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Candlelight Walk



The second of the new two-day Candlelight Walk in Oregon was held on Dec. 19 from 3-8 p.m. People came out on a chilly day to enjoy the festivities, including horse-drawn wagon rides. (Brad Jennings photos)



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OHS students launch businesses for community

OREGON – Juniors in the Social Entrepreneurship program at Oregon High School are ready to launch their own businesses aimed at solving social, economic, and environmental issues in their community.

The problem? Their typical source of funding for business start-up costs is non-existent due to the pandemic, so they set up a GoFundMe account to help fill the gap.

The fourth-year program, led by teacher Aaron Sitze, allows students to create their own unique businesses based around

their interests to help the community. Students will launch their businesses next semester.

The students have arranged a GoFundMe account to generate start-up funding for their businesses since they cannot hold their usual in-person start-up showcase due to COVID-19. The aspiring entrepreneurs are hoping to receive the gift of potential from their community so they can give back and help them through their businesses.

To donate and learn more about the students' businesses, visit [gofundme.com/f/help-these-high-school-startups-change-the-world](https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-these-high-school-startups-change-the-world).

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About OCUSD 220: The Oregon Community Unit School District, board and staff are committed to providing the highest learning standards in a safe and welcoming educational environment. OCUSD 220 is located in Ogle County with schools in Oregon and Mt. Morris and has more than 1,500 students enrolled. It is committed to its mission statement to: "Educate students to be life-long learners who are productive, responsible citizens."

First vaccines

Dr. Rachel Hansen of Byron's Swedish American Clinic getting vaccinated on Thursday, Dec. 17, against COVID-19 as part of the first group of frontline workers to receive the vaccine.



Forreston driver keeps bus festive

FORRESTON – Marsha Birkholz, a bus driver for Forrestville Valley has been decorating her front bus seat this holiday season, to add some holiday cheer for her bus riders.

Due to new procedures being in place, and to assist in keeping students and staff safe, the seat directly behind the bus driver is intentionally left empty. Birkholz thought it would be a fun idea to decorate the seat to hopefully bring joy to the students this season as well as promote staying safe and healthy. Birkholz

utilized the school's holiday spirit calendar for decorating ideas and came up with several ideas on her own. Birkholz said she loves seeing the student's reactions to her decorations and enjoys daily conversations with them.

Superintendent Sheri Smith said staff realize things this school year are very different due to COVID-19 guidelines.

"Mrs. Birkholz has stepped right up to ensure the safety for all students while adding a little holiday cheer to brighten their day,"

Smith said.

Smith said she is grateful for all district drivers who safely transport students to and from school each day.

"Our drivers have been willing to step in during the middle of a pandemic and ensure our students get to and from school safely," she said. "We are incredibly fortunate in Forrestville Valley that we have been open for in-person instruction every day of the first semester. This credit goes to our staff who go above and beyond each day to ensure safety for all."

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Ag in the Classroom coordinator receives state award

Melinda Charbonneau, Ag in the Classroom Coordinator for Ogle and Carroll counties, was recognized by the Illinois Leadership Council for Agricultural Education for outstanding effort, dedication, and support for quality education programs in agriculture.

Charbonneau received an Advocacy Award in recognition of the agricultural programming she provides for youth in kindergarten through 8th grades.

Charbonneau's passion resonates in her presentation as she brings hands-on learning into the class-

room showing students where their food and fiber originates. She is always looking for new ways to keep students engaged and interested in agriculture. With this being Charbonneau's 13th year in the position, she has switched from in person presentations to ag bags filled with supplies and lessons, live at the farm events, and virtual programs.

Ag in the Classroom is a program that helps students gain a greater awareness of the role of agriculture in the economy and society. Students learn that thousands

of farm products are in the world around them – on their plate, in the clothes they wear, in the medicine that makes them well, and in earth-friendly fuels and plastics.

Ag in the Classroom is offered through the University of Illinois Extension-Ogle County in partnership with Ogle County Farm Bureau, Carroll County Farm Bureau, Ogle County Soil & Water, and Carroll County Soil & Water. For more information about the program, call the Ogle County Extension Office at 815-732-2191.



Obituary

Carole M. Council

MOUNT MORRIS – Carole M. Council, age 76, lost her multi-year battle with Progressive Supra Nuclear Palsy on Monday, Dec. 21, 2020 in her home in Mt. Morris. Carole was born on July 28, 1944 in Baltimore, Md., the daughter of Charles and Thelma (Lent) Gummel. Carole married Earl Council on October 27, 1962 in Nahunta, Ga., and were married for 58 years.



grandchildren: Valerie and Ty Council; sister: Janis McGuire; brother: Gary Gummel; and daughter in law: Debra Council.

She is preceded in death by her parents; beloved son: David W. Council; brother: Ronald Gummel; and sister: Shirley Paar.

Cremation rites have been accorded with Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris. Services will be scheduled at a later date.

Carole's family would like to thank all the people at Serenity Hospice & Home for the terrific comfort and care she received in her final days.

Associates in South Elgin, in the early 2000's. Shortly after her retirement she moved to Mt. Morris.

Carole is survived by her husband: Earl Council;

Carole started her working career with Barber-Greene Company in Aurora, in the purchasing department in the 1960's; and she ended her career as office manager for Bulger

Polo Police report

Nov. 19
TIME: 9:40 p.m.
REPORT: Ashley E. Yee, 30, Franklin Grove, was cited for 46 mph in a 35 mph speed zone. Yee was released on an I-Bond.

Nov. 19
At approximately 10:12 p.m., Polo Police Officers observed a dark gray colored vehicle traveling south bound, with no lights on when required, in the 900 block of South Division Avenue. The vehicle continued south bound into the 3000 block of Illinois South Route 26, where it merged into the north bound lane without signaling. The vehicle continued south bound in the north bound lane before entering a field east of Illinois Route 26. The vehicle then reentered the roadway, crossing over both north and south bound lanes, before entering the west side ditch where the vehicle came to a stop, just north of Henry Rd.

The male driver was identified as Harrison Sarver Jakobs, 23, of Milled-

geville. Jakobs was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and Drugs, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Operation of an Uninsured vehicle, Driving Without lights when Required, Driving on Opposite Direction, Failure to Signal When Required and Improper Lane Usage. Further charges are pending. Jakobs was given an I-Bond and released to KSB hospital staff for treatment.

Nov. 21
TIME: 7:06 p.m.
REPORT: Jamie Lee Keefer, 38, Narvon, Pa., was cited for speeding 42 mph in a 35 mph speed zone. Keefer was released on an I-Bond.

Nov. 29
TIME: 8:05 p.m.
REPORT: Cassandra M. Lindsey, 26, Oregon, was cited for speeding 40 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Lindsey was released on an I-Bond.

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Obituaries

Robert Maxwell Jarrett Jr.



Robert Maxwell Jarrett Jr., MD was born on Nov. 6, 1948 at Rockford Memorial Hospital to Robert Maxwell Jarrett, Sr., DVM and Francis (Jennings) Jarrett. Robert is survived by his wife Cheryl (Storz) Jarrett, his sons Ehren (Christie) and Daniel (Amy), his five grandchildren Jackson, Lillian, Max, Evy, and Willa, and his five sisters: Susan Carey, Sallie (Jeff) Heintz, Lynn Sabina, Winnie Albright, Libby (Mark) Saunders.

He died on Dec. 19, 2020 after a 12-year battle with Parkinson's disease.

Robert was known to most by one of his many nicknames, "Doc," "Robin," "Jarrett," "Rob," "Bob," "Irv/ERPH," "Pops," "Marino" and "Captain Tow."

He was raised in Bryon, and grew up surrounded by friends, a large loving family, and hundreds of great memories and stories. Robert attended Byron High School and graduated in 1966 as the class valedictorian. He was a three-year starter on his high school basketball team and also lettered in track and cross country. His 1966 half mile record time stood as the school record for nearly 50 years.

He was inducted into the Byron High School Hall of Fame in 2015.

Robert met his future wife Cheryl at Bryon High

Iowa Medical school and completed his residency program through Northwestern University.

Robert started his practice as an orthopedic surgeon with an emphasis in Sports medicine in 1979 at Rockford Clinic. He practiced medicine for 30 years. Robert joined Rockford Orthopedic Associates in 1999, and he played a key role in growing Rockford Orthopedic Associates from a small practice into a world class medical group now known as Ortho Illinois. As a physician, he was known for his rigorous surgical methods which led to a perfect infection rate. He relished his many outstanding medical partners, physician assistants, as well as the passionate and gifted nursing staff he worked with in and out of the operating room. During his nearly 12-year retirement from full practice as a surgeon, his former colleagues organized an annual meeting called "Beers with Bob" that allowed him to stay connected with his colleagues.

Sports Medicine was the true passion of his medical career. During 30 years of sports medicine practice, he was the team doctor for Northern Illinois University, Hononegah High School, and Rockford Lutheran.

He also served thou-

sands of student athletes from the entire Rock River Valley-including multiple pro-athletes. Many athletes remember his skills as a communicator and motivator as much as his skills as surgeon. Countless athletes found their way back onto the floor, field, or track because of Robert's unique combination of medical skill and motivational techniques.

He practiced medicine in a way that was part doctor and part coach. As a result, his sports medicine practice also led him to countless friendships with coaches. He also worked to support referees with medical needs-which was likely a much needed penance for his habit of loudly critiquing their performances over 1000s of games.

As passionate as Robert was about his career, it never exclusively defined him.

He was a man of many hobbies. His hobbies led to an even greater variety of life-long friendships and nicknames.

Cars were always a passion. He raced and collected classic Corvettes. He had many award-winning fully restored cars that he would trailer to car shows across the country.

As a small child, his father nicknamed him "Irv" or "ERPH" because at an early age my father liked the

"ERPH" sound generated by a train's steam engine. His love of trains continued to into adulthood where he built multiple "N Scale" layouts. It was a common for numerous visitors to come see his elaborate train layout.

Boating was also a major interest area. From the Rock River to his beloved Lake Maxinkuckee and Lake Mills, he excelled as a boat driver and water skier. His desire to mix rigid boat etiquette with the fun of water sports earned him the nickname "Captain Tow." Captain Tow often started water skiing adventures as early as 6 in morning.

Robert also loved dogs. Throughout his life he had multiple Dachshunds and Dobermans. He also enjoyed breeding and showing dogs.

Later in life he became an avid gun collector and WWII re-enactment enthusiast. He collected era specific uniforms, guns, jeeps, and medical equipment. He would often participate in re-enactment events.

Finally, basketball cemented his deep love of friends and family. He attended countless games as a physician, father, and fan. Driveway basketball was also a great source of joy. The Jarrett family driveway was home to some of the greatest 3-3 games in Rock-

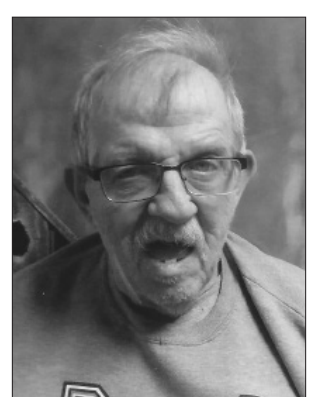
ford's storied basketball history. Countless players and coaches bonded during warm summers over hoops, pizza, and beer. A door in the garage proudly acknowledged all participants with a well-earned signature.

Beyond his career and hobbies, Robert's true legacy was his impact on people. His love for people transcended race or social class. Robert and Cheryl's home on Saxon was known for its open door and stocked fridge. Robert was a man driven by his passion for family, friends, and competition. He was a second father to many and a friend to many more. A conversation with Robert was likely to include aphorisms and stories that delivered both wisdom and humor. If one could endure his remarkable intensity, the reward was a man whose generosity was truly boundless. He loved his God, wife, children, grandchildren, family, friends, medical practice, and his hobbies. He was a man who truly loved life and made the lives of others better.

In lieu of flowers, please consider supporting or sharing a memory at the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research page in honor of Robert Jarrett. <https://tribute.michaeljfox.org/tribute-page.php?id=1747&np=true>

Doyle D. King

BYRON - Doyle D. King, age 71, passed away on Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020 at 3:54 a.m. at Generations at Neighbors nursing home in Byron, with his daughter Sylvia by his side; after he was very recently put into hospice care with Serenity Hospice. Doyle had Alzheimer's and recently had Covid-19. Born March 2, 1949 in Holcomb, Mo., to Delbert and Ethel (Bradshaw) King.



Doyle is survived by his son Robert "Gene" King of Pomona, Mo.; his daughter Sylvia King of Mt. Morris; and sister, Sandra (James) Johnson.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Daryll King, Jim Durham, and Cork Durham; sister Joyce Henson; partner, Brenda Bankes; and ex-wife Rose King.

He made and gave away many crocheted afghans. His daughter Sylvia continues to be thankful for the Byron Fire Department and Rockford Memorial Hospital doctors and staff for saving his life. Doyle started walking a lot after his cardiac arrest. He was known in the Byron area for his walking from and around the Rock River Terrace and into Byron, Oregon, and even Rockford.

Graveside services will be held Monday, Dec. 28, 2020 at noon at Byron Cemetery, 405 East 5th street in Byron; assisted by Farrell Holland Gale Funeral Home and with Randy Snider from Cornerstone Family Church officiating. Service is open to the public with masks and social distancing required due to Covid-19. To leave an online condolence please visit www.FarrellHollandGale.com

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Henkel named bank president

AMBOY – The First National Bank in Amboy is proud to announce that Colleen Henkel will be promoted to President as of Jan. 1, 2021.

Henkel has spent her forty-year banking career at The First National Bank in Amboy, having served in many areas within the bank; most recently as Executive Vice President and Cashier.

Besides her banking and family duties, Henkel has been a community leader. In addition to serving on the board of directors for the bank, she also serves on the KSB Board, the Northern Illinois Cancer Treatment Center Board, the Community Bankers Association of Illinois Legislative Committee, the Lee County Soil and Water District Board, and as Finance Chair of Our

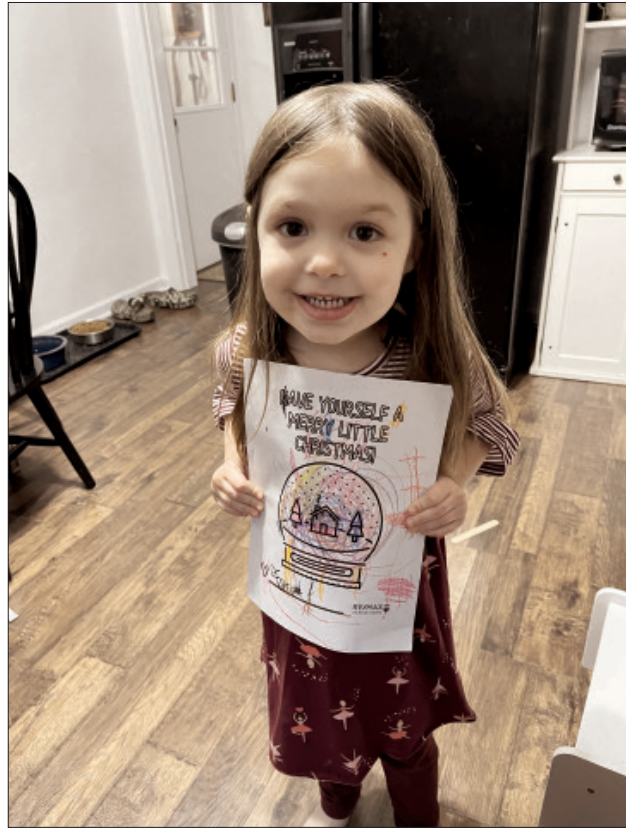
Lady of Perpetual Help Church. “I am grateful for this opportunity,” Henkel said. “The First National Bank in Amboy has a long tradition of serving our local communities for all of their banking needs. I look forward to continuing the values and culture we have created. We are fortunate to have an outstanding team who are passionate about serving the financial needs of individuals and businesses in the communities we serve. We will continue to deliver high quality financial products and services to our customers and I promise we will always give you our best.” The First National Bank in Amboy was chartered in 1934 with roots dating back to 1867, with six locations in Lee and Ogle counties.

Mount Morris Library will be fine free starting on Jan. 2

MOUNTMORRIS—The Mount Morris Public Library has big news – we are going Fine Free. Starting Jan. 2, we will no longer place fines on any overdue materials. If an item is not returned, or is damaged, charges will still occur but there will no longer be late fees. The Mount Morris Public Library Board of Trustees chose to take this action at their

December meeting. We do not want fines to stand in the way of patrons checking out materials. Patrons will receive reminders about overdue materials, and will be encouraged to return or renew items. If books are 14 days overdue, or DVDs are 7 days overdue, you will not be able to check out items until they are returned. If an item is 21 days overdue, the patron

will receive a bill for the replacement cost of the item. Once the item is returned, the charges are removed and the patron may once again check out materials. It is our hope that patrons will realize that we are not wanting to punish anyone, but want to have items available to be used. We want the library to be welcoming to all and serve our community well.



Artwork

RE/MAX of Rock Valley in Oregon announced that it collected nearly 450 pieces of artwork from the community. RE/MAX of Rock Valley Owner and Managing Broker Rebecca Hazzard and Realtor Andrea Bauermann delivered the artwork recently to nursing homes in Byron, Oregon and Mount Morris. The goal was to encourage the community to create Christmas artwork that would then be given to residents at the local nursing homes to help spread holiday cheer as most residents won't get to be with their families this year. RE/MAX received artwork from local children and students at Mary Morgan Elementary School in Byron and Oregon Elementary School.



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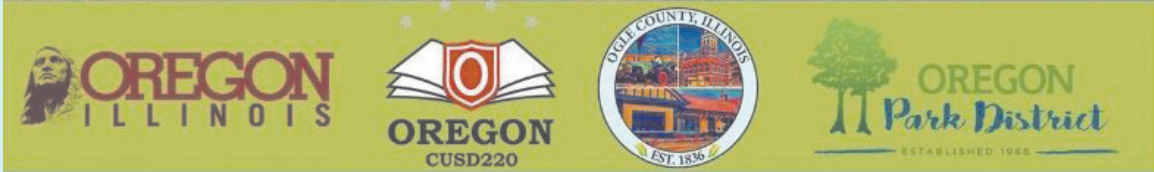
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Economic Impact of the Byron Nuclear Plant on the Oregon Community

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COUNTY
GDP**

Byron Station's contribution to the Ogle County overall GDP

17%

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**OREGON
INCOME LOSS**

Reduction in income to the City of Oregon

\$134,000

Through Sales Tax Receipts and Direct Income

Eagle watching brunch is January 31

OREGON – Join the Oregon Park District at Lorado Taft Field Campus on Sunday, Jan. 31 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. for an amazing opportunity.

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Learn about the bald eagles mating habits, how they raise their young as well as

why they are “bald” during our interactive educational brunch. All ages are welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Children 3 and under are free.

The deadline to register is Jan. 17. Modifications may be made to the meal or program to remain compliant with CDC and IDPH guidelines at program time. The fee is just \$16 per Resident and \$18 per Non-Resident. Register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

RRC closed from Dec. 24 through Jan. 1

Rock River Center will be closed from noon on Dec. 24, through Jan. 1. No activities, programs or transportation will take place during this time.

The center will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 4.

The staff of Rock River Center wishes you all a Safe and Happy Holiday.

Barn fire



Several fire departments responded to a barn fire a short time before 9:30 p.m. on Dec. 21 in the 1300 block of Skare Road. The fire, located in the Oregon Fire Protection District, included two barns containing livestock. The Flagg Center Fire Department responded with a tanker and brush truck and the Rochelle Fire Department sent an ambulance. There were no reports of any injuries. All of the livestock in the barns survived the fire. The cause of the fire appears to be a faulty water heater. Both barns were destroyed.

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The proceeds of the sale of the calendars benefit our From The Heart recipients: YMCA/Rochelle Childcare Center, 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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Oregon VFW Assistant Quartermaster Stan Asp (left) and Oregon Lions President Grant Afflerbaugh who is presenting a check for \$1,000 from Oregon Lions to help funding for Christmas Baskets distributed annually by the Oregon VFW

Lions make donation to Oregon VFW

OREGON – On Nov. 23 Oregon Lions President Grant Afflerbaugh presented a check for \$1,000 to Oregon VFW Assistant Quartermaster Stan Asp.

This donation from the Oregon Lions Club will help defray the costs of the Christmas Baskets that will soon be distributed by

Oregon VFW Post 8739.

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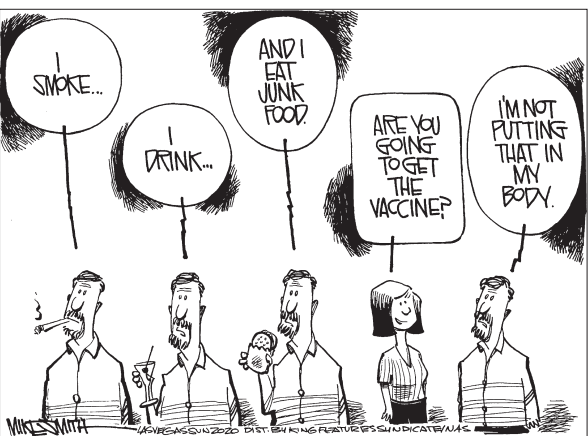
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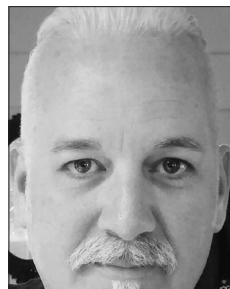
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2020 ending on a high note for me

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



"Have you ever heard of News Media Corp.?"

I was talking on the phone with my son, Nick. He was days away from college graduation and was looking for his first job in the newspaper industry. I know, I know. Newspapers aren't exactly a growth industry. Don't think I didn't tell him that when he talked about majoring in Journalism (actually, some type of new-fangled communications).

But in the long tradition of fathers giving advice to sons, he ignored me.

It is kind of the story of our life, to a degree. Nick came to live with me in California when he was in high School because he wasn't exactly setting the world on fire academically in Wisconsin. His mom had reached the end of her rope, so to speak, so it was time for me to take the lead role.

Nick is a smart guy, but as a teen he was pretty lazy when it came to school. This was the story of my high school life as well. I graduated near the bottom of my class in high school

yet graduated with honors from college.

Nick and I butted heads plenty his last two years of high school. I had weekly calls with his teachers and made sure he got his work done. We argued and I will admit I made his life a living hell. Well, as much as providing a vehicle for him to drive, food for him to eat and a nice home to live is making his life a living hell.

But he did graduate, and our relationship instantly got better. He then followed in my footsteps and joined the Air Force.

Nick served six years in the Air Force, including a tour in the Middle East. He carried a gun every day at work. This was a kid who a few years before I had to track down in town because he didn't answer his phone.

When he joined, I encouraged him to sign up for the G.I. Bill to help with college. I am glad I did, as he moved to Florida after his enlistment was up to get his education. He landed at Florida Atlantic University after some time at a junior college. He started following sports local reporters on Twitter, engaged with the student newspaper and was eventually brought on to write a couple of previews for the school's football team.

Well, Nick recently graduated from FAU. He ended his college career as sports editor of the school newspaper.

Days before he graduated, he called me and asked me the question you see at the top of this column.

"News Media Corp.? Sure, I have heard of it. In fact, I work for News Media

Corp.," I said, telling him that it is the company that owns The Ogle County Life.

He chuckled. Turns out he had applied for a job as a grunt reporter for a News Media Corp.-owned newspaper in Wyoming and had an interview with the publisher.

The interview apparently went well. A few days later Nick graduated from college and landed his first job as a working journalist ... with the same company his dad works for. Honestly, this was the greatest Christmas present I could have asked for.

We all want our children to be happy, and successful is good too. Even though 2020 has been a tough year, it was also the year my daughter - a teacher - got married to a great guy. And my son, who I wasn't sure was going to make it through high school, graduated from college and is starting his career in the same field that I have made my life's work.

So 2020? Clearly not all bad.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.

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A plan to change the Electoral College

Dear Editor,
Mr. Harp gives a good overview of the history of representative government via England over the past 200+ years.

But his point on the current "inequality" of the Congressional representation numbers (particularly in the US Senate) vs the distribution of population misses what I suspect was the aim of our Founders.

That point is that the election of the President/Vice President should have broad (not necessarily 95 percent) acceptance throughout the country. Otherwise, using the idea of just 50 percent+1 votes to

be declared the winner can lead to voters in a few highly populated states determining the outcome – without having broad acceptance throughout the rest of the country.

The problem to be created by what I believe is Mr. Harp's argument is illustrated by his reference to David Birdsell towards the end of this article:

"Twenty years from now, according to political scientist David Birdsell, 70 percent of Americans will live in 15 states, but their senators will occupy only 30 percent of the seats in the U.S. Senate. The Electoral College will likewise diverge

ever more from the popular vote."

While no plan will be perfect, I present one that will be more broadly representative (and which will NEVER be accepted, since whichever party – Republican or Democrat – is in power in any state in our current "winner take all" system – they won't want to give up their current power).

Here is my plan: A candidate still needs 270 electoral votes to win. But to win any individual state's electoral votes, a candidate gets one vote for each congressional district he wins; the candidate who wins the most votes in that state also gets the 2

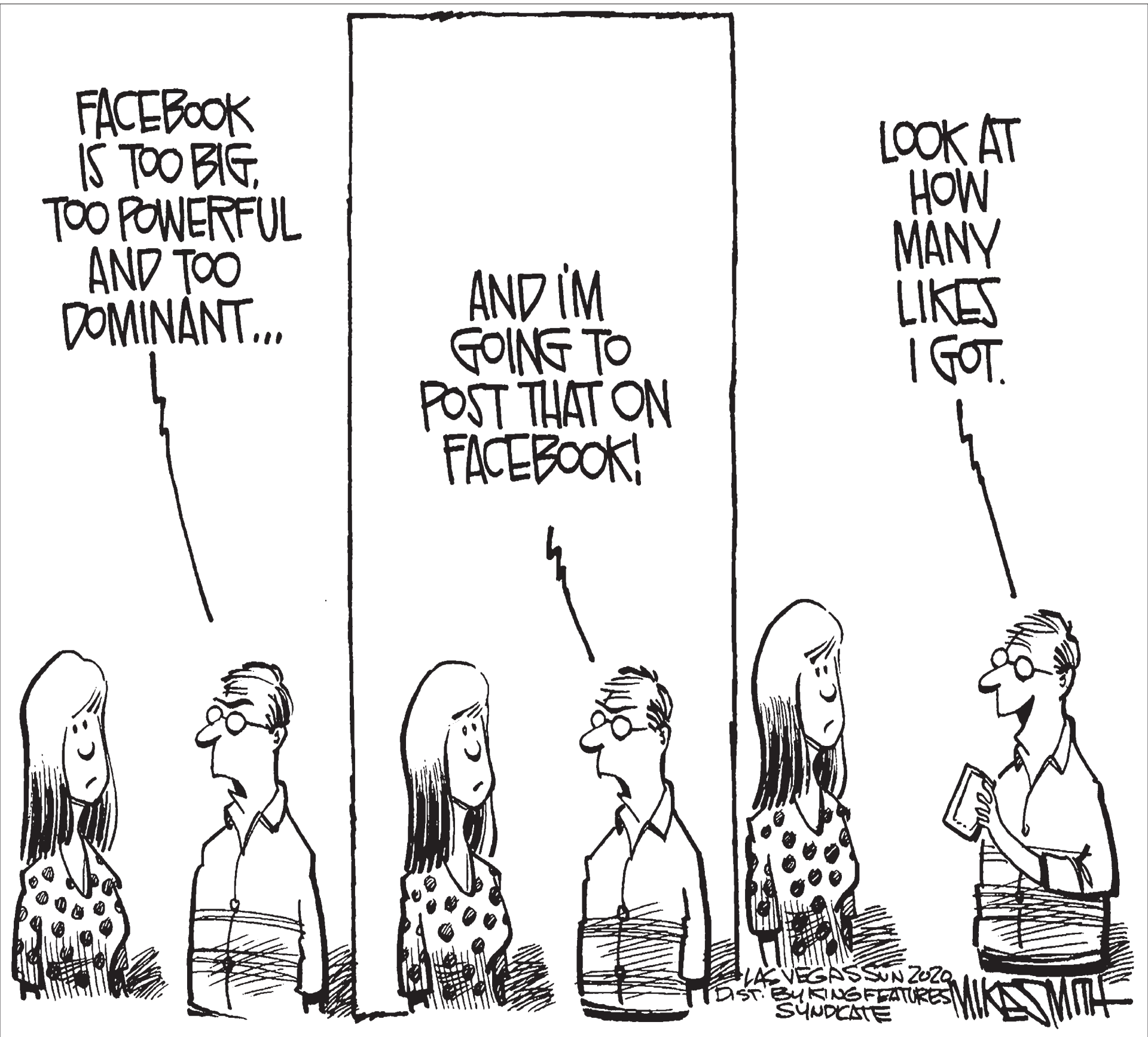
"senatorial" votes.

This means that a candidate must campaign in each of the state's congressional districts – not just in a few of the most heavily populated areas – to win some/all of those electoral votes. And this will address the "inequality" issue of Mr. Harp.

I think that only 2 states have this system: Maine and Nebraska. Getting the other 48 states to come onboard? Very difficult.

Thanks for publishing Mr. Harp's article.

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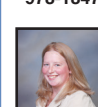
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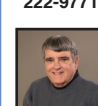
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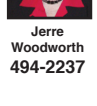
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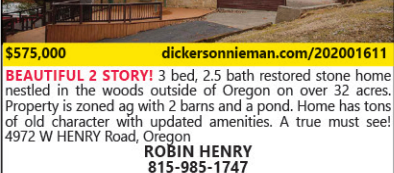
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Polo Library News

Polo Public Library is Open for Curbside Pickup

Mondays - 2-6 p.m., Tuesdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesdays 2-6 p.m., Thursdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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 - Call 815-946-2713 to schedule a date and time for your contactless pickup. Please remain in your car and allow library staff to place your items in your trunk or back seat.

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

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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.

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.

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

Pinterest Party at Home

Check out the Library's Facebook page (Facebook.com/pololibrary), or email library@pololibrary.org, for instructions to make this month's craft.

Book Clubs

Polo Library currently has two traditional book clubs meeting via Zoom, one on the fourth Monday of each month and one on the fourth Friday of each month, both at 1:30 p.m. In January, we will be starting a third book club that will be a books to movies group that will meet on Zoom on a weekday evening (exact day and time to be decided by people interested in joining the book club). If you have any questions or are interested in joining any of the book clubs, please email carlap@pololibrary.org.

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A Note on Donations

Due to the need to quarantine items before they can be checked in and put back in their place, we regretfully do not have the space to receive donated items at this time.

Online Resources

Download Axis 360, OMNI/Overdrive, Libby, and BiblioBoard for books and audiobooks. Links to these resources are available at pololibrary.org

Wi-Fi Access

Wi-Fi is available 24/7 outside of the library building, even outside of library hours. You can access the Wi-Fi by joining the Polo Public Library Guest Access network, you do not need a password.

Bertolet Library News

Holiday Hours:

New Years Hours: Bertolet Memorial Library will close at 4 p.m. on Dec. 31 through Jan. 3. We will reopen on Monday, Jan. 4.

Hat and Mitten Tree: This is your last week to bring in your donations of hats, scarves, gloves, and mittens on our tree. They will be distributed through the New Life Community Center in Forreston in January.

Winter Take & Make Crafts: Miss Jana will have craft kits to keep you and your kids busy. Stop by each Monday to pick up your take & make craft kit for the week! We have a variety of skill level projects including gingerbread houses and gnome ornaments. Stop in today!

New Releases

Adult Fiction
The Mystery of Mrs. Christie by Marie Benedict

Moonflower Murders by Anthony Horowitz
NYPD Red 6 by James Patterson
Juvenile Fiction
Scarlet and Ivy by Sophie Cleverly
Waste of Space by Stuart Gibbs

Wednesday WhoDunIt

Wednesday WhoDunIt will resume after the holidays. Put a new mystery title on your Christmas wish list!

Family Story Time

Family Story Time will resume after the holidays.
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- Check your keys with the host – This is an effective strategy for giving the host some control over inebriated guests.
- Keep the number of a taxi company handy – A good tip for both party guests and hosts alike.
- Offer to drive a guest home – Start the New Year off right by performing a good deed and help keep drunk drivers off the road.
- Appoint a designated driver – Use the buddy system and you can return the favor next time.
- Provide lots of snacks to party guests – Drinking on an empty stomach rapidly increases alcohol’s debilitating effects.
- Post transportation info on party invites – Include information for public transportation, car pools and taxi company phone numbers.
- Don’t let a friend drive drunk – Take the car keys away or use one of the strategies above to see your friends safely home.

It probably comes as no surprise that more traffic fatalities due to drunk driving occur at the New Year than any other time, but of course, you should never drink and drive. With your safety in mind, these community sponsors urge you to review these important tips for hosting or attending a safe celebration!

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Oregon Library News

Holiday library hours
 The Oregon Public Library will be closed, Christmas Eve 12/24, Christmas Day 12/25, New Year's Eve 12/31, New Year's Day 1/1. Have a safe holiday and keep reading!

New library procedures

Oregon Public Library has shifted to touch free services due to the Tier 3 mitigations. We will only be offering curbside pick up and appointments for computer use, printing or faxing. If you are interested in curbside pick up or a computer reservation please call 815-732-2724. Holds can be placed three different way:

Online through the catalog: <http://search.prairiecat.info/iii/encore/?lang=eng>

Over the phone with Library staff at 815-732-2724,

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Log into your library account with your library card number and PIN (last four digits of the library card number).

Once your requested items are available for pick up you will receive the automated notification from PrairieCat. Please call us at 815-732-2724 after you receive this notice to schedule your curbside pick up.

Remember to check our Facebook posts or the local papers for new releases! You can also talk to the librarians for book recommendations and to place items on hold!

Book bundles at the library

Don't know what to read or check out for curbside?! Look no further! We have librarian created book bundles! Each bundle has 3-4 books, we have bundles of mysteries, holiday books, fiction, non fiction, assorted and even a trilogy from a local author!

Paint your New Year's Eve glass

Make and Take Kits Available - Dec. 28

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New children/youth releases

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Forreston Library News

Hat and Mitten Tree

Thank you to everyone who brought in hats, mittens, and scarves for our tree! Your generosity will be keeping many people warm this winter!

Library Hours

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

Preschool Activities

Looking for fun, engaging activities for your preschooler? Our Grab n Go packets include a Scholastic story paper with a different theme each month, accompanying worksheets/coloring pages, and a code to access online stories and activities. Call to reserve yours or stop in and pick one up for your favorite little person.

Library Updates

Please like our Facebook page to stay up to date with the most current information on our plans and activities and also check out our recently updated website at forreston-library.org. If you have any questions or needs, please feel free to contact us by phone at 815-938-2624, email at forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com, or through Facebook messaging.



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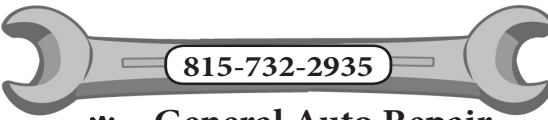

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Byron Library News

Holiday Hours

The Byron Public Library will be closed December 24 and 25 in observance of the Christmas holiday. The Byron Public Library will be open from from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 31 and closed on Jan. 1, 2021 for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. We wish all of our patrons a safe, healthy and happy holiday season!

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National Popcorn Day

Tuesday, Jan. 19 via YouTube
Join Beth as she celebrates National Popcorn Day!

Learn the history of popcorn, make a fresh batch with a variety of delicious flavors and vote on your favorite. Kits will include popcorn, oil and four different popcorn seasonings. Additional supplies required includes a 3-quart thick bottomed pot, 4 bowls for popcorn, and cooking spray. Kits will be available for pickup at the library beginning on Wednesday, Jan. 13. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Visit the Byron Library Facebook page to keep up to date on library news and virtual programs! Be sure to also check out the Byron Library and Byron Library Teen Instagram pages!

Julia Hull Library News

Library Services

Due to Statewide COVID-19 mitigations, the library has suspended all in-person services, until further notice. Curbside pickup, remote services, and online programming will proceed as normal: Monday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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 the weekly craft, or use the form on our website: <https://juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. December kits now available. While supplies last.

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Holiday Closures

The Library will be closed the following dates for the New Year's Holiday season: December 31-January 1.

Adult Book Club: The Sacrament

Pick up a book, then join us on Zoom for a lively discussion of Olaf Olafsson's unforgettable novel, The Sacrament, on Monday, Jan. 4 at 6:30 p.m. Adults only. Copies of the reading available for curbside pickup. Email Joanna at jkluver@mail.meridian223.org to register for a link to the program.

Tween Scene: Photo Transfer Art

This Jan. 5 at 6 p.m. on Zoom, we'll be creating some photo art! Email Ms. Zoey at zferrari@mail.meridian223.org to register and send her a jpeg of your choice! You can pick up the craft kit at the library (with your included photo) once it's ready! Ages 10-12. Registration Required.



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- 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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Byron - 815-234-3131
www.holcomb.bank

Central Bank Illinois
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Oregon, IL
815-732-3282

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Rochelle, IL
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815-234-8535

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815-406-8060
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Who Help Support
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AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

BYRON

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

CORNERSTONE FAMILY CHURCH

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

BYRON ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

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

UNITED CHURCH OF BYRON

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

CHANA

CHANA UNITED METHODIST

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

DAVIS JUNCTION

DAVIS JUNCTION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors • "God's Heart in Our Community"
Located in town on Rt. 72 • Our Pastor is Rev. Keith Kelsey-Powell **Sunday Services:** Worship 10:30am, Childrens time during Worship Service. Fellowship following the Worship Service each Sunday. Communion the first Sunday of the month. Potluck luncheon following Worship every 4th Sunday, except in the summer months of June, July and August. Various small groups meet throughout the month. For more information about the small groups please call 298-2310. AA meets Wednesdays at 5:30pm and Saturdays at 9am. For more information please visit our website WWW.DJUMC.ORG

GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

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Pastor Brad Pittman www.graceisforyou.com
14080 Rt. 72 East, Davis Junction (Next to Fritz's Electrical) • 815-973-1369
Worship Service: Saturday at 5pm

FORRESTON

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

402 First Ave., Forreston, IL Phone: 815-938-2380
Pastor Sung-Eun Kim
OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS
Worship at 9:00 a.m. (childcare provided) with coffee and fellowship immediately following. Sunday School Age 3-Adult, 10:15 am.
AA meets Mondays, 8:00 AM. Monthly United Methodist Women's meetings. God is Good, All the Time, All the Time, God is Good!

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH

West Grove Rd. At Columbine Rd • Karyn Kost • 815-938-3511
Worship Service 10:30 am. Communion is served the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. "Singing the Song of Christian Faith in Worship, Service, Learning, Outreach and Welcome" in a beautiful rural setting.
Everyone is cordially invited to be with us.

LEAF RIVER

ADELINE ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH

9106 Cedar St. in Adeline, Leaf River, IL 61047 • Ph:815-541-4863 Sunday Services: Sunday School 9:00 am, Worship Service 10:15 am VISITORS WELCOME

LEAF RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Billy Hardy
Live Sermon Streaming: Sundays at 10:00 AM at www.facebook.com/LEAFRIVERBC/
Archived Sermons on our YouTube channel: Leaf River Baptist Church (Until further notice)
9:30 Church Service. Nursery available, 11:00 Sunday school for all ages. Nursery available
6941 N Mt Morris Rd, Leaf River, IL 61047
815-738-2205 leafriverbc@gmail.com

LINDENWOOD

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – LCMS

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

KINGS

ELIM REFORMED CHURCH

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

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During the COVID-19 pandemic, weekly worship is online at www.disciplesumc.org
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secretary@disciplesumc.org
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Mt. Morris, IL 61054
Pastor - Rev. Julie Bunt

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

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

MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris, IL Phone 734-4573
Pastor-Ginny Honey. 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship (nursery provided)
Fellowship time Following worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School-Nursery through adult.

MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

OREGON

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FREEDOM LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

Pastor Karyn Kost • (815) 661-6315
Website: <http://www.freedomlutheran.org>
Sunday Evening Worship at 5:45 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 200 S 5th St to 200 S 4th St in Oregon. Coffee and Fellowship following the service.

Lighthouse United Methodist

Pastor Matthew J. Smith 4962 S. Daysville Rd., Oregon, IL 61061
Worship at 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month. Lighthouse will lite up your life!

OREGON CHURCH OF GOD

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

OREGON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

OREGON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

RIVERSTONE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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

ST. BRIDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1000 Highway 64, West (Hwy 64 W & Morgan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon • 732-7211 • Office: Rev. Eldred Gange
Webpage: saintbrides.org • E-mail:saintbride.church@gmail.com •
Worship Services: Sunday 10 am Holy Communion with Hymns
Christian Education Available

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

114 S. 5th St. Oregon, IL Phone: (815) 732-2367
Pastor: Rick Tomlinsom
Website: www.stpaul13.com Email: stpaul13@frontier.com
Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 am; Coffee And... Fellowship 10:00 am; Sunday School 10:15 am Wednesdays: Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Other Activities: Men's and Women's Groups, Confirmation Class, School Youth Group, For more information, call the church office.

POLO

ST. MARY CHURCH

Rectory/Office: 211 North Franklin Ave., Polo, IL 61064
PHONE: 815-946-2535 • Rev. Joseph P. Nail
Masses: Sun 10:30am, Tuesday First 8 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after 10:30 mass
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
www.stmarypolo.org

CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE

302 S. Franklin Ave., Polo, Illinois • 815-946-2848 • Luke N. Schier, Pastor
Sunday Worship: 9:30am We include our children in our Sunday Worship Experience. "THE GRAND Kids Class" Ages 3-10 are then dismissed right after Praise & Worship. Blended Services. "Passion for God" "Compassion for People" Visit our website: PoloOpenBible.org

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH ~ POLO CAMPUS

Meeting Sundays @ 9AM & 10:45AM
205 N. Jefferson Avenue, Polo ~ 815.837.5255
polo@crossroadsncn.com
We offer contemporary worship and relevant Bible teaching through engaging messages and powerful video. Join us after services for coffee, snacks & fellowship. KidzLink Children's Ministry (nursery-5th grade) ~ during 9AM service
Crave Youth Group (6th-12th grade) ~ Sunday nights 6PM.
Visit our website: www.crossroadsncn.com

FAITH DISCOVERY CHURCH

801 W. Oregon St., Polo • 815-946-3588 • Jeremy Heller, Pastor
Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Worship Service 10:00 a.m., Nursery Available, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. We Are an independent non-denominational Christian church. Visitors are always welcome.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

702 E. Dixon Street, Polo, IL 61064 • Tel:815-946-3212
Sunday School for all ages 9am followed by Worship at 10am
Pastor Brian LeBaron
Website: www.faihumcpolo.com • [facebook.com/Faihumcpolo](https://www.facebook.com/Faihumcpolo)

STILLMAN VALLEY

RED BRICK CHURCH OF STILLMAN VALLEY (CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH)

Pastor Rev. Dr. Chris Brauns | Associate Pastor David Bogner
207 W Roosevelt Road (Rte 72), Stillman Valley.
815-645-2526 | www.theredbrickchurch.org
Sunday: Worship at 9:00 and 10:30 am. Sunday School at 9:00 am.
Wednesday: AWANA (Sept - April) from 6:00 to 7:15 pm.
Men, women, youth Bible Studies throughout the year.
See website for all activities or contact the church office.

KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
8195 Kishwaukee Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084 / 815-965-1940
Pastor Eric Tonjes, www.kishchurch.org
Sunday Schedule: Discipleship Hour 9:00 AM, Coffee Fellowship 9:50 AM Gathered Worship 10:00 AM
For complete ministry schedule check out our website or call the church office.

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

Rt. 72 & Maple St., in Stillman Valley • Phone 815-645-8872
Pastor: Rev. Rick Lindholtz • www.valleycov.org
Chuck Potts, Pastor to Students, Children and Families
Sunday Mornings: 9am traditional service, 10:30am contemporary service and Kids' Club
We are requesting all attendees wear masks, practice social distancing, and stay home if ill.
Communion is served the first Sunday of the month.
Please call or visit the website more info about Bible study groups, Youth Group, Bread of Life Food Pantry, and Valley Covenant Preschool. Also the home of Valley Covenant Preschool 815-645-8882.

WINNEBAGO

MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Connect with People, Connect with Christ
12473 Montague Road, Winnebago, IL 61088
Located near the intersection of Montague and Tower roads; Phone: 815-335-2609; e-mail: middlecreekchurch@gmail.com
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Anita Stuart-Steva
Sunday mornings: Family Communion Worship 8:30 a.m.; Blended Worship 10:20 a.m. (Sept. - May) and 10 a.m. (June - Aug.); Sunday School Sept - May 9:15 a.m.
Other activities include: Bible studies; Praise Band; Social/Service Groups; Kindred Heart Stitches For more information call the church office 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mon-Fri.

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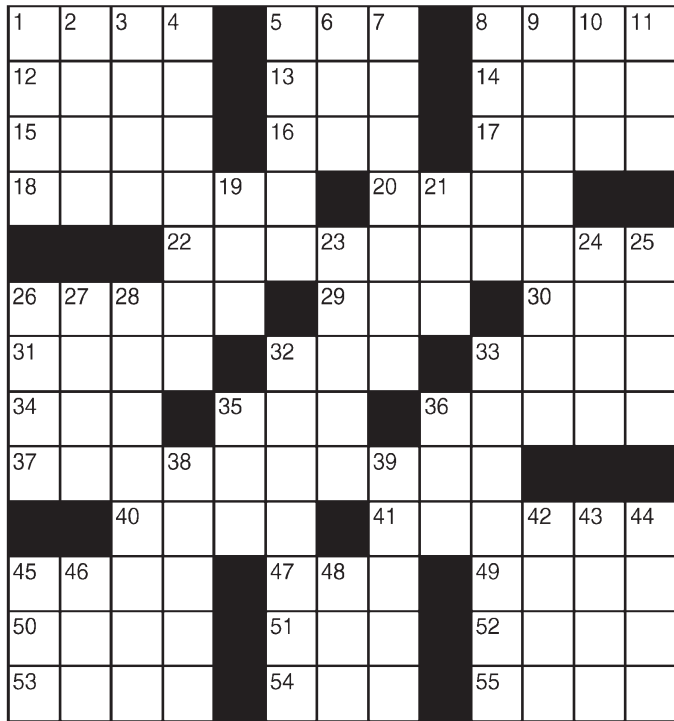
Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

MAGIC MAZE ● — BLUES

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



- 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

DOWN

- 1 Spill the beans
- 2 Emanation
- 3 Determination
- 4 Birthplace of Starbucks
- 5 Fireplace bit
- 6 Cage component

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 M K J I C I R T C E L E H F L

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

- African
- Country
- Jump
- Punk
- British
- Delta
- Kansas City
- Soul
- Canadian
- Electric
- Louisiana
- Swamp
- Chicago
- Gospel
- Memphis

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

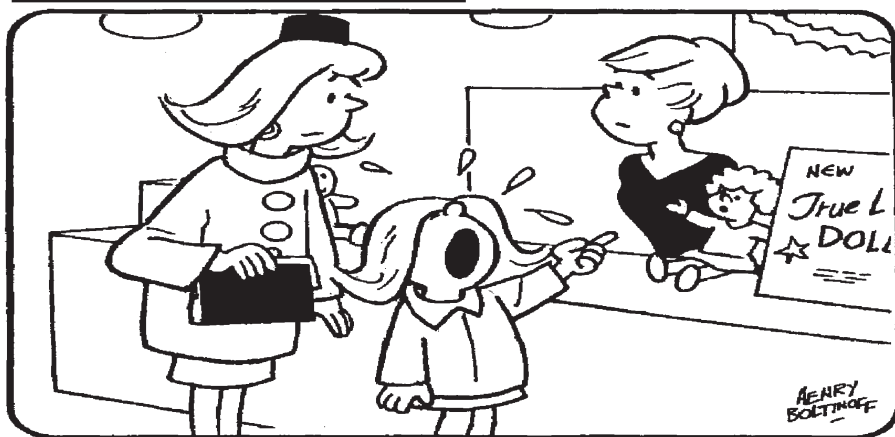
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- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

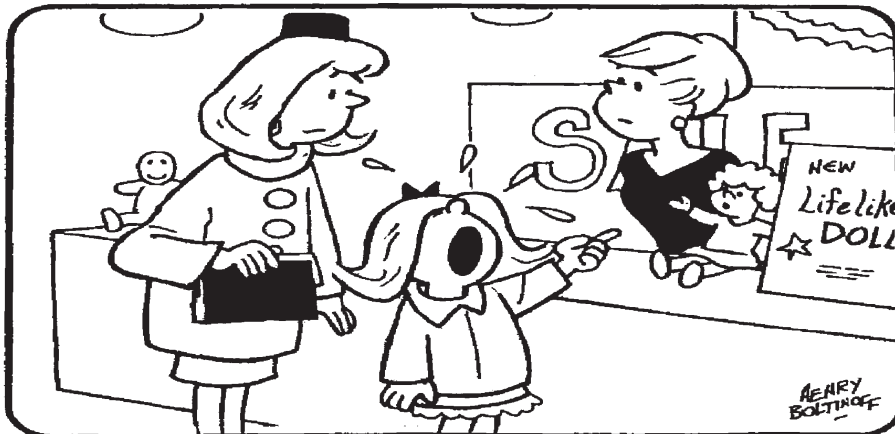
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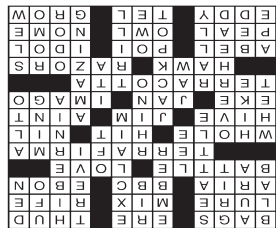
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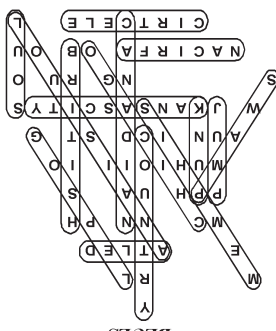
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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



Solution time: 25 mins.
 Answers



— BLUES

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Answer

— Weekly SUDOKU

Are you getting the Ogle County Life delivered to your home?

If you live in one of the following zip codes you can get the Life delivered free at your home!

- 61010 – Byron
- 61015 – Chana
- 61020 – Davis Junction
- 61030 – Forreston
- 61047 – Leaf River
- 61054 – Mt. Morris
- 61061 – Oregon
- 61064 – Polo
- 61084 – Stillman Valley

How to get home delivery...

Contact the the Ogle County Life office by phone at 815-732-2156 or by email office@oglecountylife.com with your name, address and phone number.

The Ogle
County



LIFE



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www.oglecountylife.com

9 Reasons to Shop Local

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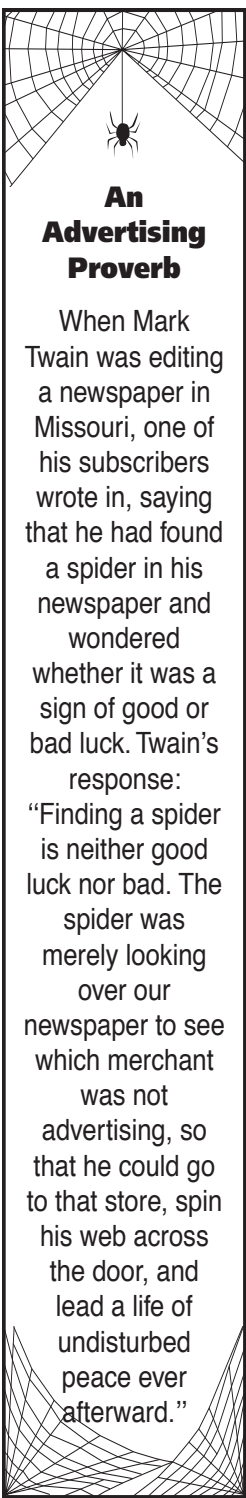
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6 Shopping Local retains our distinctiveness: Local businesses respond quicker to the needs of the customers and stock products to meet the core community's needs.

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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.



An Advertising Proverb

When Mark Twain was editing a newspaper in Missouri, one of his subscribers wrote in, saying that he had found a spider in his newspaper and wondered whether it was a sign of good or bad luck. Twain's response: "Finding a spider is neither good luck nor bad. The spider was merely looking over our newspaper to see which merchant was not advertising, so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door, and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever afterward."

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE)
MATTER)2020
OF THE) P90
ESTATE)
OF)
GARY O.)
BOCKER,)
Deceased.)
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the death of Gary O. Bocker, late of Pinecrest Nursing Home in Mt. Morris, Ogle County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued to Mark E. Bocker, 10742 Illinois Rt. 64 West, Polo, Illinois 61064, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is Gary R. Gehlbach, Ehrmann Gehlbach Badger & Considine, LLC, 215 E. First Street, P.O. Box 447, Dixon, Illinois 61021.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at 106 S. 5th Street, Suite 300, Oregon, Illinois 61061, or with the representative, or both, on or before the date which is six (6) months after the date of the first publication of this Claim Notice, or, if mailing or delivering of a notice is required by section

18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date 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. Mark E. Bocker, Independent Executor Gary R. Gehlbach (ARDC No. 3122825) Ehrmann Gehlbach Badger & Considine, LLC Attorneys for Independent Executor 215 East First Street, Suite 100 P.O. Box 447 Dixon, IL 61021 (815) 288-4949 (815) 288-3068 (FAX) gehlbach@egbclaw.com No. 1206 (Dec. 14, 21, 28)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by the Ogle County Highway Department, Oregon, Illinois until 2:00 P.M., January 8, 2021, for the purchase of the following new equipment with trade ins:

- 1) 3.5 CY Wheel Loader,
 - 2) 50 hp tractor,
 - 3) Dump body, wing, snow plow push frame and spreader box for tandem-axle truck.
- Specifications for the new equipment 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. 1208 (Dec. 14, 21 28)

101 LEGAL NOTICE

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105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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113 FINANCIAL

NOTICE Advance Fee Loans or Credit Offers Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit before you get it. For more information, call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP. A public service message from your hometown newspaper and the Federal Trade Commission.

119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

JNJ JUMPERS Indoor/ Outdoor Bounce House Rentals Available Year Round. Please Call 815-784-4256 For Availability or Visit us on Facebook.

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

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203 HELP WANTED

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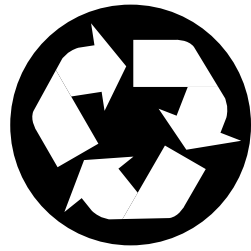
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2019 GMC SIERRA SLE, 4 DR., 4X4, REMOTE START, LOADED, ONE OWNER	SOLD
2018 CHEVY EQUINOX LT, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START, POWER LIFT GATE	\$18,642
2017 DODGE DURANGO GT, AWD, HEAT SEATS, STEERING WHEEL, REMOTE START.....	\$27,846
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2017 CHEVY BOLT PREMIER, LEATHER, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START	\$15,929
2017 CHEVY BOLT LT, ALLOY WHEELS, REMOTE START, ONE OWNER	SOLD
2017 FORD ESCAPE SE, ECO BOOST, ONE OWNER, FACTORY WARRANTY.....	SOLD
2017 FORD EDGE AWD, ECO BOOST, ONE OWNER, X-CLEAN	SOLD
2017 FORD ESCAPE SE, ECO BOOST, ALLOY WHEELS, POWER LIFT GATE	\$15,470
2016 FORD F150 CREW CAB XLT SPORT 4X4, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START	SOLD
2016 CHEVY TRAVERSE LT, AWD, REMOTE START, HEAT SEATS, QUAD SEATS.....	\$20,827
2016 BUICK VERANO PREFERRED, 4 DR., REMOTE START, PEARL WHITE.....	\$12,936
2015 JEEP WRANGLER WILLYS 4X4, LOADED LOCAL OWNER, ONLY 18K.....	\$29,299
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WEEK #17 NFL GAMES

Circle your choice for the winner of each game on the schedule.

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Miami Dolphins	at	Buffalo Bills
New Orleans Saints	at	Carolina Panthers
Green Bay Packers	at	Chicago Bears
Baltimore Ravens	at	Cincinnati Bengals
Pittsburgh Steelers	at	Cleveland Browns
Minnesota Vikings	at	Detroit Lions
Tennessee Titans	at	Houston Texans
Jacksonville Jaguars	at	Indianapolis Colts
Los Angeles Chargers	at	Kansas City Chiefs
New York Jets	at	New England Patriots
Dallas Cowboys	at	New York Giants
Washington Football Team	at	Philadelphia Eagles
Atlanta Falcons	at	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Las Vegas Raiders	at	Denver Broncos
Arizona Cardinals	at	Los Angeles Rams
Seattle Seahawks	at	San Francisco 49ers

TIE BREAKER #1

Total Combined Score

Seattle Seahawks at San Francisco 49ers

Total Score _____

TIE BREAKER #2

Total Combined Score

Arizona Cardinals at Los Angeles Rams

Total Score _____

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WEEK #15 WINNER

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