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Officials work to save nuke plant

Demmer tells County Board talks on the issue have started in Springfield

By Brad Jennings
Editor

OREGON – State Rep. Tom Demmer told the Ogle County Board that people are mobilizing to try to save the Byron Generating Station, which Exelon Generation said it would be closing in September 2021.

At its Oct. 21 meeting, Demmer told board members that he and other legislators on both sides of the aisle are looking for ways to change state policies that could save the Byron and Dresden plants. Dresden, in Morris, is scheduled to close in November 2021.

Demmer said that making changes to save the plant is “not an impossibility.”

He said Exelon has been active in Springfield over the last couple of years and has talked about the importance

of it nuclear plants and the carbon free electricity they produce, and how they should factor into the state’s overall electric power policy.

The company has also said that plants like the Byron Station could close if changes weren’t made.

“It’s been talked about for several years, but recently became a lot more real,” Demmer said.

But even after the talk, he said the announcement to close the plants released on Aug. 27, “...was a shock to a lot of us.”


Demmer said Gov. JB Pritzker has set up a power policy group, and Demmer said some people from Byron will be testifying in front of that group on the importance of the plant to the local economy and the region.

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Signs like this one can be seen in yards around Byron and other parts of Ogle County. (Brad Jennings photo)

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Fall is here

There is no doubt that fall has come to the area, with cooler temperatures and even a little snow last week. Temperatures stay cool this week with overnight lows possibly dipping into the 20s. (Brad Jennings photo)



PLANT: Board passes resolution

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“There’s a discussion happening in the governor’s office,” Demmer said, adding that this discussion will be happening for “several months.”

Local officials have also come together to try to save the plant. The group put together an economic impact report on the plant, which is available at savebyron.com.

The loss of the Byron plant would mean the loss of more than 700 jobs. The plant also spreads plenty of tax money around the county. Paul Dempsey, Communications Manager of the Byron station, said that the station’s 2017 tax bill was more than \$38 million. The taxes went to a variety of taxing bodies, including the Byron School District, Ogle County and the Byron Museum and Library District.

Terry McGoldrick, president of Local IBEW 15, told the board that they are looking for a long-term agreement so they don’t have to do this again in a couple of years.

“This is very serious, and it will close if we don’t get something done,” said McGoldrick, who lives in Stillman Valley.

For its part, the County Board did approve a resolution in support of the Byron plant.

It read, in part: “...be it resolved, by the County of Ogle, that we urge the State of Illinois to support policies to preserved Illinois’ nuclear energy plants, because of their support for our local economy by creating thousands of jobs, strengthening the commitment to a pollution and carbon-free environment, and ensuring a more reliable electric grid for consumers and businesses; while creating a sustainable energy future for generations...”

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For the first time in the pantry’s history, Mt. Morris Loaves and Fish Food Pantry will also be providing Christmas meal boxes to those in need as well. The Christmas meal box will contain a ham and all of the trimmings to feed a family of eight. A \$16 donation will allow Mt. Morris Loaves and Fish Food Pantry to provide a local family the opportunity to enjoy a traditional holiday meal with their loved ones this holiday season. A dona-

tion of \$32 will provide both a Thanksgiving meal and a Christmas meal for a family of eight.

To sponsor one, two or more families, please send your gift to Loaves and Fish Food Pantry, Att: Nelson Miller, Treas., P.O. Box 202, Mt. Morris, IL 61054. Please send your gift by Nov. 15. The Thanksgiving meal boxes will be distributed on Nov. 23 and the Christmas meal boxes will be distributed on Dec. 18.

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Show in this file photo from left: Dr.PJ Caposey, Dr. Tim Flynn, Matt Rhodes, Tim Devries, JohnSmith, Kristine Youman, Marsha Welden, Jill Huber and a representative from IASB.

Meridian board honored as one of the best in state

STILLMAN VALLEY – Meridian’s Board of Education is one of 15 districts in the state of Illinois to receive the Illinois School Board Governance Recognition and the only board in the Northwest region to be recognized.

As a point of reference, there are more than 850 school districts in the state of Illinois. The Illinois Association of School Board (IASB) members will formally recognize the Meridian Board with the award at the IASB fall Northwest Division meeting.

The “School Board Governance Recognition” program acknowledges school boards that learn and practice effective

governance behaviors as identified in IASB’s Foundational Principles of Effective Governance, through participation in and support for board development programs and events. The primary focus of this program is on full board development and participation rather than individual board member efforts. Effective school boards understand that excellence in local school board governance requires full board commitment to obtaining the knowledge, skills and abilities critical to good governance

Meridian CUSD 223 Board President, John Smith, discussed the effort and energy put into the district by Board members at

the September Board of Education meeting where this recognition was first publicly announced. Smith stated, “I am proud of the Board members sitting around this table. Being a Board member is a volunteer position that comes with stress and angst. On top of fulfilling their duties as a board member I am continually impressed with this board’s commitment to their personal development and the growth of those within the district.”

The Meridian Board has seen little turnover in the past eight years after a significant turnover in the years prior. The stability and effort of the Board has helped lift Meridian

from a time of stress and uncertainty to one fo stability and hope.

“For this Board to be named among the top 2 percent of Boards in the state of Illinois is entirely appropriate and deserved,” said Meridian Superintendent, Dr. PJ Caposey. “The fact that they have done so for the 6th consecutive years is an absolutely stunning accomplishment.”

Meridian Board members are: John Smith – President; Kristine Youman – Vice President, Jill Huber – Secretary, Dr. Tim Flynn, Tim Devries, Marsha Welden, Matt Rhodes and Elaine Nicholson – Coordinator to the Board of Education.



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Obituaries

Helen Henry Spencer

Helen Henry Spencer, formerly of Oregon, passed away on Oct. 13, 2020, in Lake Geneva, Wis. Born June 17, 1925 in Woodson, Ill., to the late Frank A. and Mary Emma Lena (Culp) Henry, she graduated from Jacksonville High School in 1943. She married William E. Spencer on Dec. 27, 1947.



A real-life "Rosie the Riveter," Helen worked at Caterpillar Tractor in Peoria during World War II, and later worked for nine years at Family Circle Magazine. She also served as the matron of Ogle County Jail during her husband's tenure as Ogle County Sheriff from 1963-1966. For over 35 years, Helen worked as a bookkeeper for Sinnissippi Farms until her retirement in 2001. It was during these decades that she formed her treasured, lifelong friendship with Harriet Lowden Madlener and Nancy Madlener Culbertson's family.

Helen was an avid golfer and member of the Oregon Country Club, taking up the sport in her 30s. From 1958 to 1994, she competed in

the Illinois Women's Golf Association (IWGA) State Amateur and Senior State Amateur Championships, including the Ladies Lincoln Highway Tournament. Her love of competition and for the camaraderie of the sport led her in 2019 to establish the IWGA Helen Spencer Junior Girls Award to annually honor an outstanding graduating high school senior. The first scholarship was awarded this spring.

"Auntie" Helen is survived by her chosen family, Edward and Robin Culbertson, their three children: Sarah (James) Nau; Andy (Reagan Bryant) Culbertson; and Gretchen (Christopher) Shepard; and seven grandchildren. She is also survived

by several nieces and nephews, her Oregon Pals, Golden Years Friends, and those that called her "Lucky." Helen is predeceased by her husband, Bill; her brother, William Henry; and her sisters, Dorothy Henry, Martha Milliken, and Mary Frances Alkire.

The family would like to thank the Mercy Health at Home Hospice Team, Janesville, especially Amy, who cared for Helen so thoughtfully and kindly over the past several weeks.

A private graveside service will be held and a Celebration of Helen's life when it is safe to do so.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to either: The Helen Spencer Memorial or to Mercy Health at Home Hospice of Janesville, Wisconsin. Links have been provided below on the funeral home website at: www.derrickfuneralhome.com

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Derrick Funeral Home is more than honored to be assisting Helen's family.

Andrew Michael Long

LEAF RIVER – Andrew Michael Long, age 37, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2020 in Oregon. Andrew was born on May 6, 1983 in Dixon, the son of Troy Dean Bray and Sharon Ann (Long) Goley. Andrew worked for Anchor Harvey in Freeport for a couple of years.

Andrew was a member of the Rochelle Conservation Club. He enjoyed

fishing, hunting, garden, he was a goof ball, loved his family, but most of all he spent his free time with his son Colton showing him everything he loved to do.

Andrew is survived by his sons: Colton M. Long, Polo, and Ashlin Bellows, Milledgeville; brother: John Goley, Freeport; sister April (Tony) Breeden, Oregon; mother: Sharon A. Goley, Leaf River; father: Troy Bray, Texas; grand-

mother: Barb Bray, Dixon.

Andrew is preceded in death by his father: John Goley; grandfather: Royal Wells; and grandmother: Helen Goley.

Visitation was in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris, on Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2020 from 5-8 p.m. Due to Covid-19 during the visitation masks will be required.

Memorials to be determined.

Rock River Center offers upcoming activities, groups

Mason Jar & Silk Class

Join us at Rock River Center on Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 10:30 a.m. for a 1-hour class on how to create your own "Mason Jar Arrangement."

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Remember, open enrollment began on Oct. 15 and runs through Dec. 7, 2020.

Rock River Center is available to assist you. We are accepting phone appointments with clients at this time. Contact us at 815-732-3252, to a schedule your appointment time with one of our Caseworkers.

Support groups

Caregiver support group

The Caregiver Support Group is for those new to caregiving, those who anticipate care giving, and those for whom caregiving is already a way of life. You will find information, resources, encouragement & answers to difficult questions. Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month from 10-11:30 a.m. at Rock River Center. Meetings resume Nov. 3.

Low vision group

This is a group for those who have low vision, any form of vision loss, AMD or to caregivers of those with vision loss. Low Vision Group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at noon at Rock River Center.

Diabetes support group

The Diabetes Support Group offers support, encouragement and the sharing of experiences when living with diabetes. Join us for shared discussion and menu options as well. Our meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month from 11 a.m.-noon at Rock River Center.

Meetings resume Nov. 4.

Cancer support group

"Facing the Challenge" is a support group that provides a safe, accepting environment for patients currently going through treatment, survivors, caregivers and loved ones to talk openly about the challenges a cancer diagnosis brings. Anyone who has been affected by cancer is invited to attend! Rock River Center and Home of Hope are partnering to offer information to this group. They meet quarterly on the 4th Thursday of the month in March, June, September and December from 2-3 p.m. at Rock River Center.

Registration required for all groups. Please call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

Byron businesses offering special community tick or treat event

BYRON—Several Byron area organizations and businesses are joining together to offer a special community trick or treat on Saturday, Oct. 31, from 1-3 pm.

Families and kids are invited to dress up in your Halloween costumes and visit the participating locations for treats, candy, and even some surprises. Face masks and social distancing are required for entry into participating locations.

The ever-popular Candy Cloud Co. truck will be set up under the marquee at the Byron Museum Theatre, serving their famous cotton candy and fall-themed Hawaiian shaved ice treats along with Basement Productions DJ with family-friendly Halloween music. Chelsea Marie

Photography will have a photo booth set up in the Byron Museum Theatre lobby for free costume photo ops. Byron's Emerald Eagles 4H Club will also be handing out candy and information for anyone interested in joining.

Participating Locations: Sat, Oct 31, 1-3 p.m.

- * Byron Museum of History, 110 N. Union St.

- * Byron Public Library, 100 W. Washington St.

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- * Holcomb Bank, 504 W. Blackhawk St.

Check the Byron Museum of History Facebook page for updates and additional participating locations.

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Oregon Police report

Oct. 6
At 6:07 a.m., Oregon Police responded to the intersection of Washington and 4th Streets for a two-vehicle traffic crash involving a 2020 Jeep driven by Stephanie K. Freeze, 45, Mt. Morris and a 2014 Ford driven by William J. Holloway, age 57, of Leaf River. Freeze was issued a citation for disobeying a traffic control device.

At 3:09 p.m., Oregon Police issued Paige M. Beauchem, 16, Chana, a citation for speeding, 45 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 1000 block of Adams Street.

Oct. 7
At 9:33 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Alyssa P. Wright, 22, of Aurora, on two DuPage County warrants, one for failure to appear for dangerous drugs, and one for driving while license suspended. Wright was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Oct. 8
At 4:33 a.m., Oregon Police issued James R. Druen, 55, Byron, a citation for speeding, 44 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 800 block of N. 4th Street.

At 11:36 a.m., Oregon Police investigated a two-vehicle traffic crash in the parking lot for the IL Secretary of State's Office located at 1302 Pines Road involving a 2008 Chevrolet driven by David E. Johnson, 82, Byron, and a parked 2000 Ford owned by Roy R. Ennenga, Jr., 39, Oregon. No citations were issued.

At 2:28 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Gerald L. Otten, 62, Oregon, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. Otten was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Oct. 9
At 4:27 p.m., Oregon Police issued Amber L. Jordan, 36, Oregon, a city citation for violating the nuisance animal ordinance of allowing a dog to run at large. This violation occurred in the 700 block of Jefferson Street.

At 9:16 p.m., Oregon Police issued Joshua M. Deuth, 29, Oregon, a citation for failure to stop at a stop sign. This violation occurred at the intersection of Jefferson and 10th Streets.

At 11:31 p.m., Oregon Police issued Peter K. Brauchler, 25, Oregon, a citation for failure to stop at a stop sign. This violation occurred at the intersection of River Road and E. Washington Street.

Oct. 10
At 2 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Richard W. Major, 53, Oregon, for possession of a stolen debit card. Major was also issued a civil citation for possession of drug paraphernalia. Major was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Oct. 11
At 8 p.m., Oregon Police issued one 14-year-old male juvenile, of Oregon, a city citation for the offense of littering. This violation occurred in the 400 block of S. 6th Street.

3 parking citation and 4 verbal warning issued from 10/05/2020 through 10/11/2020.
General Calls for Service
Through dispatch during the week of 10/05/2020 through 10/11/2020:

Checking a Subject / Vehicle	5	Citizen Complaints	10
Citizen Assist / Civil Problem	9	Assist EMS / Other Dept.	2
Disturbance / Dom Battery	6	911 Hang-up / Open Line	6
Lockout Vehicle / Building	5	Alarm Response	2
Ordinance Violations	3	Traffic Stops	8

Oct. 12
At 1:03 a.m., Oregon Police issued Robert A. Reitz, 56, Forreton, citations for disobeying a stop sign and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. These violations occurred at the intersection of S. 10th and Webster Streets.

Oct. 13
At 9:06 a.m., Oregon Police issued Lisa A. Smith, 36, Oregon, a citation for speeding, 52 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 200 block of N. Daysville Road.
At 3:07 p.m., Oregon Police issued Alyssa A. Torres, 17, Rockford, a citation for speeding, 45 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 1000 block of Adams Street.

October 14
At 11:43 a.m., Oregon Police issued Larry C. Kuehne, 57, Roscoe, a citation for speeding, 48 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 200 block of N. Daysville Road.
At 1:22 p.m., Oregon Police issued Bonnie M. Schlatt, 41, Oregon, a citation for disobeying a stop sign. This violation occurred at the intersection of S. 10th and Webster Streets.

Oct. 18
At 8:03 a.m., Oregon Police issued Jessica F. Garrison, 20, Rochelle, a citation for speeding, 54 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 700 block of N. 4th Street.
At 12:52 p.m., Oregon Police issued Carole L. Whitney, 77, Dixon, a citation for speeding, 54 mph in a 35 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 1300 block of Pines Road.
At 5:10 p.m., Oregon Police issued Robert A. Milliman, 66, Oregon, a city citation for violating the ordinance of allowing a dog to run at large. This violation occurred in the 600 block of Monroe Street.

4 parking citation and 3 verbal warning issued from 10/12/2020 through 10/18/2020.
General Calls for Service
Through dispatch during the week of 10/12/2020 through 10/18/2020:

Checking a Subject / Vehicle	4	Citizen Complaints	12
Citizen Assist / Civil Problem	8	Assist EMS / Other Dept.	4
Disturbance / Dom Battery	1	911 Hang-up / Open Line	1
Lockout Vehicle / Building	2	Alarm Response	1
Ordinance Violations	2	Traffic Stops	10

Leaf River man is killed in Oregon crash

OREGON—A Leaf River man was killed in two-vehicle crash in Oregon at about 8:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

Andrew Long, 37, was killed in the crash that happened in the 1700 block of W. Washington Street.

The initial investigation indicated that a 2016 Dodge truck traveling westbound and driven by Scott L. Disher, 33, Mount Morris, crossed over the center line, into the path of an eastbound 2007 Saturn driven by Long, Oregon Police said in a release. Long was pronounced deceased at the scene due to injuries sustained from the accident.

Disher was transported by Oregon Fire/Ambulance to KSB Hospital for minor injuries, where he was treated and released.

Disher was arrested for Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and was transported to the Ogle County jail. Disher was also issued citations for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol with Blood Alcohol Content Greater than .08, Improper Lane Usage, and Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident.

The Ogle County Sheriff's Office assisted at the scene and performed accident reconstruction duties. This traffic crash remains under investigation.

The Oregon Police Department continues to consult with the Ogle County State's Attorney regarding potential additional charges.

Oregon Woman's Club offers free seminar

OREGON – Karla Belzer, educator with the University of Illinois, will conduct a seminar on mindfulness on Monday, Nov. 2, at 1 p.m. at the Rock River Center, 810 S. Tenth St., Oregon.

The seminar, sponsored by the Oregon Woman's Club, is free to all in the community.

Mindfulness is the habit of paying purposeful atten-

tion to the present moment, appreciating what is going on as it happens, rather than being distracted by either past events or future possibilities. It reduces stress and allows practitioners to enjoy their lives more. The program will help participants explore the benefits of mindfulness meditation and teach them techniques that reduce stress and increase life satisfaction.

While there is no charge for the event, registration is required. To attend, call Audrey at 815-761-9834 or email atcreekwood@outlook.com. Note that masks are required at the Rock River Center.

The Oregon Woman's Club is a service and volunteer organization aiding community organization in Oregon and surrounding communities.

Monroe Township election packets available

Petition Packets for the Monroe Township Consolidated Election to be held on April 6, 2020, may be accessed on the Ogle County website www.oglecountyclerk.org or may be picked up at the home office of the Monroe Township Clerk, Joan Morphey at 15681 E. Oak Tree Drive, Davis Junction. Please call ahead at 815-988-7260.

Offices to be voted on are: Supervisor, Clerk, Assessor, Road Commissioner, and four Trustees. Number of signatures required: 4 minimum, 54 maximum. Completed petitions must be filed at the home office of the Monroe Township Clerk during the following Filing Period only: Dec. 14, 2020-Dec. 21, 2020, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Polo Police report

Oct. 1
 TIME: 8:10 a.m.
 REPORT: James Collins, 32, Polo, was cited for Disobeying Traffic Control Device. Collins was released on an I-Bond.
 TIME: 10:40 a.m.
 REPORT: Leila P. Stebbins, 20, Polo, was cited for speeding 41 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Stebbins was released on an I-Bond.
 TIME: 18:40 p.m.
 REPORT: Spencer J. DeCrane, 23, Polo, was issued a City Citation for parking the wrong way on the street.

Oct. 3
 TIME: 7:54 a.m.
 REPORT: Angel M. Grinall, 19, Rockford, was issued a Notice to Appear for an Expired Insurance Card.

General Calls for Service for the weeks of September 21, 2020 thru October 4, 2020

Citizen Complaints/Assist	20
Animal Complaints	2
Disturbance/Domestic	2
City Ordinance	1
Fire/Medical Assist	6
Lock Out	1
911 Hang Out	1
Traffic Stops	23
County Assists	4

Oct. 4
 TIME: 1:07 a.m.
 REPORT: Bryce C.P. Chellis, 24, Foley, AL., was cited for Illegal Squealing of Tires. Chellis was released on an I-Bond.

Oct. 5
 TIME: 2:44 p.m.
 REPORT: Timothy Allen Shields, 56, Evansville, IN, was cited for Operation of an Uninsured Vehicle. Shields was released on an I-bond.

Oct. 8
 TIME: 12:29 p.m.
 REPORT: Jonathan S. Webb, 40, Polo, was arrested on an Outstanding Ogle County Warrant. Webb was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 12
 TIME: 6:50 p.m.
 REPORT: Dolan R. Motes, 50, Rock Falls, was cited for speeding 52 mph in a 35 mph speed zone. Motes was released on an I-Bond.
 TIME: 9:11 p.m.
 REPORT: John R. Powell, 59, Polo, was arrested for an Outstanding Ogle County Warrant. Powell was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 16
 TIME: 4:48 p.m.
 REPORT: Cody Arron Suter, 30, Polo, was arrested on an Outstanding Winnebago County Warrant. Suter was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 17
 TIME: 11:48 p.m.
 REPORT: Stacey K. Bielema, 41, Polo, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Bielema was transported to the Ogle County Jail.
 TIME: 11:48 p.m.
 REPORT: Frank Kowal, 46, Polo, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Kowal was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

General Calls for Service for the weeks of October 5, 2020 thru October 18, 2020

Citizen Complaints/Assist	16
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Members of the Oregon Woman's Club presented books to the Oregon Public Library in memory of long-time member, Diane Gorski. Front Row: Diane's daughters, Geri (left) and Donna Gorski. Rear row: Debbie Her- man, librarian, (far left) OWC president, Jan Steward, Johanna Hahne, and (far right) Maja Shoemaker.

Oregon Women's Club donates books to Oregon Public Library

OREGON – The Oregon Woman's Club has donated a selection of books aimed at readers aged 6-10 to the Oregon Public Library in honor of Diane Gorski, who was a member of the club for many years.

She passed away on June 25 of this year. Diane taught at Lincoln Elementary School, St. Charles, for 22 years. She and her late husband moved to Oregon in 2001.

The books, designed for elementary

school readers, include Atlas of Adventures by Rachel Williams, illustrated by Luci Letherland; Caterpillar Summer by Gillian McDunn; What is Given From the Heart by Patricia C. McKissack; and The Truth About

Butterflies by Maxwell Eaton III. They were chosen after consultation with Oregon Public Library's children's librarian, Debbie Her- man. The books are all in general circulation at the library now.

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Church sets Trunk or Treat event

MOUNT MORRIS – The Evangelical Free Church of Mount Morris welcomes all superheroes to our annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct. 31.

While COVID guidelines prevent some activities and food service, our vehicles will still be decorated and full of candy. And Oregon SuperValu is donating individually prepackaged snacks and bottled water for our guests. This year's theme is Superheroes, and the first 100 children will be able to create their own "Superhero Pumpkin." Families can take free photos using our Superhero Cityscape backdrop.

Trunk or Treat will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. in the church parking lot, located at the intersection of Seminary Avenue and Center Street. To help with social distancing, please enter the lot from Seminary Avenue and exit onto Center Street. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to accompany your children.

The Evangelical Free Church's weekly worship service is at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

For more information, go to www.efcmm.org or find us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/efcmm](https://www.facebook.com/efcmm).

Leaf River candidate petitions ready

Leaf River Township candidacy petitions are available for April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election.

Officers to be elected (all 4-year terms): Supervisor (no incumbent running), Clerk (no incumbent running), Highway

Commissioner, Assessor (no incumbent running), 4 Trustees. Petitions and candidacy papers are available at the Ogle County Clerk's Office or website (oglecounty.org), or by calling Leaf River Township Clerk, Sandra Theden

at 815-979-2325.

Requirements: Registered voter and a resident in Leaf River Township for at least one year. Filing Period & Location: Dec. 14-21, 2020; times TBD; Leaf River Township Hall, 12 Main St., Leaf River.

All Things Disney event will be on Oct. 31

BYRON – Join us in the parking lot of United Church of Byron, 701 W 2nd St., on Oct. 31 for a socially distanced Trunk or Treat event for the whole family starting at 2 p.m. and concluding at 4 p.m.

In accordance with Local, State and Federal guidelines masks will be required and social distancing must be observed.

Necessary precautions will be taken when distributing candy.

Our theme this year is All Things Disney. Dress as your favorite Disney character, if you'd like, and come and collect some candy.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 815-234-8777.

Oregon Park District has upcoming events, activities

Pack walk

Dogs need to explore just as much as they need food and water. Join the Oregon Park District's dog trainer, Bree, as we explore different parks while working on indirect socialization and confidence building with our furry friends. This is a safe environment to indirectly socialize and exercise your dog among others. We do not allow dogs to go nose-to-nose during these walks. Dogs must be at least 6 months of age. Our upcoming walk will be at Park West at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 2. Deadline to register is Thursday, Oct. 29. The fee for the walk is just \$5/\$6 Non-Residents.

Easy make ahead party appetizers

Join Lynn Kaufman at Cork & Tap and learn to make a couple yummy appetizers for the holidays or those Sunday night football games. In class on Wednesday, November 4 make artichoke dip and Italian Stuffed Mushrooms. Class is from 6:30-8 p.m. at Cork and Tap. Register online or over the phone. Class fee is \$32/Resident or \$38/ Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Oct. 27.

Paint & Sip Snowman on Canvas

Social Art is so much fun. Enjoy an evening out with local artist, Amy Fenwick, while you pain on canvas and sip on your favorite beverage at Cork & Tap in Oregon. Amy will guide you through the painting process on Thursday, Nov. 5 at 6 p.m. All supplies are

included. Fee for the class is \$33/Resident or \$40/ Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Oct. 29.

Mini Pie Workshop

Beth Shenberger will share some great pie recipes and walk participants through the process of making perfect mini pumpkin pies. Class fee includes the Pampered Chef Mini Pie Pan and all supplies needed to make 6 perfect little individual pies. Individual desserts are such a great idea currently with social distancing. The class is at Nash Recreation Center on Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020 from 6-7 p.m. Fee is \$44/Resident or \$53/ Non-Resident. Registration deadline is October 27.

DIY Kit-Turkey Gobble, Gobble, Gobble Sign with T+T

Enjoy stenciling a Gobble, Gobble, Gobble Sign on a 12" x 12" canvas. This DIY project with your first or last name is perfect for kids or adults looking for crafty projects. Pick up your kit on Monday, Nov. 16 at Nash. Enjoy creating trendy art pieces with the help of a prepared kit (includes canvas, stencil, and all paint needed) and access to a "HOW TO" video with Charlotte from T+T. Class fee is \$14/Resident or \$17/ Non-Resident. Registration deadline is November 9.

Catch the Wave swim lessons

Join the Oregon Park District for swim lessons with Catch the Wave swim club. New sessions are offered each month on Tuesdays

from 2-6 p.m. and Thursdays from 4-7 p.m. for ages 3 months and up. Lessons are half hour and limited to 4 students per class. Cost is \$54R/\$59 NR for a 4 week session and \$70R/\$77NR for a 5 week session. Deadline to register for each month's session is the 21st of each month.

We are now offering private lessons on Monday mornings from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Choose as many lessons as you would like with a cost of \$25 per session R/\$28 NR. Each session can be registered for independently or choose to do several weeks in a row. Give your child one-on-one instructor to work on skills important to your family.

6th grade boys basketball

This competitive league elevates the expectation of both the players and the coaches. Games are scheduled by Oregon School District and will replicate the 7th and 8th grade schedule. All home games will be played at Nash. Transportation to all away games will be provided by OCUSD. Roster size is limited on this team and try-outs may be required. Government and IHSA guidelines will be followed. Masks must be worn by players and coaches, and there will be no spectators allowed at game. Practices are scheduled to begin the week of November 16th. A volunteer coach is needed for this league. If interested, please email lesley@oregonpark.org. Deadline is Oct. 31st. Fee \$75. Please register online at www.oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

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Scholarship

Jerry Wickam American Legion Post 1148 commander Lisle Harris presented Emma Badertscher with a \$100 scholarship from the Legion in Leaf River on Sept. 9. Badertscher graduated from Winnebago High School and is now attending Rock Valley College.



Above, Hunter Kreams and his dog Tracker dressed as Dinosaurs. Below, Kelly won first place dressed as Disney's Belle.

Park District's canine costume contest howling good time

OREGON – The Oregon Park District hosted the annual Howl'oween Canine Costume Contest on Oct. 20 at Wiggly Field Dog Park. The event was co-sponsored by Pines Meadow Vet Clinic. Dog lovers really enjoyed this event. Who can resist adorable canines in their costumes? This year most participants

had store bought costumes, and there were some great group costumes as well. The dogs did a great job showing off as they paraded around in their Halloween outfits. Our first-place winner was Kelly. Her owner, Kristie had her dressed as Disney's Belle. The first-place group costume prize went to Tracker whose owner Beatrice had him

dressed like a Triceratops and her son Hunter dressed like a dinosaur as well. All owners and their four-legged friends had a good time and both owners and dogs received Halloween treats before leaving the park. We look forward to offering the contest again next year. If you are interested in participating in fun events

at Wiggly Field Dog Park, be sure to get a membership and enjoy all the amenities and enclosed place for play. The Park District also offers other Dog programming give owners more opportunity for socializing their dog and training. For more information on programming opportunities with your pet go to www.oregonpark.org.



District has new commissioner opening

At its regular meeting on Oct. 19, the Byron Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners accepted the resignation of Board President Trevor Hogan. Hogan has been a Commissioner since 2011, serving as President for many of those years. He has decided to move on in other endeavors with the Byron Forest Preserve. The Board of Commissioners and staff are very grateful for his service to the District and the community. At the same meeting, the Board appointed Jeff Ludwig to the position of commissioner to fill the vacancy. Ludwig will serve in this position until the consolidated election on April 6, 2021. The Byron Forest Preserve Board of Commissioners has three upcoming board

commissioner openings; the openings are two 4-year terms and one 2-year unexpired term. Persons interested in seeking a position as a member of the Byron Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners should go online to www.oglecounty.org, click on Departments, County Clerk, Forms, Local Election Official (Petition Packets) to get the necessary forms or pick them up at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron. The board consists of five members. Petitions must be filed between Dec. 14-21, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the office of Michelle Gerke, Local Election Official, located at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tues., Oct. 27

October Book Club, 6-7 p.m., via Zoom with the Byron Library. Prepare to get spooked as Kelly discusses *The Invited* by Jennifer McMahon. Copies of *The Invited* are available at the Byron Library, so reserve yours today. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register. Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants.

the 'Wednesday WhoDunIt' book discussion group at 10:30 a.m. We will meet outside, if weather permits; if not, the discussion will be held, socially-distanced, in the library meeting room. Masks will be required.

and Costello just might stop by! Registration required for this Zoom event, call 815-732-2724.

Fri., Oct. 30

Forreston Farmer's Market, 8-noon, Subway Parking Lot Rt. 26/72

Thurs., Oct. 29

Polo Farmer's Market, 3-6 p.m., City Lot south of Shell Station on Division Ave.

Dogwood Inn Flea/Farmer's Market, 3-6 p.m., Indoors in Banquet Area - Rt. 26/64

Sat., Oct. 31

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concluding at 4 p.m.

The Evangelical Free Church of Mount Morris welcomes all superheroes to our annual Trunk or Treat Trunk or Treat will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. in the church parking lot, located at the intersection of Seminary Avenue and Center Street. This year's theme is Superheroes, and the first 100 children will be able to create their own "Superhero Pumpkin."

Weds., Oct. 28

Are you the kind of person who loves to read mysteries? Join the Bertolet Library for

A classic monster mash, 3:30 p.m. with the Oregon Library via Zoom. We'll also see how children celebrated Halloween a century ago, and who knows? Abbott

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Ogle County Sheriff

Oct. 17

At approximately 7:45 p.m., Ogle County Deputies conducted a traffic stop at the intersection of West Mud Creek Road and North Rock Road. After investigation, Ogle County Deputies arrested Richard Gallagher, 36 of Oregon, for Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer. Gallagher was also issued a citation for an equipment violation. Gallagher was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

License Suspended, and Improper Use of Registration. Heinze was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

Oct. 11

At approximately 1:40 a.m., Deputies responded to the 700 block of Golden Prairie Drive in reference to a disturbance. After investigation, Deputies arrested Michael Dixon, 21 of Davis Junction, for Domestic Battery. Dixon was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

At 2:37 p.m. the OCSO and Lyn Scott Rock Fire Dept. were dispatched to a two-vehicle crash at Hwy 251 and Rte 64 intersection. Investigation by deputies revealed that a Nissan SUV driven by Diana Lantz, 54, of Carol Stream was traveling west on Rte 64 and failed to stop for the stop sign at the Hwy 251 intersection. As a result the Nissan struck a Buick in the intersection which was traveling south on Hwy 251. The driver of the Buick, Samantha Metzger, 26, of Rochelle and her three passengers were transported by ambulance to the Rochelle Hospital. Lantz was also transported by ambulance to the Rochelle Hospital. All of the injuries appeared to be non life threatening. Lantz was cited for disobeying a stop sign. The ISP and Rochelle fire Dept. assisted at the scene.

Oct. 10

At approximately 6:44 p.m., Deputies responded to a one vehicle accident at the intersection of West Pines Road and South Evergreen Road. After investigation, Deputies arrested Michael Poff, 49 of Polo, for Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol. Poff was also issued a citation for Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Poff was transported to KSB

Hospital where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries. Poff was given an I bond with a return court date later next month. Ogle County was assisted by Polo EMS along with Polo Police Department.

Oct. 9

At approximately midnight, Deputies responded to the 3000 block of North Brookville Road in reference to a suspicious vehicle. After investigation, Deputies arrested Michael Hensley, 31 of Mount Morris, for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Hensley was also issued citations for Unlawful Parking and Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Hensley was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

Stefanny Altamirano, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County Warrant for Failure to Appear. Altamirano was able to post the \$341 full cash bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 8

Jonathan Webb, 40 of Polo, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County Warrant for Failure to Appear. Webb was unable to post the \$527 full cash bond and remains in custody at the Ogle County Jail. Webb will appear in court on 10/09/20 at 1 p.m.

At 10:41 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 13000 block of West Illinois Rt. 64 for an equipment violation. After an investigation, Christina Galvan, 29 of Sterling, was arrested for Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Equipment, Driving on a Suspended License, and an outstanding warrant. Also arrested was, Nancy Scudder, 30 of Rock Falls, for Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession

of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Equipment, and an outstanding warrant.

Oct. 7

At approximately 11:45 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 11000 block of East Illinois Rte 38. After investigation, Deputies arrested Carolina Revuelta-Avalos, 45 of Rochelle, for Driving While License Suspended. Revuelta-Avalos was also issued a citation for an equipment violation. Revuelta-Avalos was issued and I bond and given a court date set for later next month.

At 7 p.m., Deputies responded to the 8000 block of North River Dr. for a disturbance call. After a short investigation Deputies arrested Chase Clark, 27 of Byron, for Domestic Battery, Aggravated Battery and Interfering with the Report of a Domestic Battery. Clark was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond. Deputies were assisted by the Illinois State Police.

Oct. 6

The following were arrested for Ogle County Outstanding Warrants:

Duane Leonard, 52, of Rockford for Failure to Appear warrant. Leonard had a bond of \$1673.75 and went to court. The judge gave Leonard a \$400 bond. Leonard posted bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail. Leonard will have to return for court on 11/30/20 at 9 am.

Kamal Abdallah, 46, of Dekalb for Failure to Appear. Abdallah had a bond of \$8762.14 and went to court. The judge gave Abdallah a \$100 bond and Abdallah posted bond. Abdallah was released from the Ogle County Jail and will return to court on 10/26/20 at 9 am.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Nov. 15, 1777, after 16 months of debate, the Continental Congress, sitting in its temporary capital of York, Pennsylvania, agrees to adopt the Articles of Confederation and Perpetual Union. Not until March 1, 1781, would the last of the 13 states, Maryland, ratify the agreement.

* On Nov. 12, 1864, Union Gen. William T. Sherman orders the business district of Atlanta destroyed before he embarks on his famous March to the Sea. Nearly 40% of the city was left in ruin.

* On Nov. 11, 1885, George Patton, one of the great American generals of World War II, is born in San Gabriel, California. Patton was controversial, known to make eccentric claims that he was a direct descendant of great military leaders of the past through reincarnation.

* On Nov. 10, 1903, Mary Anderson receives patent No. 743,801 for her "window cleaning device for electric cars and other vehicles to remove snow, ice or sleet from the window." Anderson tried to sell it to a Canadian manufacturing firm, which said the device had no practical value.

* On Nov. 14, 1914, in Constantinople, capital of the Ottoman Empire, the religious leader Sheikh-ul-Islam declares an Islamic holy war on behalf of the Ottoman government, urging his Muslim followers to take up arms against Britain, France, Russia, Serbia and Montenegro.

* On Nov. 13, 1953, a member of the Indiana Textbook Commission calls for the removal of references to the book "Robin Hood" from textbooks used by the state's schools. She claimed that Robin Hood was a communist because he robbed the rich and gave it to the poor.

* On Nov. 9, 1965, Roger Allen LaPorte, a 22-year-old member of the Catholic Worker movement, immolates himself in front of the United Nations headquarters in New York. Before dying, LaPorte, who was against war, declared that he did it as a religious act.

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Thirty years ago, I was finishing up college and getting ready to start my journalism career. I had a baby at home and was ready to kick off my life.

Now my son, that baby, is 30 and starting to look for his first journalism job as he completes college in about six weeks.

So, I am actually helping him look. There is a great journalism site for job seekers and I check it often, looking for entry level jobs for him in small towns. There are newspapers all over – yes, still – although the numbers are shrinking. And you can find them in some cool places.

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Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



as my parents nearly moved there before I was born. Instead they traveled one more state west and ended up in Arizona.

But I have always wanted to live in New Mexico. I used to look at newspaper jobs there, but the right one at the right time never popped up. Too bad, because it is a state that has long had a pull for me.

And now, looking at jobs my son is applying for, I realize that the moving to New Mexico ship has probably sailed.

Yes, it is a bummer. Honestly, I am probably a

little too old to pack up and move to a new state, at least before retiring. And that is a weird feeling for someone who has moved around all of his adult life.

But I love adventure. I love meeting new people. I love going to places I have never been – even state's I never considered living in, like Nebraska. Life is all about the adventure, and I don't want to give that up.

So instead, I will just have to make some adjustments. If my son does end up getting a job in a place like New Mexico, I can – and will – go visit often. Yes, to see him. But have you ever had New Mexico Mexican food? It is loaded with chilis and packed with flavor. I am literally salivating right now.

And when I do eventually retire, something that is not even on the horizon, I can certainly travel to scratch that moving itch. One of my favorite things about riding a motorcycle is taking roads I have never been on before. I can and do take notice of these unique moments. And our lives are just a collection

of the moments, right?

I just like to collect as many of these moments as I can. If I didn't travel, and if I had not moved around as much as I have, I just wouldn't have enough of these precious moments collected.

I understand I am not everyone. I know a lot of people who are content to stay put, not move and rarely travel. I say live the life you want to live.

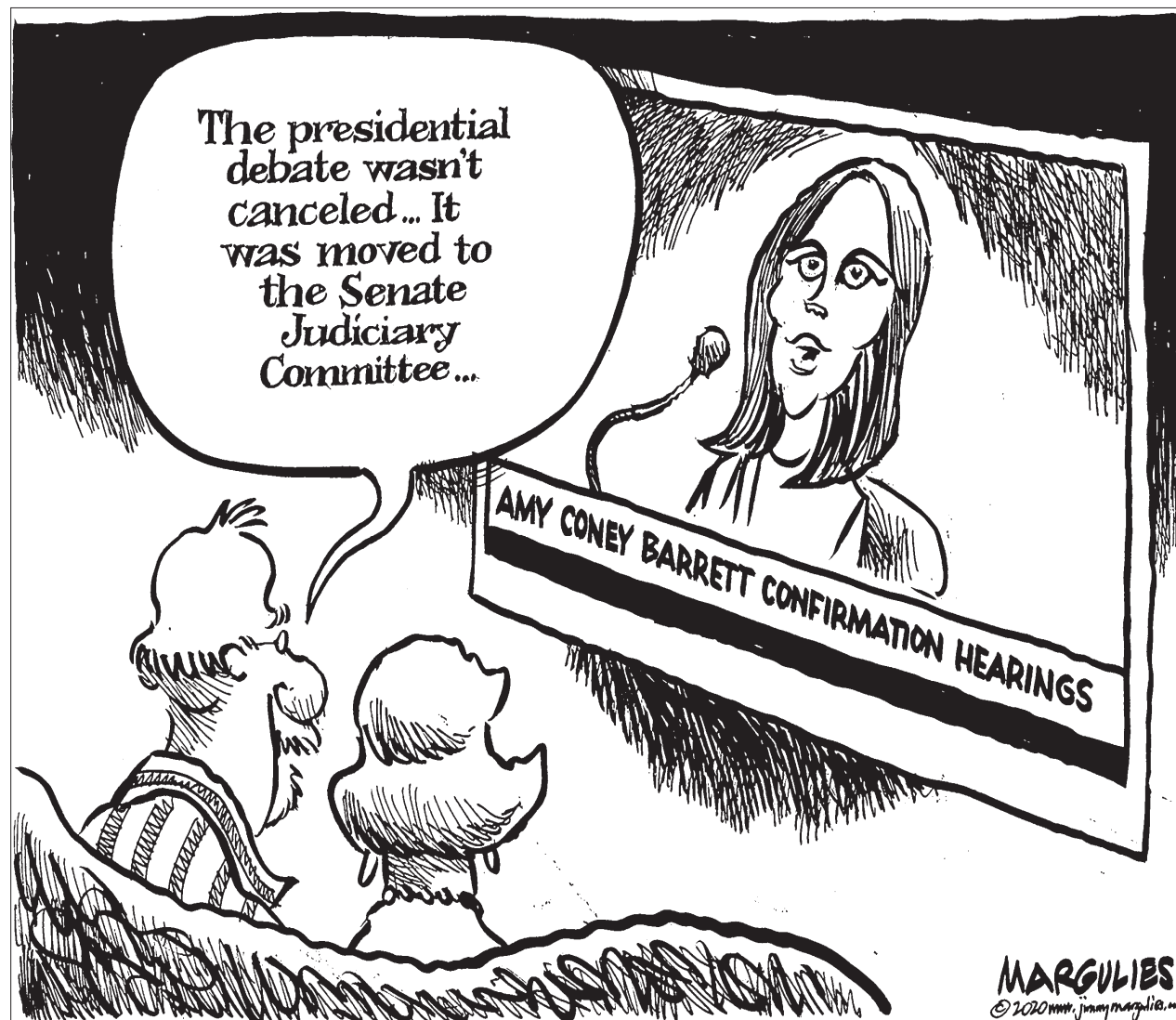
Me? I am always thinking about what is over the next hill.

I think my son has that same thing. He is looking forward to living in a place that he has never lived, to meeting people he would have never met if he had not been prepared to take a chance.

I am glad to see that. I am glad he is open to taking chances. Taking chances has led me to living a life I would say is far from boring.

Collect those moments. Savor them. They make us what we are.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



VIEWPOINT

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It is time to put country before party

Dear Editor,

My father voted Republican for over 70 years. By the time the 2018 midterms rolled around, he was so disgusted he vowed to vote for Democrats. Donald Trump was destroying everything my dad respected; the Republican Party allowed it.

Trump trashes media sources we have respected for years. He meddled in the USPS. He claims our election results cannot be valid if he loses. He undermines our FBI and CIA. He closed the borders to China, but allowed 40,000 US citizens and authorized travelers to return to the U.S. With no national plan, many returned without tests or quarantine, seeding infection in our communities. His inadequate response to the pandemic has

cost thousands of lives. After the COVID outbreak at a South Dakota Smithfield plant, the CDC's world-renowned epidemic team was forced to water down recommendations for the first time, ever. We heard Trump's own words of betrayal: he downplayed the virus to avoid panic, keeping facts from us that could have saved lives. He wasn't worried about the American people. He was only worried about the stock market. Trump believed he had to choose the economy over public health. Our economy suffers anyway. Now he is choosing herd immunity as our path. Medical experts warn this would result in additional deaths in the millions.

Officials from the Defense Department, Homeland Security, Intelligence, Justice

Department, State Department and White House, many of whom worked closely with Trump, are raising an alarm. Most worked for Presidents of both parties. Trump claims to know more than economists, military, medical, public health, science and national security experts. There is a 90 percent turnover in key positions. Nearly 500 retired *generals*, admirals and senior civilian national security officials, who never comment on politics, endorsed Joe Biden and blasted *Trump*.

Former Defense Secretary Mattis: "Trump is the first president in my lifetime who does not try to unite the American people. We are witnessing the consequences of three years of this deliberate effort. We

are witnessing the consequences of three years without mature leadership."

Former Navy Secretary Richard Spencer: "The President has very little understanding of what it means to be in the military, to fight ethically or to be governed by a uniform set of rules and practices."

John Kelly, a retired U.S. Marine Corps general & former White House Chief of Staff for President Donald Trump, said "There is a concern, I think an awful big concern, that the partisanship has gotten out of hand, the tribal thing has gotten out of hand."

It is time to put country before party. It is time to reject a man who is not up to the job.

Carrie Head, Chana

Trump's character is opposite of Jesus

Dear Editor,

I can no longer remain silent, for I was one of you, that is until this last election, when my eyes were finally opened. Let's just say I had a spiritual crisis. Born and raised Catholic, then became an evangelical. I was even a partner with a few. But when I saw these ministries support Trump I had a revelation - it's about the money not love. It was then I knew it had nothing to do with Jesus.

In fact, the only time Jesus lost his temper was when he turned the tables over because the sellers were profiting from religion. Also, he didn't care anything about money, but did say pay your taxes ... are you hearing me churches, Trump? And the first church in the book of Acts was socialist, there was no rich or poor, everyone just gave and took care of each other.

As far as the abortion issue, there's more than one way to destroy a life, Catholic church covering up and moving pedophiles, any Christian racists, alcoholics, gamblers, any type of addict, abusers, adulterers, greedy hypocrites?

Why don't you legislate your own "sin?" I thought so. Trump's character is the opposite of Jesus, who was humble, loving, did not concern himself with money...hmmm. If what you do or say isn't about love or helping or accepting people you are doing harm. Love of all people trumps money.

Jeanne Mlady, Oregon



"HOW'S THAT SOUND?"

Get the facts and vote 'Yes' for the graduated income tax

Dear Editor,

The Graduated Income Tax Amendment is an important step toward righting the State's finances. Illinois is one of only eleven states that does not have a graduated income tax, a much fairer system to tax citizens compared to a flat rate. There are several misconceptions about the proposed amendment.

It will not empower the Legislature to raise taxes. They already

have this power. Some believe that this amendment opens the door to taxing retirement income and/or increasing taxes in inheritance/estates. The amendment does neither, the Legislature already has this authority too. Certainly, if the amendment does not pass, taxing retirement income may be more likely to be considered because of the need for revenue. On the public side, the State's financial situa-

tion and revenue problem is not the result of over-generous public pension benefits. The normal cost and level of benefits provided by Illinois' public pension systems for teachers, college and university employees, police, fire, and other State workers are generally just average compared to other states.

In fact, legislative decisions to underfund the State pension systems helped subsidize lower

income taxes for decades. Some are concerned about family farms being hurt by the graduated income tax. Only corporate farms pay the corporate tax.

Local governments rely heavily on property taxes to meet their public service obligations. Illinois imposes sales taxes on fewer items than most states. The State's financial picture was challenging before Covid-19 and the pandemic will

result in new shortfalls that must be addressed. A graduated income tax is a fair and balanced way to fulfill Illinois' fiscal responsibilities.

Please vote "Yes" for the proposed amendment of Section 3, Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

Steven D. Cunningham, member, Board of Directors, State Universities Annuitants Association, Oregon

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Meridian education referendum deserves your support

Dear Editor,
Meridian CUSD 223 Community, we are writing this letter as three former Board of Education members, parents of MCUSD graduates, business owners, and taxpayers to urge your support of the upcoming Meridian 223 Education Fund referendum. While we know everyone is concerned about the taxes they pay, particularly in this economy and with the direction of the state of Illinois, we are encouraging your support to sustain the funding you approved in the 2014 referendum.

Our support for this referendum is based on the following. First the Referendum is not affecting your current tax rate it allows the current rate to continue and the overall financial health of the district is dependent upon that revenue. With the continued revenue the district is still funded at what the state deems is 68 percent of adequacy. The results our schools are producing while funded at this level are outstanding. Asking them to continue to attempt to progress forward with less adequate funding would be difficult to impossible.

Next, we firmly trust the administration and the Board to oversee the usage of these funds. Since passing the referendum in 2014, the district has remained fiscally conservative while being aggressive in pursuing their goals. This is a difficult task, but they have done so and we continue to trust them to be thoughtful in how they pursue the goals they have set forth.

Lastly, much of our community strength is our schools. A great amount of community pride is derived from the success of our schools and its graduates. We believe that schools maintain property values and the overall success of the community. This referendum supports our views and values, while having no additional impact on the pocketbook, that is why we are asking for your supported. Please vote Yes.

Thank you,
Kevin Glendenning, Ronald Steenken, Steven Pierce

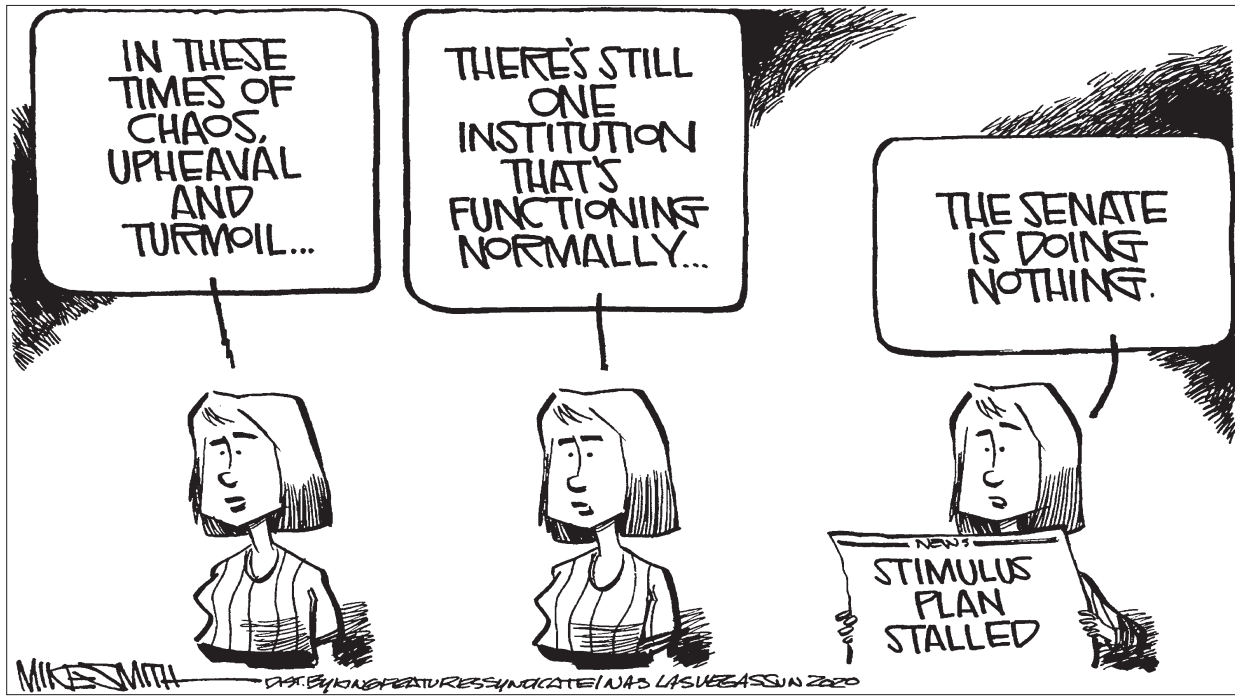
Referendum will not mean a tax increase

Dear Editor,
My name is Kurt Broski and my wife Paula, and I decided to move to Stillman Valley from Rockford back in 2015. Our main reason for moving was that we have four children and we wanted to ensure that they had a great education in a safe environment. Our kids also play sports and are involved in many other extra-curricular activities.

I can attest that the Meridian CUSD 223 did not disappoint. My wife and I soon realized that we made the right decision when we saw the quality of the teachers, faculty. All our kids have thrived in Meridian CUSD 223 in and out of the classroom. We believe in the school district, and their goal to provide a "World Class Education in a World Class Environment."

I think it is important to note that this referendum is not going to raise property taxes. This new referendum will be extending the existing referendum passed in 2014. Passing this referendum will ensure we provide a quality education for the future. I believe the School Board, Faculty and Staff have earned our vote in saying "yes" to passing the referendum.

Sincerely,
Kurt R. Broski, Stillman Valley



District deserves 'yes' vote on tax question

Dear Editor,
I am writing today to address Ogle county residents that will be voting on the Meridian district property tax referendum. This is an important referendum to pass. There will be no property tax increases with this referendum. The only way one's property taxes would increase would be if the assessed value of the property increases, same as every other year. The district is only requesting that the rate allocated to the district stay the same.

These funds are important to keep the desired growth of the district and its offerings that we have seen over the last six years, and possibly add new offerings, such as other foreign language options, more AP classes, more support staff and even smaller classroom sizes that offer more personal instruction. These are all things that make our district a leader in its class, a desired local district to attend, and grow our local economy. The district has been extremely transparent on what they've

been allocating where, and so far they have not even levied the full extent of what they could. They're careful to only levy what they feel they need for the year. Failure to pass the referendum would put our children's education, and our local economy, at risk. At risk of falling behind, not getting enough appropriate elective offerings, having large class sizes, families leaving our community, and a multitude of other consequences that are hard to imagine until we have to face them. Hopefully we won't have to, not in the near future.

Without passing the referendum, property owners in the district would only see a decrease on their property taxes of about \$300 for a property valued at \$150,000. Less property value would mean less savings. Think about that \$300. \$25 dollars a month. Chances are you aren't missing it, you've been paying it for the last six years already. Think of what \$25 dollars a month may mean to your children, grandchildren, neighbors children, in

their education. The district being able to keep that funding may mean they will be more readily accepted into the college of their choice. It will mean a more rounded, personal education for every child in the district. Personally, that \$25 a month is well worth it to me. It is far less than what the cost of private school would be ... and if our district is defunded much more, private school will be the only decent option left.

Please vote yes to the Meridian district property tax referendum. Our students and district deserve it. An investment in the education of the people that will run the country in 25 years can never be a bad thing. And we have some great people running the show right now that can really accomplish a lot with it. Please let them continue their great work in our district and our community by voting YES to the referendum this year.

Sincerely,
Amy Holder, Stillman Valley

Setting record straight on masks, pandemic, Trump

Dear Editor,
To Linda and Richard and all people who don't believe in wearing masks:

Linda wrote that "science tells us that masks do not protect us from microscopic particles..." What scientific studies has she looked at? What sources can she cite? Do you get your information from social media? Linda asks that we respect her "opinion". Well, I can't because this is what evidence I found.

UC Health: 7/16/20: "Science says wear a mask."

WebMD: 8/26/20: Relates a story about hunters of rodents (NE China) in 1910 who got sick from a virus.

The blood from the rodents had infected them. People began wearing masks or protection.

Healthline: 8/4/20. Dr. Redfield of the CDC said "Masks are one of the most powerful weapons we have to stop and slow the spread of the virus."

Nature: 10/6/20: Stated that masks are "important pandemic control." It also stated that polyester neck gaitors are not effective.

60 Minutes, 10/11/20: When doctors and researchers were asked which would they prefer—wear a mask or get a vaccine, all responded they would rather wear a mask.

There are some of people who are immune compromised. Wear a mask for their protection. You may be an asymptomatic carrier of the virus. Too many people are acting careless, and not like responsible citizens. Think of others. Be responsible. This covid-19 is, in some cases, a deadly virus.

Mark Schwendau stated that there is no pandemic. The deaths of over 200,000 people in the US and over a million people worldwide due to covid-19 is a pandemic. Not all obituaries state the cause of death. A pandemic occurs when there is an illness in many countries and continents.

The US has the most fatalities of any country from covid-19. Those states where the governors did not have a mask mandate had the most covid-19 corona virus cases. Thankfully we have a responsible governor who tries to keep us safe, not an easy task when our President shows irresponsible and reckless behavior.

Mark's latest letter exploring voters to vote for Trump tells of Trump's role in stopping human trafficking. Readers may want to read "The New York Times" Feb. 20th account of this story for a different perspective.

Jamee Wolf, Byron

Ogle Jolly holds first meeting of 2020

The Ogle Jolly 4-H club held its first meeting of the 2020-2021 year on Sept. 14 at the Davis Junction park.

The club went through their normal routine including the treasure report, minutes from the last meeting, and birthday bars were given out. The club also agreed that they would be selling garbage bags again as a club fundraiser.

The club elected their officers for the year as well. The officers include: President-Emma Hunderman, Vice President-Lexi Lichty, Secretary-Hanna Seaworth, Treasurer-Robbie Thurow, Reporter-Braden Rogers, Historian-Aubrey Janoski, Sentinel-Alyse Rogers and Katelin Adams, Recreation-Ty Horn and Aden Alderks, and the Clover Bud Leader-Emma Hunderman.

To end the meeting, the club members picked teams and played a friendly game of kickball in the park. Information about the club and other activities can be found on the Ogle Jolly facebook page.

– Submitted by Braden Rogers



Polo Library District has petitions available

POLO – Nominating petitions for four board positions at Polo Public Library District are available at the library.

Current board members are Dan Baker, Donna Baumann, Josh Faivre, Marie Monaco, Sarah Rowland, Julie Sanders, and Susan Zook.

Four of the seven positions will be open for election to four-year terms. The election will be held on April 6, 2021.

Library board members must be, on the date of the election, a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old, a registered voter, a resident of the State of Illinois and must have resided in the library district (Buffalo Township) at least one year at the time he or she files nomination papers.

To be considered for election, candidates must file a

petition with 13 signatures of qualified voters who live within the library district. The candidates must complete a statement of candidacy, a statement of economic interests, and may complete an optional notarized loyalty oath. All necessary forms are included in the candidate's election packet available at the library.

The filing period is Dec. 14 through Dec. 21. Packets returned after Dec. 21 will not be considered for candidacy.

Packets may be obtained and filed during library hours: Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This information is provided as a public service. For further information call Ellen Finrock, Library Director, at 815-946-2713.

Churches are sponsoring Christmas basket program

POLO – The Polo Council of Churches will once again sponsor the Christmas Basket program, providing food for persons in need for Christmas.

Sign-up sheets to receive a basket are available at the Lifeline Pantry, 113 N Green Ave. The deadline for sign-up will be Monday November 30 with pickup or delivery Saturday, Dec. 12 from 10-11 a.m. at Faith Discovery Church, 801 W Oregon Street Polo. Basket

include 4 pound ham, 1 pound sausage, soup, apple sauce, box potatoes, peanut butter, jelly, loaf of bread, canned fruit and vegetables, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, pancake mix and syrup.

Monetary donations may be made to Polo Council of Churches at First State Bank Polo or by contacting local participating churches

For more information call Jan Martin at 815-440-2561.

Food pantry has distributions

STILLMAN VALLEY – Bread of Life is a food pantry and soup kitchen serving residents of Ogle County and Meridian School District.

We meet at Valley Covenant Church on the corner of North Maple Street and Route 72, in Stillman Valley, on the second Tuesday of each month. Please bring proof of residence. Upcoming dates are Nov. 10 and Dec. 8. Distribution will be curbside only from 3-5 pm. If you are new to Bread of Life, please call 815-645-8872 to make an appointment.



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Senior Center hosting Harvest Supper

MOUNT MORRIS – The Board of the Mount Morris Senior Center is looking forward to hosting their annual Harvest Supper.

This year it will be a drive-through dinner at the Senior Center. Pick up will be 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21 and all are welcome. Please purchase a \$10 ticket in advance by emailing mmsrcenter@gmail.com, calling 815-734-6335, sending your check with a note to the Mt. Morris Senior Center at 9 East Front Street, Mt. Morris, IL 61054, pay online at the Senior Center Website www.mmseniorcenter.com, or talk to one of the Board Members.

Dinner this year will include roast pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, dessert, and an entry into the drawing for our door prize. All are invited to join in these festivities of the fall season.

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212 N Meyers Avenue Milledgeville \$64,900 Call JD

Country feels in city limits! Come take a look at this 2 bed/1 bath, 2 story home on the edge of town. Featuring a newer great room addition and large fenced in yard. Let your imagination run wild... Take advantage of this awesome opportunity today! Call or text to schedule a showing.



7033 Nestlewood Drive Roscoe \$174,900 Call Ashley

INTRODUCING YOUR DREAM HOME!!! Beautifully updated 4 bed 2 bath home with over 2100 square feet of finished living space!! This home encompasses an open concept kitchen, appealing modern flooring, master bedroom with en-suite bath, and main floor laundry. Enjoy the spacious deck, patio, and 3 car garage! Newer roof and ample space in the basement for storage or bonus room. This home is located on a large private lot close to I-90, nature trails, disc golf, and Rock Cut State Park. Now is the time to act quickly on this one, call today!!! Harlem School District.



705 S 3rd Street Oregon \$119,000 Call Stephanie

This newly renovated 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom is just the home you have been looking for! Minutes from downtown Oregon, and next door to Mix Park! You will love the modern flooring, paint and light fixtures and let's not forget the new countertops and appliances. Home was fully renovated with drywall, wiring, plumbing and mechanicals in 2016. This home boasts an eat-in kitchen, large closets, main floor bedrooms and laundry. Exterior holds all new siding and a new blacktop drive, 2 new deck porch areas and a professionally graded and seeded yard, along with fresh concrete sidewalk. Don't miss this one!



403 Monroe Street Oregon \$129,900 Call Rebecca

3 Investment Properties! 3 Units with excellent rental history are being offered for sale in a prime location on Route 2 in downtown Oregon! Home to the long standing "Oregon Barber Shop" in the front of the home, the main house features 3 bedrooms, 2 full bathrooms and a large yard. There is also an additional one bedroom/one bathroom home with excellent rental history. The one bedroom home has fresh paint and new carpet. All 3 units are rented making this a turn key investment property! Call for more information.



101 S 1st Street Oregon \$350,000 Call Rebecca

PRIME DEVELOPMENT SITE! Frontage along the Rock River in historic, downtown Oregon. Daily traffic count of 9300+ vehicles and over 650 feet of River Frontage. This is a rare opportunity to own a commercial lot with both excellent river frontage and high visibility from Illinois Route 64/North Avenue Previously used as a retail space with almost 5,000 sq feet, the property also includes a 50x140 storage building and a .64 acre lot. A superior site for a restaurant or hotel to name a few! This property is located in both a TIF and Enterprise Zone meaning there are possibilities for significant government incentives for development!



512 N Division Polo now \$79,900 Call Rebecca

Looking for move in ready, you have found your new home! 2 bed/1.5 bathroom home in Polo featuring many updates! In the last ten years the owner has updated the following: laminate flooring in the kitchen and baths, new carpet throughout the living space and bedrooms, 200 amp service, water softener, roof, window, furnace, central air, dry wall & deck. The main floor features an over sized living room and dining room. There is also a main floor laundry room and large mudroom. Detached 1 car garage and plenty of off street parking. Beautiful lot with plenty of green space and an expansive deck! Call for your showing today!



Sunday Nov 1st 2-4 PM Hosted by Carla

404 S 6th Street Oregon \$124,999 Absolutely Charming Home with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, gorgeous hardwood flooring, new tiled backsplash in kitchen, freshly painted, new refrigerator and built in microwave. Sliders to 20x16 deck, fenced park like backyard, basement is waterproofed. Finished lower level. Must see to appreciate! Close to NASH Rec Center and schools. You'll fall in love with this adorable affordable home!



Sunday Nov 1st 2-4 PM Hosted by Stephanie

794 N III Route 2 Oregon, \$299,900 Stately 2400 Sq ft Colonial 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home with all of the modern luxuries on 1.2 acres and 100 feet of Rock River Frontage! When entering you will fall in love with the spacious custom kitchen addition featuring marble counter tops, modern white cabinetry, a large kitchen pantry and stainless steel appliances. This home boasts 10 foot ceilings, crown molding and bamboo flooring throughout, energy efficient 2x6 construction to the addition and double brick walls and 2x6 framing in the original portion of the home, dual heating and cooling units and was recently annexed into the city water/sewer. Master bedroom and large 4 piece en suite with soaker tub and walk in tiled shower w/ 2 shower heads and oversize walk in closet. Custom decks were recently added and are perfect for entertaining or enjoying the breathtaking view of the Rock River.



6510 N Main Street Rockford now \$311,900 Call Erin

Old world charm with modern conveniences in this 4 bedroom, 3 bath Victorian on 4 acres. A grand foyer welcomes you home. Follow the beautiful hardwood floors into the massive living and dining space. Natural light abounds as you circle around to the updated kitchen with all stainless steel appliances. Upstairs you will discover 4 generous bedrooms, one with cozy screened porch, perfect for painting or reading. Completely updated bathrooms provide spa-like experience. This private country retreat is a stone's throw from Hwy 20, making commuting a breeze. There is also added income potential as a BednBreakfast or Arbnb. Beautiful, mature landscaping surrounds the home, detached 2 car garage with workshop and garden shed. This property is zoned AG, so bring your pets! Make an appointment to day to experience the grandeur of majestic country living. Too many new and updated features to list! Call today for more information.



402 E Lincoln Street Mt Morris now \$105,000 Call Lori

You will love the features of this brick ranch house with a walk-out basement. Picture yourself on the beautiful front porch watching the world go by on a low traffic street. Two fireplaces. The fireplace in the living room is gas, wood burning in the lower level family room. Lower level also has an enormous recreation room. This house is solid and ready for you.



208 N Main Street Leaf River now \$56,000 Call Rebecca

GREAT INVESTMENT OR FIRST HOME! Welcome home to this spacious 3 bedroom/1 bathroom home in Leaf River. Updated vinyl windows throughout this 1600+ square foot ranch home. Galley style kitchen with white cabinets and views of your backyard. There is an oversized dining room off of the kitchen space Large master bedroom with several closets for storage. The bathroom has been updated with a new tub surround. Upstairs has two spacious bedrooms with hardwood floors. Bonus features-1 car attached garage, charming front porch and back deck. Call today to schedule your showing!



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Byron boys third in conference

GENOA — Walcamp Park hosted the 2020 Big Northern Conference Championships this past weekend, with several Ogle County cross country teams lacing up for the meet.

Byron's boys finished third with 126 points, while Stillman Valley placed fifth and Oregon took eighth. Oregon's girls placed fifth, while Byron finished sixth and Stillman Valley took ninth.

Leah Watters led the Oregon girls, finishing 21st in 20:23.52 while Faith Marquardt placed 23rd in 20:25.24. Rebekah Starwalt and Sarah Tillett recorded top-25 finishes for Byron's girls, taking 18th and 22nd with respective times of 19:59.65 and 20:23.75. Sam Lewis led Byron's boys in the meet, finishing 11th with a time of 17:09.51 while Oregon's Ryan Hussung and Stillman Valley's Salvador Salas-Godinez placed 15th and 16th with times of 17:27.09 and 17:27.71.



Byron boys, girls golf teams end season strong

BYRON — The Byron boys and girls golf teams capped off a great season by competing in the IHSA State Series.

The Byron boys golf team kicked off its postseason run by competing in the 1A Byron Regional on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at PrairieView Golf Club. The Tigers finished in second place (339) out of 12 teams and qualified to advance to sectionals. Maison Brandt led the way with a 78 to take second place individually. Eric Detig (86) and Logan Remhof (86) both tied for 14th and Brayden Baker (89) tied for 18th to round out the team's score. Ean Larson carded a 91 and Brogan Griffith shot a 92 for the day.

With no state tournament this year, the boys finished their postseason play at the Peru-St. Bede Class 1A Sectional on Wednesday, Oct. 14 at Spring Creek Golf Course in Spring Valley. The team battled brutal windy conditions to finish the day in eighth place (368). Eric De-

tig posted the low score for the Tigers, shooting an 87 to tie for 17th place and Maison Brandt followed with an 88 to tie for 25th. Logan Remhof carded a 95 and Ean Larson, Brayden Baker and Brogan Griffith all chipped in 98s for the day.

The Byron girls golf team kicked off its postseason at the 1A Byron Regional on Wednesday, Oct. 7 at PrairieView Golf Club. The Lady Tigers finished the day with a season low score of 376 to take third place. Paige Bukoski fired an 89 to tie for sixth place and advance individually to the sectional tournament. Addie Ebersohl (93), Shannon McHale (96) and Ava Kultgen (98) rounded out the team's score and Abbie Baker and Grace Kultgen both shot 99s for the day.

On Tuesday, Oct. 13, Bukoski completed her season by shooting a personal-best 86 and finishing in 15th place at the Rock Falls 1A at Rock River Golf and Pool.

Anniversary



Couple celebrates 70 years

Marvin and Reet Birkholz will be celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on Nov. 4.

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A classic monster mash! – Oct. 29 at 3:30 p.m.

The Universal monster movies of the 1930's and 40's are some of the most influential and beautiful moves ever made. Was Jack Pierce the greatest makeup artist in film history? Is the Bride of Frankenstein even greater than Frankenstein? How did director James Whale use lighting and set design to help tell his stories of doom? We'll also see how children celebrated Halloween a century ago, and who knows? Abbott and Costello just might stop by! Registration required for this ZOOM event, call (815) 732-2724.

Halloween at the library – Saturday, Oct. 31, 3-5 p.m., ages 12 and under only

Different times call for different trick or treating... visit our "Halloween patch" on the Library lawn and pick out a unique "pumpkin" filled with treats. Social distancing and masks are required and there is a limited supply. In case of inclement weather the "pumpkins" will be distributed from the elevator entrance of the Library. Call the Library at 815-732-2724 for more information.

Video story time
Visit our Facebook page

on Thursdays at 10 a.m. and see where Story Time is coming from this week...

Library book clubs

The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss Ginny Moon by Benjamin Ludwig. The 2WBC meets Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 1 p.m. to discuss The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. Books on Tap Book Club meets on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. at Cork n Tap to discuss The Guest List by Lucy Foley.

Yoga with Jennifer

Saturday mornings at 9:30 a.m. – only 5 spots available. Registration required 815-732-2724

New releases

Why We Serve: Native Americans In The United States Armed Forces by Alexandra N. Harris (Non-Fiction 909 HAR)

Caste: The Origins Of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson (Non-Fiction 305.5 WIL)

Murder Thy Neighbor by James Patterson (Non-Fiction 364.152 PAT)

To Sleep In A Sea Of Stars by Christopher Paolini (Science Fiction)

Troubled Blood by Robert Galbraith (Fiction)

The Evening And The

Morning by Ken Follett (Fiction)

Chance Of A Lifetime by Jude Deveraux (Fiction)

The Coast To Coast Murders by James Patterson (Fiction)

Remember Me by Mario Escobar (Fiction)

Vince Flynn-Total Power by Kyle Mills (Fiction)

The Librarian Of Boone's Hollow by Kim Vogel Sawyer (Fiction)

Thick As Thieves by Sandra Brown (Fiction BOCD)

Squeeze Me by Carl Hiaasen (Fiction BOCD)

Royal by Danielle Steel (Fiction BOCD)

One By One by Ruth Ware (Fiction BOCD)

The Answer is ... by Alex Trebek (Biography BIO TRE BOCD)

Robert B. Parker's Fool's Paradise by Mike Lupica (Mystery)

The Last Mrs. Summers by Rhys Bowen (Mystery)

Tea & Treachery by Vicki Delany (Mystery)

Interference by Brad Parks (Mystery)

It Will Just Be Us by Jo Kaplan (Fiction)

Think Like A Monk: Train Your Mind For Peace And Purpose Every Day by Jay Shetty (Non-Fiction 158.1 SHE)

It Was All A Lie: How The Republican Party Became Donald Trump by Stuart Stevens (Non-Fiction 324.2734 STE)

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Mount Morris Library News

Open Trustee Positions

We have two Trustee positions expiring. If you are interested in being in the Spring elections, packets are available for pickup from Village Hall.

Halloween Grab-N-Go

We will be passing out treat bags from 3-5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30. Come show us your costume! We will use gloves and masks while passing out bags of treats. First come, first served and while supplies last.

To-Go Craft Kits!

* Tween/Teen Craft (ages 10 – 18) while supplies last. This month is a motivational keychain. We provide everything except a pair of scissors.

* Adult Craft (ages 19 and up): Pebble Magnet while supplies last. We will provide everything.

Call the library (815-734-4927) or email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to reserve / pick up yours.

Virtual Storytime & To-Go Kits

Virtual Storytime will be at 11:15 a.m. via Facebook Live every Wednesday. Weekly Storytime themed kits will be available and will include a free book, a craft, a letter book, stickers and tracing page. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to pick up yours!

Family Storytime {In-person}

In-person family storytime is available on Fridays by appointment and for one family at a time. It will last approximately 30 minutes and will include books, rhymes and a craft. Masks will be required for ages 3 and up and you will be asked to use hand sanitizer upon entry to the library. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com to register.

Julia Hull Library News

Public Computer Access

Need to use a computer? Public computers will be available in 45-minute time-slots, by appointment only. For your safety, all computers and computer areas will be disinfected after each use. To reserve a computer, please call 815-645-8611.

A Song & A Story

Join us every Wednesday at 10 a.m. on Facebook live for a thematic song, story and craft! It's the perfect light and refreshing delight for your little one. October craft kits are now available. Call the library to reserve one for your child, or use the form on our website: <https://juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. While supplies last.

Adult Book Club: Valentine

Join fellow readers for an engaging, provocative, and lively discussion of Elizabeth Wetmore's haunting and unforgettable new novel, Valentine, on Monday, Nov. 2 at 6 p.m. on Zoom. Email Joanna at jkluever@mail.meridian223.org for inquiries, or to register. Copies of the

reading available on loan.

Tween Scene: Turkey Scavenger Hunt

Tweens are invited to an epic holiday scavenger hunt—at home! Get ready to dash, compete against fellow tweens, and see if you have what it takes to win! Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 6 p.m. Ages 10-12. To register, email Zoey at zferrari@mail.meridian223.org.

Fun Day Monday: Fall Yarn Silhouettes

School's out for the day! Join us online for some creative play! On Monday, Nov. 9 at 1 p.m., watch Miss Kelly on Facebook Live as she walks your child through using yarn, paper, and foam to create silhouette art inspired by classic fall imagery. What will your child bring to life? A pumpkin, a squirrel, or something else? Pick up a craft kit to find out! Stop by the library, or use the form on our website: <https://juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. Recommended ages: 4-9.

Adult Craft: Terrazzo Ornaments

Terrazzo's made a comeback! Learn all

about this 500-plus years-old Italian technique, as we make terrazzo-inspired ornaments for the holiday season, Monday, Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. on Zoom. Supply kits available at the library, upon registration. Email Joanna at jkluever@mail.meridian223.org to register. Adults only.

Pajama Storytime

Join Miss Kelly on Zoom for interactive books, rhymes, and songs, Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. Wear your pj's, and bring a cuddle buddy. Always the Second Tuesday of the Month. Email khaas@mail.meridian223.org, or FB message us for a link to the program.

Young Critics Book Club

Join Sarah on Zoom, Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 6 p.m., for a discussion and activity (and some hijinks!) all about Junie B. Jones' book, *Turkeys We Have Loved and Eaten*. Copies of the reading and kit available, upon registration. Call the library, stop on by, or use our online reservation form: <https://www.juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>. Ages 7-9.

Short & Sweets

No time for a book? Read a short story instead! Join fellow readers on Zoom, Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 10 a.m., for a lively discussion of Ron Rash's, "L'Homme Blessé". Copies of the reading available via e-mail, or paper at the library. Email Joanna at jkluever@mail.meridian223.org to register.

A Midcentury Christmas with Leslie Goddard

Christmas in America from the 1940s through the 1960s meant aluminum trees, department store Santas, and cartoon specials on TV. Every kid in the suburbs had to have an Easy-Bake Oven, a G.I. Joe, or a Slinky. The coolest houses had rotating color wheels for their trees. On Monday, Nov. 23 at 6:30 p.m., historian Leslie Goddard will explore this optimistic era in a new illustrated lecture, using photographs, advertisements, greeting cards, and catalogs to explore why this era was a turning point for how we celebrate the holidays. Via Zoom. Email Joanna at jkluever@mail.meridian223.org to register.

Bertolet Library News

*Reminder: We are unable to collect soft plastics at this time. Also, we regretfully cannot accept book donations right now. We apologize for the inconvenience. We ask that you refrain from depositing your plastics and book donations unattended. Thank you for your cooperation.

New Releases

Adult Fiction
Veiled in Smoke by Jocelyn Green
Dear Child by Romy Hausmann

Wednesday WhoDunIt

Are you the kind of person who loves to read mysteries? Do you wish you could discuss a mystery or suspense novel with like-minded readers? Then join us for the 'Wednesday WhoDunIt' book discussion group. It's Reader's Choice Month: Pick any mystery book to read this month and be ready to share your recommendation on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 10:30 a.m. We will meet outside, if weather permits; if not, the discussion will be held, socially-distanced, in the library meeting room. Masks will be required...and bring a friend. No registration is necessary.

Family Story Time

We are excited to announce Family Story Time! We now have time slots available for you to sign your family up for a private Story Time session. These sessions will be 20-30 minutes long. Each week will include a story and an art project.

* Registration is required by 5 p.m. the Wednesday before to reserve your time slot each week. Register through the Sign Up Genius link on our website www.bertoletmemoriallibrary.org or by calling 815-738-2742.

* Masks will be required for everyone three and older who is medically able to wear one, and when you show up for your session, we will do a quick temperature check.

* Please dress your kids in clothes that can get messy.

* Please have a family member 16 years or older available to assist kids under the age of six with their project.

Let's Stick Together

We are missing our community puzzles! In the meantime, join us in a virtual puzzle with LetsStickTogether.com. Our current puzzle can be found at <https://letstick.to/session/17dd8e53>. You can also find the link on our Facebook post. Fill in a little or fill in a lot. Come fill in the pieces with us!

Polo's Valeria Viteri-Pflucker named to Dean's List

BLOOMINGTON – Valeria Viteri-Pflucker, of Polo, Illinois was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2019-20 academic year at Illinois Wesleyan University.

Viteri-Pflucker is a sophomore majoring in Physics.

Viteri-Pflucker was among 831 students from 29 states and 16 countries named to the Spring 2020 Dean's List.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a GPA of 3.50 or better during the semester, based on 4.0 for straight As.

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StoryWalks at the Byron Forest Preserve

Enjoy the beauty of the Byron Forest Preserve with your little ones while reading the stories "Don't Play With Your Food" and "Cat's Colors" with the Byron Library's StoryWalk! "Cat's Colors" begins at the Byron Forest Preserve travels to the Heritage Farm Museum, and will be up through Oct. 30. "Don't Play With Your Food" is on the forest preserve Indigo Trail and will be up through November 2. There is no registration required, but you can visit Byron.evanced.info/signup for more information about the StoryWalks and their locations. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Library Playgroup

Wednesdays & Thursdays, Sept. 9-Dec. 17

9:30-11 a.m., or 1-2:30 p.m.

Miss playing at the library? You can arrange your own playgroup with the library toys. Program takes place in our enclosed meeting room. Library staff will set up the toys and sanitize after use. One adult should register and can invite friends and family members to the playgroup.

Please note: Only 9 people total (non-mobile babies do not count towards your total) can attend. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register your group.

October Book Club

Tuesday, Oct. 27

6-7 p.m., via Zoom

Prepare to get spooked as Kelly discusses *The Invited* by Jennifer McMahon. Copies of *The Invited* are available at the Byron Library, so reserve yours today! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register. Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants.

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!

Friday Trivia

Friday, Nov. 6

10:30 a.m.-noon at the Byron Museum of History

From movies to books to useless information, that's what trivia is all about? Here is your chance to show what you know and win prizes too! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Share Your Story

Monday, Nov. 16

11 a.m.-noon, via Zoom, or 1-2 p.m. in-person @ the Byron Library

Seniors are encouraged to join Beth as she provides monthly journal prompts. Reflect on and record your memories for future generations. There will be a designated time for seniors to share their stories with the group, if interested. A journal will be provided to each registrant. Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants who opt to attend via Zoom.

Polo Library News

Polo Public Library Information

Polo Library is open 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, and closed Sunday.

The library building will be open for patrons to come in, browse, and check out items. We will continue to have Curbside Delivery available if you prefer to not enter the building or are unable to wear a mask. You can place an order by calling 815-946-2713, emailing library@pololibrary.org, or through your PrairieCat/Encore account.

Masks are required for patrons to come into the library. We have disposable masks available to purchase for \$1 if you don't have a mask or if you forgot yours at home.

Public Computer Use

We have two computers available for patron use that are over 6 feet away from each other and cleaned between uses. There is a one hour time limit for the use of either computer. If you'd like to make sure there is a computer available, please call 815-946-2713 to reserve a computer. You can also fax, copy and print as needed.

Returned Books

We ask that you continue to return items, as you are done with them, through the book drop that will continue to be open 24/7. After items are returned, they will still appear on your account while they are quarantined, then they will be checked back in

and backdated to when they were returned.

This means that you may receive courtesy notifications (phone calls, texts or emails) close to the due date of your item(s), or even a first overdue notice before your item(s) are checked back into our system even if you have already returned your items.

We are a fine-free library, so you do not need to worry about accruing fines during the quarantine period. However, materials that are not returned will result in a replacement bill. This bill is generated after materials are 21 days overdue. As long as the materials are returned with no damage you will not be charged the replacement fee. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 815-946-2713.

If you live in the Polo School District and are under 18 you qualify for a free library card

Any person of student age (4-18 years old) living in the Polo School District qualifies for a free Polo Library card, whether you attend Polo Schools, private school, or are homeschooled. Family cards, which parents can use too, are only \$20 a year if you live outside of Buffalo Township and have a student living in your household. As always, if you live in Buffalo Township, you are able to get a Polo Library card for free. Stop by the library today to sign up for a card or, if you've lost your card, pick up a new card. Call 815-946-2713 or email li-

brary@pololibrary.org with questions.

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

Stop by the Library, or email library@pololibrary.org, for instructions to make this month's craft, a Toilet Paper Pumpkin.

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

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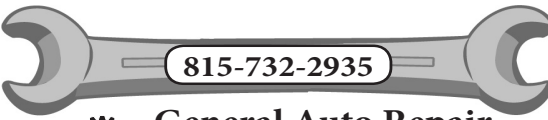

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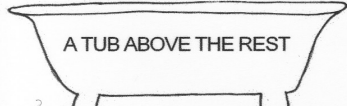
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Snow Removal

We are currently accepting quotes for snow removal services of the library sidewalks and parking lot for the upcoming winter. Deadline to apply is Nov. 1. Please contact Julie at 815-938-2624 for more information.

2nd Annual Downtown Trick or Treat

Saturday, October 31st, 9 a.m. to Noon
When making your rounds be sure to stop by the library to pick up a Take and Make craft project and a special treat. We can't wait to see your costumes!

Services by Appointment

Browsing by appointment is available! Please call or message the library to schedule a time to come in to browse and check out materials. Also, anyone needing to send a fax, make copies, or use a computer may call the library and schedule an appointment to come in. Everyone over the age of 2 must wear a mask. We may be reached by phone at 815-938-2624, email at forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com, or through Facebook messenger. We're looking forward to seeing you!

Curbside Pickup

We will continue to offer curbside pickup. Pick up times will be scheduled when you place a request. Interlibrary loans have resumed so you may also request items

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All high school students are encouraged to sign up for "Read for a Lifetime", a state initiative designed to encourage a life-long interest in reading. Every year 25 books, including contemporary fiction, nonfiction, and some classics are chosen for the program. Students who read at least 4 of the books by April 15, 2021 receive a certificate of recognition from the state and a chance to win a gift card. Students must register by November 15th to participate. Please call or message the library to sign up or for more information.



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

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

102 S. Seminary Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054 815-734-4942 www.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 Haney. 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 Ehrler
Worship Services: Saturday 5:30 PM; Worship Sunday 9:30 AM .
Sunday Church School 10:45 AM; (Sept. 10, 2017 Thru May 2018) Sept.-May
Chime Choir Wednesday 6:00 PM; Chancel Choir Wednesday 7:00 PM.

OREGON

CROSSWALK MINISTRIES

"Building relationships through Christ"
The corner of Rt 64 and 9th St, Oregon, il
Sunday Worship Service 10 am

Ebenezer Reformed Church

2997 N. German Church Rd., 815-732-6313
3 miles east of Oregon on Rt. #64 then 2 miles north on German Church Rd.
• Rev. Josiah Youngquist
www.EBENEZERREFORMED.com • Sunday school 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00
a.m.

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PAYNES POINT

764 Stillman Rd., Oregon, IL 61061 • (815) 732-2424
Pastor Andrew Kayes • "Sharing God's Love" Service 9 AM • Sunday School
10:15, Bell Choir Tues 6:30 PM Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays • Women's
Circles, Hand Tied Choir, Quilting Group, Kids Club

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 live 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 & Mongan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon
• 732-7211 - Office Rev. Eldred George
Webpage: saintbrides.org • E-mail: saintbride.church@gmail.com •
Worship Services: Sunday 10 am Holy Communion with Hymns
Christian Education Available

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

301 N. Fourth St., Oregon Office: 881 N. Mongan Dr., Oregon, IL • www.st-mary-parish.com • Fr. Joseph P. Nail • Office Phone: 815-732-7383
Office Fax: 815-732-4742
Masses: Saturday 4:30pm; Sunday 8:30am, Tuesday-Friday 8:00am; 3rd
Wednesday of the month 3:00pm at Pinecrest
Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:15-4:00 or any time by appointment
Baptisms: by appointment, **Wedding Arrangements:** 6 months in
advance, Anointing of the Sick: Call 815-732-7383

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 Mass 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@crossroadscn.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.crossroadscn.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.faithumcpolo.com • [facebook.com/Faithumcpolo](https://www.facebook.com/Faithumcpolo)

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
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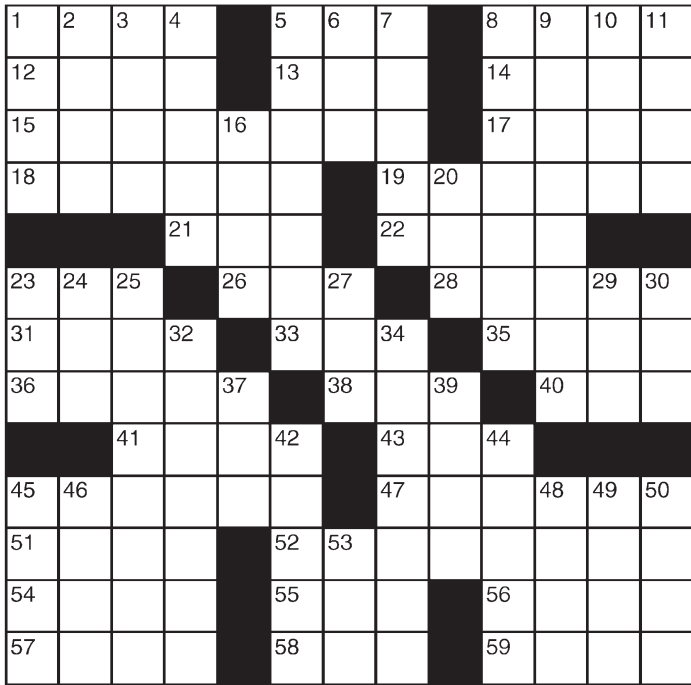
The Ogle County **LIFE** 311 W. Washington St.
Oregon, IL 61061
Ph: 815-732-2156
Fax: 815-732-6154

Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Cracker spread
- 5 Easter entree
- 8 "The Thin Man" dog
- 12 Verve
- 13 Past
- 14 Use scissors
- 15 Sudden temperature drop
- 17 — Christian Andersen
- 18 Dueler's ally
- 19 Pass by
- 21 Watch chain
- 22 Foolish
- 23 Andrews or Edwards, for ex.
- 26 Path
- 28 Gaggle members



- 55 Under the weather
- 56 Takeout phrase
- 57 Start a garden
- 58 Nutritional qty.
- 59 Health centers
- DOWN**
- 1 Chest muscles, for short
- 2 Lotion additive
- 3 Body powder
- 4 The — the line
- 5 Purse
- 6 Khan title
- 7 Motorized bike
- 8 Embarrassed
- 9 Crisp-pod legume
- 10 Supermarket stack
- 11 Church section
- 16 Winter forecast
- 20 Drag along
- 23 Commotion
- 24 Little white lie
- 25 Tall thin person
- 27 Thanksgiving
- 29 Seek damages
- 30 "Chicago" lyricist
- 32 Slandered
- 34 Ape
- 37 Piercing tool
- 39 Cinderella's horses, really
- 42 Long-snouted critter
- 44 Nuisances
- 45 Wading bird
- 46 Fashion
- 48 On
- 49 Infatuated
- 50 Cupid's alias
- 53 Antiquated

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MAGIC MAZE

WHAT'S THAT SMELL?

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

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

- Ammonia
- Garbage
- Roadkill
- Sour milk
- Bad fish
- Garlic
- Rotten eggs
- Sulphur
- Compost
- Limburger
- Sauerkraut
- Wet dog
- Diapers
- Onion
- Sewer gas

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

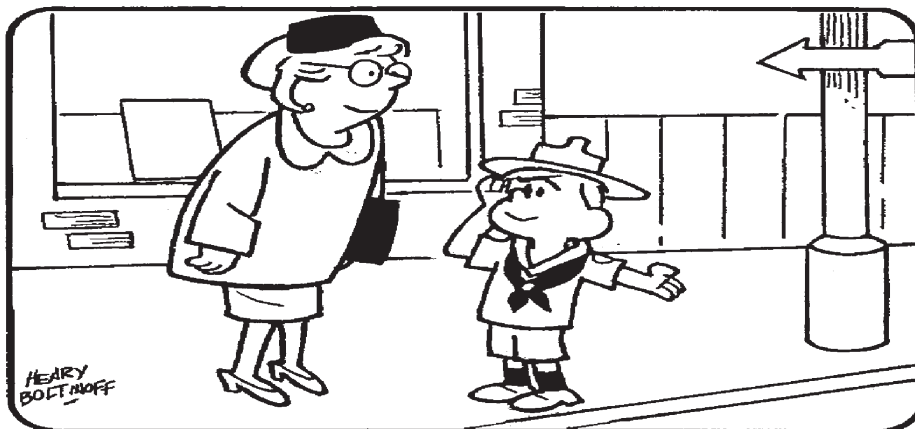
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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

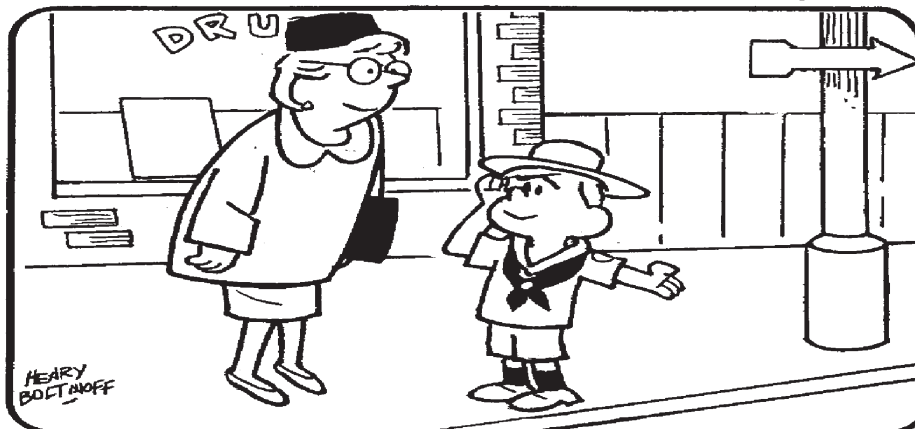
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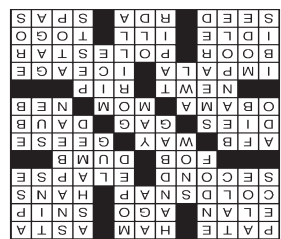
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

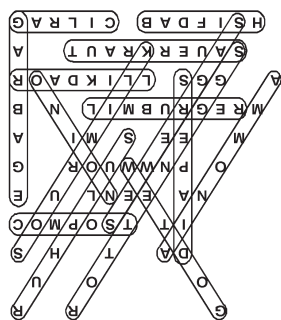


Differences: 1. Window sign is missing. 2. Boy's hat is different. 3. Arrow points in opposite direction. 4. Woman's hair is different. 5. Bricks are added to building. 6. Woman's shoes are flats.



Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers
 King Crossword



WHAT'S THAT SMELL?

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

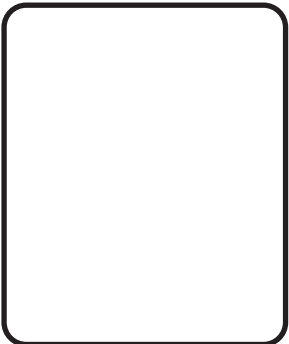
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Remember Your Veteran

Veteran's Day, Nov. 11 is a special day to honor America's Veterans, living and deceased. Honor your veteran with a photo to be published on Monday, November 9th, 2020.

We Salute Those Who Have Served Our Country

(Members of Armed Forces Past or Present)



A Tribute to
John Smith
US Army/WW II
Form His Wife
Mary Smith

Cost: \$10.00

Deadline Tue., Nov. 3 at Noon

Veterans Day
November 11
Honoring Our Brave Veterans

 A Tribute To Grant "Fuzz" Riggs US Army WW II European 1943-1945 Wounded Aug. 23 in Germany, Deceased James William	 A Tribute To Charles Snyder US Navy WW II & Korea We Love You! - The Schnorr Family	 A Tribute To Spec. 4 Jim Grygiel US Army, Berlin German 279th STA. Hospital Jim, Jenny, Alex & Cian Grygiel	 A Tribute To Ronnie O'Sullivan US Army-Vietnam The O'Sullivan Family With Love
 A Tribute To Henry E. Ehmen Air Force/WWII Your Loving Family	 A Tribute To John V. Ehmen Sr. US Army/WWII Your Loving Family	 A Tribute To Robert E. Personette US Marine Corps/Korean War His Wife, Kathy Personette Love You, Bob	 A Tribute To Joseph E. Dvorak US Air Force/WWII His Daughter, Kathy Personette
 A Tribute To Wayne E. Suter US Navy 1-51 to 11-54 DD787-BT Your Wife of 60+ Years, Rudy & Family	 A Tribute To Gary Hassler US Army/1971-1973 His Wife Judy and Sons, Mat and Andy and Their Families	 A Tribute To Jimmy Broderick US Army/Vietnam/ Agent Orange Widow, Jan Broderick	 A Tribute To Clinton E. Strouse US Army Your Love Family

To remember your veteran fill out the form below, enclose your picture and check for \$10.00 and mail to:



LIFE

P.O. Box 378
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Oregon, IL 61061
815-732-2156

A Tribute to: _____

Branch of Service/War: _____

From: _____

Person Placing Ad (Name, Address & Phone): _____

Check for \$10.00 is enclosed:

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on October 8, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Barbader Angus, 2092 Rock Road, Oregon, IL 61061. Dated: October 8, 2020
 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk
 No. 1011 (Oct. 12, 19, 26)

2020 at 1:15 PM in the Village of Mt. Morris Village Hall, Township meeting room at 105 W Lincoln St., Mt. Morris, IL 61054.
 Paula Diehl - Township Clerk
 Village of Mt. Morris
 No. 1022 (Oct. 26)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Change in Control of a Bank Holding Company

Clyde A. Gelderloos, Chana, Illinois, individually, intends to apply to the Federal Reserve Board for permission to retain control of 10 percent or more of the shares and thereby control of Holcomb Bancorp, Inc., Rochelle, Illinois. In addition, Carol L. Hayenga, Kings, Illinois; James D. Carmichael, Rochelle, Illinois; and Noah J. Carmichael, Rochelle, Illinois, as a group acting in concert, intend to apply to the Federal Reserve Board for permission to retain 25 percent or more of the shares and thereby

control of Holcomb Bancorp, Inc., Rochelle, Illinois. Holcomb Bancorp, Inc. controls Holcomb Bank, Rochelle, Illinois. The Federal Reserve considers a number of factors in deciding whether to approve the notice. You are invited to submit comments in writing on this notice to Colette A. Fried, Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60604. The comment period will not end before November 16, 2020, and may be somewhat longer. The Board's procedures for processing applications may be found at 12 C.F.R. Part 262.25. To obtain a copy of the Federal Reserve Board's procedures, or if you need more information about how to submit your comments on this notice, contact Jeremiah Boyle, Assistant Vice President for Community and Economic Development at (312) 3226023; to request a copy of this notice, contact Colette A. Fried at (312) 3226846. The Federal Reserve will consider your comments and any request for a public meeting or formal hearing on the notice if they are received in writing by the Reserve Bank on or before the last day of the comment period.
 No. 1023 (Oct. 26)

whichever date is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within 10 days after the claim has been filed.
 JAMES P. BRYANT
 Independent Administrator
 No. 1024 (Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9)

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (MINOR CHILDREN)
 Request of Felicia Evans to change names of minor children.
 I as the court to enter orders to change the names of the minor children listed below.
 Xander Pepper to Xander Evans.
 I have attached a Request for name change - child information form for each child.
 I have living continuously in Illinois for at least 6 months. I started living in Illinois on April 1, 2012.
 I certify that everything in the Notice of Court Date Request For Name Change (Minor Children) is true and correct. I understand that making a false statement on this form is perjury and has penalties provided by law under 735 ILCS 5/1-109. /s/ Felicia Evans
 206 W. Balsam St., Forrester, IL 61030, 815-289-2633
 No. 1019 (Oct. 19, 26, Nov. 2)

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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123 MOVING AND STORAGE

Large shop and storage space available in Oregon.
 815-980-8642

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

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a childcare service. A childcare facility that is licensed or operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services may publish advertisements of the services for which it is specifically licensed or issued a permit. Your Hometown Newspaper strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in its care.

203 HELP WANTED

Byron CUSD #226 has a need for

Substitute Bus Drivers

Contact Transportation Director Barb Rundle at 815-234-5491, ext 400
 For more information

Substitute Custodians

Contact Amy Adkins/Human Resources at 815-234-5491, ext 307
 For more information

Amy Adkins

Human Resources

Byron CUSD #226

696 N Colfax St

Byron IL 61010

Phone: 815-234-5491 x 307

Fax: 815-234-4106

10262020

Byron CUSD #226 has the following vacancies:

3 hour per day

High School Kitchen Worker

2.5 hour per day High School

Lunchroom Supervisor

2.75 hour per day Middle School

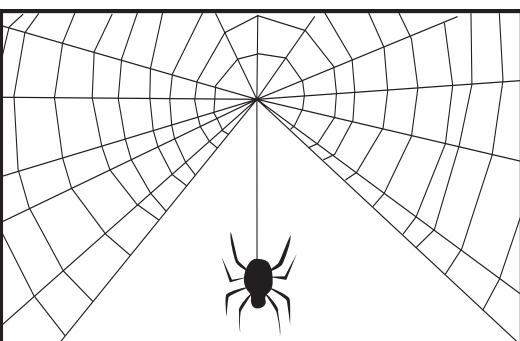
Lunchroom Aide

3 hour per day bus driver

Middle School Assistant Boys Track Coach

Interested individuals should apply online at www.byron226.org
 Under the 'About Us' Tab in the Employment Opportunities Section

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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."

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE)
 MATTER)No.
 OF THE)2020
 ESTATE)P 72
 OF:)
 DEBRA S.)
 BRYANT,)
 deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of DEBRA S. BRYANT of Mt. Morris, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on October 13, 2020 to JAMES P. BRYANT of Mt. Morris, Illinois, whose attorney is David A. Smith of Smith, Birkholz & O'Brien, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P.O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010.

CLAIMS against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Oregon, Illinois, 61061, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication of this Notice or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended,

garage sale GUIDE

Estate / Garage Sale
 4748 W Oregon Trail Rd, Mt. Morris IL
Thurs, Oct 29th 9-4pm
Fri, Oct 30th 9-4pm
Sat, Oct 31st 9-12pm
 Many Vintage Items Antique Furniture, 78 Speed records, Sea shell Collection, Many Household Items, Many Unusual Items and More!

Furnished Home Estate Sale
 1308 Prescott Ave.
 Dixon
Oct. 29th, 30th, 31st, 8:00-5:00
 1998 Malibu 126,000 miles mint condition. Lot's of Polish items, vintage, antiques, Wakefield furniture, books, household items. Everything must go!
 PIA#56

FARMLAND AUCTION: 400± ACRES - 4 TRACTS

SAT, NOV 14, 2020 11:00 AM Farm Location: 3900 Howlett Rd, Paw Paw, IL
Auction Location: VFW Post #540, 1560 IL-38, Dixon, IL

SEC 36 - WILLOW CREEK TWP - LEE COUNTY, IL

Tract 1: 125± Ac 139.0 PI - Tract 2: 80± Ac 134.8 PI
Tract 3: 95± Ac 133.5 PI - Tract 4: 100± Ac 138.6 PI
Tracts to be offered as "CHOICE" — 392 Total Tillable Acres

Owners: Kathleen Tryner & Elizabeth Mager

Auction conducted by
Richard A. Olson & Assoc.
Morris, IL - 815-942-4266



See website for Flyer,
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www.richardaolson.com

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NEWSPAPER CARRIERS Wanted. (Rochelle) Several Routes Open. Call 815-561-2112 For More Information.

Local Trucking Company
Seeks experienced Class
A-CDL Driver for
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WANTED TO BUY: Vintage Metal and Wood Signs, Milk Bottles & Local Advertising, Oak Icebox, Iron Door Stop and Antique Lighting... Call Dick Harms at 815-562-2928 or email dick-harms@hotmail.com

ANTIQUES WANTED: I pay cash for antiques; furniture, glassware, pottery & crocks, tin & iron toys, sterling silver, decoys. If it's antique, I'm interested in looking! Call 815-562-2928 or email dickharms@hotmail.com

305 GARAGE/RUMMAGE SALES

ROCHELLE: 209 S 11th St. Thursday October 29th Thru Saturday October 31st, 9am-4pm. Numerous Items, Antiques, Electric Trains, Kitchen Items, Miscellaneous Tools, Clothing, Collectibles, Old Farm Tools, & Antique Wheel Barrels. (10-28-20)

BARN SALE II - This is Kinda Last Minute But we Have Decided to Throw in One More Sale This Fall!!! The Sale is Going to be on Thursday the 29th and Friday the 30th of October... It Looks Like the Weather Will be Cool but Decent and This Time of the Year That's all that you can ask for!! Lots of New Stuff, as we Have Filled the Holes of Sales From Last Sale Plus a Whole

Bunch More... If We Have Time we are Also Going to Throw in Some Small Stuff too Instead of Just Furniture!! Days are Getting Shorter so the Hours for This Sale are 9 to 4 Each Day... Please Make Note, Only Thursday and Friday this time as Saturday is Halloween!! Dick & Janaan Harms 2765 W Pines Road Oregon, IL. 61061(10-28-20)

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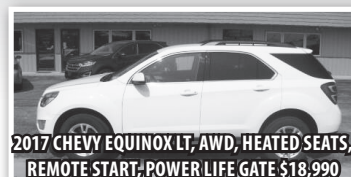
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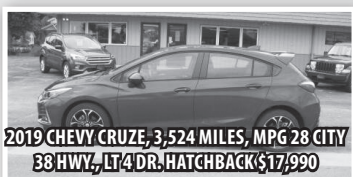
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New Orleans Saints	at	Chicago Bears
San Francisco 49ers	at	Seattle Seahawks
Dallas Cowboys	at	Philadelphia Eagles

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 02, 2020

Tampa Bay Buccaneers	at	New York Giants
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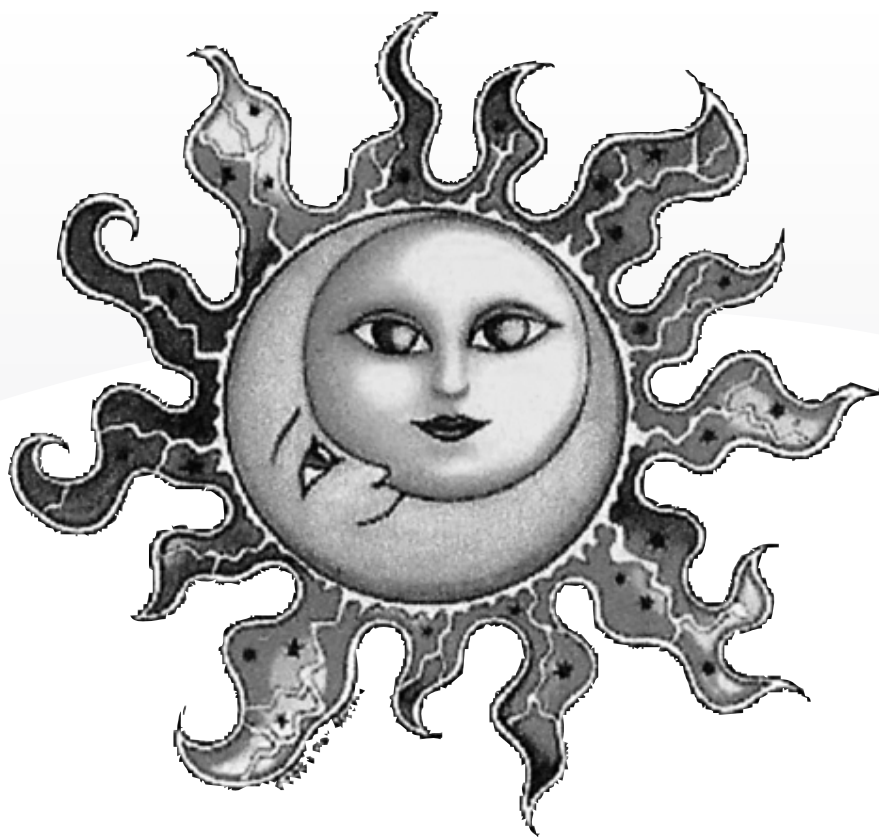
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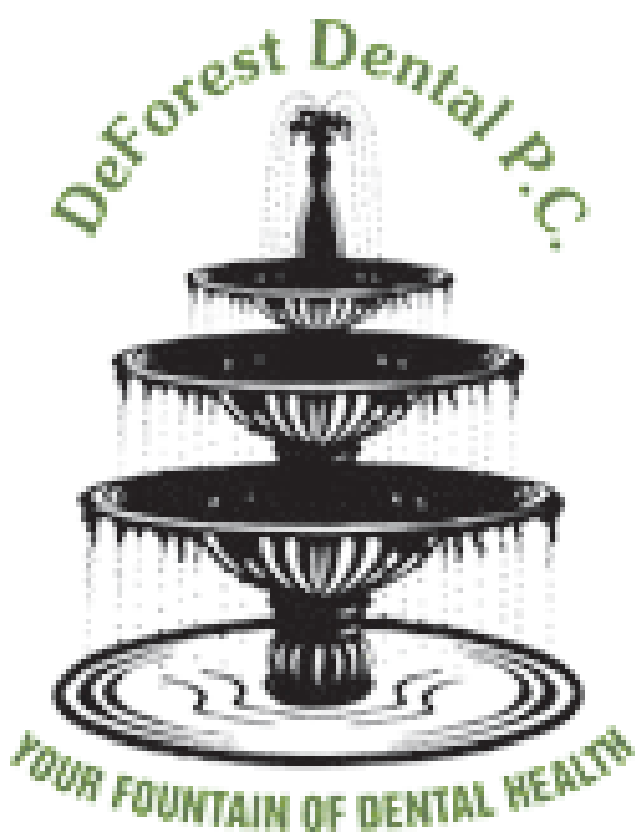
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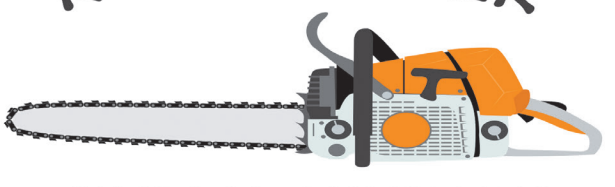
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