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County sees vaccine dose drop

More needed in order to continue giving first shot

By Brad Jennings
Editor

OREGON – The amount of COVID-19 vaccine on hand in Ogle County has dropped, Ogle County Health Department Administrator Kyle Auman told the Ogle County Board at its Feb. 16 meeting.

He said the focus of his department has remained on vaccinations, but they have had to reschedule some vaccine clinics due to a shortage of vaccine.

“We’re still moving forward with our vaccination mission,” Auman said.

He said the decrease in vaccine allocations should

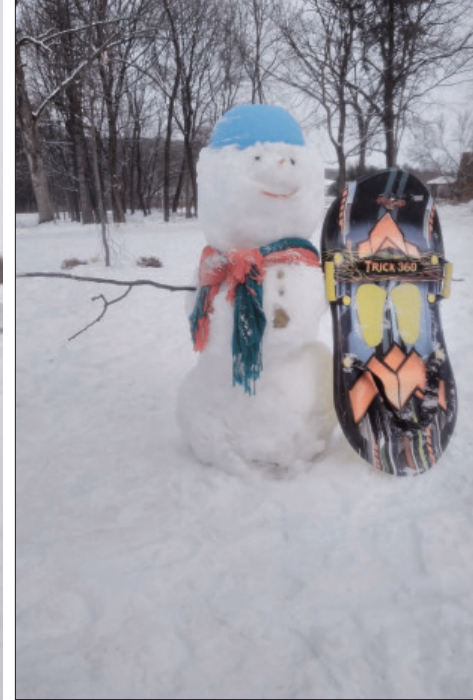
remain for the next couple of weeks. He told the board that his department was down to about 20 doses of the vaccine at that time.

So Auman said the focus for now will be on getting the vaccine to people who are in need of their second dose. That means, for now, the county is holding off on making appointments for first doses.

In total, Auman said about 3.41 percent of the county’s population has been vaccinated.

Overall, he told the board the regional positivity rate for the virus was a 3.4 percent.

(See DOSE, A-2)



Getting creative

The Oregon Park District has announced the winners of its Snowman Building Competition. Mr. and Mrs. Gipper for their “K State” snowman (top left); Team Paigen with Sophia, Max, Emma, Ethan and Jack helping to create their snowman, complete with his own snowboard (top right); and finally Team Dreesman, featuring Amelia and her dad, creating a snowman that made great use of surrounding nature (left). For more, see Page A2.

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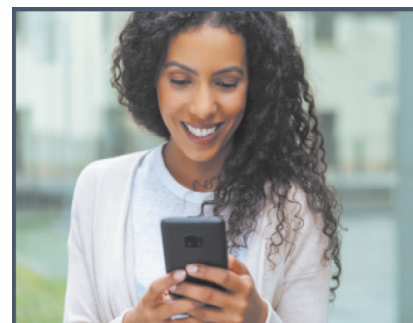


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Other entrants in the Oregon Park District first Snowman Building Competition included Parker Cain and his creation (top left); Carly, Emma and Lara Schlichtmann (left); and Allison and Hanna Bejster (above), who named their snowman Snowball.

DOSE: No timeline on when shots will be available for all ages

From page 1

In Ogle County, the positivity rate was 1.8 percent.

“Really seeing some positive activity and trends there,” he said.

Board Member Ben Youman asked Auman

if the county will have to revaccinate primary care workers eventually or use a booster.

Auman said there has been some discussion on booster shots, but nothing concrete has been set. He said it is not clear yet if the current vaccine is good for the variants of the virus that are popping up, or how long

the vaccine will be effective.

Board Member Tom Smith asked if the county has any timeframe for when people under the age of 65 will receive the vaccination.

Auman said there is currently no timeframe for that. He said the current list of those

over 65 who still need the vaccine is about 8,000 people. He said the county needs more doses to continue to move forward with its vaccine plan.

Auman said the county could potentially vaccinate 3,000 people a week if it had the vaccine doses it needed.

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Bingo returns on March 1

OREGON – Beginning March 1, the Oregon Park District will be offering Bingo Fun For Everyone.

Register to play Bingo at Nash Recreation Center from 1:30-2 p.m. each Monday. Social distancing will be followed and masks will be required.

Bingo is fun for all ages and all proceeds benefit the Oregon Park District Youth Scholarship Fund. Participants must register for a table

in advance to help control participation numbers and social distancing. Participants should bring their own daubers.

Register one person in the household (for a table). Purchase Bingo sheets when you register for \$1 each. This is a no cash/no contact program. We will play 3-4 games and each person playing will need at least one sheet per game. The person who is registered for a table can bring 5 ad-

ditional people (there will be a max of 6 people per table) whose names must also be included with registration. Winners will choose from small prizes (no cash prizes).

Spaces are limited each Monday so register soon online at www.oregonpark.org or register over the phone by calling the Oregon Park District at 815-732-3101.

The Park District follows CDC and IDPH guidelines for the safety of all.

Park District's Folk earns certification

OREGON – The Oregon Park District Board of Commissioners are pleased to announce Erin Folk, executive director, has been named a Certified Park and Recreation Executive (CPRE) by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA).

Folk is now 1 of 305 CPRE's in the United States and 1 of 45 in the state of Illinois. Folk has been employed by the Oregon Park District since 2006 and has served as the executive director since 2013.

The Certified Park and Recreation Executive certification is a mastery-level certification program for park and rec-

reation management and administration professionals. Candidates who qualify to apply for the CPRE are those who have a current CPRP (Certified Park and Recreation Professional) certification and have a Bachelor's degree and a minimum of five years of full time management experience. Candidates must also pass the three-hour, 150 question exam that covers topics, such as communication, finance, operations, human resources and planning. Folk was recognized by the Board of Commissioners on Feb. 9 for her achievement.



Second annual Oregon pub crawl is March 13

OREGON – Tickets are now available for the Second Annual ShamROCKIN' Oregon Saint Patrick's Pub Crawl sponsored by Martin & Co.

The shenanigans begin in Oregon on Saturday, March 13 with nine participating pubs featuring games, contests, prizes, food and drink specials, a T-Shirt, an Oregon coupon book and a free shuttle bus for participants.

This year for the first time there will be fireworks to celebrate at the end of the night sponsored by Bad Ash Cigars, Ogle County Brewery, Illinois Auto Repair and Tire and the City of Oregon. Get your tickets in person or online today at www.exploreoregonil.com/events and find us on Facebook at Explore Oregon, Illinois.

Participating pubs: Breakers Saloon & Eatery, Chile Pepper Grill & Bar, Cork & Tap, Franklin Street Pub, Messie's Bar & Grill, Ogle County Brewery, Sledgehammers, The Hunt Club and The Tippy Hog.



Oregon boy's death under investigation

OREGON – A 7-year-old boy died on Feb. 17 after Oregon Police responded to a 911 call at about 2:35 a.m. or a child that was not breathing at a residence in the 400 block of S. 10th Street.

Upon arrival, CPR was already in progress, and was continued by the Oregon officer until the Oregon

Ambulance Service arrived on scene. The 7-year-old was then transported to KSB Hospital in Dixon where he was later pronounced deceased.

An autopsy was been scheduled for Feb. 18 and the death is under investigation by the Oregon Police Department and the Lee County Coroner's Office.

Mobile food pantry Friday in Mount Morris

Loaves & Fish Food Pantry, alongside Northern Illinois Food Bank, is hosting a Mobile Food Pantry on Friday, Feb. 26, from 10-11:30 AM.

The truck will be located at Mt. Morris Moose Family Center, 101 Moose Drive, Mt. Morris. This mobile pantry is open anyone in Ogle County.

This is an "extra" food distribution.

Loaves & Fish Pantry clients are still eligible to receive their normal monthly food allotment. The pantry is open on the

1st and 3rd Thursdays from 4:30-7 p.m. and 2nd and 4th Mondays from 2-4:30 p.m. Anyone in the Mt. Morris/Leaf River area experiencing food insecurity is eligible to receive food. You do not need to have a referral, and no proof of income is required.

The pantry is located in the lower level of the Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren, 409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris.

If you have any questions, call 815-734-4250 or 815-734-4573 and leave a message.

Assessor meeting schedule for 2021 is set

The meetings for Eagle Point, Grand Detour, Pine Creek and Woosung Township Assessor business for

2021 will be March 8 at 6:45 p.m. and Oct. 11 at 7:15 p.m. at 7074 West Penn Corner Road. Polo.

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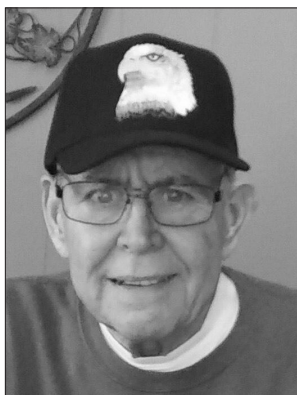
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Obituaries

Dennis Kelly

Dennis "Denny" Kelly, 78 of Oregon, passed away peacefully on Feb. 12, 2021 after a short illness. He was born June 2, 1942 in Chicago, the son of Edward and Grace (Miller) Kelly.

Denny spent his early years in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood where he life-guarded on Lake Michigan and followed his beloved Chicago Cubs during the summers. Denny graduated from Lane Technical High School and went on to serve his country in the United States Army shortly after. Denny settled in Oregon with his young family in 1969, where he became very active in the community, serving on the Park District and School Boards. He also volunteered to announce basketball and football games as well as scribing sports articles for the local newspaper, naming



as many players as possible so everyone could see their name in print.

Denny had a lifelong passion for singing and you could often find him singing at wedding ceremonies (and later at receptions)! He amassed a treasured network of friends and was always a welcomed addition to any party. His later years were shared with his adored wife Deb, who he married Aug.

17, 1996 and was his rock and devoted caretaker.

Survivors include wife Debra, son Sean (Mari) Kelly of Camas Wash., step children Jimmy (Heidi) Engel of Apache Junction Ariz., Angie Engel of Oregon and Allison (David) Schnitzler of Wheaton, grandchildren Jack, Danny, Nora and Tommy Kelly of Camas Wash., and step grandchildren Tyler Engel of Rockford and Austin (Tanya) and Parker Rowland of Oregon.

Preceded in death by his parents Edward and Grace Kelly, and brother James Kelly.

A memorial fund is established in Denny's name for the William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital. Services were private and a celebration of life memorial will be announced and held at a later date.

William B. Wagner

OREGON – William B. Wagner, age 84, died Monday, Feb. 15, 2021 in Dixon. He was born Dec. 2, 1936 in Dixon, the son of Charles and Irma (Cronk) Wagner. Bill attended Mt. Morris High School and shortly afterwards enlisted and served in the United State Army. In 1957 he was a member of the 505th Infantry, the 11th Airborne Division as a paratrooper serving a tour of duty in Germany. Bill worked at A&P supermarket and Kable Printing Company in Mt. Morris for many years, he then went to work for Delmonte Foods Corp. as a forklift driver in Rochelle until his retirement in 1998. I



going fishing, and was an avid Chicago Bears fan. Bill married Sharon Ackerson on March 29, 1969 at the Ashton United Methodist Church in Ashton. Bill and Sharon enjoyed square dancing and traveling throughout the U.S. in their RV club, they spent many years as snowbirds with friend in Weslaco and Alamo, Texas. Bill was a member of the Oregon United Methodist Church and later in life the Lighthouse United Methodist Church of Oregon.

In his younger years Bill was a member of the Leaf River Horseshoe Riding Club. He enjoyed trail riding in southern, Wisconsin and Northern Illinois. He enjoyed many years as a member of the Mt. Morris Boat Club where he and his family enjoyed water skiing and camping. He was also a lifetime member of the Mt. Morris Moose Club. He was an avid bowler with the Kable Printing teams, enjoyed

He was predeceased by his parents, wife Sharon, daughter Janet Heier, grandson Joshua Wagner, and brothers Charles, Jr., Richard, and Jerry.

Bill is survived by his children; Robert (Peggy)

Wagner of Baileyville, Joyce (Dana) LaPier of Belvidere, Jeffrey (Liz) Wagner of German Valley, Dawn Valdes Wagner of Sharon, Wis., and Chad Wagner of Oregon. 14 grandchildren; Ryan, Heather, Rebekah, Ben, Ashlea, Kyle, Kyle H., Brooke, Isa, Emily, Juan, Faith, Jovani, and Carlos, and 13 great grandchildren, sisters; Dorothy Capes of Mt. Morris, Patricia Carpenter of Belvidere, Peggy Janssen of Oregon, Shirley Palmer of Leaf River, and Beverly Snyder of Louisville, Ky., and many nieces and nephews.

A private funeral service will be held at the Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, 110 South 7th Street in Oregon, with the Pastor Don Jamerson of the First Free Methodist Church in Freeport officiating. Private burial will be held at the Ashton Cemetery. A celebration of life service will also take place in the summer. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund is established for the Mt. Morris Moose Club. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory of Bill.

Karen L. Plumb

STILLMAN VALLEY – Karen L. Plumb, age 77, loving mother, grandmother, and sister, died Sunday, Feb. 14, 2021 following a sudden illness. She was born July 24, 1943 in Rockford the daughter of Martin and Marie (Hosfeldt) Brett.

She graduated from West High School in 1961. Karen married Dean S. Plumb on June 22, 1963 in Rockford. He preceded her in 2014. Karen formerly worked at the Byron Power Plant and at the Stillman Valley National Bank where she retired from to help take care of her grandchildren. She loved them dearly and enjoyed attending all their activities.



She was predeceased by her parents, husband Dean, sister-in-law Nancy Brett, and niece Julie Glendenning.

She is survived by her

2 sons, Bret Plumb (Robin Baird) of Westfield, Wis., and Jason (Jennifer) Plumb of Stillman Valley, 3 grandchildren, Kaylie, Britni, and Cade, brother James Brett of Stillman Valley, sister Kathy (Michael) Fisher of Roscoe, and 6 special nieces, Brenda, Laurie, Richelle, Nancy, Molly, and Megan.

Private funeral service will be held at the Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, 136 W. Roosevelt Road in Stillman Valley, with the Rev. Robert Mellon pastor of the Monroe Center Community Church officiating. Private burial will be at the Mouth of Stillman Cemetery. A memorial fund is established in Karen's name.

Scot J. DeWall

MOUNT MORRIS – Scot J. DeWall, 50, of Mt. Morris, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021 at Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon. He was born Sept. 15, 1970 in Rockford to James and Elaine DeWall.



Scot was an employee at McDonalds for over 18 years. He was a man of great faith and was a member of the Polo Church of the Brethren, while attending many other churches in the area too. The Special Olympics were especially important to Scot and he earned a gold medal in bocce ball at the Special Olympics in Seattle. Scot was a die-hard fan of the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears, and all Polo sports. He loved spending time with kids, especially his nieces and nephews.

Surviving Scot is his

mother and father Elaine (Hale) Guyer of Oregon, and James (Melodie) DeWall of Oregon; sister Holli (Brian) Sanders of Shannon; brother Brant (Colleen) Dambman of Simpsonville, S.C.; nieces and nephews Aubrey Sanders, Blake Sanders, Tucker Dambman, and Wade Dambman; and step-niece and nephew Christian and Taylor Sanders.

He is preceded in death

by his maternal and paternal grandparents.

A visitation will be held from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021 at Burke-Tubbs Funeral Home in Forreton. Services will be 11 a.m., Monday, Feb. 22, 2021 also at Burke-Tubbs Funeral Home in Forreton. Social distancing and masks will be required at the visitation and service. Burial will be in White Oak Cemetery. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

A memorial has been established for the Special Olympics, Red Hots, and Polo Boosters. The family would like to extend their gratitude to Dr. Danny Isawi, Dr. Hanny Isawi, and Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon, IL for their great care. Please sign Scot's guestbook and share a remembrance at www.burketubbs.com

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Children's Center Registration opens

Saturday, March 6th at 8 a.m.

The Tuesday/Thursday class is geared towards 3 year olds and younger 4-year olds. Class meets from 8:15-10:45 a.m. two days per week. Children must be at least 3 years old to attend the two-day class.

Class runs August 31-May 12.

Cost is \$95R/\$114NR per month. Tuition includes Sept. deposit and monthly payments October-May.

The Monday/Wednesday/Friday class is structured for 4 year olds and younger 5 year olds. Children must be at least 4 years old by Sept. 1 to attend. Class will meet on Monday and Friday from 8:15-11 a.m. Wednesday class will meet from 8:15-11:30 a.m. Children will bring a packed lunch each Wednesday and enjoy lunch with their teachers to help prepare them for school lunches in Kindergarten.

Class runs August 30-May 13.

Cost is \$130R/\$156NR per month. Tuition includes Sept. deposit and monthly payments October-May.

Drop-off and pick-up will occur at our Children's Center entrance located at School Street and South 6th Street. This location allows for you to drop your child off at the entrance from your car directly to our teachers. This procedure, enacted during COVID, has been successful and will continue in the 2021-22 school year. Our students and staff are able to be independent from Nash Recreation Center with their own kitchen, bathroom and both indoor and outdoor classrooms. The separation has allowed for easier transitions at drop-off and much less contact than entering through the traditional Nash Recreation Center entrance. Pick-up will allow parents to park on School and 6th Street and enter our back patio for dismissal.

Children must be potty trained by the first day of class. For more information on registration or to schedule a classroom visit and meet the teachers prior to registration contact tina@oregonpark.org or phone 815-732-3101 and speak with Tina Ketter, Superintendent of Recreation.



Oregon Park District's Summer Day Camp is back!

Camp Oh-Pea-Dee

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May 20th-August 11th

Monday-Friday 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

**Registration opens March 1
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State Police release monthly activity

STERLING – Illinois State Police District 1 Commander, Captain Matthew Hodgdon, has announced District 1 enforcement figures and activity for January. Illinois State Police District 1 Troopers issued 389 citations, 437 written warnings, and made 10 criminal arrests during the month of January. Speeding accounted for 211 citations, 25 citations were issued for occupant restraint violations and 10 citations were issued for

distracted driving violations. Troopers investigated 37 traffic crashes, assisted 173 motorists, and conducted 191 commercial vehicle inspections, 9 of which were placed out-of-service for safety reasons. There were 3 arrests for driving under the influence. District 1, which encompasses Carroll, Lee, Ogle, and Whiteside counties, investigated no fatal traffic crashes in January.

Byron Township sets 2021 meetings

Byron Township has announced its regular monthly meeting schedule for 2021. All regular monthly meetings of the Byron Township Board of Trustees begin at 7 p.m., the second Thursday of every month, except for in April. In April the Annual Town Hall Meeting will be on Tuesday April 13 at 7 p.m. The April regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be 10 minutes after the adjournment of the Annual Town Hall Meeting. To follow are

the dates of the regular monthly meetings of the Byron Township Board of Trustees in calendar year 2021. Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 11, April 13, (annual meeting followed by regular meeting, May 13, June 10, July 8, Aug. 12, Sept. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 11, Dec. 9, Jan. 13, 2022. The semi-annual meetings of the Planning Commission of the Byron Township are the first Tuesday of April and September.



Camp Oh-Pea-Dee returns this summer

OREGON – The Oregon Park District is excited to announce Camp Oh-Pea-Dee will return this summer. Summer camp will be offered each week that the Oregon School District is on summer break. Tentatively, the first week of camp will begin on May 20 and run through August 11. Camp is open for children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade in the fall of 2021. Drop-off is between 6:30-8:30 a.m. and pick-up is until 5:30 p.m.

The Oregon Park District is excited to announce Camp Oh-Pea-Dee will return this summer. Rather than work around construction we decided to create a new experience at Nash! Participants will also enjoy local field trips, parks, splash pad and exploring Oregon! Due to COVID-19 protocols, camp numbers will be limited to 24 campers each week. Parents can sign children up for as many weeks as they like with an easy deposit system to secure their time for the summer. Registration will include the entire week. Campers may choose to attend fewer days, but the cost will be the entire week. Campers can cancel up to 14 days prior to the enrolled camp week for a refund minus their 10% deposit. A waiting list will be available if a camp week is filled.

Week 2: May 24-28 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: May 10 Code: 2116-04
Week 3: June 1-4 Fee: \$100/\$120 NR Deposit: \$10/\$12 NR Deadline: May 18 Code: 2116-05
Week 4: June 7- 11 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: May 24 Code: 2116-06
Week 5: June 14- 18 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: May 31 Code: 2116-07
Week 6: June 21- 25 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: June 7 Code: 2116-08
Week 7: June 28-July 2 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: June 14 Code: 2116-09
Week 8: July 5- 9 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: June 21 Code: 2116-10
Week 9: July 12-16 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: June 28 Code: 2116-11
Week 10: July 19- 23 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: July 5 Code: 2116-12
Week 11: July 26- 30 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: July 12 Code: 2116-13
Week 12: Aug. 2-6 Fee: \$125/\$150 NR Deposit: \$12.50/\$15 NR Deadline: July 19 Code: 2116-14
Week 13: Aug. 9-11 Fee: \$75/\$90 NR Deposit: \$7.50/\$9 NR Deadline: July 26 Code: 2116-15

Registration will open on Monday, March 1 both online and by phone at 8 a.m. Our new system will allow parents to either pay in full at time of registration or reserve their week with a 10% non-refundable deposit for each week booked. The registration fee, less the 10% deposit, will be due 10 days prior to the registered week using our automatic payment plan. Current dates, prices and deadlines are listed below. These are subject to change dependent on OCUSD School Schedule. Week 1: May 20-21 Fee: \$50/\$60 NR Deposit: \$5/\$6 NR Deadline: May 6 Code: 2116-03

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Kindergarten registration set for March 10

BYRON – Mary Morgan Elementary School is holding kindergarten registration for the 2021-22 school year on March 10 from 2:30-6 p.m. Please pick up a packet of required forms prior to registration at the school office, 420 N. Colfax St., Byron.



Forest Preserve District sets lecture on Chicago Portage

The Byron Forest Preserve District will offer Archaeology of the Chicago Portage National Historic Site via Zoom lecture on Sunday, Feb. 28 at 2 p.m.

Join staff archaeologist Paula Bryant of the Illinois State Archaeological Survey to learn about the Chicago Portage, a low and short divide between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River systems. Following the lead of generations of Native Americans, explorers Marquette and Joliet first crossed the Chicago Portage in 1673. One of the most important travel routes of the mid-continent, the portage was a significant factor in the development of the United States interior. During early European exploration, natural waterways were often the easiest route across the North American landscape and places where canoes and trade goods could easily be

carried around barriers or across multiple rivers were critically important. Along with the opening of the Illinois and Michigan Canal in 1848, the portage became the transportation link that spurred the growth of the City of Chicago.

One of a handful of National Historic Sites in Illinois, the Chicago Portage is considered by some as Chicago's "Plymouth Rock." The presentation will address the unique features this landscape offered to early travelers, in addition to archaeological sites associated with the area.

To access this lecture, email the Byron Forest Preserve District at info@byronforestpreserve.com by Friday, Feb. 26 to register and receive the link and password for join this Zoom program. Call 815 234-8535, Ext. 200 for more information.

Recycling event cancelled

The Ogle County Residential Electronics Recycling Collection Event, scheduled for Friday, Feb. 26, has been cancelled by the Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD). The OCSWMD regrets any inconvenience for this cancellation.

The OCSWMD's next scheduled residential electronics recycling collection event will be Friday, March 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 909 Pines Road in Oregon. Advanced permits are required to attend these

events. These free permits may be acquired by calling the OCSWMD Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 815-732-4020 or via email at solidwaste@ogle-county.org.

Permits are limited to Ogle County residents, and allow the user to bring up to seven (7) large accepted electronic items to the recycling event. Limit one (1) permit per household per month. Accepted items include all televisions, computers, laptops, tablets, cell phones,

monitors, computer hardware and cables, video game equipment, printers, FAX machines, copiers, DVD/VCR's, cable or satellite receivers, stereo equipment, radios, phones, holiday lights, rechargeable batteries, and ink cartridges. Microwave ovens also accepted for a \$5 charge.

Please contact the OCSWMD at the number above for more information about the March event, or visit www.oglecounty.org, or go to Facebook at Ogle County Solid Waste Management Dept.



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Oregon Police report

Feb. 9

At 3:59 p.m., Oregon Police responded to a disturbance in the 900 block of Jefferson Street resulting in issuing Melisa L. Carreno, 35, Oregon, a \$1000.00 recognizance bond and given a future court date for an outstanding Ogle County warrant for failure to appear on a driving while suspended charge.

Police issued Allison C. Dillon, 34, Loves Park, a \$1000.00 recognizance bond and given a future court date for an outstanding Ogle County warrant for failure to appear on a no insurance citation.

82 parking tickets and xx verbal warning issued during the week of 02/08/2021 through 02/14/2021

Feb. 10

At 9:49 a.m., Oregon Police responded to a two-vehicle traffic crash at the intersection of Madison and South 9th Streets involving a 2002 Chevrolet driven by Dennis L. Rosenbalm, 67, of Evansville, IN, and a 2000 Jeep driven by Heather M. Phillips, 26, Oregon. Rosenbalm was issued a citation for disobeying a traffic control device.

General Calls for Service Through dispatch during the week of 02/08/2021 through 02/14/2021:

Checking a Subject / Vehicle	9	Citizen Complaints	6
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Disturbance / Dom Battery	3	Alarm Response	2
Lockout Vehicle / Building	2	911 Hang-up / Open Line	6
Traffic Stops	1		

Feb. 12

At 10:41 a.m., Oregon

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Weds., Feb. 24

A free educational and informational presentation on the Social Security and Medicare programs will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 p.m. at The United Church of Byron, 701 West Second St.

Beaded Mask Keepers, 6-7 p.m., via Zoom with the Byron Library. Join Beth as she beads mask keepers for the residents at Generations at Neighbors. Kit will include beads, string and alligator clips. The Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants, and kits will be available for pickup at the library begin-

ning on Saturday, Feb. 20. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/ signup to register.

Thurs., Feb. 25

Today is the registration deadline for the Oregon Park District's T+T Stenciled Wooden Tags class. Learn the basics of stenciling with Timber + Tribe. This class will be held at Cork & Tap on Friday, March 5, from 6-8:30 p.m. Fee for the class is \$45/Resident or \$54/Non-Resident.

Fri., Feb. 26

Loaves & Fish Food Pan-

try, alongside Northern Illinois Food Bank, is hosting a Mobile Food Pantry from 10-11:30 a.m. The truck will be located at Mt. Morris Moose Family Center, 101 Moose Drive, Mt. Morris. This mobile pantry is open anyone in Ogle County.

Sat., Feb. 27

Dogwood Inn (Rt. 26/64) Indoor Market, 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Sun., Feb. 28

The Byron Forest Preserve District will offer Archaeol-

ogy of the Chicago Portage National Historic Site via Zoom lecture at 2 p.m. To access this lecture, email the Byron Forest Preserve District at info@byronforest-preserve.com by Friday, Feb. 26 to register and receive the link and password for join this Zoom program. Call 815 234-8535, Ext. 200 for more information.

Please send your items for the weekly Community Calendar to bjennings@oglecountylife.com. Deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On March 13, 1781, English astronomer William Herschel discovers Uranus, the seventh planet from the sun. It was the first discovery of a new planet in modern times, and the first to be made using a telescope.

* On March 10, 1876, the first discernible speech is transmitted over a telephone system when inventor Alexander Graham Bell summons his assistant in another room by saying, "Mr. Watson, come here; I want you."

* On March 14, 1914, stock-car racer Lee Arnold Petty is born near Randleman, North Carolina. In 1959, he won the Daytona 500. Lee Petty never lost a race on account of being too kind to his competitors, even if they were family.

* On March 12, 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt gives his first national radio address broadcast from the White House, in which he explained his recent decision to close the nation's banks.

* On March 8, 1971, Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier meet for the "Fight of the Century" at Madison Square Garden in New York City. The bout marked Ali's return after the boxing commission revoked his license over his refusal to fight in the Vietnam War. Frazier won by a unanimous decision.

* On March 9, 1981, a nuclear accident at a Japan Atomic Power Company plant in Tsuruga, Japan, exposes 59 workers to radiation. Sixteen tons of waste spilled into Wakasa Bay, but Japan's Atomic Power Commission made no mention of the accident until more than a month later. By then, radioactive levels of seaweed in the area were found to be 10 times greater than normal.

* On March 11, 1997, Paul McCartney, a former member of Beatles, is knighted by Queen Elizabeth II for his "services to music." McCartney became Sir Paul in a centuries-old ceremony of pomp and solemnity at Buckingham Palace in central London.

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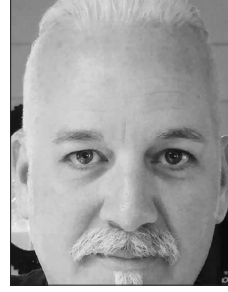
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Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



I love my job. I really do. But there are times that it can certainly be trying. Like when someone sends an email and asks for your cellphone number so they can complain at you about something on the phone instead of in an email. Or when people get angry and accuse you of all manner of things because you won't print the letter they submitted that is filled with falsehoods.

The worst – the absolute worst – is when the English majors feel the need to fire off letters or emails about mistakes they find in the paper. I have written about this before, but it is always a problem. There must be a nationwide network of retired teachers and others who majored in English who feel the need to contact the paper about every mistake.

I get there are mistakes, that is sadly a part of being human. But when you get snarky letters from people pointing out even small problems that could be up

for interpretation, it does get a bit annoying.

But there is another side to being the editor of the paper, a great side. I get to meet a lot of wonderful people in the community and package their local news together for them each week. News stories, events, graduations, classes, honor rolls, library news – you name it, we have it in *The Life* every week.

And people appreciate it. I know because people reach out to me with wonderful,

warm comments that truly make my day.

I even get Christmas cards from readers. I got a wonderful one this year from Loraine Untz of Oregon. The fact that she took the time to send a card because she likes the paper made my day – my week. I am always pleased when people enjoy the newspaper.

We have recently started our annual voluntary pay campaign. We are a free paper, so the voluntary pay does help. And some of the money also goes to area senior centers.

As a part of sending in money to the paper, people send a lot of notes thanking us for the paper. I just want all of you to know how much your kind words mean to us.

The Life is a part of the community. I am not from here. I am not even from Illinois. But I am a newspaperman and have made it my career. I love newspapers and know how much they

matter to a community.

I appreciate that it means something to people in the community as well. And when people take the time to send a note of support for the newspaper it is like a shot of adrenaline for those of us working to put the paper out every week.

That is one thing I really appreciate about *The Life*. As someone who came from the daily newspaper world, I didn't understand the depth of feeling people had for their weekly newspaper. I understand that now, and it has been a highlight of a career filled with them.

So thank you for your support and thank you for the positive feedback you have sent us. We appreciate it and we appreciate you. You are readers, yes. But you are our customers, and we try every day to do the best we can for you.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



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The lies started early and kept on coming

Dear Editor,
When President Trump came down that elevator announcing his candidacy for President, the lies had already started. Years earlier, Trump lied several times about the very racist birtherism conspiracy. When I (saw) Ken Kielsmeier's opinions on the subjects (Ogle County Life, Feb. 8) I had to complete what he conveniently left out. The price of gas was highest under a Republican President that almost destroyed the economy. You see the devil is always in the details. Starting on day 19 of the

Trump administration, there was already felonies being committed by his administration, starting with Mike Flynn who needed a pardon for his felonies. Trump's campaign manager Paul Manafort needed a pardon for his felonies, the assistant campaign manager Rick Gates needed a pardon, Trump adviser Roger Stone needed a pardon. I could go on but space is limited in describing the graft and swamp dwelling this president has committed. Then came the porn star payoff lies that put Trump's personal attorney in prison for 3

years, where Trump was named as individual #1. Trump's policy towards immigrants is hateful and disgusting to any Christian that reads a Bible. His words have meaning, something he never did learn. The economy Trump inherited from Obama was already working tremendously well and look what we have now. Unemployment has skyrocket, Americans don't have enough food to feed their families. Recently in just one week 847,000 Americans filed for unemployment. Lastly, and most important, is the results

from 4 years of lying incessantly. Inviting white nationalist, Nazis, and confederate supports to the capitol and then unleashing them to storm the center of our Republic has to be the last straw. These terrorists deserve long prison sentences no different than those who attacked us on 9/11. For those who would say we need to come together now, I say look at the 147 Republicans that voted to continue the Trump election lies hours after being attacked. Brian Opsahl, Byron

We will see damage of censorship

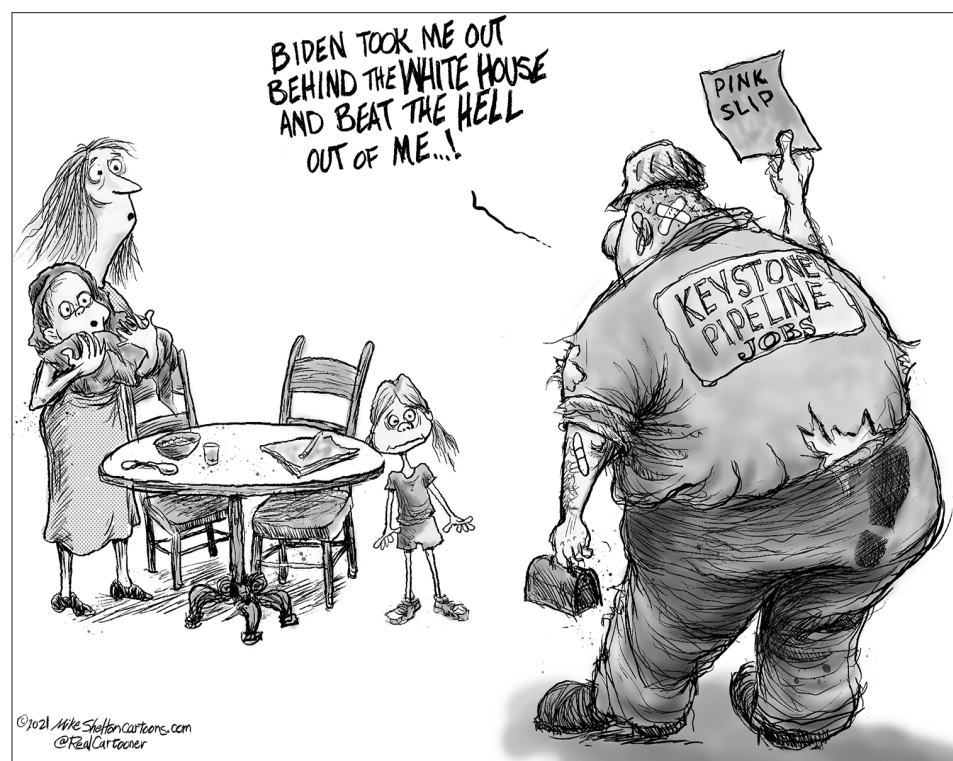
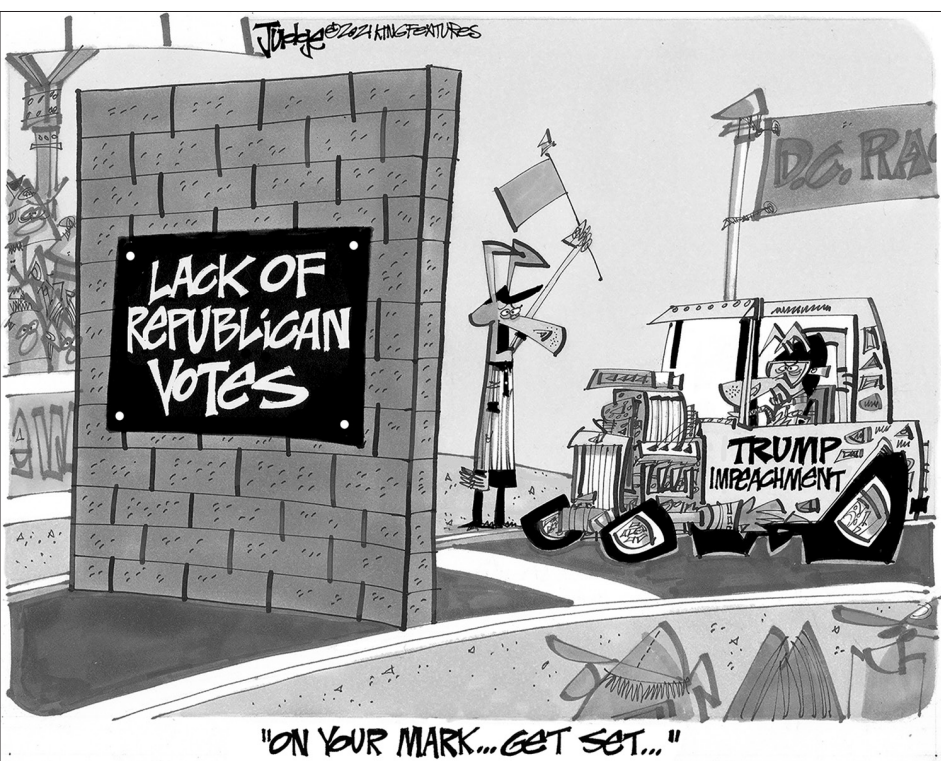
Dear Editor,
How is it that Joe Biden's presidency is off to such a divisive start? A person who has served a lifetime as a political figure saying such wonderful things like "let us all get together and put our differences aside. Let me hold you in my thoughts and work this out. We can build bridges and mend our broken promises into one union." Sounds good doesn't it! Joe Biden and other politicians have always shown a need to use the "good thoughts" to present a better "Character Image". It has been said that supreme character is a wardrobe that all career politicians wear...but lies and corruption are always in the side pockets. So what do we have with Joe? Will Joe Biden mend our nation? Or is he the one man with a pen destroying our values and working to tear our nation further apart? Joe may be telling the truth when he said "what am I signing" and the response back was "just sign it". 44 Executive orders signed without legislative input or actions...which may put a million workers out of jobs, open the borders for thousands of illegal refugees to enter, decrease our national security and increase energy costs for all Americans. These are just a few of the destruc-

tive actions Joe has presented in his first month of office. Is that what more than 75 million people voted for? Is it possible that now he is just being used to carry out the work of others? Are "they" who you voted for? The Jan. 29th Opinion Editorial says to vote on character for a leader, well, whose character did we get? Some have said there was censorship by MainStreamMedia (CBS,NBC,CNN,ABC) on unethical and possible illegal actions by candidates. Having known the true facts would voters have made a different choice? Would they have been able to choose a more qualified person? In the Jan. 29th Opinion Editorial, it stated Trump's Big Lie on the election fraud was a huge character fault against him. Is it wrong to have a different opinion and want to prove your case to support the millions of voters who believe in you? These voters believed in a leader who asked them what they wanted and then delivered on it. Is this a better way to judge leaders? Maybe, but it will only work if we have a country free of censorship and biased leadership to serve the wants of the majority and deliver on it. The next four years may show us, and the world, the damage caused by a censored election and questionable voting system. Steven G. Sorenson, Polo

Our nation must have accountability

Dear Editor,
The Republican party is faced with a crisis that could have been foreseen and dealt with in a timely manner. Their present predicament is of their own making, not by intent, but by negligence and failure to act. When Trump was first nominated and then elected, I predicted that his presidency would not end well. I did not foresee how it would end but I felt it would not be in a pleasing manor for Republicans. Today we have half of the elected members of the party supporting a mentally disturbed individual that lies as easily as a normal person take a breath. The other half is cowering in fear of their constituents that have bought into his lies, distortions, and self-dealing. With any kind of luck at all the justice system will delve into his finances, his self-dealing, and his behind closed-door dealings with foreign interests. If the Republican party is to have a future, it must cleave itself from Trump the same as a surgeon would carve out a malignant lesion from one's body. I am not suggesting physical harm to him but it must be done in a judicious manner. We have seen a beginning with the actions of a few still principled Republicans but not nearly enough to stem the corruption of lies and distortion of the

former president. I wrote to Rep. Kinzinger early in the Trump presidency and suggested to him that if he valued his political career, he must disengage from Trump and his synopates if necessary, strike out on his own. Obviously he did not take my suggestion but finally after 3 1/2 years and voting for Trump policies 90.2 % of the time he has decided to move in the right direction. His reward for finally coming to his senses is being censored by the Republican Party in LaSalle County. Having courage to stand up against overwhelming public ignorance and the majority of your own party, is commendable. I would suggest that possibly it is too little too late. The era of Trump is here and hopefully soon will be gone. There is not any doubt in my mind Kinzinger will be returned to the House in his next election, hopefully a more sensitive less patrician representative. Many will say (Lindsey Graham) it is time to move on. I think not. Remember at the first impeachment trial Susan Collins said this will be a wake-up moment for Trump and he will do better. How did that work out for you Susan? Any elected individual that in the course of doing their job must be held accountable for any and all their transgressions. James Gorman, Grand Detour



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“Thank you for the great publication.”

Rich & Debbie Hood

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Medicare, Social Security program on Feb. 24

BYRON – A free educational and informational presentation on the Social Security and Medicare programs will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at The United Church of Byron, 701 West Second St.

The emphasis will be on the eligibility and enrollment periods, benefits, and options concerning Social Security and Medicare. All are welcome. Presenter will be Greg Wills for the program. This program is sponsored by the Legacy and Endowment Committees of The United Church of Byron.

The United Church of Byron is a fun and diverse church with a heart for mission. Check us out at www.unitedchurchofbyron.org Illinois covid-19 guidelines will be followed for this program.



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during the cold winter months. During the spring and summer months, enjoy the serenity of the gorgeous, perennial flower garden and patio out back. Attached garage, garden shed, fenced in yard on a deep lot. Don't miss out on this one!



909 Institute Boulevard Dixon
\$209,900
Call JD

One word... wow! With over 2,400 sq feet of finished living space, this 4 bedroom 2 bathroom home has everything you could imagine. From the bright sunroom, elegant dining room, to its beautiful master bedroom and lower living space with a fully dedicated laundry room.

All of which is protected by your Vivent Home Security System. Have I mentioned there's a HUGE additional detached garage? Perfect for all of your wildest imaginations. Just two blocks from the river, it is the perfect spot to store your boat during those cold winter months. This home features many recent updates. New patio finish (2020), roof and siding (2018), 125 Amp service (2018) and 200 Amp to the garage, AC (2017), and much.. much more!



206 S Chestnut Street Shannon
\$98,000
Call Ashley

Charm Charm Charm!!! A well maintained and spacious 2 bed 1 bath home is ready for you to enjoy! This efficient home boasts gleaming hardwood floors and an abundance of windows providing natural lighting. Property has fenced back yard and is within walking

distance to the park and school. Cute built-ins, heated tile in bathroom, cozy fireplace, and huge attic space that could be converted into additional living space are just some of the perks. Updates include newer driveway, windows, plumbing, fascia, soffit, windows, boiler, patio, and air conditioning. Hurry, don't miss out!



101 S 1st Street Oregon
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high visibility from Illinois Route 64/North Avenue Previously used as a retail space with almost 5,000 sq feet, the property also includes a 50x140 storage building and a .64 acre lot. A superior site for a restaurant or hotel to name a few! This property is located in both a TIF and Enterprise Zone meaning there are possibilities for significant government incentives for development!



300 E Main Street Sublette
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What a BEAUTY!! You will love the gorgeous woodwork, hardwood floors, high ceilings, and ABUNDANCE OF SPACE to live and entertain in. The kitchen is a cook's delight with tons of cabinet and counter space. Main floor laundry is conveniently placed off of the

kitchen. Dining and sitting area provide an open concept along with the spacious family room. 1st floor office is great for working at home. The 2 beautiful winding staircases make this home incredibly unique and functional. The wrap around front porch and deck off the kitchen are great for relaxing and entertaining. Enormous backyard, massive 3 car garage, and additional shed provide ample room for all of your hobbies and needs. \$5,000 seller credit for roof and HOME WARRANTY included. Don't miss out! Call for your showing today.



604 W 1st Street Mt Morris
\$132,900
Call Lori

Located at the west end of Mount Morris, with beautiful sunsets to enjoy. So much of the work is already done on this house all you need to do is enjoy the features. Open floor plan with wide open views from the front of the house to back. Kitchen is huge with lots of counter

space including the large center island. Fenced back yard adjacent to the park. 2 decks, 1 is brand new with a newly constructed covering with screens to put up in summer. Flooring is 2-3 years old, roof is 3 years old, bath remodeled 4years ago, windows are 5 years old, water softener, heater and filter are 4 years old. You will love it here!



4760 E Concord Drive Byron
\$227,900
Call Erin

Buyers indecision gives you another chance at this amazing home. At the end of a private cul-de-sac in the desirable Byron school district, sits a 4 bedroom, 2 bath home on a half acre lot. The front entry with formal living room leads you into the spacious dining room

and open kitchen, updated in 2020 with custom poplar countertops. A large family room with tons of window to let in the natural light. There are four large bedrooms on the main floor, including one that is large enough to be two or an additional rec space! The partially finished basement has additional rec/office space and an additional room that could be used as a 5th bedroom. The large fenced in back yard with firepit and gazebo are perfect for chickens, dogs or entertaining! Make an appointment to see this suburban oasis today!



16 S Wesley Avenue Mt Morris
\$199,000
Call Mark

Investment Opportunity! Income producing timeless beauty sits on the corner lot of the town square central business district in a lovely park setting. Existing leasing tenants with rental contracts in place with owner lease back. Ogle county historic building with 3 stories

of approx. 17,500 sq. ft. of office space. Building has a common inside corridor with multi-tenant areas, separate utilities for renters, central air, private and public restrooms, pre-wired PC network, basement with additional storage and provides 50+ off street parking options.



502 Franklin Street Oregon
\$85,000
Call Carla

Prime office in great location in Oregon. This 1800+ sq ft, one story offers 8 separate office areas with 3 separate entry's, 2 bathrooms and so much more. Ready to move your business right in? This property is ready to go, call today!

Byron varsity, JV swim teams take wins

BYRON — The Byron coop swimming and diving team faced Rockford Christian on Thursday, Feb. 11. The varsity team won 95-48 and the JV team won 9-6.

Byron's 400-meter freestyle relay team of Carson Faley, Adam Goelitz, Levi Schamper and Tyson Politsch won with a time of 3:37.13. Politsch won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:04.03 and Nathan Bell won the 100-

yard backstroke with a time of 59.66 seconds. Goelitz won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 55.06 and Faley won the 100-yard butterfly in 55.21.

Politsch won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 23.99 and Faley won the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:02.11. Goelitz won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:58.87 and Byron's 200-yard medley relay of Schamper, Bell, Faley and Politsch won in 1:46.67.

Oregon boys basketball teams lose

OREGON — The Oregon boys basketball team fell 61-29 against Milledgeville on Saturday, Feb. 13. The JV team lost 49-40. Joey Gelande led the varsity boys with seven points while Liam Dickson chipped in five points.

Oregon battled Genoa-Kingston on Friday, Feb. 12, losing 65-42 while the JV team won 37-36. Isaac Reber and Gelande combined for 17 points in the game, while Owen Ketter scored six points.

Oregon girls basketball team notches wins

OREGON — The Oregon girls basketball team topped West Carroll 59-43 on Saturday, Feb. 13. The JV team lost 20-11. Hadley Lutz scored a team-high 13 points for Oregon, while Ashlyn Kitzmiller totaled 12 points and Elizabeth Mois added 11 points in the victory. Mariah Drake recorded eight points.

Oregon faced Genoa-Kingston on Friday, Feb. 12, losing 48-38 despite

nine points from Lutz and eight points from Kitzmiller. Three players including Drake, Mois and Lily Gillingham totaled seven points each.

Oregon earned a 44-40 victory against Rockford Lutheran on Monday, Feb. 15, while the JV team fell 27-20. Mois scored a team-high 15 points for the Hawks, with Lutz adding 13 points and Ella Martin recording eight points.

Local students graduate from NIU

DeKALB — Over 1,300 students received their degrees from Northern Illinois University in December. Included among the graduates were the following students from your area:

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 Amin Luma, Bachelor of Science in Accountancy
 Madison Milburn, Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
 Jacob Mrozek, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
 Nehemiah Myers, Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology-Electrical Engineering Technology

Chana
 Mykayla Page, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Davis Junction
 Megan Hale, Bachelor of Science in Psychology
 Shannon Santi, Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Esmond
 Shannon Harms, Master of Science in Statistics

Leaf River
 Erik Kivisto, Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences

Monroe Center
 Shelby Bruder, Bachelor of Science in Educ in Elementary Education: Special Education
 James Haws, Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences
 Andrea Young, Master of Science in Education in Literacy Education

Mt. Morris
 Maylene Haug, Bachelor of Science in Educ in Elementary Education: Bilingual/ESL

Oregon
 Angelica Davis, Bachelor of Science in Psychology
 Nicholas Davis, Bachelor of Science in Mathematics - General Mathematics
 Rande Mennenga, Bachelor of Science in Art
 Lena Petersen, Bachelor of Science in Communicative Disorders
 Maria Tranchina, Bachelor of Science in Accountancy

Stillman Valley
 Jonathan Mandelke, Bachelor of Science in Political Science - Politics and Governance
 Natalie Swanson, Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences - Pre-Physical Therapy

Northern Illinois University is a student-centered, nationally recognized public research university, with expertise that benefits its region and spans the globe in a wide variety of fields, including the sciences, humanities, arts, business, engineering, education, health and law. Through its main campus in DeKalb, Illinois, and education centers for students and working professionals in Chicago, Hoffman Estates, Naperville, Oregon and Rockford, NIU offers more than 100 courses of study while serving a diverse and international student body of about 19,000. The 17 NIU Huskie athletic teams compete in the Mid-American Conference at the highest NCAA Division I level. For more information, visit www.niu.edu.

RRC has classes, support groups

2021 Wits Fitness Brain Exercise Class Schedule

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

Classes will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Rock River Center, in Oregon.

Class dates are: March 1, April 5, May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug. 2, Oct. 4 and Nov. 1.

There will not be a class in September or December.

Classes are free and open to the public. You are welcome to join at any time.

Registration is required. Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to sign up.

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

cer is invited to attend! Rock River Center and Home of Hope are partnering to offer information to this group. They meet quarterly on the 4th Wednesday of the month in March, June, September & December from 2-3 p.m. at Rock River Center.

Caregiver Support Group

Kaylene Parks, RN from Serenity Hospice & Home, leads the Caregiver Support Group. This group is not limited to those caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's. We welcome those new to caregiving, those who anticipate care giving, and those for whom caregiving is already a way of life. You will find information, resources, encouragement & answers to difficult questions. Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month from 10-11:30 a.m. at Rock River Center. For more information, call the Center at 815-732-3252.

Diabetic Support Group

Sheryl Locke, Licensed Dietician, facilitates this group by offering support, encouragement and the sharing of experiences when living with diabetes. Join us for shared discussion and menu options as well. This informative group meets the 1st Wednesday each month from 11 a.m.-noon at Rock River Center. For more information, call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 or 1-800-541-5479.

Support groups

Cancer Support Group

"Facing the Challenge" is a support group that provides a safe, accepting environment for patients currently going through treatment, survivors, caregivers and loved ones to talk openly about the challenges a cancer diagnosis brings. ANYONE who has been affected by can-

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Oregon Park District has upcoming activities, events

Tumbling at Nash

Our tumbling program has proven effective. Kids Spot Inc. utilizes interactive tumbling instructors to provide your child the best experience possible. We offer a variety of class offerings from Tiny to Intermediate classes at 2-time frames of 4:45 and 6 p.m. for 3-year old and up. Our March classes run for 4 weeks and are Wednesday evenings beginning 3/3 through 3/24. Fee is \$56 for Residents and \$67 for Non-Residents. Deadline to register is Monday, March 1.

DIY Kit-Happy St. Patrick's Day Sign with T+T

Enjoy stenciling a Happy St. Patrick's Day sign on a 10" x 10" canvas. This DIY project is perfect for kids or adults looking for a crafty project. Pick up your kit on Monday, March 1 at Nash. Enjoy creating trendy art pieces with the help of a prepared kit (includes canvas, stencil, and all paint needed) and access to a "HOW TO" video with Charlotte from T+T. Class fee is \$14/Resident or \$17/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Feb. 22.

T+T Stenciled Wooden Tags

Learn the basics of stenciling with Timber + Tribe. These fun trendy wooden tags will look great on your wall or front door. Choose from 10 different sayings for your tags. This class will be held at Cork & Tap on Friday, March 5, 2021 from 6-8:30 p.m. Fee for the class is \$45/Resident or \$54/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Feb. 25.

Mason Jar Madness

Make healthy recipes in their own easy to carry, portion-controlled compartment. Enjoy this workshop with Lynnies' Kitchen on Wednesday March 10 at 6 p.m. Bring 3 jars to class and create a healthy breakfast, a salad for lunch, and yummy dessert...each in a jar. All food supplies included in class fee: \$31/Resident or \$37/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is March 3.

Bingo Fun For Everyone

Starting on March 1 we will be playing Bingo at Nash from 1:30-2 p.m. on Monday's. Bingo is fun for all ages and all proceeds benefit the Oregon Park District Youth Scholarship Fund. Participants must register for a table in advance to help us control participation numbers and social distancing. Please bring your own daubers. Register one person in the household (for a table). Purchase Bingo sheets when you register for \$1 each. This is a no cash/no contact program. We will play 3-4 games and each person playing will need at least one sheet per game. The person who is registered for a table can bring 5 additional people with them (there will be a max of 6 people per table. Winners will choose from small prizes (no cash prizes).

Fruita De Crema Ensalada

Learn to make Mexican Fruit Salad at Hector's Cocina on Tuesday, March 16. Michelle Carreno will share her passion for cooking and teach you how to turn sour cream into a sweet cream sauce. You will enjoy making this Mexican sweet tooth treat for fiestas. Upon registration choose between the 5:30 pm class time or the 6:45 pm class. Fee is \$28/Resident or \$34/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is March 9.

Yum...A Culinary Herb Garden

Plant your own mixed herb container that keeps on giving on Thursday, March 25. The staff at Merlin's Greenhouse will have a variety of herbs to choose from. Participants will choose and plant 3 favorite varieties to use regularly when cooking. Learn tips and tricks for growing a successful herb garden to include caring for plants and harvesting. Upon registration, choose the 6 pm class time or the 7:30 pm class time. Classes are held at Cork & Tap. Fee is \$33/Resident or \$40/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is March 18.

Spring soccer

Soccer returns to Park West in the Spring of 2021! Practices will be held during the week starting the week of March 22nd and games are scheduled for Saturdays beginning April 2nd in Oregon and surrounding towns. All players will receive their own ball to keep. Are you unsure of which age level to sign up for? Reference our age chart below. If you are interested in coaching please contact Lesley at lesley@oregonpark.org

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U7- Born in 2014 \$55/ \$66 NR

U9- Born in 2012 & 2013 \$70/\$84 NR

U11- Born in 2010 & 2011 \$70/\$84 NR

U13- Born in 2008 & 2009 \$75/\$90 NR

U15- Born in 2006 & 2007 (No H.S. Players allowed). \$75/\$90 NR

All government guidelines will be followed. Registration Deadline is March 8th

6th Grade Girls Volleyball

With the recent IHSA changes to sporting season, both Girls 6th Grade Competitive Basketball and Volleyball Seasons have been adjusted. These seasons will not overlap, but have been condensed and fees have been restructured accordingly.

6th Grade Girls Volleyball

Games start the week of April 5th and season ends April 27th. The 6th Grade volleyball program focuses on skill development and is an introduction to volleyball. The program will help prepare participants for the Jr. High level of competition. Practice dates and time will vary depending on the preference of the head coach. Home games are played at the Nash and travel to away games is provided by OCUSD buses. Tryouts may be required if the max number of participants is reached. This program is only open to 6th Grade girls currently. All government guidelines will be followed. A volunteer coach is needed for this program, please contact lesley@oregonpark.org if interested. Registration Fee \$50, Registration deadline is Friday March 5th.



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Polo Library News

Polo Library Building Open to the Public

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Curbside services will continue to be available during open hours. Masks will be required for entry.

Open hours will be Mondays – 10 a.m.-7p.m., Tuesdays – 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesdays – 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Thursdays – 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Fridays – 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturdays – 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Instructions for Curbside Pickup

Step 1 - Log in to your PrairieCat/Encore account and request items for pickup. You can also call 815-946-2713 or email library@pololibrary.org at least one business day in advance of preferred pickup day with a list of items you would like to check out.

Need a suggestion? Library staff are happy to select several books for you to try.

Step 2 - When you receive the alert that you have a book ready to pick up, call 815-946-2713 to set a pickup day and time. At your scheduled pickup time, please drive to the Library door facing Congress Street and call 815-946-2713 to let a staff member know you are there.

Step 3 - Drop items off as you are finished with them. Our book drop, located to the left of the Congress Street door, will continue to be open 24/7. As always, Polo Library is a Fine Free Library.

Additional Curbside Services

We are still offering copy/print (.25/Black and White .50/Color) and fax (\$1/page). We also offer home delivery at no extra charge for patrons who are unable to use curbside pickup. Please call 815-946-2713 for more information and to schedule an appointment or home delivery.

Do You Need Help Registering for Your COVID-19 Vaccine?

Polo Library can help! Call 815-946-2713 to register over the phone with one

of our staff members, or stop in during our open hours and use one of our two patron computers to register.

Long Overdue Items

Do you have an item from Polo Public Library that you've had for a long time? Maybe you've already received a bill notice for it or you're afraid of how much you'll owe when you bring it back. Any library item that is returned, in good condition, will be checked back in and the bill will be removed from your account! No fees! If you have any questions about this, give us a call at 815-946-2713.

Weather Closure Information

Polo Library does not follow Polo School District weather closures. Please check Facebook.com/pololibrary, WREX (TV), WLLT (107.7 fm - Radio), Sky (95.7 fm- Radio) or call 815-946-2713 before heading to the Library in questionable weather.

Winter Reading Programs, all ages – Jan. 4-Feb. 28

This winter, travel through reading! There is a "Passport to Reading" program, recommended for kids and students ages 0 - 6th Grade, or the "Travel the World through Reading" program for everyone else, 7th grade and up! For more information about the programs and to register, visit pololibrary.readsquared.com. If you have any questions, or are unable to register online, please call 815-946-2713.

Kids Trivia Night on Zoom – Grades K-5- Wednesday, Feb. 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Come to the Library after February 1st and pick up your "Trivia Night" kit then join Ms. Melanie on Zoom for some fun trivia. Everyone who participates will receive a prize!

Book Subscription Box – Grades 6-12

The book subscription box contains one book to read and some goodies. You pick

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Yoga on Facebook – Third Monday of the Month, 6 p.m., Facebook.com/pololibrary

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Virtual Storytime – Saturdays 10:30 a.m., Facebook.com/pololibrary

Every Saturday morning head over to Polo Library's Facebook page to watch Ms. Melanie read a children's story. They air each Saturday at 10:30 a.m., but you can watch them any time! Stop by the Library to pick up a bag with a fun craft to go along with the book that was read. If you have a book you'd like to hear read for Saturday Storytime, email Ms. Melanie at melanie@pololibrary.org

Book Clubs

Polo Library currently has two traditional book clubs meeting via Zoom, one on the second Friday of each month and one on the fourth Monday of each month, both at 1:30 p.m. There is also a third book club that is a books to movies group that meets on Zoom on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. If you have any questions or are interested in joining any of the book clubs, please email carlap@pololibrary.org.

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Family Story Time is back!! Each Thursday at 10 a.m., join Miss Jana for your family's own personal story time. Call to register for your family time slot or follow the SignUp-Genius link found on our Facebook page. Masks are required for ages 3 and up. Miss Jana can't wait to see all of you! Extra storytime crafts will be available on Thursdays while supplies last.

New Releases

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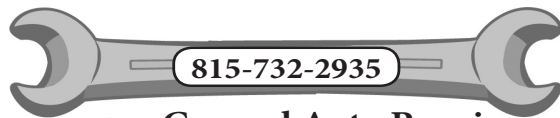
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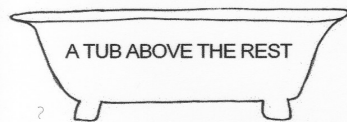
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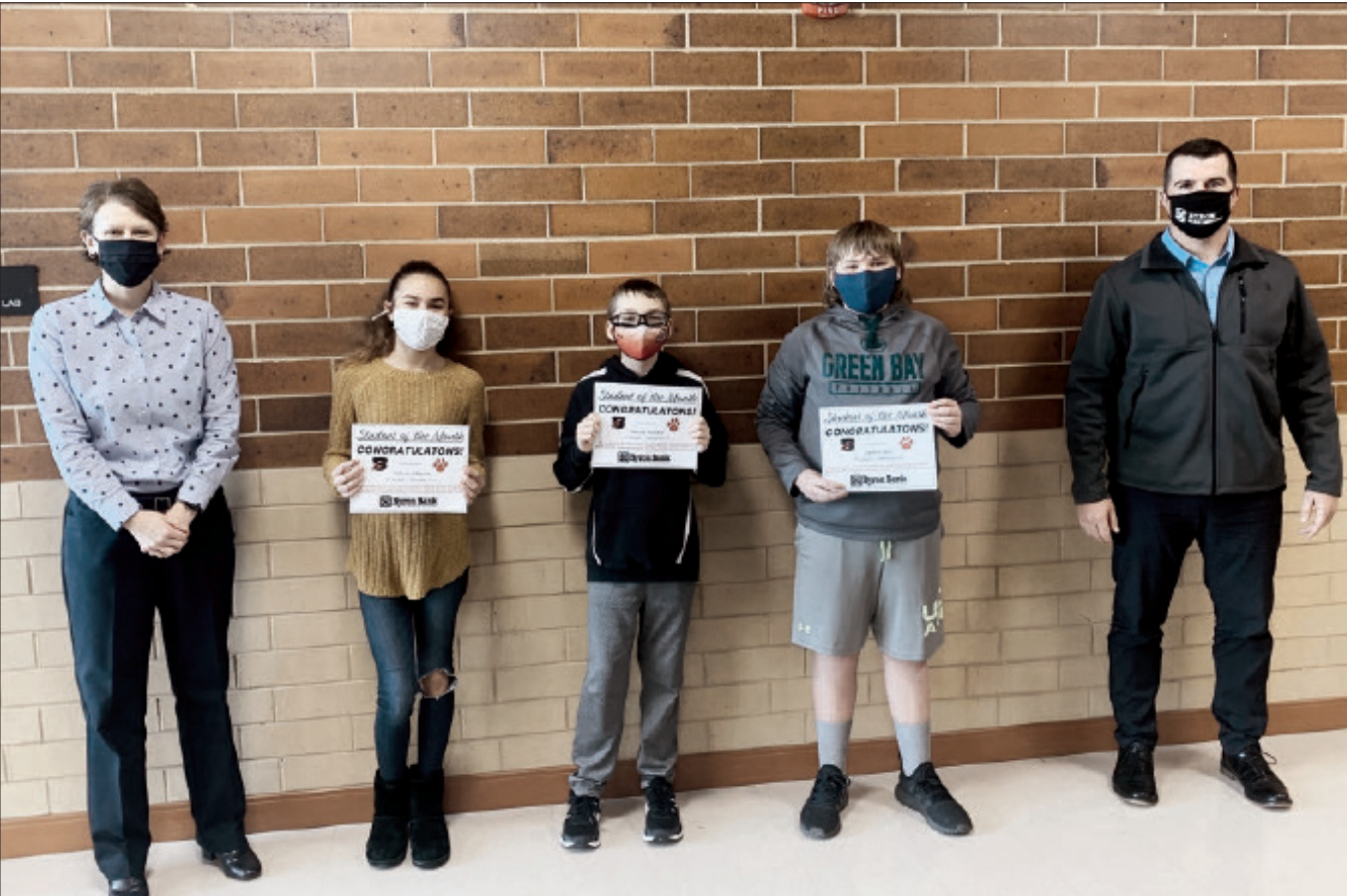
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CORNERSTONE FAMILY CHURCH

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
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Please call our church office or visit our website for more details.
Office Hours: 8:00am - 4:30pm Mondays-Thursdays

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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 838, Byron, IL 61010

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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.
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CHANA UNITED METHODIST

Pastor Matt Smith, 606 Main Street, Chana, IL 61015. Church office 815-732-7683. (E-mail address: chanaucmc@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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Food Bank: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 9am-12pm
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COVID-19 Vaccine notification form

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New story times will be posted on Facebook every Thursday at 10 a.m. Crafts or activities relating to the story will also be posted. Let us know in the comments where you think the video was filmed.

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Library book clubs

Books on Tap Book Club meets at Cork N Tap, pending COVID mitigation recommendations, on Thursday, Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. to discuss The Guest List by Lucy Foley. The 2WBC Book Club meets Wednesday, March 10 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss Dear Committee Members by Julie Schumacher. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, March 17 at 1 p.m. to discuss Ask Again, Yes by Mary Beth Kane.

Oregon writer's group – 2nd Tuesday each month at 10 a.m.

The OWG is a gathering of writers or writer-wannabes who meet to support each other and to further their own writing. The purpose of the group is to help and encourage you in your writing. If you need brainstorming ideas, we can help suggest ideas or aid with the creative process.

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Current story being presented...Night Tree by Eve Bunting.

Two new online resources!

Brainfuse and Scholastic teachables

Brainfuse HelpNow offers a personalized homework help in core subjects (math, reading, writing, science and social studies) including SAT preparation. The Adult Learning Center is included in the HelpNow suite. Brainfuse is available to all library patrons from the public computers at the library or from any computer with internet connection simply by going to the Oregon Public Library website and logging in with your library card.

Scholastic Teachables provides educator-created & expert-vetted teaching materials. Unlimited online access to the best classroom-tested printables. It has a wide variety of free printable worksheets for grade Pre-K through 8 that span over many different skills! Go to the Library website

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The Shadow Box by Luanne Rice (Fiction)

The Way It Should Be by Christina Suzann Nelson (Fiction)

A History Of What Comes Next by Sylvain Neuvel (Science Fiction)

No Holding Back by Lori Foster (Paperback Romance)

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Julia Hull Library News

Library Services

Visit the library for curbside pickup, remote services, and online programming: Monday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Reserve program kits and materials online or by telephone to collect curbside; register and renew library cards via email; and email and drop-off documents for copying, faxing, and scanning. Patrons may also contact library staff to personally shop for them. System-wide interlibrary loan is available. And, as always, digital materials can be accessed 24/7 on our website. For assistance, please give us a call: 815-645-8611.

Register for a Library Card

Do you, or someone you know, live in our District and need a library card? Apply online in 4 easy steps: 1) Take a selfie; 2) Take a picture of your Driver's License; 3) Take a picture of a current utility bill (name and address must match DL); and 4) Email everything, along with a telephone number, to librarycurbside@mail.meridian223.org.

PrairieCat Library App

Manage your library account, search our catalog, discover upcoming programs, and more...all from the palm of your hand! Just visit your favorite app store, search for "PrairieCat," then select "Julia Hull District Library."

A Song & A Story

Join us for a virtual thematic song, story, and craft on

Facebook Live. It's the perfect light and refreshing delight for your little one. Call the library to schedule a curbside pickup for March craft kits, or use the form on our website: <https://juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. January kits now available. While supplies last.

Book Club for Adults

Pick up a book, then join us Monday, March 1 at 6:30 PM on Zoom for a lively and engaging discussion of Paulette Jiles' newest work of fiction, Simon the Fiddler. Adults only. Copies of the reading available on loan. Email Joanna at jkluver@mail.meridian223.org to register for a link to the program.

Tween Scene: Would You Rather BINGO?

It's Bingo Night, Tweens! Come for the prizes! Stay for the fun! This month we're doing a fun twist on bingo with a special "Would You Rather?" version. Would you rather have super strength or be able to turn invisible? Would you rather have your favorite book or your favorite movie on a deserted island? Get ready to laugh and learn about your friends--and yourself! Tuesday, March 2 at 6:00 PM on Zoom. Email Ms. Zoey at zferrari@mail.meridian223.org to sign up for the game night and receive the bingo sheet printables. Ages 10-12.

March Craft Bomb

What will it be? Find out when it drops on Facebook & Instagram: sometime Saturday, March 6. Then, follow

the instructions for reserving your kit. Adults only. One kit per person. While supplies last.

Pajama Storytime

The whole family is invited to a special evening storytime series! Join Miss Kelly on Zoom for interactive books, rhymes, and songs. Wear your pjs, and bring a cuddle buddy. Second Tuesday of the Month on Zoom: Tuesday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m. Email Miss Kelly at khaas@mail.meridian223.org, or FB message us for a link to the program.

DIY Mini Pies

All teen math whizzes know March 14th is Pi Day, but put your calculators away! This year we're celebrating in a tasty way. Join Kelly on Zoom, Friday, March 12 at 3 p.m. to learn how to make your own no bake mini pies. Ages 13-18. Call, email Kelly directly, or use our web form to register and request a supply kit: <https://www.juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. Registration required.

Kids' Leprechaun Traps

March is the month we celebrate St. Patrick's Day, and that means one thing: tricky leprechauns! Make your own luck on Saturday, March 20 at 10 a.m. by jumping onto Zoom with Miss Kelly to build your very own leprechaun trap. Ages 5-9. Call the library, or use our web form to register and request a supply kit: <https://www.juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. Registration required.

Byron Library News

Byron Public Library is Fine Free

Read more and worry less, for the Byron Library has gone fine free! How does it work? There will still be a due date for items checked out and returned to the Byron Library, but patrons will no longer be charged a fee for bringing materials back late. Just remember to bring your materials back, because you will receive a bill for items that are overdue by 21 days or more. As a bonus, we've also waived all of those old late fees. Start a new chapter at the Byron Library!

Curbside Delivery

Curbside service is here to stay! Place your holds online at byronlibrary.org 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. A receipt with your due dates will be included with your items.

Check out our eBooks!

Our digital books are available 24/7! Check out Hoopla, Libby, Axis 360 and Biblioboard for free with your library card at <http://byron.lib.il.us/resources/>.

Winter Reading Challenge!

Jan. 1-Feb. 28

There's less than a month left to participate in the library's Winter Reading Challenge! Participating readers can earn chances to win prizes for reading, just like in the summer! Prizes include Beanie Babies, play kits, several gift cards (adults & teens), or a gift card of your choice (older children). There will also be a grand prize drawing for the finishers in each category! The more you read, the more chances you have to win! Register online at byron.beanstack.org or via the Beanstack Tracker App. If you participated in our summer reading club, you can use the same login.

Beaded Mask Keepers

Wednesday, Feb. 24

6-7 p.m., via Zoom

Join Beth as she beads mask keepers for the residents at Generations at Neighbors. Kit will include beads, string and alligator clips. Additional supplies needed include scissors. The Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants, and kits will be available for pickup at the library beginning on Saturday, Feb. 20. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register.

Hygge

Wednesday, Mar. 3

7-8 p.m., via Zoom

Hygge (pronounced hoo-gah) is a Danish word that doesn't have a direct English translation. Hygge is more a state of being. Find a comfortable chair, warm blanket, some fuzzy socks and join us for a cozy, relaxing evening. Kit will include a hot beverage of your choice (hot chocolate, spiced apple cider or chamomile tea), a simple gratitude journal, a tin lantern candle, bookmark supplies and some coloring sheets. You will need to mix up your hot beverage and light your candle before we meet. Beth will explain hygge, demonstrate how to create the bookmark and will close the evening by reading aloud a bedtime story. The Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants, and kits will be available for pickup at the library beginning on Saturday, Feb. 27. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register.

Crafting with Cork

Thursday, Mar. 11

6-7 p.m., via Zoom

Join Kelly as she creates crystal wine stoppers and mini succulent planters using corks. Kit will include corks, superglue, a crystal, a succulent, dirt, a water dropper and magnets. Additional supplies needed include scissors. The Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants, and kits will be available for pickup beginning on Monday, March 8. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Mount Morris Library News

We are open!

We are open for browsing and computer use. Appointments for computer use are suggested as only a limited number are available due to space requirements. Masks are required and you will be asked to use hand sanitizer upon entering the library. No unaccompanied children (ages 16 and under) will be allowed in the library at this time (please do not bring your children if you will be using the computer). Browsing is limited to 30 minutes and computer use to one hour. Curbside service will remain available. Library staff is continuing to quarantine all items for a period of time. Recently returned materials may remain on your account longer than usual. No overdue fines will be charged.

Display Cases Available

We have two display cases that are calling for items to be shown/viewed. They are both 64" wide by 51" high. One is 10" deep and the other is 15" deep. They have locking glass doors. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com if you have items you'd like to show / for more information.

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To-Go Craft Kits for All Ages

We have the following to-go craft kits available: Kids: Pipe Cleaner Paper Clip Monster; Teens & Adults: Book Folding Heart. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to get yours!

Adult Book Club

Adult Book Club will be the 4th Monday of every month at 5:30pm. (Currently via Zoom.) Copies of the March book *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion are on their way to the library. Feel free to grab a copy digitally if that is of interest to you! Email Dawn Winters at dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to sign up (Zoom link will be sent via email).

Healthy Kids Out of School

This program is geared toward 3rd - 5th graders. Healthy Kids Out of School, with the U of I extension office focuses on how to be healthy and active. We will have a discussion, an art project and a fun way to be physically active. Thursday evenings from 6-6:30 via Zoom. Email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com for the link to join.

Digital Network Access of Illinois Libraries Grant

We were the recipients of a Digital Network Access of Illinois Libraries Grant which allows wifi access 24 hours a day. Simply find MMPL Guest, agree to the Terms & Conditions on the login page and enjoy access for up to 8 hours! Funding for this grant was awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Join Our Email List

Want to make sure you receive information about our upcoming programs and other important information directly? Feel like you forget programs you were interested in because you only saw them on social media? If so, call the library (815-734-4927) or email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to be added to our email list.

Weekly Brain Busters

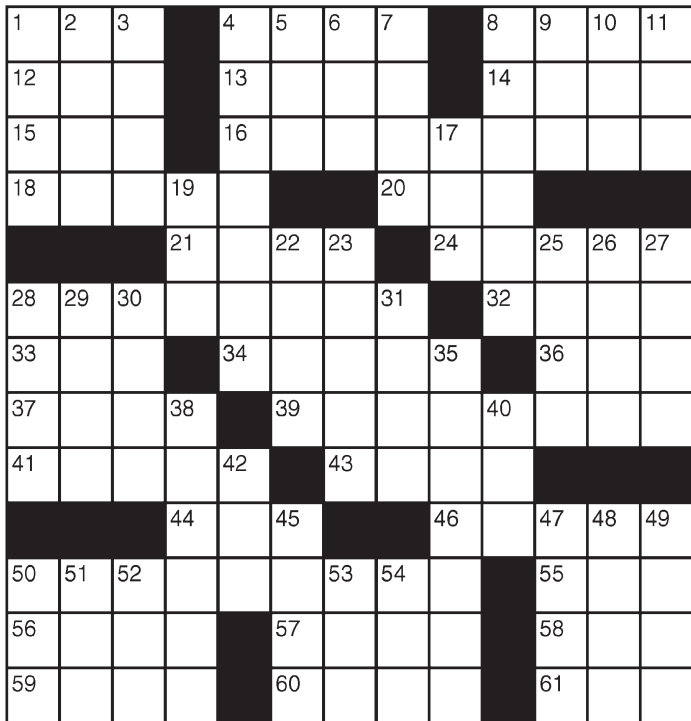
King Crossword

MAGIC MAZE

DRINKING ESTABLISHMENTS

ACROSS

- 1 June honoree
- 4 Say it's so
- 8 Pretzel topper
- 12 Past
- 13 Travel permit
- 14 Done with
- 15 Brock of baseball
- 16 Alaskan city
- 18 Heron's kin
- 20 Army address
- 21 Dalai —
- 24 Slow, in music
- 28 Right to vote
- 32 Cash advance
- 33 201, in old Rome
- 34 Heat to near boiling
- 36 GOP org.
- 37 Priestly vestments
- 39 Cheap ride section
- 41 "Yum!"
- 43 Novelist Hunter
- 44 Steal from
- 46 Cowboy's workplace
- 50 Spur on
- 55 Tic-tac-toe win
- 56 Nerd's kin
- 57 Hostels
- 58 Hooting bird
- 59 Big wind



- 60 Track tipster
- 61 Carrier to Amsterdam
- 10 Table support
- 11 Three, in Rome
- 17 Texas tea
- 19 Sprite
- 22 PC alternatives
- 23 Marble type
- 25 Asta's feeder
- 26 Tart flavor
- 27 As soon as
- 28 "Shoo!"
- 29 Bruins' sch.
- 30 Little lies
- 31 Mountain ht.
- 35 Most loved
- 38 Painter's motion
- 40 Genetic letters
- 42 Thee
- 45 Telly watcher
- 47 Cranny
- 48 Batman's hood
- 49 Actress Celeste
- 50 Early bird?
- 51 PBS funder
- 52 Cartoon frame
- 53 Yucatan year
- 54 Wildebeest

DOWN

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

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

- Bar
- Barroom
- Beer hall
- Cantina
- Cider house
- Gin mill
- Honky-tonk
- Inn
- Lounge
- Nightclub
- Ratskeller
- Roadhouse
- Saloon
- Taproom
- Tavern

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

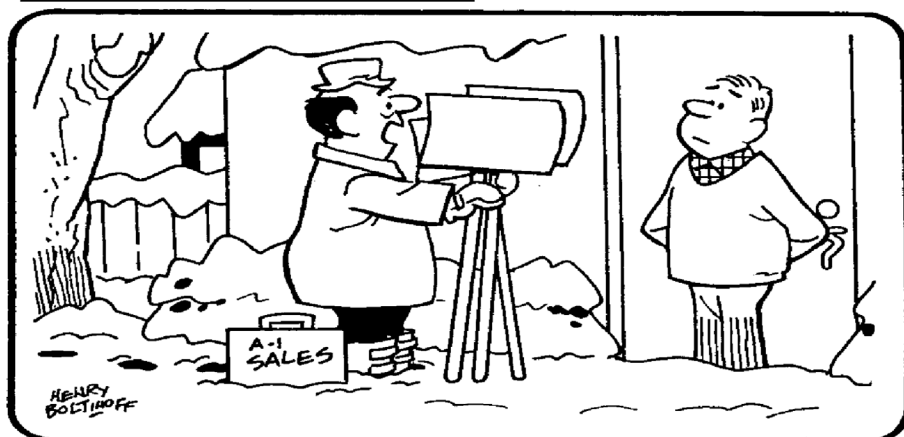
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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

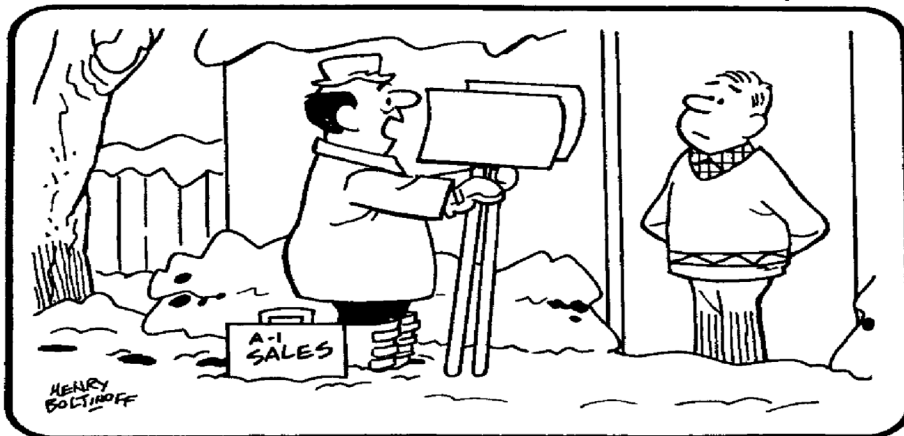
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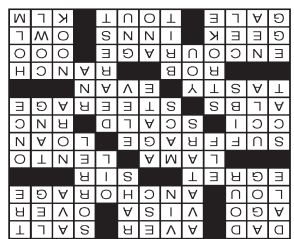
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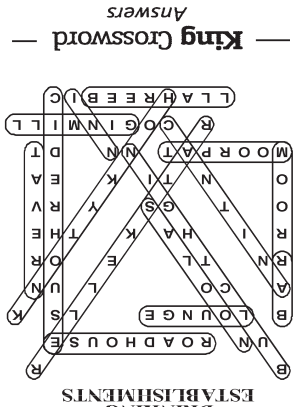
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sweater has decoration. 2. Doorknob is missing. 3. Boots are taller. 4. One shovel is gone. 5. Fence is higher. 6. House is missing.



Solution time: 24 mins.



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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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- 1. Shopping Local Creates Jobs:** The jobs created allow spending in the local economy and help create more jobs.
- 2. Local independent businesses invest more in our community:** They support local charities, schools and community events which financially impacts our community.
- 3. Local businesses sell a wide range of great products** at affordable prices and cater to the needs and wants of the community.
- 4. Shopping Local saves you money and time!** Travel expenses and personal time make the overall cost of items more.
- 5. Shopping Local retains our community:** Without the support in the local community, restaurants, shops and services are forced to close.
- 6. Shopping Local retains our distinctiveness:** Local businesses respond quicker to the needs of the customers and stock products to meet the core community's needs.
- 7. Shopping Local encourages community growth.** By choosing to do business locally you help maintain Ogle County's diversity, charm and appeal; which in turn, attracts new community members.
- 8. Shopping Local invests in community services and county economy.** Your dollars spent in locally-owned businesses have three times the impact on your community as dollars spent outside of Ogle County. When shopping locally, you create funds for more county and county services through sales tax. In turn, these funds are invested in neighborhood services including police, fire and ambulance as well as park and library improvements.
- 9. Local shops value you more:** Local businesses survive by their reputation and repeat business, which means you get a higher standard of service.

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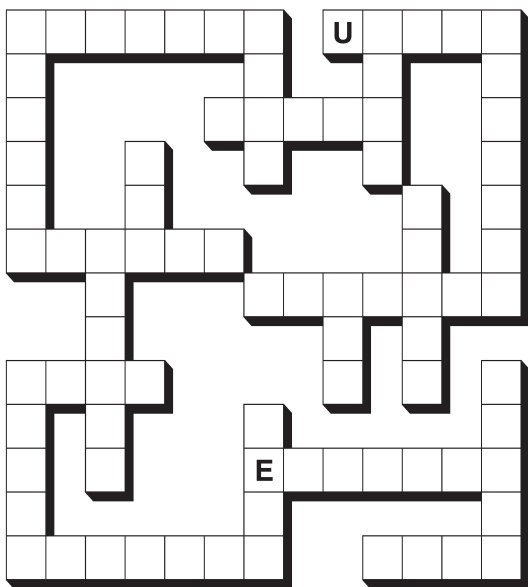
Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS – 20 U.S. CITIES

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

- 3 Letters
ADA
RYE
- 4 Letters
KENT
LYNN
MESA
OJAI
TROY
- 5 Letters
BRYAN
FARGO
MACON
SALEM
UTICA
- 6 Letters
BILOXI
HUDSON
ITHACA
- 7 Letters
ARDMORE
BUFFALO
ELK CITY
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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

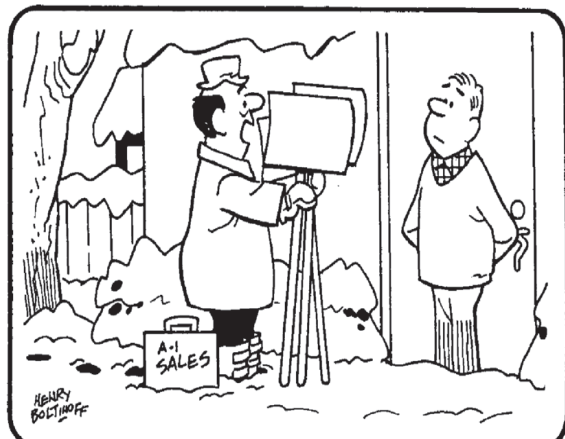
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|-------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| 1. Contemplate | ___ N ___ | Dry snow, to skiers | ___ W ___ |
| 2. Not very tall | ___ O ___ | Tee or tank | ___ I ___ |
| 3. It is only skin deep | ___ U ___ | Warren or Ned | ___ T ___ |
| 4. Take heed | ___ T ___ | Beginner | ___ V ___ |
| 5. Postage sticker | ___ T ___ | Rascal | ___ C ___ |
| 6. Pop star Cyrus | ___ Y ___ | Standish or Davis | ___ S ___ |
| 7. Abrasive | C ___ | Croaky | H ___ |
| 8. Join the traffic | ___ E ___ | Homer's wife | ___ A ___ |
| 9. Uneven | ___ H ___ | Face blush | ___ E ___ |
| 10. General layout | ___ T ___ | Not casual | ___ L ___ |

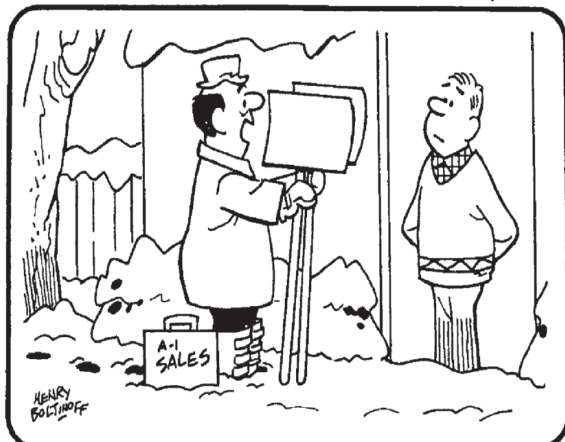
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Riddle Card

- What did the big rose say to the little rose?
- What has five eyes but cannot see?
- What is the biggest jewel in the world?
- What is the best name for a lady engineer?
- Why are playing cards like wolves?



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Answers: 1. Hiya, bud. 2. The "Mississippi" River. 3. A base-ball diamond. 4. Bridget. 5. Because they come in packs.

ODD MAN OUT!

To the right is a list of five words. Can you figure out which word doesn't belong on the list?

Answer: Danger. The other words all contain the name of some part of your body. (1. Eye. 2. Ear. 4. Rib. 5. Skin.)



- GREYED
- GEARBOX
- DANGER
- CARIBOU
- RISKING

Illustrated by David Coulson

FIND THE SEVEN WORDS! In the word square at the right, we've removed six of the letters to spell out the word "DEPART." See if you can replace these letters in the squares so that you will have four three-letter words across and three four-letter words down. Time limit: 60 seconds.

Answers: (Across): Let, ere, age, pod. (Down): Leap, ergo, teed.



Answers:
1. COWS, CAWS, CARs, BARS, BARN.
2. GALA, GALE, GATE, FATE, FETE.
3. DARE, RARE, RASE, RISE, RISK.
4. SINE, NINE, MITE, MATE, MATH.
5. NAIL, BAL, BALL, BOLL, BOLT.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

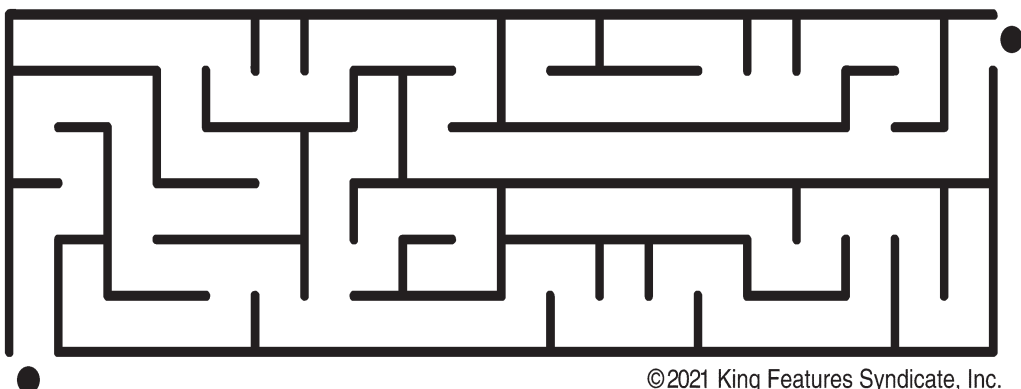
ARE YOU IN SHAPE FOR THIS PUZZLE?



You're a winner if you can finish this puzzle in under five minutes. In this type of puzzle you are given a word that must be changed into another word in a series of moves. During each move, you must change one letter in the previous word so as to form a new word. In our example, we changed MILE to POST in four moves. See if you can change the following five words in four moves.

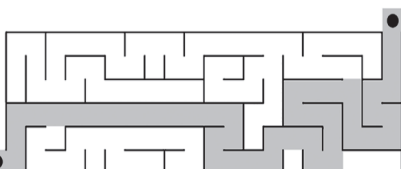
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- SINE to MATH
- NAIL to BOLT

Kids' Maze



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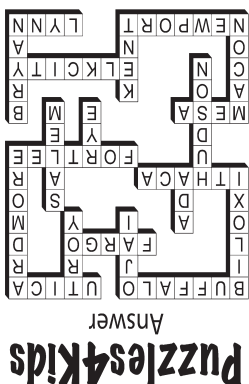
Kids' Maze Solution



- Ponder, Powder
- Short, Shirt
- Beauty, Beaty
- Notice, Novice
- Stamp, Scamp
- Miley, Miles
- Coarse, Hoarse
- Merge, Marge
- Rough, Rouge
- Formal, Fomal

Even Exchange

answers



Answer

Puzzles4Kids

Couch Theater

By Amy Anderson

The No-Cry Challenge: Tears are shed for many a reason. Unbridled joy. A particularly raucous round of laughter. Heartbreak. The ache of loss. And humans are a curious lot. There are times when we'll go into absolute denial to avoid tears, but other times we rush right in. Case in point: tearjerkers. Some movies come at you right from the start (the entire first 10 minutes of "Up") and some wait for the end to twist the knife (when Miguel sings with his great-grandmother "Coco").

Either way, here are a collection of tearjerker moments in film for when you just need a little catharsis. Get a box of tissues and (potential spoilers ahead) have yourself a good cry.

"My Girl" -- The death of a child is no easy thing, but in this story of a girl named Vada Sultenfuss, living with her single dad in a funeral home, it's heartbreaking. If you can get through the scene where Vada loses it at Thomas J's funeral because he doesn't have his glasses, I am not sure you are human.

"Inside Out" -- A quintet of emotions interact inside the mind of 11-year-old Riley in this Pixar classic. But it's Riley's forgotten imaginary friend Bing Bong who steals the heart in a loving act of sacrifice that will have you weeping buckets of candy tears.

"Steel Magnolias" -- In this touching story about a group of strong Southern women, there is more than one poignant moment, but for millions of ugly criers, it's the scene where M'Lynn delivers her monologue in the graveyard, bemoaning daughter Shelby's lifelong ill health.



"Selena" -- The Tejano superstar captured the hearts of a nation. Her tragic story is told with Jennifer Lopez in the lead role, and when she doesn't catch the white rose thrown to her on stage at the end, you'll never hear "Dreaming of You" the same way.

"Marley & Me" (and for that matter "A

Dog's Purpose" and "A Dog's Journey") -- Whenever an animal is involved, you're already in a position of weakness, but these films take it to the next level. When Marley is put down, it's gut-wrenching.

"Life Is Beautiful" -- A Jewish-Italian writer and his son make a game of being imprisoned in a concentration camp during

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"Love, Simon" -- When Simon comes out to his mother, finding acceptance.

"Green Mile" -- The final execution scene will tear you to pieces.

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. GAMES: Which chess piece can only move diagonally?
2. U.S. STATES: What is the capital of Nevada?
3. LANGUAGE: What is a lexicon?
4. HISTORY: What was the first sport played on the moon?
5. LITERATURE: In his will, what gift did Albus Dumbledore give to Ron Weasley in the Harry Potter book series?
6. MOVIES: What was the first Disney song to win an Academy Award for best original movie song?
7. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Bermuda?
8. INVENTIONS: Who first invented a successful vaccine for rabies?
9. ASTRONOMY: Which two planets in our solar system do not have moons?
10. MATH: What is the Arabic equivalent of the Roman numerals MDCCCXII?

Answers

1. The bishop
2. Carson City
3. A dictionary
4. Golf
5. A deluminator, which takes away or restores light sources
6. "When You Wish Upon a Star"
7. Hamilton
8. Louis Pasteur
9. Venus and Mercury
10. 1812

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PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 15th JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT
OGLE COUNTY,
ILLINOIS
IN THE)
MATTER)No.
OF THE)2021
ESTATE)P 4
OF:)
(MARGARET)
(HESS,)
(deceased.)

of this Notice, or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of" Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within 10 days after the claim has been filed.
RICK ALLEN KAUTZ
Independent
Administrator
No. 0204 (Feb. 8, 15, 22)

PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT
OGLE COUNTY,
ILLINOIS
IN RE)
THE)
ESTATE)No.
OF:)2021
PROBATE)P 12
DIVISION)
(BARBARA A.)
(HOLDER,)
(Deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE
NOTICE is given of the death of BARBARA A. HOLDER. Letters of Office were issued on January 29, 2021 to JOSHUA J. HOLDER of 7415 N. Crestview Road, Stillman Valley, Illinois 61084, who is the legal representative of the Estate. The attorney for the Estate is Derek B.N. Seyller of HOWARD, HARDYMAN & DIVERDE, LLP; 124 N. Water Street, Suite 100, PO Box 1616, Rockford, Illinois 61110-0116.
Any claims against the Estate may be filed on or before August 15, 2021, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975 as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.
Claims against the Estate must be filed with the Office of the Ogle County Circuit Clerk-Probate Division

at the Ogle County Courthouse, 106 S. 5th Street, Suite 300, Oregon, Illinois 61061
Copies of claims filed with the Circuit Clerk's Office - Probate Division, must be mailed or delivered to the Estate legal representative and to his attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.
DATED: February 9, 2021
JOSHUA J. HOLDER, Independent Executor
Derek B.N. Seyller - ARDC# 6334524
HOWARD, HARDYMAN & DIVERDE, LLP
124 N. Water Street, Suite 100
PO Box 1616
Rockford, Illinois 61110-0116
(815) 964-8888
d s e y l l e r @ howardhardyman.com
Attorneys for the Estate of Barbara A. Holder, Deceased
No. 0212 (Feb. 15, 22, Mar. 1)

received for the following purchases by the Ogle County Highway Department, Oregon, Illinois, until 2:00 P.M. March 5, 2021
for: 1. 21-00000-05-GM County Striping
2. 21-00000-01-GM County Patching Materials
3. 21-XX000-00-GM Township Patching Materials
4. 20-00336-00-BR Culvert Extension Meridian Rd.
5. 21-00338-00-CG Kennedy Hill Road Gutter Improvements
6. Ogle County Salt Shed Paving
Proposals are available at the Ogle County Highway Department, 1989 South IL Rt. 2, Oregon, IL between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. Monday - Friday. The Road and Bridge Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
No. 0216 (Feb. 14, 22)

Fearer, Nye & Chadwick, 420 4th Avenue, PO Box 117, Rochelle, IL 61068. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Courthouse, Oregon, IL 61061, or with the representative, or both, no later than August 22, 2021, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
FEARER, NYE & CHADWICK, Attorneys for BRIAN PEARCE and KAREN VALLEM, Co-Executors of the Estate of BETTY B. PEARCE, deceased
No. 0222 (Feb. 22, Mar. 1, 8)

Proposed Improvement The contract work consists of installation of reflective crack control treatment, and a slurry seal application at the following locations in the City of Byron:
- Everett Lane from North Tower Road to End
- Warrenton Drive from Everett Lane to End
- Brentwood Drive from Warrenton Drive to End
1. Plans and proposal forms will be available in the office of Fehr-Graham, 515 Lincoln Highway, Rochelle, IL 61068 for a non-refundable fee of \$100. Also available electronically at www.fehr-graham.com for a non-refundable fee of \$25.
2. Prequalification If checked, the 2 apparent as read low bidders must file within 24 hours after the letting an "Affidavit of Availability" (Form BC 57) in triplicate, showing all uncompleted contracts awarded to them and all low bids pending award for Federal, State, County, Municipal and private work. One original shall be filed with the Awarding Authority and two originals with the IDOT District Office.
3. The Awarding Authority reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all proposals as provided in BLRS Special Provision for Bidding Requirements and Conditions for Contract Proposals.
4. The following BLR Forms shall be returned by the bidder to the Awarding Authority:
a. Local Public Agency Formal Contract Proposal (BLR 12200)
b. Schedule of Prices (BLR 12201)
c. Proposal Bid Bond (BLR 12230) (if applicable)
d. Apprenticeship or Training Program Certification (BLR 12325) (do not use for project with Federal funds.)
e. Affidavit of Illinois Business Office (BLR 12326) (do not use for project with Federal funds)
5. The quantities appearing in the bid schedule are approximate and are prepared for the comparison of bids. Payment to the Contractor will be made only for the actual quantities of work performed and accepted or materials furnished according to the contract. The scheduled quantities of work to be done and materials to be furnished may be increased, decreased or omitted as hereinafter provided.
6. Submission of a bid shall be conclusive assurance and warranty the bidder has examined the plans and understands all requirements for the performance of work. The bidder will be responsible for all errors in the proposal resulting from failure or neglect to conduct an

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"The annual Ogle County Township Assessors Meeting will be held on Friday, February 26, 2021 at 11:00 am at 105 South St, Oregon, IL (Old Courthouse in Oregon). This meeting will be held Virtually using "Zoom". To access the meeting you will need the calling in number (312) 626-6799, the meeting ID 818 6279 3247, and the Password 307546. The meeting is held pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/9-15 which states, in part, that the supervisor of assessments shall "... assemble all assessors and their deputies for consultation and shall instruct them in uniformity of their functions." No action will be taken. The meeting is open to the public. Truly, Ronald A. Kane, Ogle County Supervisor of Assessments"
No. 0221 (Feb. 22)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Local Public Agency
Byron
County
Ogle
Route(s) (Street/Road Name)
Byron Streets 2021-Slurry Seal
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed proposals for the project described below will be received at the office of City Clerk, City of Byron, 232 W. 2nd St., Byron, IL 61010 until 11:00 a.m. on 03/03/21.
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DESCRIPTION OF WORK
Location Byron Streets 2021
Project length 3,084 feet

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No. 0216 (Feb. 14, 22)

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OGLE COUNTY
IN THE)
MATTER)
OF THE)No.
ESTATE)2021
OF)P 17
BETTY B.)
PEARCE)
(Deceased.)
Notice is given of the death of BETTY B. PEARCE, of Stillman Valley, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on February 16, 2021, to BRIAN PEARCE, whose address is 353 E. Roosevelt Rd., PO Box 103, Stillman Valley, IL 61084, and KAREN VALLEM whose address is 2531 Sandy Hollow Rd., Rockford, IL 61109, and whose attorneys are

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in depth examination. The Awarding Authority will, in no case, be responsible for any costs, expenses, losses or changes in anticipated profits resulting from such failure or neglect of the bidder. 7. The bidder shall take no advantage of any error or omission in the proposal and advertised contract. 8. If a special envelope is supplied by the Awarding Authority, each proposal should be submitted in that envelope furnished by the Awarding Agency and the blank spaces on the envelope shall be filled in correctly to clearly indicate its contents. When an envelope other than the special one furnished by the Awarding Authority is used, it shall be marked to clearly indicate its contents. When sent by mail, the sealed proposal shall be addressed to the Awarding Authority at the address and in care of the

official in whose office the bids are to be received. All proposals shall be filed prior to the time and at the place specified in the Notice to Bidders. Proposals received after the time specified will be returned to the bidder unopened. 9. Permission will be given to a bidder to withdraw a proposal if the bidder makes the request in writing or in person before the time for opening proposals. No. 0224 (Feb. 22)

PUBLIC NOTICE
LEGAL NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO EXPAND INCENTIVES IN THE LEE-OGLE ENTERPRISE ZONE
Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held at 5:30 pm, Tuesday February 23th, 2021, in City Hall of the City of Oregon, 115 N 3rd Street, Oregon Illinois. The purpose of the

hearing is to outline an AMENDMENT TO EXPAND ZONE BOUNDARIES TO INCLUDE LARGER SCALE HOUSING PROJECT AREAS WITHIN THE CITY OF DIXON AND THE CITY OF OREGON. THIS AMENDMENT PROCESS IS ALLOWED BY THE ILLINOIS ENTERPRISE ZONE ACT (20 ILCS 655). Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed amendment to the Lee-Ogle Enterprise Zone may appear at the above specified time and location and may submit or state comments for the record. Written comments may also be directed to: Andy Shaw; Zone Administrator; Lee-Ogle Enterprise Zone; 309 First Avenue; Rock Falls, IL 61071. Written

communication(s) will be reviewed at the hearing. Lee-Ogle Enterprise Zone benefit explanations and maps of the zone will also be available for review. Dated this 17th day of February by Order of Andy Shaw, Zone Administrator. No. 0225 (Feb. 22)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on February 1, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Sign Gypsies Byron, 5370 E. Nordic Woods Dr., Byron, IL 61010. Dated: February 1, 2021 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 0205 (Feb. 8, 15, 22)

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105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES
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127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS
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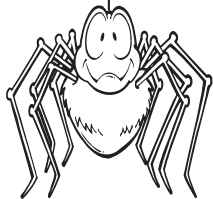
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