochelle, and her surgery is two hours away in Milwaukee.” Doctors expect Cierra to stay in the hospital for at least two weeks before she comes home and has at least a two month recovery period. She’ll have follow up cardiologist appointments in Rockford and Milwaukee afterwards. The GoFundMe page for Cierra can be found at [gofundme.com/cierramcginnis](https://www.gofundme.com/cierramcginnis).

A benefit will be held on Friday, Nov. 5 at 5 p.m. at Sledgehammer’s in Oregon. The band Broken Roots from America’s Got Talent will play at the benefit along with five other bands. A silent auction will be held and all proceeds raised that night will go to Cierra. See the Sledgehammer’s Facebook page for more details on the event or go to [facebook.com/sledgehammerrock](https://www.facebook.com/sledgehammerrock).



### Bread of Life has Nov. 9 distribution

**STILLMAN VALLEY** – The Bread of Life Food Pantry, 103 S. Maple St., at the Valley Covenant Church, will be distributing groceries on Nov. 9 from 3-5 p.m. We will offer canned food, dry goods, bread and fresh frozen meats. Those clients that ordered turkey dinners for Thanksgiving will receive them on this day. Shoppers will be expected to come inside and shop unless they arranged for

pick up. Please bring your own bags for shopping. The Pantry serves clients on the Tuesday of each month to residents of Stillman Valley, Byron, Davis Junction, Monroe Center, Leaf River and Meridian School District#223. We will be giving The Christmas ham dinners out at the Dec. 14 distribution. Call Bonni at 815-298-5035 if you have any questions.

## Mount Morris Senior Center has upcoming events, activities

**Day of the Dead**  
The Mt. Morris Senior Center would like to remember your loved ones who have passed away on the Day of the Dead, Nov. 2. We will have an ofrenda (altar) set up where you can put photos of your loved ones starting on Monday, Nov. 1. We will then have a potluck on November 2nd at noon where you can bring the favorite dish of your loved one. We will make plates for our loved ones and celebrate their lives together. Everyone is welcome to join us. Call 815-734-6335 with any questions you may have.

**Golf**  
We are starting a new card game, and we would like to invite the entire community! We will be playing the card game Golf on Tuesdays starting Nov. 2 at 1 p.m. Right now we are planning on playing on the first and third Tuesdays, but that will depend on the interest of the players. Please bring your nickels and be ready for some fun!

**Breakfast with the Mayor**  
On Wednesday, Nov. 3 the Mt. Morris Senior Center will host breakfast with the Mayor! Mt. Morris Village Board President Phil Labash will be here to eat breakfast, talk to local citizens, and answer questions from 8-10 a.m. All are welcome to join us for this fun monthly breakfast in November and the first Wednesday of each month!

**Quad Cities Trip**  
Join the Mt. Morris Senior Center on Tuesday, Nov. 9 for a trip to the Quad Cities. We will carpool down to Rock Island where we will visit the

Quad Cities Botanic Center. Then we will head to lunch at River House Bar and Grill in Moline before we visit the John Deere Pavilion right across the street. We will go to Lagomarcino’s Confectionary before heading home along the Mississippi River to see the fall colors. The cost of this trip is \$15 for members of the Senior Center and \$20 for non-members. If you would like to join this awesome trip simply call the Senior Center at 815-734-6335, email [mmsrcenter@gmail.com](mailto:mmsrcenter@gmail.com) or stop by 9 East Front Street in Mt. Morris.

**Harvest Supper**  
All are welcome to participate in our annual Harvest Supper! We will be serving the meal Drive Thru on Saturday, November 13th at the Senior Center (9 East Front Street). The meal will include pork, mashed potatoes, stuffing, green beans, a roll, and dessert for only \$12 each. You will be able to pick up your meal between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. To reserve your meal for the Harvest Supper simply give us a call at 815-734-6335. All are welcome!

**Trivia and Tacos**  
You are welcome at the Mt. Morris Senior Center for Trivia and Tacos on Thursday, Nov. 18 at 6 p.m. We are looking for people of all ages to come and compete for a prize. There will be tacos for \$2 each along with some delicious baked goods for a donation. Teams of 6 will compete in 5 rounds of trivia. Bring your own beverages and join us for an evening of fun! Space is limited, but to sign up just give us a call at 815-734-6335, send us an email at [mmsrcenter@gmail.com](mailto:mmsrcenter@gmail.com) or stop by 9 East Front Street!

### Pantry seeks holiday meal 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.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE FORRESTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the Forreston Fire Protection District for 2021 will be held on November 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Forreston Fire Station, 301 E. Main Street, Forreston, Illinois, 61030.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Bob Meyers, Fire Chief, 301 E. Main Street, Forreston, Illinois, 61030, (815) 938-2345.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2020 were \$320,025.41.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2021 are \$390,000.00. This represents a 21.87% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2020 were \$0.00.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2021 are \$0.00. This represents a 0% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2020 were \$320,025.41.

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## RRC sets upcoming activities

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](http://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.

### Diabetes Support Group discusses 'Meal Tips for the Holidays'

Rock River Center is pleased Debbie Clark will be returning for our Nov. 3, 2021 Diabetes Support Group meeting. The meeting is scheduled from 11 a.m.-noon at Rock River Center. Debbie will discuss meal tips for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. She will share cooking tips & tricks, and provide copies of her recipes.

Advance registration is requested so we can be prepared. Please call the Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

### Veterans Day Celebration

All veterans are invited to join us at Rock River Center on Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. or Free Coffee and Fresh Baked Goods. Let us honor you and your service.

### Veteran's Day Holiday Schedule

Rock River Center will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 11 in recognition of Veteran's Day. No activities or transportation will be scheduled on that day. Please plan accordingly.

### Christmas Ornament Class

Join us at Rock River Center on Wednesday, Nov. 10 from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Debbie Clark will teach you how to make Christmas Ornaments and will provide all materials. Take your ornaments home and put them on your trees!

Registration is required by Nov. 8 so we can be prepared. Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to sign up for this FREE class.

### 2021 Wits Fitness Brain Exercise Class Schedule

University of Illinois Educator Karla Belzer is back each month as she leads participants through interactive activities designed to exercise the brain to maintain and enhance cognitive function and memory. You are never too young or too old to get started training your brain, so join Karla in this fun and informative class.

Class will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Rock River Center, in Oregon. The last class for this year is Nov. 8. This is a free class and is open to the public. You are welcome to join at any time. Registration is requested. Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to sign up.

For more information, call the University of Illinois Extension at 815-632-3611.

### 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?
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  - \* 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 prescription 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 completed forms to RRC and once we received your forms, we will call you to schedule your phone appointment to discuss options.

## Abate keeps it clean

On Oct. 2 Thunder Rock Chapter of Abate of Illinois held our fall road clean up. Our adopted section of road is the northernmost section of Illinois Route 2 in Ogle County. We had eight members and three teenagers show up to help with keeping Ogle County beautiful. Thunder Rock Chapter would like to give a special thank you to Levi, Alayna, and Calissa for coming out and helping. It is nice to see some of our younger generation getting out and helping with such worthwhile causes.



## Mount Morris Police

**Sept. 5**  
Marcello Castillo 29, Mt. Morris was arrested for Domestic Battery. Castillo was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

A Citation for speeding was issued to Krzysztof M. Figura 45, Chicago.

**Sept. 15**  
Michelle R. Smitherman 37, Mt. Morris was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County Warrant. Smitherman was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

**Sept. 16**  
Bradley A. Boyd 67, Mt. Morris was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County Warrant. Boyd was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

**Sept. 19**  
A Citation was issued to Ramesh Dorairajan 49, Aurora for Speeding.

Richard Nelson 43, Mt. Morris was arrested for Aggravated Assault. Nelson was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Alan J. Timm 35, Rockford was issued Citations for Driving under the Influence of Alcohol and for Improper Lane Usage. Timm was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

**Oct. 8**  
Citations were issued to Erin L. Kruger, 43, Mt. Morris for Operation of Uninsured Motor Vehicle and Suspended, Revoked Drivers License.

**Oct. 14**  
Citation was issued to Charles W. Devereaux, 79, Mt. Morris for Disorderly Conduct.

**Oct. 22**  
Citation was issued to Keshon M. Reed, 19, Oregon for Speeding.

Richard Haan Jr., 79 of Mt. Morris, was cited under Village Ordinance for Creating a Public Nuisance, Compiling Garbage/Refuse outside of a dumpster or receptacle.

## Byron Police

**Oct. 1**  
Christina Fortis, 41 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Mackenzie McCarren, 23 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 55 mph in a 35 mph Zone.

**Oct. 2**  
Andre Nichols, 34 of Fitchburg, Wis., was issued a citation for Speeding 55 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

**Oct. 3**  
Taylor Lukowski, 20 of Machesney Park, was issued a citation for Speeding 58 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

**Oct. 7**  
Danielle Pence, 26 of Loves Park, was issued citations for Driving While License is Suspended and No Proof of Insurance.

**Oct. 8**  
Kassandra Herme, 27 of Loves Park, was issued a citation for Speeding 51 mph in a 35 mph Zone.

Brian White, 43 of Byron, was issued a citation for Speeding 53 mph in a 35 mph Zone.

Tyreese Bondurant, 20 of Machesney Park, was issued a citation for Speeding 45 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

**Oct. 12**  
Barbara Lester, 60 of Winnebago, was issued a citation for Speeding 53 mph in a 35 mph Zone.

**Oct. 14**  
Brian Espinosa, 36 of Shannon, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Control Device.

**Oct. 15**  
Byron Police arrested Mariah Davis, 30 of Dixon, on a Lee County warrant. Davis was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

**Oct. 17**  
Roger Henson, 73 of Byron, was issued a citation for Driving While License is Suspended.

## Crop marketing seminar will be on Nov. 17

The Lee, Carroll, Ogle and Whiteside County Farm Bureaus along with COUNTRY Financial will host a crop marketing outlook on the evening of Nov. 17th, at the Days Inn, in Rock Falls.

"Managing Crop Price Risks and Input Volatility" is a two hour seminar designed specifically for producers to help them manage risk associated with the current com-

modity markets and identify market conditions to capture profit margins through this year into next. It starts at 7 p.m.

Dr. Steve Johnson, Iowa State University Extension Farm Management Specialist, will facilitate the program. Steve has served as the Farm & Ag Business Management Specialist in Central Iowa for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach since 1999.

He specializes in topics related to government farm programs, crop insurance, crop marketing, grain contracts, farmland leasing and other crop risk management strategies.

Pre-registration is required. To register for the program call 815-732-2231 or email [cfb@ogle.comcastbiz.net](mailto:cfb@ogle.comcastbiz.net)

## The 2022 From The Heart Cash Calendars are NOW AVAILABLE!!

The proceeds of the sale of the calendars benefit our From The Heart recipients: Pegasus Special Riders, Rochelle Christian Food Pantry, HOPE, Focus House, Shining Star Children's Advocacy Center, CASA, Rochelle Area Community Foundation, Hub City Senior Center & Rochelle Rotary.



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## Oregon church hosting sales

**OREGON**—St. Bride's Episcopal Church is having a Christmas bake sale and rummage sale on Saturday, Dec. 4 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

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## Byron Museum of History hosting indoor market

**BYRON** – The Byron Museum of History is hosting an indoor market from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second Saturdays in November, and December.

Visit the indoor market for unique gifts and tasty treats on Nov. 13, and Dec. 11. Museum and Indoor Market admission is always free.

Many of the indoor vendors set up booths at the Sunshine Park Farmer's Market during the summer, providing homegrown produce, handmade gifts, baked goods, and all natural body care. Get your autumn produce and an early start on your holiday shopping with help from local artisans.

Gina Miller will show off a Tower Garden and David Ewald will be selling his homegrown popcorn. Other vendors include Creekwood Alpacas, Bechard's Botanicals, Jewelry Creations by Ruth, Greeting Cards by Pat, Barefoot Books, Heirloom Industry, St Vincent De Paul, and others.

Get your tickets for the Great American Quilt Raffle and you'll get four chances to win a quilt with each ticket only \$1 or buy six tickets for \$5. The Byron Women's Club will be selling raffle tickets to raise funds for their local scholarships. See all

four quilts on display at the Indoor Markets.

Museum visitors can also register for the Festival of Trees. Registration is now open for your business or organization to enter a theme tree to be voted First Place during the Miracle on Second Street on Friday, December 3.

Byron museum's theater space is now available to rent for your private parties and public events. Face masks are required for everyone visiting the museum. Learn more on Facebook.

The Byron Museum of History is dedicated to preserving the Byron area's rich history through exhibits, programs, and artifact preservation. The Museum Complex consists of a large exhibit hall with varied displays and encompasses the historic Read House - which is a listed site on the National Park Service Underground Railroad Network to Freedom.

Permanent museum exhibits include: Agriculture Then and Now, Underground Railroad, Local Veterans, Byron Business, Outhouses, Trains, and A.G. Spalding. Open Wednesday-Saturday 10:00 to 3:00, located at 110 North Union Street, Byron IL 61010. [www.byronmuseum.org](http://www.byronmuseum.org).



### Oregon Rotary

On Oct. 20, the Oregon Rotary Club was pleased to have Erin Folk presenting Oregon Park District updates. As the main topic, Erin discussed the socioeconomic impact the closing of the nuclear plant would have caused if the Energy bill would not have passed. Pictured from left: Julie Mann, club President and Erin Folk, Executive Director of the Oregon Park District.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Tues., Nov. 2

Young Widows Group will meet from 6-7 p.m. at The Serenity Home 1658 S IL RT 2 Oregon. This group is for ages 55 and under. Please call 815-732-4111 by noon to register. Please use the back parking lot and entrance. A mask is required to enter the building.

Estate planning program at Rock River Center with Attorney David Smith, of SMITH & BIRKHOLZ, PC from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. This is a free program. Registration is requested by Nov. 1 so we can be pre-

pared. Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

### Weds., Nov. 3

Virtual Grief Group will meet from 6-7 p.m. This group is open to all adult bereaved in the community. To register please call 815-732-4111 by noon on Nov. 2.

Breakfast with the Mayor at the Mount Morris Senior Center. Mt. Morris Village Board President Phil Labash will be there to eat breakfast, talk to local citizens, and answer questions from 8-10 a.m. All are welcome.

Diabetes Support Group discusses "Meal Tips for the Holidays" at Rock River Center in Oregon, 11 a.m.-noon. Debbie Clark will discuss meal tips for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Advance registration is requested so we can be prepared. Please call the Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

### Fri., Nov. 5

Game Day will meet from 9-11 a.m. at The Serenity Shed 131 N 3rd Street Oregon. To register Please call 815-732-4111 by 4 p.m. on

Nov. 4, a mask is required.

The New Beginnings Al-Anon Family Group is now meeting each Friday morning at 10 a.m. at the KSB Medical Clinic, 1107 S. Division (Route 52), in Polo. The meeting is also on Zoom; information for that option may be acquired by calling 815-732-7616.

Please send your items for the weekly Community Calendar to [bjennings@ogle-countylife.com](mailto:bjennings@ogle-countylife.com). Deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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## MOMENTS IN TIME

\* On Nov. 21, 1877, Thomas Edison announces his invention of the phonograph, a way to record and play back sound. Although initially used as a dictating machine, the phonograph proved to be a popular tool for entertainment. Edison acquired an astounding 1,093 patents in his 84 years.

\* On Nov. 16, 1907, Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory collectively enter the United States as Oklahoma, the 46th state. Oklahoma's name is derived from the Choctaw Indian words "okla," meaning "people," and "humma," meaning "red."

\* On Nov. 19, 1915, British airman Richard Bell Davies performs a daring rescue, swooping down in his plane to whisk a downed fellow pilot from behind Turkish lines just as a group of enemy soldiers approached.

\* On Nov. 20, 1945, in Nuremberg, Germany, 24 high-ranking Nazis go on trial for atrocities committed during World War II. The defendants faced charges ranging from crimes against peace, to crimes of war, to crimes against humanity.

\* On Nov. 17, 1970, the court-martial of 1st Lt. William Calley, an Army platoon leader, begins. Calley had led his men in a massacre of 200 Vietnamese civilians, including women and children, at My Lai, South Vietnam. Calley was found guilty and initially sentenced to life imprisonment. He was paroled in 1974.

\* On Nov. 18, 1987, a fire in a London subway station kills 30 commuters and injures scores of others after people began to smell smoke coming from beneath one of the King's Cross station's escalators. It was later revealed that debris and grease had built up under the escalator.

\* On Nov. 15, 2001, Microsoft releases the Xbox gaming console, influencing the history of consumer entertainment technology. The cost of building each unit outweighed the sales price, which meant game sales were crucial. Luckily for Microsoft, their launch title (Halo) was one of the best-selling and most celebrated games of all time.

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## Just like that, Halloween was over

The day after Halloween was a dark day. A dark day indeed.

Nov. 1 meant it was over. The horror movies you enjoyed, the costume you worked to make just right, the carnivals held at local schools and of course the great trick or treating.

The annual trek around the neighborhood carrying your plastic pumpkin or bag or even pillowcase was something we looked forward to for ages. My neighborhood was packed with kids, and that meant all the houses were well stocked with candy for all of us greedy goblins.

The day after was the day you finished off all of the "good candy" you got the night before. I wish I could say it took weeks, but honestly it did not.

Of course, we didn't have the incredible candy choices kids do these days. Bite size Snickers or Baby Ruth bars were not around all those decades ago, so we had to live with what we got. And let me tell you, it wasn't pretty.

The good:

### Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



Smarties, Bit-O-Honey, red licorice, butter-scotch candies and, well, that was pretty much it.

Our bags and pumpkins would be mostly filled with those candies that were wrapped in either orange or black wax paper. Or worse yet homemade candies. Yes, they were terrible.

But worst included:

Popcorn balls, candied apples and pennies (man, I hated when someone dropped a single penny in my plastic pumpkin!)

The worst of the worst, of course, was the one or

two overly religious moms in the neighborhood who would drop a Bible verse on a piece of paper in your container. No kids, craving sweet treats, wants a reminder that he or she is going to hell when this is all over.

Look, it was bad enough that my parents dragged me to church every Sunday. I didn't dress up as Frankenstein's monster to have the mom of a kid on my little league team remind me that I am a horrible sinner.

In those days, trick or treat was held on Halloween, so that could fall on any day of the week. There were also no set hours. Start when it gets dark and stop when all of the porch lights are off, or the older kids start hassling you.

Then it was back home to check your stash like a mob accountant counting the money. Good candy to one side, bad candy to the other. If I am being honest, I shoved most of the good candy into my face that very night in my bedroom — my mom none

the wiser.

The next day you pick through the remains like a buzzard on a carcass, taking a few leftover choice pieces to school so you could gloat about your haul on the playground. Well, the ones that my older brothers didn't take from me. Too old to go door to door begging for candy, but not too old to grab some of the sweet stuff from their little brother.

The rest? The fresh stuff got tossed, or dad ate it. The remaining crappy candy was put back into the plastic pumpkin, shoved in the dark corners of my small closet next to an old stinky cast and a forgotten birthday sweater and left to sit until next year.

And if kids today are like we were back then, the countdown to Christmas would be on. What is better than mountain of candy? Presents, of course. Yes, we were greedy ... we were kids.

*Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.*

## Why society is not the way it used to be

I did something this past week that I never expected to find myself doing. During a normal conversation, it was brought up how things used to be.

Specifically, the "I remember" was when a quarter pounder meal was \$2.98, and buying gas for \$.24 a gallon when I was in high school. I never anticipated telling those stories and dating myself in such a manner, which has now got me thinking. I vividly remember the fifth-grade project in which I had to interview an individual from a different generation, and I chose to interview my great-grandparents.

My great grandmother was in her 90s at the time, and she told of living on the Nebraska Plains and teaching the Native Americans on the Omaha reservation before coming to Illinois. We talked about life before vehicles, before the

### Guest Opinion

By Brian VanVickle



landing on the moon and how different life was.

My great grandfather, who lived to be 100 years old, came to this country from Norway with his brother near the turn of the century. Unfortunately, his brother passed away after having surgery on the boat on the way here. Before coming to Rochelle and farming, he was a policeman in Stavanger, Norway, and in Omaha, Nebraska.

You are probably asking yourself, why do I bring all this up? For

me, it relates to what has changed today, what has changed with the current generation and why society is not the way it used to be. One of the significant lessons I learned from those past generations comes back to a fundamental element of society, which is accountability for your actions — being accountable for the words you say, being accountable for the actions you take and doing them for the right reasons.

Accountability is nearly non-existent today, except for one constant. The buzzword has been holding police accountable, which I am completely in favor of, but what about the rest of society?

What about other professions and their bad actors? What about individuals that law enforcement interacts with? Are they being held accountable? Are these ever-growing crimes we

see on the news the result of prosecutors not holding people accountable? Is the judiciary not holding people accountable? Why are we seeing record crime numbers even with all of the reform?

While the answer appears to be very simple, the days of the past have certainly changed; our direction as a country has changed because of a lack of accountability. We see the lack of accountability on social media, we see it in the mainstream news and it's unfortunate because I would love for future generations in my family to grow up and live in a society with which I've benefitted and lived.

Do not let others be the only impact your children learn from today. Impactful mentoring can start or end with you. We all need to be teachers and not just cheering from the stands.

*Brian VanVickle is the Sheriff of Ogle County.*

## It is either conform or be ostracized these days

Dear Editor,

Mask mandates, vaccination mandates, vaccination passports all required if you want to participate in our society today.

All forms of discrimination, persecution and marginalization have been based on so called "security/safety" and have been implemented through the process of fear.

Discrimination, persecution and marginalization used to be

presented as based on skin color or ethnicity or religion. One does not have to look any farther back than recent world history, however this has been going on for all of recorded history. Jesus preached against this very thing!

Today's discrimination, persecution and marginalization as perpetrated by the "elitist class" is based on your political views; either conform or be ostracized,

canceled, or worse. This paternalistic, controlling, world view must not succeed either!

At the beginning of COVID mandates, I sent in an opinion piece inquiring as to if we the people would learn the right lessons. At that time, I was optimistic, 21 months later into our 2-week shutdown, I am disappointed!

**Bill Pirnat, Byron**

## Grateful for all the help with Autumn on Parade

Dear Editor,

Events the size of Autumn on Parade are possible because of the generous financial support and "In Kind" donations of many local businesses. These established partnerships, as well as "new in town" entrepreneurs recognizing the value that this celebration brings to our community is commendable. Although there are too many to list, we encourage you to visit our website at [autumnonparade.com](http://autumnonparade.com) or

find us on Facebook. We hope you will also take a moment to thank these folks for helping us keep the spirit of this annual event alive for 50 years!

Support from local government and not for profit organizations received throughout the course of this festival week are key to a successful and smoothly flowing event. We are grateful to: the City of Oregon, City Electric Supply, the County of Ogle, Massey Electric, Oregon Area Cub Scouts

and Boy Scouts, Oregon Area Girl Scouts, Oregon Chamber of Commerce/Ambassadors, Oregon Lions Club, Oregon Fire Department, Oregon Police Department, Oregon School District, Oregon Street Department, and the Oregon Park District. Each of these entities lends an essential component to keep our community and those visiting safe, and the assets of Oregon in top notch shape!

Lastly, yet most importantly, we extend

a huge thank you to our volunteers. It takes countless hours and lots of muscle to organize, set up, staff, tear down, and clean up. These folks are the heart and backbone of 50 years of community tradition and family fun. We are grateful for their time, amazed by their talent, energy and enthusiasm, and so proud of their teamwork!

**Marseyne Snow and the 2021 Autumn on Parade Executive Board**



# LOCAL NEWS

## Agriculture in the Classroom program gets boost from grants

**OREGON** – The Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom (IAITC) program remains a trusted resource for Ogle and Carroll county children to learn about agriculture.

The program recently received a needed boost in the form of IAA Foundation grants to local county coalitions.

Seventy-eight coalitions serving 87 Illinois counties were awarded \$630,000 in grant dollars which can be used for materials, trainings, educational lessons and activities taking place during

the 2021-2022 school year. “Providing these grants helps ensure students are reached with accurate agricultural messages which help them connect food, fuel and fiber systems back to farming,” said Kevin Daugherty, education director, IAITC.

During a typical school year, more than 650,000 students and close to 40,000 teachers engage in ag literacy lessons.

Due to pandemic related disruptions and adjustments to virtual learning over the past school year, IAITC outreach

numbers were markedly down, however, the continued story is one of resilience, adaptation, and readiness.

This past school year 14,347 contacts were made with students in Ogle and Carroll counties. Since most schools were closed to visitors, programs were provided virtually. There were even live virtual tours of an apple orchard, pumpkin patch, Christmas tree farm, corn harvesting, and a dairy farm. Ogle-Carroll Ag in the Classroom is excited to be back in the schools for the

2021-2022 school year.

County coalition grants are made possible through funding from the IAA Foundation, the charitable arm of the Illinois Farm Bureau. The IAA Foundation raises funds for the IAITC program each year, and in addition to county grants, provides funding for Ag Mags, teacher grants, Summer Ag Academies and more.

Partner organizations of IAITC include Illinois Farm Bureau, Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education,

University of Illinois Extension, Illinois Beef Association, Illinois Corn Marketing Board, Illinois Pork Producers Association, Illinois Soybean Association, Midwest Dairy Association, Illinois Department of Agriculture and the Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

In addition, annual donors include agribusiness partners and individuals with an interest in supporting the future of agriculture. For information on how individuals can contribute, visit [www.iaafoundation.org](http://www.iaafoundation.org).

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# LOCAL NEWS



## Prairie Preservation Society donates another courthouse tree

On a beautiful late summer morning with a hint of autumn, but not yet the dazzling white of winter, local volunteers and members of the Prairie Preservation Board met at Sand Ridge on Oct. 18 to select the perfect tree for

Ogle County's Candlelight Walk and celebration.

Again this year, a beautiful, full, tall tree was donated by the Prairie Society as a public service to the community.

Everyone is invited to witness the

traditional tree lighting and attend the walk for its 35th anniversary on Nov. 27, the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

The volunteer committee included Liz Vos, Oregon Chamber of Commerce, Candace Rivera, Hazel's Café,

Lisa Jacobsen and Sheryl Broers, Woods Equipment (celebrating their 75th anniversary), and Craig Arnold, River Stone Christian Church. Bob and Sonia Vogel represented the Prairie Society Board. The choice of the tree was unanimous.

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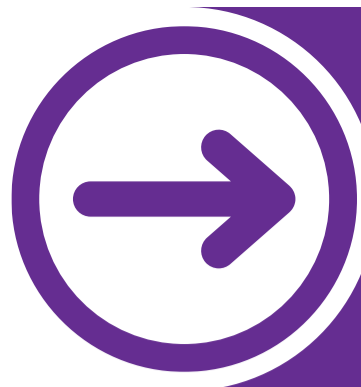
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## Ogle Jolly keeps busy

The Ogle Jolly 4-h club has been busy with activities to start off the new 4-h year. Club members decorated a float and rode in the Stillman Valley Fall Fest Parade, created a window display at the Ladders of Learning in Stillman Valley and elected new club officers. At the October meeting Micheal Williams, a member of the Stillman Valley Fire Department, spoke to the club about fire safety and handed out fire safety information. Members are also selling garbage bags to raise funds for the club. Anyone in the Stillman Valley area that is interested in joining 4-h can come to a monthly meeting that is held on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 at the Red Brick Church in Stillman Valley.



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**516 2nd Avenue, Dixon**  
**\$105,000 Call Taylor**  
This newly finished 3 bedroom 1 bathroom home is ready for you! This turnkey home has many updates including a new roof in 2020, newer dishwasher, newer washer, new ductwork upstairs, and newer furnace, water softener, and water heater all installed in 2015. This home features all new zoned heating and cooling system for both the main and second floor. The new large front porch is perfect for relaxing or entertaining guests. The second floor includes a freshly updated bathroom, new flooring, updated lighting, and new windows in two of the three bedrooms. This property features a spacious yard and a large swing set that stays with this home!



**6791 N. Leaf River Road**  
**Leaf River \$214,900 Call Carla**  
This charming 3 acre farmette offers a bit of everything! Full set of farm buildings with pastures, shop and chicken house. This 3 bedroom 1.5 bath farmhouse offers a large eat in country kitchen with loads of cabinets! Super sized living room, main floor laundry, 3 bedrooms in the upper level. Newer roof and windows. Backlot driveway, fantastic views from every window! You can see for miles and miles while sitting high on the hill! Peaceful country living is awaiting you with this fabulous farmette!



**618 Cranbrook Lane, Mt. Morris**  
**\$189,000 Call Merri**  
3 Bedroom, 2 Full-Bath home in Mt. Morris that sits on a corner lot is a MUST SEE! This home has been recently updated with the Lexington Pine Laminate flooring throughout the main level and custom self-suspending window blinds that cover the single hung windows. The living room features vaulted ceilings for natural lighting and a gas fireplace to keep you cozy during the colder weather. There is a spacious main floor master with double closets and a full bathroom. The second level offers 2 additional bedrooms and a loft overlooking the living room for additional living space- perfect for an office or playroom. The backyard has 6-foot privacy fence and the gorgeous stamped patio is the perfect space for entertaining. New Improvements include A/C (2020), Furnace (2021), and Water Heater (2021).



**401 E. Front Street, Mt. Morris**  
**\$119,000 Call Carla**  
New Listing in Mt. Morris. You'll love this adorable 2 bedroom located close to shopping and the town square! Nice open floor plan, tray ceiling in Living Room. Very large kitchen with separate dining area! Loads of updates throughout! French doors lead to the large deck that allows for entertaining! The 2+ car heated garage is ideal for your mancave!



**304 E. Main Street, Stillman Valley**  
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**209 Hudson Drive, Rock Falls**  
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# SPORTS

## Byron strikes early and often in lopsided win over Rockford Christian

Chandler Binkley had a 49-yard scoring run early in Byron's game against Rockford Christian on Oct. 22, and the Tigers never looked back. Byron put up 40 points in the first quarter and 21 in the second on its way to a lopsided 74-0 win.

Ethan Palzkill led the Tigers with three touchdowns – two on punt returns of 49 and 52 yards within minutes of each other in the first quarter. Callum Abbasi, Kye Aken, Jacob Ross, Joey Trank, Cole Salisbury, Carsen Behn and Ashton Henkel also scored for Byron.

### Scores

<b>Varsity Football</b> Oct. 22	Oct. 23
Stillman Valley 0, Genoa-Kingston 35	Fall Classic Stillman Valley 2, United Township 0 Stillman Valley 0, Oregon 2 Stillman Valley 0, Aquin Central Catholic 2 Stillman Valley 2, Earlville 0
<b>Varsity Volleyball</b> Oct. 21	Oct. 25
Stillman Valley 0, Genoa-Kingston 2	Oct. 27
Oregon fell to Rock Falls, 25-11, 25-8 Jenae Bothe 4 kills, 3 blocks; Sophie Stender 7 digs; Aubrey Point 5 assists, 2 digs	Stillman Valley 2, Sandwich 1 Stillman Valley 0, Rfrd. Lutheran 2



## Forreton football

DeVonte King-Black of Forreton leaps to a first down during the team's final drive to a 22-20 win over Lena-Winslow on Oct. 22. (Angie Janicke photo)

## Volley for a Cure raises more than \$11,000

**FORRESTON** – On Thursday, October 21st, the Lady Cardinals hosted their annual "Volley for a Cure" event. This year's theme was "Cancer of All Colors. In this Family, No One Fights Alone #Team Heinz." Many students and fans purchased this year's themed T-shirt to support the fight against cancer and many others joined in with pink to symbolize the fight against breast cancer. The Cardinals hosted the Milledgeville Missiles with a 6 p.m. fresh-soph start, followed by the varsity match. Between games cancer survivors were recognized. A special recognition was given to Principal Travis Heinz, who is currently in his own battle with cancer and undergoing chemotherapy treatment. Heinz has been absent from school for the past few weeks but was warmly welcomed as he was able to

attend this special event. Forreton volleyball players and servant leaders held a silent auction, 50/50, and a bake sale to raise money for local families in need due to cancer related illnesses. In addition, bracelets and t-shirts were sold in support of #teamheinz. T-shirts sold out quickly, but bracelets are still available by contacting the Forreton High School Office. Both the JV and Varsity games were Cardinal victories, winning both in two sets. However, the greatest victory was a total of over \$11,000 raised to support local community members in their fight with cancer. FHS would like to thank the many people who came out to support "Volley for a Cure" and support our community members in their battles against cancer of all colors.

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# Remember Your Veteran

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.

**We Salute Those Who Have Served Our Country**  
(Members of Armed Forces Past or Present)

A Tribute to  
**John Smith**  
US Army/WW II  
Form His Wife  
Mary Smith

**Cost: \$10.00**  
Deadline Tue., Nov. 3 at Noon

To remember your veteran fill out the form below, enclose your picture and check for \$10.00 and mail to:



P.O. Box 175  
Rochelle, IL 61068  
815-732-2156

**Veterans Day November 11**  
Honoring Our Brave Veterans

 A Tribute To <b>Grant "Fuzz" Riggs</b> US Army WW II, European 1942-1946 Wounded Aug. 21 in Germany, Decomed James William	 A Tribute To <b>Charles Snyder</b> US Navy WW II & Korea We Love You! -The Schnorr Family	 A Tribute To <b>Spec. 4 Jim Grygiel</b> US Marine, Berlin Germany 279th STA. Hospital War Jim, Jenny, Alex & Cian Grygiel	 A Tribute To <b>Ronnie O'Sullivan</b> US Army-Vietnam The O'Sullivan Family With Love
 A Tribute To <b>Henry E. Ehmen</b> Air Force/WWII Your Loving Family	 A Tribute To <b>John V. Ehmen Sr.</b> US Army/WWII Your Loving Family	 A Tribute To <b>Robert E. Personette</b> US Marine Corps/Korean War His Wife, Kathy Personette Love You, Bob	 A Tribute To <b>Joseph E. Dvorak</b> US Air Force/WWII His Daughter, Kathy Personette
 A Tribute To <b>Wayne E. Suter</b> US Navy 1-51 to 11-54 DD787-BT Your Wife of 60+ Years, Rudy & Family	 A Tribute To <b>Gary Hassler</b> US Army/1971-1973 His Wife Judy and Sons, Mat and Andy and Their Families	 A Tribute To <b>Jimmy Broderick</b> US Army/Vietnam/ Agent Orange Widow, Jan Broderick	 A Tribute To <b>Clinton E. Strouse</b> US Army Your Love Family

A Tribute to: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Branch of Service/War: \_\_\_\_\_  
 From: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Person Placing Ad (Name, Address & Phone): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check for \$10.00 is enclosed:

# LOCAL NEWS

## Oregon Library News

**Oregon Public Library Procedures**  
Masks are required upon entering the Library. Hand sanitizing is requested. Please call (815) 732-2724 for any questions. Holds can be placed online through the catalog: <http://search.prairiecat.info/iii/encore/?lang=eng>, over the phone with Library staff, or through our NEW mobile App - PrairieCat Mobile. Remember to check our Facebook posts or the local papers for new releases!

### Free Public Education Program - Tuesday, Nov. 2, 3-4 p.m.

University of Illinois Extension, Tri-County Opportunities Council, Rock River Senior Center and HOPE of Ogle County will be at the Oregon Public Library sharing their community information. From helping families, business and communities solve problems to assisting with food assistance, income management, scholarships, and assisting multiple generations. Join us to learn more about each of these community advocates. Registration request, (815) 732-2724. Door prizes!

### Try It Tuesday - Tuesday, Nov. 9 (while supplies last)

Anti-stress kits! It's the start of the holiday season, keep your stress levels down and let this kit help. Each kit will contain items to manage in assisting to keep your stress levels down throughout the holiday season. When your stress kicks in, reach in this bag for something to relax with, whether it is a candle, coloring book, cup of tea, chocolate and more. Kits are first come, first serve for Oregon Library Card Holders Only.

## Polo Library News

**Polo Library Hours**  
Polo Library's open hours are Monday - Thursday - 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday - 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday - 10 a.m.-3 p.m. - Curbside services will continue to be available during open hours.

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

Visit [Facebook.com/pololibrary](https://www.facebook.com/pololibrary) or search "Polo Public Library" on YouTube to watch virtual Storytime Saturday. New videos air at 10:30am on these weeks.

### In Person - Polo Library Lawn or Pavilion, Nov. 13 and 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Join Ms. Melanie \*LIVE\* at 10:30am these Saturdays on the Library

## Byron Library News

Did You Know...that you can print photos from your phone at the Byron Library with our Kodak photo kiosk? Just connect your phone to the kiosk using one of three provided cords, then follow the steps on the screen to make prints, photo collages, calendars, and more! You can also print photos from a USB drive, SD card, microSD card, or scanning an existing photo.

### Library Apps for Adults

Tuesday, Nov. 2 6-7 p.m.  
Did you know you can print from your device and pick it up at the library? Read books for free on your device? Even movies? Bring your phone, tablet, and/or I-pad and Beth will walk you through how to download and use these library apps. Register online at [Byron.evanced.info/signup](https://www.evanced.info/signup) or call 815-234-5107.

## Forreston Library News

### Snow Removal Bids

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

### New Materials

New Young Adult Fiction includes: "Clap When You Land" by Elizabeth Acevedo, "A Good Girl's Guide to Murder" by Holly Jackson, "Moxie" by Jennifer Mathieu, "Cemetery Boys" by Aiden Thomas, and "Dragon Hoops" by

### Ink With A Friend - Monday, Nov. 15 - 6:30 p.m.

Registration Deadline Nov. 10  
Sending personal cards to your friends and family 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) Holiday 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 maker or a seasoned pro, our kits are suited to every skill level. Don't wait! Sign up today to reserve your spot. Registration required (815) 732-2724 or [www.oregonpubliclibrary.com](http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.com).

### Magic or Science II? - Wednesday, Nov. 17 at 2:30 p.m.

Registration deadline November 11  
Let's try some more concoctions by using ingredients and items from around the house? Join us at the Library Wednesday, November 17 at 2:30 pm (early dismissal), to discover and experiment again! This is suitable for 3rd grade & up. Registration (limited space) and masks are required. Call 815-732-2724 to register before the November 11 deadline. It will be outside, weather permitting and it could get a little messy, so be prepared.

Clementine Studio in Dixon. This will be an indoor yoga class. Participation is limited to 6 to ensure adequate spacing and masks will be required. Call 815-946-2713 or email [library@pololibrary.org](mailto:library@pololibrary.org) to register

### Wednesday, Nov. 10, 10:30 a.m. - Coffee with a Cop, Polo Library

Join us for a community conversation with a member of the Polo Police department. Coffee will be provided. This is an indoor event, masks are required for anyone over the age of 2.

### Questions?

If you have any questions or comments, please let us know by calling 815-946-2713 or emailing [library@pololibrary.org](mailto:library@pololibrary.org)

### Home Brewing for Adults

Monday, Nov. 8 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Learn the basics and receive new recipes from a home brewing master. Sampling not included. Register online at [Byron.evanced.info/signup](https://www.evanced.info/signup) or call 815-234-5107.

### Holiday Gift Wrapping Tips & Techniques

Tuesday, Nov. 16 6-7 p.m.  
Join Heather and Beth as they share simple and beautiful ways to dress up your holiday gifts. Register online at [Byron.evanced.info/signup](https://www.evanced.info/signup) or call 815-234-5107.

Visit the Byron Library Facebook page to keep up to date on library news and virtual programs! Be sure to also check out the Byron Library and Byron Library Teen Instagram pages!

Gene Luen Yang.

### Library Hours

The library is open the following hours: Monday 10am-1pm, 2-7pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am-1pm, 2-6pm, and Saturday 9am-12pm. We are closed on Friday and Sunday. Masks are currently required for anyone over the age of 3.

### Library Updates

Please like our Facebook page to stay up to date with the most current information on our plans and activities and also check out our website at [forrestonlibrary.org](https://www.forrestonlibrary.org). If you have any questions or needs, please feel free to contact us by phone at (815)938-2624, email at [forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com).

## 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>

**Tween Scene: Bob Ross Paint Night**  
Hey, Friends! Join Zoey at the library on Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 6 p.m. to paint some happy little scenes in the style of beloved artist, Bob Ross. Call the library to register: 815-645-8611. Ages 10-12.

**Pajama Storytime**  
The whole family is invited to a special evening storytime series! Join Miss Kelly on Zoom for interactive books, rhymes, and songs. Wear your pjs, and bring a cuddle buddy. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at 6:30 p.m. Email [khaas@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:khaas@mail.meridian223.org), or FB message the library for a link to the program.

**Kids' Fall Seed Mosaic**  
What to do on a school holiday? Join Miss Kelly at the library on Friday, Nov. 12 at 1 p.m., where we'll use seeds and beans to make art inspired by natural autumn motifs. Ages 4-9. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

### Young Critics Book Club

Join us for a book discussion and hands-on craft/activity all about Fortunately, The Milk, by Neil Gaiman: Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. Stop by, or call the library to register for this in-person program, and reserve your copy of the reading. Ages 7-9.

**Short & Sweets**  
Join us on Zoom, Wednesday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. for an engaging discussion of Akutagawa Ryunosuke's short story, "Autumn Mountain." BYO dessert! Copies of the reading and program link available by emailing Joanna at [jkluveer@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:jkluveer@mail.meridian223.org). Adults.

**Teen Crafternoon: Day of the Dead Sugar Skulls**  
Learn all about the Mexican holiday, Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), and decorate your own sugar skull, Thursday, Nov. 18 at 3 p.m. at the library. Ages 13-18. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

**Consumer Reports Digital Access**  
Before you purchase big-ticket items this holiday season, do your research! Find trusted information by using Consumer Reports' (CR) comprehensive archive of expert, unbiased product reviews, ratings and buying guides. Now FREE with your Julia Hull Library card: <https://www.juliahull.org/find-product-reviews>.

# DIRECTORY OF AREA HUMAN SERVICES

**Alcohol Abuse Counseling & Recovery**  
A.A. Hotline 800-452-7990  
Sinnissippi Centers, Inc. Oregon 732-3157 Rochelle 562-3801

**Domestic Abuse Agency and 24-Hour Shelter and Helpline**  
HOPE of Ogle County 562-8890 or 732-7796  
Counseling Services, Court Advocacy, Latina Advocacy, and Shelter programs

**Education**  
University of Illinois Extension-Ogle County 421 W Pines Rd, Oregon 61061 732-2191

**Low Income Housing**  
Ogle County Housing Authority 200 W Washington, Oregon 732-1301

**Habitat for Humanity of Ogle County**  
P.) Box 628 Oregon, IL 61061 732-6855

**Mental Health**  
Family Counseling Services 962-5585  
Sinnissippi Centers, Inc. Oregon 732-3157 Rochelle 562-3801  
The Serenity Shed Grief Services 732-2499

**Senior Citizens Services**  
Hub City Senior Center 562-5050  
Mt Morris Senior Center 734-6335  
Polo Senior Center 946-3818  
Rock River Center 732-3252  
Oregon, IL 800-541-5479

**Sexual Assault/Abuse**  
Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling 24-hour hotline 636-9811  
412 W Washington, Oregon 732-0000

**Therapeutic & Recreational Horseback Riding**  
Pegasus Special Riders 973-3177

**Veterans' Services**  
Rock River Center 732-3252  
Serenity Hospice and Home Medical Transportation 732-2499 677-6515

**Wellness Services**  
Ogle County Health Dept 907 Pines Rd, Oregon 562-6976  
510 Lincoln Hwy, Rochelle 562-6976  
Serenity Hospice and Home 732-2499





# Weekly Brain Busters

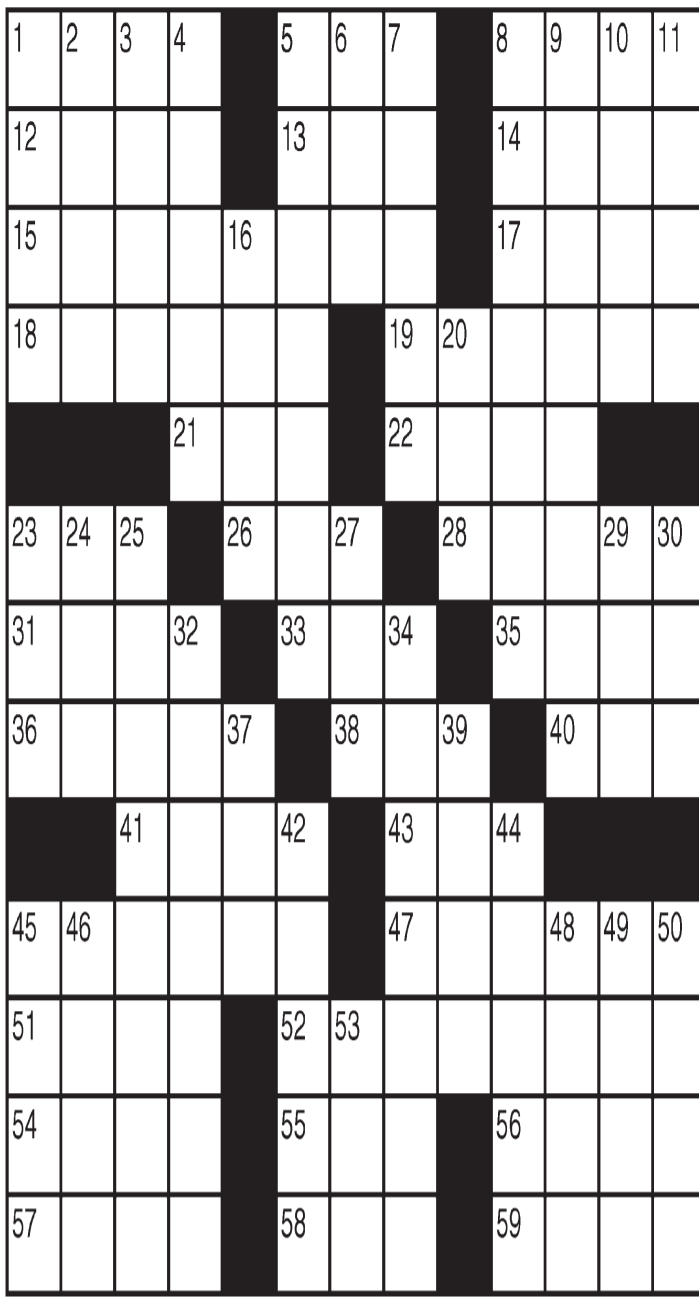
## King Crossword

## MAGIC MAZE

## MAKERS OF FINE CHINA

### ACROSS

- 1 Landed
- 5 Gearwheel tooth
- 8 Slightly
- 12 Sultry Horne
- 13 "— you serious?"
- 14 Barn roof spinner
- 15 Strict disciplinarian
- 17 Noble Italian family
- 18 Swift
- 19 Sculpted trunks
- 21 Old Olds
- 22 Doctor Zhivago
- 23 Wye follower
- 26 Moreover



- 28 On edge
- 31 Sciences' partner
- 33 Observe
- 35 Campus VIP
- 36 "Hogwash!"
- 38 Finale
- 40 Water tester
- 41 Love god
- 43 Inherited
- 45 Painter's motion
- 47 Reduces
- 51 Nashville's st.
- 52 Instrument in a Dixieland band
- 54 Couturier Paul —
- 55 Stannum
- 56 Pinta's companion
- 57 Favorites
- 58 Norm (Abbr.)
- 59 Vortex
- 8 Declared
- 9 Baby's bed
- 10 Division word
- 11 Casual tops
- 16 Notion
- 20 Ump's call
- 23 Hit with a ray gun
- 24 Triage ctrs.
- 25 System for linking computers
- 27 Ruby of films
- 29 — Paulo, Brazil
- 30 Away from
- 32 Island wraps
- 34 Queen's domain
- 37 Stir-fry pan
- 39 Entryway
- 42 Factions
- 44 Packing string
- 45 Halt
- 46 Far (Pref.)
- 48 Author Bagnold
- 49 Tear
- 50 Remain
- 53 Torched

### DOWN

- 1 Charitable gift
- 2 Bound
- 3 Concerning
- 4 Spud
- 5 Big gorges
- 6 Mine yield
- 7 Oil tycoon J.

C C A X V S Q O L J H E C A J  
 X V T R P N L J Y H F D B A Y  
 X V T R P O M K Y B I G C L Y  
 E D B Z X C W N E U N K T E A  
 R Q O S N L O J L I F E E B W  
 G F D C M D M V L I A Y D E G  
**Y S S I L A P ( W E D G W O O D )**  
 X W V U H N D L H N T S P G I  
 R P A R E S D A S O T N S L R  
 K C O I J K N E D S E R D I G  
 F G G E T R E B L A L A Y O R

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
 Unlisted clue hint: SAME NAME AS 2ND PRESIDENT

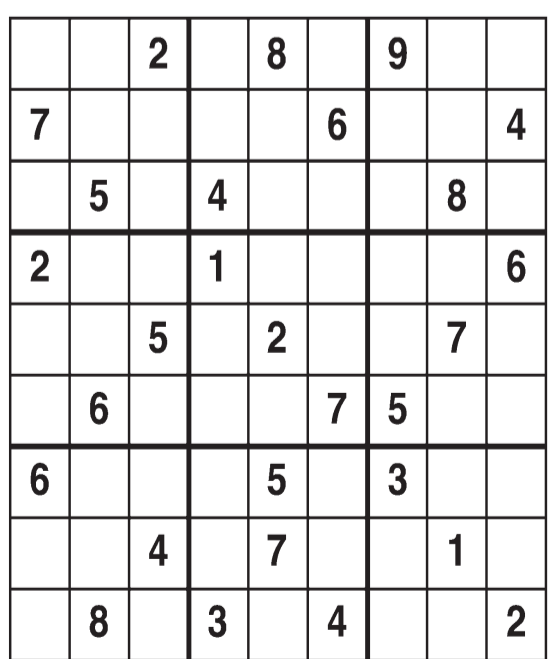
- Cauldon
- Dresden
- Jackfield
- Shelley
- Coventry
- Gien
- Palissy
- Spode
- Dansk
- Goebel
- Ridgway
- Wedgwood
- Denby
- Gorham
- Royal Albert

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

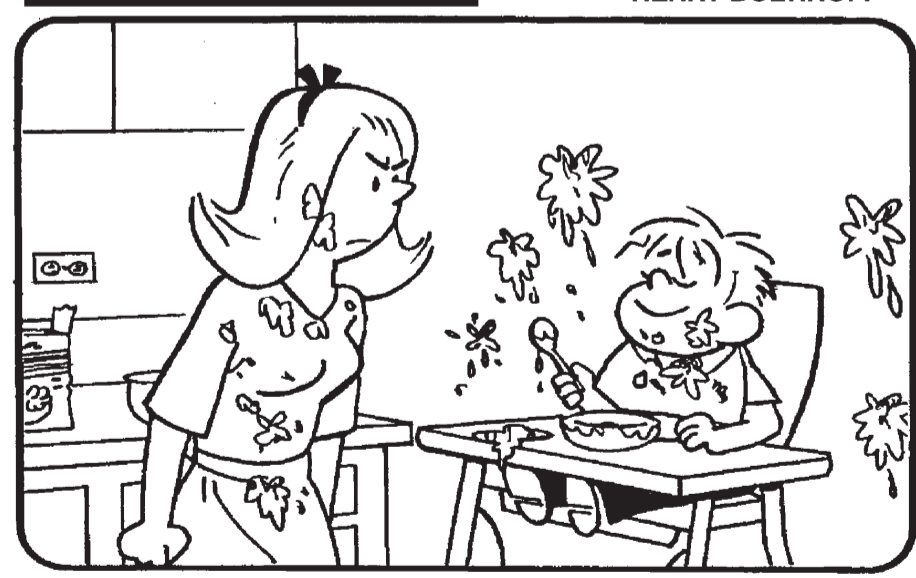
### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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

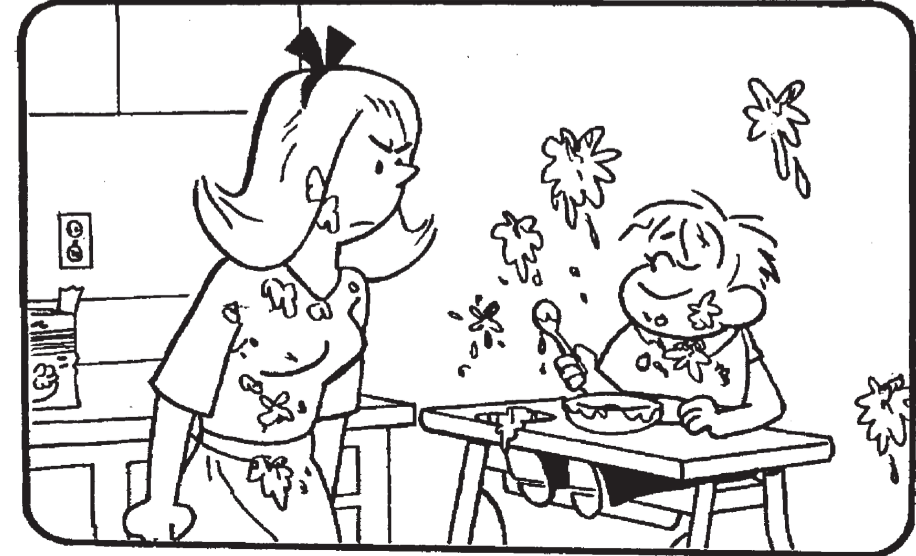
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## HOCUS-FOCUS

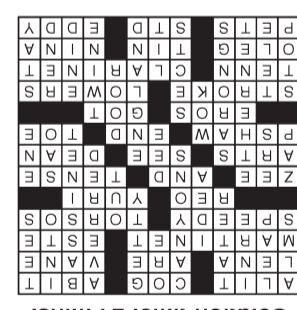
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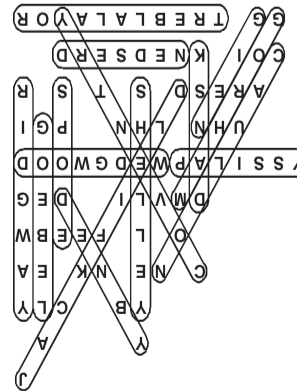
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Food "spat" on wall is moved. 2. Bowl is bigger. 3. Outlet is turned. 4. Bowl is missing. 5. Back of highchair is removed. 6. Sleeve is shorter.



Solution time: 24 mins.  
 King Crossword —  
 Answers



MAKERS OF FINE CHINA

9	8	1	3	6	4	7	5	2
5	3	4	2	7	8	6	1	9
6	2	7	9	5	1	3	4	8
4	6	9	8	3	7	5	2	1
8	1	5	6	2	9	4	7	3
2	7	3	1	4	5	8	9	6
3	5	6	4	9	2	1	8	7
7	9	8	5	1	6	2	3	4
1	4	2	7	8	3	9	6	5

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU



# MARKETPLACE

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE  
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT  
OGLE COUNTY

Notice is given of the death of RICHARD J. JOHNSTON, of Oregon, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 14, 2021, to SCOTT W. JACOBS, whose address is 134 Natalie Dr., Raleigh, NC 27603, and whose attorneys are Fearer, Nye & Chadwick, 420 4th Avenue, PO Box 117, Rochelle, IL 61068. Claims against the Estate may be filed

in the office of the Circuit Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Courthouse, Oregon, IL 61061, or with the representative, or both, no later than April 27, 2022, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been

filed.  
FEARER, NYE & CHADWICK, Attorneys for SCOTT W. JACOBS, Executor of the Estate of RICHARD J. JOHNSTON, deceased (Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
ADVERTISEMENT  
FOR BIDS

The City of Rochelle, Illinois will receive sealed bids for a project entitled Building Demolition Project until 11:00 AM on November 17, 2021, at the Rochelle City Hall located at 420 North 6th Street, Rochelle, Illinois 61068. Immediately following said time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The proposed work for which the City of Rochelle is soliciting bids consists of, but is not limited to, the following: Demolition of the Hickory Grove Banquet Center, and other associated work, located at 1127 North 7th Street in Rochelle, Illinois 61068 for a Stipulated Sum contract, in accordance with Contract Documents. The Bid and Contract Documents, including Drawings, Specifications, Project Requirements and form of contract, are on file at the office of the Project Engineer, Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc., 809 East 2nd Street, Dixon, Illinois 61021 and at

the Rochelle City Hall, 420 North 6th Street, Rochelle, Illinois 61068. Bid and Contract Documents may be obtained after November 1, 2021. Copies of the Bidding Documents shall be obtained electronically in PDF format from the Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc. website at www.WillettHofmann.com. Bidders shall click on "Bid Login" on the homepage of the website and follow instructions. The Quest eBidDoc# (project number) is 8050802 for this project. Contract Documents can be downloaded in PDF format from the website by depositing Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) by credit card. A bid security in an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the total base bid shall be submitted with each bid. Bids may be held by the City of Rochelle for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders, prior to awarding the Contract. A Pre-Bid Conference has been set for November 4, 2021 at 9:00AM at the Project Site located at 1127 North 7th Street, Rochelle, Illinois 61068. Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth

in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project, and all Contractors must insure employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The City of Rochelle, Illinois is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of handicapped status in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The City of Rochelle, Illinois reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding and also reserves the right to reject any non-responsive bid and/or non-responsible bid. BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS  
Date: November 1, 2021  
No. 1101 (Nov. 1)

the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.  
DATED: October 19, 2021 /s/ Diane L. Brown (Representative)  
BY: /s/ Edward J. Mitchell (Attorney)  
No. 1102 (Nov. 1)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
BINA Notice

The Board of Commissioners of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois will hold a public hearing on November 15, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be held at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron, Illinois 61010. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,850,000 to finance the costs of (i) acquiring land and developing forest preserve lands in and for the District, and (ii) certain costs of issuance of the Bonds. By: /s/ Kris Baker  
Title: Secretary  
No. 1103 (Nov. 1)

The application for this special use is on file with detailed description and available for examination at the Planning & Zoning Department, 911 Pines Rd., Oregon, Illinois or at the following URL: [http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning\\_and\\_zoning/zoning\\_board\\_of\\_appeals.php](http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning_and_zoning/zoning_board_of_appeals.php).  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
RANDY OCKEN, Chairman  
Dated at Oregon, Illinois this 19th day of October 2021  
#006-21SU  
No. 1105 (Nov. 1)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
BYRON MUSEUM DISTRICT

OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
110 N. UNION STREET  
BYRON, ILLINOIS, 61010  
ORDINANCE NO. 21-2 ANNUAL LEVY ORDINANCE  
AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR ALL DISTRICT PURPOSES FOR THE BYRON MUSEUM DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Byron Museum District, Ogle County, Illinois (the "Board of Commissioners") has caused a certified copy of Ordinance No. 21-1, the Annual Combined Budget and Appropriation Ordinance, to be published in the Ogle County Life, a newspaper published and distributed in the City of Byron, County of Ogle and State of Illinois.  
AND WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined the total amount of funds necessary to be raised by Ordinance No. 21-1, and more than seven (7) days have passed since the publication of this Ordinance.  
AND WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners adopted a Resolution regarding estimated amounts necessary to be levied for the year 2021, and has determined that this levy is not in excess of 105% of the taxes levied by the Byron Museum District for fiscal year 2020-2021, and no Truth in Taxation Notice and Hearing was required, all in accordance with the requirements of the Truth in Taxation Act. 35 ILCS 200/18-55 et seq.  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BYRON MUSEUM DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS: SECTION 1. The Annual Combined Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Byron

**103 AUCTIONS**

Virtual Live Online Auction - Bid @ [www.SullivanAuctioneers.com](http://www.SullivanAuctioneers.com)

**WHITESIDE COUNTY, IL LAND AUCTION**  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19 @ 1:00 P.M.

155± TAXABLE ACRES  
1 Tract

The Paul and Elva Hostetler farm is located at the east edge of Tampico, IL, or 15 miles southwest of Sterling Rock Falls, IL, or 35 miles east of the Quad Cities. The real estate is further described as being located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 14, T19N-R6E, Tampico Township, Whiteside County, IL.

**FARMERS AND INVESTORS, BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THIS 97% TILLABLE GRAIN FARM THAT SELLS WITH A CENTER PIVOT.**

**PAUL & ELVA HOSTETLER**  
REPRESENTING ATTORNEY: JAMES L. REESE  
WARD, MURRAY, PACE & JOHNSON, P.C.  
202 E. FIFTH ST. | PO BOX 400 | STERLING, IL 61081 | (815) 625-8200

AUCTION MANAGERS: KEVIN HAAS (309) 264-7767 & DALE JONES (309) 299-6400

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**\*ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR RETIREMENT AUCTION\***  
After 50+ years in the electrical contracting business, I feel it is time to retire and sell the following tools, supplies and equipment at a No Reserve absolute auction, located at my shop **233 Gurler Street, DeKalb, Illinois 60115. Watch for Almburg Auction Signs off Rt. 38 & 1st Street.**

**Saturday, November 6th Starting at 9:00 a.m.**  
\*TRAILERS\* TRENCHERS \* LIGHTING \* ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES \*  
Ditch Witch 4 WD 6ft trencher, front blade, V-4 gas engine, runs and Operates Great!  
Ditch Witch M422 walk behind 4ft trencher with titled trailer, Operates Great!  
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### Letters to Santa

Do you have a wish list or story to tell Santa Claus? Write a letter to Jolly Old St. Nicholas and tell him about yourself and if you have been naughty or nice. Mail your letter to Santa in the special mailbox which the elves will be installing at Nash Recreation Center (in the lobby) on Nov. 13. Be sure to enclose a postage stamp and your return address! Letters can be mailed through Dec. 13.

### Chicken Cordon Bleu Wellington Cooking Workshop

"Wow" your family or holiday company with this entrée. Lynn Kaufman will teach you how to stuff and wrap chicken to create an elegant holiday meal for four to take home and bake.. Food supplies are included in class fee, but you will be asked to bring

a few utensils and cooking supplies to this class on Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021. Class will be at Cork & Tap from 6-7 p.m. Fee is \$33/Resident or \$40/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is November 11.

### Nostalgic Ceramic Christmas Tree

Enjoy a creative and nostalgic ceramics class at Cin's Treasures Art studio within Conover Square on Saturday, Nov.20 from 4-7 p.m. Paint your own 14" ceramic Christmas tree with base & all the lights and electric. Bring dinner and drinks to class and enjoy the fun. Class fee is \$50/Resident or \$60/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is November 12.

### Kids DIY Kit-Painted Holiday Dog on Canvas

DIY kits are perfect for all ages and those with a busy schedule. Complete this project on a rainy day or when it fits into your schedule. You will enjoy painting this cute holiday dog wearing his Santa hat. DIY kit comes with a pre-drawn 11" x 14" canvas, instructions, access to a video tutorial and all paint needed for your project. Kits can be picked up at Nash any time on Tuesday, November 30. Kit fee is \$17/Resident or \$20/Non-Resident. If you need paint brushes, a small set can be purchased for an additional \$5 dollars to be included in your kit. Registration deadline is Nov. 23.

### Holiday Pickleball Tournament

Come and play in our Holiday Pickleball Tournament on Tuesday December 28<sup>th</sup> from 4-8pm. This tournament will be a round robin style. Teams will be made up of male, female, or co-ed, and you will have a new partner each round. Players need not sign up as a team, and this round robin style is designed to even the playing field for all! Nash does have a limited number of paddles that are available to play with. Limited number of spots available- so sign up early!

Registration Deadline: 12/17/21  
Fee: \$10/person \$12/NR/person

### Girls 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Competitive Basketball

This competitive league elevates the expectation of both the players and the coaches. Games are scheduled by Oregon School District and will replicate the 7th and 8th grade schedule. All home games will be played at Nash. Transportation to all away games will be provided by OCUSD. Roster size is limited on this team and try-outs may be required. Practices scheduled to begin the week of January 3rd. A volunteer coach is needed for this league, please email [lesley@oregonpark.org](mailto:lesley@oregonpark.org) if interested. Registration Deadline Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. Fee \$75/\$90NR

### Local students make Dean's List

**MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL, Minn.** – The following students have been named to the 2021 spring semester Dean's List at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, the university announced today.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must complete 12 or more letter-graded credits while attaining a 3.66 grade point average.

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