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Handing over the scissors

Short Cuts owner retiring; new shop will take its place

By Brad Jennings
Editor

OREGON – Cherie Slack was doing what she has done for 35 years – cutting someone's hair.

But she was also doing something that she has never done – talking about retirement.

"Thirty-five years, kid, I'm done," she said with a laugh when asked why she is retiring. "I'm 66. I had Erin to take over for me."

That is Erin Dietrich, who will take over the space occupied by Slack's Short Cut Barber Shop in Oregon on Nov. 3.

Slack started her career in 1986 at her home in Leaf River. She moved to Mount Morris in 1988 and finally to Oregon in 2011.

"I had not planned on

anyone taking over for me, I was just going to close," Slack said. "Then Erin came along."

Dietrich said she has known Slack for years.

"She's been a longtime family friend, barber," she said, adding that Slack cut the hair of her dad and brother.

Dietrich said in 2018 Slack mentioned that Dietrich should consider taking over the shop. She said last year she had to "hit the reset button" and talked with her parents about the offer.

Dietrich said she attended Tricoci University of Beauty Culture in Rockford, graduating in September.

"I'm brand new to the game," she said with a smile.

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Cherie Slack, left and above right, is retiring after 35 years of cutting hair. Erin Dietrich, above left, will be taking over the shop and giving it a new name on Nov. 3. (Brad Jennings photos)

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Erin Dietrich, left, will be the owner of the new Patriot Barber Shop in Oregon after the retirement of Cherie Slack, right. Dietrich is a U.S. Army veteran and plans to honor area service members and veterans in the shop (Brad Jennings photo)

CUTS: Hardest part will be leaving clients and friends

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But she will come in with a fresh look and name for the business. Dietrich is a U.S. Army veteran, serving as a military police officer and paratrooper. She said she served tours in Kosovo and Afghanistan. Dietrich said she plans to honor

her service and the service of others at her new Patriot Barber Shop. She said the décor will include photos of military members and veterans from the area.

She said she is most nervous about trying to fill Slack's shoes.

"I know her, and I have a lot of respect for what she's done all these

years," Dietrich said.

Slack said she is hoping to do some camping in retirement and also some volunteer work.

"I intend on volunteering at Serenity House," she said.

Slack said the hardest part will be leaving the clients and friends she has made over the years.

"Visiting with my clients," she said when asked what she would miss. "My buddies, my friends. They are all my friends."

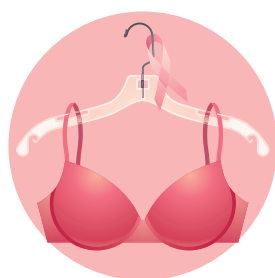
Just in case she gets the itch, there will be a station in the new Patriot Barber Shop ready for Slack.

"She's not leaving me, that's how I feel about it," Dietrich said.

So, how often will Slack stop by to cut hair?

"Hopefully not every week!" she said with a laugh.

The business will continue accepting walk-in customers. The hours will be Tuesday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday will be by appointment only.



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Pictured are Todd Tucker, Executive Director, Byron Forest Preserve District, Molly McNett, Judy McNett and Dan Libman.

District builds shelter at Bald Hill Prairie Preserve

MOUNT MORRIS – The Byron Forest Preserve District is proud to announce that they have recently completed the Mike McNett Memorial Picnic Shelter at their Bald Hill Prairie Preserve, 5502 North Silver Creek Road in Mt. Morris. The shelter was made possible by

the funds provided by the Mike McNett Memorial Fund and the McNett family. Mike McNett grew up just south of the Bald Hill Prairie Preserve and spent a great deal of his youth at this beautiful site. He passed away in July of 2018 at the age of 80. Mike graduated from Mt.

Morris High School in 1955 and spent his career as a teacher, counselor and coach in Oregon schools retiring in 1992. The new McNett Shelter is located a short distance west of the Bald Hill Prairie Preserve parking area and offers spectacular views of the preserve. The site

is open for drop-in use year round from dawn until dusk. For more information regarding the 380-acre Bald Hill Prairie Preserve or any of the other eight Byron Forest Preserve District preserves call 815 234-8535, Ext. 200.

FORM OF BALLOT

Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the "flat tax," that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower income tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

YES	For the proposed amendment of
NO	Section 3 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

Due to COVID-19, all 2020 General Election voters are encouraged to cast a ballot prior to Election Day, either by mail or during early voting. Voting by mail is an easy option for voters and you can request a vote by mail ballot through email, mail, or in person. An application is available from your local election authority or at: <https://elections.il.gov/electionoperations/VotingByMail.aspx>. To register to vote or check your registration status, visit: <https://ova.elections.il.gov>.



Jesse White

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, Done in the City of Springfield, this first day of June, 2020

This voter information material is available in written format in English, Chinese, Hindi, Polish, Spanish, and Braille. It is also available in audio format in English. For more information, visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com or write the Secretary of State's office at 111 East Monroe Street, Springfield, IL 62756.

Obituary

Marjorie M. Herman

MOUNT MORRIS – Marjorie “Midge” M. Herman, age 94, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2020 in Pinecrest Community with her children by her side. Midge was born on Oct. 19, 1925 in Chicago, the daughter of Howell Worth and Elisabeth (Sherer) Murray.



She graduated from Highland Park High School class of 1942; she received an Associates Degree from Monticello College and a Bachelor's Degree from Carleton College class of 1946.

Midge married Grant Herman on Feb. 21, 1948 in Highland Park, and he preceded her in death on March 5, 2008.

Midge was a member of P.E.O., Disciples United Methodist Church, Ogle County Historical Society, Whale Watchers, P.T.O., Ogle County Republican Women, American Field Service, Mt. Morris Senior Center, International Christian Youth Exchange, Girl Scouting, Boy Scouting; and she received Outstanding Volunteerism with Rock River Center in 1993 and 1996, Volunteerism award with the Mt. Morris Elementary School, and Mt. Morris

Samuel H. Davis Lodge of The Mason's Builder Award, Mt. Morris Hall of Thanks Award from Mt. Morris Community Women's Club.

Midge is survived by children: Molly (Edward) Baker, Mt. Morris, Laura (Michael) Meehan, Rockford, Grant (Gail Green) Herman, Sequim, Wash., Barbara (Chris) Deemer, Oneonta, N.Y., Howell Herman, Mt. Morris, IL, Alan (Diane) Patten (Special Foster Son), Foreign Exchange Students, Uwe Brandes, Werner Lang, and Julio Made; grandchildren: Gretchen Baker, Grant Baker, Maren Swank, Mitchell Baker, Sarah Gebhards, David Meehan, Philip Meehan, Ben Herman, Carolyn Herman-Loh, Karen Stewart, Mark Deemer, Ruth Franks, Eric Deemer, and

Lisa Deemer; great grandchildren: Svea Krogen, Willa Swank, Hollis Swank, Rian Swank, Lila Baker, Grant Gebhards, William Gebhards, Callum Meehan, Clare Meehan, Margaret Meehan, Joshua Stewart, Mitchell Stewart, Emily Hernandez, Lilia Hernandez, Alexander Deemer, Calvin Franks, Gwen Franks, and Moriah Franks.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband: Grant; brother: Howell Murray; sisters: Betty Wakelee and Virginia Murray.

There was a drive-through visitation on Oct. 13, 2020 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Mt. Morris Disciples United Methodist Church, 102 Maple Ave, Mt. Morris, IL. A private family burial service was held in Greenwood Cemetery, Greenwood, IL.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Disciples United Methodist Church, 102 Maple Ave, Mt. Morris, IL, 61054; Prairie Preservation Society of Ogle County, 1230 E. Honey Creek Road, Oregon, IL, 61061; and Mt. Morris Community Library Foundation, 105 S. McKendrie Ave, Mt. Morris, IL, 61054.

Obituary

Jean E. Eads

MOUNT MORRIS – Jean E. Eads, 84, of Mt. Morris died Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020 in Pinecrest Manor, Mt. Morris. Born Nov. 27, 1935 in San Diego, Calif., the daughter of Orville and Flavia Lueker.



Jean graduated from Grossmont High School in La Mesa, Calif., and then joined the U.S. Navy where she served in the secretarial pool. She moved to Mt. Morris from California in 1994 and was employed at Kable News nearly 20 years. Jean was a faithful member of Disciples United Methodist Church and a

member of the Mt. Morris American Legion. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, word puzzles, reading and collecting owl momentos.

Survived by her daughter, Linda (John) Baker of

Mt. Morris; sons, Jon Eads of Maryland and Craig Eads of California; grandchildren, Mike Eads, Nick (Mia) Eads and Haylee Baker; and 2 great grandchildren.

Predeceased by her parents and 2 brothers.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, private visitation and funeral services will be held in Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon. Burial in Plainview Cemetery, Mt. Morris. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Jean's name may be made to the Memory Care Section, Pinecrest Manor.

RRC has upcoming activities

OCHD Giving Flu Shots at Rock River Center

When: Monday, Oct. 26

Time: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

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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."

Jamie Moore, of The Flower Patch will help you design your own arrangement to be taken home at the end of the class.

The Flower Patch will be providing the jars, assorted colored silk flowers, and all other material for you to create your arrangement showing your own style.

The cost is \$18 per person for members / \$20 for non-members.

Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 21, 2020. Call 815-732-3252 to reserve a seat for you and a friend. Masks required and seating is limited.

Yoga Resumed in October

We are pleased that Jennifer Piece resumed instructing her beginner and intermediate Yoga classes in October. Jennifer brings over 20 years of professional group fitness leadership experience.

Class day and time: Wednesday and Friday, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Class dates: Oct. 2, 7, 9, 14, 21, 23, 28 and 30. Nov. 4, 6, 13, 18, and 20.

Enrollment Required- \$5.00 per class Participant Information

All participants should arrive 5-10 minutes before the class starts; bring a yoga mat, water bottle, and wear loose-fitting clothing. Masks and temperature checks are required.

Registration Information

Space is limited due to social distancing so register early. Drop-ins will be accepted on a first come/first served basis as space allows. If you wish to drop-in, please call

the day of class to confirm availability.

Contact Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to sign up. Your payment will reserve your spot in class.

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.

Free Medicare, Soc. Security program Oct. 21

BYRON – A free educational and informational presentation on the Social Security and Medicare programs will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at The United Church of Byron, 701 West Second St.

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

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Illinois covid-19 guidelines will be followed for this program.

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Pegasus Special Riders holding pork chop dinner

Those looking for some good food to carry-out for a cause are invited to join Pegasus Special Riders as they hold a Pork Chop Pick-up Dinner at Ralphie and Lulu's in Ashton on Thursday, Oct. 22 from 4-7 p.m.

This event is a fundraiser for the organization located halfway between Franklin Grove and Oregon. Covid-19 has greatly impacted the services they offer. Rather than lessons starting in April, they only

began in mid-August and with half the regular number of students. Both the Summer Family Picnic and the fall "Mane" Event fundraisers were cancelled.

Preorders are appreciated but not required. Meals are \$10 each and include a pork chop, baked beans, au gratin potatoes and dessert. Pegasus has partnered with Kristie's Sweet Treats Shop in Ashton and each meal will include a coupon for a free small soft serve ice cream cone.

All proceeds from the pork chop dinner sales will benefit Pegasus Special Riders.

Pegasus Special Riders is a non-profit organization providing therapeutic horseback riding to northern Illinois residence with physical, mental, and emotional challenges. Pegasus provides these services with the generous help of individuals, clubs, corporations, grants, fund raising and in-kind donations.

The organization is staffed by more than

70 volunteers who are involved with all aspects of the program from horse care, horse handling during lessons and barn chores to fund raising and special events.

A quote they often use is "To ride a horse is to borrow freedom." That feeling of freedom appears in the riders' smiles and as they connect with their horses at each and every lesson. Please come out to support Pegasus in their 23rd year of operation.

To the Electors of the State of Illinois:

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure for government and laws. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article. The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Proposed changes in the existing constitutional amendment are indicated by underscoring all new matter and by crossing with a line all matter which is to be deleted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IX – REVENUE

SECTION 3. LIMITATIONS ON INCOME TAXATION

(a) ~~The General Assembly shall provide by law for the rate or rates of any tax on or measured by income imposed by the State. A tax on or measured by income shall be at a non-graduated rate. At any one time there may be no more than one such tax imposed by the State for State purposes on individuals and one such tax so imposed on corporations.~~ In any such tax imposed upon corporations the highest rate shall not exceed the highest rate imposed on individuals by more than a ratio of 8 to 5.

(b) Laws imposing taxes on or measured by income may adopt by reference provisions of the laws and regulations of the United States, as they then exist or thereafter may be changed, for the purpose of arriving at the amount of income upon which the tax is imposed.

EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the "flat tax," that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Illinois' current tax system unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires and this amendment will set things right for middle-class and working people. Currently, it is unfair that billionaires pay the same tax rate as regular people.

Voting "yes" on the amendment means that the State will enact a new tax structure where only those making above \$250,000 a year will see their taxes go up. This amendment is simply upgrading Illinois' old tax system to a graduated system which is how the federal government and the majority of other states do it.

This Amendment Would Make Illinois' Tax System Fair.

Approval of this amendment would enact a fair system that allows the state to tax wealthy people at higher rates and lower income people at lower rates, replacing Illinois' current unfair tax system, in which wealthy people pay the exact same tax rate as lower and middle income people.

Illinois' current tax system unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires, and approval of this amendment will set things right for the middle class and working people.

This amendment will help small business owners by creating a stable economic environment for their businesses to thrive.

While others try to mislead you, under the current tax system in Illinois, policymakers already have the authority to set any tax rate and to change tax rates at their will. The current system forces policymakers to charge the same tax rate to everyone, regardless of how much money they make. If this amendment passes, the State will have the ability to tax higher income earners at a different rate. In fact, upon passage of this Amendment, a new tax structure will go into effect where 97% of taxpayers will pay the same or less, while only those making more than \$250,000 a year will see a tax increase. This amendment does not tax retirement income.

The Federal Government and Most States Use the Graduated Tax System Proposed in this Amendment, Not the Unfair System Currently Used in Illinois.

Illinois is among a minority of states that do not utilize graduated tax rates because the Illinois Constitution requires a "flat tax" that penalizes middle-class and working people and benefits higher income individuals.

A majority of states and the federal government already use the kind of graduated income tax system proposed in this amendment to ensure that wealthy people pay their fair share of taxes.

Nearby states including Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin are among the majority of states that have graduated tax systems.

Illinois' Current Income Tax System Relies on Taxes from Middle and Lower Income Earners, While a Graduated System Would Lower that Burden and Fund Critical Programs such as Education and Human Services.

While some states have fair tax rates in which the highest income earners pay the highest tax rate, Illinois' "flat tax" rate continues to rely unfairly on taxes from middle and lower income earners.

Under Illinois' "flat tax" structure, a nurse making \$50,000 per year pays the same tax rate as an executive making \$4 million per year. A graduated tax rate would have the executive pay more.

Because of the way our current tax system is set up, the bottom fifth of Illinois taxpayers (those making below \$21,800) contribute 14.4% of their income to state and local taxes, compared to 7.4% for the top 1 percent of Illinois taxpayers.

If this Amendment passes, the State has already enacted a new graduated tax structure where 97% of taxpayers will pay the same or less.

Under the new tax structure, only the top 3% of Illinois income earners would pay more in income taxes. Everyone who makes \$250,000 or less a year would pay the same or less.

Over 95% of small businesses earn \$250,000 or less a year in profits, and their owners will not see a tax increase under the new tax structure.

This change will generate additional revenue each year that can help address Illinois' budget deficit and fund critical programs, including the State's education system, public safety, and social services like mental health and substance abuse treatment and domestic violence shelters.

After the COVID-19 Pandemic, We Need to Do All We Can to Help the Economy and Middle-Class and Working People.

Working people and essential workers like nurses, first responders, and grocery store clerks should not pay the same tax rate as the wealthy. Nurses making \$50,000 a year should not pay the same tax rate as an executive making \$4,000,000 a year.

Having wealthy people pay more would reduce the burden on working families. This is money that middle and lower income people need for housing, groceries, medicine, and essentials.

When the wealthiest people pay more, middle and lower income earners can pay less while the State funds critical services that our essential workers rely on.

ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1) The Amendment gives the Legislature power to increase taxes on any group of taxpayers with no limits and no accountability and without any requirement to use the additional revenue to fund essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety.

2) Taxes and spending are out of control. The Legislature should not be allowed to keep raising taxes until they get their spending under control.

3) In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, now is the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.

The Amendment gives the Legislature power to increase taxes on any group of taxpayers with no limits and no accountability and without any requirement to use the additional revenue to fund essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety.

The proposed amendment would give the Legislature unlimited new authority to increase income tax rates on any group of taxpayers at will, including low-income and middle-income families and small business owners. There would be no limit on the number of tax brackets that could be created and no limit on how high tax rates could be increased on individual taxpayers. In addition, this proposed change will pave the way for a tax on retirement income.

Nothing in the amendment requires the Legislature to do anything to control spending. Nor does it require funds to be spent on essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety. It would simply give the Legislature a blank check to spend billions of dollars however they want, with no accountability.

Taxes and spending are out of control. The Legislature should not be allowed to keep raising taxes until they get their spending under control.

Illinois already has some of the highest property taxes and sales taxes in the nation. And the Legislature has increased Illinois income tax rates twice in the past decade to try to deal with the out-of-control spending in Springfield.

Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, our state had a huge and growing multi-billion-dollar budget deficit, and the unfunded pension liability skyrocketed to over \$137 billion. That's because the Legislature has continued to increase state spending instead of eliminating government waste, corruption, and abuse.

Because they refuse to control spending or pass major reforms, the Legislature will just continue to raise taxes on everyone in Illinois, and middle-class families will be their next target.

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, now is the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.

The COVID-19 pandemic caused layoffs, unemployment, bankruptcies, and closures. As small businesses and local employers struggle to rebuild, this is the worst possible time to impose huge new tax increases. Even before the COVID-19 crisis, many residents and businesses were leaving the state because of the high tax burden. If the Amendment passes, it would be the last straw for thousands of small businesses, causing more jobs to leave the state, and making Illinois lose out on investments to rebuild our economy. This would mean fewer jobs and less opportunity for Illinois families.

Operation Santa will continue with monetary donations

BYRON – Byron Police Department’s Operation Santa Claus has been making Christmas a little brighter for the less fortunate children in the Byron community for the past 30 years.

Byron Kiwanis has been partnering with the police department for twelve years, hosting Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus where all toy and monetary donations are given to Operation Santa.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus is canceled for 2020. However, the needs of the children in the Byron area have not been canceled, and we are still intending to provide Christmas gifts to those who otherwise would go without. In lieu of gathering actual toys, we are asking you to make a monetary donation to Operation Santa. These donations will

be used to purchase toys for specific age groups to be distributed through People Helping People. Donation checks, payable to Operation Santa Claus can be dropped off at or mailed to the Byron Police Department, PO Box 923, Byron, IL 61010.

Operation Santa continues to succeed with the dedicated volunteers and thrives on the generosity of our community members. Through this program, over 4,900 children have received gifts at Christmas.

Parents or guardians of children (up to age 14) in the Byron area who would benefit from the Operation Santa Claus program are asked to call the Police Department, 815-234-5000, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to register. Parents will be asked to provide the children’s names, ages, and gender. Names must be submitted no later than Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020.

Sack Lunch Saturday will be Oct. 31

BYRON – Kiwanis Sack Lunch Saturday! Please stop by the Byron Swedish America Clinic parking lot, 230 W Blackhawk Drive, on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

The price is \$8, and the lunch includes grilled Eichman’s pork sandwich, chips, cookie, and bottle of water. Bring the kiddos so they can pick up their Halloween treat. This is a drive-through event, so press the “easy button” and treat your family with a sack lunch to go.

All proceeds benefit programs in our community. Kiwanis is a mosaic of ordinary people doing extraordinary things to uplift our communities and serve children around the world. The Byron Club was founded in 1988 and Service is at the heart of every member, united in our commitment and compassion for others.

A Family of Servant Leaders: Byron Kiwanis sponsors “K-KIDS” at Mary Morgan Elementary, “Builders Club” at

Byron Middle School and “Key Club” at Byron High School. Some of the programs we support include; Mary Morgan Family Reading Night, youth education and sports, high school college scholarships, Byron School PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports, Free Breakfast with Santa, benefitting Operation Santa, Crossroads Blues Society, People Helping People Food Pantry, Pegasus Riders, Village of Progress, Neuroscience Research Foundation.

Petitions for Grand Detour positions available

GRAND DETOUR – Petitions are available for Grand Detour Township for the offices of Supervisor, Road Commissioner, Town Clerk, and four Trustees.

This is for the consolidated election to be held April 6, 2020. Petitions may be obtained

by calling Grand Detour Township Clerk, Debbie Lowry at 815-652-4543. Completed petitions must be filed with the Grand Detour Township Clerk beginning Dec. 14, 2020 at 7 a.m. through Dec. 21, 2020. Filing concludes Monday Dec. 21, 2020 at 5 p.m.

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Park District offers DIY project

OREGON – Kids or adults will enjoy creating a personalized stenciled pumpkin on a 12” x 12” canvas.

This DIY project with your first or last name is perfect for kids looking for crafty projects. Parents and kids can have fun doing this project together. Timber + Tribe will be offering a monthly stenciled sign kit with pick-up at the Oregon Park District during the

winter months. Benefits to the DIY kits is that you can get crafty when it is convenient for you. No need to come to a class. Just tune in to the video tutorial when you are ready to start. Pick up the Pumpkin kit at Nash on Monday, Oct. 26 and then work on it when you have time.

These are a great small group activity for a sleepover or birthday party.

Enjoy creating trendy art pieces with the help of a prepared kit (includes canvas or wood, stencil, stain, 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.

Upon registration, specify name for the stencil. Deadline to register is Oct. 20 and can be completed at www.oregonpark.org or by phone 815-732-3101.

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 attention 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.

Marion Township petitions are now available

Petitions are available for Marion Township for the offices of Supervisor, Clerk, Road Commissioner, Assessor, and four Trustee positions.

Petitions are for the Consolidated election to be held April 6, 2021. Please contact the Township office at 815-645-8383 to schedule a time to pick up petitions. Filing instructions will be given when packet is given.

Byron Police report

Sept. 23

Byron Police investigated an accident with no injuries that occurred at the intersection of Rt. 72 and German Church Rd. Involved were Jeffrey Watts, 64 of Oregon, and Terrise Cazy, 59 of Rockford. Watts was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Sign.

Kathleen Eberman, age 44 of Savanna, was issued a citation for Driving While License is Suspended.

Sept. 24

Jason Whitaker, 49 of Fairfield, OH, was issued a citation for No Proof of Insurance.

Sept. 25

Rebecca Boumgarden, 41 of Stillman Valley, was issued a citation for Leaving the Scene of a Property Damage Accident and Failure to Report Accident to Police Authority.

Sept. 26

Christina Saunders, 30 of Beloit, Wisconsin, was issued a citation for Driving While License is Suspended.

Israel Carreno, 44 of Oregon, was issued a citation for Operation of Motor Vehicle When Registration is Suspended for Non-Insurance.

Byron Police arrested Adrien Jenkins, 30 of Rockford, for Driving While License is Revoked. Jenkins was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 27

Samantha Dusavage, age 19 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 47 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Sept. 28

Brandon Eisenberg, 29 of Byron, was issued a citation for No Proof of Insurance.

Sept. 29

William Brown, 81 of Stillman Valley, was issued citations for No Proof of Insurance and Improper Backing.

Oct. 2

Jeremy Cover, 33 of Dixon, was issued a citation for Speeding 43 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 6

Byron Police arrested Timothy Hilliard, 34 of Byron, for Domestic Battery. Hilliard was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held without bond.

Oct. 7

Chad McNaughton, 40 of Oregon, was issued a citation for Speeding 45 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 8

Byron Police arrested Courtney Skala, 29 of Byron, for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Skala was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Oct. 9

Mary Richards, 76 of Mt. Morris, was issued a citation for Speeding 47 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 11

Ayden Melahn, 20 of Byron, was issued a citation for Driving While License is Suspended.

Mackensie Richardson, 19 of Polo, was issued a citation for Driving While License is Suspended.



Drop box

County Clerk Laura Cook announces the Ballot Drop Box has been installed and ready for use. William Reeher of Byron was the first voter to deposit his 2020 General Election Ballot on Oct. 12.



Farmers market

Byron Farmers Market is open for business next to the Hairy Cow Brewery from 8 a.m. to noon every Saturday morning. We are following Ogle County Health department guidelines due to the virus. Please bring exact change for vendors and you must wear a mask. Bev Olson, Oregon, sells naturally grown farm fresh vegetables, pumpkins, gourds and local honey. Last week, we had over 25 different booths. Market will continue through October weather permitting.



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Oregon Rotary

Jennifer Koerfner of Jen's Artisan Breads spoke to the Oregon Rotary Club at its Sept. 16 meeting. She spoke about her passion which is baking and how she became involved in baking. She also brought samples which members enjoyed. Pictured from left are Brion Brooks, Village of Progress executive director and Rotary member, Koerfner and Sarah Meacham of Jen's Artisan Breads.



Foundation thanks Edler for years of service to district

FORRESTON—The Forrester Valley Education Foundation thanks member Michele Edler for her years of service.



of the Year. Anyone can make a tax-free donation for any specific purpose. Donations have included memorial funds for special student scholarships, or funds for very specific items in the name of a loved one. Donations are accepted at any time and always appreciated.

Edler joined the Foundation Board in 2015 and served through June 2020.

The Forrester Valley Education Foundation would also like to congratulate Heather Politsch for becoming a member of the Foundation Board. She will serve a three-year term.

The Forrester Valley School Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization whose mission is to provide for the educational needs of the students in the Forrester Valley School District #221. The major fundraiser for the organization is the Vedra Scramble for Education Golf Outing. The next golf outing is scheduled for September 2021.

Once a year, the Foundation allows Forrester Valley School District staff members to submit propos-

als to enhance an area of curriculum for students. The projects are for students in grades Pre-K – 12.

Recipients of the 2020 Grants are: Kristin Crase, Lisa Kenney, Sarah Muddock, and Kelley Parks.

The Foundation also awards scholarships to graduating seniors from Forrester High School each year, as well as provides support for district technology needs. In addition, the Foundation provides recognition funding for Project Lead the Way STEM programming, and recognition for Teacher

For more information regarding the Forrester Valley Education Foundation, please contact any of the current foundation board members or Superintendent Smith at 815-938-2036. Current Foundation Members include:

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Easy appetizer class set for Nov. 4

OREON – The holidays and football call for fun easy appetizers.

Join the Oregon Park District and Lynn Kaufman at Cork & Tap and learn to make a couple yummy appetizers including artichoke dip and Italian stuffed mushrooms.

foods make for the best party! Sip on your favorite beverage at Cork & Tap while sampling and making these fall appetizers.

This class will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 6:30 p.m. and deadlines on Oct. 27.

This will make your party spread spectacular and one of a kind. Make ahead finger

Register today at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

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.

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.

Please call ahead at 815-988-7260.

Church hosting trunk or treat event Oct. 24

BYRON – The community is invited to the Annual All Saints Lutheran Church 'Trunk or Treat' event on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 4-6 p.m. in the church parking lot located at 624 Luther Drive in Byron.

We will have lots of trunks full of treats and decorated with fun and 'scary' Halloween decorations. Children are invited to come in costume to gather treats around the parking lot.

**Does not include cost of material. Expires 10/31/20. *To be eligible for this promotion, the participant's estimated job cost must be at least \$7883. The advertised payment of \$99 a month is an estimate only, and assumes that third-party financing is available for new customers at an estimated 9.99% annual percentage rate for 132 months. Promotion available to qualified buyers on approved credit with \$99 down payment. Not all buyers will qualify. Higher annual percentage rates apply for buyers with lower credit ratings. LeafGuard is neither a broker nor a lender. Financing is provided by thirdparty lenders unaffiliated with LeafGuard, under terms and conditions arranged directly between the customer and such lender, all of which are subject to credit requirements and satisfactory completion of finance documents. Any finance terms advertised are estimates only. LeafGuard does not assist with, counsel or negotiate financing, other than providing customers an introduction to lenders interested in financing its customers. Expires 10/31/20. †All participants who attend an estimated 60-90 minute in-home product consultation will receive a \$25 gift card. Retail value is \$25. Offer sponsored by LeafGuard Holdings Inc. Limit one per household. Company procures, sells, and installs seamless gutter protection. This offer is valid for homeowners over 18 years of age. If married or involved with a life partner, both cohabitating persons must attend and complete presentation together. Participants must have a photo ID, be able to understand English, and be legally able to enter into a contract. The following persons are not eligible for this offer: employees of Company or affiliated companies or entities, their immediate family members, previous participants in a Company in-home consultation within the past 12 months and all current and former Company customers. Gift may not be extended, transferred, or substituted except that Company may substitute a gift of equal or greater value if it deems it necessary. Gift card will be mailed to the participant via first class United States Mail or e-mailed within 21 days of receipt of the promotion form. Not valid in conjunction with any other promotion or discount of any kind. Offer not sponsored or promoted by Lowe's and is subject to change without notice prior to reservation. Expires 10/31/20.

The Oregon Rotary Club 'No-Show' fundraiser a success

OREGON – The Oregon Rotary Club traditionally holds an event every year on the first Saturday of September.

It has been called Mark Twain Day, and recently Fall Fun on the River. The mission behind this event is Project Warm.

The Oregon Rotary Club uses the funds raised at this event to buy coats and boots for children in the Oregon School District.

The current pandemic required the Club be untraditional in fundraising this year. The “No-Show” event was sent to former sponsors and attendees of Oregon Rotary Club events. The response was fantastic. The club received over \$5,600 in donations. This will buy a large number of coats and boots. Any funds not used this year for Project Warm will be added to the Oregon Rotary Club Foundation’s Scholarship program.

Thank you to everyone that did “not” attend. Your support is making a big difference for the kids of our community.



Recycling event will be on Oct. 23

The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) will be holding a residential electronic recycling event on Friday, Oct. 23.

Electronics will be accepted from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., do not arrive early. The electronics recycling event requires permits in advance, and will be held at the Ogle County Annex Building at 909 Pines Road in Oregon.

To obtain a free permit, call the OCSWMD at 815-732-4020, or email the department at solidwaste@oglecounty.org. There are a limited number of permits and the deadline for acquiring a permit is noon on the Wednesday prior to each event. These electronics recycling events are for Ogle County residents only and each permit is valid for a specific date.

The advance permitting system was implemented, beginning in August 2020, in response to extremely long lines and safety issues at the June and July electronics collection events. Users of the program have expressed

gratitude to the OCSWMD for the permit system, which has resulted in reduced wait times and a more efficient drop-off experience.

Items accepted at this event include all televisions, computers, computer monitors, computer hardware and cables, printers, FAX machines, copiers, scanners, video game consoles and equipment, DVD/ VCR’s, satellite and cable boxes, tablets, cell phones, laptops, radios, stereo equipment, digital clocks, phone systems, holiday lights, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs, and printer cartridges. Limit five (5) large items per permit.

Please remove all batteries from devices, discard the alkaline batteries, and recycle the rechargeable ones at the event.

For more information about the electronic recycling event, call the OCSWMD at the number above, visit the county website at www.oglecounty.org, or visit the OCSWMD on Facebook at Ogle County Solid Waste Management Dept.

Packets available for Stillman Fire District trustee positions

STILLMAN VALLEY – People interested in seeking a position as a member of the Stillman Fire Protection District Board of Trustees should pick up a petition packet at the Stillman Fire Protection District station, 200 S. Rural St., Stillman Valley.

Please pick up a packet between the hours of 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. daily. You can also contact board secretary Curt Werckle at 815-979-1446 to pick up a packet.

Two six-year positions and one two-year position will be open in April 2021.

A minimum of 25 signatures of qualified voters living within the district are required for a candidate to file a petition.

Completed packets must be filed beginning Dec. 14 through Dec. 21, 2020 between the hours of 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. daily at the fire station.

In addition to the filing petition, prospective candidates must complete, sign and have notarized a loyalty oath, statement of candidacy and statement of economic interest.



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COVID doesn't stop Halloween carnival in Oregon

OREGON – The staff at the Oregon Park District continue to find a way to adapt and move forward with programming and events in spite of COVID and the guidelines from the CDC and IDPH.

The Recreation staff are able to make many programs work while managing participation numbers, social distancing and

limiting touch. Tuesday, Oct. 12 the Oregon Park District staff had a very successful alternative event to the typical Halloween Carnivals.

Halloween in the Park was held at Park West with children needing to register prior to the event to control participation numbers. In only a few days the

event filled with 115 participating children and their families. Every 15 minutes a small group of 15 would begin the Halloween in the Park Event. All that participated seemed to enjoy the activities, being outside and dressing up in their costumes.

The event started with the StoryWalk trail. The Oregon Public

Library inserted Scary, Scary Halloween pages that families read and enjoyed. Children and their parents then enjoyed a hay ride to the Praire at Park West to find the perfect pumpkin. After the ride, participants enjoyed getting photos taken, receiving goody bags and pumpkin decorating kits to take home and transform their

pumpkin into a work of art.

Thank you to our presenting sponsor, E.D. Etnyre for supporting this event. Special thank you to the Oregon Public Library, McDonalds, Subway and Jays for the donation of prizes. We look forward to many more fun activities and events and wish everyone a Happy and Safe Halloween.





Keeping it clean

On Saturday, Sept. 26, members of Abate of Illinois Thunder Rock Chapter (a motorcycle rights organization) did its part to help keep Ogle County clean. It held our fall road clean up along Rt. 2 between Byron and Rockford. (The adopted section is the northernmost part of Rt. 2 in Ogle County). The group said that there seemed to be less trash to pick up than it has seen in the past.

VOP offers two scholarships

The Village of Progress Foundation will offer two scholarships in 2020.

As a result of COVID-19, the scholarship winners will be notified by the end of October and their pictures will be posted on The Village of Progress Facebook page. Checks will be made out directly to the student.

The first scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is made possible through a joint effort between The Larry Young & Friends Charities and The Village of Progress Foundation. Larry Young & Friends Charities partner with The Village of Progress Foundation every year to help make our annual golf outing a success. Larry Young also serves on the Foundation's Board of Directors.

The second scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is made possible through the generosity of the Cacciatore Family. The Cacciatore Family have been long time supporters of the Village.

Wanda served on the Village of Progress Board of Directors for 10 years beginning in 1988. She has served on the Foundation's Board for almost 30 years.



Tom Wadsworth presents Kennedy Marham, a Byron High School senior, with The Cacciatore Family Scholarship.

The scholarship honors her husband, Pete, who was also an enthusiastic supporter of the Village. Pete passed away in the fall of 2014, leaving behind a legacy of commitment to the Village and its mission.

To be eligible for either scholarship, the student must:

- * Be a resident of Ogle County.

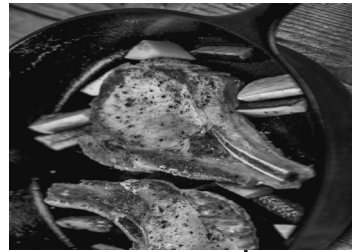
- * Be either a high school senior who is disabled or is planning on attending college and majoring in an area related to the disabled, or a full-time undergraduate college student who

is disabled or is majoring in an area related to the disabled.

Applications must be received by Oct. 30, be completed on the Foundation application form, and include at least two written references.

The financial status of the applicant is not a consideration.

Those wishing an application are encouraged to call the Village of Progress at 815-732-2126 or download an application from the Village of Progress website page (www.villageofprogress.org).



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., Oct. 19

interactive discussion, and hands-on activity all about the woman who wrote the story Frankenstein! Call the library, or stop by, to register and pick up book and activity kit: 815-645-8611. Ages 7-9.

Thurs., Oct. 22

Zoom story time with the Oregon Library, 10 a.m. Register at least a week before in order to receive your craft kit and the Zoom link.

Sat., Oct. 24

Byron Farmers' Market is 8 a.m. to noon, Sunshine Park, IL Route 2 and Peru St., Byron. Featuring local seasonal produce, baked goods, plants, popcorn, area crafters and more. We are following COVID-19 guidelines. For information karen_f61010@yahoo.com or tinyurl.com/byronmarket. The market will continue thru the month of October weather permitting.

Share your story with the Byron Library, 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. There will be a designated time for seniors to share their stories with the group, if interested. Zoom meeting ID will be emailed to registrants who opt to attend via Zoom.

Weds., Oct. 21

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

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Tues., Oct. 20

Young Critics Book Club with the Julia Hull Library, Stillman Valley. Join Sarah on Zoom at 6 p.m., for a fun,

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Nov. 3, 1777, Gen. George Washington is informed that a conspiracy is afoot to discredit him with Congress and have him replaced by Gen. Horatio Gates. Major Gen. Thomas Conway led the effort. Conway offered his resignation in March 1778 by way of apology, and was surprised and humiliated when Congress accepted.

* On Nov. 4, 1928, Arnold Rothstein, New York's most notorious gambler, is fatally shot during a poker game. Police made arrests after following his trail of money back to a suite where a group of men were playing cards.

* On Nov. 5, 1930, Sinclair Lewis is awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature for his novels "Main Street" (1920), "Babbitt" (1922), "Arrowsmith" (1925) and "Elmer Gantry" (1927). In 1926, he had turned down the Pulitzer Prize awarded him for "Arrowsmith."

* On Nov. 7, 1957, The Gaither Report called for by President Dwight Eisenhower to review the nation's defense readiness urges a vigorous \$30 billion campaign to build fallout shelters. It suggested that American citizens were completely unprotected from nuclear attack.

* On Nov. 2, 1960, a landmark obscenity case over "Lady Chatterley's Lover," by D.H. Lawrence, ends in the acquittal of Penguin Books. The publisher had been sued for obscenity in publishing an unexpurgated version of the novel, which deals with the affair between the wife of a landowner and the estate's gamekeeper.

* On Nov. 6, 1982, Shirley Allen is arrested for poisoning her husband, Lloyd Allen, with ethylene glycol, commonly known as antifreeze. After witnessing her mother spike Lloyd's drinks with the deadly substance, Shirley's own daughter turned her in to the authorities.

* On Nov. 8, 1994, 59% of California voters approve Proposition 187, banning undocumented immigrants from using major state public services such as non-emergency health care and education. The ballot measure never took effect, and California has since repealed Prop 187.

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Younger people give me hope for future

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



Talking with teenagers always makes me feel two things.

First, it makes me feel old. And I mean really old. Old like a piece of my body might fall off at any time. Old like when I breathe out a puff of dust flies into the air.

Old like I want to take a shot of Metamucil and tell them all to get off my lawn.

You know, old.

The other thing it makes me feel is hopeful. You know, hopeful like maybe the world isn't completely doomed after all.

I had these feelings last week when I had a chance to talk with a class at Oregon High School. This was a small class of students who were working on the school paper. Who better to talk with them than the editor of the local newspaper?

OK, maybe an astronaut would have been more exciting. Certainly a TV personality or someone who understands what Billie Eilish is so down about would be better. But they got me. (If you have no idea who

this Billie Eilish person is, you are in worse shape than me, pal.)

I enjoy talking with school groups, or any group, really, about my chosen profession. I am very proud of what I do, and I have had the opportunity to do some cool things as a journalist. But I especially love to talk with younger people about it. Because let's face it, journalism is dying a slow death.

That, of course, makes me sad. But it also makes me not envy the young.

Sure, they have the world at their fingertips. That cell-phone in their pocket/purse/backpack can open up the world to them. Pretty much any piece of information can be googled and brought to them in a matter of seconds.

That's good, right? Yes, it certainly is a good thing. But in such a divisive world with legitimate news sources harder to find than a politician who actually has personal integrity, instant information can be an enemy to a free country.

What sources do you trust? That is a question that will haunt this country and this world into the future. If you have no history understanding what a good source is, you are more likely to fall for the false sources that are multiplying on the Internet daily.

And how about the failing environment? We can ignore the truth, but it is still the truth - global warming is here and it is a massive problem. I will probably be dead before the catastrophe comes, but these young

people will have to deal with things my generation and those before us have ignored.

And as I mentioned before, we have never been more divided as a nation. Just recently a plot by militia members to abduct the governor of Michigan because they disagreed with her was uncovered and stopped. The fact that this wasn't a bigger deal than it was says a lot about our country. And none of it is good.

But when I meet and talk with younger people, I am always reminded that they can be smart and inquisitive and they understand the world they live in - probably better than we do. They grew up with cellphones and social media and horribly divided politics. They have a nose for the truth and reality that many of us do not.

I feel better knowing that the future is in pretty good hands. We all should feel good about that.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



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"Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the freedom of speech or of the press"

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President acting like a carnival barker

Dear Editor,

As the people of the United States suffer under the curse of the Covid 19 the present occupant of the White House is holding rally's with only minimal precautions. He has unleashed the "doctor Trump traveling medicine show" on the unsuspecting public peddling his promises of miracle cures and false promises. Several people have died trying after Trump suggest that fish tank cleaner would prevent Covid 19, and that hydroxychloroquine would cure it. Trump the carnival barker is out there again telling people not to be afraid of the virus.

If for one am afraid. I have health issues and am elderly. Trump is pontificating from the White House, the big tough guy has beat the virus. Note that when infected he did not call his favorite Covid Dr., Stella Imanuell that thinks it is caused by "demon sperm" and will be cured by Hydroxychloroquine. He was very impressed by her a few months ago. Why did he not call her when infected?

Most people do not have access to top quality of care that Trump has. With all that information at his disposal he held a White House announcement of a supreme court justice that turned in to a super spreader event with multiple members of congress, the military, advisers, and the white house staff being infected. Nearly every top military commander is in quarantine which raises the question who the hell is running the country? It is hard to comprehend the sadness caused by this man. The president's mental health issues are on full display but republicans don't seem to give damn. Time for the 25th amendment has long since passed but with people like Mitch McConnell overseeing the Senate Trump is free to run the asylum.

Foot note: People that put Pritzker Sucks signs in their yard. The sign says a lot more about the person putting up the sign than it does about Pritzker.

James M. Gorman, Grand Detour

We need to focus on unity and not division

Dear Editor,

Listening to the Vice-Presidential debate I again heard the term implicit bias.

In a recent (Oct. 4) frontpage Rockford Register Star article were the following words by Charles Hayes;

"You don't have to have animosity or hatred toward another race or group of people in order to treat them differently. All you have to do is see them differently. That is the nature of implicit bias."

All of us (everyone the world over, of every race, religion, color, or creed) suffers from implicit bias. For after all "they" are not "us."

All of us are going to be viewed through the lens of the others' experiences. Implying that this is somehow immoral is never going to change the "others" view. And serves only to further divide people.

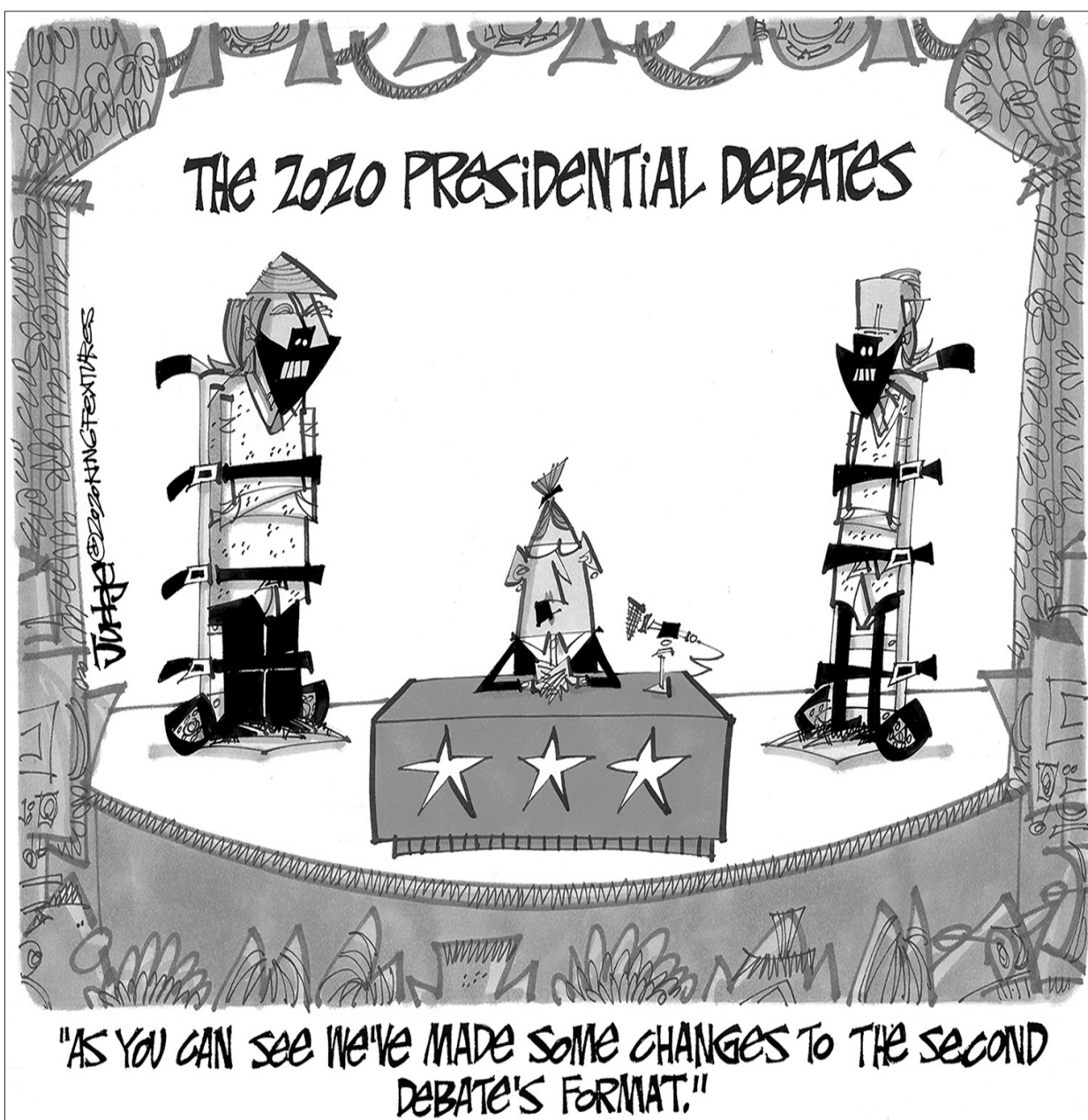
Wouldn't it be better to unify?

In the words of Abraham Lincoln;

"Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?" "We must not be enemies. Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection."

Bill Pirnat, Byron

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Oregon Park District has upcoming events, activities

Pack walks
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 5:30pm on Monday, Nov. 2. Deadline to register is Thursday, October 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 6p.m. All supplies are included. Fee for the class is \$33/Resident or \$40/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is October 29.

T+T Stenciled Holiday Sign
Learn the basics of stenciling with Timber + Tribe. This fun trendy wooden sign will look great on your wall or front door. Choose from 18 different sayings for your sign. This class will be held at Cork & Tap on Sunday, Nov. 8, from 1-3 p.m. Fee for the class is \$42/Resident or \$50/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Oct. 23.

DIY Kit-Personalized Pumpkin with T+T
Kids or adults will enjoy creating a personalized stenciled pumpkin on a 12" x 12" canvas. This DIY project with your first or last name is perfect for kids looking for crafty projects. Parents and kids can have fun doing this project together. Pick up your kit on Monday, Oct. 26. Timber + Tribe will be offering a monthly stenciled sign kit. Enjoy creating trendy art pieces with the help of a prepared kit (includes canvas or wood, 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. Upon registration, specify name for the stencil. Deadline to register is Oct. 20.

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, from 6-7 p.m. Fee is \$44/Resident or \$53/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Oct. 27.

Batting cage rental with pitching machine
Hey Batter Batter!! Ready for some batting practice? We are excited to offer rentals for our Batting Cage with a pitching machine at our new cage at Oregon Park West. A staff member will be onsite to assist with the pitching machine, and there will be a sanitation station on site. You must bring your own bat and helmet. Reservation must be made by the prior Thursday. Available in 30 min intervals, but you can certainly book more than one! Need a different day/ time? Please email Lesley@oregonpark.org to check availability. Batting cage is open to the public to use for free unless reserved. Dusk to dawn, with the L-Screen but without pitching machine. Monday evenings 4-8pm, Fee \$10/R or \$12/NR for 30 minutes.

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.

New beginning in October are 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. 31. Fee \$75. Please register online at www.oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101

Nominating petitions for Julia Hull District Library Board are now available

STILLMAN VALLEY – Nominating petitions for open board positions at the Julia Hull District Library in Stillman Valley are now available.
Current Board members include Jason Miller, Jackie Schumacher, Jeff Mickey, Karl Hall, Kelley Roganowicz, Emily Beach and Sara Grobe. Four of these seven positions will open for election; all four positions are four-year terms. The election for these open positions will be held April 5, 2021.
To be considered for election, candidates must file a petition of 16 signatures by qualified voters residing within the Library District. Additionally, prospective candidates must complete, sign and have notarized a loyalty oath, statement of candidacy and statement of economic interest. All necessary forms will be included in the candidate's election packet, which will be made available at the Julia Hull District Library (Monday/Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Tuesday/Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.).
Candidates may begin filing completed petitions at the library on Monday, Dec. 14. Filing will conclude Monday, Dec. 21. Packets returned after that date may not be considered for candidacy.
For further information, please contact the library at 815-645-8611.

The 2021 From The Heart Cash Calendars are NOW AVAILABLE!!

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



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OREGON! Byron schools. Riverfront, split floor ranch with 3-4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car attached & 2 car detached garages, garden shed. 4005 N IL. RT. 2, Oregon
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FORMER PARADE HOME! Custom built 4 bed, 3.5 bath sprawling ranch on 3.19 acres in beautiful Wildlife Estates Subdivision. Home features two full kitchens, an open floor plan, finished LL w/wood burning fireplace & large bonus room. A MUST SEE! 8695 GROUSE Run, Stillman Valley
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Kayla Heslop
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Sean Hosseini
978-0018

\$152,900 dickersonnieman.com/202004887
TRUE COUNTRY LIVING! In this 3 bedroom ranch sitting on a large wooded lot w/wood burning fireplace & newer furnace. Home features FF laundry & large living room w/ large deck off the living room. All appliances stay. 26x15 shed. 598 S RED OAK Lane, Chana
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\$179,900 dickersonnieman.com/202004806
SINGLE OWNER RANCH! 3 bed, 2 full bath home offers open concept w/split bedrooms. Great room w/fireplace & cathedral ceiling. FF laundry, Master w/walk-in closet. Eat-in kitchen. Full basement. 3 car attached garage. Home Warranty. 534 WESTFIELD Drive, Stillman Valley
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\$225,000 dickersonnieman.com/202004720
LARGE HOME IN NORDIC WOODS! 5 bed, 3 bath home on .61 acres. Large fenced in backyard w/above ground pool & composite deck. Open flow on the main floor w/slider to large deck. Master bed w/full bath. LL has family room, additional bed & full bath. 6627 N ALPINE Drive, Byron
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LOTS OF POTENTIAL! 4 bedrooms on the main floor w/1.5 baths. Partially exposed lower level has partially completed family room, 2 possible additional bedrooms & 1/2 bath. All sitting on approximately 1.10 acres with mature trees. 6861 ALVINA Road, Rockford
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TURN-KEY READY! 3,100 sqft sprawling 5 bed, 3 full bath ranch on 5.9 acres. Master suite w/Jacuzzi tub & two sided fireplace. Huge eat-in kitchen. Wrap around porch & 3 car heated garage. 6 stall barn & back pastures, 4 pastures w/loafing sheds. 7573 KISHWAUKEE Road, Stillman Valley
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\$79,900 dickersonnieman.com/202004508
DOWNTOWN BYRON! Nice deep lot with alley access. This home has a newer roof (2015) and updated electrical. Open flow on the main floor w/half bath. 2 bedrooms & full bath on UL. 2 car deep garage w/additional work space. Close to I-39. 421 W 3RD Street, Byron
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BEAUTIFUL 2 STORY! 4 bed, 2.5 bath home in Nordic woods. Kitchen w/SS appliances, formal dining room, living room & family room on ML. Large master w/full bath on UL. Finished LL w/large rec room, wet bar & 2 bonus rooms. Oversized 2 car garage. 6953 N ALPINE Drive, Byron
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A MUST SEE! Newly remodeled ranch home on nice shady lot. 2 car garage, new metal roof. 3 bedroom, 2.5 baths, large kitchen/dining room. Out buildings, central vac, central air, and patio. 711 MONROE Street, Oregon
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1.5 STORY IN COUNTRY SETTING! 2 bed, 1.5 bath home on .75-acre MOL w/mature trees. Newer roof & updated electrical. Open flow on the main floor w/half bath. 2 bedrooms & full bath on UL. 2 car deep garage w/additional work space. Close to I-39. 5010 N ARMOUR Road, Stillman Valley
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AMAZING RIVER VIEWS! 2 bed, 1 bath ranch situated on the Rock River. Great place to bring your water toys and enjoy river living. Approximately 300 ft of riverfront. Laundry room could be turned into third bedroom. Freshly painted in 2017. 7632 RIVER Road, Byron
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BEAUTIFUL RANCH HOME! 4 bed, 3 bath home w/2,700 sq ft of finished living space. Open floor plan offering dining room, updated kitchen w/eat-in area, FF laundry, living room. Master Suite w/jetted tub & walk in closet. Finished LL. Oregon Schools. 504 TROTTER Court, Oregon
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815-719-0020

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COUNTRY LIVING WITH THE CONVENIENCE OF TOWN! 4 bed, 3 bath ranch features 3 wood fireplaces & a beautifully finished LL. The lower level has a walk out into the fully fenced back yard. All appliances stay. Garden shed and generator stays. Home warranty. 317 TOMAHAWK Drive, Oregon
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NEW PRICE! COZY 2-STORY! Interesting architecture abounds in this 4 bedroom, 2 bath home. Open front porch with columns and swing. Large living room, formal dining room, well planned kitchen, & screened in porch. FF laundry, 2 car detached garage. 406 N 4TH Street, Oregon
JOHANNA HAHNE
815-978-1847

\$575,000 dickersonnieman.com/202001611
BEAUTIFUL 2 STORY! 3 bed, 2.5 bath restored stone home nestled in the woods outside of Oregon on over 32 acres. Property is zoned ag with 2 barns and a pond. Home has tons of old character with updated amenities. A true must see! 4972 W HENRY Road, Oregon
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LOTS & ACREAGE

BUILDABLE WOODED LOT! Still time to build your dream home on this 0.89 acre lot with lots of trees in the Oregon School District. Well & Septic is required. No restrictions on size of home. County taxes. \$21,900. dickersonnieman.com/202004886
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Buffalo Township candidate petitions available

Petitions are available for Buffalo Township offices of Supervisor, Road Commissioner, Township Clerk and four Trustees for the Consolidated Election April 6, 2021.

Petitions may be obtained by calling Buffalo Township Clerk, Judith Norris at 815-946-2137 or from the Ogle County Clerk at the Ogle County courthouse. Completed petitions must be filed with the Buffalo Township Clerk beginning Dec. 14 at 7 a.m. through Dec. 21 at 5 p.m.

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NEW LISTING

1155 Bay Drive Dixon \$9,900
Call Mark

Lot for sale in a nice neighborhood in Dixon. 1.3 acres that is buildable with room to grow! Well and septic will be needed. Dixon schools. Beautiful location to get stated planning your new home.

NEW LISTING

706 W Washington Street Oregon \$130,000
Call Rebecca

SPACIOUS AND CHARMING! This 3 Bedroom, 2.5 bathroom home with a large yard is ready for you to call home! With an updated kitchen, main floor laundry and four seasons room with loads of windows, you will love the main floor living space. With hardwood floors throughout most the main level living space, the living room has a gas fireplace and windows featuring plantation shutters. Eat in area in the kitchen as well as a formal dining room. Upstairs the master suite has an updated en suite bathroom and a bonus room that could be an office or additional bedroom. Large deck over looking the backyard. Breezeway connected the house and garage that would make a great mudroom. One car garage along with ample parking off of the alley in the backyard. Call for your showing today!

NEW LISTING

6669 Antler Trail Rockford \$109,900
Call Carla

New Listing! Conveniently located just off Rt 2 between Rockford and Byron. This adorable A Frame home offers fantastic views of the river valley. Main floor bedroom with updated bath and kitchen with stainless appliances only compliment this wooded oasis! Large deck with separate stairway. Many newer features! Don't delay call today to see this affordable home.

NEW LISTING

502 Franklin Street Oregon \$85,000
Call Carla

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

OPEN HOUSE

240 West Street Byron \$525,000
Sunday Oct 25 2-4 PM Hosted By Carla

Rare find!! This stunning custom built ranch with full exposure in Byron schools is conveniently located just a few blocks from downtown, this home offers the best of everything!! The expansive addition constructed by Harry Adams offers unparalleled craftsmanship. Over 5000 sq ft and easily would provide complete living for 2 families. Gourmet Kitchen, Butler's pantry with granite and loads of custom cabinetry, oak hardwood flooring, huge formal dining area open into the great room with marble surround fireplace, crown molding, French doors lead out to the million dollar views of the Rock River from the wrap around deck. High and dry!! State of the art surround sound throughout both levels and outside deck and patio areas. This 4-6 bedroom 4.5 bath home is truly a one of a kind in Byron! You'll fall in love with the master suite with sitting areas, 2 master bathrooms. Large master closets with built-ins. Lower level offers 2nd kitchen, 3-4 bedrooms, family room, 2 bathrooms. French doors lead out to stamped concrete patio with complete privacy for the hot tub! Professionally landscaped yard. Vacation all year long in this sweet offering!! Bring your boat and dock at your own shoreline! Dock is included with the sale.

NEW PRICE

8 W Hitt Street Mt Morris now \$59,900
Call Stephanie

3 family apt building with great income potential or could easily be turned into a single family. Main floor has 1 bed/1 bath, Upstairs has 3bed/ 1 bath and eat in kitchen, and there is an efficiency apt in back of the home currently rented for \$350.00. Each unit is offered a 1 car garage and on site washer and dryer access. Landlord currently pays all utilities. Upstairs unit has new carpet, linoleum and paint. All appliances stay.

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208 W Main Street Leaf River now \$59,900
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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!

NEW PRICE

1176 S Daysville Road Oregon now \$134,900
Call Carla

Super cute two bedroom, one bath ranch home on the outskirts of town. Newer family room addition with vaulted ceiling, loads of light and fantastic views from every window! Large kitchen with dining areas. Newly updated bathroom, nice sized living room and main floor laundry room with additional cabinet and counter space. All this and more on a nice wooded lot! Call today to view this special offering just outside of Oregon.

NEW PRICE

11123 W Route 72 Forreston now \$175,000
STOCKED POND! Live, work and play on your own 4 acres MOL acres in the country! Located just outside of Forreston this home is a rare find. 3bedrooms/1bathroom with nearly 2,000 sq ft of living space. Gleaming hardwood floors and large rooms make this ranch feel homey and move in ready! The basement offers partial exposure and could easily be finished for more living space. An added bonus is the .75 acre stocked pond! An interesting piece of history is the old county bridge that is also on the property. Updates include new electrical service, water softener and furnace. Do not miss your chance to own this amazing country escape!



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Oregon cross country teams split with Rochelle

OREGON — The Oregon cross country program hosted Rochelle at Oregon Park West on Thursday, Oct. 8. The Oregon girls defeated Rochelle 17-46 behind first-place finisher Leah Watters (22:06.4), second-place runner Faith Marquardt (22:19.1) and third-place performer Katlyn Ramirez (22:23.5). The Oregon boys lost 25-30 despite a second-place finish from Ryan Hussung (19:23.8) and top-5 times from Gavin Bradshaw (20:23.3) and Austin Ebert (20:28.5).

Stillman Valley runners beat Rockford Christian

STILLMAN VALLEY — The Stillman Valley coed cross country team defeated Rockford Christian on Tuesday, Oct. 13 with 30 points in the meet. Sal Salas-Godinez finished first in the boys race, while Holland Reynolds took third and Jeremiah Bogner placed seventh. Macey Dauphin won the girls race, with Anna Glendenning finishing second and Harleigh Wallin taking fourth.

Ogle County golfers earn all-conference recognition

OGLE COUNTY — The Big Northern Conference announced its 2020 All-Conference boys and girls golfers for the fall season. Several Ogle County student-athletes were recognized. First-Team female honorees include Paige Bukoski (Byron), Grace Haas (Stillman Valley). Second-Team female honorees include Ava Hackman (Oregon) and Honorable Mentions include Grace Kultgen (Byron), Mia Trampel (Oregon) and Ella Challand (Stillman Valley). First-Team male honorees include Maison Brandt (Byron), Tim Marcum (Stillman Valley) and Eric Detig (Byron). Second-Team male honorees include Owen Dunsbeth (Stillman Valley), Logan Remhof (Byron) and Jarrett Dietrich (Oregon). Honorable Mentions include Brarret Griffith (Byron), Isaac Kaltenbrun (Oregon) and Chad Gerig (Stillman Valley).



Byron golfers medal

Byron Lady Tigers Paige Bukoski and Addie Ebersohl received medalists honors at the BNC Golf Championship. Bukoski earned 5th place with a 91 and Ebersohl earned 13th place with a 98.

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Chana Education Center recognizes Students of the Month

Congratulations to the Students of the Month for September at Chana Education Center.

Each month a student from each program is selected by their teachers and staff to recognize their accomplishments.

Our Challenge Honoree, Hector DeLeon, is a 10th grader from Rochelle. DeLeon is known throughout the building by staff for his positive and respectful attitude. DeLeon encourages other students to do well and even though he has just

started at Chana in August, is already seen as a leader by others.

Alex Starr is a high school student from Amboy. Staff have been amazed at his dedication to his grades and strong work ethic. Even when he has

had to be at home, Starr has "remoted" into his classes and has kept up on his assignments. Teachers appreciate Starr's humor and quick wit.

Rory Hammer, our Middle School Student of the Month, is a 7th grader from

Oregon. His teachers report that Hammer has grown by "leaps and bounds" this year. He is a quiet leader in the classroom and is respected by his peers. He has been a model of patience and strong character.

Our Elementary Stu-

dent of the Month was recognized by his teachers for his willingness to persevere through difficult tasks. He is a good friend to his classmates and peers in the building, and always wants to be a helper to others.

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

A Time For Mercy by John Grisham
Jingle All the Way by Debbie Macomber

A Life Once Dreamed by Rachel Fordham

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Kind Of a Big Deal by Shannon Hale
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Children's Fiction
Friday Night Wrestle Fest by J.F. Fox
Books Are the Best with Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood

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 5pm the Wednesday before to reserve your time slot each week. Register through the Sign Up Genius link on our website www.ber-toletmemoriallibrary.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.

*We will be outside when possible or in the back room when the weather requires it. Please dress your kids in clothes that are appropriate for the weather and 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!

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Byron Library News

Byron Public Library is Fine Free!

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

The Library is Open for Browsing!

The Byron Library is now open for book browsing! Patrons are welcome to browse on both floors. Materials can be checked out at our self-check stations on either floor, by a staff member at the first-floor circulation desk, or delivered to patrons outside with our curbside service. Don't forget to wear your mask!

Curbside Delivery

Curbside service is here to stay! Place your holds online at Byron.lib.il.us or call us at 815-234-5107. Not sure what you want? Call us for help! We will call or email you with a confirmation when your holds are ready to be picked up. Call us when you arrive at the library, and we will bring your items out to you. A receipt with your due dates will be included with your items.

StoryWalks at the Byron Forest Preserve

Enjoy the beauty of the Byron Forest Preserve with your little ones while reading the stories with the Byron Library's StoryWalk! Read the story "Don't Play With Your Food" as you walk the forest preserve's Indigo Trail. "Don't Play With Your Food" 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 (nonmobile babies do not count towards your total) can attend. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register your group.

Friday Trivia

Friday, Oct. 16

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, Oct. 19

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.

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!



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Register for a Library Card

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

A Song & A Story

Join us every Wednesday at 10 AM 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.

Young Critics Book Club: She Made a Monster: How Mary Shelley Created Frankenstein

Join Sarah on Zoom, Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 6 p.m., for a fun, interactive discussion, and hands-on activity all about the woman who wrote the story Frankenstein! Call the library, or stop by, to register and pick up book and activity kit: 815-645-8611. Ages 7-9.

Teen Trivia: Halloween Edition

Teens: join your friends on Zoom on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 3 p.m. to test your knowledge of all things Fall and Halloween, from tasty to terrifying! Costumes welcome and encouraged! Email Kelly at khaas@mail.meridian223.org for a Zoom invitation to the event! Ages 13-18.

Tween Reads: Killer Style: How Fashion Has Injured, Maimed, & Murdered Through History

Join Zoey on Zoom, Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 6 p.m. for a discussion and activity for this month's intriguing (true!) selection you won't soon forget! Call the library, or stop by to register reserve your book and kit. Ages 10-12.

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, November 2 at 6:00 PM 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. 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 pjs, 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.

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.

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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.

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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.

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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 library@pololibrary.org with questions.

Census 2020 - Make Illinois Count

Take 5 minutes to respond to the Census today! Visit www.my2020census.gov or call 1-844-330-2020. The deadline has moved to October 31st, so don't delay.

If you need help, or computer access, please come to Polo Library to use one of our public computers or let a member of staff know you'd like help filling out your 2020 Census.

Virtual Story Time, Saturdays 10:30 a.m. - Facebook.com/pololibrary

Every Saturday morning head over to Polo Library's Facebook page to watch a member of the Library staff read a children's story. They will air each Saturday at 10:30am, but you can watch them any time!

Outdoor Yoga with ADM Studios, Monday, Oct. 19 - 6 p.m. *Weather Permitting*

We have plenty of space in our yard for social distancing! Bring your yoga mat and come ready to enjoy some fall air. Call 815-946-2713 to register.

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

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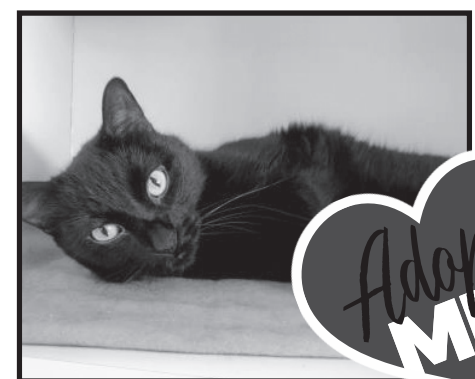
Register to Vote

The deadline to register online to vote is October 18th. Polo Library has two public use computers available for use to register to vote. The deadline to request a mail in ballot is October 29th.

Questions?

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The building is open regular hours. You can put holds on items in our Library through our catalog or by calling the library at (815) 732-2724. Please continue to return all materials in the outside book drop that is open 24/7. All library materials are quarantined for at least 7 days and then checked in. Please call for any questions or material requests. Read More ~ Worry Less!

Mysterious legends and ghostly encounters – Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Kathi Kresol will take you on a ghostly journey through some of Northern Illinois most haunted locations. These stories will cover everything from mysterious legends, horrid true crimes, and eerie encounters with the dead.

Kathi has been researching the odd and unusual for over 15 years. She is a local author who has trekked the back roads of Illinois searching for these creepy tales and the history behind them. Visit her website for more information about her books, her stories, and her events. <http://www.hauntedrockford.com> Registration required for this ZOOM event, call (815) 732-2724.

Zoom story time – Thursday, Oct. 22

Once a month we will have a Zoom Story Time on Thursday at 10 am. Register at least a week before in order to receive your craft kit and the Zoom link. The dates are: Oct. 22, Nov.19 and Dec. 17. Look forward to seeing everyone!

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.

Election Day 2020

Not old enough to vote? Would you like to express your opinion about the 2020 presidential election? All non-registered voters between ages of 3-17 may have a voice at our Unofficial voting box. How can you participate? Stop by the Library between October 19-28th and pick up your unofficial ballot for the presidential election. Bring back your completed ballot on October 30, 31 or November 2nd and place it in our unofficial ballot box located in the elevator lobby during Library hours. We will tally the votes on November 3 and post the results on the 4th. Questions? Call the Library at 815-732-2724. The Library will be closed on Tuesday, November 3.

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 is back

Saturday mornings at 9:30 a.m. – only 5 spots available.

Registration required 815-732-2724

Oregon Writer's Group – 2nd and last Tuesday each month at 10 a.m.

Meeting notice: meeting will occur at the Library in the Art Gallery

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

Friends of the Library grab bag book sale

Already missing the Friends Annual Book Sale... well you don't have to. The Grab Bag Book Sale continues! This is an ongoing sale and the bags are in the library labeled by genre. You can purchase a bag for \$5. There are approximately 8-10 books in each bag. Don't miss out on this awesome deal! Please call the Library at 815-732-2724 if you have any questions.

New releases

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The Brightest Star by Fern Michaels (Fiction)

The Gift Of Family by Mary Monroe (Fiction)

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Magic Lessons by Alice Hoffman (Fiction)

An Irish Country Welcome by Patrick Taylor (Fiction)

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Elsewhere by Dean Koontz (Fiction)

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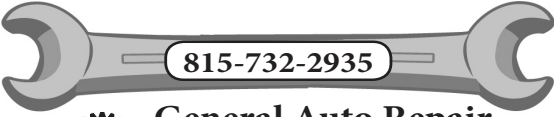

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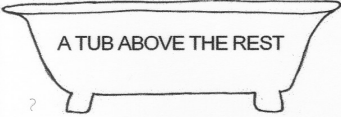
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Snow Removal

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

938-2624 for more information.

2nd Annual Downtown Trick or Treat

Saturday, Oct. 31, 9 a.m.-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 from other libraries. Due to quarantine policies, delivery may take longer than usual. Please call, Facebook message, or email us to request materials or if you have any questions.

Read for a Lifetime

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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624 Luther Drive, Byron, IL 815-234-5277
 Pastor Janet Wold. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our Sunday worship
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 Sunday School will be held at 9:00 am from September through May. Adult
 Sunday School will be held at 10:00 am. Confirmation studies for 7th and
 8th grade students will be held each Sunday morning at 10:00 am via Zoom.
 Wednesday afternoon Bible study is held at 1:30 pm via Zoom. Book club
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 Sunday Schedule and Worship Opportunities:
 Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am
 Adult Christian Education Class: 9am
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 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 Kishwaukeee Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084 / 815-965-1940
 Pastor Eric Tonjes, www.kishchurch.org
 Sunday Schedule: Discipleship Hour 9:00 AM, Coffee Fellowship 9:50 AM
 Gathered Worship 10:00 AM
 For complete ministry schedule check out our website or call the church
 office.

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

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

WINNEBAGO

MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Byron 815-234-5626	Oregon 815-732-7956	Your Local, Independent Community Bank Since 1882
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 Member FDIC		

		311 W. Washington St.
		Oregon, IL 61061 Ph: 815-732-2156 Fax: 815-732-6154

Weekly Brain Busters

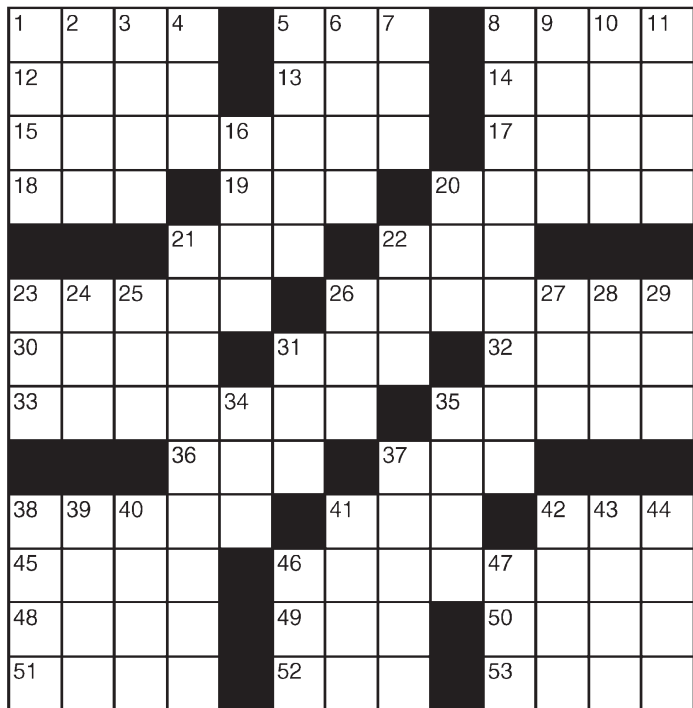
King Crossword

ONE-WORD NOVELS

MAGIC MAZE

ACROSS

- 1 Manhandle
- 5 Kimono sash
- 8 Hollywood clashers
- 12 Otherwise
- 13 Paid athlete
- 14 Swindle
- 15 Glass made of lava
- 17 Small song-bird
- 18 Series of battles
- 19 Individual
- 20 Too thin
- 21 Prompt
- 22 Evergreen type
- 23 Happen
- 26 Andean vultures



- 30 Courts
- 31 Email alternative
- 32 Pedestal occupant
- 33 Panacea
- 35 Golfer's aid
- 36 Rowing need
- 37 Junior
- 38 Suspicious
- 41 Pal
- 42 Hot tub
- 45 Stereo hook-up
- 46 — bacon
- 48 Pod vegetable
- 49 Plant bristle

- 50 Fairy tale side
- 51 Lowly worker baddie
- 52 Thickness
- 53 Chew like a chipmunk
- 7 Charged bit
- 8 Early era in England's
- 9 Mentor
- 10 File command
- 11 Transmitted
- 16 Gloomy
- 20 Card player's call
- 21 Janitor
- 22 Hounds' prey
- 23 Possess
- 24 Bill's partner
- 25 Trig ratio
- 26 Rotating part
- 27 Peculiar
- 28 Scepter
- 29 Like 22-Down
- 31 Bear hair
- 34 Shaft of light
- 35 Last few notes
- 37 Optimistic
- 38 Buy stuff
- 39 Woodsy walk
- 40 Frizzy 'do
- 41 Cry loudly
- 42 Portent
- 43 Law firm aide, for short
- 44 From the beginning
- 46 Upper limit
- 47 Mut

DOWN

- 1 Cat call?
- 2 Actress Jessica
- 3 Cold War abbr.
- 4 Muumuu accessory
- 5 Put one's two cents in
- 6 Highland hill-

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

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

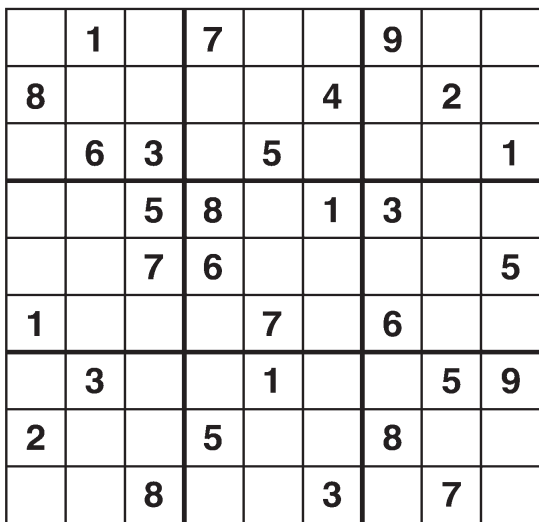
- Beloved
- Deliverance
- Illusions
- Ironweed
- Lolita
- Loving
- Moonheart
- Mulengro
- Nostromo
- Ragtime
- Scoop
- Shane
- Suttree
- Trader
- Yarrow

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

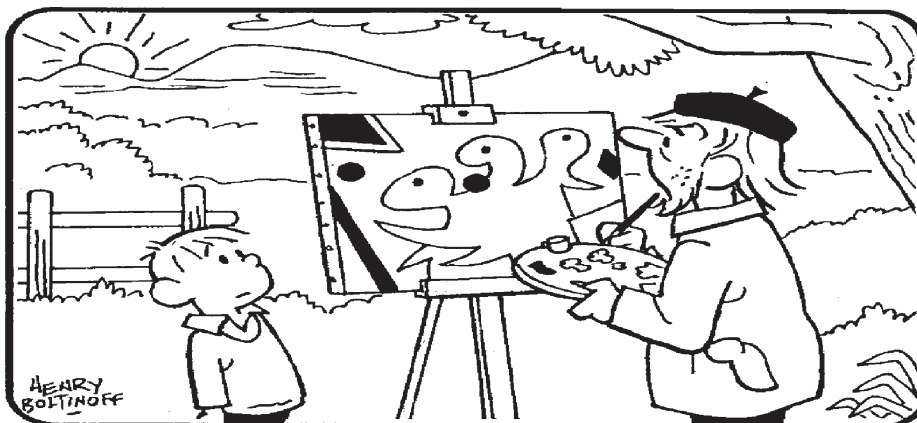
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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

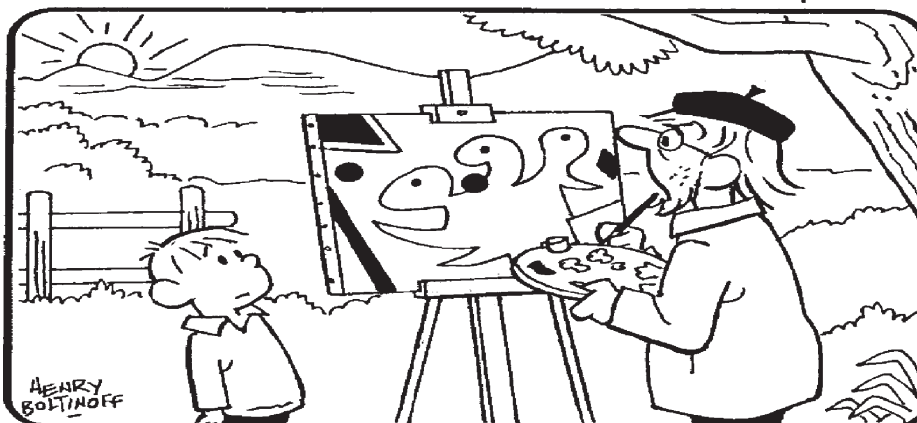
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



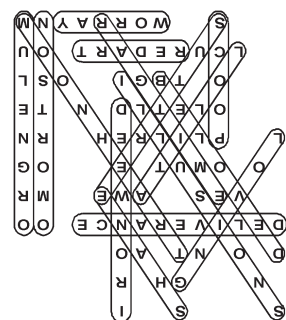
Differences: 1. Cloud is missing. 2. Artist has glasses. 3. Boy's necktie is different. 4. Easel has third leg. 5. Painting is different. 6. Artist's paint rag is gone.



Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

King Crossword



ONE-WORD NOVELS

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

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:

The Ogle
County



LIFE

P.O. Box 378
311 W. Washington
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
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 15th JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT
OGLE COUNTY,
ILLINOIS

IN THE)
MATTER)
OF THE)No.
ESTATE)2020
OF:)P 69
STANLEY)
J. UBBEN)
deceased.)
CLAIM NOTICE
I JOTIC E IS GIVEI
of t h e d e ath of STA...
NLEY J. UBBEN o f Mt.
Morris, Illinois. Letters
of office were issued on
September 21, 2020, to
KATHRYN J. UBBEN of
Mt. Morris, Illinois, whose
attorney is David A.
Smith, of Smith, Bir khol
lz & 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,
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.
KATHRYN J. UBBEN
Independent
Administrator
No. 1003 (Oct. 5, 12, 19)

PUBLIC NOTICE
VILLAGE OF STILLMAN
VALLEY, ILLINOIS
IL-72 AND STILLMAN
ROAD TAX INCREMENT
FINANCING
REDEVELOPMENT
PROJECT AREA
REGISTRATION FORM
FOR TIF INTERESTED
PARTIES REGISTRY

Pursuant to Section
11-74.4-4.2 of the Tax
Increment Allocation
Redevelopment Act,
65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-1
et seq. (the "Act"), the
Village of Stillman Valley,
Illinois (the "Village")
is required to establish
an interested parties
registry ("Registry")
for each tax increment
financing redevelopment
project area created
pursuant to the Act (a
"Redevelopment Project
Area"). On October 13,
2020, the Village adopted
an ordinance authorizing
the establishment of
Registry by the Village
Clerk ("Clerk") and
adopting registration
rules for such Registry.
The purpose of this
notice is to inform the
public of the Registry

and the registration rules for the Registry and to invite Interested Parties (as defined below) to register in the Registry for any Redevelopment Project Area. The Village has identified the IL-72 and Stillman Road Redevelopment Project Area as an area for study and possible designation as a Redevelopment Project Area. Any organization active within the Village and any resident of the Village (an "Interested Party") is entitled to register in the Registry for any Redevelopment Project Area. Organizations include, but are not limited to, businesses, business organizations, civic groups, not-for-profit corporations and community organizations. Individuals must be residents of the Village at the time of registration. An Interested Party seeking to register in the Registry for any Redevelopment Project Area must complete and submit a registration form to the Clerk. Organizations must also submit a one-page statement describing their current operations in the Village. Residents must

also submit a copy of a current driver's license, lease, voter registration card, utility bill, financial statement or such other evidence as may be acceptable to the Clerk to establish current residency in the Village. All organizations and residents whose registration form and supporting documentation comply with the registration rules and who submit such documentation, either in person or by mail, to the Village of Stillman Valley, c/o Village Clerk, 120 North Walnut Street, P.O. Box 127, Stillman Valley, Illinois 61084, will be registered in the applicable Registry within ten (10) business days of the Clerk's receipt of all required submissions. The Clerk will provide written notice to the registrant confirming such registration. Upon registration, Interested Parties will be entitled to receive all notices and documents required to be delivered under the Act with respect to the applicable Redevelopment Project Area. If the Clerk determines that a registrant's registration

form and/or supporting documentation is incomplete or does not comply with the registration rules, the Clerk will give written notice to the registrant specifying the defects. The registrant will be entitled to correct any defects and resubmit a new registration form and supporting documentation. An Interested Party's registration will remain effective for a period of three years. Rules for the renewal or amendment of an Interested Party's registration may be obtained from the Clerk. Each Registry will be available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk during normal Village business hours. The Registry will include the name, address and telephone number of each Interested Party and, for organizations, the name and telephone number of a designated contact person. Registration forms can be obtained at the office of the Village of Stillman Valley, Office of the Village Clerk, 120 North Walnut Street, P.O. Box 127, Stillman Valley, Illinois 61084.

Registration forms will not be mailed or faxed. The general business hours of the Office of the Village Clerk are 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. No. 1010 (Oct. 19)

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)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Leaf River Township and Road District report to the Controllers Office. Audited by Lucas Group CPA's, Freeport, IL. For viewing contact Township Office 815-291-9377 or 815-291-8870.
No. 1014 (Oct. 19)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice to Bidders
Notice is hereby given that the Byron Park District,

420 N Colfax St., Byron, IL 61010 will receive bids at the office of the Executive Director until Friday, October 30, 2020 at 10:00 AM for designing, furnishing and installing a sound system for the District's fitness center, dance studios, locker rooms, and lobby area. All requirements and details are described and listed on the equipment and installation specification list. All proposals for equipment are to be the same or equivalent to the specifications on file in the office of the Executive Director, Byron Park District, 420 N Colfax St., Byron, IL 61010. Prospective bidders may obtain the equipment and installation specifications from the office of the Executive Director, Byron Park District, 420 N Colfax St., Byron, IL 61010. Requests may be made by phone: 815-234-6277 or email: pzepezauer@byronparks.org
The Byron Park District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities and to accept the proposal that the Byron Park District Board of Commissioners believes to be in the best interest of the Byron Park District.
By order of:
Rachel Oracki
Byron Park District
Board of Commissioners
No. 1017 (Oct. 19)

(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)

YOUR AD HERE!

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE

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.** See website for Flyer, Terms, Maps and more info.
Morris, IL - 815-942-4266

www.richardaolson.com

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**ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
GRAND DETOUR TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING 03/31/2020**

REVENUES - PROPERTY TAXES - \$58,496.26; INTEREST - \$139.49; **TOTAL REVENUES** - \$58,635.75
VENDORS - WES'S TREE SERVICE \$12,300.00; OGLE COUNTY 7,173.68; MARTIN \$4,584.09; Nova Painting \$15,000.00; Porter Brothers \$21,059.11 ALL OTHER VENDORS (UNDER 2,500.00) \$17,186.11
TOTAL VENDORS - \$77,302.99

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$170,794.22
REVENUE	58,635.75
EXPENDITURES	77,302.99
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$152,126.98

I, DEBBIE LOWRY, CLERK OF GRAND DETOUR TOWNSHIP, OGLE COUNTY, IL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 03/31/2020.

DEBBIE LOWRY, CLERK

**ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
GRAND DETOUR TOWNSHIP
FISCAL YEAR ENDING 03/31/2020**

REVENUES - PROPERTY TAXES - \$69,302.08; INTEREST - \$102.44; **TOTAL REVENUES** - \$69,404.52
SALARIES - FRANCIS DREW \$7,560.41; KENNETH LOWRY \$11,700.00; DEBBIE LOWRY \$5,299.86; JOHN FOXLEY \$817.87; CONNIE ROSS \$757.87; PAUL ROE \$817.87; RHONDA DREW \$817.87
TOTAL SALARIES - \$27,771.75
VENDORS - UNITED STATES TREASURE (941) \$7,605.00; CLARK MOSQUITO SPRAYING \$2,773.00; ALL OTHER VENDORS (UNDER 2,500.00) \$11,084.52
TOTAL VENDORS - \$21,462.52

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 101,874.37
REVENUES	69,404.52
EXPENDITURES	49,234.27
ENDING BALANCE	\$122,044.62

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**KEEP MERCURY OUT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
BY SAFELY DISPOSING OF YOUR
OLD MERCURY THERMOSTAT**

TO FIND A RECYCLING LOCATION, VISIT:
thermostat-recycle.org/zipsearch

garage sale GUIDE

Estate/Garage Sale
4946 E. Ashelford Dr., Byron
Thurs. Oct 22nd, 9:00-4:00
Fri. 23rd, 9:00-4:00
Sat. Oct. 24th, 9:00-4:00
Sun. Oct. 25th 12:00-4:00

Ski Country, McCormick, Collectible Whisky Decanters, many bear figurines, household items/dishes, antique tools, meat grinders, chest, ect.
4 large display cases. Much more!
****MASKS ARE REQUIRED** PIA#52**

103 AUCTIONS

“Estate/Tag Sale”
1 day only; everything Must GO!!
9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Friday, October 23, 2020
6459 Haldane Rd., Mt. Morris, IL
Find us on Facebook Market Place or
Craigslist “Blumeyer”

103 AUCTIONS

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Lenny Bryson
Sales Of All Kinds
815-946-4120

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815-830-3898
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103 AUCTIONS

ONLINE ONLY AUCTION
Hacksauction.hibid.com
Gary Wilson Antique Auction
BIDDING OPENS: TUES., OCT. 20th @ 8 A.M.
1332 W. Demeter Dr., Freeport, IL 61032
Gary Collected Beautiful Pieces for Many Years!
Home Full
Antiques & Collectibles; Primitives; Huge Selection
Fine China, Crystal &
Glassware; Stoneware; Advertisement; Freeport-Local-Historical Post Card
Collection; Glass Door China & Display Closets & Hutches; Lighting; **Much More!**
PREVIEW: Mon., Oct. 19th – 3 to 6 P.M.
PICKUP: Mon., Oct. 26th – 3 P.M. to 6 P.M.
BIDDING CLOSES: Sat., Oct. 24th @ 7 P.M.

REAL ESTATE SOLD
SAT., OCT. 31st @ 10 A.M.

Two-BR Ranch Home, 2-Car Unattached Garage,
Full Basement, Newer Mechanicals, Shaded Lot,
Near Krape Park.
ONLINE ONLY AUCTION
Hunt Antique Toy & Bank Collection
BIDDING OPENS: Thurs., Oct. 22nd @ 8 A.M.
Hack’s Auction Center
440 W. Third St., Pecatonica, IL
Great Selection of Vintage & Antique Toys!
Desirable Arcade Cast Iron-Carpenter-Kenton; Early Strauss-Lehmann-Ives-German Toys; Pressed Steel Kingsbury & Sonny, Graf Zeppelin & Pull Toys; Cast Iron Vehicles-Motorcycles-Animal & Horse Drawn; Marx & Chein, Character, Japan Windup-Friction & Tin Litho; Early Fisher Price; Americana; Cast Iron Mechanical & Still Banks; Door Stops; Bottle Openers; Bulldogs; Victorian Inkwells; Tobacco Cutters; Tru-Scale Farm Toy Set; Major Matt Mason 1966 Man in Space; Match Box; Tonka; GI Joe; Sports Cards; **Many Boxed & Rare Items.**
PREVIEW: Wed., Oct. 21st - 3 to 7 P.M.
BIDDING CLOSES: Tues., Oct. 27 @ 7 P.M.
PICKUP: Thurs., Oct. 29th – 3 to 7 P.M.
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Large shop and storage space available in Oregon.
815-980-8642

127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

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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 child care 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 it’s care.

203 HELP WANTED

103 AUCTIONS

REAL ESTATE AUCTION

We will offer at Public Auction the following described Real Estate at Public Auction. This auction will be held on site at **1831 Lee Center Rd., Lee Center IL.** Social distance and mask requested for the safety of everyone in attendance. On Auction Day, watch for Bearrows Real Estate & Auction signs from Rt. 30 Northeast of Amboy IL. Call Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-739-9150 for a private viewing or visit our web site at www.bearrows.com or www.bearrows.hibid.com for further information & pictures.

Saturday November 7th, 2020
10 AM

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE: The 2 story home includes 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, dining room, living room, enclosed front porch, 1st floor laundry hook-ups, appliances including ref, gas stove, dishwasher, washer & dryer, water softener, updated mechanicals, situated on a large corner lot w/ a 25’x24’ detached garage w/ concrete drive. plus 7’x11’ shed. REAL ESTATE TERMS: \$3,000.00 down the day of the auction, with the balance due on or before December 15th, 2020, at which time full possession will be given. Seller to provide appropriate deed as well as a merchantable Title Policy in the amount of the purchase price. This property is being conveyed in its “As-Is” condition without any contingencies with regard to financing and/or the sale of another piece of property. All announcements made the day of auction take precedence over all prior advertising.

Charlene L McNinch – Owner



Visit our website www.bearrows.com

AUCTIONEERS:
JOHN BEARROWS, Rochelle, IL
(815) 739-9150
IL Lic. #440000243
JOSH HICKEY, Steward, IL
(815) 739-1030
IL Lic. #441001092

CLEANERS, All Shifts Available. Rochelle Area 815-901-5977. Must Have Transportation, Current Driver License. (10-18-20)

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

Local Trucking Company
Seeks experienced Class A-CDL Driver for Full time year round employment hauling grain
815-938-3644
Please leave message

301 ANTIQUES

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

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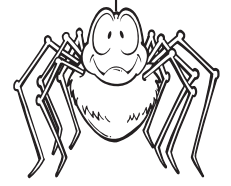
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2020

Chicago Bears	at	Los Angeles Rams
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TIE BREAKER #1

Total Combined Score

Chicago Bears at Los Angeles Rams

Total Score _____

TIE BREAKER #2

Total Combined Score

Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Las Vegas Raiders

Total Score _____

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