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The Shed celebrates 5 years

Oregon bereavement center continues to help community

By Brad Jennings

OREGON - It was five years ago in August that Serenity Hospice and Home opened The Shed in Oregon.

The idea was to give grieving people a chance to get together and work on projects. It is now an important part of the community.

Cathy Warren, bereavement coordinator and manager of The Shed, recently sat down to answer some questions about its the past, present and future. Warren stared at Serenity in April,

Question: What was the original idea of The Shed?

Answer: When people think of bereavement or grief groups, it seems that most of them picture very sad people sitting in a circle crying and sharing. And sometimes that is what a group is and that can be very effective, but some

people are not comforted by this type of group. Actually many people find that they find comfort when busy or productive using their hands or being creative. With this in mind, a widower in Australia started inviting the men from his hospice grief group to his garage to work on projects. Sometimes it was silent as then worked together on a project, but they worked together and that was what brought comfort. Sometimes while they worked they began to talk and share. That was how the first concept of a "shed" type therapeutic place was born. This story was on YouTube and an employee at Serenity Hospice saw it and shared it with our CEO. It became a vision and a goal to try and create this type of center here in Oregon free and open to the public.

Q: How has the reality been compared to the origi-



Patrick Keaty (center) and his sons Michael (left) and Jimmy (right). Patrick and his family have been a part of The Shed from the beginning. They are pictured here at the 5 year celebration.

A: I think the biggest surprise to us all was that we immediately saw that The Shed could help people experiencing any type of loss ... not just death. Loss of a job, a relationship, loss of a way of life, loss of their youth ... type of creative therapeutic work was healthy for anyone. We now have regular volunteers that come in and haven't experienced any type of huge loss, they just enjoy the comradery and want to help Serenity Hospice. We try to make it a comfortable place to be. We have food

and coffee and sitting areas that have nothing to do with working on a project. We have a retail room where the items are sold and we have a meeting room where we can talk privately with anyone.

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SHED: Celebrating five years

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Another big surprise is that the two of us who run The Shed, Denise Watts and myself, were never that crafty and we have learned to operate equipment, paint, have visions for donated furniture and our own creative sides have flourished! Another surprise has been the response to our classes, particularly Ladies Night Out and our kids programs and camps. We have been able to team up with the Oregon Park District and offer some camps for grieving kids. Our plan for 2020 was to expand the programming for kids and teens and unfortunately covid-19 put a halt to that, but we look forward to the future when more younger people can be served by The Shed.

Q: What has surprised you the most about The Shed, or the reaction to it?

A: People are continually surprised that something so innovative and yet quite simple is available right here in the Oregon community and open to all the surrounding areas. The quality of our products are always surprising and once people purchase a piece of furniture or a decorative item or sign they always return for more. It's also tive place to offer our grief groups instead of the hospice home.

We also have had so many people stop by and say they have no creative spirit or craftiness, but it doesn't take long until we find what that person is good at and it always surprises us and them! Maybe they find out that their attention to detail makes them an excellent person to apply the top coat sealant or to do the initial sandpapering. Many people have surprised themselves by learning to use a handsaw to create stars or hats. We couldn't operate without the generous donations of items such as spray paint, paintbrushes, etc... The Shed has something for everyone and way for everyone to help.

We are also finding that the stuff we make which is almost always one-ofa-kind items sells well at other venues. Currently you can find our items at Berryview Orchards in Mt. Morris.

Q: What programs does The Shed offer, and what is most popular?

We have had a very positive response to our creative classes, particularly Ladies Night Out and our kids programs and camps. We have been able



The children's camp held in February for grieving children who recently lost a parent or sibling. They swam, played games, learned pickleball, ate pizza, made crafts and spent some time exploring their grief. Many volunteers train and work together to make this camp successful.

to team up with the Oregon Park District and offer some camps for grieving kids and we had two camps planned for the summer with Pegasus Special Riders which have had to be put on hold. Our plan for 2020 was to expand the programming for kids and teens and unfortunately covid-19 put a halt to that, but we look forward to the future when more younger people can be served by The Shed.

We have hosted many programs at The Shed as well over the years from interior design classes to travel experiences. We hosted a very popular program featuring James and Karen Brown after their trip to Israel. We had food and wine tastings and they shared their experience. We have also been the meeting place for Girl Scout groups and other civic organizations. We have had Crest foods and other large corporations bring groups of employees and we have been a site for the Oregon High School

service day.

We also host many grief groups at The Shed during the day and evenings along with an 8-week course based on Dr. Wolfelt's book which participants read at home and then discuss at our meetings. Many people like the idea of only committing to an 8-week group as opposed to an open-ended

The Shed also offers really impressive craftsmanship including beautiful wood urns for your pets or loved ones. These urns are made on-sight from beautiful wood grains and to your specifications. We also love to refinish your solid wood projects and we are always busy making holiday decorations. The Shed could not operate without the generosity of those people who stop by for a cup of coffee and help out by sweeping the floor or donating a can of spray paint or paintbrush.

Q: What does the future hold for The Shed?

Serenity Hospice is committed to keeping this resource available and we find comfort and motivation by the many lives impacted by The Shed. Sometimes people come and continue to come daily or weekly. Sometimes people stop by only once or maybe just a few times and that's ok too. We want to meet people where they are. There is no judgement at The Shed and people are accepted for who they are and where they are on their journey. The future at The Shed is exciting we have many great classes we are ready to host in the future. The Shed is a place for Oregon to be proud of and everyone should stop by, take a tour and be amazed by what is being accomplished right here in Northern Illinois.



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Petitions available for Byron Forest Preserve board

BYRON — The Byron Forest Preserve District has two upcoming board commissioner openings; the openings are 4-year terms.

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 22, persons interested in seeking a position as a member of the Byron Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners should go online to www.oglecounty.org,clickon Departments, County Clerk, Forms, Local Election Official (Petition Packets) to get the necessary forms or pick them up at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron.

The board consists of five members. Current board members are Trevor Hogan, President; Aaron Vincer, Vice President; Andy Gramer, Secretary; Steve Patterson, Treasurer; and Kris Baker, Commissioner. Patterson's and Vincer's terms expire in April 2021.

Petitions must be filed between Dec. 14through Dec. 21, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the office of Michelle Gerke, Local Election Official, located at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron.

The office will be open until 5 p.m. on the last day of filing.

Tootsie Roll Drive set

OREGON - The 51st Annual Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive for the Intellectually Disabled will not be conducted as in the past.

There will be no one standing in the intersection or in front of stores. We will attempt to collect donations from collections cans at a few businesses and by asking our friends and neighbors.

Most of our collected funds are donated to 3 area institutions: Village of Progress, Stouffer Terrace and Oregon school district Special Eddept. They have each received more than \$25,000 in the past 20 years from our council.

Collection cans (and Tootsie Rolls) are located at Central Bank in Oregon at drive-up window or in lobby and also in Mt Morris at Paul Smith Accounting. Also in Forreston at The Vet Clinic and at Oregon St Mary Parish Center office.

Meridian provides additional context regarding upcoming referendum

CUSD 223 released information noting that there will be a question on the November 2020 ballot asking to extend the current Education tax fund permanently. The district will continue to release information to residents throughout the next six weeks to help ensure residents understand the ballot question and to answer frequently asked

The initial surge of questions from the community has been in regard to personal impact of the referendum on property owners. As the district has noted this referendum will not increase the tax rate in the Education Fund. However, if this referendum is not approved, that the tax rate

would decrease if the November 2014 referendum expires after seven years.

The simplest way to explain this is to use real data from a theoretical example for property owners. If someone without a senior exemption in Meridian CUSD 223's district resides in a house with a property value of \$150,000 the November 2014 referendum added approximately \$308 annually to their tax bill. If the majority of voters in Meridian's district vote 'YES' the November 2014 addition to the tax bill would become permanent. If the referendum is not renewed in the next year and half, the \$308 (in this example) would then drop from the Education Fund.

District superintendent Dr. PJ Caposey also

noted, "It is important for people to understand that when they look at their tax bill, they do not necessarily see the Education Fund. Instead they typically see two tax rates for Meridian and the Education fund is, by far, the largest – but not the only - component of what they see as MERIDIAN CUSD on their tax bill."

The district will be holding a FaceBook Live Town Hall on the district's Facebook page on September 15th at 5:30 PM and a face-to-face Town Hall at the Stillman Valley Fire station at 5:30 on September 22nd. The district wanted to make clear that all face-to-face Town Hall events will follow the social distancing, masking, and capacity guidelines being observed in Meridian schools.

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, at the usual polling places in the various precincts in the County of Ogle and the State of Illinois, a General Election will be held for the purpose of electing candidates for the following offices:

TO BE ELECTED:

Illinois Constitutional Amendment President & Vice President U.S. Senator

Representatives in Congress

State Senators Representatives in the General Assembly Circuit Clerk State's Attorney

Coroner County Board Members Judges Judicial Retention

REFERENDA:

Meridian CUSD #223 Polo CUSD #222

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BUFFALO 2	SENIOR SERVICES CTR, 101 E. MASON, POLO
BUFFALO 3	SENIOR SERVICES CTR, 101 E. MASON, POLO
BYRON 1	CITY HALL, 232 W. 2 ND ST, BYRON
BYRON 2	BYRON FIRE STATION, 123 N FRANKLIN ST, BYRON
BYRON 3	CITY HALL, 232 W. 2 ND ST, BYRON
	BYRON FIRE STATION, 123 N FRANKLIN ST, BYRON
BYRON 4	
DEMENT FACLE POPUT	MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 110 N. MAIN, CRESTON
EAGLE POINT	NEW TOWNSHIP BLDG, 3537 S. BROOKVILLE RD. (HAZELHURST), POLO
FLAGG 1	ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CTR, 244 KELLEY DR, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 2	ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CTR, 244 KELLEY DR, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 3	SPRING LAKE MARINA, AVENUE B & 8 TH AVE, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 4	FLAGG CTR FIRE STATION, 5288 S. CENTER RD, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 5 *	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1100 CALVIN RD, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 6	ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CTR, 244 KELLEY DR, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 7	SPRING LAKE MARINA, AVENUE B & 8 TH AVE, ROCHELLE
FLAGG 8	VILLAGE HALL, 204 HILLCREST AVE, ROCHELLE
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FLAGG 11	FLAGG CTR FIRE STATION, 5288 S. CENTER RD, ROCHELLE
FORRESTON 1	TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 104 E. STATE ST, FORRESTON
FORRESTON 2	TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 104 E. STATE ST, FORRESTON
FORRESTON 3	TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 104 E. STATE ST, FORRESTON
GRAND DETOUR	TOWNSHIP BLDG, 8110 MAIN (CORNER OF MAIN ST & BROAD ST), GRAND DETOUR
LAFAYETTE	TOWN HALL, 7351 CHANA RD, ASHTON
LEAF RIVER	VILLAGE HALL, 12 MAIN ST, LEAF RIVER
LINCOLN	TOWN HALL, 12319 W. JEFFERSON, POLO
LYNNVILLE	TOWNSHIP BLDG, 108 1 ST ST, LINDENWOOD
MARION 1	SV FIRE DIST BLDG, 200 S. RURAL RD, STILLMAN VALLEY
MARION 2	SV FIRE DIST BLDG, 200 S. RURAL RD, STILLMAN VALLEY
MARION 3	SV FIRE DIST BLDG, 200 S. RURAL RD, STILLMAN VALLEY
MARYLAND	OLD STONE SCHOOL HOUSE, ADELINE VILLAGE HALL, 8763 N MAIN ST, LEAF RIVER
MONROE	FIRE STATION, 104 WEST, MONROE CENTER
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MT. MORRIS 3	VILLAGE HALL, 105 W. LINCOLN ST, MT. MORRIS
MT. MORRIS 4	VILLAGE HALL, 105 W. LINCOLN ST, MT. MORRIS
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OREGON-NASHUA 2 *	UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 200 S. 4 TH ST, OREGON
OREGON-NASHUA 3 *	UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 200 S. 4 TH ST, OREGON
OREGON-NASHUA 4	OREGON-NASHUA TOWNSHIP BLDG, 107 N ETNYRE AVE, OREGON
OREGON-NASHUA 5 *	UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 200 S. 4 TH ST, OREGON
OREGON-NASHUA 6	CHURCH OF GOD, 860 W OREGON TRAIL RD, OREGON
PINE CREEK	TOWN HALL, 5527 W. PINES RD, OREGON
PINE ROCK	TOWNSHIP GARAGE, 210 WEST ST, CHANA
ROCKVALE 1	TOWNSHIP BLDG, 6057 IL RT 2, OREGON
ROCKVALE 2	TOWNSHIP BLDG, 5393 N RIVER RD, BYRON
SCOTT SCOTT	DAVIS JUNCTION FIRE DEPT, 106 MAPLE/JUNCTION ST, DAVIS JCT
TAYLOR	TOWNSHIP BLDG, 280 W. FLAGG RD, OREGON
WHITE ROCK	TOWNSHIP BLDG, 280 W. TLAGG KD, OKLGON TOWNSHIP BLDG, 404 THIRD ST, KINGS
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LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE * Temporary Polling Place Change due to COVID-19

The polls of said GENERAL ELECTION shall be open continuously from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

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Meridian seeks to renew referendum

STILLMAN VALLEY- On the November 2020 ballot residents within the Meridian CUSD 223 district will be asked to extend the current Education tax fund permanently. This referendum (if successful) would extend the referendum previously approved in November of 2014 which moved the tax rate in the Education Fund from 2.78 to 3.48. The district is clear in their communication that if successful this referendum WOULD NOT give the district any ability to levy taxes at a higher rate in the Education Fund than it has over the past several years. Said differently, the increased cost to a property owner as a result of this referendum is ZERO dollars unless the value of the property increases.

The district has set many informational protocols in place to distribute information to their community including upcoming Face-to-Face and virtual town hall meetings. The first 'virtual' town hall will take place on September 15th and the first Faceto-Face meeting will take place at the Stillman Valley Fire Department on Sept. 22.

Additionally, all parents of students will receive informational materials in smaller chunks via one email per week. If there are any community members who would like to be included in this mailing list, please email Dr. Caposey (pcaposey@mail.meridian223.org) and you will be included in all communication moving forward.

When considering the sustained need for the additional funds from the referendum, the district pointed to the data. The state of Illinois has determined a formula to determine if schools are funded adequately. As of the last publishing of the Illinois school report card, Meridian CUSD 223 is funded at only 68 percent of adequacy. This figure, while low, does include the additional revenue from the referendum that the district is asking voters to consider extending

Dr. Caposey shared, "We believe deeply in the work that we have done over the past six years. We have made tremendous strides including multiple national recognitions while being funded at 68% of adequacy per the state formula. We will continue to do the best we can no matter what, but the additional revenue allows for more creativity as we continue to try and improve."

The district also wanted to make clear that all face-to-face and Town Hall events will follow the social distancing, masking, and capacity guidelines being observed in Meridian schools

Obituaries

Gary Bauer

loving husband, father, brother, and son, passed away at the age of 74 in his home.

Gary was born Feb. 17, 1946 in Mendota to Gilbert and Virginia (Bell) Bauer, the oldest of four children. He grew up and farmed in West Brooklyn, and he attended school in Shaw Station, Compton and Mendota where he was a member of FFA. He enlisted in the Air Force and served in Vietnam at the Tuy Hoa Air Base as a jet engine mechanic in 1968 and 1969.

After returning from Vietnam, he met Cathy Bonnell and they married on April 17, 1971 in Dixon. They raised their two daughters, Melissa and Amy, in Compton. Gary and Cathy moved to Oregon after their daughters moved away for college. He worked several decades at Swift & Company (later Rochelle Hormel Foods), and prior to his retirement he worked at Northern Illinois

He enjoyed taking care of his lawn, loving his many schnauzers over the years, and watching auto auctions and sports (spe-

OREGON - On Sept. 12, Gary Bauer, cifically, Cubs baseball and college football) on television with his dog, Bella, on his lap. He loved old time rock and roll music and

Coca-Cola.

Survivors include his wife, Cathy (Bonnell), of Oregon; canine companion, Bella; daughters, Melissa and Amy of Madison, Wisconsin; two brothers, Warren (Sandy) and George, both of Mendota; sister Kathy Knowlton of LaMoille; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his

Memorial donations in Gary's name may be gifted to the Oregon EMT/Fire Depart-

A memorial mass was held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 201 Locust St, Sublette, IL 61367, with Rev. Randy Fronek officiating.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic masks and social distancing measures are required including placing a hand over your heart in place of hugging and handshakes.

Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery

Enjoy social art with the park district

OREGON - There is nothing more fun than social art.

Join the Oregon Park District for an evening out while you paint beautiful sunflowers on canvas on Thursday, Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. at Cork & Tap, Oregon.

While at class you can sip on your favorite beverage at Cork & Tap. Instructor Amy Fenwick will guide participants through the painting process. Your canvas will be a nice addition to your home decor or can be a great gift. These trendy canvas painting classes are fun, all supplies are included, and best of all, no DIY mess at home!

Class fee is \$33/Resident or \$40/Non-Resident. Reg-



oregonpark.org or call 815istration deadline is Sept.17. To reserve a space visit www.

Rhonda Petersen

BAILYVILLE - In the celebration of a life, the family of Rhonda "Georgie" Oltmann/ Petersen is asking for the honor of your presence as we remember our loved one.

Everyone familiar with Georgie knew she loved spending time with her family and friends and owning Petersen Upholstery for over 20 plus years. We are getting together to honor her life and asking for family and friends to please join

The celebration will be held at 204 North Main Street Bailyville, ILinher upholstery shop and will begin at 12 p.m. Family is providing

a meal and is requesting individuals bring their

us for a Celebration of Life on Sept. 26, 2020.

own beverages.

Alife so beautiful and well lived (September 21, 1967- May 25, 2020) deserves a special celebration, we hope you join us.

Richard Scerba

OREGON - Richard W. Scerba, 76, passed away on Tuesday Sept. 15, 2020 in OSF St. Anthony Medical Center

with his wife by his side.

Rich was born on April 29, 1944 in Cleveland, Ohio, the son of William G. and Emma S. (Wittge) Scerba. He graduated from Mt. Morris High School class of 1962. Rich served in the U.S. Air Force from May 1965 until May 1969.

Rich married Lola Beard on Dec. 17, 1965 in Leaf River. He worked for NCR, Rockford, from 1970 until 1999.

Rich loved working on cars, especially his Ford Shelby Mustang, he loved building many different things, he attended many Shelby meets, he could fix anything, he loved playing his guitar and teaching guitar.

Rich is survived by his wife, Lola Scerba of Oregon; mother, Emma Scerba, of Mt. Morris;

> brother, Terry Scerba, of Mt. Morris; sister, Lauri (Jr) Johnson, of Amboy; and step-mother, Virginia Scerba, of Rockford.

Rich is preceded in death by his father, William, and a sister,

Graveside services were held on Saturday, Sept. 19 at 11 a.m. in Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Morris,

with Pastor Craig Arnold officiating. Burial took place in Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Morris. A drive through visitation was held on Saturday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. until service time in Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Morris.

Memorials will be established. Visit www.

Patricia Whipple

BYRON - Patricia A. Whipple, 78, of Byron, died Monday, Sept. 7, 2020 at Javon Bae Hospital in Rockford.

Patricia was born Sept. 26, 1941 in Dixon, the daughter of Vernon and Tillie (Wiser) Schwitters. She married Earl Whipple in March of 1967. He preceded her in death on July 31, 2018.

Patricia was employed as a cook at Neighbors Nursing Home in Byron. She loved and adored her dog, Paris.

She is survived by two daughters, Becky (Willis) Ransier of Helena, Montana, and Terry (Kevin Druien) Roeser of Dixon; two sons, Brad (Julie) Frye of Byron and

Wes Whipple of Thermopolis, Wyoming; one sister, Bonnie (Don) Dern of Wausau, Wisconsin; one brother, Butch (Paula) Schwitters of Dixon; seven grandchildren, Ryan Roeser, Kyle Roeser, Justin White, Joshua Frye, Cory Budak, Courtney (Nick) Williams and Tessa Whipple; and three great-grandchildren, Connor, Logan and

She was preceded in death by her husband and her parents.

A private graveside service will take place at a later date.

Online condolences may be sent to chapelhilldixon.com.

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Giving back



Charise James of Monroe Center's Community Church Food Relief Fund receives a donation from Kelley Rippentrop of The First National Bank in Amboy. The bank partnered with Federal Home Loan Bank COVID-19 Relief Grant Program in supporting small businesses and non-profit organizations. Pictured left to right are Pastor Brian Alexander, Gracie James, Joel Ainsley, Charise James, Erica Ainsley, Kelley Rippentrop and Lead Pastor Bob Mellon. (Photo submitted)



Chas Cross of The First National Bank in Amboy presents a donation to Michelle Jaeger, Captain of the Monroe Center Fire Dept./EMS Coordinator, and Lynn Warner, Treasurer of Board of Trustees. The bank partnered with Federal Home Loan Bank COVID-19 Relief Grant Program in supporting small businesses and non-profit organizations.

Chicken noodle dinner drive thru set

CHANA — Chana United Methodist Church is hosting a chicken noodle drive through dinner on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 4-6:30 p.m.

Cost of the dinner is \$10 and includes a hearty portion of homemade (from scratch) noodles and chicken, a generous serving of home-grown

squash casserole and freshly made warm orchard apple crisp.

Chana UMC is a certified kitchen and is COVID-19 compliant.

NOTICE OF VOTE BY MAIL AND SECURE DROP BOX LOCATION DUE TO COVID-19

Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk and Recorder announces that "Vote by Mail" is now being conducted in the Election Department of her office. Due to COVID-19 voters are being encouraged to request a "Vote by Mail" ballot early to reduce the risk of exposure.

Your "Vote by Mail" ballot can be returned using the following options:

- Secure drop box location at the Courthouse located at 105 S. 5th St in Oregon;
- Drop-off in the County Clerk's Office in the Courthouse located at 105 S. 5th St in Oregon;
- Mail via USPS (ballot MUST be Postmarked by November 3, 2020)

"Vote by Mail" will take place until Thursday, October 29, 2020. To obtain a "Vote by Mail" Application you can call 815-732-1110, e-mail elections@oglecounty.org or visit www.oglecounty.org to download an application.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2020 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk

Electronic recycling day Sept. 25

OREGON – Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) announces that the next Residential Electronics Recycling event will be held on Friday, Sept. 25, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. atthe County Annex Building, 909 Pines Road in Oregon.

The parking lot will open at 9a.m. for residential electronic recycling. OCSWMD asks that residents do not arrive prior to 9 a.m. and free permits are required in advance to participate.

The Aug. 28 event was the first residential electronics recycling event for which free permits were required. Over 110 residents acquired permits and were able to quickly and easily drop off their electronic items for recycling.

To register for the Sept. 25 event please call or email the OCSWMD before noon on Sept. 23 to request a free Electronics Recycling Permit. Information needed: your name, address, town, email, and phone number. Requests received after this time or when the permit limit has been filled, will have the option to be registered for the next monthly event. Apermit will be emailed or sent by mail to each approved household. Permits are limited to one residential address per month, and are valid for one specific event. Registration will be limited to Ogle County residents only, and addresses and identification will be verified.

Participants must show their permit and identification with proof of Ogle County residency when they arrive at the event. This event is for electronic items from Ogle County residents only; residents of other Illinois counties should check with their local government or electronic retailers for electronic recycling options where they reside. People without a valid permit will be denied service. Permits will not be available the day of the recycling event.

The Illinois Consumer Electronics Recycling Act limits the number of electronic items accepted up to seven, however, the OCSWMD will only allow up to five (5) items to be brought in for recycling. Accepted electronic items which are counted each as one (1) item include all televisions, computer monitors, computer towers, laptop computers, printers, FAX machines, scanners, electric typewriters, DVD/VCR players, cable or satellite receivers, stereo equipment, video game consoles, and microwave ovens, which are \$5 per microwave.

Smaller items such as computer cables, e-mice, keyboards, tablets, cellphones, home phones, calculators, digital clocks, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs and printer cartridges may be bulked together and will count as one (1) item in the total of five accepted items. Please check with the OCSWMD to verify what items are accepted and what is not accepted if you are unsure.

Please call 815-732-4020 or email the OCSWMD at solidwaste@oglecounty.org to register for the Sept.25 event, or future electronics recycling events, and check the county website at www. oglecounty.org or Facebook at Ogle County Solid Waste Management Dept. for more information.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters of the Meridian Community School District #223 in Winnebago County, Illinois:

PROPOSITION TO INCREASE MAXIMUM ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL TAX RATE

Shall the maximum annual tax rate for educational purposes for Meridian Community Unit School District Number 223, Ogle and Winnebago Counties, Illinois, be established at 3.48 percent upon all the taxable property of said School District at the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, for levy year 2021 and the years thereafter, instead of 2.78 percent, the maximum rate otherwise applicable to the taxes to be extended in said years for said purposes?

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- a) The maximum annual tax rate for educational purposes now in force in said School District is 3.48 percent, and this rate is currently set to decrease for levy year 2021 and the years thereafter to 2.78 percent.
- The approximate amount of taxes extendable for educational purposes under the maximum rate now in force in said School District is \$6,686,863.
- c) The approximate amount of taxes extendable for educational purposes under the proposed increased rate is \$6,686,863.
- The total dollar amount of the most recently approved annual budget of said School District is \$19,354,348; the total dollar amount of said annual budget, if increased by the amount of additional tax which may be levied if the proposition is approved, is \$19,354,348; the percentage of increase in the total dollar amount of the most recently approved annual budget of said School District, if such total dollar amount were increased by the amount of additional tax which may be levied if the proposition is approved, is 0 percent.
- levied if the proposition is approved, is 0 percent.

 The percentage of increase between the maximum rate at which such taxes for educational purposes may be levied if the proposition is approved and the annual rate at which such taxes for educational purposes is currently levied is 0 percent.

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 a.m. and will continue to stay open until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Dated this 17th day of September, 2020. Lori Gummow, Winnebago County Clerk Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk and Recorder

Rock River Center News

Rock River Center is a resource center located at 810 S. 10th Street, Oregon. Activities and trips are open to all ages. Call our office at 815-732-3252 with any questions or visit us on the web at www.rockrivercenter.org.

Heating assistance - LIHEAP

Colder weather is just around the corner and we all will be experiencing higher utility bills as we need to turn on the heat in our homes. There are two programs that help those with low income pay for their heating utility bills.

The LIHEAP program continues to accept applications for assistance with paying heating bills.

Tri County Opportunities Council is the agency that processes those applications and they will be available at two locations in Ogle County, Oregon and Rochelle, by

Appointments are available in Oregon on Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 815-732-2907 for an appointment in Oregon.

The Rochelle Tri County office is located at 306 N. Sixth Street. Appointments are available Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 815-562-6938 for an appointment in Rochelle.

Please have copies made of all of your documentation before your appointment.

You can call their Rock Falls office for more details at 800-323-5434.

In order to qualify, your household must meet the following income guidelines, no more than 200 percent of the poverty level. For a 1-person household the 30day income limit is \$2,127; 2-person household \$2,873; 3-person household \$3,620, etc.

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You can apply for the NICOR GAS Sharing program at the Rock River Center. For more information or to make an appointment, call 800-541-5479 or 815-732-3252.

Custom field trip experience available at Byron Forest Preserve

BYRON - The Byron Forest Preserve District is offering a new Family and Friends Custom Field Trip Experience for groups of up to 10 people at their outdoor preserves.

Bring your family for your own private field trip program. Your group of ten people may include a family unit of adults and children, daycare unit, homeschool group or neighbors who regularly interact with you during the COVID pandemic. At least one adult must accompany the group. The cost is \$25 per group per hour.

Program topics include prairie ecology, forest ecology, bees and pollinators, geology, birds, insect study, survival/bushcraft, orienteering, astronomy and a tour of the Jarrett Prairie Center Museum with live animals. The field trips can be held at the Jarrett Prairie Nature Preserve, Bald Hill Prairie Preserve or Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve depending on the topic to be studied. A special stream study field trip can be held at the Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve only. Astronomy programs are also available in the evenings at the Weiskopf



Observatory if the skies are clear.

For more information or

to schedule a field trip time contact Mark Herman, Byron Forest Preserve

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Oregon Police report

September 8

At 6:30 a.m., Oregon Police issued John O. Nysather, 69, Oregon, a city citation for violating the long grass ordinance. This violation occurred in the 100 block of Century Hill Drive.

At approximately 11:50 a.m., Oregon Police arrested David A. Flannagin, 36, Sterling, for driving while license revoked. Flannagin was transported to the Ogle County jail. This violation occurred in the 200 block of S. 4th Street.

September 10

At 7:19 a.m., Oregon Police arrested Mark J. Gruszeczka, 59, Oregon, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Gruszeczka was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Two parking citations and

one verbal warning were issued from Sept. 7 through Sept. 13.

General Calls for Service

Through dispatch during the week of Sept. 7 through

Checking a Subject/Vehicle -3

Citizen Complaints — 7 Citizen Assist/Civil Prob-

Assist EMS/Other Dept.

Disturbance/Dom. Bat-

911 Hang-up/Open Line Lockout Vehicle/Build-

Open Door/Window — 1 Ordinance Violations -

Traffic Stops -7

Polo Police report

On Sept. 12 at 12:40 p.m., Polo Police arrested Jarod Wiggins, 33, of Polo, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant and an outstanding Stephenson County warrant. Wiggins was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Book carnival planned at Chana **United Methodist** Church Sept. 26

CHANA — Chana Library and Chana PROMISE are hosting a book carnival [The GREAT BOOK GIVEAWAY] on Saturday, Sept. 26 with registration beginning at 10 a.m.

and running to 1 p.m.

The carnival will be housed at Chana United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall. The fair is for ages zero through young adult and offers more than 2,000 new or slightly used books — all sanitized and all free. All participants will receive multiple books – consider it a book fair with no charge.

Entry to the fair is open to all local residents and requires



Man arrested for residential burglary in Polo

POLO - On Aug. 25, the Polo Police Department initiated an investigation into a residential burglary that occurred on South Prairie Ave., Polo. The Illinois State Police Crime Scene Services assisted in processing the

As a result of the investigation, the Polo Police obtained an arrest warrant through the Ogle County State's Attorney's office for Devin T. Williams, 28, Polo for a Class 1 Felony for residential burglary and 2 counts for unlawful use of a weapon by a felon, a Class 3 Felony each count. On Sept. 8 the Ogle County Sheriff's Department took Devin T. Williams into custody and transported him to the Ogle County Jail.

After further investigation, the Polo Police Department obtained a search warrant for a residence in Rockford through the Ogle County State's Attorney's Office. With the assistance of the Rockford Police Department, the search warrant was served on Sept. 9 resulting in the recovery of stolen property and other evidence associated with the Polo Police Departments burglary investigation.

The Polo Police Department would like to acknowledge the Illinois State Police, Ogle County State's Attorney's office. Ogle County Sheriff's Department, and the Rockford Police Department for their involvement in this investigation.

Devin T. Williams is being held at the Ogle County Jail on a \$50,000 (10 percent) bond, other charges are pending.

The charges against Devin T. Williams are merely an accusation and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



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STILLMAN VALLEY – Stillman Bank is pleased to welcome Beau Bunders as Agricultural Loan Officer, according to Martin C. Larson, Chairman and CEO.

In his position, Bunders will be involved with all phases of agricultural lending. He will be located primarily in the bank's Stillman Valley office, 101 E. Main St., but will assist customers at all six Stillman Bank locations.

Bunders graduated with honors from UW-Platteville with a Bachelor's Degree in Agribusiness with an emphasis in Management and

Commodity Price Analysis. He has been in the financial industry since 2014, serving as a Credit Analyst, Loan Officer, and Agricultural Lender.

"We are excited to have Beau join our agricultural lending team," said Thomas R. Hughes, Stillman Bank President and COO. "His agribusiness background and knowledge will further strengthen our ability to assist our customers within the communities we serve."

Bunders is a member of a local Lions Club and the Ogle County Farm Bureau.

For more information on



Beau Bunders or to find out more about Stillman Bank's products and services, please contact 815-645.2266 or visit www.stillmanbank.com.



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Bunders joins Stillman Bank | Volunteers asked to 'sweep' Rock River independently

OREGON — Oregon Area Rock River Sweep coordinators are encouraging local residents, paddlers, fishermen, boaters, and other users of the Rock River to do "Individual Sweeps" of the river during the month of September this year instead of having a large group clean-up event.

This is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to help the local environment by picking up litter in or along the river or the roads near the river.

Organizers are asking people to go out on their own terms to areas that they like to visit on the river and to collect as much litter and junk as they can and to dispose or recycle it with their regular home curbside trash pickup. For tires or other larger items removed from the river, contact Steve Rypkema, at the Ogle County Solid Waste

Management Department for disposal arrangements. Sweepers should be safe when cleaning up the river by wearing safety vests, lifejackets, rubber gloves, and working in pairs in a COVID-19 safe manner. Participants are encouraged to take pic-

tures of themselves and their "haul" and post them to the Rock River Sweep.org Facebook page to share what they have collected and to encourage others to do the same. The Oregon Area Rock River Sweep

coordinators thank those who do their part to protect and preserve the beautiful Rock River. They hope to resume the annual Rock River Sweep next September.

For more information or if supplies like gloves and trash bags are needed, contact Steve Rypkema, OCSWMD, at 815-732-4020 or srypkema@oglecounty.org.



Voting procedure

Dave Head, Oregon Rotary President welcomed Laura Cook, County Clerk to the Oregon Rotary Club meeting on Aug. 19. Cook talked today about the mail in voting procedure being utilized this year. Oregon Rotary meets twice a month on Wednesdays at noon at the Steak Pit. We offer in person with social distancing and Zoom meetings.



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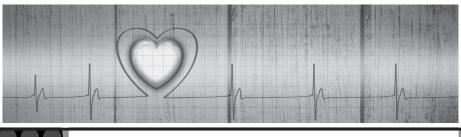


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NIU School of Nursing — Bachelor's Degree 1973 Masters of Science in Nursing 1990 Post Masters Family Nurse Practitioner 1997 Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner Since 1997 Certified Medical Examiner-DOT Physicals Since 2014

Sees scheduled patients at Family Healthcare Clinic and occupational health patients at On-the-Go Healthcare

Personal Info:

Employed at RCH as a Family Nurse Practitioner since 2001.

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Family Healthcare

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Stephanie D. Crawford, DNP, APRN Family Healthcare Clinic at Rochelle Community Hospital

Education & Experience:

Bachelor of Science of Nursing, 1998, St. Anthony College of Nursing; Master of Business Administration, 2005, Cardinal Stritch University; Master of Science in Nursing, 2010, Northern Illinois University; Doctor of Nursing Practice, 2019, Grand Canyon University.

Certifications:

Adult Nurse Practitioner, Board Certified 2011; Advanced Certified Hospice and Palliative Nurse,

Services offered:

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Susan Mueller, APRN **Convenient Care Clinic** at Rochelle Community Hospital

Education/Experience:

St. Anthony College of Nursing, Bachelor's 1994; NIU Masters of Science in Nursing, Specialty: Family Nurse Practitioner 2009

Services Offered:

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Christine M. Gorman, M.D.

Family Healthcare Clinic at Rochelle Community Hospital

Education/Experience:

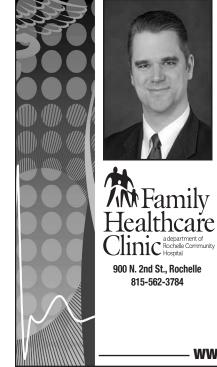
Practicing in Rochelle since 1992. Completed undergraduate education at University of Illinois and medical school at Rush University, Chicago.

Family Medicine with interest in women's health and children.

Services Offered:

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Care for the entire family starting at birth. Disease diagnosis and management, wellness care, preventative medicine, minor surgeries, pap smears.



Jason C. Popp, M.D.

Family Healthcare Clinic at Rochelle Community Hospital

Education & Experience:

I have been in practice in Rochelle since the fall of 2001. I received my undergraduate education at Northern Illinois University and my medical school education through the University of Illinois.

Areas of Specialty:

I am a board certified Family Physician who focuses upon care of the whole family, children and adults.

Services Offered:

Family medicine offers services focusing upon preventative health care, but also manages disease processes. On top of this, many minor surgical procedures can be done within the office. Certified Medical Examiner for DOT Physicals.

Accepting New Patients:

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Family Healthcare

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Kendall Vogeler, MD Family Healthcare Clinic at Rochelle Community Hospital

Education/Experience:

Medical school: University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford 2015; Residency: University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford rural training track at KSB Hospital 2019

Board Certification:

2019

Services Offered:

Full scope family medicine with clinical procedures. Special interest in preventative screenings with ability to provide screening colonoscopies and EGDs. Also, interest in women's health, prenatal care and pediatrics.

Personal or Family Info:

Excited to have started at RCH, being close to family and back in a small community.

Accepting New Patients:

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Lucinda K. Zoeller, APRN
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Education & Experience:

MSN from University of Illinois, 1997 Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner A Nurse Practitioner at RCH Since 2003 Certified Medical Examiner—DOT Physicals

Services Offered:

Physicals: DOT, Bus and Pre-employment Care of Work-related Injuries

Accepting New Patients:

Yes — Occupational Health Only





Dr Carri Anderson, DCAlpine Chiropractic and Natural Medicine, PC

Education/Experience:

2010 graduate of Palmer Chiropractic College, Davenport, IA. 9 years clinical experience with musculoskeletal pain and injuries as well as nutrition.

pecialty:

Joint pain, back pain, headaches, nutrition/natural medicine.

Services Offered:

Short-term Care for Neck and Back Pain. Accepts MD Referrals. Affordable / Insurance Accepted. Myofascial Release Muscle Therapy.

Personal Info:

Business of the Year 2014, Past President of Oregon Lions Club, Member of Oregon Together, Past President of the Oregon Chamber of Commerce. Originally from Polo, Carri lives in Oregon with her husband Seth and daughter Evelyn. She enjoys gardening, reading and music.

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Dr Seth Anderson, DC

Alpine Chiropractic and Natural Medicine, PC

Education/Experience:

2010 graduate of Palmer Chiropractic College, Davenport, IA. 9 years clinical experience with wide variety of acute/chronic back, neck and joint pain cases.

Specialty: Back pain, neck pain, joint pain, headaches, pinched nerves.

Services Offered:

Short-term Care for Neck and Back Pain. Accepts MD Referrals. Affordable / Insurance Accepted. Myofascial Release Muscle Therapy.

Personal Info:

Past President of Oregon Lions Club. Oregon Chamber of Commerce 2014 Business of the Year. A native of the area, originally from Sterling, Seth enjoys running, cooking, reading and spending time with friends and family.

Accepting New Patients: Yes

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MEDICAL DEGREE: Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in Springfield **Residency:** University of Illinois College of

Medicine at Rockford

NOTABLE:

- Named Chief Resident in the Family Medicine Residency Program
- Received faculty appointment at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford and University of Illinois Rural Medical Education
- Member of FHN's Physician's Council

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians
- Member of the American Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

- Member of the Forrestville Valley school board and the Forreston American Legion Auxiliary.
- Enjoys reading, yoga, and family time with her husband and two daughters.

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How to take a more active role in your personal health



HE role individuals play in their own health care became more prominent in 2020. As a global pandemic forced people from all walks of life to prioritize their personal health each time they left their homes, many individuals sought ways to take a more active role in their health care.

Proactive health care has long been touted by medical professionals, though many people still don't take such recommendations to heart. In fact, a recent report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated that as much as 75 percent of health care spending in the United States is reactive in nature, meaning that money is going toward treating conditions and diseases rather than preventing them from occurring in the first place.

Taking an active role in your own health care is easier than people may think. And the benefits of such a proactive approach are numerous, including

• Schedule annual physicals. Annual physicals are one of the simplest and most effective ways for individuals to take active roles in their personal health. Many health insurance plans cover annual physical exams at no cost to policy holders, and these examinations can uncover issues even when individuals are not feeling any symptoms. Annual physicals also provide great opportunities for individuals to discuss diet and healthy lifestyle choices with their physicians in relaxed settings.

• Learn about the preventive services that are right for you. Individuals should speak with their physicians about which services are recommended for individuals in their situations. Screening guidelines are often age-based, but they also take personal history and family history into account. For example, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recommends all adults between screened for colorectal cancer, but the frequency of those screenings will depend on each individual's personal risk and which screening test they choose.

 Embrace physical activity. The DHHS notes that regular physical activity increases a person's chances of living a longer, healthier life. In addition, the CDC says regular physical activity reduces a person's risk for chronic conditions, including type 2 diabetes, heart disease, various types of cancer, and even mood disorders like depression and anxiety. Access to fitness facilities may be limited or unavailable during the pandemic, but that should not deter people from exercising regularly. Walking, jogging, hiking, and cycling are great forms of cardiovascular exercise that have been linked to a host of health benefits.

A proactive approach to personal health is simple

and effective, potentially helping people reduce their risk for a variety of diseases and conditions.



Jeffrey R.

Cates, DC,

DABCC

MS, DABCO,

OREGON — The Scientific Commission of the Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP) has selected Dr. Jeffrey Cates to serve as a national

expert in producing another heath care guideline titled The role of chiropractic in providing health promotion and clinical preventive services for adult patients with musculoskeletal pain: a clinical practice guideline.

The group of experts employ a Delphi process where researched is reviewed and rated. The experts review the research data and establish medical practice guideline consensus for best practice procedures.

The purpose of the Scientific Commission is to advise CCGPP

on issues related to searching, identifying, interpreting and compiling the scientific evidence related to chiropractic care and to collaborate on the development, publication, dissemination and utilization of guidelines and care pathways.

Scientific Commission

Chair: Cheryl Hawk, DC, PhD. Commission members: Shireesh Bhalerao, MCR, $DC, CCSP, Jeffrey\,Cates, DC, MS, DABCO,\\$

DABCC, Clinton Daniels, DC, MS, DAAPM, Jordan Gliedt, DC, FASA, Dana Lawrence, DC, MMedEd, MA, Ronald LeFebvre, MA, DC, Amy Minkalis, DC, MS, Michael Sheppard, DC, Sheryl Walters, MLS.

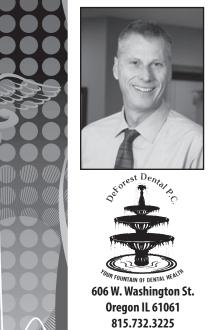
Dr. Cates has worked with the CCGPP for several decades and has published works that include several guidelines and medical journal articles on quality assurance and standards of care in healthcare. He is co-author of the CCGPPlow-back chapter and lead author of the chapter on thoracic

disorders of the profession's best practice

Dr. Cates' published works are included in the medical literature. He maintains a private practice of chiropractic orthopedics



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David DeForest, DDS

DeForest Dental P.C.

Education/Experience:

Doctor of Dental surgery from the University of Illinois at

Specialty:

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Services Offered:

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Dr. DeForest has enjoyed providing the highest standard of dental care to the Oregon Community for the past 30 years and will continue to do so with his amazing staff by his side. In his free time he enjoys training for his 6th Ironman Triathlon, rebuilding his antique car and traveling with his wife and 4



Jeffrey R. Cates, DC, MS, DABCO, DABCC Board Certified Orthopedist - Board Certified Insurance Consultant

Oregon Chiropractic Clinic

Education & Years of Experience: Over 30 years of experience; Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters - Practice guideline author and science consultant; Lynn University, Master's Degree (MS) Healthcare Administration with concentration in Biomechanical Trauma 2000; National College, Chicago Neurology diplomat studies 1999; American College of Chiropractic Consultants Consulting and Forensic Diplomat Program -Board certified 1993; National College, Lombard, IL Chiropractic Orthopedics - Board Certified 1993; Harvard Medical School - Postgraduate Studies Low back and sciatica management 1988; Danish Chiropractic Internship and certification 1983; Palmer College of Chiropractic, Doctor of Chiropractic with physiotherapy elective and certification, Davenport, IA Graduate 1983

Areas of Specialty of Focus: Chiropractic Orthopedics, Biomechanical Trauma Evaluation, Healthcare Administration, Utilization Review / Quality Assurance, Standards of Care and Practice Guidelines Construction and Evaluation

Services Offered: Services offered include chiropractic, physiotherapy, and non-surgical orthopedic management of spinal and extremity conditions; Spine Conditions: Mechanical spine pain (neck, mid and low back), Sciatica Facet syndrome, Disc herniations low back and neck, Spinal stenosis Torticollis, Cervical radiculopathy, Neck pain, Rib joint pain and dysfunction, Thoracic outlet syndrome, Headache, Pinched Nerves, Stable scoliosis, Sacrolliac dysfunction; Sports Injuries: Shoulder (rotator cuff), tendonitis, Tennis and golfer's elbow, Strain/Sprains, Knee and foot pain; Scar Tissue Patellofemoral pain Achilles tendonitis, Plantar Fasciitis, Motor Vehicle Accidents, Whiplash, Strains and sprains, TMJ Syndrome Post-Concussion; Work Related Injuries, Back and neck injuries, General strains and sprains, Repetitive strain injuries, Carpal tunnel syndromes, Thoracic outlet syndrome; Other Regularly Treated Conditions, Myofascial pain syndromes, Post surgical joint stiffness, and pain Temporal-mandibular joint disorders, Headaches, Flatfeet

Personal or Family Info: Dr. Cates graduated from Byron High School. He currently resides in Oregon, IL.

Accepting New Patients: Yes

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Fri., Sept. 25

The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department will host a Residential Electronics Recycling Day. The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the county annex building, 900 Pines Road, Oregon. Residents are asked not to arrive before 9 a.m. To register, call or e-mail the OC-SWMD before noon on Sept. 23 to request a free permit. Call 815-732-4020 or e-mail solidwaste@oglecounty.org.

Sat., Sept. 26

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.

Sat., Sept. 26

Church will host a book carnival and chicken, generous serving for Chana Library and Chana of home-grown squash casserole PROMISE. The Great Book Giveaway will begin at 10 a.m. and run apple crisp.

until 1 p.m. The carnival will be held in the church fellowship hall and will offer more than 2,000 new or slightly used book - all sanitized and all free.

Sat., Oct. 3

The Chana United Methodist Church will host a drive thru chicken noodle soup dinner from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per dinner and includes a hearty The Chana United Methodist portion of homemade noodles and freshly made warm orchard

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MOMENTS IN TIME

- * On Oct. 11, 1793, the death toll from a yellow fever epidemic in Philadelphia hits 100. By the time it ended, 5,000 people were dead. A vaccine now prevents yellow fever in much of the world, though 20,000 people still die from it every year.
- * On Oct. 5, 1892, the Dalton Gang attempts the simultaneous daylight robbery of two Coffeyville, Kansas, banks, but are surrounded by townspeople, who kill every gang member except for Emmett Dalton. Emmett was convicted and sentenced to life in prison. Paroled after 14 years, he ended up as a screenwriter in Hollywood.
- * On Oct. 8, 1918, U.S. Army Cpl. Alvin C. York reportedly kills over 20 German soldiers and captures an additional 132 in France. The exploits earned York the Congressional Medal of Honor.
- * On Oct. 6, 1926, Yankee slugger Babe Ruth hits a record three home runs against the St. Louis Cardinals in the fourth game of the World Series. In 1928, in the fourth game of another Yanks-Cards World Series, he knocked three more pitches out of
- * On Oct. 9, 1942, Chicago bootlegger Roger "The Terrible" Touhy escapes from prison by climbing the guard's tower. Touhy, who had been framed for kidnapping, was serving a 99-year sentence. He was recaptured months later.
- * On Oct. 7, 1975, a New York State Supreme Court judge reverses a deportation order for John Lennon, allowing him to remain legally in New York City. The order against Lennon and his wife, Yoko Ono, were based on a 1968 marijuana conviction in England.
- * On Oct. 10, 1985, the hijacking of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro ends when U.S. Navy F-14 fighters intercept an Egyptian airliner attempting to fly the Palestinian hijackers to freedom. On Oct. 7, heavily armed terrorists had hijacked the ship and 400 crewmembers and passengers.

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My work clothes are pretty casual now

I will be honest here. OK, I always try to be honest, but this one is bare bones honest I wear shorts and a T-shirt at work pretty much every day.

It's true. As I sit here writing this column, I am in my trusty camo shorts, which probably have stains from that burrito I ate back in June on them somewhere. I also have on a random Harley-Davidson T-shirt today. If it is not a Harley shirt, it is a random rock band shirt.

I swear, I am not a bum. It's just this working from home thing has really killed my sense of fashion. Yes, to be fair, I have never been much of a trend setter in the fashion world. No one has ever waited patiently for the Brad Jennings Fall Collection. If there was one. it would be featured at the dollar store, trust me.

Well, maybe a shoe store. Shoes are my one clothing obsession, as I have noted in the past. I now have so many Converse tennis shoes

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



in nearly every color under $the \, sun \, that \, I \, am \, embarrassed$ to give the total number. (It is north of 20 ... well north).

I have even been covering Ogle County Board meetings from home. I just call in and cover the meeting while wearing my shorts.

Sure, I can put myself together when I have to. When I have to go cover a court hearing, I wear a button up shirt. When I go to do an interview, I wear that same button up shirt. When I get home, I toss it aside, grab a T-shirt and slip back into my shorts.

Comfort has become very important to me.

But last week (which is actually next week as I write this - I know, it's confusing), I was on vacation and my entire wardrobe was out the window. The reason is a friend and I are riding our motorcycles west through a number of states, so shorts are not an option.

OK, I know you see some people wearing shorts on a motorcycle, but I am not one of them. The reason? I am smart. Burn your leg on an exhaust pipe? No thanks. Hit some gravel going 10 mph wearing shorts and you will lose a layer of skin. Again, no thanks.

So the trip will be about wearing protective gear boots, gloves, jackets, an assortment of leather meant to protect me and also make methink that I look cool. OK, mostly to protect.

When we are not riding and back at the hotel, I will surely slip into my trust shorts and Converse. But most of the time it will be dressing for safety and not for comfort.

I bring all this up because it is very disturbing to me. I love to ride and am looking forward to the trip, but I am bummed I have to put on

Let that sink in. See? Pretty pathetic.

As most of you read this, I am probably on the road somewhere in Minnesota, or South Dakota or possibly even Montana. I am not wearing shorts, but they are right behind me in my backpack, which is strapped to the bike. My Converse shoes are in a saddle bag.

After a day of riding, they will be most welcome. I must say, I sure do love the 2020 version of my work clothes.

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Don't forget to be counted by the 2020 Census

Do you enjoy when roads are redone in your town, when there is a new park with fresh mulch, or when art and band supplies are available at the schools? Do you want to keep this uptake going in your community?

Here's how: the 2020 Census! It takes a quick 15 minutes to change our community. The Census takes place once every 10 years. It is a form that every household needs to fill

out. There are only 9 simple questions to fill out. Many people avoid the Census because they believe that their names, addresses, and personal information will be given to the public, but this is not true. The Census is so secure that even the White House does not receive your name. The point of the census is for D.C. to know how our population is spread across the country so they can send proper funding out for the next 10 years.

This funding helps redo our roads and keep our community safe.

We only have until Sep. 30 to get as many Ogle County residents as possible to fill it out. We need you to remind your neighbors, your church congregation and people you work with. Respond or we lose money for a full decade! We have less than 90 percent of our community who have responded. We need to get this number up to 100 percent.

Go to 2020census.gov to respond. Sincerely,

Abby Duke, OHS Class of 2022, Eric Morrow, States attorney, Laura Cook, Ogle County Clerk and Recorder, Brian Van-Vickle, Ogle County Sheriff, John Frinfrock, Ogle County Board Chairman, Ivy Hood. Region 1 Planning council and 35 other Ogle County citizens

Annual sale a big success

Dear Editor,

The Barn on Mud Creek Road at Maple Hill Farm is an icon for various reasons but in most recent years, it holds a sale that many people wait for in anticipation of what treasures they will find. The local radio stations and newspaper are generous with air time and include articles and pictures for the sale. And some people just run across the signs while traveling in beautiful Ogle County.

We continue to be humbled by the generosity and support from everyone. This was our second "Jack of all Trades and Jill's Too!" barn sale that attracted many for our four-day sale but this year was different. Our signage was simple and posted throughout the barn -"Masks and Distancing are Necessary." All were respectful. We offered a handwashing station with complimentary soap from The Soap Shoppe, and sanitized the check-out station

It was a success for many reasons but most importantly because almost \$13,000 was raised and donated to Serenity Hospice and Home, our gem in the country. We continue to sell things on Marketplace and hope to have an annual barn sale for Serenity.

Thank you, again, for supporting our fun-

In appreciation. Karen Virnoche and James Brown



Ogle County Sheriff's report

Sept. 8

The following people were arrested for Ogle County Outstanding Warrants:

Mason J. Wolter, 20, of Chana for Failure to Appear warrant. Wolter had a bond of \$375. Wolter posted the \$375 and was released from the Ogle County Jail.

Devin M. Montelongo, 24, of Rochelle for Failure to Appear. Montelongo had a bond of \$432, and the judge reduced his bond to \$75. Montelongo was able to post the \$75 and was released from the Ogle County jail.

Sept. 5

At approximately 10:11 a.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies performed a traffic stop at the intersection of IL Rte. 2 and Pines Road. After investigation, Deputies placed Davionne Hardnett, 25 of Rockford under arrest for Driving While License Suspended. Hardnett was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 4

Ogle County Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to Sledgehammers Pub at 1450 North IL Rte 2 for a noise complaint of loud music. After a brief investigation, Ogle County Sheriff Deputies arrested Pub manager Justin Coltrain for Disorderly Conduct.Coltrain was released on an I-Bond and will appear in court at a later date.

At 11:02 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were called to the 12,000 block of E. Route 64 in reference to a reckless driver. Deputies located the offending vehicle at Grubsteakers. After an investigation, Deputies arrested Richard D'Onofrio, 61 of Monroe Center for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Improper Lane Usage, and Improper Transportation of Alcohol.

At 6:36 p.m., The Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were called to investigate a report of damage to vehicle at 5426 S. Skare Rd. After an investigation, Tiana Dodson, 31 of Rochelle, was arrested for Driving Under The Influence of Alcohol. Dodson was transport to the Rochelle Police Department, and released on a \$3,000 I-Bond.

Sept. 3

At 8 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop at Illinois Rte. 64 and Woodlawn road.

October 4th 9am-3pm.

More information to follow!

After a short investigation, Deputies arrested Alfredo Mendosa, 32 of Dekalb, for No Valid Driver's License. Mendosa was released on a Notice to Appear and will appear in court at a later date.

William Smalley, 49, of Rockford was arrested for Failure to Appear. Smalley has a bond of \$1562 and will go to court on 09/03/2020 at 1 p.m. Smalley remains in the Ogle County Jail.

Sept. 2

The following people were arrested for Ogle County Outstanding Warrants

Hayden J. Morris ,19, of Rockford for Speeding 26-34 miles per hour over limit. Morrishada \$3000/10% bond. Morris did post the \$3000/10% and was released from the Ogle County Jail. Morris will return tocourton09/23/20at9:00am.

Reginald C. Davis, 40, of Chicago for Failure to Appear. Davis had a bond of \$171 and hedidpostthebond.Daviswas released from the Ogle County jail with no further court date

At approximately 6:19 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to 7506S.LostNationRdforareport of a disturbance with shots fired. After an investigation, Scott R. Levan, 48 of Dixon, was arrested for two counts of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm, Criminal Damage to Property, and Violation of the FOID Card Act. Levan was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released to Correctional Staff and held in lieu of bond. The Lee County Sheriff's Office also assisted with the investigation.

Sept. 1

At approximately 8:15 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 1000 block of North Illinois Rte 251. After a brief investigation, Deputies arrested Sierra Tongue, 23 of Franklin Grove, for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Unlawful Possession of Cannabis. Tongue was also issued a citation for an equipment violation. Tongue was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was released to Correctional Staff and held in lieu of bond.

Aug. 30

Ogle County Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to Sledgehammers Pub at 1450 N IL Rte 2 for a noise complaint of loud music. After a brief

Photo courtesy of

investigation, Ogle County Sheriff Deputies arrested Pub manager Melissa Wall for Disorderly Conduct. Wall was released on an I-Bond and will appear in court at a later date.

Aug. 29

Ogle County Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to Sledgehammers Pub at 1450 N IL Rte 2 for a noise complaint of loud music. After a brief investigation, Ogle County Sheriff Deputies arrested Pub manager Melissa Wall for Disorderly Conduct. Wall was released on an I-Bond and will appear in court at a later date.

Aug. 28

Ogle County Sheriff Deputies arrested Erika Senatre, 29 of Rockford, for Driving While License Suspended. Senatre was arrested by Ogle County Sheriff Deputies on Hwy 251 after being stopped for speeding. Senatre was released on a I-Bond and will appear in court at a later date.

The following individuals were arrested on outstanding Ogle County warrants.

Stacey Bielema was arrested for an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Bielema has a full cash bond of \$1,672.77

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and will appear in court on 08/31/20 at 1 p.m.

Trisha Dempewolf was arrested for an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Dempewolf has a full cash bond of \$4,124.00 and will appear in court on 08/31/20 at 1 p.m.

Aug. 27

James Phillips, age 33 of Sterling, was arrested for an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Phillips has a full cash bond of \$7,139 and will appear in court on 08/28/20 at 1 p.m.

Aug. 26

At 9:54 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 600 block of S. 7th Street in Rochelle for an equipment violation. After a brief investigation, Israel Nava, 26 of Rochelle was charged with Improper Cannabis Container. Nava was released from scene with a Notice to Appear in Court.

At 6:23 p.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies stopped a black Ford Fusion on I39 and Ritchie Road for Speeding. After a short investigation Deputies arrested Xavier Davison, 27 of Chicago, for Driving While License Revoked. Davison was transferred to the Ogle County Jail.

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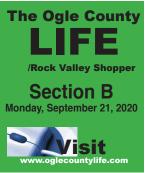
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Bread of Life meets at Valley Covenant

Church on the corner of North Maple Street and Route 72, in Stillman Valley, on the second Tuesday of each month.

Please bring photo I.D. and proof of residence. Make note that distribution times have changed. Upcoming dates are Oct. 13 and Nov. 10. Distribution will be curbside only from 3 to 5 p.m. Please listen to our important automated call messages. The information changes. If you are new to Bread of Life, please call 815-645-8872 to make an appointment.

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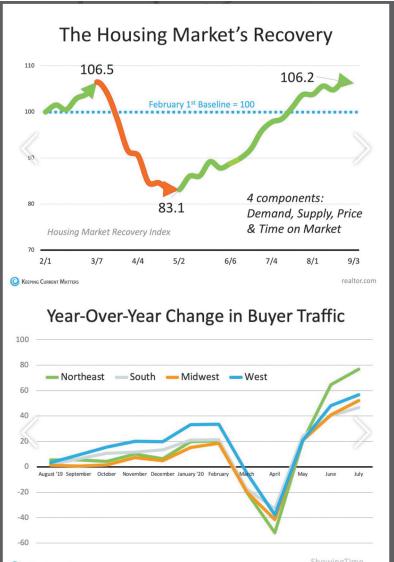
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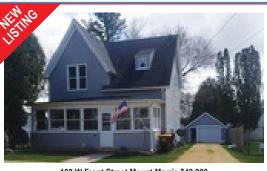
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Oregon cross country teams battle local opponents

OREGON — The Oregon and Byron cross country programs raced in a dual meet at Oregon Park West on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

The Oregon girls won 27-28 behind three top-5 finishers including Leah Watters (third in 22:48.4), Faith Marquardt (fourth in 23:32.4) and Katlyn Ramirez fifth in 23:43.7). Rebekah Starwalt and Anika Roush took first and second for Byron with times of 22:06.4 and 22:26.4, respectively, while Sarah Tillett placed sixth in 24:30.5.

Bryon, Oregon and

Stillman Valley's boys raced in a three-team meet, with Byron scoring 28 points for first place while Stillman Valley placed second with 42 and Oregon finished third with 57 points. Samuel Lewis won the race for the Tigers with a time of 18:45.7, with Salvador Salas-Godinez taking second in 18:51.0 for the Cardinals and Ryan Hussung finishing third in 19:32.3 for the Hawks. Byron's Carter Conderman finished fourth with a time of 20:18.4.

Oregon's cross county program hosted a threeteam meet with Polo and Rockford Christian on Tuesday, Sept. 15. Oregon's girls took second with 36 points behind Leah Watters, who placed third with a time of 23:02. Faith Marquardt took fifth in 23:34 and Katlyn Ramirez finished seventh in 23:41. Rebekah Zeigler placed sixth with a time of 23:38 for Polo (third with 74). Oregon's boys placed

second with 60 points and Polo took third with 65 points. Carson Jones took ninth with a time of 20:02 for Polo, while Ryan Hussung led Oregon with a 10th place finish in 20:12.

Stillman Valley teams face Sterling

STILLMAN VALLEY

— The Stillman Valley boys and girls golf teams faced Sterling on Wednesday, Sept. 9. The Cardinal boys won 170-184 behind medalist Griffin Smits and runner-up finisher Owen Dunseth. The Cardinal girls fell 192-221 to the Golden Warriors.

Stillman Valley faced

Winnebago on Tuesday, Sept. 15. The Cardinals girls lost 181-212, while the boys won 150-175 behind medalists Tim Marcum and Patrick Hickey.



Oregon golf teams pick up wins

OREGON — The Oregon girls golf team defeated West Carroll 199-269 on Wednesday, Sept. 9. Lena Trampel received medalist honors with 47, while Ava Hackman and Mia Trampel each finished with runner-up awards in

the meet

Oregon's boys golf team faced Forreston and Polo on Monday, Sept .14. Oregon won the meet with 213 behind Jackson Werren's 49 and Jarrett Dietrich's 51. Cody Buskohl shot 64 for Polo (third with 275) and Joel Ludwig carded 50 for Forreston (second with 243). Oregon's girls defeated Polo 200-212, with Cassie Nyderek shooting 48 and Lena Trampel adding 49. Kamryn Stockton and Harper Clark each recorded 49 for Polo.

Humane society seeking donations, players for Riley Open fundraiser

OREGON — Paws Humane Society is seeking foursomes and donations for its Riley Open fundraiser at Silver Ridge Golf Course on Sept. 26 with a 9

a.m. shotgun start. The cost to enter is \$60 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart and lunch. A silent auction and \$50 hole sponsorships are also

included. Money raised from the event will go to-ward abused and homeless animals. Questions can be directed to Bruce Boyle at 815-871-1107.

Byron boys take second in Le/ Win Invitational at Wolf Hollow

BYRON — The Byron boys and girls golf teams took on Rockford Lutheran on Wednesday, Sept. 9. Byron's boys defeated Lutheran 171-204 behind medalist Maison Brandt's 40 and teammate Eric Detig's 41. Logan Remhof shot 44 and Ean Larson recorded 46 for the Tigers (4-1). Byron's girls knocked off Lutheran 196-219. Paige Bukoski scored 47 in the match for medalist honors, with Shannon

McHale and Ava Kultgen carding 49.

Byron's boys golf team competed in the Lena-Winslow Invitational at Wolf Hollow Golf Course on Saturday, Sept. 5. The Tigers scored 337 to take second out of nine teams. Maison Brandt medaled in seventh place with 81 while Logan Remhof added 83 and Eric Detig shot 85.

Byron's boys won a triangular meet with Mendota and Rock Falls on Monday, Sept. 14. The Tigers carded 176 behind Maison Brandt's 41 and 45s from Logan Remhof, Eric Detig and Ean Larson.

The Byron girls faced Rock Falls at home on Tuesday, Sept. 15, falling 188-194 in a close match. Ava Kultgen led Byron with 46 while Paige Bukoski and Shannon McHale each added 48 and Grace Kultgen chipped in 52.

UW-La Crosse announces May 2020 graduates

LA CROSSE, Wis. – The following area students completed degree requirements at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in May

The 110th annual spring commencement was held virtually in May due to health and safety risks of COVID-19 and graduates will be invited back

to participate in a future in-person ceremony. Students earning degrees in May included:

Byron: Nelson Baker, Bachelor of Science, Biology Education Major; General Science Education (Broad Field) Major

Oregon: Austin Atchison, Bachelor of Science, Marketing Major Kelsy Janssen, Master of Science, Occupational Therapy Hongbing Zhan, Bachelor of Science, Finance Major, Honors

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Mount Morris Library News

CATCH Club (3RD – 5TH Grades)

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Coloring "Contest"
Stop by and get a "We Love Our Local Library" coloring page. Color it, put it in your window and send a picture to Dawn Winters, Program Coordinator, at dawn. mtmorrislib@gmail.com. We will share it on Facebook and one winner will be randomly drawn on October 9th for a small

"Talk Like a Pirate" To-**Go Kits (ages 3 – 10)**

In celebration of "Talk Like a Pirate" day (Saturday, September 19, 2020), stop by the library and get a "Pirate to-go kit" which will include a pirate themed library book, a craft and a "real" eye patch! Ages 3 - 10. Limited quantity available. First come, first served. Send a picture of your finished project to Dawn Winters, Program Coordinator, at dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail. com. We will happily share it on Facebook!

(Virtual) Lego Club

Our {Virtual} Lego Club will be starting Monday, September 14, 2020. We know you are all building away at home so join in our virtual Lego Club to share your creations with your friends! Check out our Facebook page, follow the weekly theme,

build at home and send a picture telling us about your creation! Send to it dawn. mtmorrislib@gmail.com to be featured on Facebook!

Family Storytime

Be watching for signups for "Family Storytime" starting soon. This will be by appointment only and for one family at a time. Masks will be required for ages 3 and up and you will be asked to use hand sanitizer upon entry to the library. More information coming soon!

Browsing & Computer Use By Appointment

We are open for browsing and computer use by appointment; call they library to schedule a time. Masks are required and you will be asked to use hand sanitizer upon entering the library. No unaccompanied children are allowed in the library at this time (please do not bring your children if you will be using the computer). Browsing is limited to 30 minutes and computer use to one hour.

Curbside Pickup, Inter Library Loans, Library Cards

Curbside Service and Inter Library Loans are available during regular business hours. Mt. Morris Patrons can place holds through the catalog, by calling or emailing. Library staff is quarantining all returned items for a period of time. Recently returned materi-

als may remain on your account longer than usual. No overdue fines will be charged. New library cards: Patrons can call or email the library to renew or receive new library cards. Contact the library at 815-734-4927 or mmlib@mtmorris-il.org

Honor JoLynn Ward

At the end of the school year, a number of long-time employees retired. At the end of a normal year, there would have been parties and recognition ceremonies, but 2020 is not a normal year. JoLynn Ward has been an instructional aide with the Oregon School district for a long time.

She was in Mount Morris at the elementary school until the fire, and went with her students to Oregon. In the time I have known her, she has been an instructional aide for the English Language Learners. For the library she has been a Trustee for a long time, helped when the new addition was being built, and is currently our board secretary.

Mrs. Ward, as the children know her, has spent her time recently making masks for people in the community, including library staff. We want to honor her in her retirement, and for her good works.

A fund has been established in her name. We will be purchasing library materials in

If you would like to join us in thanking her for her service to the children of the district and her work in the community, you may send a donation with the notation that it is in her honor.

Polo Library News

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

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

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

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

Returned Books

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

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

We are a fine-free library, so you do not need to worry about accruing fines during the quarantine period. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 815-946-2713.

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 Sept. 30, 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, Sept. 21 - 6 p.m. *Weather

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.

Coffee with a Cop - Wednesday - Oct. 14 - 10:30 a.m. *Weather Permit-

Library Pavilion

Join us for an outdoor, socially distant Coffee with a Cop. If the weather is questionable, please call 815-946-2713 before leaving home to check on the status of this program.

A Note on Donations

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

Online Resources

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

Wi-Fi Access

Wi-Fi is available outside of the library building by joining the Polo Public Library Guest Access network, vou do not need a password.

Questions?

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Mt Morris Senior Center 734-6335
Polo Senior Center 946-3818
Rock River Center 732-3252
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Oregon Library News

Come in to pick out your own books. We ask that you sanitize when you come in and please remember to wear your mask.

To best provide a safe environment we are limiting the number of patrons in the library at a time.

Curbside Pick Up will continue indefinitely, but if you wear a mask you may enter the building to pick up your materials, use the computers or copy items. 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. You will still see these items on your account and still receive notification of overdue until the quarantine period is over. We are fine free, so you will not be charged for overdue items. However, materials that are not returned will result in replacement costs. This bill is generated after materials are 21 days overdue. As long as materials are returned with no damage you will not be charged the replacement fee. Please call for any questions or material requests. Read More ~ Worry Less!

SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

DVDs, books on cd, computer usage, magazines, library of things, hotspots, adult and youth programs and of course books! That is what awaits you at the Oregon Public Library. All you need is a library card! Library cards are free to all residents who pay taxes to their library district. Check your property tax bill and see where your taxes are being spent. If you rent, contact your landlord to see if you are in a library district. To apply for a library card you need a picture ID (Driver's license, state ID, FOID, etc.) with current address. If current address is not correct on license a piece of mail (or rental agreement) is needed to establish proof of residence. Children 6 years old (and able to write their name legibly) through 17 years old need to have a parent present with their photo ID and proof of residence. Anyone getting a new library card this month (September) will be eligible to select some free books! Call the Library at 815-732-2724 to find out more!

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BAG BOOK SALE

Already missing the Friends Annual Book Sale... well you don't have to. The Grab Bag Book Sale has begun! This is an ongoing sale and the bags are in the library labeled by genre. You 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.

IT'S HERE

The Oregon Public Library Story-Walk ® at Oregon Park West is now open! What is a StoryWalk ® ? StoryWalk® was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT in 2007, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library. Our hope is that this passive program can be used by all ages, groups, families and the Oregon School District. Thank you to the Etnyre Foundation and the Oregon Park District, for helping the Oregon Public Library present this unique reading experience. The September story, Apples by Gail Gibbons begins on the path at the main parking lot.

ZOOM STORY TIME

Thursday, Sept. 24 at 10 a.m., we will have our first Zoom Story Time. Register now in order to receive your craft kit and the Zoom link. Look forward to seeing everyone!

YOGA WITH JENNIFER Is Back!

Saturday mornings at 9:30 a.m. - only five spots available. Registration required (815) 732-2724

OREGON WRITERS GROUP – 2nd and last Tuesday each month

MEETING NOTICE: meeting will occur via Zoom-Zoom.com

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.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS

Books on Tap Book Club meets on Thursday, Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. at Cork n Tap to discuss The Grace Year by Kim Liggett. The 2WBC meets Wednesday, Oct. 14 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss "The Lady From the Black Lagoon" by Mallory O'Meara. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 1 p.m. to discuss "American Dirt" by Jeanine Cummins

DNA AND GENEALOGY RESEARCH: Simplified – Sept. 22 at 2 p.m. via ZOOM

DNA testing has become a popular topic. Did you get your results and now you don't know what to do with them? This program will discuss the different DNA tests and compare the major testing companies. Learn to use your genealogy skills to unravel the mysteries of your DNA results. Join our Zoom call with Steve Szabados, Genealogist. Register at 815-732-2724. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Now is the perfect time for 1,000 Books before Kindergarten! It's very simple to start. Register by coming in, calling or by emailing child's name, birth date, guardian's name, library card number and a phone number to the library email. Then just start recording at home the titles of the books you read to your pre-kindergarten child. We can arrange a pick-up time for you to receive your folder. Children can listen to or read stories on e-book readers, tablet computers, or other devices as well as the old fashioned way. You can even repeat books. Computer games do not count.

Bertolet Library News

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, Sept. 23 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 with our new Youth Director, Jana Schlukebir. These sessions will be 20-30 minutes long. Each week will include a story and an art project.

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

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

*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

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. 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!

New Releases

Adult Fiction:

"Someone Else's Daughter" by Jennifer Harvey

"The Lion's Den" by Katherine St. Joy

Juvenile Non-Fiction:

'Magellan: Over the Edge of the World" by Laurence Bergreen

Juvenile Fiction:

"The Hidden Oracle" by Rick Riordan (The Trials of Apollo #1)

"The Dark Prophecy" by Rick Riordan (The Trials of Apollo #2)

Children's Fiction:

Angelina Ballerina and the Tea Party" by Katharine Holabird

"Sneaky Beak" by Tracey Corderov

We are still collecting soft plastics for recycling. Bring in your clean, dry bread, cereal, zip top, and grocery store bags. We also accept outer package wrap from items such as paper towels and multi-pack items.

We are unable to accept book donations at this time.

Julia Hull Library News

The library is offering expanded in-person services. Grab & Go Services is now available Monday and Friday (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and Tuesday and Thursday (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.). Saturday mornings (9 a.m. to 12 p.m.) will be reserved for Curbside-Only Services. The library will be closed to the public on Wednesdays, alongside the Meridian CUSD 223 for a deep cleaning and disinfecting. During Grab & Go, all patrons will be limited to 15-minute browsing. Newspapers, children's toys, Conference Room, and study tables are currently unavailable. All staff and patrons are expected to wear a mask and social distance. For more details, please see our website: https://www.juliahull.org/covid-19-information.

Library Curbside Expanded For your safety and convenience, contactless Curbside Pickup will be available 5 Days/Week, including Saturday mornings, by appointment only. For full details, please visit our website: https://www.juliahull.org/schedule-curbside-pickup. Public Computer Access Need to use a computer? Public computers will be available in 45-minute time-slots, by appointment only. For your safety, all computers and computer areas will be disinfected after each use. To reserve a computer. please call 815-645-8611. Register for a Library Card September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Do you, or someone you know, live in our District and need a library card? Apply online: 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.





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We may be reached by phone at (815)938-2624, email at forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com, or through Facebook messenger. We're looking forward to see-

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.

Voter Registration

Voter registration is now available at the library. Just call for an appointment to come in and get registered. You will need two forms of identification, one of which has your current residence address, and you must be registered before Oct. 6 to vote in the Nov. 3 election.

eBooks/WiFi

You may still enjoy eBooks through Axis 360 and Biblioboard. If you would like more information on creating an account, please let us know and we'll be happy to help you get set up. You may also access the internet outside the library by connecting to our WiFi. No password is required.

Library Updates

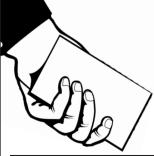
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Tractor accidents, grain entrapment and injuries from ornery livestock are just some of the dangers agricultural workers face every day. In fact, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health savs agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries in the United States.

In 2016, the agricultural industry had a rate of 21.4 deaths per 100,000 workers, and each day agricultural workers experienced 100 non-fatal, lost-worktime injuries.

Agricultural dangers are not limited to North America. In Ireland, farm accidents have increased by 13 percent in the last five years and by 31 percent in the last decade, according to a national survey of farm accidents conducted by the Teagasc National Farm Survey. Furthermore, 97 percent of all farm accident victims required medical treatment.

Farms are dangerous places, and while carelessness can and does contribute to many incidents, accidents also take place during routine, seemingly safe activities. These farm safety guidelines can help lower the risk of injuries.

• Know farm equip-

ment. Read and follow all instructions in the equipment operation manuals. In addition, attend local farm safety workshops to learn more about specific equipment and products.

- Conduct routine safety checks. Look around buildings and grounds for obvious hazards, such as fire hazards and hazardous materials, including farm chemicals that are not stored correctly.
- Practice cleanliness. Maintain clean and neat work areas with tools stored properly and out of the way after use.
- Be mindful of your clothing and hair. Many accidents involve a power take-off system, or PTO, which is a common component of large rotary mowers, tractors and forage choppers. Clothing can easily get caught in an engaged but unguarded PTO stub. It's easy for laces or coveralls to become wrapped around a spinning stub shaft. The PTO driveline and other protrusion points also can

be dangerous if people do not pay attention. • Use rollover protection structures. ROPS can be used on tractors and other equipment to prevent injuries. In addition, wear

seat belts and employ other

safety equipment as advised. Avoid extra passengers. It can be tempting to take the kids for a spin, but do not allow additional passengers to ride on agricultural

equipment. • Exercise caution when handling chemicals. Take extra precautions when handling any chemicals, including pesticides.

 Wear protective gear. Wear appropriate gear and equipment as outlined by NIOSH or the Mine Safety and Health Administration. Make sure the skin, feet, ears, eyes, and hands are protected at all times.

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after every energy source has been controlled, such as hydraulic, pneumatic, mechanical, and electrical, according to Rural Mutual Insurance Company. Turning off equipment and using certain controls or locks on devices can prevent equipment from restarting before it is safe to do so.

Farm safety should be a priority for owners, their families and employees so that agricultural injuries can be reduced.

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Facts and figures on farm safety

ING to the Disease Control and Prevention, agriculture is among the most hazardous industries. Fatal and nonfatal injuries pose a significant threat to farmers, including the many young people who work on farms. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, in an effort to promote productive and safe workplaces, supports programs that conduct research on injuries associated with agriculture as well as pesticide exposure, pulmonary disease, musculoskeletal disorders, hearing loss, and stress. Studying the results of such research, compiled by NIOSH, may compel veteran and novice farmers to further emphasize safety measures and promote practices that

• Estimates indicate that there were roughly 2.1 million full-time workers employed in production agriculture in 2017 and between 1.4 and 2.1 million hired crop workers employed annually on crop farms in the United States.

can reduce risk for accidents on the farm.

- An estimated 893,000 young people under 20 years of age resided on farms in 2014. More than half of those young people performed farm work, and an additional 266,000 youth were hired to work on farms in 2014
- Each day, roughly 100 agricultural workers suffer injuries that cause them to miss time at work.
- In 2014, 12,000 youth were injured on farms, and 4,000 of those youths could

trace their injuries to

- farm work.

 In 2016, 417 farmers and farm workers died from work-related injuries. Tractor overturns and other transportation incidents were the leading cause of death for these farmers and farm workers.
- A rollover protection system, or ROPS, is a structure, similar to rollcages and rollbars in cars and trucks, intended to protect farm equipment operators from injuries caused by overturns or rollovers. NIOSH notes that an ROPS is the most effective way to prevent overturn deaths. Despite that, in 2014, only 62 percent of tractors used on farms in the U.S. were equipped with an ROPS.

Safety tips for parents of young farmers

PEOPLE who live in cities, exurbs or suburbs may not come across farms very frequently. But millions of people, including children, still live on farms. In fact, in 2009 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted that more than one million children under the age of 20 lived, worked or had a regular presence on farms in the United States.

Protecting children from injury on farms, especially those who perform work on farms, is of paramount importance. The American Society of Safety Engineers offers the following safety tips to parents of children who will be spending time on farms.

- Know and obey the laws. Various state and federal laws are in place to protect young children from farm-related accidents and injuries. Age requirements dictate which jobs children can perform on a farm, and parents should adhere to those requirements. Asking children to do more than they're physically capable of can lead to accident, injury or even death.
- Review equipment operation instructions. Before assigning children a task on the farm, parents should review the equipment operation instructions. Doing so can help parents reacquaint themselves with tools and equipment they may not have used in awhile, and that can make it easier for them to teach kids how to use such equipment. In addition, reviewing equipment instructions may provide insight to parents unsure if their children are old enough to use certain tools.
- Inspect equipment. Before children perform any tasks on the farm, parents should inspect the equipment their children are likely to use to make sure each tool is safe. Make sure tools are in proper working order, as broken or poorly working equipment increases the risk of accident or injury.
- Enroll children in farm safety camps. The ASSE recommends that parents contact their local Cooperative Extension and Farm Bureau offices to enroll children in farm safety camps. Such camps can teach kids safe farming techniques and the proper ways to use age-appropriate tools.
 - Set a positive example. Another way for parents



to protect their children on the farm is to set a positive example. Parents can do so in various ways. Using equipment properly, removing tractor keys from ignitions when tractors are not in use and exercising caution when using hazardous materials shows kids the importance of caution when working on farms.

Hundreds of thousands of children perform jobs on farms across the country. Parents who want to teach their kids to farm should always do so with safety in mind.

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Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am Adult Christian Education Class: 9am

Main Worship with Chancel Choir: 10:30am

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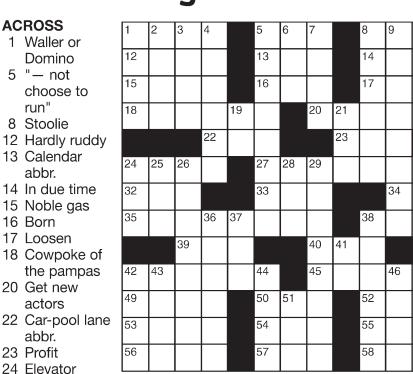
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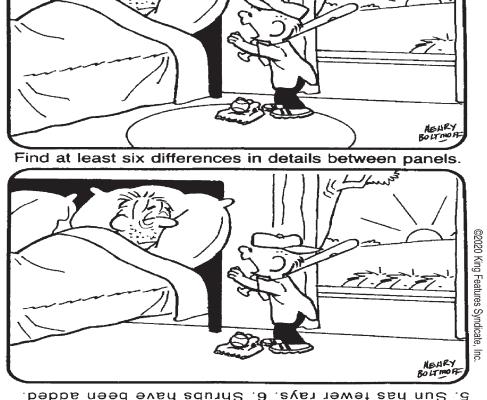
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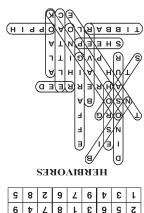
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Zachary Russell Long There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: Zachary Russell Long to the new name of Zacharv Russell Smith. The court date will be held on October 22. 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at 106 S. 5th St., Oregon, Ogle County in Courtroom #202

/s/ Zachary Long No. 0904 (Sept. 7, 14, 21)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 2020, certificate а in the Ogle was filed 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: K and K Dumpsters, 6621 O'Hare Dr., Stillman Valley, IL 61084.

Dated: September 4, 2020 Laura J. Cook,

Ogle County Clerk No. 0911 (Sept. 14, 21,

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

MATTER No. OF THE)2020 **ESTATE**)P-61 DAVID I MUELLER, deceased.

CLAIM NOTICE NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of DAVID L. MUELLER of Oregon, Illinois. Letters of office

were issued on August 25, 2020. to CHRISTOPHER M. MUELLER of Dixon, Illinois, whose attorney is David A. Smith. of Smith. Birkholz & O'Brien, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P. 0. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010.

CLAIMS against 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.

County Oale Newspaper CHRISTOPHER **MUELLER**

Independent Administrator No. 0919 (Sept. 14, 21,

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 8, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Nicholson Forestry. 9993 Homestead Rd., Stillman Valley, IL 61084. Dated: September

Laura Cook, Ogle

County Clerk No. 0921 (Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5)

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 8, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Handmade on Homestead, 9993 N Homestead Rd., Stillman Valley, IL 61084.

September Dated: 2020 Laura Cook, Ogle County Clerk

No. 0921 (Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given City that of Byron 232 West ("City") at Street, Byron, IL, 2nd requesting innovative solutions and proposals from qualified providers address

energy conservation and savings measures at the District's facilities through guaranteed energy savings contract under (50 ILCS 515/) Local Government Energy Conservation Act. Request for Proposals ("RFP") is available as of 9/25/2020 for download here https://www2.illinois. gov/cdb/procurement/ escos/Pages/default. aspx Proposals shall received at the address above no later than 8:30am (CST), on 10/26/20 at which time further proposals no will be accepted. proposals will be opened by a City Administrator. The opening of the proposals can be viewed by the public at the time and location listed above. Direct questions and inquiries exactly as specified in the RFP. The criteria for evaluating the

the RFP. By order of the

City of Byron No. 0925 (Sept. 21)

PUBLICATION NOTICE

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Cook, Ogle Laura County Clerk No. 0927 (Sept. 21, 28, October 5)

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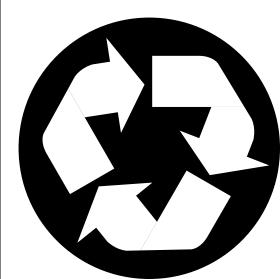


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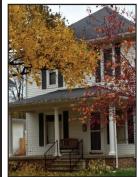
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New York Jets	at	Indianapolis Colts
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