

For the love of art

BY GEORGE HOWE
Amboy News Reporter

AMBOY — If you’ve taken a stroll along Main Street and have been accustomed to window shopping or stopping into a favorite spot there is no doubt that you’ve passed by the Amboy Arts and Antiques store. Walk in, and be consumed by a wonderfully diverse collection of antique furniture such as; dressers, chairs, and tables, some over a 100 years old. You’ll also find glasswork, cast iron items, records, books and pottery. The walls are adorned with photos and various types of artwork, much of it created by owners Shirley Guay and Rosalie Koldan in their art studio in the back of the store.

After 15 years in business, they’ve decided to close their doors and dedicate their love of creating art fulltime.

Both originally from Chicago, the business partners would head off camping on weekends to Woodhaven Lakes to get away from the fast paced city environment. A couple of visits to Amboy where they experienced the small town friendliness and hospitality from the residents, and the ladies knew that it was time for a change. After going out on adventures looking for treasures,



Shirley Guay and Rosalie Koldan hold up a going out of business sign inside their downtown Amboy business Amboy Arts and Antiques. The business partners decided to close the doors to the store so they can focus on creating art fulltime.

Photo submitted

the ladies did their homework and filled the basement of their little bungalow with future sales items. They retired

from their jobs, sold their house, purchased the building where they live upstairs, and slowly fulfilled a vision that

was five years in the making.

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Amboy school building project completion still on target

BY BONNIE MORRIS
Editor

AMBOY – With no major obstacles over the past month, construction on the new Amboy Junior High has continued as expected. Reporting at the June 17 Amboy School Board meeting, Superintendent Joshua Nichols said he is hopeful no problems will arise but he knows how quickly that can change.

Over that past two years, the project has had to overcome numerous setbacks and delays. Although the building is still on target to be done by the start of the school year, Nichols admitted that he still worries and will probably not be able to relax until the school actually opens. “I’ll be relieved when teachers and students are in there,” he told the board. “August is right around the corner. Things are progressing but . . . it will be nice to finally see it done.”

OTHER BUSINESS

- Financial Report: With one month left in the fiscal year, Nichols said the district will end up in good shape financially. Transportation funding was better than expected as was the Lee County sales tax.

- Board member Katie Pratt said the Strategic Planning Core Committee met and discussed the “who, what, when, where and why.” The group will pause over the summer months and start meeting again in September.

- The board authorized the sale of Amboy High School’s surplus equipment. Nichols said there is everything from textbooks to desks that are no longer needed. The items are just taking up space at the high school and need to be removed.

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Sublette board makes donations to two organizations

BY TONJA GREENFIELD
General Manager

SUBLETTE — The Village of Sublette board approved a donation to two organizations during its monthly meeting on June 14.

The board met at the Ellice Dinges Center on June 14 with all board members present.

Village President John Stenzel

told the board years ago, the village would make a donation to the Amboy American Legion for the Memorial Day ceremony performed in Sublette on Memorial Day. It was also brought up about making a donation to Flags of Freedom in Princeton, which was the topic of the guest speaker at the Memorial Day ceremony.

The board approved a motion to

donate \$100 to both organizations.

In other board news:

- Don Dinges reported that both the Memorial Day ceremony and the Garage Sale weekend went well in Sublette. He told the board he was hoping to start a farmer’s market in Sublette, but is having a tough time finding vendors.

Dinges also said he is looking for

volunteers to drive the village’s float in the Sweet Corn Festival and Depot Days parades in August.

He said that he met with the International Harvesters Collectors about the annual toy show in March and that Max Armstrong said he would be attending in 2022.

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Senate adjourns with no energy deal, but Harmon ‘confident’ one is still near

BY JERRY NOWICKI
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SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Senate adjourned Tuesday, June 15 without calling a comprehensive energy regulatory reform package for a vote.

After adjournment, Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, made a statement similar to one he made June 1 after the Senate failed to call an energy bill for a vote ahead of the regular session adjournment.

“There are still some points of contention between two critical constituencies – between labor and the environmental activists – I believe they’re going to be continuing to meet as early as this evening to try to work out those differences and the Senate stands ready, willing and able to return as soon as an agreement is reached,” he said Tuesday.

Harmon did not say how many Democratic lawmakers peeled support from the proposed energy package, but noted he was “confident that the bill as proposed would not have passed today,” if brought for a floor vote.

Still, he said he is also “confident” an energy bill will pass this summer.

Hours earlier, in an Energy and Public Utilities Committee hearing, Senator Bill Cunningham, D-Chicago, said the bill had stalled amid disagreements over decarbonization measures aimed at taking coal and gas plants offline.

“There are two proposals, more or less. One, which is supported by the governor and the environmental community, is a very much accelerated decarbonization schedule.

One that the organized labor in the state has indicated they would support is a less accelerated form of decarbonization,” Cunningham said.

The governor’s office initially favored a timeline that would require coal plants to be forced offline by 2030, but that was pushed back in negotiations until 2035. Much of the negotiation in recent days centered on whether the state would allow the gas and coal-fired plants to install carbon sequestration technology to bury emissions underground in order to meet declining carbon caps.

“Essentially labor has indicated that they would support a plan that would force all coal plants in the state to close by 2035 unless they could sequester their carbon emissions, and all natural gas plants to close by 2045, unless, again, they could capture their carbon emissions at a rate of over 90 percent,” Cunningham said.

While the discussion of caps on coal plants stalled the bill on May 31, Harmon said the sticking point is now the decarbonization of gas plants. All sides agree that gas will be taken offline by 2045, he said, but the questions pertain to what the transition period would look like.

With a phased carbon cap proposed by the governor, closure could come far sooner than 2045, Harmon said, preventing gas plants from having the ability to transition to new sequestration technology or potentially hydrogen as an alternative to natural gas.

Representatives of Gov. JB Pritzker and various clean energy groups were in attendance at the committee hearing earlier Tuesday morning, but they were not called to testify. Pritzker’s office



The governor’s bill would preserve 2,000 nuclear jobs by subsidizing three nuclear plants, including the Byron Nuclear Plant pictured above, create many more jobs in the renewable space and in the electric vehicle industry, and would allow coal plants to maintain their jobs for at least the next 14 years.

distributed Deputy Gov. Christian Mitchell’s prepared testimony after the hearing.

Mitchell cited a letter written from more than 50 lawmakers to the governor which requested two major coal-fired plants downstate – the Prairie State Energy Campus in Marissa and the City, Water, Light, and Power plant in Springfield – be exempted from the 2035 closure in order for them to support the bill.

“We’ve come a long way. We have moved substantially,” Mitchell wrote in the prepared testimony. “The other side has not moved much. Everything we were told was necessary for an agreement – including a carbon capture exemption that gives both the Governor and environmentalists heartburn – is now present. And at some point a progressive climate bill is no longer a climate bill,

and going further than this is the tipping point.”

Mitchell said the governor’s bill would preserve 2,000 nuclear jobs by subsidizing three nuclear plants, create many more jobs in the renewable space and in the electric vehicle industry, and would allow coal plants to maintain their jobs for at least the next 14 years.

“We can’t understand why those who oppose this measure would ignore the jobs I’ve just listed to try to preserve jobs that may go away decades in the future,” Mitchell said, noting the governor “stands ready” to sign the proposal.

Aside from decarbonization, Cunningham said, the bill is largely negotiated.

It contains goals of putting the state on a path to 40 percent renewable energy by 2030 through an

Amboy News file photo

increased fee on ratepayer bills; encouraging adoption of electric vehicles through rebates and incentives; and getting the state to 100 percent carbon-free energy by 2050. It also strengthens several ethics measures for public utilities.

It also provides several ratepayer subsidies for the development of renewable energy and preserving the profitability of nuclear energy.

That includes, but is not limited to, \$694 million in subsidies to three nuclear plants owned by energy giant Exelon at a cost of about 80 cents on the average monthly ratepayer bill.

The House is scheduled to come back to the Capitol Wednesday to deal with the energy package, but it was not clear if that chamber would take the lead on an energy proposal in the absence of Senate action.

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• Several quotes were approved by the board including a proposal from Thompson Electronics Co. for electronic

door openers at Amboy High School and a quote from Dyopath for AMC cabling system (wiring for phones,

wireless internet, etc.), which both came in under budget. Dyopath was also approved for cabling conduit/sleeve installation. American Capital was approved for an infrastructure lease agreement, which includes hardware, servers, switches, etc. for the entire school district, and for 110 Dell Chromebooks, which Nichols said have

already arrived.

• An insurance proposal from Ramza Insurance Group, Inc. was approved. Nichols said he was pleased that they kept the rates “decent.”

• The 2021-2022 student handbooks were approved. Nichols noted that handbook updates are done every year and there are always some

tweaks and changes to keep the district compliant.


PERSONNEL

Following closed session, the board approved the contract of Joshua Nichols as superintendent from June 17, 2021 through June 30, 2024; and Katie Bulfer as 5-12 dean of students from Aug. 13, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

They accepted the resig-

nations of Shauna Dinges as RtI and Math Curriculum Director at Amboy Junior High School and of Shelli Bump as cafeteria cook.

The next regular board meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 15 at Central School. All meetings are open to the public.



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The annual one-day tractor drive will be held on the first Wednesday in August. Dinges said he is reaching out to people asking them to be a part of the car show which is held after Labor Day.

• Stenzel reported that the village has entered into an electrical rate agreement with eight other communities using Dynegy. The new rate will be from September 2021-2024, and will be .06395 per kilowatt hour. Stenzel said currently the

village has a rate of .0699 per kilowatt hour.

• The board approved a listing agreement with Erbes Realty, LLC, to relist the property at 109 W. Main St., in Sublette for \$20,000. The listing agreement will be from

June through September.

• The board will hold a meeting at 6 p.m., on July 15 to start discussing the village’s comprehensive plan. The current comprehensive plan was passed in December 2005.

• Stenzel reported that US Route 52 resurfacing has begun.

The next Sublette Village Board meeting will be held at 7 p.m., on Monday, July 12, in the Ellice Dinges Center.



Granny Rose - Coco

Coco is just over one and a half years old and has now been spayed and fully vaccinated. She is a Lab/Pit Bull mix with a short tan coat and white on her chest and toes. Coco arrived at the shelter after not reacting well with the new baby-barking too much, etc. She was a little shy and scared, but has now adjusted to being a friendly bouncy young dog. This sweet girl craves attention and petting. She seems to be housebroke and her manners are not horrible, but some further training would be helpful. To see Coco, call Granny Rose Animal Shelter at 815-288-PETS(7387) or visit www.grannyrose.org.

Photo contributed

Early Deadlines

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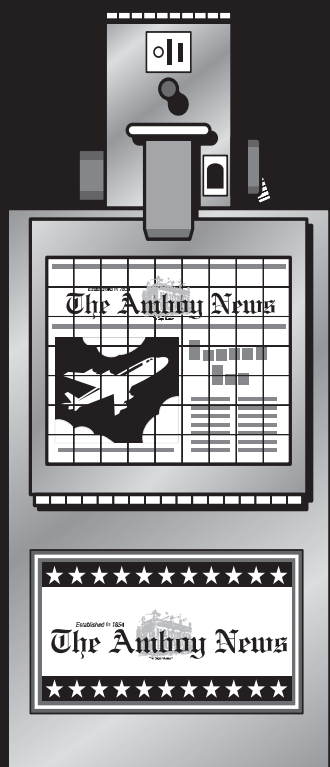
EARLY DEADLINES

for our issue on July 7 due to the Fourth of July Holiday.

The advertising deadline will be Thursday, July 1 at Noon.

The editorial deadline will be Friday, July 2 at 10 a.m.

The Amboy News office will be closed on Monday, July 5th for the holiday.



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4:00 pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette

5:30 pm at St. Mary of the Assumption, West Brooklyn

Sunday Mass Schedule

8:00 am at St. Patrick Church, Maytown

10:30 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette

St. John’s Fire Vigil Mass
June 23rd

7:00 pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette

- Take home a blessed brazier to start your own St. John’s Fire at home to keep the Vigil of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

June 26th and 27th

Saturday Mass Schedule

4:00 pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette

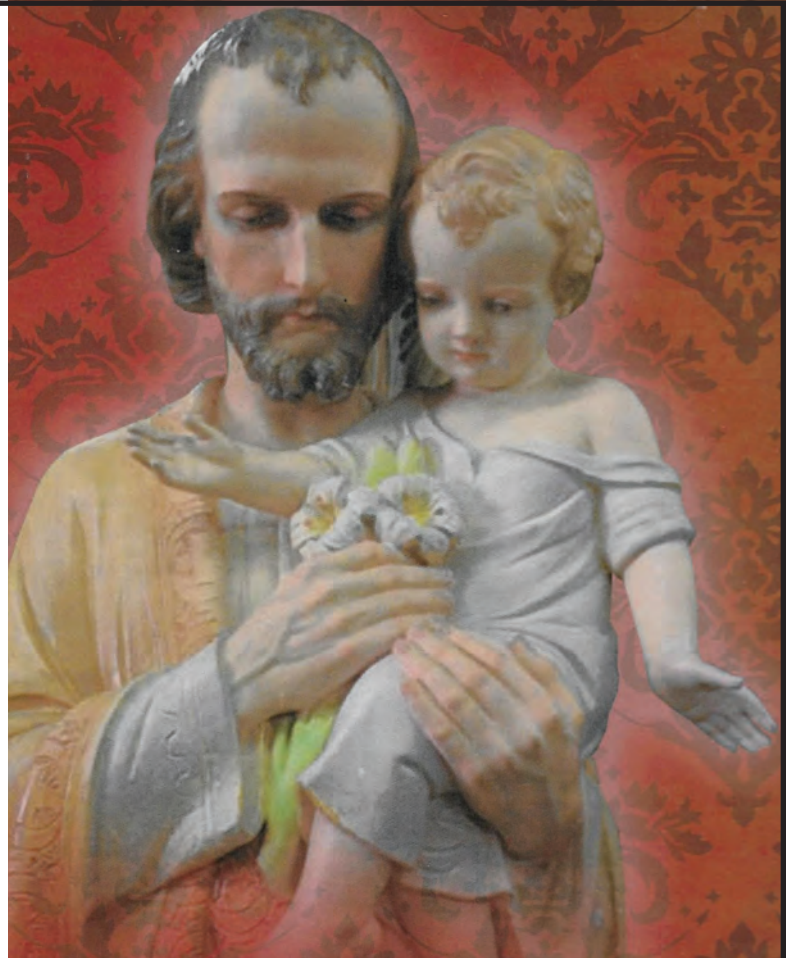
5:30 pm at St. Mary of the Assumption, West Brooklyn

Sunday Mass Schedule

8:00 am at St. Patrick Church, Maytown

10:30 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette

- Bring the Icon of our Lady that was sent to your home to Mass and have the Icon blessed that our Lady might intercede with our Lord, Jesus Christ, for a blessing on your family.



TEEN TURF

Covid Draw Down & Chicken Dinner Drive-Thru

We appreciate everyone that helped us: Walmart; Tammy Strub; Amboy City Workers; Larry Piper; Roxy Stenzel; Fran Kessel; Janine Huffman; Scott Huffman; Shelli Bump; Shannon Nichols; Sydney Thomas; Kevin and Julie Malach; Jim Travi; Kim Watley; Trese McNinch; Cindy and Michael Phillips; Chloe Vaupel; Kylie Vaupel; Pam Thomas; Pete Rood; Judy Schmidt; Marykatherine Stenzel; Barb Harrison; Maddy Thomas; Brooklyn Strub; Eileen Piper; Mark and Veronica Grossman; Kaylee Jones and Deb Albee.

Online Auction

We are especially grateful to Dean Stephenitch for getting donations from various businesses. He is so vital in this fundraising. Thank you to the following who donated items: Revolution Wellness; Laura Nettleton; Donna Wellman; Piper Family; Barb Harrison and The Last Alarm; Woodhaven True Value; Kimberly Watley; Bump Family; Nichols Family; Green River Oaks Resort; Teen Turf; Republic Services and Skibbe Family; Shady Oaks Country Club; O'Connell's Yogi Bear Jellystone Park Camp Resort; Erbes Realty; Mark Wolf and Johnson Tractor; Dinges Fire Company; Rose Moss; Arthur's Deli; Stenzel Insurance; Marykatherine Stenzel; Mark and Laura Hicks; Nutrien Ag Solutions; Local Cup and Cake; Fran Kessel; Michele Chesier; Montavon Farms-Marty and Lynn; Althaus Farms -Bill and Steve; Olson Farms-Bob and Wendy Olson; Beck's Seed-Dean Dinges and Zack Henkel; Woodhaven Association, Maplehurst Farms; Bonnell's General Store; Walter Kant; Sublette Saloon; Nails by Lisa; Amboy Food and Liquor; Sheridan's Walton Tap; Jim and Jean Travi; Katey Dickinson; Amboy Garden Shop-Theresa Pillar and Alice and Leroy Dukes; Sublette Elevator; La Fiesta; Woody's General Store; Deb and Art Albee; Depot Tap; Rod Pioneer Sales; Kelly and John Patterson; First National Bank of Amboy; Jim and Stephanie McLaughlin; Katie and Andy Pratt; Bev Halsey' Country Village Meats; Maria's; The Long Branch; Champro and Robb Stephenitch; Mark Streit; Diggity Dog Bakery-Kelly and Dean Setchell; Vaessen Brothers Cheverolet; Sublette Mechanical; Leffelman Insurance; Main Street Repair; Kaleel's Clothing and Printing; Sue Stephenitch; Amber Horner; The Herbal Oracle; Strub Family; Janine and Scott Huffman and Above Ground.

Summer Program

Our summer program is in full swing. Our older kids are doing roadside cleanup, working in the garden, assisting the younger kids in the program. Our younger kids learned about Mexico. The third and fourth graders did experiments in their STEAM program. We are grateful for Bruce, Martha, and Karen (Master Gardener) from University of Illinois Extension for teaching our kids.

Thank You's

We are always thankful when people help us out: Jenny and Pat Apple for food; Linda and Bill Disney for the coffee maker; Christine and Matt Schaffer for the food; Don and Polly Witenken for the ice pops; Pete and Jackie Ayling for the food; Julie DeArmett and Mary Borgens for the cakes; Walter and Sue Kant for the baked beans; Leon Poliquin and Pat Yoo for the cleaners and chips and Matt and Michelle Murphy for the food items.

Needs

If possible we need freeze pops, individual wrapped cookies, or fruit snacks for the summer program.

Final Word

God grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change; courage to change the things we can; and wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time; Enjoying one moment at a time; Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as we would have it; Trusting that He will make all things right if we surrender to His Will; That we may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him Forever in the next. Amen.

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"It wasn't random collecting," explained Guay. "We started going to auctions and garage sales looking for well made authentic quality antiques with the intentions of opening a shop and art studio here in Amboy. We have the best of both worlds selling our antiques and displaying our artwork."

In these tough times for businesses to stay open due to COVID, the ladies are grateful to close on their own terms. It's never easy to say goodbye to so many of the customers that have visited over the years, shared Koldan.

"It's been overwhelming how we've been received, loved and supported from the community right from the beginning," Koldan. "Many of our customers don't live in the area but keep coming back and have become our friends. So, it's kind of sad for us too."

One longtime customer travels from Chicago on the weekends with the sole intention of coming to the store.

"It has been absolutely wonderful," said Kim Haase. "It's been a place for me to browse, chat and catch up with Shirley and Rosalie. They always have nice music playing in the background. The prices are good and I always seem to find something new. I'm bummed that they are closing but happy for them. They will be missed."

Recycle! Recycle!

150th Year Community Celebration

Saturday, July 3, beginning at 2 PM

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We're excited to host another community event this summer!

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★ Emergency vehicles show - all new, used and antique equipment is welcomed!

★ Water fights tournament - Water Fights will be on the ground using Blackhawk rules. This will be a double elimination tournament. Practice begins at 2 PM

★ Whoop Your Axe Mobile Axe Throwing - 6 to 9 PM

★ Music starts at 4PM with Snapshot then Moonshine Bandits at 7:30 PM

★ City fireworks at dusk

For more information or to reserve your team spot or your emergency vehicle spot contact, Amboy Fire Chief Jeff Bryant at jrbryant9962@gmail.com or 815-994-6184

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department will have Immunization Clinics for Children and Adults by appointment only. Call 815-284-3371 to make an appointment or for information on other services available. You may also visit the website at www.lchd.com for a list of services available.

SUBLETTE-Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church will celebrate the St. John's Fire Vigil Mass at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 23. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

PAWPAW-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 24, at Paw Paw Elementary School, 511 Chapman. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

SUBLETTE-The Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be celebrated with

Loftus competes at state track meet

CHARLESTON - Amboy-LaMoille boys' track team member Brock Loftus participated in the IHSA Class 1A Boys' State Track & Field meet on June 17 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Loftus, who just completed his junior year, competed in the 3200-meter run. He finished in the 26th position with a time of 10:46.71.

The overall 3200-meter run champion was Justin Mumford of Trenton Wesclin, who completed the race in 9:18.26.

The Class 1A team champion was Elgin Harvest Christian Academy with 51 points over second-place Catlin Salt Fork with 38 points.

Informational encampment planned

FRANKLIN GROVE - Ever wanted to fire a flintlock? Throw a tomahawk? Be a blacksmith?

Well, now you can.

The Chaplin Creek Muzzleloaders will host an informational encampment on from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., on Saturday, July 17, and from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., on Sunday, July 18, at the Chaplin Creek Historical Village in Franklin Grove.

Only paid Chaplin Creek Muzzleloaders members with current Illinois Firearm Owners Identification cards are allowed to shoot at the range.

This event is sponsored by Chaplin Creek Muzzleloaders, Ye Olde Haggis Shoppe, Blacksmiths Brian Cheshier and Stan Brandon with Upper Midwest Blacksmith Association

Mass at 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 26, and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 27, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 202 Locust St. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

WEST BROOKLYN-The Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be celebrated with Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 2520 Johnson St., at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 26. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

MAYTOWN-The Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be celebrated with Mass at St. Patrick Church, 1336 Maytown Rd., at 8 a.m. on Sunday, June 27. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Monday, June 28, at the American Legion, 1120 W. First St. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit

Koldan and Guay are now concentrating on clearing out the storefront. They hope to turn it into a gallery type setting hosting private parties in the future. The store is only open on weekends from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For most of the residents you'll still see the ladies in the neighborhood. "We hope that people will stop by to say goodbye," said Guay. "It's been wonderful and we thank everyone."



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AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 28, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

WALNUT-The Walnut

5K Run/Walk for ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) Research will start at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 3, at the Bureau Valley Elementary Walnut Campus, 323 S. Main St. Registration before June 25 includes a t-shirt. Race Day registration is 6:45-7:45 a.m. To register, call 815-303-9346 or walnut5kals@gmail.com.

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Sylvan J. and Virginia A. Leffelman

AMBOY — Sylvan J. Leffelman, 91, Feb. 19, 1929 to Dec. 3, 2020 and Virginia A. (Warner) Leffelman, 89, Feb. 24, 1931 to Dec. 9, 2020, of Dixon and formerly of Amboy.

A Mass of Christian Burial for both Sylvan and Virginia will be held on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 10 a.m. at St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. Timothy Draper officiating.

A private family burial of cremains will follow at St Patrick Catholic Cemetery



in Amboy.

For more information and

to leave a tribute visit www.thejonesfh.com.

Stephen Charles Dunphy July 18, 1950 - April 12, 2020

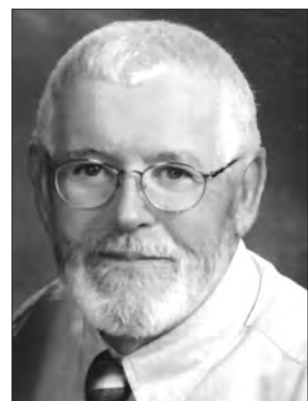
HARMON — Stephen Charles “Charlie” Dunphy, 69, of rural Harmon, born July 18, 1950, died April 12, 2020.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m., on Saturday, June 26, 2021, at St Mary Catholic Church in Walton. Burial of Cremains

will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery in Harmon. Memorial has been established to Lee County 4-H.

Arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home.

Online Condolences can be left and more information can be found at www.thejonesfh.com.



Amboy's Payne, Powers chosen to play in IBCA All-Star game

PONTIAC—The Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA) has announced that its annual All-Star games will be held on Saturday, June 26 at Pontiac Community High School. Admission is \$5.

There will be four games on the day, beginning with the 1A-2A South Girls taking on the 1A-2A North Girls at 11 a.m. In that contest, former Amboy High School standout players Abi Payne and Mallory Powers will compete for the North squad.

In addition to Payne and Powers, the rest of the 15-member North roster consists of Brooklyn Giertz (Seneca), Shae Hanrahan (Riverdale), Brooke Heiman (Indian Creek), Jennifer Heinberg (Marengo), Kayla Kodat (Dwight), Karlie Krogman (Eastland), Natalie Mann (Chicago Latin), Kerilyn Mirabelli (Westchester-St. Joseph), Corrina Noble (Galena),

Tessa Prellberg (Hinckley-Big Rock), Hannah Schuringa (Elmhurst Timothy Christian), Katie Steinman (Bloomington Central Catholic) and Laura Strenk (Wilmette Regina Dominican).

Other area girls chosen to participate include Breelyn Borum and Brooke Borum of Sterling, and Abby Guthrie of Dixon, who are on the 3A-4A North roster.

Some of the boys that will play in the games include 1A-2A North squad members Connor Barnett of Fulton, Declan Schemmel of East Dubuque, Drew Gaston of Indian Creek and Zach Derus of Rockford Lutheran.

Anthony Cooper of Ottawa and Drake Weber of LaSalle-Peru were chosen to the 3A-4A South team.

A complete list of the All-Star rosters can be found on the IBCA website at: www.ibcaillinois.org.

After the opening game of the day, the 1A-2A South Boys will battle the 1A-2A

North Boys at 1 p.m.

The larger schools will take the court for the final two games of the day. The 3A-4A South Girls will tip off against the 3A-4A North Girls at 4 p.m., while the 3A-4A South Boys and the 3A-4A North Boys will conclude the action at 6 p.m.

The coaches for the girls' teams will be Greg Bennett of Lewistown (1A-2A South), Steve Strough of Peotone (1A-2A North), Amanda Aydt of Mattoon (3A-4A South) and Mary Fendley of Hersey (3A-4A North).

The boys' coaches include Tom Brannan of Casey-Westfield (1A-2A South), Ryan Tompkins of Gibson City-Melvin Sibbey (1A-2A North), Eddie Mathews of Bartonville Limestone (3A-4A South) and Don Houston of Hillcrest (3A-4A North).

Come out and see the best young men and women of the state of Illinois play in the 2021 IBCA All-Star games.

Local students each awarded \$1,500 America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders scholarship

LEE COUNTY — Local students Ashley Althaus, Marie Barnickel, and Brett Buhrow, have each been awarded a \$1,500 scholarship from America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders, sponsored by Bayer Fund. In the fall, Althaus will study Agricultural Systems Management at Iowa State University, Barnickel will study Agribusiness at University of Wisconsin-Platteville, and Buhrow will study Agricultural Sales & Marketing at University of Illinois-Champaign.

Althaus, Barnickel, and Buhrow exemplify the quality of students who are selected for Grow Ag Leaders scholarships.

“Bayer Fund is proud to sponsor the America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders program, helping hundreds of students to pursue higher education studies in the field of agriculture. By supporting these students today, we are supporting the future leaders of our industry. Bayer Fund remains committed to improving Ag Education opportunities in rural communities,” said Amy Simpson, Community Engagement Senior Representative, Bayer Fund.

The future of agriculture relies on talented young people like Althaus, Barnickel, and

Buhrow to fill thousands of jobs in a variety of fields, such as plant science, engineering, communications, finance and more. Grow Ag Leaders raises awareness of diverse career opportunities in the agriculture industry and provides over 350 scholarships nationwide each year to support a student's ag education.

Grow Ag Leaders scholarships, administered by the National FFA Organization, are available to high school seniors and college students pursuing degrees in ag-related fields. To be considered, each applicant is required to receive endorsements from two local farmers. Both FFA members and non-FFA members are eligible to apply. With support from Bayer Fund, more than \$3.8 million in scholarships has been awarded to students since Grow Ag Leaders began in 2014. For a complete list of recipients or more information, visit americasfarmers.com.

America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders is part of the America's Farmers community outreach initiative, which is designed to make a positive impact in farming communities across the U.S. Visit www.AmericasFarmers.com to learn more.

A Note of Thanks

I want to thank the four Sublette Fire Department personnel that came to my assistance Memorial Day weekend at Woodhaven Lakes. All of you were very kind and caring to me when you transported me to KSB Hospital in Dixon. I didn't need eyebrow stitches but I did get a full-length cast for my broken leg. UGH! My heartfelt thanks to all of you.

You are the best, thank you again.

Barbara Steffens

The family of Mary Dickinson would like to thank family, friends and neighbors for all the cards, flowers, food and support, as well as prayers during the recent loss of our mother.

A special thank you to all the staff at Heritage Health in Mendota for their care and support and to the ladies of St. Patricks Parrish for hosting the funeral dinner.

Thank you one and all!

Tom and Deb Dickinson, Barb and Greg Schroeder & John and Katy Dickinson

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SOCIAL NEWS

Educational Briefs

The Book Nook

By:

Tatjana Kazan

Angels Among Us

I don't know what possessed me to read a 500-page novel about angels. But once I started, I couldn't put it down. It's called "A Time for Everything" by the Norwegian writer Karl O. Knausgaard. It is about the profound changes in God and his angels over the centuries and the unquenchable violence of humankind, which persists as unshakably as God and the angels are changeable. The novel opens in 1562 in Italy in a dark forest in which eleven-year-old Antinous Bellori is lost. In the darkness he spots two angels fishing in the river by torchlight. They wear chain mail and carry swords. When they catch a fish, they eat it raw, tearing it with their teeth. As Antinous watches them, one of the angels emits a shriek, and suddenly they seem as brutal as we humans. The encounter will impel the adult Antinous to write a book on angels, and spend the rest of his life searching for them.

Sodom and Gomorrah follow. Knausgaard wonders how angels can sit down to a friendly dinner with Lot,

who "made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate," and inflict total annihilation the next morning. Having hustled Lot and his family out of the city, "they didn't just destroy all the houses and inhabitants, but also the entire plain and everything that grew in the fields, and turned Lot's wife into a pillar of salt."

Knausgaard, who is a superb storyteller, then turns to the first appearance of angels. It is the story of Cain and Abel. But instead of a Mediterranean desert landscape beyond Eden, we find ourselves in an ordinary Scandinavian village of farmers, horses and cowsheds, harvests and festivals.

Far off in the distance, flames rotate high in the air. Cherubim with flaming swords are guarding the entrance to Eden. It is Cain who tells the story of his beloved brother, who feels so estranged he wants to die. Cain decides to sacrifice himself and kills Abel.

"Throughout all these centuries the cherubim's flames continued to glow above the hills in the west. They were as familiar as the sun or moon or stars." So begins the story of Anna, Noah's sister who runs the family farm. Commonly disliked, Noah left the farm long ago, but returns to build his ark. The cherubim vanish and the rains come. Anna, her daughter Rachel and her baby, assume that Noah will let them onto his ship. Everyone flees to the mountain top. "Anna looked down. Water covered the entire mountain now. All was sea. But the ship was approaching... The ship was ten yards off when Noah came out. They saw him quite clearly... Noah turned on his heel and was gone... slowly the ship drifted past them into the night."

Bradley's Spring 2021 Dean's List

PEORIA — More than 1800 students were named to Bradley's Dean's List for Spring 2021. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a minimum 3.5 grade point average for the semester on a 4.0 scale.

Local students include: Hannah Grady of Amboy, majoring in Electrical Engineering.

Pamela Taylor of West Brooklyn, majoring in Environmental Science Biology.

Bradley University is a top-ranked, private university in Peoria, Illinois, offering 5,400 undergraduate and graduate students the resources of a larger university and the personal attention of a smaller university.

Wilhelm Makes Dean's List at Edgewood College

MADISON, Wis. — Delaney Wilhelm, of Amboy, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2021 semester at Edgewood College.

Fulltime undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students who earn a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher are eligible for the Dean's List after completing 24 credit hours of study at Edgewood College.

Located in Madison, Wis., Edgewood College is a liberal arts Catholic college in the Dominican tradition. For more information about Edgewood College, please visit www.edgewood.edu.

Garret Patti Named to SNHU Dean's List

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Garret Patti, of Compton, has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's Winter 2021 Dean's List. The winter term runs from January to May.

Full-time students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 are named to the Dean's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits in either EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6.

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Opinion

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It's a grand old flag; celebrate it and do your homework

In America, we celebrate Flag Day on June 14. Although the date holds great significance, it is not an official national holiday. Only one state, Pennsylvania, has designated the day as an official state holiday.

The history of the establishment of Flag Day is interesting. As the story goes, a Wisconsin teacher named Bernard Cigrand established the practice and originated the idea of a Flag Day at his small, rural school in 1885. The idea was to honor the flag and learn about its history, its meaning, and about flag etiquette; and to instill in his students a respect for the flag code and nurture patriotism. Even though Cigrand quit teaching and started pulling teeth (moving from Wisconsin to Illinois to practice dentistry), the idea and movement gained momentum.

Then, in 1916, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day. The date is significant because it was on June 14, 1777, that the first flag was adopted by the Continental Congress as a shining symbol of a new nation, the United States of America, which had been established by the Declaration of Independence about a year earlier on July 4, 1776. On Aug. 3, 1949, the United States Congress acted to

Guest Column

By Roger Eddy



establish National Flag Day as June 14. The date is also recognized as the birthday of the U.S. Army.

As a young child I was taught to respect the flag as a sacred symbol of our nation. My father, a former Marine and Korean War veteran, was very active in the local American Legion. He adopted the mission of ensuring that every local veteran's grave marker would be adorned with an American flag each Memorial Day and on Flag Day. On these days, my brother and I would be awakened from our sleep, very early, to accompany Dad to several local small-town cemeteries that dotted the landscape of the rural northeastern Illinois area where I was raised. Our job was to place a U.S. flag on the grave marker of every veteran. Of course, at the time,

we were not enamored with the idea. But there was no way either of us was going to argue with our former Marine dad. It actually became a great memory and a bonding time with Dad. Plus, I learned valuable realities regarding the freedom that I enjoyed. Thank you, Dad, for teaching me that our freedom had been purchased at a high cost. The lives of dozens of local citizens had been lost protecting my freedom and hundreds

of others had served and continue to serve to keep us free.

When a United States flag is folded properly, there are 13 folds made. Each of the folds represents a principle on which our nation was founded. The first fold represents our flag as a symbol of life. The second fold is a symbol of our belief in eternal life. The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of our country. The fourth fold represents our trust in God, turning to him in times of peace as well as war. The list goes on. Your Flag Day assignment from this retired history teacher is to locate the rest of the fold meanings as a commemoration of Flag Day on June 14, 2021. It is worth the effort to read, and easy to find with a simple Google search.

It has been a tough year since Flag Day a year ago. Yes, indeed, now more than ever, we need to remember the words to one of my favorite songs — You're a grand old flag, you're a high-flying flag, and forever in peace may you wave. You're the emblem of the land I love, the home of the free and the brave.

Fly the American flag high on Flag Day 2021 and every day.

Roger Eddy is a retired member of the Illinois House, serving the 109th Legislative District from 2003 to 2012 and serving on the Special Investigative Committee on the impeachment of Rod Blagojevich. He recently authored a book highlighting the impeachment of Blagojevich. The book, "A Front Row Seat" is available thru Amazon and Barnes & Noble. While currently a member of the Illinois State Board of Education, all comments are as an individual and not as a member of the State Board of Education.

Letters to the Editor

Drink wiser this Independence Day

Dear Editor,

This Fourth of July, we have so much to celebrate. After more than a year spent apart, Americans everywhere are looking forward to finally gathering with loved ones to celebrate Independence Day at parades, cookouts and fireworks shows. As vaccination rates increase and bars and restaurants begin to reopen, now — more than ever — we're looking forward to brighter days ahead.

If you're planning to toast this pivotal moment for our country by cracking open a cold one, we hope that you'll join us in our pledge to keep our celebrations safe by hydrating between Buds and planning ahead for safe rides home. We know that drunk driving accidents increase during holiday weekends, but we also know drunk driving is 100 percent preventable. Whether you call a cab, a rideshare service,

use public transportation or designate a driver to get home, make sure you do your part to keep our roads — and loved ones — safe this weekend.

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Wishing you a safe and festive Fourth of July.

Mary Adolphson
Corporate Social Responsibility Coordinator

On This Day in History

100 Years Ago June 24, 1921

Miss Bess Ruckman and Frank Hewitt, a former Amboy boy, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's father G.W. Ruckman in Steward Wednesday evening.

George Minnick is a happy boy these days. He has good cause to be. A few weeks ago well drillers began work putting down a well for him on his farm five miles southwest of Amboy. At 253 feet a fine flow of natural gas was struck. The gas has been piped into the house and is now used for cooking and for lighting.

A large barn on the P.H. Morrissey farm one mile southwest of Walton was struck by lightning Thursday afternoon and burned to the ground.

75 Years Ago June 27, 1946

Rev. Norman Miller of Enid, Okla., was appointed pastor of Amboy Methodist Church at the closing session of the Rock River Conference.

Miss Betty Scott of Chicago is visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barnhart.

Miss Darlene Grennan is in Peoria where she is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jack Lanhausen, and family.

50 Years Ago June 24, 1971

Miss Jane Bonnell was crowned Sublette's new Miss Flame Saturday evening. Miss Susan Leffelman was runner-up. Jane, is the 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irie Bonnell. She

will be a junior in Amboy High School this fall.

Amboy Chamber of Commerce President E. M. Koehler cuts the ribbon to get the open house started at Shearer's Gamble Store last week Friday morning.

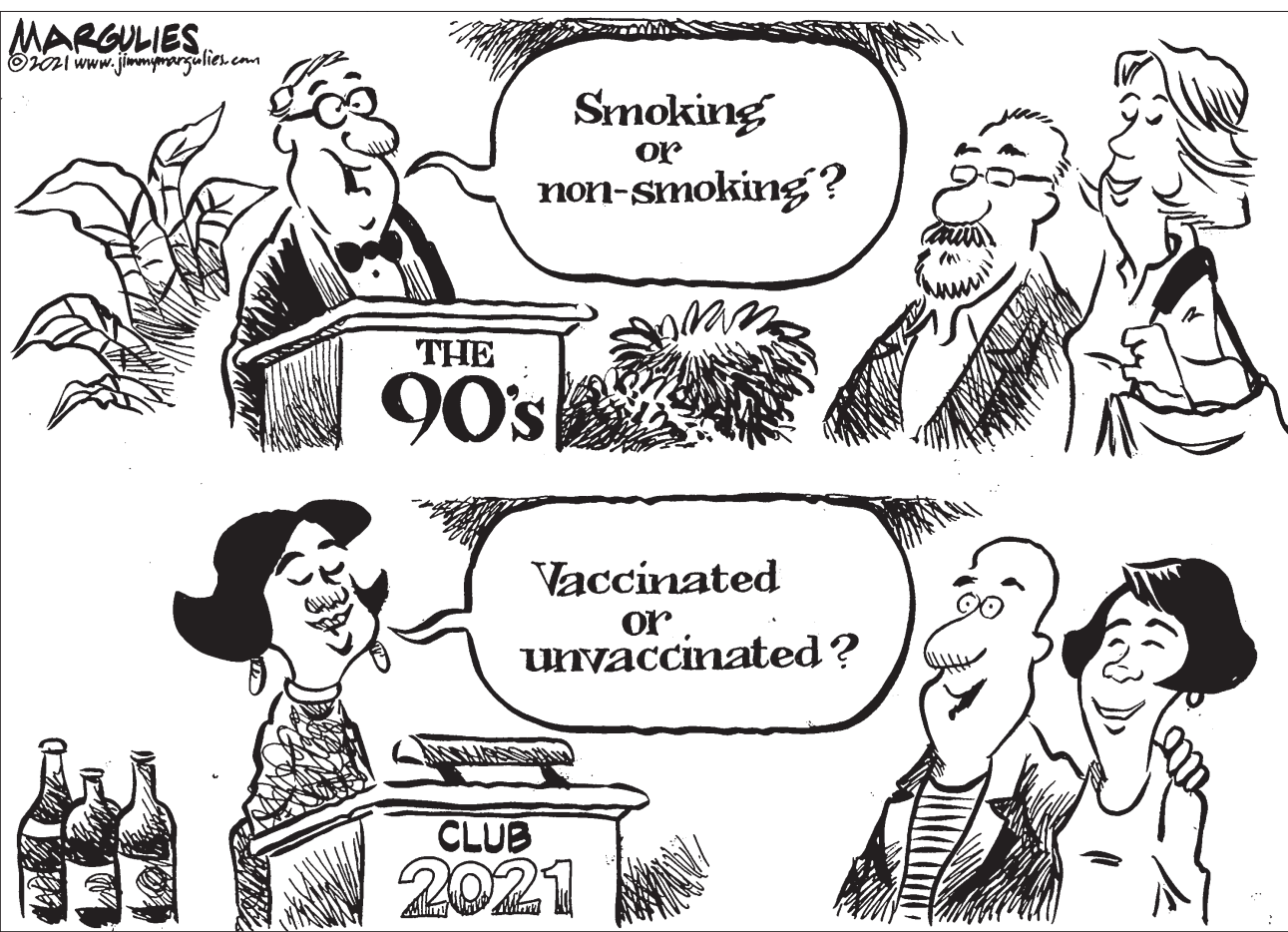
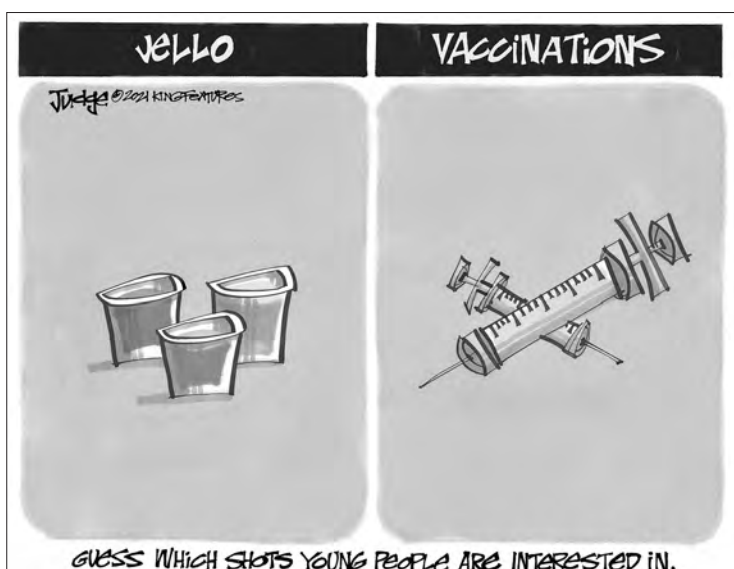
25 Years Ago June 20, 1996

Amboy artist Mike Davis holds a framed copy of a late 19th century map of the City of Amboy he donated to the city. The map is on display in City Hall.

Winners in the card games

played Monday night at the Coachman Inn were George Henrich, Alberta Dinges, Arlene Klein, Helen Klein and Anna Henkel.

Ronnie and JoAnn Chamness, the new owners of the home formerly owned by Carolyn Johns, were recently welcomed to Amboy by Chamber of Commerce representatives Janet Croegart and Darlene Hinkle. The Chamnesses moved here from Rochelle and said they love Amboy and their new home.



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19 Favorite
22 Joke
23 Canine cry
24 N.J. neighbor
25 First lady?
26 Droop
27 Life story
28 I love (Lat.)
29 Republicans
31 Existed
34 Camelot king
35 French cheese
36 — Lancelot
37 Bigwigs
39 Roman robes
40 Wasted no time
41 Con
42 "Suffice — say ..."
43 Shopper's delight
44 Fencing sword
45 London gallery
46 Bridge coup
48 Inlet

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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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Trivia test

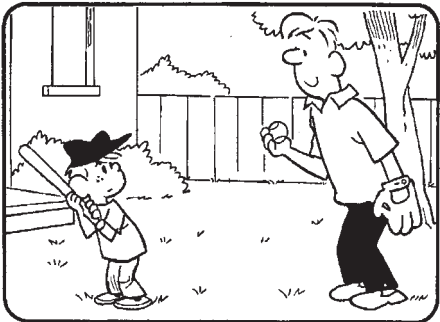
by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: What city is the setting for the 1980s medical drama "St. Elsewhere"?
- HISTORY: When was the first Veterans Day celebrated in the United States?
- MOVIES: Who played the role of Lt. Dan Taylor in the 1994 movie "Forrest Gump"?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called chorophobia?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the southernmost city in Africa?
- FAMOUS QUOTES: Who wrote this about fleeting summer, "Summer's lease hath all too short a date"?
- SCIENCE: Which nerve transmits sound to the brain?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the color papaya?
- FOOD & DRINK: In which U.S. state did Pepsi Cola originate?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president received the Secret Service code name "General"?

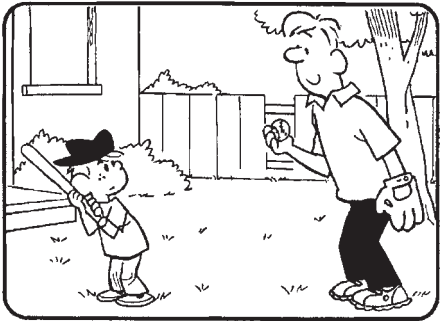
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Window is wider. 2. Ball is different. 3. Shoes are different. 4. Fence is broken. 5. Cap is reversed. 6. Ball is smaller.

NERVE

Today's Word

1. Pirate 2. Lovely;
3. Serene; 4. Elated

SCRAMBLERS

solution

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: G equals D

GI NIY XYTTIXL JIQDUFYZDYQUXDX

JVOL V DLMGLMFN DI CLD

UMOIZOLG UM CQVXX-QIIDX

IQCVUMKVDUIMX?

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King Crossword

Answers

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Do you suppose horticulturists have a tendency to get involved in grass-roots organizations?

Answer

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



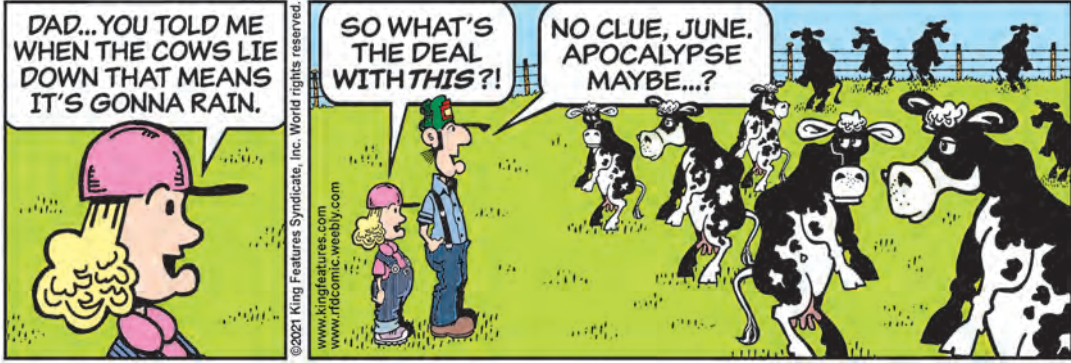
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by Gary Kopervas



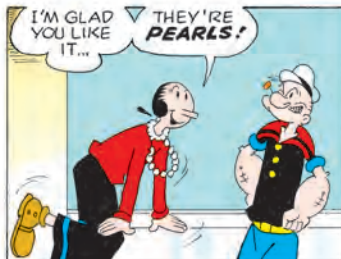
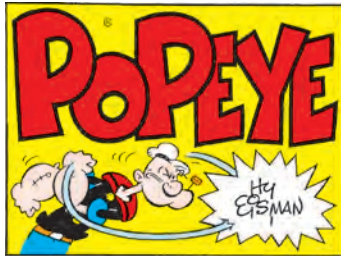
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

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

Bandit

PARTIE

Delightful

VOLLEY

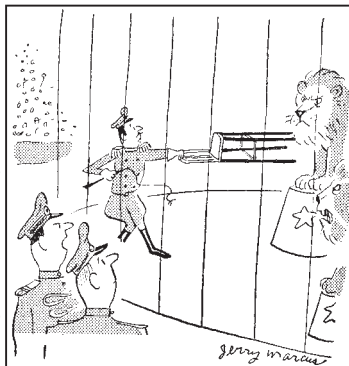
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Joyful

DALETE

TODAY'S WORD



"If you ask me, he's losing his..."

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SPORTS

Clipper Highlights: #4 Tanner Wilhelm

This week we feature the first Clipper from the class of 2012. This Clipper not only is deserving of this highlight but continues to live the Clipper Way through his profession. I am beyond honored to announce this week's Clipper, #4, Tanner Wilhelm.

Tanner was a 2012 graduate of Amboy High School and three sport athlete.

Tanner's Junior season he contributed on an underrated, 5-4, Clipper team. Tanner started at cornerback defensively and saw offensive snaps at wide receiver and tight end. Tanner shared his thoughts on his Junior season, "I didn't know what to expect of the Varsity level but the Seniors did a great job of leading us and setting the expectations for us Juniors."

Tanner and his fellow Junior's continued the Clipper tradition of playing for the guys ahead of them as it was more of a fear to let them down than it was to lose. That season, the Clippers would go 5-4 and lose to eventual State Champion, Sterling Newman, in the first round of the playoffs. However, the Clippers gave the Comets their closest contest all season, with a final score of 14-7.

Tanner shared, "That Newman game was one of the most fun football games I've ever been a part of. We showed how good we were and proved a huge statement after losing to them 44-0 in the regular season."

The 2010 Clippers could have been 6-3 but suffered a close loss to St. Bede 10-7.

Going into his Senior season, Tanner and his teammates became weight room junkies in preparation for the 2011 season. Tanner put on 20 pounds of muscle which would inspire his move from cornerback to outside linebacker. Tanner would continue in his role offensively at tight end.

The 2011 Clippers were

made up no differently than any of the teams in the mid to late 2000's. Talent, athleticism, passion, grit, and toughness were all there. The only differences; a loaded Big Rivers Conference with two State Champion caliber opponents (Morrisson & Newman), and a disadvantage in overall Varsity experience. Tanner and teammates, Stephenitch, T. Johnson, North, Dibella, and Barlow would lead the Clippers into another round of strong seas. After a season of close games, marred by some injuries, the 2011 Clippers ended their voyage 4-5. Tanner recalled his last game as a Clipper, Senior Night at The Harbor. The night was bittersweet as the Clippers were victorious over Ottawa Marquette but knew the victory was the final time in the Clipper Red. Tanner also scored his first and only touchdown in his final game as a Clipper.

Tanner shared, "We were a close knit group from the Seniors to the Sophomores that came up. There wasn't much difference from the Quarterfinal team the year that followed, just experience."

Tanner's statement is accurate as his Senior team is reminiscent of other Clipper teams within that time period. I personally believe the 2011 season set a great tone for the next season by providing a host of knowledge and game experience to the 2012 Clippers. Tanner ended the 2011 season earning First Team All Conference/All Area honors at outside Linebacker.

Several of Tanner's teammates provided statements for this highlight. All highlight Tanner's intangibles, not only as a football player, but as a man.

Mike Stephenitch said, "Ever since I can remember, Tanner has embodied what it means to be an Amboy Clipper. Growing up, Tanner, Tyson, and Brandon were

Clipper Highlights

By Spencer Morrissey



waterboys for the Amboy Clipper football teams. I believe being around the game at such a young age, gave them an advanced perspective on what it meant to be an Amboy Clipper. Tanner was a leader on and off the field. In my opinion, the term leader, often times gets thrown around too loosely. The word leader to me, means someone who day in and day out leads by example and sets the precedent for what is expected from the team. From our Junior Tackle teams, all the way up through high school, Tanner was just that for our team. Tanner had an exceptional football career. He got hurt early on in our senior year which was a devastating blow to our playoff chances. Tanner was visibly never 100 percent for the majority of that year. Despite the hardship he was faced with that year, he played through the pain and left everything he had on the field week in and week out.

"That's just who Tanner was as a football player. He played and practiced every day like it would be his last. It was an honor to get to share the field with him on Friday nights."

Austin North shared, "I've known Tanner since we were in preschool and he's one of my best friends and one of my favorite team-

mates. He was our linebacker and tight end. He was very athletic and played with a ton of grit and passion. Whether it be a big catch or a big hit on fourth down, you always knew what you were going to get out of Tanner every Friday night. Tanner was a great leader and whenever he spoke people listened. He never complained and fought through a tough ankle injury early in the year, but he always prepared and was ready on Friday nights. He was never afraid to hit people and made it very tough on opposing teams' offenses. He was the perfect example of what Amboy Football was and still is. I couldn't ask for a better teammate and friend and always enjoyed going to battle with him on Friday nights."

Brandon Barlow shared, "Tanner (Willy) has always embodied what it was like to be an Amboy Clipper. This started from his early days as a water boy and continued throughout his time wearing the uniform. He was the type of teammate you wanted to play alongside because he would always give his all and have your back. Willy was one of the toughest teammates I've ever played with. During his senior year he suffered a severe ankle sprain halfway through the season. He battled through, when most people would have sat out for a couple weeks, and finished the season strong. It was honor to be able to play alongside him."

Tyson Powers shared, "Tanner was not only a great football player but he was an exceptional leader for our football team. If I remember correctly, during Tanner's senior year, he battles through a nagging ankle injury. In true Clipper fashion, Tanner grinded his way through it and was still the glue to our team. Tanner played the game the right way at all times. He played



#4 Tanner Wilhelm

with great passion and toughness. It was an honor to play Clipper football, as well as basketball and baseball, with him. Tanner was not only a great teammate and leader but he is an even better friend."

Tanner continued his football career at Monmouth College. Tanner saw the field as an upperclassman for the Fighting Scots at outside Linebacker and special teams.

Today, Tanner remembers the meaning of Amboy Football being the "unbreakable bond" with his teammates.

Tanner concluded, "Amboy Football is all the great memories, the brothers you play with. It doesn't matter where we are all at today, when we get together it's just like yesterday. Nothing beats the relationships and friendships."

Tanner was a Clipper that could have added to any Clipper team and in some years, may have been the difference in advancing in the playoffs or attaining an undefeated regular season. Tanner and I crossed paths a couple years ago when I got the opportunity to work with him. Although it was a different patch on our uniform and

new sense of brotherhood, our Clipper bond remained. A man of unbreakable character who exudes leadership, duty, service, hard work, and community. I'm proud, alike Tanner's friends and teammates to call him a friend and Clipper brother.

So, to All Conference Linebacker, #4, Tanner Wilhelm, thank you for your contributions to Clipper Football. Your leadership, athleticism, and pride were crucial to your Clipper teams. Above all, the friendships you cultivated then, as a Clipper, and now, in your profession, are direct proof of the intangibles you possess as a young man. Sail on!

Spencer Morrissey, is a former resident of Amboy and 2009 graduate of Amboy High School. In April 2020, he created a private Facebook group specifically for Amboy Clipper Football Alumni. To have played Amboy football for any period of time, 1 year or all 4 years, is the only membership requirement. The group features photos, stories, and memories of past Clippers and Clipper teams. The best feature of the group is every Friday, he highlights a former player.

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Sale Prices Valid June 23 – June 29, 2021 – Limited Quantities – While Supplies Last

PRODUCE & WEEKLY SPECIALS

Watermelon  \$4⁹⁹ /ea.	Mangoes  99¢ /ea.	Idaho Potatoes 3 pound bag  \$1⁴⁹ ea.	Washington Cherries  \$3⁹⁹ /lb.
Driscoll Strawberries 16 ounces  \$2⁹⁹ ea.	Asparagus  \$2⁹⁹ /lb.	Red, Green or Black Grapes  \$2⁴⁹ /lb.	White Mushrooms Whole or Sliced 8 ounces  \$1⁹⁹ ea.

HOT BUYS

Tyson Jumbo Chicken Drumsticks or Thigh  \$1⁴⁹ /lb. Reg. Price \$2.99 /lb.	Johnsonville Brats or Sausage 19 oz  \$4⁴⁹ ea. Reg. Price \$5.49 ea.	U.S.D.A. Choice English Roast  \$4⁴⁹ /lb. Reg. Price \$6.99 /lb.
Hormel Pork Loin Fillet Assorted  \$5⁹⁹ ea. Reg. Price \$8.99 ea.	Ore-Ida Potatoes 16-32 oz.  \$2⁹⁹ ea. Reg. Price \$3.39 ea.	Blue Bunny Ice Cream Assorted 48 oz  \$4⁹⁹ ea. Reg. Price \$6.19 ea.

WEEKLY SPECIALS

<div><div>Food Club Oats</div><div>18 oz.</div><div><div><div>\$129</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$1.59 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Food Club Tomatoes</div><div>14-15 oz</div><div><div><div>99¢</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$1.29 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Food Club Chips Assorted</div><div>8 oz.</div><div><div><div>\$189</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$2.29 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	
<div><div>Gatorade</div><div>32 oz. Assorted</div><div><div><div>\$129</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$1.69 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Land O'Lakes Butter</div><div>16 oz</div><div><div><div>\$399</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$4.89 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Creamette Pasta</div><div>Assorted 12-16 oz</div><div><div><div>2/ \$250</div><div>Reg. Price \$1.79 ea.</div></div></div><div><div></div></div></div>	<div><div>Hunt's Pasta Sauce</div><div>Assorted 24 oz</div><div><div><div>\$129</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$1.69 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>
<div><div>Dole Juice</div><div>69 oz. Assorted</div><div><div><div>2/ \$5</div><div>Reg. Price \$3.49 ea.</div></div></div><div><div></div></div></div>	<div><div>Blue Bonnet Spread</div><div>16 oz.</div><div><div><div>99¢</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$1.19 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Budding Meats</div><div>Assorted 2 oz.</div><div><div><div>79¢</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$.99 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>El Monterey Burrito or Chimichangas</div><div>30-32 oz</div><div><div><div>\$399</div><div>ea.</div></div><div>Reg. Price \$4.69 ea.</div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>

Sale goes through June 29, 2021