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## Memorial Day ceremonies

**AMBOY** — The Amboy American Legion Post #453 will be holding its annual Memorial Day ceremony in Amboy at the Veterans Park at 10 a.m., on Monday, May 31.

The guest speaker for the annual ceremony will be Mike Hickey. Included in the ceremony are prayer by Chaplain Tom Dickinson, Gettysburg address by Dana Merriman, and reading of General Logan's orders by Kelton Schwamberger. Merriman and Schwamberger will also perform Taps.

The Legion members will then head to Sublette for the Memorial Day ceremony at the Ellice Dinges Center at 11 a.m., on Monday, May 31.

The guest speaker for the ceremony will be Ann Register from Flags of Freedom in Princeton. The "Flags of Freedom" committee, a non-profit organization, has been re-established in July of 2016 in order to support the four large flags in Princeton, in Bureau County. These 30 foot x 60 foot flags are hung from 153 foot poles at the intersection of Interstate 80 and Route 26. The committee is working to raise funds to ensure that these flags remain flying.

The Post will also conduct a third Memorial Day ceremony at Woodhaven Lakes at noon, on Monday, May 31.

### Poppy Sales

This Memorial Day weekend volunteers will be in various locations in Amboy and Sublette selling poppies on both Friday and Saturday.

Please show your appreciation to our veterans and those now serving active duty by being generous with your donation and by wearing your poppy proudly.

## AHS Class of 2021 graduates

*Amboy High School held its graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2021 on Sunday afternoon in the gymnasium. Pictured below, Brianna Blaine delivered an address during the ceremony.*

Courtesy photos



## County votes down proposed self-storage facility

**BY MONETTA YOUNG**  
Special to the Amboy News

**LEE COUNTY**—The Lee County Board met in regular session on Thursday, May 20.

The petition from the zoning board to issue a special use ordinance for a property in Sublette for the purpose of constructing a Self-Storage Facility was rejected by the county board.

Several board members spoke against the ordinance. Horstman reported that al-

lowing the variance would be at odds with the village of Sublette's comprehensive plan. Another board member noted that the county board should honor the local authority. Proper drainage in the area was one concern. It was also noted that the village of Sublette has some say in what happens within a mile and a half of the village limits.

The roll call vote was 22 no and 1 yes.

Bob Sondergroth, ROE Superintendent thanked the

Lee County board for its support over the last six years of his position. He is retiring on June 30. Chris Tennison has been hired to step-up into the position he is leaving.

The board approved the road use agreement with Big Sky Wind, the request for a new employee in the assessment office and the salary of the County Engineer.

The board appointed Tom Wilson to fill District 3 vacancy for a term effective May 20 and ending on November

30, 2022.

The board also appointed Donald J. Dinges as trustee of the Sublette Fire Protection District, Norris Tucker, Jr. as Commissioner of the Lee County Housing Authority and Norma Jean Brechon as Commissioner of the Lee County Housing Authority.



## AJHS construction remains on pace for summer completion

By BONNIE MORRIS

Editor

**AMBOY** — The new Amboy Junior High School is still on track to be open for the start of the school year in August. Reporting at the May 18 Amboy School Board meeting, construction managers CTS Group said they expect to have work "mostly done" by the end of July and junior high teachers would be able to start moving in by early August.

CTS said the project would be further along but they encountered a three-month loss of time last year waiting for NICOR. In spite of that delay, CTS feels comfortable saying the junior high will be ready for students in August.

On the high school side of the

project, difficulties in receiving some materials has caused additional delays. CTS said much of the work is done but some installations will likely need to be completed after school starts, although that should not impact students returning to school as scheduled.

### PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

**Amboy High School Principal Janet Crownhart** congratulated May Student of the Month Maggie Lowery.

**Curriculum and School Improvement**

- Students are getting signed up for summer school. There are 17 students signed up to take 33 classes.

- Work has begun on Transitional ELA through the Regional Office of Education in conjunction with SVCC.

- The Ed Pathway team met with the ROE on May 11 and then as an Amboy team on May 12 to begin planning the work needed for the Pathway grant.

- AP tests were held on May 11, 18, 19 and 20.

### School Activities

- Prom was held on May 8. Prom court was Joe Ackert, Brady Jones, Preston Henkel, Trevor Vaessen, Lane Boehle, Madelyn McLaughlin, Brianna Blaine, Gabby Jones, Mallory Powers, Eden Lindemeyer. King and Queen were Joe Ackert and Madelyn McLaughlin.

- The National Honor Society donated \$300 worth of puzzles and craft supplies to Heritage Square in Dixon. They also donated \$250 to

Teen Turf.

- FFA held an open house on May 2.

- AHS staff and students participated in Denim Week to bring awareness to sexual assault victims. The high school donated \$520.20 to the YWCA.

- Crownhart thanked everyone for their generosity for Teacher Appreciation Week. Teachers received goodies all week along with gifts from the board.

- The FFA Parli Pro Team competed at the state contest on May 15 and came in 4th place.

Amboy Junior High Principal Andrew Full

Curriculum and School Improvement

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## Amboy Education Foundation announces scholarship recipients

**AMBOY** — The Amboy Education Foundation is proud to announce the 2021 recipients of the Shirley M. Rolf and the William and Betty Kidd Scholarships. Through the generosity of these individuals the Foundation was able to allocate \$42,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors and \$3,000 to AHS students planning to attend the Whiteside Area Career Center (WACC) or Sauk Valley Community College (SVCC) next year.

The 2021 Shirley M Rolf Scholarship recipients are: Brianna Blaine and Brooklyn Whelchel (graduating seniors) and Hannah Blanton, Abigail Christofferson and Ana Lopez-Belmontes (AHS students attending WACC or SVCC next year).

The 2021 William and Betty Kidd Scholarship recipients are: Sidney Corcoran and Tyler Stewart (2020 scholarship recipients); Brianna Blaine, Dashad Greene,



*Pictured above are the 2021 William and Betty Kidd Scholarship recipients from the class of 2021: Brianna Blaine, Madelyn McLaughlin, Mallory Powers and Nicholas Tarr. Recipients not pictured include Dashad Greene and Brooklyn Whelchel.*

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News

Madelyn McLaughlin, Nicholas Tarr, Mallory Powers and Brooklyn Whelchel (graduating seniors) and Lauren Althaus, Hayden McCoy,

Sidney Lewis, Lauren Tarr, Marie Shaw, Alexis Morgan, Chanlor Pohl and Nicole Latta (AHS students attending WACC or SVCC next year).



*Mike Hickey of The First National Bank in Amboy presents the 2021 Student of the Year award to Nicholas Tarr during the Amboy High School Honors Night on Thursday.*

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News

## Tarr named 2021 AHS Student of the Year

**AMBOY** — Nicholas Tarr son of Andy and Rachel Tarr was named the "2021 Student of the Year" at Amboy High School. Nicholas will be attending Illinois State University in the fall to pursue a degree in Finance.

The First National Bank in Amboy is the proud sponsor of this \$5,000.00 scholarship award. This is the 38th year the Bank has sponsored this scholarship at Amboy High School.

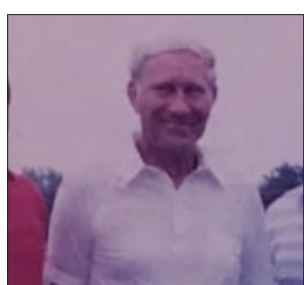
Also recognized were the nine students of the month for the 2020/2021 school year and received a \$500.00 award. They were: Nicholas Tarr, Brianna Blaine, Mallory Powers, Ethan Larson, Brooklyn Whelchel, Erin Latta, Madelyn McLaughlin, Gabrielle Jones and Margaret Lowery.

The First National Bank in Amboy congratulates all the students and wishes them the best in all their future endeavors.



## FARMER'S REPORT

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**A complete list of honors night recipients and pictures will appear in the June 2nd edition of the Amboy News**





# A DAY TO REMEMBER

## Memorial Day Program

### Amboy Veterans' Park

### Monday, May 31, 2021 - 10 a.m.

Prelude .....  
Post Colors ..... Amboy American Legion Post #453  
National Anthem .....  
Opening Prayer..... Chaplain Tom Dickson  
Pledge to the Flag.....  
Audience remains standing for Moment of Silent Prayer for War Dead  
Introduction of Speaker .....Amboy American Legion Commander Jack Mead  
Address ..... Mike Hickey  
Song.....  
Lincoln's Gettysburg Address ..... Dana Merriman  
Reading of General Logan's Orders ..... Kelton Schwamberger  
Musical selection of service songs .....  
Salute by American Legion Post #453.....  
Taps .....Dana Merriman and Kelton Schwamberger

#### Additional Legion Ceremonies:

11 a.m. – Ellice Dinges Center, Sublette  
Noon – Main Center, Woodhaven Lakes



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# LOCAL NEWS

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

**STERLING**-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, at the Sterling YMCA, 2505 YMCA. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

**STERLING**-The Whiteside 4-H Junior Master Gardener Pizza Garden SPIN Club will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Whiteside Extension Office, 12923 Lawrence Rd., on Thursdays, June 3 to July 15. Class is limited to 10 participants. Register online at [go.illinois.edu/JRMG4H](http://go.illinois.edu/JRMG4H).

**STERLING**-The Digital 4-H Technology Series will be held from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Whiteside Extension Office, 12923 Lawrence Rd., on Saturday, June 5. Call the Whiteside County Extension Office at 815-632-3611 or register online at [go.ill.edu/Whiteside4HDigital](http://go.ill.edu/Whiteside4HDigital).

**AMBOY**-The City of Amboy committee meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 7, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**FRANKLIN GROVE**-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, at Atlanta Park Building, South State St. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

**AMBOY**-The U of I Extension educators will present the Lessons for Living Monthly Webinar, Medical

Identity Theft, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8. Register online for this free program at [go.illinois.edu/2021HCE-lessons](http://go.illinois.edu/2021HCE-lessons).

**EAST GROVE TWP**-The East Grove Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, at the East Grove Township Hall.

**AMBOY**-Lifescape will hold a Senior Supply Drive-Thru on Wednesday, June 9. Adults 60 or older residing in Carroll, Lee, Ogle, or Whiteside Counties are eligible to receive a food box. You must register online at [www.lifescapeservices.org](http://www.lifescapeservices.org) to be assigned a pickup time and place.

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### Covid Draw Down & Chicken Dinner Drive-Thru

Tickets are almost gone. Things will be a little different this year. Our Chicken Dinner Drive-Thru will be held at the Teen Turf building, 235 West Main from 4 – 6 p.m., on June 12. No sales will be permitted that day. Tickets are \$50 and include two dinners, two desserts, and a chance to win grand prize of \$1,500. There will be other cash prizes as well. The drawing will be held on the Teen Turf's Facebook page live at 7 p.m. Tickets will be sold through our board members and Eileen Piper.

### Online Auction

The Teen Turf Virtual Auction will be held on [Airauctioneer.com](http://Airauctioneer.com) starting June 4 at noon and will end at 8 p.m. on June 10. There will be a variety of items to bid on and win. Type in this Auction URL when it goes live on June 4: [airauctioneer.com/teen-turf-virtual-auction](http://airauctioneer.com/teen-turf-virtual-auction).

### Summer Program

Spaces are almost full and we will have a waiting list if need be. Covid has made things a little different this year. Space is limited and it is first come, first serve. Applications for Pre-K up to fourth grade were sent home. You may take a picture and email your completed application to [teenturf@yahoo.com](mailto:teenturf@yahoo.com).

com. If you have a fifth grader and up and want to attend all day Monday-Wednesday, you must call Teen Turf at 815-857-4800 to inquire.

### Thank You's

We are always grateful for those that help us: Eileen and Irene Ramsdell for 25 years of service to St. Pat's Food pantry. They also gave Teen Turf fruit, cupcakes, meat, cheese, and bread; we received an anonymous monetary donation; Felicia and Matt for the cake; Kathy Gardner for the chicken strips and fries; Fran Kessel for the ice cream; anonymous donation of the candy; Nichols family for the rootbeer floats; Sandra Morrissey and Dennis Donna

for the pizza; Sue Senn for the monetary donation; and Traci Skibbe and her family for bringing birthday treats for Khane and Pete and Connie Kemp for the chip boxes.

### Needs

If possible, we need freeze pops for the summer.

### Final Word

May our children's lives reflect You, Lord, as they are made in Your image. May they be increasingly transformed into the likeness of Christ so that their thoughts, words, and actions are those of Jesus.

May love, mercy, and grace be their trademarks and flow from him each day to everyone they encounter.

## Police investigate fatality near LaMoille

**LA MOILLE**—Two men were killed when their vehicles collided on U.S. 34 west of 2750 East Road, between LaMoille and Dover, on May 22.

Randy A. Jackson, 66, of Sublette, and Chad A. Monier, 48, of Princeton, died in the head-on collision that took

place at approximately 7:10 a.m., according to Bureau County Sheriff James Reed.

The Bureau County Sheriff's Department, the Bureau County Coroner's Office and the Illinois State Police Traffic Accident Reconstructionist are

investigating the mishap.

Other emergency personnel responding to the scene were LaMoille Fire and Ambulance, the Illinois State Police and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

## Head Start director testifies on Capital Hill

**WASHINGTON, DC**—Director of the Tri-County Opportunities Council Rachael DeSpain is delivered congressional testimony in front of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor Health and Human Services regarding the need for increased funding for Head Start.

"As Rachael articulates so well in her testimony, today nearly all Head Start programs are open with the vast majority conducting live, safe, and in-person programming and care," said NHA Executive Director Yasmina Vinci. "Rachael is delivering an important message to Congress that underscores how vital Head Start is to the early childhood education landscape."

In addition to her in-person testimony, DeSpain submitted a written witness statement, which includes the following call to action:

"For every four children in Head Start, there is only one Early Head Start slot, and millions of children go unserved. Among the millions unserved are the children who have been disproportionately affected this past year, those who face historic and systemic racism, and those who face greater likelihoods of childhood trauma. I urge the House to consider just how important it is to sustain Head Start's critical services for our children and families, and beyond that, I urge you to consider greater investment in Head Start as investing in a

tool that builds equity and opportunity in our communities, including my very own small, rural community."

The Illinois Head Start Association is proud of DeSpain's work to represent the national Head Start community.

"We extend our appreciation to Rachael DeSpain who is an outstanding advocate locally and nationally," said Illinois Head Start Association Executive Director Lauri Morrison-Frichtl. "Through her service and her testimony, she exemplified the continued excellence of Head Start communities in Illinois and across the country, as well as their extraordinary efforts this past year to serve, heal, and bring us together."

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## KEVIN GLENN RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

Drawing will be held on July 3rd at the 150th Year Community Celebration. Need not be present to win.

Kevin Glenn is an Amboy resident and former Lieutenant of Amboy Fire. In March of this year, Kevin was seen in the ER for severe stomach pain where further testing diagnosed him with Stage 3 Colon Cancer. Kevin will be undergoing chemotherapy and incurring major medical expenses. The Amboy Firemen have put together a raffle fundraiser to give back in any way possible for the years of service he selflessly gave to the community.

### Raffle Tickets

\$5 each or \$20 for (5)

- 1st Place: Iver Johnson Stryker AR-Style 12 Ga 20" with (5) Round Mags Nickel/Black Finish OR \$500 cash  
2nd Place: \$400 Delta Travel Voucher  
\*Second flight free with purchase of first flight in U.S.  
3rd Place: Blackstone Tabletop Griddle 17"  
4th Place: O'Connell Yogi Bear Park Weekend Campsite Rental \*Non-Holiday

Purchase tickets from an AFPD member in-person or online. Payment via cash, check or Venmo (@amboyfire). Contact: [info@amboyfire.com](mailto:info@amboyfire.com) (Subject: Glenn Raffle) or Facebook Messenger.

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# OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

## OBITUARIES

### Matt Henkel

**Feb. 18, 1979 - May 19, 2021**

**BYRON**—Matt Henkel, 42, of Byron, formerly of Sublette and Amboy died on May 19, 2021, with his family by his side. Matt fought a courageous 13-year battle with brain cancer and spent his last few months participating in a clinical trial in hope of advancing the cause of conquering GBM. Matt fought this battle with an unbelievable amount of love and support from family, friends, co-workers, and the community.

Matt was born in Mendota, on Feb. 18, 1979 to Paul and Susan Henkel. He was raised in Sublette and spent the majority of his life raising his family in Amboy, before moving to Byron. He graduated from Amboy High School in 1997 and from Illinois State University in 2001. In 2002, he married Cammie Cook, his high school sweetheart and wife of nearly 20 years.

Matt's love of golf led him to a career in course management. He started as an intern at the Byron Forest Preserve and was promoted to assistant superintendent, before realizing his dream of becoming superintendent of PrairieView Golf Course in 2010. In 2018, Matt assumed the role of general manager/superintendent before cancer tragically cut his career short. Matt embraced technology in the golf industry and was instrumental in bringing PrairieFire to life. When he could no longer work, it brought him great joy and pride to view the daily usage reports and know that so many peo-

ple were spending quality time together and enjoying his dream.

Matt was a beloved father, son, uncle, brother, boss and friend to many and will be remembered for his smile, kindhearted nature, and willingness to help out anyone. Matt was truly humbled by the many acts of kindness and love showered upon him and his family and wanted everyone to know how much he appreciated all that has been done to support his fight over the years. Special thanks to the caregivers at Serenity Hospice for their flexibility, understanding, and compassion. Thank you also to Bridgette Oester and Jones Funeral home, who were instrumental in coordinating the donation of Matt's brain to the NIH Brain Bank at UCLA.

Matt is survived by his wife, Cammie, son Ashton, and daughters Claire and Mara, his parents Paul and Sue Henkel of Sublette; sisters, Rachel (Andrew) Tarr, of Amboy and Sarah (Ken) Gehant, of Compton; grandmothers, Patricia Syskowski, of Mendota and Betty Henkel, of Sublette; many aunts, uncles, and cousins; his in-laws, Les and Deb Cook, of Amboy, Jenny and Scott Full, of Amboy, and Breann and Brian Welker, of Dixon; and nine nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

He was preceded in death by his younger sister, Catharine Henkel, grandfathers, Stan Syskowski and Cletus Henkel, and uncle, David Henkel.



At Matt's request, his body will be cremated, and there will be no services. Matt felt fortunate to have been able to spend the past year celebrating his life in large and small ways with his friends and family that he loved so much. Cancer taught Matt many lessons about the value of time, and he would much prefer everyone use the hours that would have been spent attending services to make memories with family, volunteer, or engage in a random act of kindness to brighten someone else's day.

Memorials may be directed to the Matt Henkel fund at First National Bank in Amboy to be used for his children's college education, the Wee One Foundation, or the donor's choice. The omission of flowers is requested.

Arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon.

Online condolences can be left at [www.thejonesfh.com](http://www.thejonesfh.com).

## SCHOOL continued from page A1

• On April 26 a faculty meeting was held to discuss the IAR and changes for next year along with discussion about Teachers' Appreciation Week, virtual voyage, and grades. Amie Wiseman came and reviewed the technology subscriptions that will be renewed for the upcoming school year.

### PBIS

On April 26 the monthly PBIS celebration/assembly was held over Google Meets and the following awards were handed out:

Students of the Month  
5th Grade-Faith Fenwick and Kahne Skibbe.

6th Grade-Madysyn Heath and Ryan Garcia.

7th Grade-Emilie Reed-Dempsey and Olivia Ketchum.

8th Grade-Emersyn Noble and Atticus Goff.

P.E.- Alexa McKendry and Gavin Eisenberg.

Clipper P.R.I.D.E.- Wyatt Eisenberg, AJ Fisher, Carissa McRoberts, Callan Christoffersen, Tyler Mahar, Ayla Costner, Caleb Shugars, Nico Warner, Ty Florschuetz, Tinley Whitney, Lane Goff, Adrian Mimini, Dominic Fonderoli, Alena Shaw, Josh McKendry, Karagen Welch, Owen Althaus, Lily Montantes, Tyrah Vaessen, Abby Hicks, and Jason Hemmen.

Faculty and Staff Recognition- Arly Kaecker and Katie Henkel.

Students also got to pick envelopes for Fannie May sales, money was handed out to top sellers, and Henry Klein received \$1,000 after his name was drawn for a multi-school drawing.

### School Activities

AJHS track competed at Sectionals on May 8 and the following athletes placed:

7th Grade Girls - 5th

8th Grade Girls - 3rd

In 7th grade girls, Isabella Yanos - 2nd 100M, 1st 200M; Madison Althaus - 2nd 400M; and 1st 4x100 - Lily Leffelman, Alexa McKendry, Stephanie Nave, and

Isabella Yanos.

In 8th grade girls, Cierra Kessel - 3rd 100M, 2nd 400M; Natalie Pratt - 2nd 800M; Karagen Welch - 3rd 800M; and 3rd 4x200 - Cierra Kessel, Gloria Parker, Natalie Pratt, and Karagen Welch.

7th Grade Boys - 8th

8th Grade Boys - 1st

In 7th grade boys, Nick

Noble 1st - 800M.

In 8th grade boys, Josh McKendry - 1st 100M, 1st 200M, 1st Discus; Caleb Yanos- 3rd 100M, 2nd 200M; Quinn Leffelman- 3rd Discus, 1st 110M Hurdles; Michael Shoemaker- 3rd 800M; Jaden Haley- 2nd 1600M; and 1st 4x100- Nick Noble, Quinn Leffelman, Josh McKendry, Caleb Yanos.

• On May 7, AJHS held their yearly severe weather drill and on May 10 the third and final fire drill was held.

• Quinn Leffelman and Tyrah Vaessen were chosen to receive the IPA Student Leadership Award.

Principal Joyce Schamberger, Central Elementary School Improvement

• During the SIP day on May 24, Student of the Month awards were handed out as well as the annual End of the Year Awards by grade level. The afternoon gave teachers time to post grades as per contractual agreement.

### PBIS

Students will walk to Meusel's Dairy Delite for an end of the year ice cream treat on May 26 after eating lunch.

### School Activities

• The Annual Track and Field day was held on May 21. Chris Payne, PE teacher, planned all games and activities.

• Congratulations to 4th grade students Parker Zimmerly and Isabelle Klein. They were chosen as the recipients of the Illinois Principals Association Student Leadership Award representing Amboy Central School.

• Schamberger thanked all the parents who donated food items and soda to the lounge for Teacher Appreciation Week.

### OTHER BUSINESS

• A new board member, Amanda "Mandy" Powers, was sworn in during a Finance Committee meeting held on April 29. School board president Nicole Jones said the election authority provided the final vote tally for the April 6 consolidated election showing that Powers

received 245 votes for the four-year term of office.

• Katie Pratt discussed the progress of Strategic Planning for the district. The core committee is in place, and she hoped the committee would have their first meeting the week of May 24 to discuss the timeline, the process that will be followed, and what the larger committee will look like. Pratt said the purpose of strategic planning is to create a new mission and vision for Amboy schools and getting input from the community is a priority. "We have to talk to the people we're serving," she said.

• Superintendent Joshua Nichols said he is very excited that the summer food program will continue. Food will be picked up on Wednesdays.

• Nichols was also pleased to announce that the end of year enrollment in the district is up to 742. "That's the highest it has been since the 2012-13 school year," he said.

• Several Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreements were approved by the board. They include consolidating with Ohio for baseball, softball, volleyball, boys basketball, and girls basketball for the next two school years; with LaMoille and Ohio for football and football cheerleading for the next two school years; with LaMoille, Ashton-Franklin Center and Ohio for boy's and girl's cross country, boy's and girl's golf, boy's and girl's track and field, and wrestling for the next two school years. They also approved an agreement with Ashton-Franklin Center for the Early Childhood Pre-K Program.

• The board approved an agreement with Architect Richard L. Johnson Associates, Inc. for an outdoor classroom to be constructed at Central School near the baseball diamond. The project will include tables and a sturdy pavilion.

### PERSONNEL

Following closed session, the board accepted the resignations of Kalla Mahar as a paraprofessional, effective May 26 and of Karen Smith as custodian, effective May 14. They also approved a quote from the CTS Group for unit ventilator replacement with condensing units and exhaust fan replacements at the high school.

### Memorial Day Mass!

Father Kramer will celebrate Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery at 10 a.m. on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31.

The special intention for this Mass is for all the veterans from our nation's wars especially those who are buried at the Holy Cross Cemetery -

and also for everyone else buried there as well.

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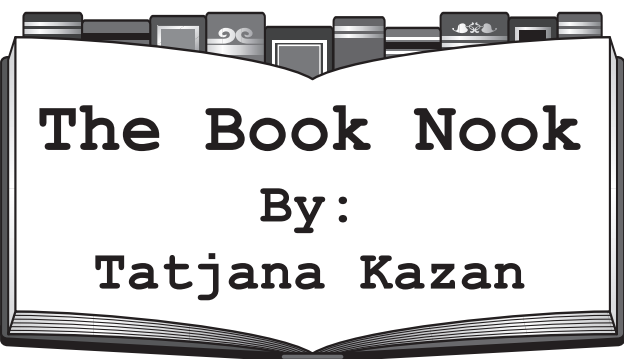
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# SOCIAL NEWS



## Strange Land

To be an immigrant means to belong to two countries, but emotionally never quite be at home in either. In American author Jhumpa Lahiri's Pulitzer Prize-winning book of short stories, "The Interpreter of Maladies," the Indian immigrant narrator of the final story describes this indeterminate condition: "I have remained in this new world for nearly 30 years. I know that my achievement is quite ordinary. I am not the only man to seek his fortune far from home, and certainly I am not the first. Still, there are times I am bewildered by each mile I have traveled,

each meal I have eaten, each person I have known, each room in which I have slept. As ordinary as it all appears, there are times when it is beyond my imagination."

All nine stories are excellent; in seven, Lahiri charts the voyages, both physical and emotional, of Indian immigrants to Boston. Two stories take place in India, including "The Interpreter of Maladies." The interpreter is Mr. Kapasi, a tourist guide who is chauffeuring an American family to the Sun Temple at Konarak. He is a fastidious gentleman who tells them about his job translating the symptoms of

Gujarati patients for a doctor who doesn't know the Gujarati language. In his youth Mr. Kapasi "had dreamed of being an interpreter for diplomats and dignitaries, resolving conflicts between people and nations, settling disputes of which he alone could understand both sides." When the wife encourages Mr. Kapasi to elaborate, and even offers further contact after her return to America, he is thrilled, misinterpreting her casual flirtation: "In its own way this correspondence would fulfill his dream of serving as an interpreter between nations."

Children narrate two stories. "When Mr. Pirzada Came to Dine" takes place in Boston in 1971 when Bangladesh fought its war of independence against Pakistan. Every evening, Mr. Pirzada comes for dinner and the evening news. His wife had insisted that their seven daughters all have names beginning with the letter A. One day "Mr. Pirzada produces from his wallet a black-and-white picture of seven girls at

a picnic, their braids tied with ribbons, sitting cross-legged in a row, eating chicken curry off of banana leaves. 'How am I to distinguish? Ayesha, Amira, Amina, Aziza, you see the difficulty.'" Though our 10-year old narrator does not comprehend the war, she is aware that Mr. Pirzada's family is in grave danger.

Lahiri's immigrants are husbands and wives who cope with crises, who have affairs with married men, let themselves in for sketchy friendships, and try to assimilate in an alien world. I came to America with my family when I was 14. The bewilderment, the urge to fit in, the sheer incomprehension are all familiar. A visiting German friend summed it up: "America is so much stranger than I could ever have imagined."

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## Lee Center Woodside Cemetery

### Memorial Day service set for Sunday

AMBOY — The annual Memorial Day service will be held at 10 a.m., on Sunday, May 30, at Woodside Cemetery. The service will be led by Pastor Jack Briggs of the Lee Center Congregational United Church of Christ. The veteran's roll call will be honored. Please bring your own lawn chairs. In the event of rain, the service will be held at the church in Lee Center.

This year, the Amboy American Legion will not be in attendance to present the colors although donations will be taken for their organization.



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His graces and warm, loving  
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Always in our hearts &  
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Forever missed, never  
forgotten. May God hold you  
in the palm of His hand.

Donna Wellman and Family

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Forever missed, never  
forgotten. May God hold you  
in the palm of His hand.

Donna, John, Jeff, Eileen,  
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Feb. 10, 1941 – Aug. 4, 2016

Your courage and bravery  
still inspire us, and the  
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with joy and laughter.

Love,  
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You were a light in our life that  
burns forever in our hearts.  
Served in Texas, Alaska and the  
Korean War.

Love,  
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Dad and Mom,  
May God cradle you in His arms until we meet again.  
Missing You,  
Mary and Mike Mays

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Your courage and bravery  
still inspire us, and the  
memory of your smile fills us  
with joy and laughter.

Loving husband, Father and  
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Love,  
Kathy Ketchum

### Ronald Vaessen

July 19, 1940 – July 31, 2020

Forever missed, never  
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in the palm of His hand.

Ruth Ann, Julie, Jared  
and families

### Pat Burke

July 6, 1946 –  
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Your courage and  
bravery still inspire us, and the  
memory of your smile fills us  
with laughter.

Bill Burke

### Nicole Wellman Ham

Dec. 21, 1981 – April 30, 2021

May God's angels guide you  
and protect you throughout  
time.

Mother of 4 who lived in  
Galena

Linn and Kent Barney



# Opinion

## OSF HealthCare: Let's come together and finish what we started

**BY STEPHEN HIPPLER, MD, FACP**  
Chief Clinical Officer  
OSF HealthCare  
**and BY HEATHER J. BOMSTAD, MSN, RN**  
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History books are filled with people accomplishing what once was believed impossible.

In 1962, President Kennedy challenged us to reach the moon by the end of the decade. On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong took "one giant leap for mankind."

Today we stand similarly on the brink of a historic breakthrough in the fight against COVID-19. Unsung heroes in the scientific,



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academic and medical communities have developed safe, effective vaccines. The collective effort is unprecedented.

But the war to end this pandemic that has claimed well over half a million lives in this country alone is



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not over. One missing link remains:

You.

Without you, millions of research hours could ultimately be wasted. It would be like stopping the moon quest with an orbit: Wave as you go by, because we've

decided not to get out and walk around.

We need to finish what we started and ensure all of us can enjoy healthier lives and a return to normalcy.

COVID-19 has taken so much from so many. The last year has been hard – untold deaths, disrupted families, uncelebrated milestones and holidays, isolation from family members, community lockdowns, a battered economy.

You can help end the suffering. You, your family, friends, neighbors, colleagues and everyone you don't know – all of us – can help by getting vaccinated. If you're uncertain, it's understandable. But accepting a new vaccine to stop the spread of deadly disease is something we as a society

have done before. And it's paid off.

Through the first half of the 20th century, we battled polio. Most of those affected were children. Public places were shut down, hospital wards were filled with iron lungs, and afflicted youngsters struggled with leg braces and crutches. Thankfully, research produced a vaccine that virtually eradicated polio.

Ending polio was a national campaign. A lot of pride and patriotism went into protecting one another. We did it together – standing up as one for our children, to end the death and suffering.

Now we find ourselves in an even greater fight. Many of those most at risk for serious illness or death from COVID-19 – are among those who stepped up to be vaccinated against polio. They did their part to secure a healthier existence for the

generations that followed.

We urge you to educate yourself about the risks and benefits of the vaccines. Make an informed decision. Talk to your primary care provider.

Review the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention research and the safety evidence of thousands of vaccinations given in clinical trials and many millions given since.

Vaccination of most of us is our best shot to get us back to the things we love – hugging family, enjoying friends, growing our businesses, attending big events and worship services.

This is the moonshot moment of our generation. But this time, we aren't being asked to watch in awe. This time, all of us are called to be the heroes – for ourselves, parents, children and future.

Let's take this giant leap for mankind together.

## On This Day in History

### 100 Years Ago May 27, 1921

J.L. Glassburn and Ted Coates went to Chicago Tuesday morning to drive out a couple of Fords.

Miss Clair Flach is among the numerous people in Amboy and vicinity who are possessors of new Ford cars.

Mrs. Nora Lynch entertained a company of friends last evening in honor of Miss Agnes Hogan, who left for her home in Denver Monday.

The Amboy Band will give their first open air concert next Monday evening.

### 75 Years Ago May 30, 1946

Dale Robbins, Amboy Township High School vocational agriculture student, has been awarded a medal for efficient milk production in state F.F.A. efficient milk production contest. Dale

and his brother, Kenneth jointly own a herd of Holstein cows.

On and after May 31, Dr. N.B. Podorney, local chiropractor, will be located in the Entorf building over the I.N.U. office. He has moved there from the Fenten building on Main Street.

Miss Patricia Antoine began work Monday morning at the First National Bank in Amboy for the summer vacation period.

### 50 Years Ago May 27, 1971

John Blackburn received The Amboy News award as the outstanding senior athlete of Amboy High School in 1970-71. James Mahar, newly appointed AHS athletic director presented the trophy to John at the annual AHS athletic banquet May 19.

Glenn Ersfeldt, veteran rural carrier, retired from active service on May 15,

1971. He had been in the U.S. Postal Service for 44 years and five months and was serving as carrier on Amboy rural route one when he retired.

### 25 Years Ago May 23, 1996

Jack Braggo, Superintendent of Public Works, operates from a cherry picker last Thursday as he installs a "Welcome to Amboy" banner in front of The First National Bank. The banners are a project of the Amboy Area Chamber of Commerce. One side of the banner features the Depot Museum and the other side has a Clipper Ship on it.

The Amboy AARP 2326 met at the Fellowship Hall of United First Church on May 14. Mabel Spencer, one of the members, was honored with the Volunteer of the Year certificate, pin and proclamation.

## Measure won't help a single dog or cat

A well-intentioned, but really dumb, bill pending before the Legislature would allow pet shops to sell dogs and cats only if they are obtained from a pound or rescue group.

The idea behind House Bill 1711 is to put so-called "puppy mills" out of business.

That's a noble goal.

Unfortunately, the measure won't help a single dog or cat and the only establishments it will cause to fold are reputable pet stores.

Under this bill, consumers could buy dogs from breeders. But pet stores would be prohibited from purchasing from them.

"This bill is being driven by emotion, not facts. If this bill passes it will put us out of business," said Ana Soskic, president of Furry Babies, which has pet stores in Rockford, Aurora and Lombard.

Soskic noted that folks who shop at her stores usually are looking for a specific dog breed.

"They want to buy purebred dogs and if our stores are getting dogs from animal shelters, we aren't going to be able to provide them with what they want," she said.

Soskic said she carefully vets the breeders who supply to her stores to ensure that all of the puppies and kittens have been raised in humane conditions. She added she would wholeheartedly support legislation to more stringently regulate breeding facilities.

"I got into this business because I love dogs," she said. "By selling dogs in our stores, we are helping customers so they won't have to drive 700 or 800 miles to buy directly from breeders. This bill does nothing to address the conditions at places where animals are born."

The measure has been approved by the House and is pending in the Senate. It has drawn opposition

### Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



from the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association.

"We support families being able to obtain pets from a shelter, animal control, pet stores or private breeders," said Dr. Colleen Lewis, president of the state veterinary association.

"We support consumer choice and this bill limits their choices," she added. "If a family wants to buy a specific breed of dog or cat, they should be able to buy what is best for their family."

Here is how the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals defines "puppy mill." "A puppy mill is a large-scale commercial dog breeding operation that places profit over the well-being of its dogs."

But this legislation essentially lumps most breeders into that category.

There are bad dog breeders out there just like there are unethical physicians, sloppy plumbers and dishonest accountants. But most breeders, like most people in any given profession, do a good job.

In fact, most of the dog breeders I've met are nice people who love animals and are committed to finding them good homes.

I too love animals. And I can't bear the thought of any dog or cat living in less than humane circumstances. But that shouldn't be surprising. I'm the son and husband of veterinarians.

Over the years, we have opened our home to many animals.

Some of these creatures have special needs. For example, there was the kitten born without eyes that we took in and cared for a dozen years. There was the elderly (and grumpy) mongrel we adopted when its owner entered hospice care.

And, yes, over the years we also have bought some purebreds from reputable breeders. Dog breeders, are mostly mom-and-pop business owners. In fact, most

of those I know are doing it part-time to supplement their income.

I bought Hershey, a Labrador retriever puppy, from an older woman in Rio, Ill., who was battling multiple sclerosis and living on Social Security.

Despite her physical ailments, she made sure the dogs were clean and well-cared for.

In the years after our purchase, she periodically would inquire how her "baby" was getting along.

She certainly didn't get rich raising dogs. But it helped her make ends meet. And she found loving homes for hundreds of puppies. But the bill before the Legislature would prohibit pet stores from buying from businesses such as hers.

A better approach for Illinois would be to follow Ohio's example and pass more stringent health regulations for animal breeders because the current legislation is unfair to reputable breeders, well-run pet stores and, most importantly, to consumers who want choices.

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Friday, May 28 at 10 a.m.

Our office will be closed on Monday, May  
31 in honor of Memorial Day. We will  
reopen on Tuesday, June 1, at 8 a.m.

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## Lady Clippers drop a 7-5 decision to Ashton-Franklin Center

ASHTON – The Amboy Lady Clippers dropped a 7-5 decision to Ashton-Franklin Center in varsity softball action on May 17 at Ashton.

Amboy held a 4-0 lead through four and a half innings before AFC stormed back to tie the game with four runs in the bottom of

the fifth. The home team broke the tie with a three-spot in the bottom of the sixth and Amboy added a run in the seventh.

Madelyn McLaughlin smashed a home run for the Lady Clippers, while Gabby Jones collected a pair of singles.

Hannah Blanton was the losing pitcher.

## Plans underway for Walnut 5K Run/Walk for ALS Research

WALNUT — The Walnut 5K Run/Walk for ALS Research (Lou Gehrig's Disease) will be Saturday, July 3, 2021. The run/walk starts at 8 a.m. in front of the Bureau Valley Elementary Walnut Campus.

Entry fee is \$15 if received by June 25. T-shirts guaranteed to all who register by June 25. Race day registration time is 6:45-7:45 a.m. prior to race.

Trophies awarded to first, second, and third place overall male and female and medals to top three in age groups (male and female); 13 age groups. Trophies to first male and female Walnut finishers. Walkers are encouraged to participate. Bib chip timing, professional road race scoring team, and accurately measured course.

Join us for our 10th year in support of raising money for ALS research and add on to the \$82,000 already raised over the past nine years. Due to Covid, the organizers will be looking to make this a safe racing environment for all participants.

Contact Brad Monier, Co-Race Director, to request an entry form or link to online registration at 815-303-9346 or email walnut5kals@gmail.com.

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OF )Case  
LeLaLu )No.  
Maxwell, )2021  
deceased)P 50

CLAIM NOTICE  
Notice is given of  
the death of LeLaLu  
Maxwell of Amboy,  
Illinois. Letters of Office  
were issued on April  
26, 2021 to Gary Wm.  
Maxwell of 778 Green  
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# SPORTS

## Softball regional schedule planned

**AMBOY** — The Amboy Lady Clippers are the eighth seed in Regional A of the Regional Softball Tournament to be held June 2, 3, 5.

Amboy will host ninth-seeded Morrison at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 2. If the Lady Clippers win, they will travel to Stronghurst to meet top-seeded Biggsville West Central at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, June 3. Number 5 Woodhull Atwood will play at fourth-seeded Sterling

Newman on June 3.

The winners of the June 3 contests will play for the championship on Saturday, June 5 with the highest seed hosting.

### REGIONAL A

Wednesday, June 2  
1 — (9) Morrison at (8) Amboy [Coop] — 4:30 p.m.  
Thursday, June 3  
2 — Winner Game 1 at (1) Biggsville (West Central) — 4:30 p.m.  
(West Central Middle

School, 215 W. South St., Stronghurst)

3 — (5) Woodhull (Atwood)[Coop] at (4) Sterling (Newman Central Catholic) — 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 5  
4 — Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 3 — 11 a.m. (highest seed to host)

*Email news items to [tgreenfield@amboynews.com](mailto:tgreenfield@amboynews.com)*



*Amboy's Tucker Lindenmeyer prepares to deliver a strike.*

Photo courtesy of Jordan Tidmore

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

**BOYS TRACK**  
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## Clippers lose to Eastland on Senior Night

**AMBOY** — Eastland posted a 14-1 victory over Amboy in a Senior Night varsity baseball game for the Clippers on May 20 at Parker Field.

Eastland jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the first inning and cruised the rest of the way. The game was stopped after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Amboy scored its lone run in the bottom of the fifth on an RBI single by Ian Eller. Preston Henkel also had a hit for the Clippers.

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