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Woman indicted for murder

Sarah Safranek has been charged with killing her 7-year-old son

By Brad Jennings
Editor

A grand jury returned an indictment against Sarah Safranek for First Degree Murder and Aggravated Battery of a Child, Ogle County State's Attorney Mike Rock announced on May 4.

Safranek, 34, of Oregon, has

been charged with killing her 7-year-old son on Feb. 17. She is being held on a \$2 million bond at the Ogle County Jail.

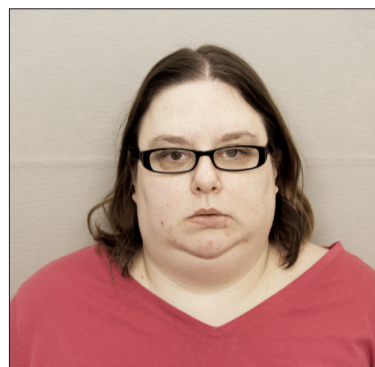
She appeared in court at the Ogle County Judicial Center on May 5 for a preliminary hearing.

On Feb. 17, Oregon Police responded to the home at 403 S. 10th St. for a child, Nathaniel

Burton, who was not breathing. He was taken to KSD Hospital in Dixon where he was pronounced dead.

An autopsy showed that they boy had died as a result of suffocation.

At a press conference announcing the arrest, Rock said that there were three people in the house, including the boy, at the time of the death. But he said at this time, they anticipate that only Safranek will be charged.



Sarah Safranek

If convicted of all charges, she faces up to life in prison.

SVHS earns top marks

School honored as top performer for fifth-straight year

STILLMAN VALLEY – For the fifth-straight year, Stillman Valley High School earned high national and metro-area rankings in 2021 Best High Schools in the annual U.S. News & World report.

The report, released on April 27, ranks more than 17,800 public high schools throughout the country, measuring how well schools serve students from various social and economic backgrounds.

"I would say that this is absolutely a collective effort," said Dr. P.J. Caposey, superintendent of schools. "Not only is this reflective of our great faculty and staff, but students and community as well. Moreover, it is frequently lost in the messaging that while this is a high school award it would not be possible without the work done by all district staff in helping our students succeed."

The top 10 schools in the national ranking represent 10 different states, demonstrating that high-quality public



Stillman Valley High School has been honored as a top school for the fifth consecutive year by U.S. News & World Report.

high schools can be found throughout the U.S.

Among all ranked schools, 35.3 percent are in rural or remote areas and 24.6 percent are in cities. Among just the top 5 percent of ranked schools, 7.2 percent are in rural or remote areas

and 42.3 percent are in cities.

Prior to starting its five-year run, Stillman Valley had not been honored in the report. Caposey said the district has worked hard for the success.

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WEATHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY
HIGH LOW	HIGH LOW
61 37	65 41
WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
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65 41	67 46
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Owners bringing Diamond G Ranch back to life

By Ellen O'Malley
Rochelle News-Leader

ROCHELLE – There is a glimpse of the true American West right under our noses here in Ogle County – and it smells like the rodeo.

Diamond G Ranch, just five minutes outside Rochelle, has been around for nearly 50 years. Its history is rich in rodeos, cowboys and cowgirls, relationships

and memories that never fade.

Those memories are continuing, thanks to Lane and Jenna Kreiser, who are bringing the property back to life after Lane bought the historic arena in 2017. Prior to the purchase, Lane knew it needed attention, but he also knew it would be a gem.

Lane grew up in Amboy, Jenna in Marseilles, but both grew up with the rodeo. Now

their kids, 9-year-old Brailee and 8-month-old Rodee, will truly grow up on a ranch that hosts rodeos and events.

They're doing what they can to spruce things up.

"I want it to look welcoming, we're trying to liven it up," Jenna said, adding that she's planted flowers and hope they take off.

They recently host their first public event since Covid-19

closed many venues throughout the country – Jackpot Barrel Races. The event was sanctioned by the Illinois Barrel Racing Association.

The improvements and additions the couple has made to the ranch are significant, but some undetectable, like the expense for new gutters on the entire indoor arena and building.

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LOCAL NEWS

Area men indicted on charges involving children

Eric J. Simpson, 37, Oregon, was indicted for predatory criminal sexual assault of a child and aggravated criminal sex abuse.

Last year, Oregon Police learned about a minor child who had been sexually abused from 2016-18. Simpson was developed as a suspect.

If convicted, Simpson faces up to 60 years in prison.

The grand jury also indicted Joshua Lake, 27, for child pornography.

In 2018, the Illinois State Police and the Attorney General's Hi-Tech Crime Bureau investigated child pornography being share in Stillman Valley. During the investigation, Lake was developed as a suspect.

Child pornography is a felony and carries a sentence of up to 30 years in prison.

Ogle County State's Attorney Mike Rock announced the indictments on May 4.

Chana church hosting blood drive on May 12

The Chana United Methodist Church, 606 Main Street in Chana, is hosting a Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, May 12.

Staff from the Rock River Valley Blood Center will draw blood between 2-6 p.m. All covid-19 safety measures will be followed. Masks are required

and appointments preferred but walk-ins are welcomed.

This year following vaccine shots there is no wait period for the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines.

To schedule an appointment contact Carole at 815-595-4559 or visit RRVBC.org or call 815-965-8751.

SVHS: Continuing to improve

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"We have made intentional programmatic decisions supporting Advanced Placement classes that have seemed to bolster our rating within the US News and World Report formula, but while we really like receiving this honor, it is not our focus," he said. "We continue to try to improve student performance, school culture, and sustainable systems and we believe if we do the right work in the right way, we will continue to have success."

The methodology focuses on six factors: college readiness, reading and math proficiency, reading and math performance, underserved student performance, college curriculum breadth and graduation rates. Col-

lege readiness specifically measures participation and performance on Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams. The data used in this edition is from the 2018-2019 academic school year, and therefore was not affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Families can use the Best High Schools rankings to see how schools compare at the national, state and local level on factors like graduation rates and college readiness," said Anita Narayan, managing editor of Education at U.S. News. "The rankings also provide insight into academic performance among underserved groups."

Alongside the national rankings, U.S. News published rankings at the state, metro area and school district



levels. Only metro areas and school districts with three or more high schools were included in these subrankings.

The Best High Schools rankings are available exclusively on USNews.com and include data on a variety of factors, such as enrollment, student diversity, participation in free and reduced-price lunch programs, graduation rates and the results of state assessments. U.S. News worked with RTI International, a global research firm, to implement the comprehensive ranking methodology.

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DIAMOND: Barrel race event on May 15

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One thing most will notice, though, is the new announcer's box which went up this year. The two-story building at the north end of the arena was constructed by Lane and some friends. The Kreislers do much of the work themselves, with the help of friends and neighbors.

One major endeavor included shifting the entire outdoor arena to accommodate two natural gas pipelines that go through the property. That was tricky, but now there no



Jenna Kreiser has trained Dallas to sit on command.

longer are fears of interfering with the pipeline.

The most recent event was barrel racing, but they plan to host more events such as rodeos, bull riding, team sorting, team penning, roping and more barrel racing.

Jenna also is doing horse training, in her spare time. She trained her horse, Dallas, to sit on command in less than three months. She also has a bull that she boards in Wisconsin that is a showstopper and winner.

History

Diamond G Ranch wouldn't have happened without the vision and hard work of Milo and Dena Gittleston, who purchased the property in 1972 and turned it into

rodeo central. Jenna said the same participants who made the rodeo a success nearly 50 years ago, come back now with their kids and grandkids and share stories of Diamond G Ranch. Back in the day it was nicknamed the "cow palace."

Gittleston's daughters, Sandy and Donna still lease and operate the store.

One thing the Gittleston's started which the Kreislers have continued is the New Year's Eve bull riding competition. It's a huge hit in the indoor arena and, despite not being advertised, was a popular event this past year and they intend to continue in all the years to come.

There is another barrel race event on Saturday, May 15.

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LOCAL NEWS

Spaghetti dinner will help buy school kits for Byron children

BYRON – On Wednesday, May 12 between 5-7 p.m., pick up a hot spaghetti dinner from the United Church of Byron, 701 W. 2nd St., to take home and enjoy with your family.

We are accepting freewill donations; suggested price is \$8 per adult; \$5 for children ages 5-12 and nothing for children under 5. All proceeds from the dinner will be donated to Mary Morgan Elementary school for the purchase of school kits for Byron's elementary school children who receive free or reduced-price lunches.

Our spaghetti is served with a red sauce, with or without meatballs, with sides of garlic bread, salad, and dessert.

Just follow the signs and drive up to the front of the church where meals will be bagged for transport and delivered to your car.

School kits now cost around \$60 per child so purchasing school supplies can be a challenge for families with limited incomes, since they are only a portion of the additional expenses families face at that time of year for school fees, gym clothes, and clothes for growing children. Wouldn't it be great if we could help purchase a school supply kit for 100 percent of Byron's qualifying children?

For more information contact the church at 815-234-8777.

Forrestville's Smith named 'Superintendent of Distinction'

Sheri Smith, superintendent of Forrestville Valley CUSD #221, has been named the 2021 Superintendent of Distinction by her colleagues in the Northwest Region of the Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA).

Smith was honored at an awards luncheon May 5 in Springfield. State Superintendent Dr. Carmen Ayala was the featured speaker, where 21 IASA regional Superintendents of Distinction were recognized.

"One of the belief statements held at Forrestville Valley is our students desire, our educators seek and our community members encourage a balance of tradition with forward critical thinking," said Smith, who has been an educator for 22 years and superintendent at Forrestville Valley CUSD #221 for seven years. "I have been honored to be part of the rich traditions of Forrestville Valley and lead our staff down various avenues to expand opportunities for our students."

Those nominating Smith noted a number of successes during her tenure including:

- * Received Illinois State Board of Education Exemplary Status, placing Forreston Jr/Sr High School and Forreston Grade School in the top 10% of Illinois Schools

- * Implemented a standards-based curriculum at all grade levels to include rigorous design and development.

- * Hired district Instructional coaches, mentors and a curriculum director to assist teachers

with teaching and learning and provide ongoing professional growth opportunities throughout the school year.

- * Implemented STEM Programming in grades 7-12 to include robotics at the middle school and Project Lead the Way Engineering Pathway at Forreston High school.

- * Restructured building configuration to develop an early learning center, which expanded kindergarten and pre-school options.

- * Focused on meeting the social and emotional needs of students by increasing support at all levels to include social



work and counseling services.

- * Provided dual-learning environments for Forrestville Valley students during the COVID-19 global pandemic to include in-person instruction beginning August 2020, as well as synchronous remote instruction.

The family of William (Bill) Hogan would like to thank everyone for their generosity upon his passing. Be it a monetary gift, kind words, a delicious meal, beautiful flowers or a donation in his name to Serenity Hospice. Not only was he a husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, he was our rock. Your love and support is helping us get through this difficult time.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts,

The Hogan Family

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Obituaries

Joseph W. Macak

OREGON – Joseph W. Macak, 84, of Oregon, died suddenly Sunday, April 25, 2021 at KSB Hospital, Dixon. He lived the past 16 years in Oregon, moving from Lombard. Born April 17, 1937 in Chicago, the son of William J. and Eleanor (Fitzgerald) Macak.

Married to Audrey Bissell September 17, 1955 in Franklin Park. Joseph was a graduate of Leyden High School in Franklin Park and was employed 45 years as a sheet metal worker, 36 years with Wagner Heating in Addison, retiring in 2001. He was a member of Locals 73 and 265 and a former member of the



Knights of Columbus. Joe was an avid bowler. Survived by his wife of over 65 years, Audrey Macak of Oregon; son, Kevin (Sharon) Macak of Westmont; daughter, Kathleen (Mark) York of Oregon; grandchildren: Michael Macak, Douglas Macak, Mitchell Macak and Leny York; great grandchildren: Brody

and Beckham Macak; brothers: William (Linda) Macak of Hoffman Estates and Lyndon (Judy) Macak of Wood Dale; and sisters: Joan Karpel and Billie Marie Fuller, both of Tucson, Ariz., and Jacqueline (Ken) Bird of Smyrna, Tenn.

Preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Bill Karpel.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a private memorial service will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to the family. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon, assisted the family with arrangements.

Gladys M. Typer

POLO – Gladys M. Typer, 96 of Polo, passed away Monday, May 3, 2021, at Polo Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center.

Gladys was born Nov. 10, 1924, in Sterling, the daughter of George and Anna Wechsler. She met her future husband William Typer at the local roller rink and were married on Oct. 18, 1945 in Polo. Gladys belonged to the Faith United Methodist Church, volunteered with Second Hand Rose, UMW, Polo Senior Center and the Tebala Shrine Women. She enjoyed reading, horseback riding and was an avid recycler before



its time. Survivors include daughters Dori (John) Jury of Wisconsin and Barb (Tim) Ruter of Shannon; sons Jim Typer of Colorado and Don (Janis) Typer of Sullivan; sister Ethel Warner of Sterling; 9 Grandchildren, 12 Great Grandchildren

She was preceded in death by her husband Bill; daughter Nancy Lynn Peltz; sister Arlene Grobe; 3 brothers Lowell, Ken and Jr. Wechsler.

Visitation was Friday at Faith United Methodist Church from 9:30-11 a.m. A Private family service will follow with her being laid to rest next to her husband at Fairmount Cemetery in Polo.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Faith United Methodist Church or Polo Senior Center.

Visit www.polofamily-funeralhome.com to send condolences.



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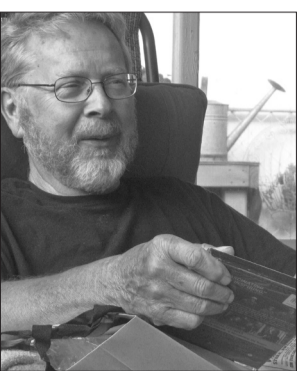
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Ron Birr



OREGON – On April 23, 2021, Ron Birr, 78, of Oregon, passed away peacefully, after suffering an extended illness (Parkinsonism/Lewy Body Dementia.) Ronald Raymond Birr was born in Elmhurst, on Feb. 3, 1943 to Raymond and Dorothea (nee Reschke) Birr of the Wheaton-Lombard, Ill., area. Ron was a 1961 graduate of Wheaton High School.

Ron's greatest achievement was his family. He married Janice C. Reese in Elmhurst on April 4, 1964. Ron and Jan just celebrated their 57th Anniversary. He was an amazing family man, loving husband and father to Jeffrey R. Birr, Laura Brown, and father-in-law to Jim Brown all of Dixon.

Preceded in death by his parents, sister Margaret Wilde, nephew, David Wilde and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Ron enjoyed his solitude and had an enthusiasm for outdoor adventure, which was contagious. He was an

avid bicyclist and happiest riding on the open roads and bike trails or paddling on peaceful waters, in a canoe. In fact, according to his recently discovered, meticulously documented bicycle mileage, in 32 years (from 1985-2017) he rode over 48,246 miles. That is twice around the earth!! If he could share these experiences with friends and family, all the better. He and Jan had many bicycle/camping adventures around the Midwest. He especially was drawn to the rugged north woods of Northern Ontario and Northern Minnesota, where he requested his ashes be released, some day.

Ron retired in 2015,

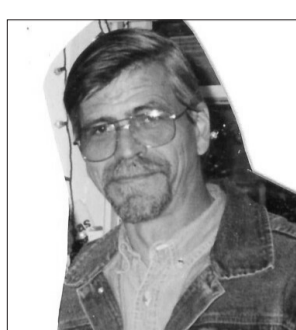
from Woods Equipment Co., Oregon, as Sr. Product Safety Manager. He was the President/Owner of Birr Risk Analysis, Inc, Galva, and worked in the Engineering Administration as Loss Control Coordinator at Kewanee Farm Equipment Co., Kewanee.

Special thank you for Ron's care, to Dr. Gregory Reckamp & Staff, KSB Hospital, Oregon Fire Chief Michael Knoup, Mt. Morris Ambulance Service, Polo Rehab & Health Care, Serenity Hospice & Home. In lieu of flowers, Memorials may be made to Serenity Hospice & Home, 1658 S. IL Rt 2, Oregon, IL 61061 or Boys Town, P.O. Box 8000, Boys Town, NE 68010 (Ron was a long-time supporter of Boys Town.)

To leave online condolence, please visit www.affordablecremationbelvidere.com/obituary/Ronald-Birr.

Celebration of Life will be scheduled at a later date, due to COVID-19.

Robert B. 'Bob' Kloog



OREGON – Robert B. "Bob" Kloog, 66, of Oregon, died Monday, May 3, 2021 in Serenity Hospice Home following a short illness. Born Jan. 12, 1955 in Aurora, the son of Wilbur and Helen Kloog.

Married to Mary Jane Schuck Jan. 8, 1993 in Wheaton. Bob lived in Oregon the past 25 years, moving from Wheaton where he had been employed by the City of Wheaton for several years. He also drove for Graphic Arts Express in Oregon for

over 10 years. Bob enjoyed working on cars and won awards at area car shows.

Preceded in death by his parents.

Survived by his wife, Mary Jane Kloog of Ore-

gon; daughter, Kris Kloog of Arizona; step-daughters, Julie Krantz of Aurora and Denise McKeown of Dixon; several step-grandchildren; brother, Rick Kloog of Georgia; and sister, Judy Rosa of Tennessee.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the family or the funeral home to offset expenses. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon assisted the family.

Elmars J. Kalnins



MOUNT MORRIS – Elmars J. Kalnins, age 91, died Saturday, April 24, 2021 at Pinecrest Manor in Mt. Morris with his wife, Marion, at his side. He was born Jan. 5, 1930 in Riga, Latvia, the son to Janis and Zelma (Wunderlich) Kalnins.

He attended schools in Riga, Latvia before moving to the United States. Shortly after arriving in America, Elmars was drafted to serve in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He became a United States Citizen in December 1956. He married Marion Fritz on April 9, 1960 in Mt. Morris. They had recently celebrated their 61st anniversary. Elmars was a carpenter by trade and also worked at Kable Printing in Mt. Morris from 1959 – Dec 20, 1996. He retired in style that day by driving around town in a very decorated Packer car.

He was very active in the Mt. Morris community having served

on the Village Board for 14 years and as Village President for 8 years. He was a member of the Disciples United Methodist Church in Mt. Morris, the Mt. Morris Moose Lodge #1551, the Oregon VFW Post #8739, and the Mt. Morris Senior Citizen's Center. He loved to bowl, do construction projects, and work in his garden. Elmars was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was always there to support all his family no matter what the occasion was. He attended most, if not all, his daughters, grandchildren, and great grandchildren's events in good weather as well as bad.

He was predeceased by

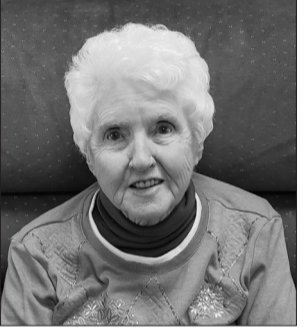
his parents, his 2 brothers, Boris and Alfred, and great granddaughter Hazel.

He is survived by his wife Marion of 61 years, his 3 daughters; Sandy (Al) Nordman of Oregon, Brenda (Chuck) Baal of Mt. Morris, and Lisa (Michael) Janes of Dixon, 13 grandchildren; Kenny Kalnins, Matt (Lynn) Kalnins, Will Nordman, AJ Nordman, Andrew (Amanda) Nordman, Justin (Cassie) Baal, Emily Baal, Josie Wingert, Truley Wingert, Carter Gremba and 10 great grandchildren (Abi, Cara, Jonas, Kolbe, Maddison, Mayson, Lukas, Genevieve, Vincent, Ivy).

A celebration of life service will be held on Sunday, May 30th from 1-4 p.m. at the Moose Lodge in Mt. Morris. Memorials may be directed to the family or the charity of the donor's choice.

Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory of Elmars.

Betty L. Jones



PEORIA – Betty L. Jones, age 84, died Monday, May 3, 2021 surrounded by her loving family. She was born Oct. 3, 1936 in Henderson, Tenn., the daughter of Leonard and Benny "Vestty" (Hensley) Hopper.

She attended Chester County High School. Betty married Ralph Jones on July 24, 1959 in Peoria. He preceded her in death on Sept. 13, 2013. She enjoyed cooking, quilting, crocheting, singing, and sitting on the deck watching the birds.

Most of all she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, parents, and siblings; Ward, Jean, Ruby, Robert, Patsy, Gayle, Fay, and Ray.

She is survived by her 3 children; Ralph Jones, Jr. of Pekin, Linda (Mike) Sartin of Oregon, and Roger (Fredda) Jones of Washington, Ill., sister Shirley of Tennessee, and 7 grandchildren; Brandi, Colton, Wyatt, Mariah, Skylar, Pierce, and Danielle.

A private graveside service will be held in Peoria. In memory of Betty her family would ask that you plant a tree. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home in Oregon is assisting the family.

Kenneth C. Obendorf

POLO – Kenneth C. Obendorf, 90 of Polo passed peacefully away at his home on Wednesday, April 28th 2021, with his loving wife of 70 years by his side. Kenneth was born May 7th, 1930 in Carroll County, the son of Arthur and Nellie Waterbury Obendorf. Kenneth graduated from Polo Community High School in 1948. He married Elizabeth Isley on Feb. 17th, 1951 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Polo.

Kenneth was the owner of Obendorf Shelling in Eagle Point, a business started by his father in 1930. He eventually purchased Hazelhurst Lumber and Grain and remained a part of the business until he later retired. He enjoyed spending time with his friends in different breakfast groups, golfing, and

playing cards. Kenneth was an avid Cub's fan, attended many Cubs games and celebrated their 2016 World Series win with his family and friends. He was on the committee for LSSI Bid for Youth Auction of Ogle County, a council member for St. Mark's Lutheran Church, on the board for Polo Historical Society, and was awarded 2006 Citizen of the Year for Polo and Republican of the Year for Ogle County. He volunteered for Representative Jerry Mitchell. Kenneth enjoyed pulling the train full of his grandkids and their friends at local parades.

He is survived by his wife Betty Obendorf, his sons Bruce (Robin) Obendorf Mt. Morris, Steve (Cheri) Obendorf Naperville, and daughters Krista (James) Lichtenheld Keno-

sha, Wis., and Susan (Tim) O'Connor Mt. Carroll, 15 grandchildren; Amy, Andrew, Adam, Allen, Beth, Tara, Louis, Alan, Kyle, Kenny, Lori, Daniel, Clare, Natalie, Lily, 9 great grandchildren; Michael, Ryan, Thomas, Matthew, Holly, Rose, Anna, Arlo, Archer, and his niece Carolyn (Bill) Warren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Imogene, brother Bruce, and grandchild Bethany

Visitation was on Monday, May 3rd at St. Mark's Lutheran Church from 4-6 p.m. Funeral service was held on Tuesday, May 4th at 10 a.m. at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Burial followed at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Dixon. A memorial has been established at St. Mark's Lutheran Church and Polo Historical Society.

Valdene Snodgrass



BYRON – Valdene Grace Snodgrass, 85, of Byron, died Monday, April 26, 2021, at The Atrium in Rockford. She was born in her parent's home, June 11, 1935 in Oregon, the daughter of Emmo F. and Jessie G. (Claussen) Oltmanns.

She graduated a year early and valedictorian at Byron High School in 1952. In school she participated in Spanish club, girl's chorus, mixed chorus, student council, GAA (Girls Athletic Association), speech contest and news editor. Valdene married Duane "Dewey" Eugene Snodgrass on June 21, 1962.

Soon after graduating from high school Valdene started her banking career at Byron Bank where she worked fourteen years starting out with filing checks, posting

transactions and then becoming a teller. Later she was loan officer and promoted to and ending her tenure there as assistant cashier. Valdene became one of the first female CEO's of a bank in Illinois at the First National Bank in Winnebago retiring in 2001 as President. She was a member of the Ebenezer Reformed Church near Oregon and the Illinois Bankers Association. She enjoyed boating, bowling, water skiing and country mu-

sic. Valdene's dogs were her pride and joy.

Valdene is survived by her brother, Alvin Oltmanns of Byron; several nephews and nieces.

Valdene is predeceased by her husband of 57 years, Dewey Snodgrass; sister, Pauline Weller.

Funeral service was 11 a.m., with a visitation starting at 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at Ebenezer Reformed Church, 2997 N. German Church Rd., Oregon with Pastor Josiah Youngquist officiating. Interment at Ebenezer Cemetery. In lieu of flowers a memorial will be established.

Arrangements by Genandt Funeral Home, 602 N. Elida St., Winnebago. For an online obituary and tributes go to www.genandtfuneralhome.com.

Kurt B. Laurent



CHANA – Kurt B. Laurent, 75, of Chana, died Wednesday, April 28, 2021 in his home. Born in 1945 in Rockford, the son of Wilbur K. and Bernice (Welte) Laurent.

Married to Ellen Canfield in 1973 in Oregon. Kurt was a 1963 graduate of Rockford East High School and served in the U.S. Air Force. He owned and operated Chana Saw & Stove from 1983 to 2019. He was a member of Oregon Church of God where he was a Deacon for many years. Kurt enjoyed gardening, landscaping, nature and wood-carving. He also had a passion for

collecting insects and butterflies.

Survived by his wife, Ellen Laurent of Chana; sons, Nathan (Latrice) Laurent and Jay Laurent, both of Chana; grandchildren: Paxton, London and Lauren; brother, Craig (Nancy) Laurent of Belvidere; and 9 nieces and

nephews. Preceded in death by his parents and brother, Kermit Laurent.

A private family graveside service was held at Chapel Hill Cemetery, Chana with Pastor Michael of Oregon Church of God presiding. Visitation was 3-6 p.m. Sunday, May 2 in the Oregon Church of God. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Kurt's name may be made to the Oregon Church of God Deacon's Fund or Serenity Hospice and Home, Oregon. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon assisted the family with arrangements.

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LOCAL NEWS

Ogle County Sheriff

April 5

At approximately 11:15 p.m., Ogle County Deputies conducted a traffic stop at IL Rte 2 and IL Rte 72. After a brief investigation, Deputies arrested Peggy L. Anderson, 47 of Rockford, for an active Ogle County warrant for Failure to Appear. Anderson was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

April 3

At approximately 5:45 p.m., Deputies responded to the 11000 block of E. Sunset Lane in rural Rochelle for the report of a domestic disturbance. After conducting an investigation, Christina Princivalli, 44 of Rochelle, was arrested for domestic battery. Princivalli was transported to the Ogle County Courthouse where she was held awaiting a court appearance.

At approximately 6:27 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop near the intersection of Mason St and Division Ave (Polo) on a Harley Davidson motorcycle, driven by Braden A. Eich, 32 of Dixon. The motorcycle fled from deputies northbound on Division Ave. The motorcycle failed to negotiate the curve in the 1000 block of S. IL Rt. 26 and entered the east ditch where it crashed. Polo Fire/EMS were dispatched to the scene for non-life threatening injuries. Eich was transported to KSB Hospital by Polo EMS. After an investigation, Eich was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, and violation of the Illinois concealed carry act. Eich was also issued citations for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, failure to reduce speed to prevent an accident, speeding 35+ MPH over the limit, and driving the wrong way on a one-way street. Eich was released on a signature I-bond. The incident remains under investigation with further charges pending.

April 2

At approximately 7:37 p.m., Deputies initiated a traffic stop in the 2000 block of North Freeport Rd. After further investigation Olivia Lange, 18 of Dubuque, Iowa, was placed under arrest for Driving While License Suspended. Lange was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond. Lange was also cited for Improper U-turn.

At approximately 9:45 p.m., deputies responded to the 200 block of Powers Road in Hillcrest for the report of a physical altercation between two males. Upon conducting an investigation, Orrie Samp, 50 of Rochelle was placed under arrest and charged with battery. Samp was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

At approximately 4:01 p.m. Deputies responded to a 911 hang up in the apartment complex in the 500 block of E. 3rd St. in Leaf River. After investigation, Deputies learned the call was made from 510 E. 3rd St., which involved a domestic dispute. Deputies then placed Anthony Apodaca, 40 of Leaf River under arrest for a Violation of an Order of Protection. Apodaca was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

April 1

At approximately 1:16 p.m., Ogle County Deputies, along with the Oregon Fire, EMS and the Illinois Conservation Police responded to a single vehicle roll-over accident in the 2800 block of South Illinois Route 2. After an investigation it was learned that Leo R Dempewolf, 29 of Oregon, lost control of his vehicle after swerving to miss an oncoming vehicle, in his lane. Dempewolf lost control of the vehicle at which time it overturned and came to rest in the grass. Dempewolf was issued a citation of operating a uninsured motor vehicle. Dempewolf refused all medical treatment and the vehicle was removed from the location by John T towing.

March 30

At approximately 10:55 p.m. Deputies responded to an address in the 5000 block of East Scott Dr in reference to a domestic disturbance. After further investigation Willie Barr, 62 of Byron, was placed under arrest for Aggravated Domestic Battery (Strangulation) and Domestic Battery. Barr was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held without bond.

At approximately 11:30 p.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to an address on Golden Prairie Drive in Davis Junction for a domestic disturbance. Pursuant to the investigation, Michael Dixon, 21, of Davis Junction was arrested for Domestic Battery. Dixon was confined at the Ogle County Jail in lieu of bond.

At approximately 3:09 p.m. Deputies were dispatched to the parking lot of 4225 W. IL Rte. 64 in reference to a Domestic Battery. Upon arrival, Deputies learned the domestic battery took place in a vehicle while the occupants were driving on IL Rte. 64. After investigation, Deputies placed Mark Rowe, 35 of Justice, IL under arrest for Domestic Battery, Possession of a Controlled Substance (heroin) under 15 grams, Reckless Conduct, and a valid Ogle County FTA Warrant. Also arrested was Jenna Jewell, 32 of Justice, IL for Driving While License Suspended and Possession of a Controlled Substance (heroin) under 15 grams. Both Rowe and Jewell were transported to the Ogle County Jail where they were held in lieu of bond.

At 7:39 p.m., Ogle County Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 3000 block of N. Mt. Morris Rd. After further investigation, Eddie Gudino, 31 of Leaf River was placed under arrest for unlawful possession of cannabis. Gudino was also cited for operating uninsured motor vehicle and one headlight. Gudino was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

At 3:41 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to an address in rural Oregon for a violation of order of protection. After an investigation, it was determined Aric Casey, 36 of Oregon had violated the order of protection by going to a protected address that was listed on the order. Casey was taken into custody for violation of order of protection. Casey was transported to the Ogle County jail and held without bond.

March 28

At approximately 6:24 p.m., Deputies initiated a traffic stop at the 5000 block of West Pines Road in Oregon. Upon Further investigation Deputies arrested Thomas Davis, 61 from Polo, for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Thomas was transported to the the Ogle County Jail. Davis also received citations for Improper Lane Usage and Operating a Communications Device While Driving

March 27

At approximately 11:20 p.m., Ogle County Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 12000 block of N Tower Road. After investigation, Deputies arrested Michael R. Molnar, 18 of Byron, for Driving While License Suspended. Michael was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond. Michael was also cited for Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle and given in written warning for Improper Traffic Lane Usage.

March 22

Ogle County Sheriff's deputies arrested Michael Cretsinger, 53 of Byron for driving while license suspended. Cretsinger was arrested by deputies on Rte. 72 near Stillman Valley after being stopped for speeding. Cretsinger was transported to the jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

March 21

At approximately 3:02 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop at 1000 W. Pines Road. After an investigation, Deputies arrested Brandy Veurink, 35 of Polo for Driving While License Suspended. Brandy was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she is being held in lieu of bond.

At approximately 6:15 p.m., the Ogle County Sheriff's Office along with Rochelle and Hillcrest EMS responded to the intersection of IL Route 251 and Hillcrest avenue for a car versus bicyclist. After conducting an investigation it was learned Timothy Huber, 26 of Rochelle, was riding southbound on IL Route 251 approaching Hillcrest Avenue when a Honda Civic traveling northbound driven by Saul Alanis, 58 of Rochelle, turned onto Hillcrest Avenue in front of Huber causing Huber's bicycle to strike the passenger side of Honda. Alanis was issued a citation for failure to yield when turning left. Huber was treated for minor injuries and released on scene.

Annual rummage sale to benefit Chana School is May 28-29

OREGON – The Chana School Foundation will have its 23rd Annual Rummage Sale to support the 1883 Chana School Museum.

The fundraiser will be held at the Oregon Coliseum in the lower level on Friday, May 28 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, May 29 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Gather your unwanted items to support this event. Your unwanted items can make a difference with this not for profit organization.

Health Department guidelines will have to be followed for the safety of all. Face masks will be required at the event.

You may drop off your items at

the coliseum on Tuesday, May 25 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Wednesday, May 26 from 10 a.m.2 p.m. We cannot take entertainment centers, large appliances, mattress/springs, and pianos. If you have questions please call Ray at 815-979-2903. Mark your calendar for this huge sale at the Oregon Coliseum. All money raised at the fundraiser will benefit a National Register site, the Chana School Museum.

This museum is totally supported by donations, grants, and volunteers. If you would like to become a volunteer please call Connie at 815-732-2447.

Free drive-through meals continue

BYRON– The United Church of Byron is continuing their free drive-through meals through the summer months.

This takes place every Tuesday evening from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and meals will be delivered directly to your car. The meals are free, but donations will also be accepted. Meals will be offered to everyone on a first come, first serve basis until the food is gone. All meals will include sides (veggies, salad, and/or fruit and dessert).

The tentative menu for the month of

May is May 11: Chicken wrap; May 18: Hot dogs; May 25: Lasagna. Reservations are not required, but if you would like to reserve a meal, please call the church office at 815-234-8777 by noon on the preceding Monday. The church is located at 701 West Second Street, just south of Mary Morgan Elementary School.

To pick up a meal, please enter the church driveway via Second Street and pull up at the marked designated area, and then exit onto Colfax/Tower.

DIRECTORY OF AREA HUMAN SERVICES

Alcohol Abuse Counseling & Recovery

A.A. Hotline 800-452-7990
Sinnissippi Centers, Inc.
Oregon 732-3157
Rochelle 562-3801

Domestic Abuse Agency and 24-Hour Shelter and Helpline

HOPE of Ogle County 562-8890 or 732-7796
Counseling Services, Court Advocacy, Latina Advocacy, and Shelter programs

Education

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

Low Income Housing

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

Mental Health

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

Senior Citizens Services

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

Sexual Assault/Abuse

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

Therapeutic & Recreational Horseback Riding

Pegasus Special Riders 973-3177

Veterans' Services

Rock River Center 732-3252
Serenity Hospice and Home 732-2499
Veterans Assistance Commission of Ogle Co. 255-9181
Medical Transportation 677-6515

Wellness Services

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

LOCAL NEWS

Fish fry, rummage sale fundraiser this week

MOUNT MORRIS – On May 14, the Mt. Morris Senior Center will host a Fish Fry Fundraiser at 9 East Front Street in Mt. Morris.

All are welcome to come and enjoy all you can eat fried and baked fish, cole slaw, baked beans, potato salad, rolls, and dessert. The fish fry will take place from 5-7 p.m., and you will be able to eat inside, outside (weather permitting), or take your dinner to go. To purchase tickets call the Senior Center at 815-734-6335, email mmsrcenter@gmail.com

or contact a Senior Center Board Member. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door.

If you would like to donate items to the Mt. Morris Senior Center Rummage Sale please bring them to the Senior Center between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday-Friday. Items need to be brought in before May 12. The rummage sale will be open on Friday, May 14 8 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday, May 15th 8 a.m.-noon.

If you have any questions please call the Senior Center at 815-734-6335.

FFA plant sale continues

FORRESTON – The Forreston FFA still has a lot of beautiful plants left, so it is extending its sale hours through the month of May.

The shopping dates and times are as follows:

Friday, May 14, 3-5 p.m.

Friday, May 21, 3-5:30 p.m.

Also, our friends at Koehler Forreston Hardware Store will be selling our plants during their business hours. Email Kelley Parks (FFA advisor) if you have any questions at kpark@fvdistrict221.org

Leaf River Lions hosting pork chop dinner

LEAF RIVER – The Leaf River Lions Club will be having their Pork Chop dinner on Saturday May 23 serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The dinner will consist of one pork chop, baked beans, applesauce, dinner roll, and a drink. Cost of the meal will be \$8.

You will be able to drive through and pick up your order, or you may sit at one of the picnic tables that will be set up in Bertolet Park, Masks and Social Distancing will be adhered to and the Lions ask that you abide by those requirements.

The Lions, weather permitting, will be set up by the shelter house in the southwest corner of the Bertolet Park. Serving will be set up in the shelter. There will be picnic tables arranged for eating again with social distancing being considered. This

would mean four individuals at a table unless they are family and then can sit more than the four.

If the weather is not cooperating seating can be accomplished in the Bertolet building and the old Fire Station next door. Serving would then be done in the Bertolet kitchen.

Carry out containers will be available however if you will have a large carry out order you may want to bring containers for each item offered. For example, one container for your pork chops, one container for your baked beans, etc.

The Lions hope to see you at this event as proceeds will go toward the Summer Daze Festival coming on June 4 and 5.

There will be no activities on Sunday which means no parade.

Oregon Library kicks off Summer Reading Program May 20

OREGON – Come to the Oregon Public Library on Thursday, May 20 from 4-6 p.m. to start your summer off right with a summer reading program kick-off.

This event will be held on the lawn and follow social distancing guidelines and masks will be required.

Eager to get families back to visiting the library and reading this summer, the Library is offering a fun outdoor experience that will engage families to “check out” their library.

A life-size game board around the library with questions, activities and prizes, tie-dye a face mask to take home and color or painting of the library sideway and/or street are some of the activities planned to promote the summer reading program

theme: *Reading Colors Your World*. Jason Kollum, Bubble Extraordinaire will be creating larger than life bubbles for entertainment and kids can try creating some of their own bubbles.

Tickets are free and can be picked up at the Library beginning May 1st. Parents of children enrolled in the library summer reading program have reported that when their children spent time reading over the summer, they are well prepared for school in the fall, and read more confidently.

Through programs and activities, the library strives to keep your eager readers satisfied. Registration for the summer reading program, June 1-July 23, will begin May 17th and can be done during the summer kick-off event.

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

BYRON

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

624 Luther Drive, Byron, IL 815-234-5277
Pastor Janet Wald. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our Sunday worship schedule has changed to one gathering at 9:00 am. A recording of each Sunday's worship service is available on our Facebook page and our website following our in-person service. Communion is served every Sunday. Sunday School will be held at 9:00 am from September through May. Adult Sunday School will be held at 10:00 am. Confirmation studies for 7th and 8th grade students will be held each Sunday morning at 10:00 am via Zoom. Wednesday afternoon Bible study is held at 1:30 pm via Zoom. Book club and quilters meet in-person monthly. Please visit our website <http://www.AllSaintsByron.org> or call the office for details.

CORNERSTONE FAMILY CHURCH

205 N. Peru St., Byron 815-234-8737 cornerstonefamilychurch.org
Sr. Pastor: Randy Snider, NextGen/ Family Pastor: Collin Nicholls Children's Ministry Director: Lori Martin
Worship Service on Sundays at 10am with Children's Worship Service and Nursery Available
Sr High Youth Ministry Sundays at 6:00pm, Jr High Youth Ministry Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Numerous Small Groups Available for All Ages throughout the week. Please call our Church Office or visit our website for more details.
Office Hours: 8:00am-4:30pm Mondays-Thursdays

BYRON ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

226 E. Second St, Byron, IL 61010 - Phone 815-234-7431 - Fr. Richard Rosinski. Weekday Masses: Tuesday - Friday 7:30am, Weekend Masses: May - August Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 8:00 am and 10:00 am, September - April Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 8:00 am and 10:45 am, Reconciliation: Fri. 8:00 am - 8:30 am; Sat. 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm or by appointment

SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

NEW LOCATION! Jarrett Prairie Center 7993 N. River Rd., Byron Phone 963-5216 Rev. Michael Axmark, Pastor. Discover Time 9:30 a.m., Fellowship 10:15 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m.
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 838, Byron, IL 61010

UNITED CHURCH OF BYRON

A Member Church of the United Church of Christ
701 W. Second Street ~ PO Box 927, Byron IL 61010-0927, 815-234-8777
Email: ucb@comcast.net Website: [unitedchurchofbyron.org](http://www.unitedchurchofbyron.org)
Pastor: Tyler Spellious
Youth Ministry Coordinator: Richard Simpson
Adult Sunday School 9:00am-10:00am, Kids Sunday School (ages 3 thru high school) 10:00am-10:40am, Coffee & fellowship time: 10:00am-10:25am
Sunday Schedule and Worship Opportunities:
Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am
Adult Christian Education Class: 9am
Main Worship with Chancel Choir: 10:30am
For complete ministry schedule and activities, please check our website or Facebook page or contact the church office.
Whoever you are or wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome here!

CHANA

CHANA UNITED METHODIST

Pastor Matt Smith, 606 Main Street, Chana, IL 61015. Church office 815-732-7683. [E-mail address: chanaumc@gmail.com] Adult & Children's Education 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month. At Chana Church you will find Open Hearts-Open Minds-Open Doors.

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DAVIS JUNCTION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Fellowship following the Worship Service each Sunday. Communion the first Sunday of the month. Potluck luncheon following Worship every 4th Sunday, except in the summer months of June, July and August. Various small groups meet throughout the month. For more information about the small groups please call 298-2310. AA meets Wednesdays at 5:30pm and Saturdays at 9am. For more information please visit our website WWW.DJUMC.ORG

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Pastor Brad Pittman www.graceisforyou.com
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Worship Service: Saturday at 5pm

FORRESTON

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

402 First Ave., Forreston, IL Phone: 815-938-2380
Pastor Sung-Eun Kim
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VISITORS WELCOME

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Archived Sermons on our YouTube channel: Leaf River Baptist Church (Until further notice)
9:30 Church Service. Nursery available, 11:00 Sunday school for all ages. Nursery available
6941 N Mt Morris Rd, Leaf River, IL 61047
815-732-2205 leafriverbc@gmail.com

LINDENWOOD

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – LCMS

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

LINDENWOOD UNION CHURCH

101 N Galena st, P.O box 67
Lindenwood IL
815-393-4658
Worship: 10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship following service

KINGS

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140 S. Church Road, Kings, IL 61068 • Rev. Cary Winn
Phone 815-562-6811 E-mail: office@goelimchurch.org
Website: www.goelimchurch.org
Sunday morning worship 10:00 am • Sunday School 9:00 am

MOUNT MORRIS

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815-734-4853
secretary@disciplesumc.org
102 N. Maple Ave.
Mt. Morris, IL 61054
Pastor - Rev. Julie Bunt

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

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

MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris, IL 61045 Phone 734-4573
Pastor-Rodney Caldwell. Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship service available online, call for details. Other activities currently suspended due to pandemic.
Email: mtmcb@frontier.com

MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

308 E. Brayton Rd. Mt. Morris, IL Phone: 734-6354 Rev. Josh Ehrler
Worship Services: Saturday 5:30 PM; Worship Sunday 9:30 AM.
Sunday Church School 10:45 AM; (Sept. 10, 2017 Thru May 2018) Sept.-May Chime Choir Wednesday 6:00 PM; Chancel Choir Wednesday 7:00 PM.

OREGON

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• Rev. Josiah Youngquist
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FREEDOM LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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

LIGHTHOUSE UNITED METHODIST

Pastor Matthew J. Smith 4962 S. Daysville Rd., Oregon, IL 61061 815-732-7683
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860 W. Oregon Trail Road Oregon, IL Phone: 732-6847 or 732-2604 Pastor Michael Hoffman; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday activities: Adult, Children, and Youth Groups 7 p.m. At the church.

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505 Hill St. Oregon, IL 61061 Phone: 732-2642
Pastor: David Snow "A Christ-centered, Bible-believing, family-oriented ministry." Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

OREGON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

200 S. 4th St, Oregon, IL 61061 • 815/732-2994
www.oregonumc.org • Pastor Rev. Megan Smick
9:00am Fellowship/Sunday School; 10:00am Worship with music, meditation & Fellowship; 10:15am Announcements begin.

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609 S. 10th St., Oregon, IL, 812-236-1213 • riverstonecc.com
Sunday 10:45 a.m.

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1000 Highway 64, West (Hwy 64 W & Mongan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon
• 732-7211 - Office Rev. Eldred George
Website: saintbrides.org • E-mail: saintbride.church@gmail.com •
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11:30 a.m. Worship

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after 10:30 mass
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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LOCAL NEWS



Spring road clean up

It's that time of year again. On Saturday April 24, members of Abate of Illinois Thunder Rock Chapter did our spring road clean up along the northernmost part of Route 2 in Ogle County. We also put up a number of "Watch for Motorcycles" banners around the County to showcase the month of May being Motorcycle Awareness Month. The goal is to remind people to that with the weather getting warmer we will see more motorcycles on the road. The worst four words for anyone to have to say are "I didn't see them," and we hope no one ever has to.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tues., May 11

The United Church of Byron is having a free drive-through meal from 5:30-6:30 p.m., with meals delivered directly to your car. The meals are free, but donations will also be accepted. Reservations are not required, but if you would like to reserve a meal, please call the church office at 815-234-8777 by noon on the preceding Monday.

Weds., May 12

Pick up a hot spaghetti dinner from the United Church of Byron, 701 W. 2nd St., to

take home and enjoy with your family between 5-7 p.m. We are accepting freewill donations; suggested price is \$8 per adult; \$5 for children ages 5-12 and nothing for children under 5. All proceeds from the dinner will be donated to Mary Morgan Elementary school for the purchase of school kits for Byron's elementary school-children who receive free or reduced-price lunches.

Thurs., May 13

Lunch Group will meet at 11:30 a.m. in Byron at Sunrise II Family Restaurant, 101 W 2nd Street. Please call 815-

732-4111 by 4 p.m. on May 12 to register. Limited seating is available.

Introduction to parental rights under special education law, 6-8 p.m. Presented by Mike Shea, Senior Attorney, Equip for Equality. Mike has been an attorney in EFE's Special Education Clinic for seven years. This program will be offered in-person and via Zoom at the Oregon Public Library. All COVID guidelines will be followed and in-person seating is limited. Please register with Patti Mook via email: pmook@eastersealschicago.org.

Fri., May 14

C.A.F.E. will meet from 9-10 a.m. at The Serenity Home, 1658 S IL RT 2. Please call 815-732-4111 by 4 p.m. on May 13 to register. Please use the back entrance and parking lot. A mask is required to enter the building.

Sat., May 15

Dogwood Indoor Market, Rt. 26/64, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 17+ Vendors.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On May 30, 1431, in Normandy, Joan of Arc, the peasant girl who became the savior of France, is burned at the stake for heresy. Her most serious crime was her rejection of church authority in favor of direct inspiration from God. She was 19 years old.

* On May 26, 1897, the first copies of the classic vampire novel "Dracula," by Irish writer Bram Stoker, appear in London bookshops. Stoker had originally named the vampire "Count Wampyr."

* On May 29, 1914, in one of the worst maritime disasters in history, heavy fog causes a collision of boats -- the Empress of Ireland and the Storstad -- that kills 1,073 people on the St. Lawrence River in Canada.

* On May 24, 1935, the Cincinnati Reds beat the Philadelphia Phillies 2-1 in Major League Baseball's first-ever night game, played under recently installed lights at Crosley Field in Cincinnati. The game drew 25,000 fans as President Franklin D. Roosevelt symbolically switched on the lights from Washington, D.C.

* On May 27, 1943, a B-24 carrying U.S. airman and former Olympic runner Louis Zamperini crashes into the Pacific Ocean. After surviving the crash, Zamperini floated on a raft in shark-infested waters before being picked up by the Japanese and spending two years in brutal prison camps. His story of survival was featured in the 2010 book "Unbroken," by Laura Hillenbrand.

* On May 28, 1961, the British newspaper The London Observer publishes British lawyer Peter Benenson's article "The Forgotten Prisoners," launching a movement that later became Amnesty International.

* On May 25, 1994, the ashes of 71-year-old George Swanson are buried in Pennsylvania in the driver's seat of his 1984 white Corvette. Swanson, a U.S. Army sergeant during World War II, had acquired 12 cemetery burial plots so his beloved Corvette would fit in his grave with him.

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'The Force' isn't with me at meal time

I am starting to dread May 4 every year.

Don't get me wrong, I like the month of May. The weather is usually pretty nice, everything is green and getting greener and I can break out the shorts.

But the incessant "May the 4th be with you" Star Wars jokes just get a little tiresome. Social media was flooded with posts about it last week. I'm sure it was clever the first time. By the 10th time it wasn't very clever. By the 100th time I was ready to toss my phone in the sewer.

I have a confession to make: I am not a huge "Star Wars" fan. Yes, I saw it in the theater when it came out -- I was 14 at the time. Yes, I enjoyed it. But I never bought the toys or went in for the general fandom of the franchise.

So, as I continued to grind though editing graduation photos last week, I wasn't too focused on "Star Wars." Instead, I had my focus on other topics.

* The weather. Growing up, I didn't pay much attention to the weather. Summer was hot and the rest of the year was

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



perfect. Easy. Now I pay attention. And it seems to me this has been a pretty dry spring. April was not wet much at all, and sure, we had some rain last week, but not the day after day of rain we can get. My wife is convinced that everything is a month off, and she might be right. I wonder if we are going to have summer this year that is as dry as the last one?

* Vaccines. I have now had both of my vaccines, and I am thankful. Sore arm, but not much else after the second one. Most of the people I know have gladly gotten the vaccine.

But many people still just won't get one. Look, you don't want one don't get one. But know that until we get up to about 80 percent of the population vaccinated, we are at risk and will have to keep safety protocols in place. If you don't care about COVID-19, how about you get vaccine to keep your older family members safe, or just to be a good citizen? Remember when people cared about being good citizens? If you are worried about local businesses staying open, do them a favor and get the shot.

* Vacation. Yep, I have a vacation coming up and I am more than ready. I had the trip to New Mexico planned for last year, but COVID crushed that trip. Now, two friends and I will be setting off soon on our motorcycles bound for New Mexico. Roswell, N.M., to be exact. I don't expect to meet an extraterrestrial, but I expect some great food, hilarious times and warm weather. I love a good adventure, and this promises to be one. Much to the chagrin of some of

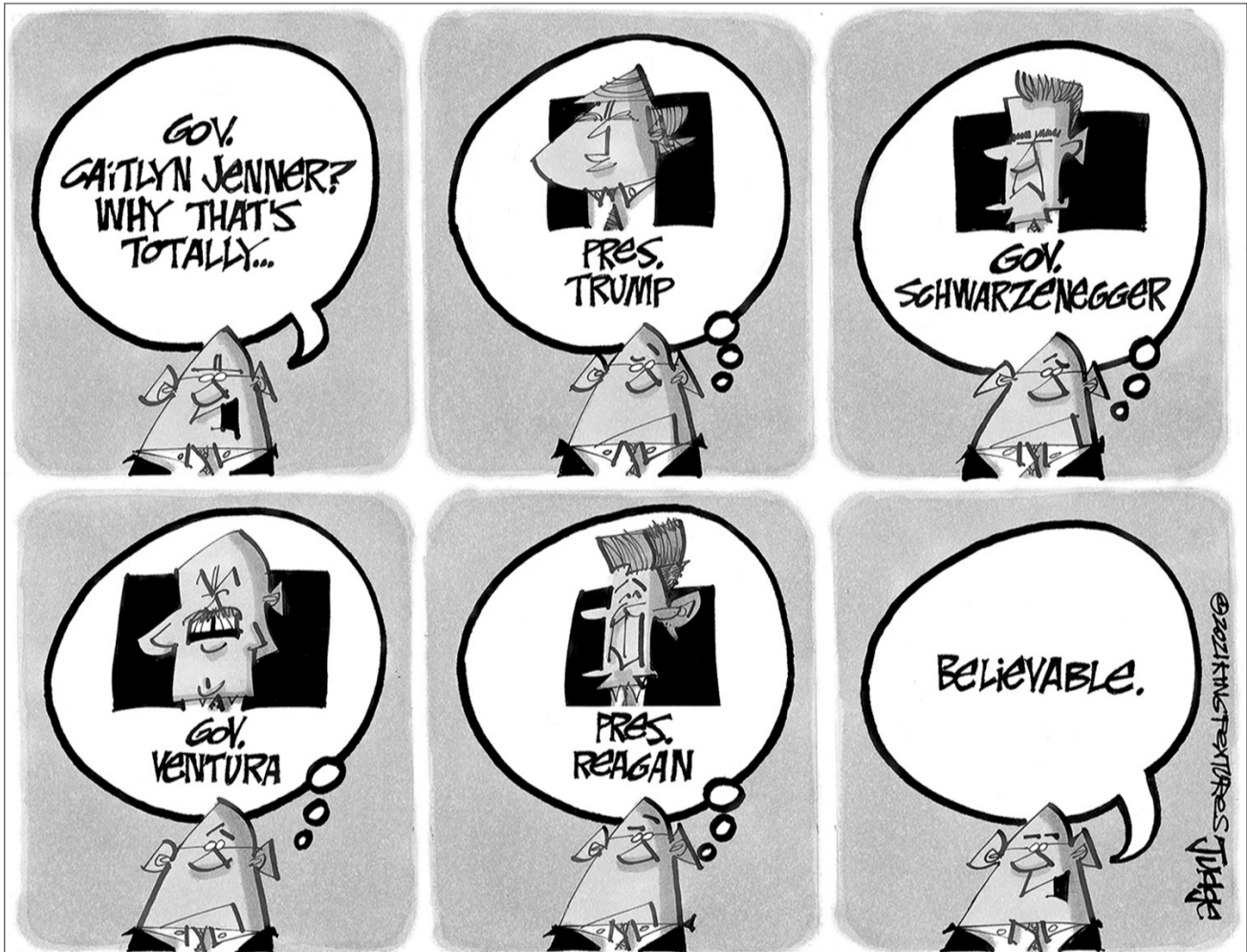
you, I will write all about it when I get back.

* My friends. I have great friends, both near and far. And one thing I have noticed recently is that everyone seems to be getting along better. There are no tense discussions. There are no ranting Facebook posts that drag people into horrible arguments. The anger level generally seems much lower. People can feel it -- we have talked about it. It is nice to be able to breathe a little easier and not worry daily about what could happen. It is a great break for all of us.

* Dieting. Yes, dieting. COVID is just an excuse, but I have been eating like a starving man at an all-you-can-eat buffet and I have to stop. I am slowly turning things around, but it is pretty clear this won't be my best swimsuit season.

OK, time to finish off these graduation photos and pretend that I don't need a snack. I hope the force is with me on this.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



Library sends thanks for fundraiser support

Dear editor,
The Mount Morris Public Library would like to thank all who supported us through our Quiche and Scones fundraiser. Due to Covid restrictions, we were unable to host our annual Library Tea. By taking orders for quiche and scones, which have always been served at our Tea, we were able to still have our fundraiser, and give a taste of the Tea experience.

Thank you to our wonderful cooks and helpers, Julie Mastny, Becky McCanse, Joyce Duncan, April Bold, and Karen Urish. Thank you to the library staff who took orders and handled all the questions. Thank you to Denise Welsh who helped transport items to the library. Thank you to the Oregon Church of God who allowed us to use their facility. We also want to thank our partners at

Thrivent who provided the Thrivent Action Team funds to help with expenses.

We are so grateful for our generous, supportive community. We have all come through a difficult year, but we are able to stand tall because we came through it together. Thank you!

Sincerely,
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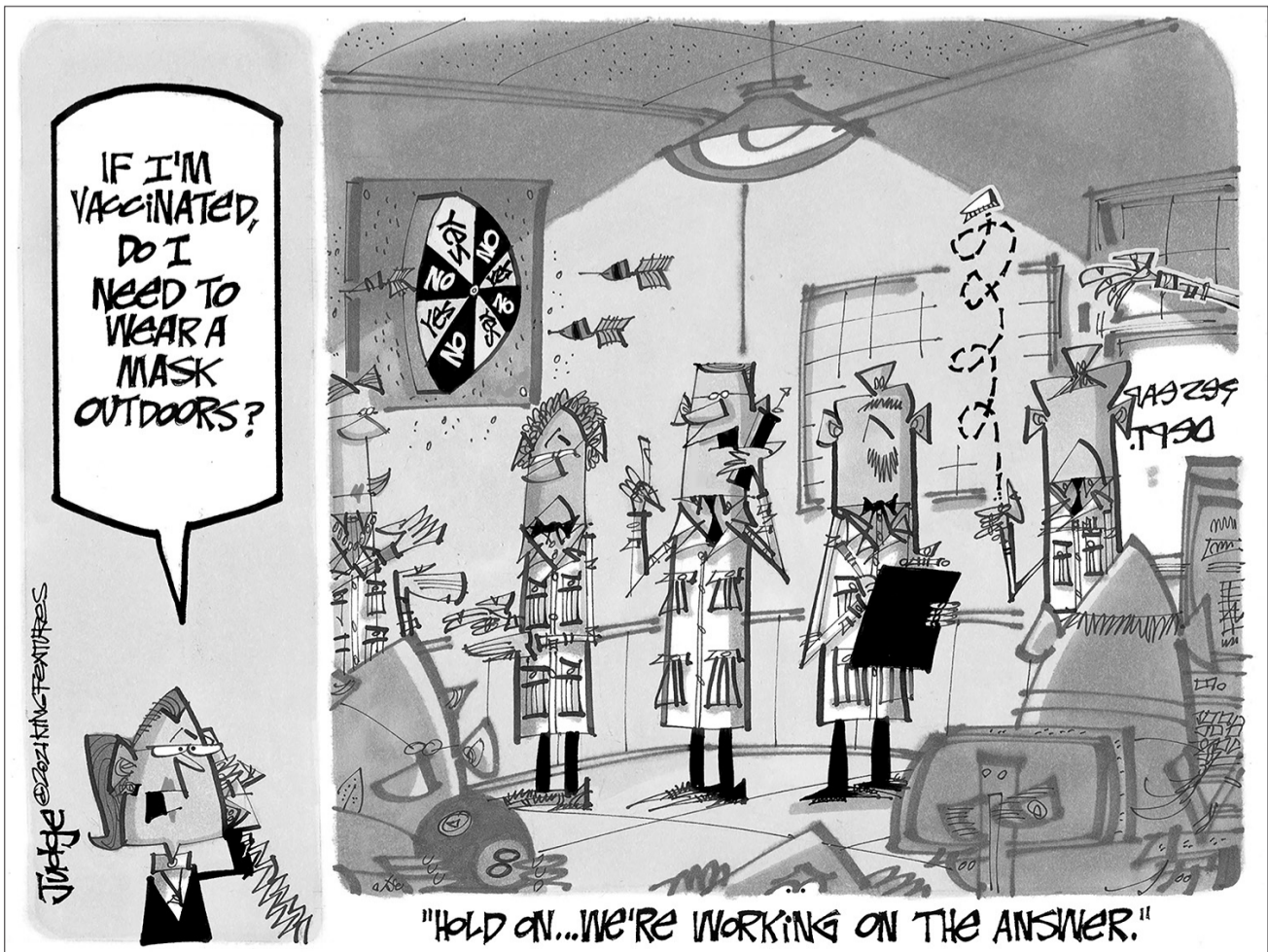
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LOCAL NEWS

Byron Police report

March 24
Joel Hill, 44 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

March 26
Jasmine Tillman, 24 of Freeport, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Signal.

Nicki Bradshaw, 50 of Oregon, was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

March 27
Justin Perino, 35 of Dixon, was issued a citation for Speeding 47 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

March 30
Byron Police arrested Ricky Zinke, 50 of Byron, for Driving While License is Revoked. Zinke was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Byron Police arrested Joseph Bail, 45 of Byron, for Driving While License is Suspended. Bail was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Antonio Lasquety, 75 of Milwaukee, WI, was issued citations for Operating a Motor Vehicle When Registration is Suspended for Non-Insurance, Driving While License is Suspended, and Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle.

April 4
Aviane Grant, 21 of Rockford, was issued citations for Disobeying a No Passing Zone, No Valid Driver's License, No Registration, and No Proof of Insurance.

April 7
Byron Police arrested Evaristo Hernandez Santiago, 20 of Rockford, for Driving While License is Suspended. Hernandez Santiago was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

April 10
Keven Kerner, 32 of Byron, was issued a citation for Passing a School Bus While Loading/Unloading.

Brendan Hawkinson, 27 of Elgin, was issued a citation for Driving While License is Suspended.

Byron Police arrested Brandon Shatsar, 28 of Arkansas, on a Winnebago County warrant. Shatsar was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond. Byron Police arrested Shatsar's companion, Kara Dickson, 31 of Arkansas, on an Arkansas warrant for Parole Violation. Dickson was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held without bond.

April 11
Byron Police arrested Craig Wenzel, 34 of Rockford, for Driving While License is Revoked. Wenzel was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Miguel Castro-Bultron, 36 of Oregon, was issued a citation for No Proof of Insurance.

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David C. Andrews
July 10, 1961-May 5, 1980

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(SAMPLE)

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 6. Your courage and bravery still inspire us all, and the memory of your smile fills us with joy and laughter.
 7. Though out of sight, you'll forever be in my heart and mind.
 8. The days may come and go, but the times we shared will always remain.
 9. May the light of peace shine on your face for eternity.
 10. May God's angels guide you and protect you throughout time.
 11. You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts.
 12. May God's graces shine over you for all time.
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To remember your loved one in this special way, send \$10.00 per listing. Your special tribute will become a permanent memorial record in our paper.

Deadline is Wed., May 26th at 12 Noon

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LOCAL NEWS

Summer guide available

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Gardeners who receive plots must commit to helping with the overall upkeep of the garden. Each growing season approximately 5,000 pounds of produce are distributed to pantry guests through what is known as the "pantry section" of the garden. Those who are not interested in having their own plots, but want to help eliminate food insecurity, might also consider joining the Harvesting Team that picks the vegetables for days the pantry is open. For information on securing plots or being part of the Harvesting Team, contact Mary Francis, 815-734-6994 or francis@comcast.net.

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GREAT RANCH! 4 bed, 2 bath split bedroom floor plan home w/first floor laundry. Spacious living room w/fireplace. Wonderful outdoor space w/private fence & outdoor patio. Newer updates include exterior paint, gutters, roof, furnace. Near shopping & I-90. 4610 CAYUGA Road, Rockford
CATHLEEN ELLISON
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NEW LISTING!

\$255,000 dickersonnieman.com/202101881
QUALITY 2 STORY! 4 bed, 2.5 bath home. Large formal living room w/vaulted ceilings. Dining room and large eat-in kitchen flows into family room w/fireplace. 4 beds upstairs including oversized master bedroom w/walk-in closet & master bath. 612 RIVERBEND Road, Belvidere
MALACHI BRICK
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NEW LISTING!

\$38,900 dickersonnieman.com/202101815
COZY RANCH 2 bed, 1 bath home being sold as is. House needs total re-hab. 1604 16th Street, Rockford
DEBBIE DEMARS
815-623-1306

NEW LISTING!

\$49,900 dickersonnieman.com/202101814
RANCH HOME! 2 bed, 1 bath home that is being sold as is. House needs a lot of work. 3035 RICE Avenue, Rockford
DEBBIE DEMARS
815-623-1306

NEW LISTING!

\$99,900 dickersonnieman.com/202101716
SUPER SHARPI! 1 bed, 1 bath unit w/upgraded maple cabinets w/crown molding, SS appliances & granite in kitchen. Hardwood in living room, kitchen & bedroom w/walk-in closet. Great room w/gas log fireplace. Single car attached garage. 1628 WHITE OAK Trail, Cherry Valley
CINDY HUNSBERGER
815-985-2159

NEW LISTING!

\$151,900 dickersonnieman.com/202101679
LOTS OF UPDATES! 3 bed, 2.5 bath condo. Kitchen w/SS appliances, r/o system, maple cabinets & walk-in pantry. Great room w/gas fireplace. Main floor master w/private bath, walk-in closet & slider to patio. FF laundry & half bath. 2.5 car garage. 11814 RIVER HILLS Parkway, Rockton
DAWN LEVINS
815-601-1582

NEW LISTING!

\$235,000 dickersonnieman.com/202101577
BEAUTIFUL & WELL MAINTAINED! 3 bed, 3 bath ranch condo in Bel-Air "fly in" community. Large eat in kitchen. 10' ceilings in great room & dining room. Master bed w/bath & walk in closet. Large FF laundry. LL has finished bed w/closet & egress window. 1017 BEECH BAY Road, Poplar Grove
NEAL STEINHOUR
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NEW LISTING!

\$87,900 dickersonnieman.com/202101375
TONS OF UPDATES! 2 bed, 1 bath ranch on corner lot w/mature trees & landscaping. Updated bathroom w/jacuzzi tub. Big basement w/tons of built-in storage. All appliances included. Sold AS IS! Home Warranty included! 1 block from grade school & park. 511 W GARDEN Avenue, Forreston
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NEW LISTING!

\$475,000 dickersonnieman.com/202101098
HOT PROPERTY! This hidden gem is right in town for convenience with a view of the river. 4 bed, 4.5 bath custom ranch w/full exposure. Over 5000 SF of luxury living space. Gourmet kitchen, butler's pantry & more. 240 S WEST Street, Byron
JOHN DOWD/ DIANNE DOWD
815-381-6881/ 815-381-6882

NEW LISTING!

\$59,500 dickersonnieman.com/202101082
MOVE IN READY! 3 bedroom, 1 bath home with newer roof. All appliances stay, window treatments stay. Fenced in back yard. 2 window air conditioner. All newer replacement windows. Come and take a look. 208 N JACKSON Street, Polo
SHARON BOWERS
815-757-7462

NEW LISTING!

\$57,000 dickersonnieman.com/202101000
CONVENIENT LOCATION! 2 bedroom, 1 bath ranch home in convenient location. Large kitchen with updated cabinets and counters. Main floor laundry. Large screened in porch. 314 LISTON Avenue, South Beloit
MICHELLE ROMANO-HUBER
815-222-9276

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\$174,900 dickersonnieman.com/202100802
SPACIOUS & EXCEPTIONAL! Brick ranch condo w/gsplit bedroom & an open floor plan, cathedral ceilings, great room w/fireplace, & master suite w/large walk-in closet. Large 2nd bedroom w/built ins plus 1st floor laundry. Lots of windows & beautiful deck. 2264 CHURCHVIEW DR #6, Rockford
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NEW LISTING!

\$89,900 dickersonnieman.com/202100015
MOVE IN READY! 2 bed, 1 bath completely remodeled ranch home close to town, schools & Nash Rec Center. Freshly painted. Hardwood floors throughout. All appliances stay. Newer roof, furnaces, & central air. Home Warranty Offered. 311 S 3RD Street, Oregon
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STEVE CLARK
815-381-1144

NEW LISTING!

\$85,000 dickersonnieman.com/202000510
2276 SOFT RANCH! In SE Rockford sitting on 0.75 acre cul-de-sac lot that backs up to a field. Two car attached garage with 3 Bedrooms/2 Baths. Living Room, Dining Room, Family Room & screened in porch just minutes to Bypass 20 & 11th Street. Sold As Is. 5301 CHOCTAW Trail, Rockford
BRAD MARINELLI
815-381-1119

NEW LISTING!

\$19,900 dickersonnieman.com/202004886
BUILDABLE WOODED LOT! Still time to build your dream home on this large lot with lots of trees in the Oregon School District. Well & Septic required. No Restrictions on size of home. County taxes. 5 RED OAK Lane, Chana
SHARON BOWERS
815-757-7462

NEW LISTING!

\$69,000 dickersonnieman.com/201701914
BYRON SUB! Only 5 lots remaining starting at \$66,000. Possible exposures. City water & sewer. Impact fees removed. Open to all builders. Building assistance available. Developer approval required. 7000 HARVEST Drive, Byron
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Byron Middle School Students of the Month

Byron Bank, located at 200 N Walnut St. in Byron, is proud to announce the Byron Middle School Students of the Month for March. Students are selected by teachers based on criteria of: work habits, positive attitude, good manners, cooperation with faculty and peers, and a good role model for other students. Byron Bank presents the students with a cash prize and a certificate of award. The March 2021 Students of the Month are: (Pictured from left) Byron Middle School Vice Principal – Mrs. Petrece Klein, 6th grade – Aubrie Fuller; 7th grade – Laila Madden, 8th grade – Claire Henkel; Byron Bank, Mr. Brent Baker.



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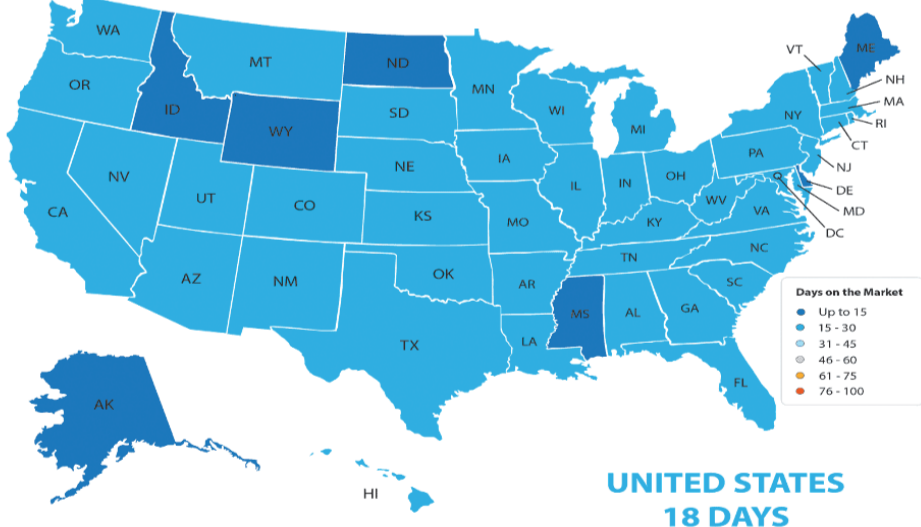
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2021 Home Price Forecasts

Forecaster	January Projection	Current Projection
Mortgage Bankers Assoc.	5.1%	10.3%
Fannie Mae	4.2%	8%
Zelman & Associates	6%	7%
Freddie Mac	5.3%	6.6%
National Assoc. of Realtors	6%	6.6%
Average Projected Appreciation	5.3%	7.7%

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Top Listings *Top Closings*



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21 RIVER VIEW Acres with BYRON SCHOOLS! Conveniently located off of Route 2 with 10 tillable acres. Perc test done and ready for you to build your dream home!



305 Monroe Avenue Dixon \$120,000 Call JD
4 Unit Investment Opportunity! Cash flow! Now is the chance to expand your portfolio by purchasing this fully occupied multi-family. 2 main floor units & 2 upper units all featuring spacious rooms! Tenants pay all utilities. 2 car detached garage is included, and currently rented.



9245 N Bass Road Leaf River \$87,500 Call Stephanie
Enjoy quiet country living in this 2 bedroom, 1 bath home. Sitting on a private 1 acre lot and includes a 2 car garage, you don't want to miss out!



211 N Etnyre Avenue Oregon \$89,900 Call Stephanie
All new 3 bedroom, 1 bath raised ranch home on 3 lots. Home boasts modern updates including white cabinets, stainless steel appliances, flooring and light fixtures! You will love the large yard, rear deck and open floor plan.

 Rebecca Hazzard Designated Managing Broker/Owner 815-509-8432	 Carla Benesh 815-985-6235	 Mark True 815-631-1699	 Lori Peterson 815-973-2180	 JD Gieson 815-677-1873	 Stephanie Wendt 815-985-2055	 Kim Behn 815-520-8810	 Merri Cruz 815-988-7947	 Casey Cline 217-840-8855
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SPORTS/NEWS

Oregon girls soccer team loses two

The Oregon girls soccer team fell to Byron 3-0 on April 29. Taylor Rufer had 20 save on goal for Oregon. The Lady Hawks also lost a close game to Rockford Lutheran on May 4, falling 1-0. Rufer had 11 saves in the game, which saw Oregon move to 1-2 overall and in conference.

Oregon takes down North Boone 2-0

OREGON – The OHS Lady Hawks defeated previously unbeaten North Boone by a score of 2-0 on May 3. The Hawks were led at the plate by Jesse Suter who had two hits and an RBI, and pitcher Mia Trampel who struck out 11 batters.

Scores

April 28

Stillman Valley High School Varsity Baseball beat Oregon High School 17-0
Stillman Valley High School Varsity Softball beat Oregon High School 10-0

April 30

Stillman Valley High School Varsity Baseball falls to Byron High School 7-6
Stillman Valley High School Varsity Softball beat Byron High School 10-2

May 1

Stillman Valley High School Varsity Baseball beat Dakota High School 2-1
Stillman Valley High School Varsity Softball beat Sycamore High School 13-12

Forreston honors seniors May 12; graduation will be on May 16

FORRESTON – Forreston High School will be holding its annual honor's night for graduating seniors on Wednesday, May 12 in the FHS gymnasium.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. with a welcome from Principal Heinz. This will be followed by presenting the class of 2021 with scholarships and awards earned.

This is a ticketed event and guest will need a ticket to enter.

The Forreston Valley School District and Board of Education will be presenting diplomas to the 2021 graduating class of Forreston High on Sunday, May 16 in the FHS gymnasium beginning at 2 p.m. This is a ticketed event and guest will need a ticket to enter.

Students, families, and community members who cannot attend are invited to watch this event live streamed through NFHS as a free event.

Polo Library News

Polo Library Hours

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

Storytime Saturday

May 1 and 15 at 10:30 a.m. - Virtual
Storytime Saturday will post on Facebook.com/pololibrary and on YouTube by searching "Polo Public Library"

May 8, 22, and 29 at 10:30 a.m. - In Person - Polo Library Lawn or Pavilion

Join Ms. Melanie *LIVE* at 10:30 a.m. these Saturdays on the Library Lawn, or in the Library Pavilion, for a story and a craft!

Storytime in a Bag

Stop by the Library anytime in the month of May and pick up your Storytime in a Bag for a craft that you can do at home!

Coffee with a Cop - 2nd Wednesday, May 12th, 10:30 a.m., Polo Library Pavilion

Join us for community conversations with a member of the Polo Police Department. Coffee is provided. If the weather is questionable, please call 815-946-2713 before heading out.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS 2021 Outdoor Concert Series - Yard Games at 5 p.m., Music starts at 6 p.m.

Saturday, May 22nd - Lyle Grobe & the Rhythm Ramblers. Saturday, June 19th - Burn N' Bush. Saturday, July 10th - Espinosa & Coffee. Saturday, August 14th - Turas.

Bring your blankets or chairs to the

Polo Library Pavilion and enjoy some good music! Call Polo Library at 815-946-2713 for more information.

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

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

Vaccination Help

Do you need help signing up to receive your COVID-19 vaccine? Call 815-946-2713 or stop by the Library and one of our staff members can help sign you up!

Are You Interested in Joining a Book Club?

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

Book Subscription Box - Grades 6-12

The book subscription box contains one book to read and some goodies to enjoy. You pick the genre, we supply the book! Email library@pololibrary.org and ask for a Book Subscription Box form and fill it out. Box pickup and drop off is the first Saturday of each month.

Questions?

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

Julia Hull Library News

Library Services

Visit the library for Grab & Go Services: Monday 9-3; Tuesday-Thursday 9-6 (Curbside 'til 8 PM); Friday-Saturday 9-5. A few reminders before you pop in. Masks (covering both nose and mouth) are required. Computer use is limited, and available by reservation only. For your safety and convenience, curbside pickup, remote services, and personal shopping will continue indefinitely. For all the details, visit our website: www.juliahull.org/covid-19-information. Please give us a call for assistance: 815-645-8611.

A Song & A Story

Join us for a virtual thematic song, story, and craft on Facebook Live - Wednesdays at 10 a.m.. Reserve your May craft kits via our web form: https://juliahull.org/order-request. While supplies last.

Young Critics Book Club

Join us for a book discussion and hands-on craft/activity all about Linda Skeer's *Dinosaur Lady: The Daring Discoveries of Mary Anning, the First Paleontologist*. Tuesday, May 18 at 6 p.m. Program supply kits available at the library upon register. Call the library or use our online order form to register and reserve your program kit for the class: https://www.juliahull.org

Bertolet Library News

Plastic Recycling:

We are pleased to be accepting clean, soft plastics for recycling. Save your bread bags, outer wrapping on bulk items like water bottles and bathroom tissue, grocery bags, etc. Drop them off during business hours: Mon-Thurs 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m.-noon.

Family Story Time: Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Spring Family Story Time: Reserve your time slot for your family's personal story time. Miss Jana will read a story and lead you in a craft. Littles under age 5: Don't forget to be working on 1,000 Books before Kindergarten. There is a prize for every 100 books logged!

Forreston Library News

Adventures in Art

Mondays - May 10, 17 and 24 at 4 p.m.

Students in 2nd through 4th grade will learn about a new artist each week and then create their own artwork using that artist's techniques. Art can be a messy business, so participants should dress accordingly. Space is still available, so please call 815-938-2624 or stop in the library to sign up.

New Titles

New fiction titles include: "The Newcomer" by Mary Kay Andrews, "The

org/order-request. Ages 7-9.

Short & Sweets

Join us on Zoom, Wednesday, May 19 at 10 a.m., for an engaging discussion of L. S. Schwartz' short story, "A Taste of Dust." BYO dessert! Copies of the reading and program link available by emailing Joanna at jkluver@mail.meridian223.org. Adults.

Virtual Game Time: Among Us

Get your game on in cyberspace! Hop onto Zoom with your friends, Friday, May 21 at 3 p.m., for an exciting Among Us tournament. Get comfy, grab some snacks, and get ready to find the imposter. Ages 13-18. Email Kelly at khaas@mail.meridian223.org to register.

Summer Reading 2021: Go for the Gold!

Save the date! Our Summer Reading Kick-Off & Registration will be held Friday, May 28, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., on the library lawn. We'll have our own Olympic-style games, activities, photo booth, and prize drawings. Masks and distancing required. Call the library to reserve your spot: 815-645-8611. Visit our website for updates and summer program information: https://www.juliahull.org/summer-reading-2021.

Haven't started yet? Don't worry! Stop in the library to get registered and start reading today!

New Releases

Adult Fiction
A Gambling Man by David Baldacci
Ocean Prey by John Sandford
Children's Books
What Does It Mean To Be Present? by Rana DiOrio
The Bear Ate Your Sandwich by Julia Sarcone-Roach
On The Farm by Heidi E Thompson
Adult DVDs
The Irishman
Let Him Go

Lady Has a Past" by Amanda Quick, and "Family Reunion" by Nancy Thayer.

Library Hours

The library is open the following hours: Monday 10am-1pm, 2-7pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am-1pm, 2-6pm, and Saturday 9am-12pm. We are closed on Friday and Sunday. Masks are required for everyone over the age of 2 and children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a responsible party. Curbside pickup is still available for anyone who wishes to use it.

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LOCAL NEWS

Oregon Library News

The library is open... The Oregon Public Library is currently offering curbside pickup and appointments for browsing, computer use, printing, or faxing. Masks and hand sanitizing are required upon entering the Library. Please call (815) 732-2724 to schedule pickups or appointments. Holds can be placed online through the catalog: <http://search.prairiecat.info/iii/encore/?lang=eng>, over the phone with Library staff at (815)732-2724, or through our NEW mobile App - PrairieCat Mobile. Remember to check our Facebook posts or the local papers for new releases! You can also talk to the librarians for book recommendations and to place items on hold!

School's out for summer! Thursday, May 20, 4-6 p.m.

Come start your summer off right at the Oregon Public Library. This event will be held on the lawn with masks required and social distancing guidelines will be followed. A life-size game board around the library, tie-dye a face mask to take home, and help us COLOR the library sidewalk and/or street are some of the activities planned

Byron Library News

Curbside Delivery

The library is open for browsing, but patrons can still use our curbside service! Place your holds online at byron.lib.il.us or call us at 815-234-5107. Not sure what you want? Call us for help! We will call or email you with a confirmation when your holds are ready to be picked up. Call us when you arrive at the library, and we will bring your items out to you, already checked out. A receipt with your due dates will be included with your items.

Library of Things

Check out our new listings for our Library of Things! What is a Library of Things, you might ask? Well, it is a collection of STEM kits, games, and consumer electronics that you can check out with your library card! Visit the Library of Things page on the library website at byron.lib.il.us/library-of-things/

Overdue Book Club

Tuesday, May 11 6:30-7:30 p.m., via Zoom

Feel like you missed that one book everyone was talking about? Not sure where to start with so many amazing reads out there? Overdue Book Club will be tackling buzz-worthy books, just a little bit late. Join Kelly as she discusses this month's book, *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng. Recently adapted as a miniseries for Hulu, read before you watch! Books and audiobooks of *Little Fires Everywhere* are available for pickup at the Library. Space is limited, so please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register. Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants.

Wednesday Night Readers

Wednesday, May 19 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Byron Library
Join Penny for a discussion of the book, *The Book of Lost Friends* by Lisa Wingate. Space is limited, so register at Byron.evanced.info/signup or calling 815-234-5107. Copies of the book are available for pickup at the Byron Library.

to promote the summer reading program theme: Reading Colors Your World. Jason Kollum, Bubble Extraordinaire will be creating larger-than-life bubbles for entertainment, and kids can try creating some of their own bubbles. Tickets available at the Library on May 1st.

This event is FREE but please get your ticket to help us with COVID social distancing. (Rain date May 21st, 4-6 pm.)

Oregon Public Library StoryWalk®

StoryWalk® was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT in 2007, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library. Thank you to the Etnyre Foundation and the Oregon Park District for helping the Oregon Public Library offer this unique reading experience at Oregon Park West. Current story being presented...Kites Sail High by Ruth Heller.

"YOUR CITY @HOME" is a series of virtual field trips meant to give you the chance to explore all that Chicagoland has to offer! This series is sponsored by multiply Illinois public libraries, including the Oregon Public Library.

Share Your Story

Monday, May 17 1-2 p.m. at BPLD Meeting Room
Seniors are encouraged to join Beth as she provides monthly journal prompts. Reflect on and record your memories for future generations. There will be a designated time for seniors to share their stories with the group, if interested. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register. Due to social distancing regulations, space will be limited.

Sweets & Treats

Monday, May 17 6-7 p.m. via Zoom
Join Amy Alessio from Vintage Cookbooks for a humorous, nostalgic talk on sweets and treats from the past decades. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register. The recipes and Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants.

Rider's Advisory

Wednesday, May 26 at the BPLD parking lot 6-7 p.m.
Grab your bike and ride on over to the library (or drive your car), and learn how to put the chain back on your bike when

it falls off or how to fix a flat bike tire. A representative from Kegel's Bicycle Store will be on hand to demonstrate basic bicycle maintenance. All attendees will have an opportunity to win a bike maintenance kit! Please feel free to bring your own chairs and blankets. Space is limited, so please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Book)

Tuesday, June 1, outdoors at the Byron Library 6-7 p.m.
Get your summer reading list started! Prior to the program, attendees are asked to share a summer read (or two) that they recommend. A list of everyone's recommendations will be handed out during the program and attendees are encouraged to share a little about their recommendation(s). In addition, an explanation on how to join our 2021 Summer Reading Challenge will be provided. It's a great opportunity to share your love of reading with others! Space is limited, so please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Try it Tuesdays – Tuesday, May 11th

Sticker by number
Pick up your FREE kit and create three different sticker by number pieces of art. Great for relaxing and rainy days. Ages 18 and up. KITS ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE for Oregon Library Card Holders (1 kit per cardholder).

Introduction to parental rights under special education law – Thursday, May 13 from 6-8 p.m.

With special attention to advocating for services to address regression during remote learning. Presented by Mike Shea, Senior Attorney, Equip for Equality. Mike has been an attorney in EFE's Special Education Clinic for seven years. He is also the father of an IEP student with autism and the husband of a special educator/developmental therapist. This program will be offered in-person and via Zoom at the Oregon Public Library. All COVID guidelines will be followed and in-person seating is limited. Please register with Patti Mook via email: pmook@eastersealschicago.org.

Maker Monday May – Monday, May 17 at 6 p.m.

It's your day for crafting!
Did you get an adult craft kit during COVID and not complete it? This is the opportunity to come and work on your project with help. We will have a variety of extra crafts available if you'd like to come and make something. Due to COVID-19, space is limited. Registration deadline is May 14th. Registration required (815) 732-2724

Consumer fraud – Live Webinar, May 18 at 2 p.m.

Focuses on the persistent and new scams that Illinoisans might encounter such as COVID-19 pandemic scams, government payments and IRS

schemes, and fraudulent products or services. Attorney General Community Outreach Liaison, Ryan Aderman, will share recommendations and remedies. Registration required (815) 732-2724.

Video storytime

New storytimes will be posted on Facebook every Thursday at 10 a.m. Crafts or activities relating to the story will also be posted. Let us hear from you in the comments!

New DVD releases

Minding The Gap (Rated Non-Fiction 796.22 MIN)
The Undoing – The Complete First Season (Rated R)
Our Friend (Rated R)
Wonder Woman 1984 (Rated PG-13)
News Of The World (Rated PG-13)
Fear Of Rain (Rated PG-13)
Blue's Clues & You! Blue's Sing-Along Spectacular (Rated Children)
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2001-A Space Odyssey (Rated G)

Mount Morris Library News

Adult Book Club

Adult Book Club will be the 4th Monday of every month at 5:30 p.m. (Currently via Zoom.) Copies of the May book *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes are available for checkout at the library. Feel free to grab a copy digitally if that is of interest to you! Email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to sign up (Zoom link will be sent via email).

To-Go Craft Kits

We have the following to-go craft kits available: Kids: Star Wars finger puppets, Teens: Yoda box, Adults: Folding magazine butterfly. We also have "May the Fourth Be With You" buttons for everyone! Stop by the library to get yours!

Summer Reading Program (in-person!)

We are working on our Summer Reading Program which will be IN-PERSON this year at Dillehay Park. Signups will be LIMITED and will be on Wednesday, June 2nd. Be watching our Facebook page for more information!

May New Books

The following new books will be available in May: Fiction: 21st Birthday by James Patterson, A Peculiar Combination by Ashley Weaver, Final Twist by Jeffrey Deaver, Great Circle: A Novel by Maggie Shipstead, Hidden by Fern Michaels, Lady Has a Past by Amanda Quick, Legacy: A Novel by Nora Roberts, Local Woman Missing:

A Novel by Mary Kubica, Newcomer: A Novel by Mary Kay Andrews, Plot by Jean Hanff Korelitz, Project Hail Mary: A Novel by Andy Weir, Robert B. Parker's Payback by Mike Lupica, Saboteurs by Clive Cussler, Unforgotten by Heather Graham, Version Zero by David Yoon, Whereabouts: A Novel by Jhumpa Lahiri and While Justice Sleeps by Stacey Abrams. Non-Fiction: Facing the Mountain: A True Story of Japanese American Heroes in World War II by Daniel Brown, My Remarkable Journey: A Memoir by Katherine Johnson and War on the Border: Villa, Pershing the Texas Rangers and an American Invasion by Jeff Guinn.

We Are Fine Free!

As of Jan. 2, the Mount Morris Public Library is officially FINE FREE! (Replacement and damage charges will still apply.) Contact the library (815.734.4927) with any questions.

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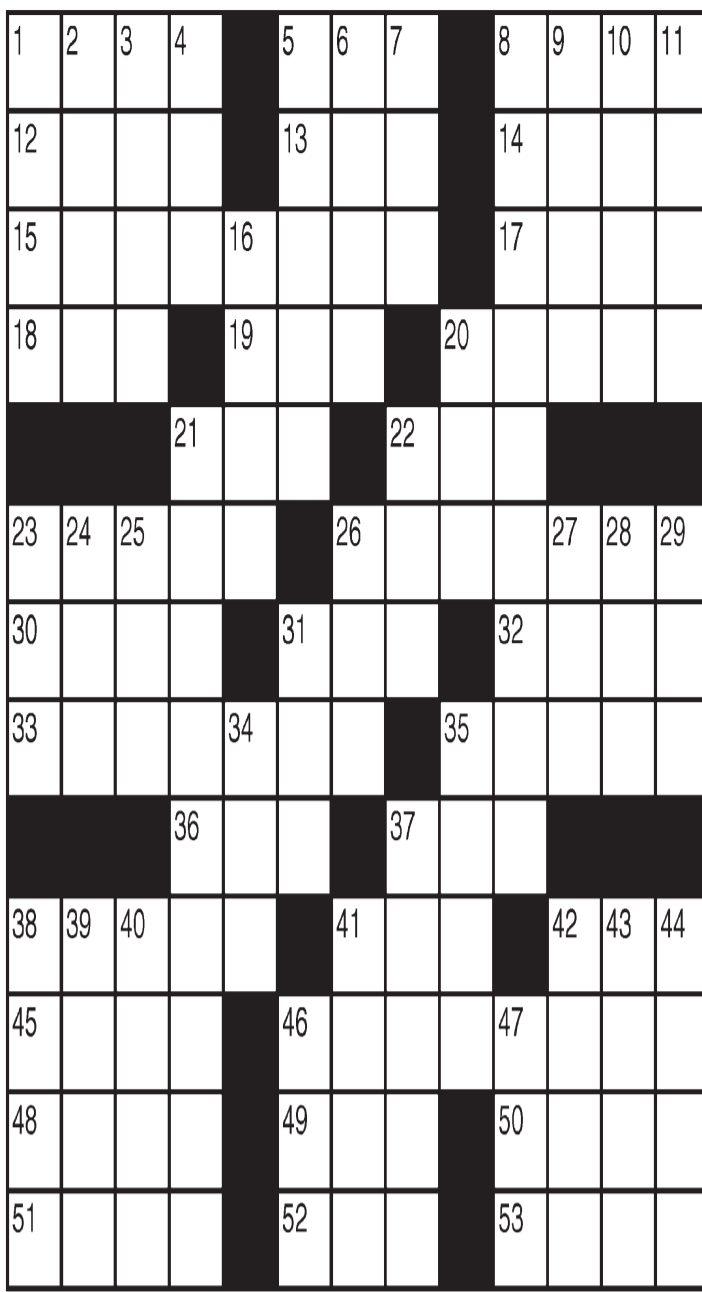
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MAGIC MAZE

FIRST OR LAST NAME?

ACROSS

- 1 Borscht veggie
- 5 Nourished
- 8 Great Lakes fish
- 12 Choir voice
- 13 "— been real"
- 14 Plane-related
- 15 Pear variety
- 17 Fury
- 18 Away from WSW
- 19 Mine yield
- 20 Say
- 21 Snoop
- 22 Upscale auto
- 23 Golf great Sam
- 26 Husband of Eurydice
- 30 Level



- 31 Genetic letters
- 32 Sicilian peak
- 33 New Mexico's capital
- 35 Director DeMille
- 36 "Nasty!"
- 37 Cowboy's sweetie
- 38 Brag
- 41 Gaiety
- 42 Mauna —
- 45 Pac-12 sch.
- 46 Cocktails garnished with olives
- 48 Avoid
- 49 Ostrich's kin
- 50 Sultry Horne
- 51 Male turkeys
- 52 — Moines
- 53 Retain
- DOWN**
- 1 Innocent one
- 2 Flair
- 3 French 101 verb
- 4 Preschooler
- 5 Red-hot
- 6 Diminutive suffix
- 7 "Spring ahead" hrs.
- 8 Sideways somersault
- 9 Miami team
- 10 Desire
- 11 Afrikaner
- 16 Byron or Tennyson
- 20 Strike caller
- 21 Devoted supporters
- 22 Bikini top
- 23 Rds.
- 24 Actress Long
- 25 Still, in verse
- 26 Small bill
- 27 List-ending abbr.
- 28 Half of bi-
- 29 Bando of baseball
- 31 "Bobby" subj.
- 34 Do something
- 35 Quitter's word
- 37 Mentors
- 38 Small statue
- 39 Twice cuatro
- 40 Grad
- 41 Notoriety
- 42 Leg joint
- 43 Aachen article
- 44 Now, on a memo
- 46 Club —
- 47 Sort

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: — CLOONEY

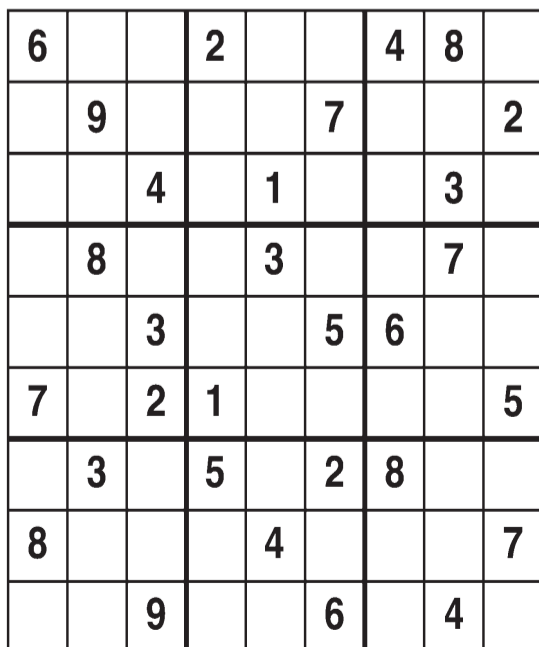
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

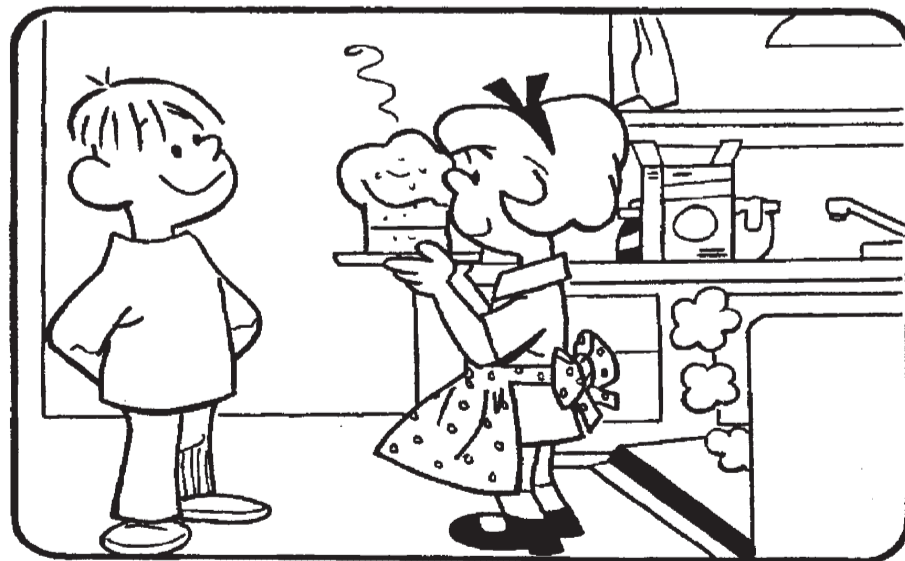
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- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

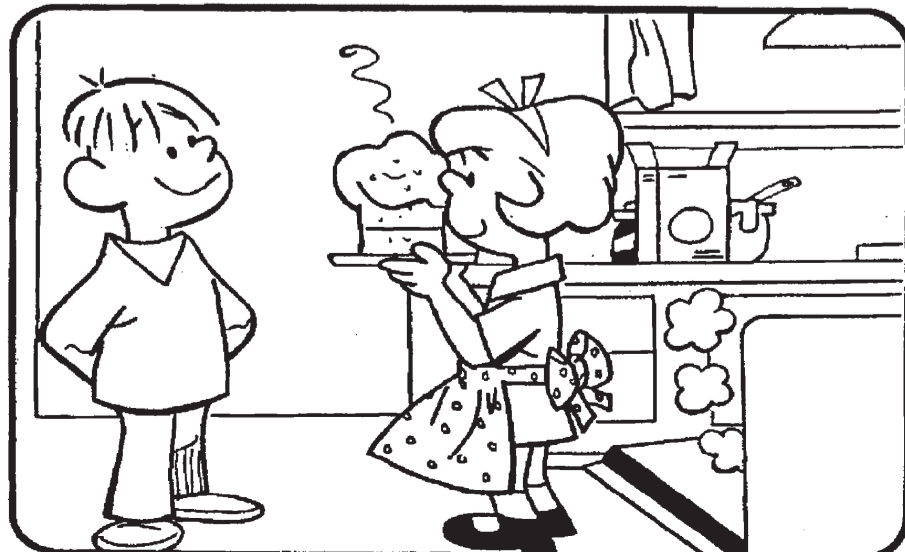
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



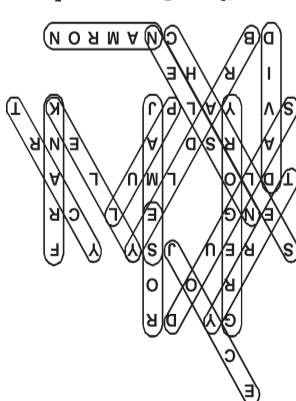
Differences: 1. Spoon handle is added. 2. Curtain is wider. 3. Box design is different. 4. Faucet is missing. 5. Bow is different. 6. V-neck is added.



Solution time: 23 mins.

Answers

King Crossword



FIRST OR LAST NAME?

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

Answer

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No. 0415 (April 26, May 3, 10)

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Firm Name: Gardi & Haught, Ltd.
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No. 0418 (May 3, 10, 17, 24)

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No. 0511 (May 10, 17, 24)

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through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources "Public Museum Capital" (PMC) Grant Program and is subject to all contract compliance requirements outlined in the RFP. Bids will be received as a lump sum proposal for General Construction including some demolition, remodeling, electrical and lighting upgrade, replacement of concrete porches and repairs to the brick and mortar exterior of the Lucius Read House located at 101 Blackhawk, Byron IL 61010. The Byron Museum District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding.

Qualified vendors may download the "RFP Byron Museum District 2021-001" from the public projects list in the DG Digital Plan Room accessed at dgdplanroom.com no later than May 21, 2021. The contract documents, which are the plans and specifications, are on file and may also be

examined at the Byron Museum of History, 110 North Union Street Byron, Illinois 61010 All proposals to be received by the Byron Museum District PO Box 186 Byron, Illinois 61010 or emailed to director@byronmuseum.org before 2:00 PM May 25, 2021.
No. 0512 (May 10)

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Garage Sale
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Garage Sale
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Wednesday May 12th & Thursday May 13th 8am-6pm.
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Garage Sale
MT MORRIS
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Garage Sales
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Thurs. May 13th 9-4. 6410 West Grove Rd.
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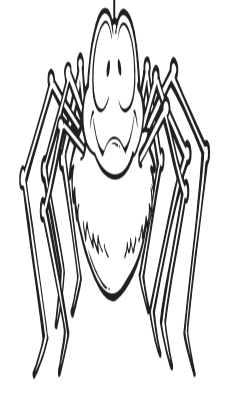
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