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SANTA PARADE IN AMBOY

The Amboy Fire Department teamed up with the 2020 Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk committee and hosted a parade throughout town loaded with fire trucks, elves, Olaf, and of course Mr. & Mrs. Claus on Saturday afternoon.

Courtesy photo

Final week of Amboy Hometown Virtual Christmas Walk

AMBOY — The final drawing for in 2020 Amboy Hometown Virtual Christmas Walk will be held on Dec. 18.

The winner of the Dec. 11th grand prize was Harold Johnson. The winner of the Folsom's Bakery cookie platter was Perry Braida.

The boxes have been emptied and are ready for a new week full of names. Stop by Amboy Food & Liquor, Amboy Shell, Amboy Hometown Pharmacy and City Hall to sign up again. You can't sign up too much. You may also enter the drawings by email at amboychristmaswalk@yahoo.com. Gift baskets will be on display at City Hall.

An entry form can be found on page 2 on the Shop Amboy This Christmas page.

The last drawing winner will be drawn on Dec. 18.

The winner from the new cookie recipes was Marilyn Braida.

The Ultimate Men's Giveaway was won by Taylor Hicks and Diane Cardot.

The winner of the Maria's Pizza Amboy dinner package is Morts Punk. Enjoy dinner on Maria's, a cute Melissa & Doug Pizza set, and a pizza cutter from First Federal Savings Bank.

The second winner of the fun toy giveaway is Amber Pogue. A kids hunting playset, Barbie Face Mask Day Spa, and Amboy Sporting Goods gift certificate.

Other events planned in December include:

- Pankhurst Memorial Library will have a Curbside Pick-Up Craft, along with their Tales for Tots & Kids bags available.

- Lee County Ag in the Classroom will be hosting a Story Walk Nov. 30-Dec. 19, where you can view the pages of the book, "A Wish To Be A Christmas Tree," in the downtown windows. Pick-up craft at Pankhurst Memorial Library.

See WALK page A3



DONATIONS

Amboy students and families had a lot to give this Holiday season. Amboy Central School, Amboy Junior High School, and Amboy High School collected canned goods and food items for the Amboy Fire Department's annual Christmas baskets. Central School donated 2,505 cans and Amboy Junior High donated 1,893 cans.

Courtesy photo

Old Lee County Courthouse closes Dec 14

LEE COUNTY — As the result of the rising cases of COVID-19 in the Lee County area, and in an attempt to mitigate the transmission of this virus, we are closing the Old Lee County Courthouse on Monday, Dec. 14, 2020.

Essential business will continue to be conducted by staff. In addition, there are many ways in which both essential and non-essential business can be conducted electronically, telephonically or by mail, thus conforming to the recommendations by our local health department Director Cathy Ferguson-Allen.

Additionally, signage will be posted on the south (main) entry door to the Old Courthouse, as well as the county's website, with department names and associated contact numbers for the convenience of the public. This new procedure will remain in effect until Feb. 1, 2021, or until the risk of exposure decreases.

Sheriff Simonton is asking for your cooperation, during this unique time in our lives. The environment is rapidly changing. It is important that citizens follow the advice of their local, regional, state and national health care professionals.

See COUNTY page A6

Lee County COVID-19 Update: Dec. 14, 2020

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Health Department is saddened to report 8 additional deaths in the county after confirming COVID as the cause. Age breakdown is as follows: 1 male in his 50s, 1 male in his 60s, 1 males in their 70s, 2 female and 1 male in his 80s, 2 males in their 90s, and 1 female in her 100s. This brings the total number of deaths in Lee County to 41.

The health department also reported 35 cases were from congregate living facilities - 4 are from Liberty Court, 1 from Dixon Rehab, 1 Franklin Grove Living & Rehab and 29 Dixon Correctional Center.

Between Dec. 8-14, the Lee County Health Department has reported a total of 177 new cases have been

reported, including the case listed above, and here are the ages that were announced: 2 under the age of 12, 15 in his or her teens, 20 in his or her 20s, 18 in his or her 30s, 28 in his or her 40s, 22 in his or her 50s, 20 in his or her 60s, 7 in his or her 70s, 8 in his or her 80s, and 1 on his or her 90s.

This brings the total number of cases to 2,243 as of Dec. 14. Of the 2,243 cases, 1,701 have recovered. They also reported as of Dec. 14, 9 residents have been hospitalized.

The Unified Command Team would like to remind our community that COVID-19 remains in our area and continues to be a real threat. Some people who have tested positive have had no symptoms or

mild symptoms. Others have felt miserable or even been hospitalized.

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LETTERS TO SANTA

The Amboy News' annual Letters to Santa section.

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TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE PROCEEDS

On Thursday, Dec. 10, Steve Klein, Grand Knight of the Amboy Knights of Columbus Council #8277, presented checks for \$1,234 to Kreider Services. This check is the proceeds from our September Tootsie Roll Drive for the Intellectually Disabled. Pictured at Kreider Services with Andrea Pratt, Marketing Director, Sue Ely, Executive Administrator, and Klein. Kreider Services said the donation from the Amboy Knights of Columbus Council would be matched by a Secret Santa. The Knights of Columbus appreciates all that participated in the drive and all of the people who contributed to drive.

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Submissions will be accepted until Dec. 16 at 4 p.m. Voting starts on Dec 16 at 4 p.m. and runs through Dec. 25 at 11 p.m.

The top vote getter will receive a \$50 cash prize.

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Christmas
WALK

FINAL WEEK!

Continue to Like and Share our Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk posts.

• **Dec. 18** - Gift Baskets Drawing! Items and gift certificates from local businesses, purchased and donated by the Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk, and local businesses

Please follow the Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk on Facebook & articles in the Amboy News. Entry boxes will be at City Hall, Amboy Hometown Pharmacy, Amboy Food & Liquor, Shell (Johnson Oil) through Dec 18. You may also enter drawings by email @amboychristmaswalk@yahoo.com. Gift baskets will be on display at City Hall.

• Santa and Mrs. Claus will be making a weekly appearance each Friday in December on our Facebook page! You don't want to miss this!

• Pankhurst Memorial Library will have a Curbside Pick-Up Craft, along with their Tales for Tots & Kids bags available.

• Lee County Ag in the Classroom will be hosting a Story Walk through Dec. 19, where you can view the pages of the book, "A Wish To Be A Christmas Tree," in the downtown windows. Pick-up craft at Pankhurst Memorial Library. Follow Ag in the Classroom and Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk on Facebook, tagging for a chance to win the book in hardcover.

• Extra giveaways will be happening during the month of December!

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Gift Basket Drawing Entry Form
Fill Out, Cut Out And Turn In!



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LOCAL NEWS

TEEN TURF

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Teen Turf Pancake/Sausage or Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast Drive-Thru Breakfast Full Thank You:

Thank you to the following workers: Connie Pettinger, Barb Harrison, Brenda and Bruce Gaulner, Donna Wellman, Kaylee Jones, Brit-tany Barlow, Matthew Farrar, Scott, Janine, and Sierra Huffman, Kyler, Taylor, and Trese McNinch, Shannon Nichols, Travis Harbo, Rita, Mary Katherine Stenzel, Brooklyn Strub, Madison, Sydney, Hayden, Pam and Will Thomas, Larry and Eileen Piper, Jarrett Dempsey, Nathan Piper, Jillian, Liam and Lila Rieskamp, and Joey Stephenich.

Thrivent Financial, Pete Rood, Walmart, Toni Fass-ing, First National Bank of Amboy, Sunset Inn Restau-rant, and Amboy City Work-ers. Also a huge thank you to Laurie Nauman for her help in all avenues.

We also thank our board members: Barb Harrison, Shelli Bump, Kimberly Watley, Scott and Janine Huffman, Mark Grossman, Pam Thomas, Cindy Phil-lips, Kaylee Jones, Trese McNinch and Deb Albee.

Teen Turf

We are now open; how-ever it is not like any year before. Students had to pre-register before coming and we are limited on space due to Illinois State guide-lines. Please do not send a child without speaking to Eileen Piper at 815-440-8195

Thank You

We are especially thank-



Jim Travi, pictured left, and family recently made a donation to Teen Turf.

Photo submitted

ful for all our volunteers last week who were just awe-some: Fran Kessel, Donna Wellman, Kathy Gardner, and our teenage volunteers- Robert, Val, Jake, Jose, Maggie, Maddy, Sydney, Brooklyn, Reed, and Kaylee.

This week we are grateful for the community's thought-fulness: Netti Palous for toi-lettries; Joe and Diane Stewart for Christmas decorations; Katie Dickenson for food; Kathy Gardner for Hot Pizza for kids; Donna Wellman for treats; Trese McNinch for the pillow pets; Anony-mous man for the toiletries; Officer Spencer Morrisey for making his rounds and introducing himself to the kids; Carolyn Leake for her donation; Sandy Morrisey and Dennis Donna for their donation; Green River Riders for their generous donation; Irene and Eileen Ramsdell for their beautiful cupcakes and food items; Jim Travi family for their donation;

Janine and Scott Huffman and their church for their food donation; Laura and Daniel Schaefer for their dona-tion and First Presbyterian Church of Franklin Grove for their donation.

Final Word

As we wrap up our week before the children leave on break, we say a prayer for them:

Lord God, we praise you that you are fully in control of all things. We pray you would protect our children. Keep them healthy and help them to thrive. We thank you that you know every hair on their head. You know exactly when they rise and when they fall. Watch over our children in every area of their life and keep them safe. We pray, Amen.

**Recycle!
Recycle!
Recycle!**

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

AMBOY-2020 Amboy Hometown Virtual Christ-mas Walk will have a vari-ety of events to encourage the Holiday Spirit! See the schedule of events on page A2 of this Amboy News.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the Elk's Lodge, 1270 Franklin Grove Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Fri-day, Dec. 18, at Ken Nelson Auto Group, 1050 N. Galena Ave. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

AMBOY-The City of Amboy Council will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 21, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 23, at Dixon Home of Hope, 1637

Plock Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

AMBOY-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood

Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 29, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

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Although there are individuals con-sidered at a higher risk for complications due to COVID-19, some otherwise healthy people have also become very sick. The more the virus spreads & the more cases we have locally, the risk of very ill or hospitalized individuals increases.

Please, for yourself and others, follow the state and federal recommendations. It's easy to remember as the 3 W's: Wash your hands; Watch your distance; and Wear your mask.

Also, we'd like to mention the pro-

cess of contact tracing. If your local health department tries to contact you, please answer or return their call. Some people may feel distrustful or afraid of the term "contact tracing." This is actually a strategy used for many years in public health to reduce the spread of infectious disease. Contact tracing is a critical piece of our mitigation efforts against COVID-19.

What to do if you think you have or have been exposed to COVID-19

During the COVID-19 pandemic, individuals with symptoms SHOULD

NOT GO to health care facilities such as hospitals, clinics, and urgent care centers without CALLING FIRST.

Call the KSB Hotline Monday-Fri-day, 9-5 at 285-7777 to determine eligibility for testing.

Residents can go to the following websites for additional information:

Go to KSB, LCHD, IDPH, or CDC websites. Lee County Health Department provides regular updates on its Facebook page.

• Facebook: Lee County IL Health Department

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Follow Ag in the Classroom and Amboy Hometown Christmas Walk on Facebook, tagging for a chance to win the book in hardcover.

• The Amboy Fire Protection District will be hosting an Amboy Hometown Christmas Spirit Parade on Dec. 12. No gatherings needed, as Santa and his helpers will be making their way

through a routed parade in our Amboy neighborhoods! Churches, businesses, or organizations are welcome to join! Follow the Amboy Fire Protection District and the Amboy

Hometown Christmas Walk on Facebook.

• Extra giveaways will be happening during the month of December.

• Enjoy the music of Eileen Quest as you are driving through town on Saturday, Dec. 5, from 2-4 p.m.

CLIPPER KIDDIE

This Week's Student of the Week is:
Dalton Willstead

Student's Favorites:

Favorite Color – Blue

Favorite Animal – Zebra

Favorite Food – Pizza

Favorite Book – Thomas The Wheels On The Train

Favorite Game – Super Hero Games

Favorite Song – B-L-U-E- Spells Blue

CLIPPER KIDDIE

This Week's Student of the Week is:
Adaline Montavon

Student's Favorites:

Favorite Color – Red

Favorite Animal – Kitties

Favorite Food – Yogurt & Oatmeal

Favorite Book – Corduroy

Favorite Game – The Floor Is Lava

Favorite Song – Hey Hey Owlette

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OBITUARIES

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Melvin F. Leffelman Nov. 17, 1928 - Dec. 9, 2020

DIXON — Melvin F. Leffelman, 92, of Dixon, formerly of Amboy, passed on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020 at Liberty Court Assisted Living in Dixon surrounded by family and those who cared for him.

He was born Nov. 17, 1928, in Sublette, the son of Francis and Clara (King) Leffelman. Melvin was a lifelong farmer in the Maytown area. He proudly served in the Army National Guard, Amboy Lions Club, Amboy American Legion Post, was a parishioner at St Anne Catholic Church in Dixon and had been a 4H leader. Melvin cherished his memories of flying his plane and riding horses in his youth. He enjoyed golfing and fishing, especially when with family and friends, and of course being a dad, grandfather, great grandfather, brother and friend. Melvin had the heart of a cowboy and the boots to match.

Melvin rejoins Marjorie Ely whom he married on Feb. 11, 1950 and shared 41 years of marriage with. She preceded him in death on March 17, 1991. He married Florence "Sue" Okland Morrissey on Dec. 30, 1994 in Rockford. She preceded him in death June 3, 2009.

Melvin is also welcomed by his parents; brothers, Robert Leffelman and Eugene "Gene" Leffelman; son in law, Dennis Brechon; and brothers in law, Joe Quest, Donald Henkel, John Latta, Hubert Leffelman, Gordan Ely and Dick Ely.

Melvin will be loved and missed by his children, Mark "Dan" (Janelle) Leffelman, of Liberty Hill, Texas, Julie Brechon, of Polo; three grandchildren, Rachel (Jordan) Plock, Miranda Leffelman (Sublette) and Cordell Leffelman (Liberty Hill); and one great-granddaughter, Paisley Plock. He is also survived by his brother,



Ron (Eileen) Leffelman, of Dixon; sisters, Elaine Henkel, of Mendota, Velma Quest, of Sublette and Doris Latta, of Amboy; sisters in law, Mary Helen Leffelman, of Mendota, Karen Ely, of Amboy, Joann Leffelman, of Sterling; and brother in law, Ned (Carol) Ely, of Amboy.

A private family Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m., on Saturday, Dec. 12, at St Anne Catholic Church in Dixon. Burial with Military Honors by the Amboy American Legion will follow at St Patrick Cemetery in Maytown.

At a later date there will be a memorial service for all who knew, loved, and were loved by Melvin to attend.

Memorials have been established to the Amboy American Legion and St Anne School. Arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon.

Virginia A. Leffelman Feb. 19, 1931 - Dec. 9, 2020

DIXON — Virginia A. Leffelman (nee Warner), 89 of Dixon, formerly of Amboy, died on Dec. 9, 2020 of COVID-19.

Having just lost her husband, Sylvan Leffelman to the same horrid virus five days prior, Virginia left this world with her children Nancy, Paul, Phil and Jan by her side. She was welcomed into heaven by Sylvan and their daughter, Rita.

Virginia was born on Feb. 19, 1931 to George and Lula (Martin) Warner in Urbana. She graduated from Ashton High School in 1949.

Virginia's first employment was at Walter C. Knacks in Dixon followed by Public Service in the meter department. It was there that she met Betty (Michel) Stephenitch who soon became her best friend and eventual across-the-street neighbor in Amboy.

Virginia married her beloved, Sylvan Leffelman on Nov. 14, 1953 and they recently celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary. Together they raised five children: Jan (Tom) McConville, of Amboy, Phil Leffelman, of Elgin, Paul (Robin) Leffelman, of Amboy, Nancy (Jim) Butler, of Bartlett and Rita Leffelman, in heaven (died 9-4-93). They are the grandparents of Rachel (Mike) White, Mitch (Meg) McConville, Maggie (Michael Daly) McConville, Damon (Alyssa) Leffelman and Lucas Leffelman. Their precious great-grandchildren include Kylie, Kaysen and Leo.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents, husband and daughter. She was also preceded in death by her father-in-law, Walter Leffelman and two very special mother-in-laws: Esther (Burkardt) Leffelman and

Eva (Blackburn) Leffelman as well as a favorite aunt, Mary (Warner) Smith.

Other survivors include Virginia's much loved brothers: Jim (Janet) Warner and Lyle (Rosella) Warner; in-laws, John (Mary) Leffelman and Jim (Mary Ann) Blackburn; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Virginia had an aptitude for organization and systems. She used those skills not only as a mother raising five kids, but also in her 32 years as a bookkeeper at W.G. Leffelman & Sons. She embraced computer technology, and loved her Quicken software and iPad. Virginia was also a craftsperson. She knit beautiful afghans, created unique ceramics, and did detailed needlework. Virginia especially loved to construct intricate family scrapbooks, all of which have become precious heirlooms for her kids.

Together with Sylvan, Virginia was an ardent supporter of their children's extracurricular endeavors. They never missed their kids' band concerts, dance recitals or sporting events, including all the away games. Camping vacations were another way for the family to be together and to create special memories when the kids were young. That evolved into keeping the trailer at nearby Green River Oaks, which provided Virginia, Sylvan and the kids a quick escape.

Virginia was always an active person who enjoyed exercising, especially when it involved being with friends. While living in Amboy she walked with her dear friend, Lu Grady, a daily commitment that lasted well over 20 years. After moving to Dixon in 2004, Virginia loved to walk the bike path and neighborhoods around



Autumnwood. It was on that bike path where she met a dear couple, Jane and David Beaman, who would become special friends to both her and Sylvan.

Virginia greatly valued her church and community throughout her lifetime. When her daughters were young, Virginia was a 4-H leader, along with Beth Grossman, for the Minute Maids 4-H club. Virginia taught CCD classes at St. Patrick's in Amboy. She also sang in the funeral choir at St. Pat's and later at St. Anne's in Dixon.

In Sylvan's obituary we sincerely asked that you honor his memory by simply being kind to one another. Virginia and Sylvan were kindred spirits when it came to their love for people. Therefore, to best pay tribute to Mom and Dad's legacy: Look for ways to do good for your family, your friends and your community, especially now. We will honor both Mom and Dad with a funeral mass to be held at a later date and only when it is safe for the public to gather.

The family would also like to express their deep gratitude to all the staff at Liberty Court. You loved Mom dearly and for that we are most grateful! Thank you also to our dear angel nurses, Stephanie Herwig-Pace and Andrea Regalado; you were there for us when we needed you. We also appreciate Dr. Joe Welty's compassion and never ending commitment. Our parents adored you. Happy semi-retirement Dr. Welty!

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King's Kids program from 6:30-8 p.m. Friday
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St. James Evangelical Congregational Church
Robert Dunbar, Pastor
US Route 52 & Red Brick Rd., Dixon
815-288-2447
Sunday 10:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
Ladies Bible Study, Wed. 9 a.m.

St. Mary's Church
Rev. Randy Fronек
West Brooklyn
Tuesday & Thursday - 7:30 a.m.
Saturday - 5:30 p.m.

St. Patrick Church
Rev. Randy Fronек - Maytown
Mass - Fri. 8 a.m., Sun. 8 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Pastor Barb Otten
960 U.S. Route 52
Phone 857-2225
Sun. Worship - 9:00 a.m. Fellowship - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School - 9:40-10:15 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church
Rev. Randy Fronек
Locust Street, Sublette
Phone 815-849-5412
Saturday Mass - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass - 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.
Thursday - 8:30 a.m.

Refuge Church
Pastor John Kalebaugh
Mendota Hills Campground • 642 Rt. 52
Amboy, IL 61310 • 815-849-5930
10 a.m. Sunday, potluck follows

Harmon United Methodist Church
Pastor Leanne Keate
202 N. Grove, Harmon
Phone 359-7302
Worship - 8:30 a.m.

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SOCIAL NEWS

The Book Nook

By:

Tatjana Kazan

Mitz, the Marmoset Monkey

The story of "Mitz, the Marmoset of Bloomsbury" by Sigrid Nunez begins on a hot July evening in 1934, when Virginia and Leonard Woolf visited their young friends, Victor and Barbara Rothschild. Victor had bought a marmoset monkey for Barbara at a junk shop and had called her Mitz. "How small she was, a mere scrap of monkey. You could have balanced her on your palm. Her head no bigger than a walnut, two black pips for eyes and the tiniest nostrils, mere pin pricks." She ended up sleeping soundly in Leonard's lap.

Mitz was in bad shape. She had Rickets, most likely from the long voyage from Brazil in a dark ship's hold; her fur was rough and dry, her skin chafed badly by a chain. Victor gladly passed Mitz on to Leonard, who patiently nursed her back to health. In his memoir, "Downhill All the Way," Leonard mentions Mitz: "At that time, I had a marmoset called Mitz which accompanied me almost everywhere, sitting on my shoulder or inside my waistcoat." On their walks in Kensington Gardens, Virginia and Leonard, Mitz perched on his shoulder, drew lots of attention, punctuated by the inevitable question, "Is it a rat, sir?"

"Mitz" is a mock biography of England's famous artists, writers, and intellectuals known as Bloomsbury, FG church to host

services

FRANKLIN GROVE — The member of the Franklin Grove Church of the Brethren invite you to visit the church at 121 W. North Street, Franklin Grove on Christmas Eve any time between the hours of 2 and 4:30 p.m. to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ the Prince of Peace.

Only 10 persons, spaced at least 6 feet apart (unless from the same household) will be seated at one time. There will be no in-person singing.

A safe and sanitized waiting room is available.

Come and list to presentations about the birth of Christ the King.

Call 815-456-2422 to reserve a spot or for more information.

Bring a non-perishable food item or cash donation for the local food pantry.

by then in decline. Mitz charmed T. S. Eliot who, having been bitten by her, asks, "How shall I hold the little marmoset, if you devour first one of my hands, then the other?" Never one to hide her feelings, Mitz's jealousy of Virginia was a thing to behold: "When Mitz was really piqued, her white tufts would erect themselves like a headdress; she would rock back and forth, smacking her lips, and sticking her tongue out at Virginia in the lewdest fashion."

In one of the funniest incidents, Mitz saved the Woolf's from a Nazi mob. A year before the onset of World War Two, the Woolf's decided to visit Virginia's sister Vanessa in Rome. Germany was one of the countries they had to drive through, and as Leonard was Jewish, friends warned them not to get in the middle of parades or demonstrations. But in Bonn they came upon a military parade for Hermann Goring, the president of Germany. Theirs was the only car facing the raucous waiting crowd, surrounded by a sea of red Nazi flags, and huge banners warning Jews to get out. A seriously intent soldier approached their car, but when he saw Mitz, who was perched between Leonard's hands on the steering wheel, his heart melted. He cooed at that "dear little thing," and the crowd, parting like the Red Sea, cheered and saluted the little monkey. The Gestapo put Leonard and Virginia on the list of people to be eliminated once they invaded England.



THE PASTOR'S PEN

The Story Has Never Changed

BY PASTOR JOHN KALEBAUGH

I think that it is safe to say that we are living in "unprecedented" times. For most of us "Life" is so much different then it was a year ago at this time. For most people life has not gotten easier in this past year. And it's been hard to find the "groove" that we can just coast in for a while. It's as if we are trying to find balance in life – while wearing roller skates!

It is also safe to say that for most people this Christmas will be one unlike any other in recent memory. If you are old enough to read this column you know exactly what I am talking about... so I can spare you the details. We are all aware of the difficulties that we or people we care about are experiencing.

I wonder if, as we read the nativity story this year, can it possibly have the meaning and relevance for us that it has had in previous years? And if so, how?

It says, "And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Luke 2:10-14

What are we to make of the "Fear not," "good tidings of great joy," and "peace, goodwill toward men" this year? How can the "same old story" still be meaningful to us in a year that is so "different?" Herein lies our dilemma.

ACO seeking volunteers for blood drive in January

AMBOY — The Amboy Civic Organization is looking for volunteers to work two-hour shifts, Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2021 for the Red Cross Blood Drive. The drive will be at the Amboy Community Bldg. from noon until 6 p.m.

Volunteers will check-in donors and serve refreshments provided by the Red Cross. We are looking for nine volunteers.

If you can help, call Judy Brinkmeier at 815-238-8927 or 815-857-2471.

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

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• **ONLINE:** Go to <http://fromtheheartrochelle.org> and click on **PURCHASE CALENDARS**. Once the calendar is purchased we will mail it out to you! Shipping and processing fees will be added to cost.

• **IN PERSON:** You can pick up a 2021 From The Heart Cash Calendar **TODAY** at the following locations:
In Rochelle at: First State Bank, Stillman Bank, HOPE Chest
In Oregon at: Merlin's
In Dixon at: Shining Star
In Amboy at: Amboy News Office

• **BY MAIL:** Fill out the form below and send it in to us and we will mail a 2021 From The Heart Cash Calendar to you! Shipping fees are added to cost.

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NUMBER OF CALENDARS: _____

Clip and mail this form along with \$22 (\$20 per calendar plus \$2 per calendar postage) to:
Rotary Calendar, PO BOX 372, Rochelle, IL 61068

The Amboy News will be Closed at noon on Thursday, Dec. 24th and all day on Friday, Dec. 25th.

We will reopen at 8 a.m., on Monday, Dec. 28th
The deadline for all advertising, editorial submissions and photos for the Wednesday, Dec. 23rd edition is 9 a.m., on Friday, Dec. 18th.

We will also be Closed at noon on Thursday, Dec. 31st and all day on Friday, Jan. 1, 2021.

We will reopen at 8 a.m., on Monday, Jan. 4, 2021.

The deadline for all advertising, editorial submissions and photos for the Wednesday, Dec. 30th edition is 9 a.m., on Thursday, Dec. 24th.

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LOCAL NEWS



Ethan Larson

Larson named AHS Student of the Month

AMBOY — Ethan Larson, son of Mike and Kim Larson, has been named the Amboy High School Student of the Month for December.

GPA: 3.5 /4.0

Memberships and Involvement: National Honors Society, Spanish Honors Society, Academic Team, Leo's Club, FFA, Outdoor Club, Student Council, Baseball, Football, and the Illinois Army National Guard.

Awards and Honors: Student of the Month for December, Vice-President of Student Council, Spanish Honors Society, and the Northwest Student Council District.

Best Memories of AHS: My in class debates in APUSH with Nick Tarr.

Future Plans: I plan to first take care of my general education at Sauk Valley Community College and then attend Illinois State University where I plan to study Political Science. It is my hope that I can play a part in local government helping out my community. Eventually, I'd love to live on a ranch somewhere out west and maybe raise a family.



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE PROCEEDS

On Thursday, Dec. 10, Steve Klein, Grand Knight of the Amboy Knights of Columbus Council #8277, presented checks for \$1,234 to the Ogle County Special Education. This check is the proceeds from our September Tootsie Roll Drive for the Intellectually Disabled. Pictured at Ogle County Special Education with Matt Zilm, Director, left, Klein, center, and Amy Henkel, Assistant Director. The Knights of Columbus appreciates all that participated in the drive and all of the people who contributed to drive.

Photo submitted

U. OF I. EXTENSION NEWS

Holiday Mash-Up Mini-Camp

Are your kids looking for some fun activities over holiday break? Join University of Illinois Extension this holiday break

A.C.O. blood drive set

AMBOY — What a wonderful gift to give. Blood is urgently needed in our area. Therefore, an appeal is going out to everyone 17 years of age and over in good health to give blood. Won't you roll up your sleeve and answer the plea?

Amboy A.C.O. members, in coordination with Amboy High School, are hosting a Red Cross Blood drive on Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2021 at the Amboy Community Building from noon to 6 p.m. Please call Judy Brinkmeier at 815-238-8927 for an appointment. All donations are tested for Covid-19 antibodies. Plasma from antibody-positive donations may help current coronavirus patients in need. Also, all presenting donors will receive a t-shirt, while supplies last.

to create ornaments, awaken their inner mad scientist, and participate in fun holiday themed STEAM activities during the Holiday Mash-Up Mini-Camp at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, Dec. 23. Carroll, Lee, and Whiteside 4-H invite all 8-12 year old's to attend virtually from the comfort of your home!

A \$5 registration fee will cover the cost of special items and delivery. Please have access to an oven and adult help, measuring tape, crayons or markers, scissors, tape, bowl, spoon, cookie sheet, and rolling pin. One may register online at go.illinois.edu/CLWHolidayMashUp.

On This Day in History

100 Years Ago Dec. 17, 1920

The annual election of the officers in Arbutus Chapter No. 553, Order of the Eastern Star, took place Tuesday evening resulting as follow: Worthy Matron, Grace Scott; Worthy Patron, W.D. Scott; Associate Matron, Bessie Braman; Secretary, Anna Ayres; Treasurer, Ella Leake; Conductress, Louise Kaufman; Associate Conductress, Pearl Sartorius.

Mrs. Ed Whitver was a Dixon visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. E.A. Sullivan and Mrs. R.W. Ruckman called on friends in Rochelle Saturday.

Attorney James R. Kelly boarded the Saturday morning "q" passenger for Aurora.

75 Years Ago Dec. 13, 1945

Installation of the new electrical warning system at the Main Street and Division Street crossings of the Illinois Central railroad in Amboy has been completed by the company's workmen and bells, red flasher lights and gates

are now in operation.

Mrs. Catherine Schwamberger was hostess to the Jolly Eight Club Thursday afternoon, "500" was played, with Mrs. E.C. Lane receiving high score prize. Mrs. Roy Powers, second, Mrs. William Westcott, consolation.

Mr. and Mrs. George Missman are moving this week to Dixon where they have purchased a new home. Mr. Missman is employed at the Lincoln Lanes.

50 Years Ago Dec. 17, 1970

Harold Glessner was elected president of Shady Oaks Country Club from the ensuing year last week Thursday evening when the board of directors organized following the annual stockholders meeting held in the council chambers of Amboy's city hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Henry of Amboy and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Meyers of Paw Paw spent Saturday at Yorktown Shopping Center near Chicago. Enroute home they stopped at the House O' Plenty for a smorgasbord supper.

Management, employees and their

husbands of the Amboy Ben Franklin store held their annual Christmas party Sunday evening at the home of Manager and Mrs. James Organ. A gift exchange was enjoyed following the scramble supper.

25 Years Ago Dec. 21, 1995

The recently completed Sauk Valley Reading Council Book Drive raised more than \$1,267 this year, according to co-coordinator Judy Brinkmeier. Also serving as coordinators were Kay Karlson, Pat Keller and Carol Schnaiter.

In the spirit of Christmas, Bev and Terry Halsey, owners of The Depot Tap, once again extend an invitation to anyone in the area who doesn't have a place to go for Christmas dinner to join them at noon on Christmas day for a free Christmas dinner. This is the 14th year that the Halsey's have extended this invitation.

The barbeque pit near the Amboy Volunteer Fire Department was recently dedicated to Bob Machen and Wayne Weidman.

COUNTY continued from page A1

While this safety challenge is global in nature, we have all experienced the disruption to our daily lives. Law en-

forcement will continue to work around the clock with our partners in the health care sector and in coordination with our

elected officials, to implement policies that support the health and safety of the public.

Lee County Sheriff's Office releases Thanksgiving enforcement numbers

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Sheriff's Office made two impaired driving arrests and issued five seat belt and child safety seat citations during the recent Thanksgiving enforcement effort.

Lee County Sheriff's Office also took the following enforcement actions.

- One uninsured motorists
- Three speeding citations

Law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois participated in this effort to reduce highway fatalities by getting impaired drivers off the roads and more people buckled up.

The enforcement campaign took place from Nov. 20-30.

During the mobilization, extra emphasis was placed on enforcement

during late-night hours, when statistics show the most unbuckled and impaired driving fatalities occur.

The Thanksgiving enforcement effort is made possible by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation as part of the statewide Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click It or Ticket campaigns.

SVCC to offer virtual campus tours

DIXON - Sauk Valley Community College is offering virtual campus tours for prospective students. Tours will be held over Google Meets with SVCC Student Recruiting and Dual Credit Coordinator, Sarah Partington.

Learn more about programs of study, paying for college, student life, student support (TRIO, Learning Commons, Disability Support Services), Sauk's contemporary learning, student spaces and all of the various formats in which SVCC is now offering courses.

Personalized, virtual tours are offered Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. and

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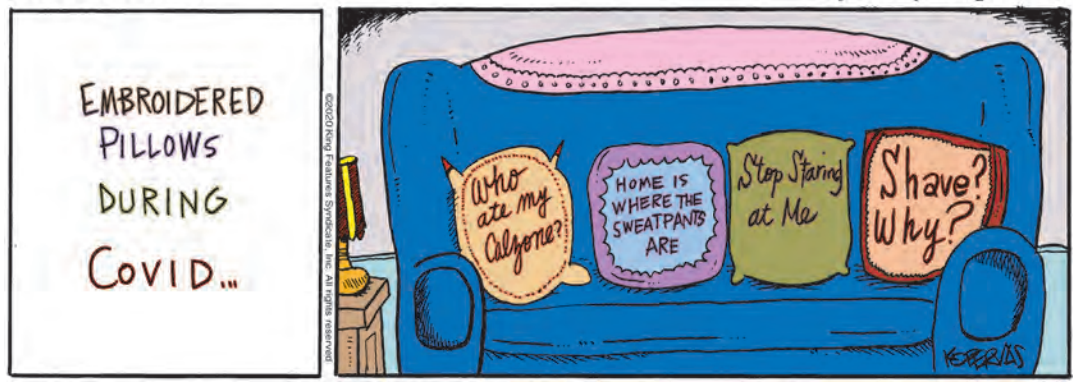
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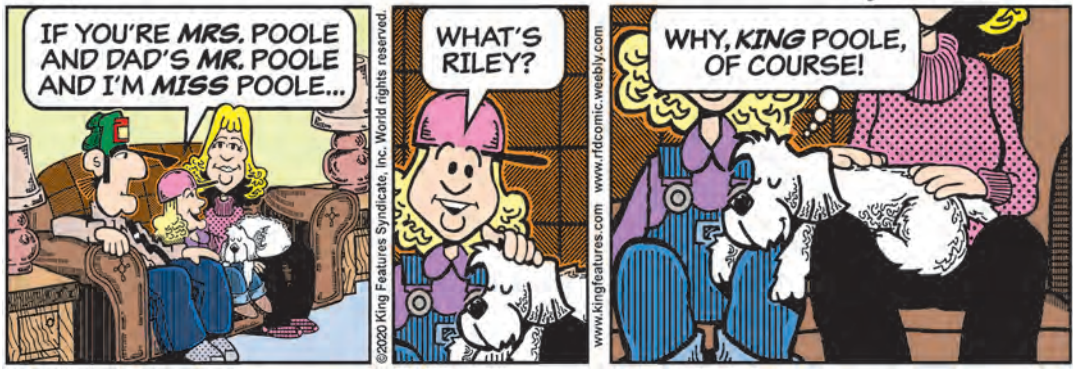
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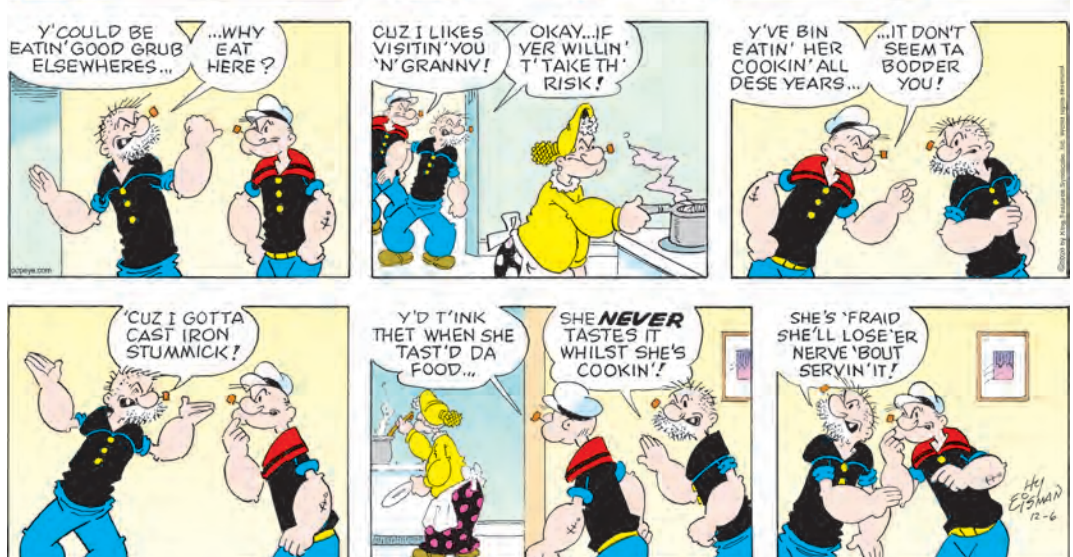
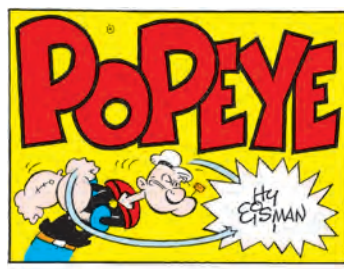
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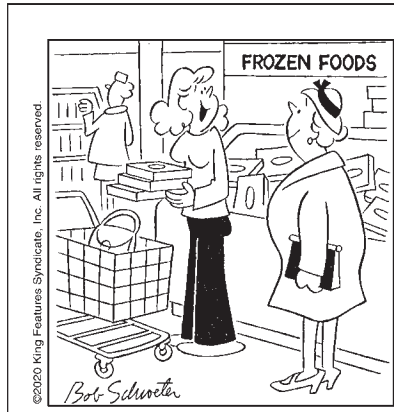


Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

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

Bent		
WEAKS		
Pop		
TRUBS		
Defend		
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TODAY'S WORD

ACROSS

- 1 Porter's burdens
- 5 Before
- 8 Dull sound of impact
- 12 Enticement
- 13 Blend
- 14 Abundant
- 15 Opera show-stopper
- 16 U.K. broadcaster
- 17 Black, in verse
- 18 Fight
- 20 Like a lot
- 22 Solid ground
- 26 Entire
- 29 Smack
- 30 Zilch
- 31 Bees' home
- 32 Parsons or Gaffigan
- 33 Slangy negative
- 34 — out a living
- 35 One of the Brady Bunch
- 36 Grown-up bug
- 37 Brownish orange
- 40 Warmonger
- 41 Barbershop tools
- 45 First victim
- 47 Luau bowlful
- 49 "American —"
- 50 Ring out

King Crossword

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- 51 Barn bird
- 52 Alaskan metropolis
- 53 Vortex
- 54 — Aviv
- 55 Get larger
- 7 Cry out
- 8 Italian fountain site
- 9 Ireland
- 10 Venusian vessel?
- 11 Lair
- 19 Appomattox surrenderer
- 21 Frequently
- 23 Serengeti beast
- 24 Chinese dynasty
- 25 Choir member
- 26 Sharpen
- 27 Raise
- 28 Above
- 32 Lotto win
- 33 Incredible
- 35 Mandible
- 36 Call — day
- 38 Make a comeback
- 39 Warble
- 42 Bloodhound's clue
- 43 Quarterback Tony
- 44 Dispatched
- 45 Mimic
- 46 Foundation
- 48 Didn't pay yet

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

		7	6			8	1
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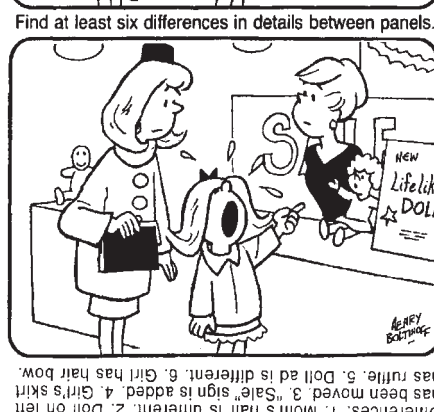
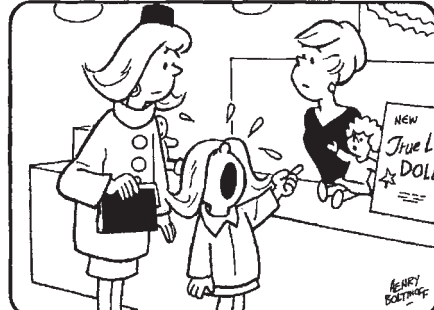
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Differences: 1. Mom's hair is different. 2. Doll on left has ruffie. 3. "Sale" sign is added. 4. Girl's skirt has been moved. 5. Doll is different. 6. Girl has hair bow.

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: R equals E

XS V WRVY NRYR VQQLNRU PL
KYRKVYR JLSSRR LY PRV, JLGQU
ALG PMRH OVA MR NVO WYGXH?

THAWER
Today's Word
1. Askew 2. Burst
3. Shield 4. Under
solution
SCRAMBLERS

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. MEASUREMENTS: How many tablespoons are in 1 fluid ounce?
- 2. LITERATURE: Which famous gothic novel features the beginning sentence, "Last night I dreamt I went to Manderley again"?
- 3. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of New Zealand?
- 4. BUSINESS: When was the first iPhone released?
- 5. TELEVISION: What was the name of Norm Peterson's unseen wife in the sitcom "Cheers"?
- 6. PERSONALITIES: Which former pro football player earned the nickname "Broadway Joe"?
- 7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a female donkey called?
- 8. MEDICAL: A deficiency of vitamin A causes what condition?
- 9. MUSIC: Which 1980s pop hit starts with the line, "Dearly beloved, we have gathered here today to get through this thing called life"?
- 10. MOVIES: What was the name of Charles Foster Kane's estate in "Citizen Kane"?

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- 10. Xanadu
- 9. "Let's Go Crazy" by Prince
- 8. Night of the Living Dead
- 7. A Jemmy
- 6. Joe Namath
- 5. Vera
- 4. 2007
- 3. Wellington
- 2. "Rebecca"
- 1. 2 tablespoons

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Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

CryptoQuip
If a bear were allowed to prepare coffee or tea, could you then say he was bruin?

MARKETPLACE

101 LEGAL NOTICE

WEST BROOKLYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NO 20- 02 AN ORDINANCE FOR LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2021 FOR THE WEST BROOKLYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY ILLINOIS.

WHEREAS on July 22, 2020, the Board of Trustees passed an Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the District for the fiscal year ending on April 30, 2021

, the amount of which is ascertained to be the aggregate sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$170,500.00). One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Five and 00/100 Dollars(\$105,675.00) for corporate fund purposes and Sixty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$64,825.00) for the Ambulance Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that there is hereby levied upon all taxable property located within the limits of the West Brooklyn Fire Protection District of Lee County, Illinois, which is subject to taxation for the said tax year 2020 payable 2021 the total sum of One Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand One Hundred Eleven and 00/100 (\$127,111.00) Dollars for the following general corporate purposes mentioned in said appropriation ordinance in the respective sum as follows, to wit:

Section 1-General Corporate: There be and is hereby levied upon all taxable property within the corporate limits of the District subject to taxation for the tax year 2020 payable 2021 the total sum of Sixty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Eight and 00/100 (\$67,968.00) Dollars for the following general corporate purposes mentioned in said appropriation ordinance in the respective sum as follows, to wit:

CORPORATE FUND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.

Items of Appropriation and Levy	Amount Appropriated For 2020-2021 Budget	Amount Levied For 2020 payable 2021
a. Trustee Salaries	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
b. Legal Services	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
c. Bookkeeping Services	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
d. Social security and medical	\$250.00	\$250.00
E. Liability Insurance	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
f. Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
g. Compilation/Financial Report	\$875.00	\$875.00
h. Publishing and Printing	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
i. Office and Postage	\$250.00	\$250.00
j. Dues, Memberships and Fees	\$350.00	\$350.00
k. Miscellaneous	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
l. Transfers out	\$2,500.00	\$-0-

PUBLIC SAFETY EXPENSES:

m. Volunteer fire department (1/2 of \$6,000)	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
n. Emergency Service training	\$300.00	\$300.00
o. Repairs and fuel	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
p. Utilities and telephone (1/2 of \$4,000)	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00
q. Material and supplies (1/2 of \$5,000)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
r. Capital equipment outlay	\$30,000.00	\$7,200.00
s. Debit retirement (tanker payment 5 of 20)	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00
t. Building maintenance and repair (reserve)	\$30,000.00	\$25,093.00
Corporate Total	\$105,675.00	\$69,968.00

Section 2- Ambulance Fund: There be and is hereby levied upon all taxable property within the corporate limits of the District subject to taxation for year 2020 payable 2021 that total sum of Fifty Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Nine and 00/100 (\$53,479.00) Dollars for the following ambulance purpose mentioned in said appropriation ordinance in the respective sums as follows to wit:

AMBULANCE FUND

Items of Appropriation and Levy	Amount Appropriated For 2020-2021 Budget	Amount Levied For 2020 payable 2021
u. Intergovernmental Ambulance Agreements	\$25,500.00	\$20,500.00
v. Liability Insurance	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
w. Worker's Compensation Insurance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
x. Trustee Salaries (1/2 of \$2,400)	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
y. Legal services (1/2 of \$1,400)	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
z. Bookkeeping Services (1/2 of \$2,000)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
aa. Compilation/Financial report (1/2 of \$1,750)	\$875.00	\$875.00
bb. Volunteer Fire Department (1/2 of \$6,000)	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
cc. Rescue per call fees	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
dd. Utilities and Telephone (1/2 of \$4,000)	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
ee. Materials and Supplies (1/2 of \$4,400)	\$2,500.00	\$2,200.00
ff. Repairs and Fuel	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
gg. Capital Equipment Outlay	\$10,000.00	\$7,618.00
hh. Building Maintenance Repair (reserve)	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
ii. Miscellaneous	-	-
Ambulance Total	\$64,825.00	\$57,143.00


Corporate Levy \$69,968.00
Ambulance Levy \$57,143.00
Total Levy \$127,111.00

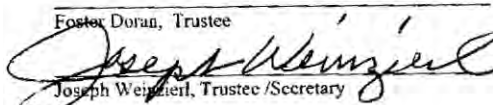
Section 3 -Necessity: That each of the sums above for the Corporate Fund and Ambulance Fund are deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees of the West Brooklyn Fire Protection District for the fiscal year end in April 30, 2021.

Section 4- Filing of Certified Copy: That there shall be filled with the Office of the Clerk of Lee County a duly certified copy of this ordinance.

Section 5- When Effective: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approved in accordance with law and shall be known as Ordinance 20-02

Passed: November 18, 2020

WEST BROOKLYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Douglas Pettenger, President/Trustee


Foster Doran, Trustee
Joseph Weingart, Trustee /Secretary

No. 1202
(Dec. 16, 2020)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS CAUSE NO. 18-TX-01:

TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS (AND IF DECEASED,TO THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES), AND TO THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND TO ALL INTERESTED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES THEREOF, INCLUDING AMONG OTHERS ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL, ILLINOIS DEPT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPT OF HEALTHCARE & FAMILY SERVICES (PUBLIC AID) GENERAL COUNSEL AND LEE COUNTY CLERK, LEE COUNTY TREASURER, LEE COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY, CITY OF DIXON, AQUA, IL, INC FORMERLY CONSUMERS IL WATER CO, COMMONWEALTH EDISON CO ATTN: LEGAL DEPT, HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK INDIVIDUALLY & AS TRUSTEE, THE WOODHAVEN ASSOCIATION WOODHAVEN LAKES, AND TO OCCUPANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE PARCELS HEREINAFTER NAMED:

Parcel Number	Owners/Parties Interested	Cert Number	Street Or Common Address
06-09-02-401-001	SCHAFFER, DELBERT H	2018-00045	1741 FRANKLIN RD.
07-08-04-402-002	LJR TRUST	2018-00078	TEE ST.
07-08-04-402-002	SUPPAN, LESLIE	2018-00078	TEE ST.
07-08-04-402-002	SAUK VALLEY BANK AND TRUST CO	2018-00078	TEE ST.
07-08-06-202-002	VILLIGER, THERESA	2018-00114	SUMMIT AVE.
13-21-01-151-026	VAZQUEZ, JESUS	2018-00151	17 137 ARDMORE DRIVE
13-21-01-151-026	VAZQUEZ, BETZAIDA	2018-00151	17 137 ARDMORE DRIVE
13-21-01-153-005	KULAGA, KATHERINE E	2018-00152	17 235 BRADFORD DRIVE
13-21-01-155-018	ROCO DECLARATION OF TRUST, GLORIA B	2018-00154	17 210 ROYAL OAKS
13-21-01-303-005	RIVERA, WILLIAM	2018-00155	17 205 ROYAL OAKS
13-21-01-303-027	STENDER, DON	2018-00156	17 282 BRADFORD DRIVE
13-21-01-303-027	STENDER, DIANE	2018-00156	17 282 BRADFORD DRIVE
13-21-01-303-027	PIONEER STATE BANK FKA FARMERS STATE BANK OF SUBLETTE	2018-00156	17 282 BRADFORD DRIVE
13-21-01-355-020	MATLOCK, BEVERLY B	2018-00170	16 140 GREEN BRIAR LANE
13-21-01-481-007	TURNER, MAXINE	2018-00190	11 274 LAKEPORT TRAIL
13-21-02-402-003	RODRIGUEZ, ESTELA	2018-00196	26 165 SWEETWATER
13-21-02-432-006	CLARKE, JAMES R	2018-00209	21 24 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-02-432-006	CLARKE, BERTHA L	2018-00209	21 24 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-02-432-006	CLARKE, JAMES R II	2018-00209	21 24 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-02-432-006	CLARKE, VICTORIA	2018-00209	21 24 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-02-432-006	CONSUMER ILLINOIS WATER COMPANY	2018-00209	21 24 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-02-452-014	PHILLIPS, RODNEY	2018-00212	26 59 MEADOWLARK COURT
13-21-02-452-014	PHILLIPS, KATHI	2018-00212	26 59 MEADOWLARK COURT
13-21-11-126-004	BARRERA POCAYO, JOSE INES	2018-00222	29 309 WARBLER
13-21-11-126-004	ROMAN, ARMANDO	2018-00222	29 309 WARBLER
13-21-11-130-038	PEREZ , RAFAEL		
	AKA RAFAEL PEREZ ARIAS	2018-00232	29 227 BENT TWIG TRAIL
13-21-11-130-045	MARQUEZ, PETER ANTHONY II	2018-00233	29 74 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-045	MARQUEZ, PETER ANTHONY III	2018-00233	29 74 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-045	MARQUEZ, KRISTAL D		
	AKA KRYSTAL NAVARRO	2018-00233	29 74 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-046	MARQUEZ, PETER ANTHONY II	2018-00234	73 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-046	MARQUEZ, PETER ANTHONY III	2018-00234	73 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-046	MARQUEZ, KRISTAL D		
	AKA KRYSTAL NAVARRO	2018-00234	73 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-047	MARQUEZ, PETER ANTHONY II	2018-00235	72 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-047	MARQUEZ, PETER ANTHONY III	2018-00235	72 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-130-047	MARQUEZ, KRISTAL D		
	AKA KRYSTAL NAVARRO	2018-00235	72 DUNBAR LANE
13-21-11-176-003	BROWN, KENNETH	2018-00236	29 332 MILBRAE LANE
13-21-11-203-011	THOMPSON, A NINA	2018-00249	24 141 CANTERBURY TRAIL
13-21-11-203-012	THOMPSON, A NINA	2018-00250	24 140 CANTERBURY TRAIL
13-21-11-252-005	VANKUIKEN, ROBERT W	2018-00262	24 18 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-11-278-001	POWELL, CHARLOTTE	2018-00268	23 94 COLD STREAM TRAIL
13-21-11-278-001	MCCARROLL, DILDRA	2018-00268	23 94 COLD STREAM TRAIL
13-21-11-406-021	BIGA, ANITA	2018-00276	25 117 WOODCREST COURT
13-21-11-406-021	BIGA, RON	2018-00276	25 117 WOODCREST COURT
13-21-11-408-020	LOPEZ, JESUS A	2018-00277	25 156 W WOODHAVEN DRIVE
13-21-11-429-014	AVALOS, RAFAEL	2018-00279	22 79 ELDER
13-21-11-429-015	HURTADO, CESAR	2018-00280	22 80 ELDER
13-21-11-429-018	MARTINEZ, JOSE	2018-00281	22 97 THRASHER TRAIL
13-21-11-429-018	TOVAR, MARIA	2018-00281	22 97 THRASHER TRAIL
13-21-11-429-029	DELGADO, JAVIER	2018-00283	22 86 THRASHER TRAIL
13-21-11-429-029	HERRANDEZ, GABRIELA	2018-00283	22 86 THRASHER TRAIL
13-21-11-433-002	GONZALEZ, JAIME	2018-00286	22 61 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-11-433-002	GONZALEZ, NORA C	2018-00286	22 61 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-11-433-002	GONZALEZ, M CONSUELA	2018-00286	22 61 W WOODHAVEN
13-21-12-101-005	GIOVANNONI, JOHN R	2018-00289	21 115 TAN OAK LANE
13-21-12-101-005	MITCHELL, CHRISTINA MARIE	2018-00289	21 115 TAN OAK LANE
13-21-12-103-007	ALVAREZ-MORENO, FREDDI	2018-00291	16 148 GREEN BRIAR LANE
13-21-12-103-007	SOTELO, REYES ALBARES	2018-00291	16 148 GREEN BRIAR LANE
13-21-12-105-001	NEWTON, WILLIAM J JR		
	HEIRS AND DEVISEES	2018-00292	16 190 SHADY ELM
13-21-12-105-005	PENA, ESTEBAN	2018-00293	16 186 SHADY ELM
13-21-12-105-005	BIRMANTAS, NANCY O	2018-00293	16 186 SHADY ELM
13-21-12-128-014	ARIAS, MIGUEL A	2018-00296	6 167 WESTWOOD TRAIL
13-21-12-154-006	TOFARI, ANTHONY	2018-00303	23 7 LILAC COURT
13-21-12-156-037	KROEGER, ARTHUR E	2018-00308	18 60 TANNER TRAIL

13-21-12-156-037	MEYERS, JACK P	2018-00308	18 60 TANNER TRAIL
13-21-12-176-022	GARCIA, JORGE	2018-00310	5 5 CRANHURST TRAIL
13-21-12-177-012	WILLOUGHBY, THOMAS D	2018-00314	5 498 E WOODHAVEN DRIVE
13-21-12-177-012	WILLOUGHBY, URSZULA	2018-00314	5 498 E WOODHAVEN DRIVE
13-21-12-226-038	WALKER, ANNIE	2018-00324	2 25 BRENTWOOD CIRCLE
13-21-12-230-034	CICALE, DAN	2018-00329	2 138 ARBOR TRAIL
13-21-12-230-034	CICALE, BETTY J		
	HEIRS AND DEVISEES	2018-00329	2 138 ARBOR TRAIL
13-21-12-230-034	CICALE, GUIDO	2018-00329	2 138 ARBOR TRAIL
13-21-12-230-064	PARKS, KRISTINE P	2018-00331	2 165 HARDWOOD TRAIL
13-21-12-230-064	PARKS, LARRY L	2018-00331	2 165 HARDWOOD TRAIL
13-21-12-278-014	CONWAY, KEVIN	2018-00346	3 177 ELM RIDGE CIRCLE
13-21-12-278-014	CONWAY, TERESA F	2018-00346	3 177 ELM RIDGE CIRCLE
13-21-12-278-036	DROPKOWSKI, HENRY	2018-00348	3 179 BEACHWOOD TRAIL
13-21-12-278-036	DROPKOWSKI, VIRGINIA	2018-00348	3 179 BEACHWOOD TRAIL
13-21-12-278-037	DROPKOWSKI, HENRY	2018-00349	3 178 BEACHWOOD TRAIL
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13-21-12-327-017	ELLIS, DELBERT R	2018-00352	13 73 CRANHURST
13-21-12-329-031	AGUIRRE, MAIRA	2018-00358	5 292 SHERBROOK TRAIL
13-21-12-329-036	ANGULO, FELIPE	2018-00359	5 287 SHERBROOK TRAIL
13-21-12-329-036	ANGULO, ELIZABETH	2018-00359	5 287 SHERBROOK TRAIL
13-21-12-331-006	ALANIS, CESAR	2018-00361	5 276 SHERBROOK TRAIL
13-21-12-331-006	ALANIS, AIDA	2018-00361	5 276 SHERBROOK TRAIL
13-21-12-356-001	VELLON, ABDUL G	2018-00365	19 42 DARIAN
13-21-12-356-002	VELLON, ABDUL G	2018-00366	19 43 DARIAN
13-21-12-356-002	VELLON, MARILYN	2018-00366	19 43 DARIAN
13-21-12-376-038	REYNA, JORGE	2018-00369	14 69
13-21-12-377-030	MAZARIEGOS, JOSHUA	2018-00370	14 31
13-21-12-377-030	FELICIANO, LILLIAN	2018-00370	14 31
13-21-12-401-006	SWIEDALS, AUDREY	2018-00371	5 374 INGLESIDE TRAIL
13-21-12-428-004	VERDIN, DANIEL	2018-00377	4 194 SQUIRE
13-21-12-428-004	VERDIN, GERLDINE	2018-00377	4 194 SQUIRE
13-21-12-428-004	VALDIVIA, ERIK	2018-00377	4 194 SQUIRE
13-21-12-428-004	VALDIVIA, RUTH	2018-00377	4 194 SQUIRE
13-21-12-476-002	RUSSELL, THOMAS	2018-00388	4 59 BENTLY
13-21-12-476-002	RUSSELL, DORENE	2018-00388	4 59 BENTLY
15-07-15-206-008	FISHER, CLIFTON D		
	HEIRS AND DEVISEES	2018-00405	JOLIET WAY
15-07-15-206-008	FISHER, DARLENE	2018-00405	JOLIET WAY
15-07-15-206-018	BENNETT, SANDRA D	2018-00407	WINNETKA ST.
15-07-15-206-031	BENNETT, SANDRA D	2018-00408	JOLIET WAY
15-07-15-252-027	HELLING, GLEN A	2018-00409	JOLIET WAY
15-07-15-252-027	MITCHELL, CHRISTINA	2018-00409	JOLIET WAY
15-07-20-379-001	SMITH, DOROTHY		
	HEIRS AND DEVISEES	2018-00412	139 FALL RD.
15-07-20-379-001	SMITH, DANIEL	2018-00412	139 FALL RD.
18-08-08-101-008	WALLACE, CHEVY L	2018-00427	1306 CHRISTIANA TER.
19-22-06-353-017	BOLDIN, JOSEPHINE	2018-00439	15 57 NOBLESIRE LOOP
19-22-06-353-017	BOLDIN, MICHAEL		
	HEIRS AND DEVISEES	2018-00439	15 57 NOBLESIRE LOOP
19-22-06-353-017	PETTIGREW, DONALD	2018-00439	15 57 NOBLESIRE LOOP
19-22-07-102-020	WILLIAMS, JANET	2018-00442	11 309 E WOODHAVEN
19-22-07-107-049	VAZQUEZ, ESTEBAN	2018-00449	11 199 MILLRIDGE TRAIL
19-22-07-107-049	BORREGO, JULIA		
	AKA JULIA BORREGO-VAZQUEZ	2018-00449	11 199 MILLRIDGE TRAIL
19-22-07-126-009	CANDELARIA, ELIZABETH	2018-00452	11 152
19-22-07-126-010	CANDELARIA, ELIZABETH	2018-00453	11 153 MILLRIDGE
19-22-07-127-003	SKERRETT, JOSHUA	2018-00456	11 27 CHICORU CIRCLE
19-22-07-127-003	ARROYO, MARICEL	2018-00456	11 27 CHICORU CIRCLE
19-22-07-127-022	SOSA, EMILIO	2018-00459	10 46 MISTY CIRCLE
19-22-07-152-014	BAILEY, HOWARD W	2018-00460	10 133 CHADBOURNE
19-22-07-152-014	LAJGIN, CHERI	2018-00460	10 133 CHADBOURNE
19-22-07-303-017	SETNES, GREGORY J	2018-00472	181 CAXTON CIRCLE
19-22-07-303-017	SETNES, JAN	2018-00472	181 CAXTON CIRCLE
19-22-07-303-018	SETNES, GREGORY J	2018-00473	182 CAXTON CIRCLE
19-22-07-303-018	SETNES, JAN	2018-00473	182 CAXTON CIRCLE
19-22-07-303-020	GONZALEZ, NICOLE	2018-00474	7 163 BELSHYRE CIRCLE
19-22-07-303-020	GONZALEZ, ARABEL		

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Dated this 10th day of December A.D. 2020. Cathy Myers, County Clerk by Gerianne Knack No. 1203 Dec. 16, 23, 30, 2020

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2019 Buick Encore Preferred FWD, 10k mi, White.\$20,900	2018 Chevy Malibu LT 45K Miles, Tan\$16,500
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LOCAL NEWS

Holland joins First State Bank board

MENDOTA — First State Bank is pleased to announce the appointment of John Holland III to its Board of Directors. Holland will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Matt Carroll and will serve the remainder of his term.

"We are pleased to welcome John to our Board of Directors," said Tim McConville, President/CEO of First State Bank. "We look forward to working with him as we shape the future of First State Bank."

Holland is the Corporate Controller for HCC, Inc. in Mendota. He is an Air Force and National Guard Veteran and a 2001 cum laude graduate of Northern Illinois University with a double major in accounting and

management. After holding several accounting positions in various industries in the suburbs, Holland was hired at his current position at HCC in 2014.

An active member of the Mendota community, Holland is a current Mendota City Council Alderman, treasurer for the Mendota Golf Club, and coach for the Holy Cross School bowling and golf teams. He resides in Mendota with his wife, Jennifer, and their two children.

"I am honored to join the Board of Directors of First State Bank," Holland said. "I look forward to contributing to First State Bank as a whole, and I am also excited to be a part of an organization that works hard to meet the needs of the communities



Holland

that First State Bank serves."

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Kreider Services offers twist on Holiday appeal

DIXON — Kreider Services, Inc. gives their Holiday Appeal a new and exciting twist. This year the tree on the corner of River Road and Galena Avenue in Dixon, will get brighter each week.

Each \$25 donation made to Kreider Services will light a bulb on the tree. Funds raised will go towards programs within Kreider Services that play a crucial role in helping individuals with disabilities in the community succeed.

For more than 65 years, Kreider Services serves over 600 individuals and is known throughout Illinois in Lee, Whiteside and Jo Daviess Counties for its quality programs in the areas of Autism, Community Living, Creative Employment, Day Services,

Early Intervention, Individual Supports and Respite. We currently serve residents in Dixon, Ashton, Franklin Grove, Amboy, Rock Falls, Galena and Stockton.

Everyone can use a little more help. Help your neighbor, help your town. Be generous, even if you can only afford to be more civil and kinder person this year. Let people know you are doing

your best to make your corner of the world merry this year, and remember, someday soon we will all be together.

Over the next few weeks, look for the progress on Facebook and Instagram.

Donations to the Holiday Appeal can be made via mail to Kreider Services, Inc. P.O. Box 366 Dixon, IL 61021 or online at www.kreiderservices.org.

Email news items to tgreenfield@amboynews.com

Stay off naughty list: drive sober

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation and law enforcement throughout the state for a high-visibility enforcement campaign to crack down on impaired driving during the winter holidays. From Dec. 18 to Jan. 4, motorists will see an increase in patrols and traffic stops, along with additional messaging on the dangers of driving impaired.

"During this season of caring, let's remember to extend our goodwill to fellow motorists," said Sgt. Derek Ranken. "The best way we can do that is by making a commitment to drive sober and thereby help ensure that we all make it to our destinations safely."

Lee County Sheriff's Office recommends these safe alternatives to driving impaired:

- Plan ahead for a sober ride home. Designate a sober driver, take public transportation or use a ride-sharing service.
- If available, use your community's sober ride program.

• If you're with a friend or family member who intends to drive impaired, take their keys away and make arrangements to get them home safely.

• Always buckle up! It's your best defense against impaired drivers.

The Illinois Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign is administered by IDOT with federal highway safety funds managed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

CLIPPER KIDDIE 2

This Week's Student of the Week is:

Ryker Morrissey

Student's Favorites:

- Favorite Color — Blue
- Favorite Animal — Triceratops
- Favorite Food — Pancakes
- Favorite Book — Elf On The Shelf
- Favorite Game — Sorry
- Favorite Song — Skinnamarink

CLIPPER KIDDIE 2

This Week's Student of the Week is:

Bryson Zellhofer

Student's Favorites:

- Favorite Color — Blue
- Favorite Animal — Dog
- Favorite Food — Mac & Cheese
- Favorite Book — The Bandaid Book
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LOCAL NEWS

Clipper Highlights: #28 Aaron Setchell

I have always thought of this week's highlight as an older brother as he was so close to my family and I. This week's Clipper highlight is #28, Aaron Setchell.

Aaron was a 2006 graduate of Amboy High School, a two year Varsity Football starter, and three sport athlete (football, basketball, and baseball).

Aaron was one of the most versatile athletes on the gridiron as he played, and had success at, multiple offensive positions. Over Aaron's Clipper career he played fullback, quarterback, and ended his offensive career as a wide receiver his Senior season. However, Aaron's Clipper success was not limited to the offensive side of the football. Aaron was a standout linebacker from his Freshman year through his Senior season.

It is my belief that Aaron is one of the best Amboy Clipper Linebackers of the modern era, or any era of Amboy Clipper Football. It was not just his solid 6'2" 220lbs frame, but his instinctual nature to shed blocks and find the ball carrier.

Aaron's Junior season ended in an IHSA 1st round playoff loss at Stillman Valley. Aaron started at linebacker all season and ended the season earning 2nd Team All Conference honors.

In May of 2005 is when the Clipper program focused on a new, complimentary addition to the triple option, power run game offense; the play action and vertical threat passing game. During the spring of 2005 Amboy held a mini-camp solely focused on implementing a passing game that would provide balance to the previously run heavy Clipper offense. Due to Aaron's versatility and athleticism it was determined that he would benefit his team offensively as a wide receiver. Aaron was highly impactful

in the quick passing game but was also a vertical threat in the play action passing game. Aaron was just as, if not more, effective as a great blocking receiver.

The hype leading up to the 2005 Clipper campaign was stronger than any other year I experienced in my time as a Clipper. It was the sole focus and topic of conversation at every family function, graduation party, or week night get together. Coming off of a successful, playoff season in 2004, the 2005 Clipper hype was fueled by strong leadership from the Senior class, a very athletic and talented Junior class, and great team chemistry and work ethic. Add in our Week 5 highlight, Taylor Kaleel, being called up to Varsity full time, it made for the 2005 Clippers to be a force to be reckoned with in the Big Rivers Conference.

"Everything was clicking going into Week 1 at home against Bureau Valley. We had it all, we all worked so hard and we all were bought in to a championship season", Aaron stated. The Clippers opened at home against the Storm of Bureau Valley. Ahead, 21-6 with 8 minutes left in the game, the Clippers lost in agonizing defeat as Garrett Barnas and the Storm scored 16 unanswered points to win the game 22-21. To this day I believe 9 times out of 10 our week 1 2005 Clipper team beats the week 1 BV team. Bureau Valley went on to finish the season undefeated and won a State Championship. The win over the 2005 Clippers was their closest game all season, including the playoffs.

I'm not one to make excuses for a team losing a contest but my one excuse, I will always defend, comes to the 2005 contest against Newman, at the Coliseum. The game was scheduled for a Saturday afternoon in late September. That week of practice was special as we

Clipper Highlights

By Spencer Morrissey



honored and mourned the passing of former great Clipper Coach, Don Wyzgowski. We all put W's on our helmets and had alumni speak after practice. From Freshman to Seniors, every player in the Rowboat/Clipper program was ready to play that upcoming Saturday. However, Mother Nature had different ideas that September Saturday. The game against arch rival, Sterling Newman, was postponed until the following Monday night where the 2005 Clippers would record their third loss of the season. I again, whole heartedly believe, if the 2005 Clippers were able to play that September Saturday afternoon the Big Red Mean Machine would have rolled over and past the Comets.

The 2005 Clippers would then finish the regular season winning out and would end the regular season with a triumph victory over St. Bede on Senior night. This victory secured a playoff birth and matchup against highly ranked, 3a powerhouse, Wilmington. The Clippers would end the season with a 31-7 loss at Wilmington in the 1st round but the final score did not reflect how close the game was as the Clippers led most of the first half. The 2005 Clippers ended the year with a 6-4 record, their losses, Bureau

Valley, Morrison, Newman, and Wilmington, the most quality of opponents.

Aaron ended the 2005 campaign earning 1st Team All Conference and All Area honors at linebacker and 2nd Team All Conference at wide receiver.

Friend and former teammate, Nick Kaleel, stated, "He was an animal on the field. He always would come out and absolutely hit people."

Kaleel added, "He always had tremendous respect for his offensive and defensive lines."

Friend and former teammate, Wes Morrissey, stated, "He was the most gifted athlete I've played with on any competitive field or court with, including my time in college. He worked so hard as it was him, Nick (Kaleel), and I in the weight room at 645am after our Junior season." Morrissey concluded, "He is just such a good guy, one of the best Clipper athletes, and the most loyal of friends."

Aaron's football career didn't end that teary night in Wilmington, it continued as he became an Augustana Viking. Aaron went on to play in 42 collegiate football games for the Vikings. He earned 1st team All CCIW honors, multiple CCIW player of the week honors, and his Freshman season earned defensive MVP. Aaron also had the honor of playing abroad, on two occasions, in Mexico City and Austria at the end of his Senior season.

Amboy football continues to live in Aaron as he credits the lessons he learned from his time at The Harbor for the successes in his collegiate career and personal life. Aaron stated, "It wasn't just the pride of wearing the red, black, and white, it was the total community support and the brotherhood I built with my teammates. Sports are a great testament to life but



#28 Aaron Setchell

football teaches every life lesson to live a successful life as an adult."

So, to my good friend, one of the most instinctual linebackers I've ever witnessed, #28, Aaron Setchell, thank you for your contributions to Amboy Football. Thank you for your love of this great game that links us all and your loyal friendship. Above all, thank you for the memories that your former teammates and I will never forget. Sail on!

Spencer Morrissey, is a

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

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