

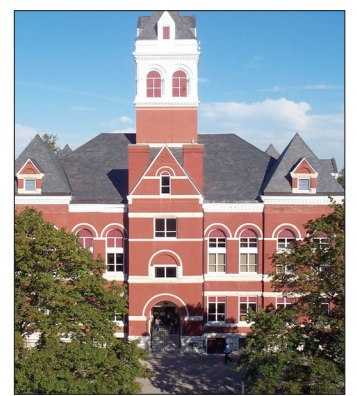
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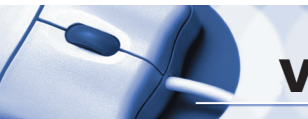
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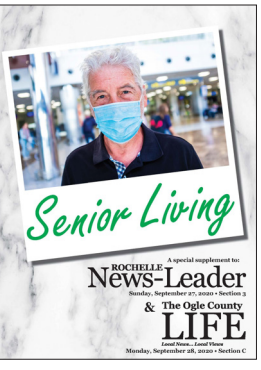
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## Group gathers to save plant

### Byron Station Response Committee includes variety of people from community

BYRON – The Byron Board of Education recently convened the initial meeting of the "Byron Station Response Committee," to develop a collaborative, broad-based response to Exelon's announcement of its intent to close Byron Station in September 2021.

Byron's Superintendent, Buster Barton, said the impetus to form the group came from the community itself. The day Exelon announced the potential closing, numerous community members and organizations reached out to him to offer their support.

"It just goes to show you how much our community cares about our school district and how important the power plant is to our funding," Barton said. "We think this committee will help identify

and mobilize groups that can spread our message that the power plant should be kept open."

"And really, the focus should be on this entire area – all of Northern Illinois," said School Board President Christine Lynde. "Beyond being a great source of reliable clean energy, Byron Station has a very big footprint in this region – the tax revenue supports not only the Byron School District but eleven additional taxing bodies; our fire district, library, museum, forest preserve, even Rock Valley College to name a handful.

"The people who work at the plant have homes in Ogle, Boone, Winnebago, Lee and DeKalb counties and there are so many businesses in and around Byron that serve the plant. The



impact is a lot larger than you might initially think." The group is aware that the solution will involve legislative action, and so will require broad-based support and far-reaching plans until the end of the legislative session in May 2021.

"We need to start small in our own local communities to share information, and build an understanding to extend our network and message to the surrounding communities, and indeed all of Illinois, said Byron Mayor John Rickard. The group identified

key stakeholders, worked to craft messages, and developed a rough timeline for people to engage with the cause. "It's important to get out a consistent, accurate message," Barton said. (See PLANT, A-2)

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# Exelon Generation.

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### PLANT: Anyone interested in supporting committee's goals invited

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“And so we’ll use this time, until the veto session in November, to educate supporters so when the time comes to mobilize, everyone knows how to contact their legislators.” It is the group’s hope that when the spring legislative

session begins, there will be a bill prepared to save Illinois nuclear power that can prevent Byron Station from closing and support clean, reliable energy in the state.

“It is going to take dedication and stamina, and a bit of patience in order to bring this to the finish line successfully,” Lynde said.

The group is asking the community to look for their Facebook Page (still under development) for more announcements and next steps.

In the meantime, anyone who is interested in supporting the Byron Station Response Committee’s goals should contact Barton.

# HAPPY RETIREMENT!

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# Mobile Food Pantry is coming to Oregon

OREGON – Lifeline Food & Self-Help Project in partnership with the Northern Illinois Food Bank is hosting two Mobile Food Pantries.

The Mobile Food Pantry will be in Oregon on Monday, Sept. 28, and again on Monday, Oct. 19. The truck will be parked in St. Mary's parking lot at 300 N. 3rd St.

The Oregon Lifeline Food & Self-Help Project is just one of over 800 food pantries in 13 counties that partners with the Northern Illinois Food Bank to provide food for those in need. These two mobile food pantries are open to anyone in Ogle County who is in need of nutritious food. The mobile food pantry provides an extra distribution of food that does not affect a Lifeline client's eligibility to receive their normal monthly allotment of food.

The food pantry at Lifeline is open on Tuesdays, 1:30-4 p.m., and on Fridays, 1:30-4:30 p.m. In addition, clothing may be purchased at very low prices during these same hours, plus on Thursdays, 1-4:30 p.m., and on Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Both food and clothing are provided through the generous donations of many people in the area. The proceeds from the clothing sales all benefit the food pantry.

Please be aware that clients need a picture ID each time they pick up food. Also, in accordance with Health Department restrictions, a properly worn face mask is required for anyone entering Lifeline.

You can follow us on Facebook at Lifeline Food & Self-Help Project, Oregon, IL.

## *To the Electors of the State of Illinois:*

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure for government and laws. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article.

The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment.

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

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

### **SECTION 3. LIMITATIONS ON INCOME TAXATION**

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

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

### **EXPLANATION**

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

### **ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

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

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

This Amendment Would Make Illinois' Tax System Fair.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

# Obituaries

## Robert F. Fulton

MOUNT MORRIS – Robert F. Fulton, age 76, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020 in Franklin Grove Living & Rehab Center, Franklin Grove. Bob was born on March 18, 1944 in Oregon, the son of Fred and Lela (Wagner) Fulton Sr.



He graduated from Mt. Morris High School class of 1962. He served in the United States Air Force. Bob married Cindy James on Aug. 12, 1967 in Rockford.

Bob worked for F.N. Smith in Oregon for many years. He was a hard worker, his yard was always perfect and he loved to garden, he bowled and he played bingo, most of all he was crazy about his grandchildren and spending time with family

and Friends.

Bob is survived by wife: Cindy Fulton, Mt. Morris.; son: Jason (Jamie) Fulton, Mt. Morris; grandson: Michael Fulton, Fort Bliss, Texas; granddaughter: Jasmine Coy- Fulton, Mt. Morris; brother: Fred (Herta) Fulton Jr., Broadhead, Wis.; Sisters: Linda (Don) Orsted,

Mt. Morris, Ellen Peterson, Rockford; and many nieces and nephews.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents; 2 sons: Brian and Doug; 3 sisters: Nellie Book, Leota Murray, and Betty Corirossi.

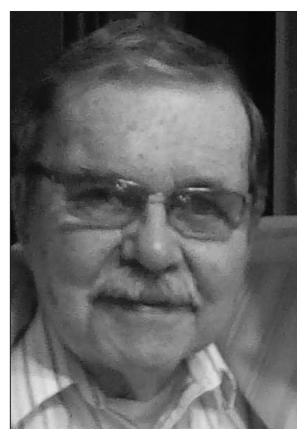
Memorial services were held on Friday, Sept. 25, 2020 at 11 a.m. in Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Morris, with Rev. Larry Jameson officiating. There was a short visitation prior to the service in Oakwood Cemetery from 10:30 a.m. until service time.

Due to Covid-19 social distance and masks are recommended.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Mt. Morris Fire Department and/or American Cancer Society.

## Douglas E. Avey

MOUNT MORRIS – Douglas E. Avey, age 83, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020 in KSB Hospital, Dixon. Doug was born on June 9, 1937 in Freeport, son of Earl and Martha (Paul) Avey.



He graduated from Mt. Morris High School class of 1955. Doug married Donna Cruchon on Oct. 31, 1958 in Beverly Hills, Calif. Doug and Donna returned to Mt. Morris in 1988 where they bought and operated the Mt. Morris Motel until 2004.

Doug was a longtime member of the Kiwanis

Club of Mt. Morris. He also volunteered as a driver for the Senior Citizen Van. He enjoyed amateur art projects,

model building, reading, and mostly reading biographies.

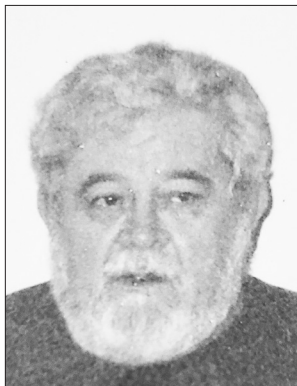
Doug is survived by his wife: Donna Avey, Mt. Morris; sons: Steve (Ron Rose) Avey, Cape Coral, Fla., and Dave Avey, Oregon; daughter: Sandy Avey, Mt. Morris; sister: Joyce (Larry) Wilson, Mt. Morris; three nephews; and one niece.

Cremation rites have been accorded with Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations to be made out to the American Cancer Society in his name.

## Michael F. Broderick

MOUNT MORRIS – Michael F. “Mick” Broderick, age 79, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020 in KSB Hospital, Dixon. Mick was born on March 12, 1941 in Norwood, Mass., the son of Michael and Margaret (Doyle) Broderick.



He married Elizabeth Priemer Young on July 16, 1995 in Oregon. Mick worked in the pressroom in Kable Printing Company, Mt. Morris, for many years.

Mick had a huge heart and he was there for anyone day or night, a kind soul and a loving man, he was an avid card player, Poker was his favorite game, loved

to drive and travel the back roads, he watched the eagles along the river, visiting with many people, and most of all he loved his wife and daughters.

Mick is survived by his wife: Elizabeth “Liz” Broderick, Mt. Morris; daughters:

Kelley Broderick, Sacramento, Calif., Tami Broderick, Sacramento, Calif.; grandchildren: Samantha Ramirez, Anthony Nathan, Shane Nathan, all of Sacramento, Calif.; brother: Dennis Broderick, Oregon; sister: Ellen (Dave) Hoffman, Sterling; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mick is preceded in death by his parents; 3 brothers: Dave, Jimmy, and Jake Broderick.

Celebration of life will be held at a later date. Cremation rites have been accorded with Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris.

In lieu of flowers a memorial to be established.

## Leo Scodellaro

Leo Scodellaro, age 95, formerly of Oregon, passed away peacefully on Aug. 14, 2020 in Champlin, Minn.

Preceded in death by wife Ruth and son Robert.

Leo was born Oct. 25, 1924 in West New York, N.J. He was a WW II veteran who served in the Army Air Force as a mechanic and machine gunner on B-24 Bombers in the Pacific. Married Ruth, June 14, 1947 in North Bergen, N.J. He moved to

Illinois in 1968 where he worked for Kable Printing as a photo engraver until his retirement. He was active with Special Olympics and volunteered at Village of Progress.

Private graveside ceremony will be planned at a future date. Memorials preferred to the Village of Progress.

## RRC offers free lunch Oct. 2

OREGON – Rock River Center prepared and distributed more than 100 meals at Free Lunch Friday on Sept. 18 thanks to the generosity of The Etnyre Foundation.

Our next Free Lunch Friday will be Oct. 2. Anyone wishing to attend or receive a carry-out meal must pre-register by Sept. 30. Special dietary meals are available when requested at time of registration. Lawn games will be set out in the activity room at 10:30 a.m. and lunch starts at 11:30 a.m.

Register now for Rock River Center's next Free Lunch Friday on Oct. 2 by calling 815-732-3252 and designating dine-in or carry-out and drive-through.

All attendees are required to wear a mask, have a temperature check, practice social distancing, sanitize hands, and be in compliance with Covid-19 guidelines as they enter Rock River Center.

The Oct. 2 menu is herbed chicken over rice, coleslaw, milk chocolate bar cake and a drink.

## Mobile food pantry in Leaf River Oct. 6

LEAF RIVER – Loaves & Fish Food Pantry alongside Northern Illinois Food Bank is hosting a Mobile Food Pantry on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

The truck will be located at the Leaf River Methodist Church, 104 E. Third Street, Leaf River from 1-2:30 p.m. This mobile pantry is open anyone in Ogle County.

This is an “extra” food distribution. Loaves & Fish Pantry clients are still eligible to receive their normal monthly food allotment. The pantry is open on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays from 4:30-7 p.m. and 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays from 2-4:30 p.m. Anyone in the Mt. Morris/Leaf River area experiencing food insecurity is eligible to

receive food.

You do not need to have a referral, and no proof of income is required.

The pantry is located in the lower level of the Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren, 409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris. If you have any questions, call 815-734-4250 or 815-734-4573 and leave a message.

## Tumbling returns to Oregon starting Oct. 7

OREGON – The Kids Spot Inc. tumbling program has proven effective.

Kids Spot Inc. utilizes interactive tumbling instructors to provide your child the best experience possible. We offer a variety of class offerings from Tiny to Novice classes at 2-time frames of 4:45 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. for 3-year olds and up.

The Oregon Park District will have a 6-week session this Fall on Wednesday evenings beginning 10/7 through 11/11. Fee is \$84

for Residents and \$101 for Non-Residents. We are taking extra precautions during this Fall session to ensure everyone safety. We will only allow 1 individual spectator per child. There will be a check in system upon arrival and all children and individuals will be spaced out and asked to have masks. Additional cleaning will occur as well on shared surfaces.

Deadline to register is October 5. Register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

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# Oregon trick or treat hours set

The City of Oregon will have Trick or Treating on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 4-6 p.m.

The city asks parents and residents to be aware that the State of Illinois and CDC may announce restrictions in the future.

The City feels that doing this during mostly daylight hours will help with social distancing.

\* Turn on your porch light if you will be handing out candy.

\* Do not visit homes that do not have a lit porch light.

\* Do not participate if you are feeling ill in any way.

\* Hand out wrapped candy only. Do not hand out homemade treats.

\* Carry hand sanitizer and use it often.

\* Encourage children not to touch their face or mouth until they can wash their hands appropriately.

\* Parents please keep your children in family groups and limit contact with other groups.

\* We encourage residents to use innovative ways to participate that limit contact.

\* Hand out candy in open spaces not confined entry ways.

\* Wear face coverings, not just your Halloween masks.

\* Be safe and watch for traffic, and children crossing roadways.

\* Please use other appropriate precautions.

# 868 acres along county border sold

## Land purchased by Forest Preserves of Winnebago County

By Mark Herman  
Byron Forest Preserve  
District

The Forest Preserves of Winnebago County announced on Sept. 21 the purchase of 868 acres of land from Funderburg Farms Inc., located along the Ogle County border in southern Winnebago County.

This new land has been named the R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve in honor of the former longtime president of Funderburg Farms Inc.

The land was purchased with the help of a \$3 million grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation. This is the largest single forest preserve land purchase ever made by the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District which owns 43 other preserves containing over 10,500 acres of protected land throughout Winnebago County.

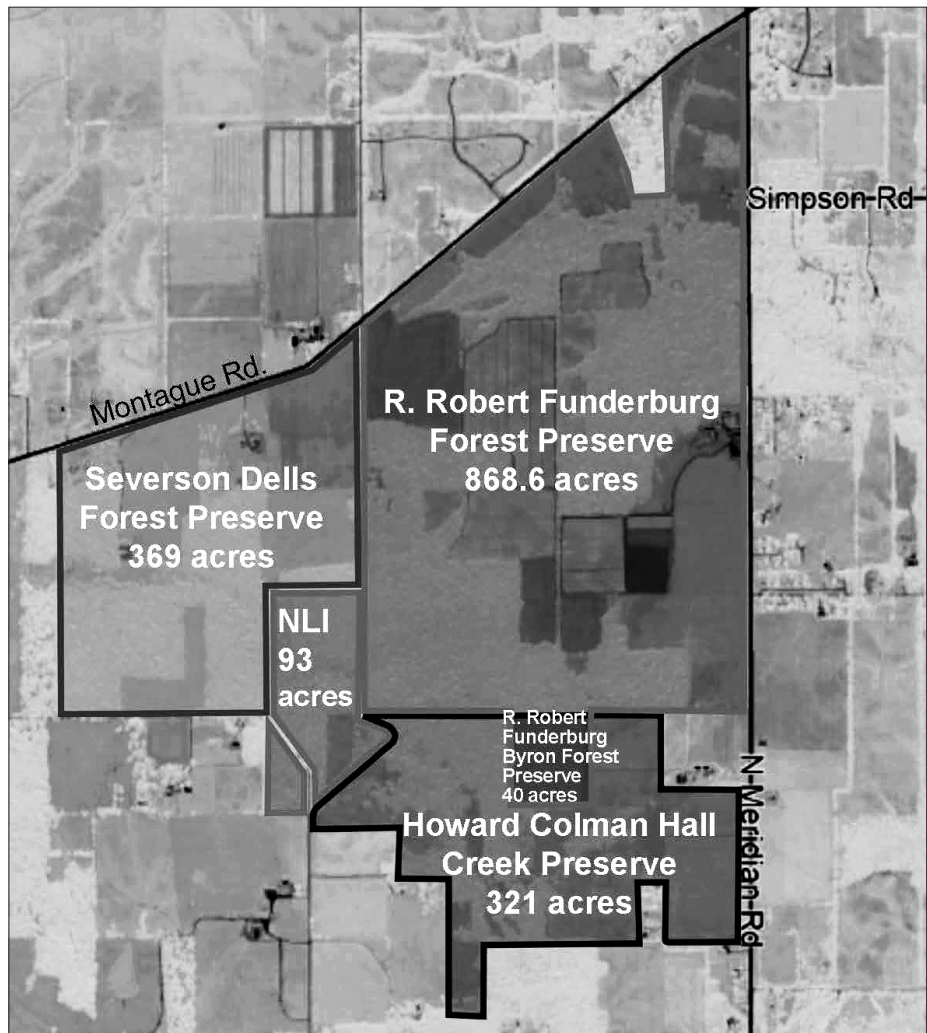
What makes this land purchase important is that the new preserve is located adjacent to the Severson Dells Forest Preserve (369 acres) to the west and the Natural Land Institute's Howard Colman Dells Nature Preserve (93 acres) and Byron Forest Preserve District's Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve (281

acres) and new R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve (40 acres) to the south in Ogle County. Along the Winnebago/Ogle County border there are now over 1,651 acres of connected natural lands. These protected lands are part of a significant wildlife corridor with miles of trails for public recreation access that will be operated by three different local conservation organizations.

The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation was excited to fund the purchase of the new Winnebago County Forest Preserve land since the adjacent Severson Dells Forest Preserve, Howard Colman Dells Nature Preserve and Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve are all designated Illinois Nature Preserves by the Illinois Nature Preserve Commission.

This designation protects the high-quality natural areas and habitats of endangered and threatened species in these preserves in perpetuity. The new R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve site contains oak-hickory woodlands, oak savannas and prairie remnants.

Earlier on July 14, 2020, the Byron Forest Preserve District purchased 40 wooded acres from



Funderburg Farms Inc. which was located next to their Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve. The parcel has also been named the R. Robert Funderburg Forest Preserve. The oak-hickory woodlands are already being restored and boundary fences will soon be removed across the entire northern

boundary of the Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve along the Winnebago County border.

There are plans for future trails to be established in order to link the Winnebago County and Byron Forest Preserve District preserves sites.

Both the Forest Preserves

of Winnebago County and the Byron Forest Preserve District are grateful to Rob Funderburg and Funderburg Farms Inc. for making these

lands sales possible at greatly reduced prices to protect this important large land area for both the wildlife and people of Winnebago and Ogle counties

### FORM OF BALLOT

#### Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

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

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

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



Jesse White

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

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

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

# Township donates to Rochelle Christian Food Pantry

By Jennifer Simmons  
News-Leader Managing Editor

ROCHELLE — A recent Friday afternoon donation made by the White Rock Township is just one of many that the Rochelle Christian Food Pantry receives regularly these days.

“The township tries to support different places in the community [especially since COVID] and so many not working...we decided to do this this year,” White Rock Township trustee Lorraine Hubbard said.

Like most monetary donations, the funds are used to purchase pantry necessities when the demand arises. But monetary donations aren't the only donations that the pantry receives.

“Once in a while semis will come in and drop off some food...[Recently] Rainwaters brought in some sweetcorn, MightyVine brings in some tomatoes, Tyson helps by bringing some of their stuff — it's kind of a community effort so we really appreciate that,” Rochelle Christian Food Pantry board member

Carol Hayenga said. And, according to food pantry manager TyAnne Unger, every donation has been a blessing.

“We have been very, very blessed right now but on the other hand, four weeks ago I ordered \$2,200 worth of food because we were out of everything. Usually I order \$500. I try to stay around \$500. But if you don't order it when they have it you lose it. So I was able to get a lot of things we were really low on. Now all those things are gone and the last order I ordered \$113 [worth]. It's a week-by-week,” Unger explained.

Food for the pantry is ordered through the Northern Illinois Food Bank. For every \$1 that is donated to the Rochelle Christian Food Pantry, approximately \$7 or \$8 worth of food is purchased from the NIFB.

Unger said that while there is always a need for donations it is better to call ahead to inquire if the pantry has any specific needs.

“It's better to call and ask us what we need because right now we've got a lot of stuff but then there's things like

vegetables and peanut butter and tuna fish that we're low on. So those are the major things that we could use right now,” she said.

Currently, the food pantry is serving the community on Tuesday and Friday each week using a drive-thru concept.

“We do drive-thru now. People used to go in and shop but we can't do that anymore with COVID,” Hayenga explained “They can shop a few things—the bread and some of the produce — but we do that on a limited [basis], like one or two at a time.”

The pantry has also begun seeing a larger number of people served as well over the past several months.

“In the last month we're a little bit higher,” Hayenga said.

Unger agreed.

“Our numbers used to be between 38 to 40 now they're like 50-something to 60-something,” Unger said. “Everyday [donation days] we're having about five or six new people come in.”

Even with the higher number of people coming to receive donations of food



at the pantry there are times when there is a surplus of some foods; especially when unexpected donations are given.

“Everyone's been extremely generous. The thing that is probably the hardest for us to get out is when we have surplus — such as all of this [bread] and it's free and if people don't take it, we have to dump it,” Unger said.

The surplus is more prevalent on days when the pantry receives an unexpected donation from a truck driver who would rather donate the food to the pantry than throw the perfectly good food in a dumpster.

“But that is from day-to-day...we never know when or what we may get,” Hayenga said.

Unger explained that in those instances representatives try to put the information on the pantry's Facebook page to inform people of the extra food that is available.

However, staff is able to save more of the surplus now than they were previously.

“Thru grants the pantry was able to purchase a new walk-in freezer. The space is approximately double what was available before. There is also a portion that is solely refrigerated space,” Unger said. “That's really been a blessing.

Because of this refrigerator, we are able to take that [donations from truckers] now... before we couldn't. So that's a real blessing plus we have those three refrigerators.”

Anyone needing food services offered by the Rochelle Christian Food Pantry may come Tuesday and Friday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. to receive food. Recipients are required to bring an ID and a piece of mail with a current address.

Information can also be found on the pantry's Facebook page at Rochelle Christian Food Pantry or by calling 815-562-6654.

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# One pan meal

Does chicken with roasted maple butternut squash and sweet potatoes sound good to you? Nothing like a one pan meal for four to make your life easier. Join the Oregon Park District at Cork & Tap and learn how to make this delicious dinner that screams fall with Lynn Kaufman. Take it home and bake it is all you'll have to do. This workshop will be on Thursday, Oct.15 at 6:30 p.m. The fee is \$32 per Resident and \$38 Non-Resident. The deadline to register is Oct.7. Don't wait, register today! Register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.



## Farmers market continues

Byron Farmers Market is open for business next to the Hairy Cow Brewery from 8 a.m. to noon every Saturday morning. We are following Ogle County Health department guidelines due to the virus. Please bring exact change for vendors and you must wear a mask. Diane Brink, Chana, sells perennials and hand painted items. Last week, we had over 25 different booths! Market will continue through October weather permitting.



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# Bertolet Memorial Library seeks applicants for board

LEAF RIVER – Nominating petitions for Bertolet Memorial Library Board in Leaf River are available.

Current board members include, Krista Carlson, Willem Dijstelbergen, Pat Harris, Mollie Krecklow, Ardis Kump, David Sheely and Larry Wagner. Two of these seven positions will be open for election; both positions are six-year terms. The election for these open positions will be held on April 6, 2021.

Library board members must be, on the date of election, a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old, a registered voter, a resident of the State of Illinois and the Library District. To be considered for election, candidates must file a petition with three signatures of qualified voters residing within the Bertolet Memorial Library District. Additionally, candidates must complete, sign and have notarized a loyalty oath, statement of candidacy and statement of economic interest.

All necessary forms will be included in the candidate's election packet. Candidates may begin filing completed petitions at the Library on Monday, Dec. 14. Filing concludes Monday, Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. Packets returned after Dec. 21 may not be considered for candidacy. Packets may be obtained and filed during library hours: Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m.-noon.

This information is provided as a public service. For further information, please contact Linda, at 815-738-2742.

# Byron elected positions open

BYRON – Byron City Clerk Caryn Huber announced the open elected positions for the Consolidated Election to be held on April 6, 2021, and the procedures required for filing as a candidate.

The city election will be to fill the positions of Mayor, City Clerk, and four aldermanic positions, one for each of the four Wards. Each of these terms will be for four years. Candidate petitions and other forms needed to

circulate for a candidacy are now available at Byron City Hall during normal business hours, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Forms are also available at [www.oglecounty.org](http://www.oglecounty.org).

Completed petitions must be filed at Byron City Hall, starting at 8 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 14, 2020, through 4 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 21, 2020.

A candidate must be a legally registered voter, and a resident of the

City of Byron for at least one year. Petitions must be circulated within the City of Byron, or the Ward of candidacy (depending on the office being sought), and must be signed by legally registered voters of the City or Ward. Maps of each Byron Ward are available at Byron City Hall, and on the City website: [www.cityofbyron.com](http://www.cityofbyron.com).

If you have any questions, please call Byron City Clerk Caryn Huber at 815-234-2762.

# Byron Forest Preserve District has board openings

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

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 22, people interested in seeking a position as a member of the Byron Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners should go online to [www.oglecounty.org](http://www.oglecounty.org), click

on Departments, County Clerk, Forms, Local Election Official (Petition Packets) to get the necessary forms or pick them up at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron. The board consists of five members. 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. 14-21, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the office of Michelle Gerke, Local Election Official, located at the Jarrett Prairie Center, 7993 North River Road, Byron. The office will be open until 5 p.m. on the last day of filing.

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The Trustee term is a six-year term and one position is available. Completed packets are to be filed in the same location beginning Dec. 14 through Dec. 21 during the hours of 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday (office is closed Saturday and Sunday) with the exception of Monday, Dec. 21; packets will be accepted until 5 p.m.

For more information please contact Michele Trzcinski-Ramos in the District Office at 815-234-4911, Ext. 4470 or contact the Ogle County Clerk's Office at 815-732-1110.

## Leaf River has village positions open

LEAF RIVER – The Village of Leaf River will have openings in the April 6, 2021, Consolidated Election.

The seat open will be Village President (mayor), which is a 4-year term. And there will be three open Village Board of Trustee openings. This is also a 4-year term.

Qualifications: Village President (Mayor) and Trustees must have a one-year residency in the Village of Leaf River preceding the election.

Petitions can be obtained at the Village Hall, 605 Main St., or by contacting the Village Clerk, Tena Krueger at 815-738-2340. All information can be provided by the Ogle County Clerk's Office.

# Park district offers upcoming activities

### Pack walk

Dogs need to explore just as much as they need food and water. Join the Oregon Park District's dog trainer, Bree, as we explore different parks while working on indirect socialization and confidence building with our furry friends. This is a safe environment to indirectly socialize and exercise your dog among others. We do not allow dogs to go nose-to-nose during these walks. Dogs must be at least 6 months of age. The next hike will be at White Pines State Park on Saturday, Oct. 3 at 9 a.m. This terrain is considered difficult. The deadline for this program is Wednesday, September 30. A future weekday walk will occur on Monday, Oct. 5 at 5:30 p.m. and we will meet at Wiggly Field Dog Park. This terrain is considered easy. Deadline for this hike will be on Thursday, Oct. 1. The fee for each hike is \$5/\$6 Non-Residents.

### Tumbling returns

The Kids Spot Inc. tumbling program has proven effective. Kids Spot Inc. utilizes interactive tumbling instructors to provide your child the best experience possible. We offer a variety of class offerings from Tiny to Novice classes at 2-time frames of 4:45 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. for 3-year olds and up. We will have a 6-week session this Fall on Wednesday evenings beginning 10/7 through 11/11. Fee is \$84 for Residents and \$101 for Non-Residents. We are taking

extra precautions during this Fall session to ensure everyone safety. We will only allow 1 individual per child. There will be a check in system upon arrival and all children and individuals will be spaced out and asked to have masks. Additional cleaning will occur as well on shared surfaces. Deadline to register is Oct. 5.

### Farmers market

Buy Fresh & Buy Local. This Tuesday, Sept. 29 is the last day of the Oregon Fall Farmers Market located in downtown Oregon. It is an In-and-Out Market with social distancing guidelines at the city property next to Chile Pepper (previously the Harvard Bank Drive-thru) on Washington Street from 5:00-6:30 p.m. You will find fresh veggies: tomatoes, squash, potatoes, fresh garlic and herbs, flowers, plants, pumpkins, gourds, and some art and craft pieces. Be sure to stop by and check it out! We would appreciate the shoppers wear masks and social distance.

### Halloween in the park

New this year, instead of the Halloween Carnivals, we invite you to join us for Halloween in the Park. Children ages 3-12 must register for the event. Enjoy playing games along the StoryWalk trail at Park West on Tuesday, Oct. 13. Staggered times begin at 12:30 p.m. and run through 6 p.m. Not only will you enjoy the activities along the trail, but participants can take a ride through

the prairie to pick out a pumpkin to decorate and families can wear their costumes and get their pictures taken as well. Registration deadline is October 9.

### One pan fall dinner

Chicken with Roasted Maple Butternut Squash and Sweet Potatoes! Nothing like a One Pan Meal for four to make your life easier! Join us a Cork & Tap on Thursday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m. and learn how to make this delicious dinner that screams fall. This class is instructed by Lynn Kaufman/Lynnies' Kitchen. Class fee is \$32/Resident or \$38/Non-Resident. Register online at www.oregonpark.org or call 815-732-3101. Registration deadline is Oct. 7.

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and refreshing delight for your little one. Call the library to reserve a craft for your child or use the form on our website: <https://juliahull.org/curbside-pickup-request>.

starts at 11:30 a.m.

Yoga resumes at Rock River Center in Oregon from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Space is limited due to social distancing so register early. Call RRC at 815-732-3252 to sign up for as many classes as you like.

ber, weather permitting. We are following COVID-19 guidelines. For information [karen\\_f61010@yahoo.com](mailto:karen_f61010@yahoo.com) or [tinyurl.com/byronmarket](http://tinyurl.com/byronmarket).

Oregon Lions are having a Drive Through Pork Chop Sandwich Sale from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Super-Valu parking lot in Oregon.

Fri., Oct. 2

Free Lunch Friday at Rock River Center in Oregon. Anyone wishing to attend or receive a carry-out meal must pre-register by Sept. 30 Special dietary meals are available when requested at time of registration. Lawn games will be set out in the activity room at 10:30 a.m. and lunch

Sat., Oct. 3

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. Market will continue through Octo-

*Please send your items for the weekly Community Calendar to [bjennings@oglecountylife.com](mailto:bjennings@oglecountylife.com). Deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.*

Weds., Sept. 30

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## MOMENTS IN TIME

\* On Oct. 18, 1767, Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon complete their survey of the boundary between the colonies of Pennsylvania and Maryland, as well as areas that would become Delaware and West Virginia. The Mason-Dixon Line created the boundary at a northern latitude of 39 degrees and 43 minutes.

\* On Oct. 15, 1863, the C.S.S. Hunley, which would become the world's first successful combat submarine, sinks during a test run, killing its inventor and seven crewmembers. The Hunley was operated by a crew of eight -- one man steered while the other seven turned a crank that drove the ship's propeller.

\* On Oct. 14, 1892, "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes," by Arthur Conan Doyle, is published. The book was the first collection of Holmes stories, which Conan Doyle had been publishing in magazines since 1887.

\* On Oct. 16, 1923, Walt Disney and his brother Roy found the Disney Brothers Cartoon Studio in Hollywood, California. With the 1928 release of "Steamboat Willie," the world was introduced to Mickey Mouse.

\* On Oct. 12, 1940, cowboy-movie star Tom Mix is killed when his speeding Cord Phaeton rolls into a dry wash in Arizona. Mix died when he was hit in the back of the head by a heavy aluminum suitcase he was carrying in the convertible's backseat.

\* On Oct. 17, 1968, American Olympic gold medalist Tommie Smith and bronze medalist John Carlos are forced to return their awards because they raised their fists in a black-power salute during the medal ceremony in Mexico City.

\* On Oct. 13, 1975, Charlie Rich stood at the Country Music Association of America show to announce the Entertainer of the Year -- and set fire to the envelope after he saw that John Denver was the winner. It was later said that Rich was on prescription pain medication and gin-and-tonics that night.

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## Meeting Mt. Morris near Mt. Rushmore

I was standing at a scenic stop on Iron Mountain Road in the Black Hills of South Dakota when a few motorcycle riders approached me and the friend I was traveling with.

"Where in Illinois are you from?" he asked, saying he saw the license plates on our bikes.

We said Rockford. He said he and his wife were from Mount Morris. Another rider was from Rochelle and the final one from Rockford.

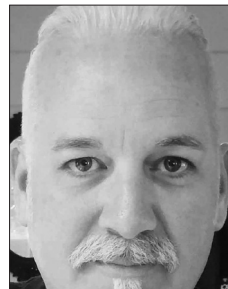
Talk about a small world.

This was Day 3 of a 2,685-mile motorcycle ride a recently retired friend of mine, Doug, and I took through Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana. Meeting Roger Miller, his wife and friends was a very surreal moment in a trip filled with beauty and memorable moments.

The day before we rode Iron Mountain Road, I was able to see Mount Rushmore for the first time. I must say, I was pretty overwhelmed by this incredible monument. It is truly majestic, and I encourage anyone who hasn't seen it to make the trip.

### Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



The next day we rode all over the Black Hills. Besides the beautiful twist and turns of Iron Mountain Road, we rode the Needles Highway, with rocks shooting out of the ground skyward, hairpin turns and a narrow roads cut through rock. Then on to the Wildlife Trail, where we saw buffalo -- yes, they are huge -- wild burros and big horn sheep.

As a history buff, Day 4 was one I was really looking forward to. We rode from Spearfish, S.D., up to the Little Bighorn Battlefield in Montana. I have read multiple books on the battle at the Little Bighorn -- from the perspective of the Army

and the Native Americans.

This is a very sobering place. You can stand at the top of Last Stand Hill, where Lt. Col. (his regular Army rank) George Custer and members of the 7th Cavalry were killed during the battle. From the hill, you can look down to where a large Native American encampment was, and imagine the battle raging on the hills and plains.

For anyone interested in that moment in history, this national park is well worth the entrance fee. It stuck with me for days.

On a happier note, after we left the park, we rode over to a nearby trading post and I had the best Indian fry break taco I have ever had. OK, it was my first, but it was fantastic!

The ride back to Spearfish -- our center of operations for a few days -- seemed to take forever. We rode through a big chunk of Wyoming, and I have to give credit to the hearty souls who live there. To me, there was a whole lot of nothing ... everywhere.

The next day we hit motorcycle hot spot Sturgis, S.D. to check out the town. The huge annual rally is held there in August, so it was

pretty much a ghost town when we visited. That was fine with me. With our current COVID-19 situation, I wouldn't want to be around large crowds.

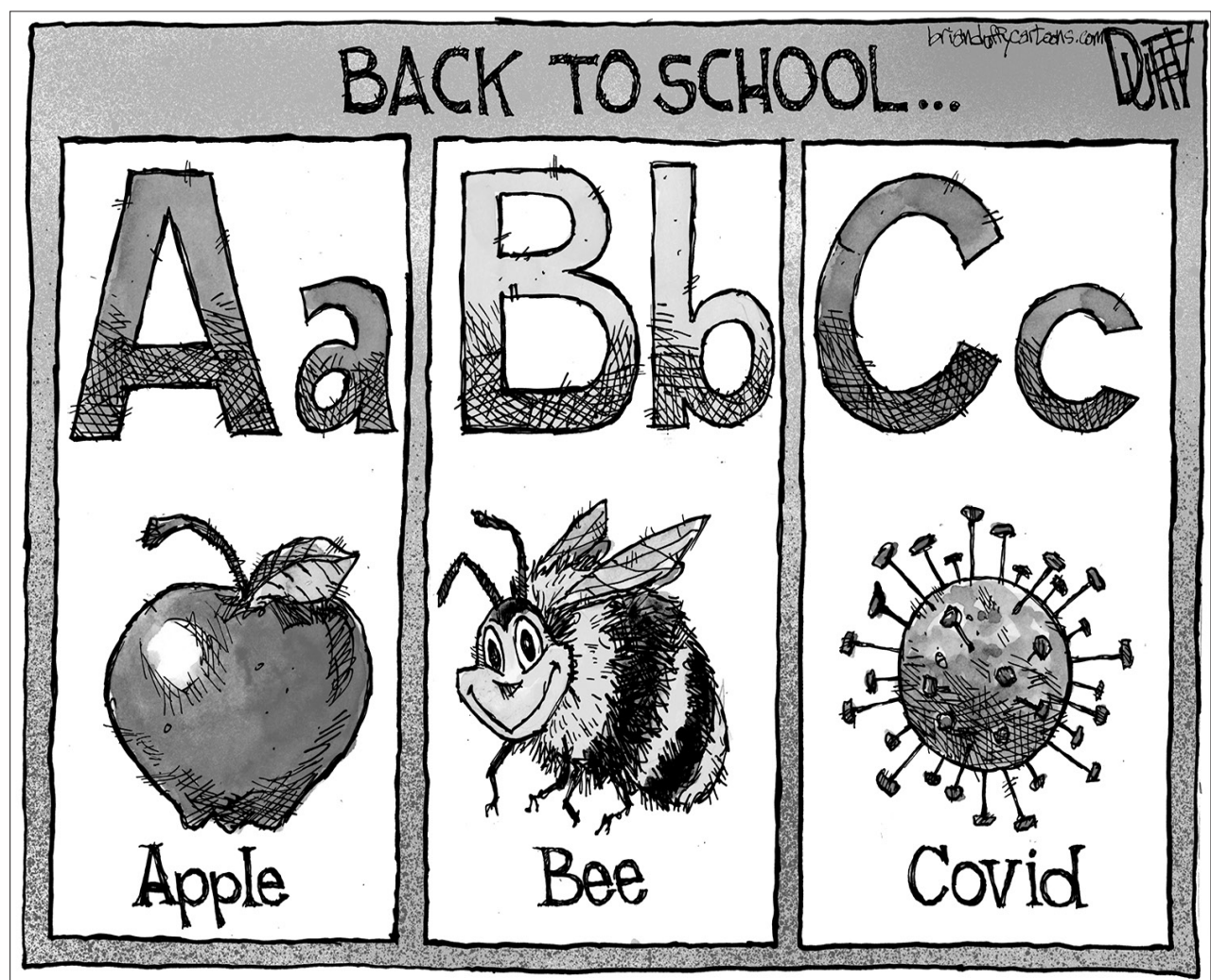
We then hit up Deadwood, S.D., which is a real tourist town. We even saw the reenactment of Wild Bill Hickok getting shot in the saloon it happened in back in 1876 -- just two months after Custer was killed up in Montana.

The ride home took two days. The first was our longest of the trip in a single day -- about 580 miles. That is tough enough on a motorcycle, but when fighting 40 mph wind gusts it was downright exhausting.

We made it home on Sunday, Sept. 20. I was tired, needed a shower and had a backpack full of dirty laundry. My motorcycle was filthy and bug covered.

But I wouldn't trade it for the world. There is nothing like riding a bike long distances. We are already planning the next ride out to Roswell, N.M. in 2021. I just hope we don't get abducted by aliens.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



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## Reader says bullies need to be addressed head on

Dear Editor,  
On Saturday, Aug. 29 my family went to Rockford to go grocery shopping. Upon arrival at Walmart on East State Street, we were greeted by the building glass being boarded over and the news of a 1 p.m. store closing due to fear of

an anticipated "protest" march. For the safety of my family we cut our shopping short and returned home. This experience brought up memories of my childhood and being bullied as I transitioned from a one room school into a consolidated system.

Bullying is defined as intimidation, abuse, or harassment. Bullying behavior is perpetrated in order to create fear. In light of events of rioting, violence, and harassment ongoing in this country are we, the law abiding, not being bullied?

Based on my childhood experiences of being raised with fear (cold war era nuclear bomb threat), and with bullies, I refuse to live in fear!  
In my experience, bullies need to be addressed early and head on!  
Bill Pirnat, Byron

## Masks do not protect us from viruses

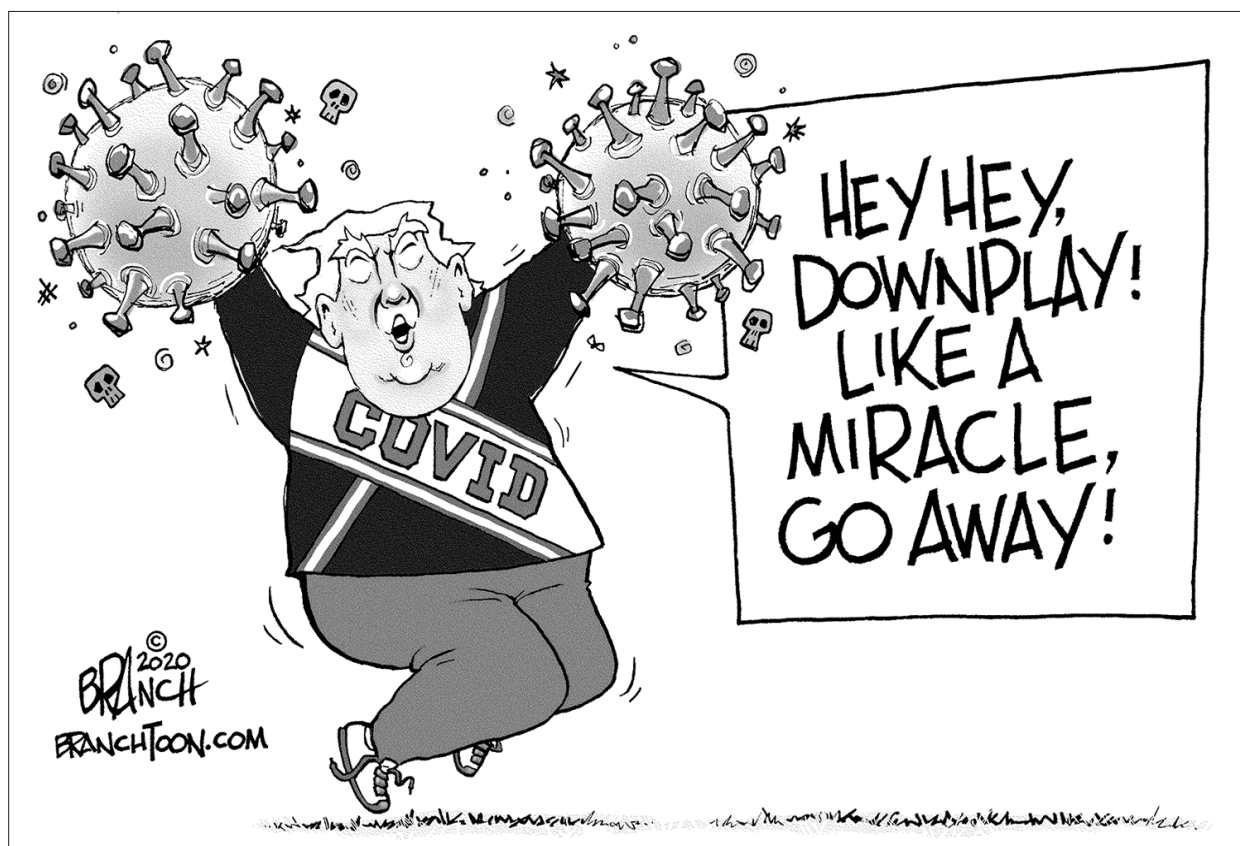
Dear Editor,  
In response to Theresa (Aug. 17) and Pam (Sept. 14), I respectfully disagree with both of you. Science tells us that masks do not protect us from microscopic particles, i.e. smoke and virus particles. Smoke particles are 1/100th the size of the width of a strand of human hair. Virus particles are smaller yet at 1/10th the size of smoke particles. Before mask wearing became divisive, the government was very clear that masks do NOT filter out microbiology. I choose to believe science and the medical professionals that tell us masks will not protect us from virus particles. If you choose to believe that masks protect you; I respect your right to have that opinion. I choose facts over fiction and truth over fear. So, please show me the same respect for my opinion.  
Sincerely,  
Linda Cain, Mount Morris

## Maybe herd mentality explains Trump support

Dear Editor,  
Suppose you are a parent or grandparent out on a walk with your elementary school student that is trying to read. You see a sign and the student struggles to read it. You try to help with the first word's strange collection of letters. You pronounce it and explain that is a man's name and the man is the governor of the state. Your student makes out the other word and then asks what the sign means.  
When I first saw one of those signs, I thought, "That's kind of crude, it is too bad his supporters are adopting Trump's limited vocabulary." I wondered what the issue was. Then I realized the governor isn't even up for election this year. The small print said something about small business so I assume they aren't happy about the shut downs. None of us like the shutdowns, etc., but would they rather that Illinois be one of the states leading the news about the virus each night due to a high infection and death rates?  
Then we heard that the President of the U.S. thinks those that serve in our military are suckers, if they are killed they are also losers. Having served in the Vietnam War, I am apparently a sucker. Those with their names on the Vietnam Memorial are suckers and losers. Wounded veterans should stay out of sight to avoid making anyone feel uncomfortable. I wonder what all the families that have honored and respected a family member that was killed or wounded in one of our wars think of all of this? Especially if they are Trump supporters. I understand the effects of Trump's malignant narcissism. I do not understand all of his supporters with more normal brains that continue to shrug off anything the man says or does. Some even earnestly repeat his lies to defend them.  
He accidentally coined a new phrase (recently): Herd Mentality. Maybe that explains it.  
Curt Freeberg, Byron



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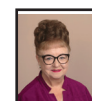
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# Guided state park hikes return

OREGON – Join former park ranger, Grant Afferbaugh on hikes through our local state parks. Each hike put on by the Oregon Park District, features a different state park with a trail that is often less traveled. Afferbaugh will lead the group along with providing educational information throughout the hike. The group will meet at each park the day of the program. Our upcoming hike will take place at Castle Rock State Park on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 9 am. Fee to register is just \$2 per Resident and \$3 per Non-Resident. Deadline to register is Oct. 8. Register for this hike online at [www.oregonpark.org](http://www.oregonpark.org) or by calling 815-732-3101.

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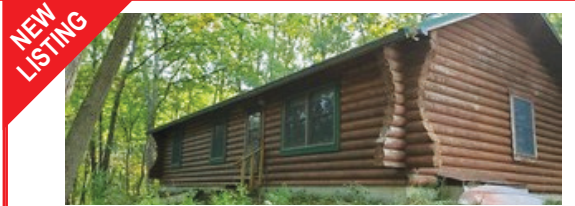
**402 E Lincoln Street Mt Morris \$115,000 Call Lori**

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



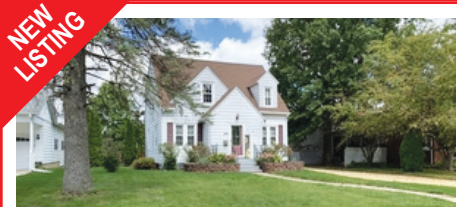
**9443 E Oak Ridge Drive Rochelle \$335,000 Call Rebecca**

HURRY this is the one you will want to call HOME! Set on a beautiful, wooded, private cul-de-sac lot and perfect for entertaining & relaxation, this ranch home has 3+ bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms. Gourmet kitchen with Mission Style custom cabinets, upgraded granite counter tops and adjacent family & living room's with cozy fireplace that serve as the hubs of every day living. Both the master en-suite bathroom and guest bathroom's have been updated. In 2010 an over sized 30x30 two car garage was added to the home along with a family room, laundry and half bath. Walk out lower level with possible 4th bedroom. Loads of storage in the unfinished portion of the basement. In addition to the indoor space there is a 3 season sunroom bursting with natural light, composite deck and patio area. This home is situated on a 1.55 acre lot with over 4,000 square feet of finished living space, 4+ car garage space, ideal for someone looking for indoor and outdoor space! Country living at its finest yet in close to proximity to so much!



**499 Sangamon Lane Dixon \$144,000 Call Mark**

This alluring log home is nestled on 2 peaceful wooded lots in a private, gated community with Lost Lake privileges only an hour and a half west of Chicago! This charming ranch style log home has 3 bedrooms, 2 full bathrooms and a nicely updated kitchen with stainless steel appliances. This rustic lookout has large windows to see nature at its best! There is a ton of space downstairs for all of your hobby, hunting or exercise equipment. A new steel roof was put on in 2006. This home has a Heil furnace with April Air and an owned water softener and reverse osmosis system. 2-3 year old washer and dryer stay. LP tank is rented. HOA is only 350.00 for the year which includes snow removal, road repair and access to 2 beaches, tennis court, community pavilion and parks. Just a short drive to the golf course nearby! Wildlife abounds in this serene neighborhood!! Perfect as a full time residence or as your country getaway destination. Sold As Is.



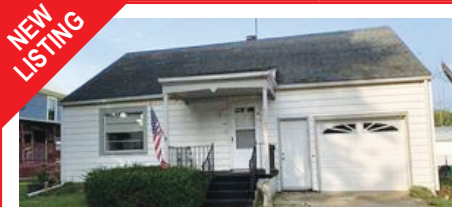
**304 Sunset Lane Mt Morris \$109,000 Call Stephanie**

Charming 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath home backing up to Sunset Golf Course! You will fall in love as soon as you walk into the foyer and see the oak trim and original hardwood throughout. Home boasts main floor master, updated kitchen, 3 bedrooms upstairs, new bathroom flooring and walkout balcony overlooking the large backyard and golf course. Fully fenced in backyard, 22x12 deck, and 16x10 outdoor shed with electric. Roof and Windows all new in 2013!



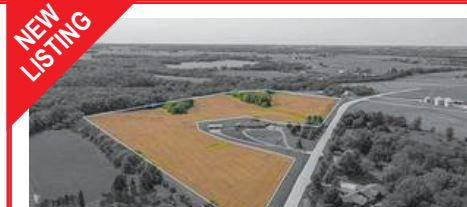
**300 E Main Street Sublette \$139,900 Call Jenny**

What a BEAUTY!! You will love the gorgeous woodwork, hardwood floors, high ceilings, and ABUNDANCE OF SPACE to live and entertain in. The kitchen is a cook's delight with tons of cabinet and counter space. Main floor laundry is conveniently placed off of the kitchen. Dining and sitting area provide an open concept along with the spacious family room. 1st floor office is great for working at home. The 2 beautiful winding staircases make this home incredibly unique and functional. The wrap around front porch and deck off the kitchen are great for relaxing and entertaining. Enormous backyard, massive 3 car garage, and additional shed provide ample room for all of your hobbies and needs. \$5,000 seller credit for roof and HOME WARRANTY included. Don't miss out!



**208 Main Street Leaf River \$62,500 Call Rebecca**

GREAT INVESTMENT OR FIRST HOME! Welcome home to this spacious 3 bedroom/1 bathroom home in Leaf River. Updated vinyl windows throughout this 1600+ square foot ranch home. Galley style kitchen with white cabinets and views of your backyard. There is an oversized dining room off of the kitchen space Large master bedroom with several closets for storage. The bathroom has been updated with a new tub surround. Upstairs has two spacious bedrooms with hardwood floors. Bonus features-1 car attached garage, charming front porch and back deck. Call today to schedule your showing!300



**000 W Pines Road Oregon \$262,500 Call Rebecca**

35 ACRE FARM FOR SALE! 35 acres MOL of farmland comprised of roughly 27 acres tillable with the balance being wooded acreage. This parcel would be an excellent investment and/or hunting property. Currently rented for \$225/acre. Zoned AG.



**908 W Washington Street Oregon now \$113,900 Call Mark**

Totally remodeled 1348 Sq Ft 2-3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, newer everything, kitchen has new wood cabinets, granite counter tops, newer stainless steal appliances, new wood flooring throughout the house, first floor laundry and washer & dryer stay. Bathrooms both totally remodeled with jet tub, new water softener. Bring on any government loan.



**411 Mix Street Oregon now \$165,000 Call Lori**

Fabulous 4 bedroom, 4 bathroom house and a 1 room 1 bath cottage on a .88 acre partially wooded lot. Walk out basement with family room and bathroom. Large deck on back of house overlooking fire pit and hillside. Hot tub stays. Kitchen has walnut cabinets, appliances included. 2 fireplaces. Brand new air conditioning system. No need to haul laundry up and down with laundry hook ups on second floor. Come see what all this house has to offer. Great neighborhood with homes on larger sites. Cut down on mortgage payments with rental income from the cottage. Many replacement windows, newer roof and insulation. Cottage is rented at \$500 per month. Tenant pays electric and water.



**508 S Third Street Oregon now \$83,000 Call Boone**

Great opportunity! This 4 bedroom 1 bathroom home is situated on a quiet corner lot. Newer flooring, A/C, furnace and hot water heater. Possibility to add another bathroom in the lower level. HOUSE SOLD "AS IS"



**110 N 4th Street Oregon now \$59,000 Call Rebecca**

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## Seniors honored

Byron High School honored its senior boys and girls golfers on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at PrairieView Golf Course. Senior Night recognizes the hard work and commitment these high school athletes have given to the golf program during their four years of high school. Pictured from left to right are Brogan Griffith, Eric Detig, Grace Kultgen, Paige Bukoski, Logan Remhof and Ean Larson. Senior Ryann Wombacher is not pictured. (Courtesy photo)

## Area boys golfers take part in Sally Wessels invitational

MOUNT MORRIS — Multiple Ogle County boys golf programs participated in the 2020 Sally Wessels Invitational at Sunset Golf Club this past weekend. Stillman Valley won the tournament with a final score of 360 behind 84 from Axel Lovgren and 87 from Tim Marcum.

Byron's boys finished third with 367,

while Oregon took fifth with 417, Forreton placed eighth with 453 and Polo ranked ninth with 556. Maison Brandt and Eric Detig led the Tigers in the tournament, shooting scores of 86 and 87, respectively. Jarrett Dietrich carded 88 for the Hawks, while Clay Davis led Polo with 110 and Joel Ludwig recorded 102 for Forreton.

## Stillman golfers split with Dixon

STILLMAN VALLEY — Stillman Valley's golf teams took on Dixon on Tuesday, Sept. 22. The girls lost 188-215 despite Grace Haas earning medalist honors. The boys won 182-204 behind medalist Tim Marcum and runner-up Owen Dunseth.

## Oregon girls golfers win, boys fall

OREGON — The Oregon boys and girls golf teams faced Rockford Christian on Thursday, Sept. 17. The Hawk girls won 185-203 behind Mia Trampel's 43 and Ava Hackman's 45. Cassie Nyderek and Lena Trampel followed with 48 and 49, respectively. Oregon's boys fell 164-187 despite

43 from Jarrett Dietrich and 45 from Isaac Kaltenbrun.

Oregon's girls competed in a three-team meet with North Boone and Rock Falls, taking second with 186. Mia Trampel carded 43 for the Hawks, while Ava Hackman added 46 and Lena Trampel scored 48.

## Byron golf teams split with Stillman Valley

BYRON — Byron High School's boys and girls golf programs faced Stillman Valley on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at PrairieView Golf Club. Byron's girls won 198-212 behind medalist Paige Bukoski's 44 as well as 50 from Ava Kultgen and 51 from Grace Kultgen. Byron's boys fell 171-175 despite medalist Maison Brandt's 39 as well as 44 from Eric Detig and 46 from both Brogan Griffith and Logan Remhof. Tim Marcum led Stillman Valley with 40, while Owen Dunseth

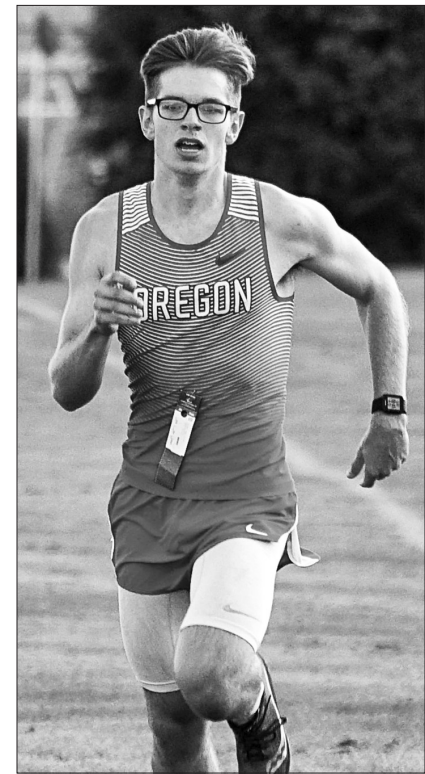
added 42 and Griffin Smitts chipped in 44. Axel Lovgren recorded 45 for the Cardinals.

Byron's boys and girls golf teams played Winnebago on Tuesday, Sept. 22. Byron's girls fell 180-191, with Shannon McHale shooting 44 and Addie Eversohl adding 48 for the Tigers. Byron's boys tied the Indians 175-175, but Winnebago claimed the tiebreaker. Maison Brandt carded 40 for the Tigers, while Eric Detig chipped in 41 and Ean Larson recorded 44.

## Byron girls second, boys fall in golf action

POLO — The Polo High School girls golf team took second in a three-team with Dakota and PC-LeWin on Thursday, Sept. 17. Kamryn Stockton led the Marco girls with 48, while Harper Clark added 52 and Victoria Busser chipped in 53. Polo scored 208, finishing one stroke behind PC-LeWin (207).

Polo's boys faced Freeport Aquin on Monday, Sept. 21, falling 193-266. Cody Buskohl led the Marcos with 56 in the match. Polo then faced Pecatonica/Durand and River Ridge on Tuesday, Sept. 22, losing 195-215-263. Cody Buskohl led the Marcos with 52.



## Oregon cross country teams compete

OREGON — The Oregon High School cross country teams faced Mendota and Rockford Lutheran on Friday, Sept. 18 at Oregon Park West. Ryan Hussung won the boys race for Oregon with a time of 18:49.4, while Gavin Bradshaw placed third in 19:42.3. The Hawks finished first with 36 points in the meet.

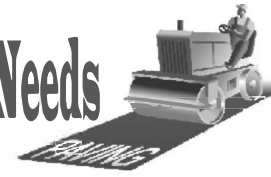
Oregon's girls tied Rockford Lutheran with 28 points, but Lutheran won the sixth-runner tiebreaker. Katlyn Ramirez, Faith Marquardt and Leah Watters took second, third and fourth place with respective times of 22:15.8, 22:16.4 and 22:18.0.

Oregon's cross country teams faced Winnebago and Amboy on Tuesday, Sept. 22. Oregon's boys placed second with 44 points, while the Oregon girls took second with 55 points. Ryan Hussung and Gavin Bradshaw were the top finishers for the boys, finishing fifth and seventh with times of 20:12.2 and 20:23.8. Leah Watters and Katlyn Ramirez took eighth and ninth for the girls with times of 22:47.7 and 22:50.2.

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# Oregon Library News

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## Two new online resources!

### Brainfuse

Brainfuse is one of the nation's leading online tutoring providers serving a diversified client base of libraries, school districts and colleges/universities and is found throughout the country including

Dallas, Houston, Seattle, Suffolk, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Sacramento, and San Diego. Brainfuse users receive personalized tutoring via a versatile and user-friendly online classroom. Brainfuse HelpNow offers a personalized homework help in core subjects (math, reading, writing, science and social studies) including SAT preparation. The Adult Learning Center is included in the HelpNow suite. Brainfuse is available to all library patrons from the public computers at the library or from any computer with internet connection simply by going to the Oregon Public Library website and logging in with your library card.

## Scholastic teachables

Scholastic Teachables provides educator-created & expert-vetted teaching materials. Unlimited online access to the best classroom-tested printables. It has a wide variety of free printable worksheets for grade Pre-K through 8 that span over many different skills! Go to the Library website and log in with your library card number.

## Friends of the Library grab bag book sale

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

## Chalk doodle art – Tuesday, Oct. 6, All Ages

Hankering to create? Be outside? Call to register for Chalk Doodle Art. Call the Library to schedule a time between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. There will be a maximum of 1 hour to draw your creation. Bring your own chalk or chalk will be provided. The theme will be Autumn...your canvas will be the sidewalk at the Library. Spaces are limited...only have so much sidewalk! (Weather permitting).

## Yoga with Jennifer is back

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

## The Black Hawk War and Indian removal in Illinois – Oct. 2 at 1 p.m.

Brought to you by the Friends of the Oregon Public Library

Call the library at (815) 732-2724 and register for your spot on our ZOOM program. In April 1832, a member of the Sauk nation named Black Hawk led a group of 1,000 Native Americans across the Mississippi into Illinois. Black Hawk claimed his people had not been properly represented at treaty negotiations with the U.S. Government, and thus they retained rights to their ancestral lands. The Governor of Illinois reacted to Black Hawk's return as if it was an act of war. The battles over the next three months would become the last in the state, a climactic time in the story of Indian removal in Illinois. In this program we will take an overview of the "Indian

problem," from first interaction with the French voyageurs, attempts at assimilation and coexistence, and finally treaties and government promises broken. We look at the Trail of Tears, the final war dance in 1835 Chicago, and the emergence of Native American casinos in the epic clash of cultures. It all happened in a land named for an indigenous nation of people, the Illinois.

## New releases

Until It's Over by Nicci French (Large Print Fiction)

Anxious People by Fredrik Backman (Fiction)

One By One by Ruth Ware (Fiction)

Hieroglyphics by Jill McCorkle (Fiction)

Call Of The Raven by Wilbur Smith (Fiction)

An Unfinished Story by Boo Walker (Fiction)

Goodbye To Budapest by Margarita Morris (Fiction)

The Secret French Recipes Of Sophie Valroux by Samantha Verant (Fiction)

Chaos by Iris Johansen (Fiction)

Fifty Words For Rain by Asha Lemmie (Fiction)

An Inconvenient Woman by Stephanie Buelens (Fiction)

The Stone Wall by Beverly Lewis (Fiction)

The Invention Of Sound by Chuck Palahniuk (Fiction)

Something Worth Doing by Jane Kirkpatrick (Fiction)

# Byron Library News

## Library Playgroup

Wednesdays & Thursdays, Sept. 9-Dec. 17 9:30-11 a.m., or 1-2:30 p.m. Miss playing at the library? You can arrange your own playgroup with the library toys. Program takes place in our enclosed meeting room. Library will set up with toys and sanitize after use. One adult should register and can invite friends and family members to the playgroup. Please note: Only 9 people total (nonmobile babies do not count towards your total) can attend. Please visit [Byron.evanced.info/signup](http://Byron.evanced.info/signup) or call 815-234-5107 to register your group.

## Easy No-Knead Artisan Bread

Monday, Sept. 28, on YouTube

Beth will walk you through the simple steps to make a delicious, crusty loaf of bread. It's so easy and sure to become a new family favorite. Kit includes flour, yeast, salt and cornmeal. Additional supplies needed include water, a 5-quart container or large bowl with a lid, a wooden spoon, a cutting board or pizza peel, a baking sheet or pizza stone, and a broiler pan or metal pan. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit [Byron.evanced.info/signup](http://Byron.evanced.info/signup) to register. Kits will be delivered to Byron residents before the program; non-Byron residents can pick up their kits any time after Tuesday, Sept. 22.

## DIY Bleach Dyeing

Tuesday, Sept. 29, via Zoom, 6-7 p.m.

Try out some new bleach dyeing techniques with Kelly on Zoom! We will provide you with a pair of socks to get

you started, but feel free to bring your own clothes to dye as well. Kit includes one pair of socks, a bottle of bleach, rubber bands and plastic gloves. Additional supplies needed include paper towels and a protective covering for your work surface. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit [Byron.evanced.info/signup](http://Byron.evanced.info/signup) to register. Kits will be delivered to Byron residents before the meeting; non-Byron residents can pick up their kits after Monday, Sept. 28.

## Upcycle Jeans

Wednesday, Oct. 7, on YouTube

Create a bottle gift bag, pocket magnet, cell phone charger holder, a small basket and a coaster from an old pair of jeans. You provide the old pair of jeans, good cutting scissors, ruler and pen and we will supply fabric glue, twine, tag, cardboard, magnet, safety pins and instructions for all 5 projects. No sewing required! Supplies can be picked up at the library any time after Monday, Sept. 28.

## Share Your Story

Monday, Oct. 19

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

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

# Polo Library News

## Polo Public Library Information

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

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

fore 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.

## 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!

Coffee with a Cop –Wednesday, Oct. 14, 10:30am \*Weather Permitting\*

## 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.

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

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

## A Note on Donations

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

# Julia Hull Library News

## Public Computer Access

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

## 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 in 4 easy steps: 1) Take a selfie; 2) Take a picture of your Driver's License; 3) Take a picture of a current utility bill (name and address must match DL); and 4) Email everything, along with a telephone number, to [librarycurbside@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:librarycurbside@mail.meridian223.org).

## Adult Book Club

Join Joanna on Zoom, Monday, Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m., for this month's thrilling non-fiction selection: Return To the Reich: A Holocaust Refugee's Secret Mission to Defeat the Nazis, by Eric Lichtblau. Copies of the reading available for checkout at the library. Email Joanna at [jkuever@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:jkuever@mail.meridian223.org) for a link to the program.

## Tween Scene: Frankentoy

This Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. on Zoom, Tween

ghouls and guys are encouraged to find the mad scientist within with this creepy craft! Head to the library to pick up your kit to create some terrifying Frankenstein toys. What kind of monster will you create? Ages 10-12. Call the library at 815-645-8611 to register and schedule your craft kit pick up! Or, stop by during our Grab and Go hours.

## A Song & A Story

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

## Fun Day Monday: Mystery Pumpkin Painting Party

School's out for the day! Join us online for some creative play! On Monday, Oct. 12 at 1 p.m., we're having a pumpkin painting party with a twist! Kids will receive a mystery grab bag of craft supplies, join Miss Kelly on Zoom, and together we'll create a pumpkin masterpiece out of our mystery materials. Please supply your own pumpkin. Ages 2-9. Call the library,

stop by, or use the Curbside Pickup Form on our website to register and receive your surprise supplies!

## Pajama Storytime

Join Miss Kelly on Zoom for interactive books, rhymes, and songs, Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Wear your pjs, and bring a cuddle buddy. Always the Second Tuesday of the Month. Email [khaas@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:khaas@mail.meridian223.org), or FB message us for a link to the program.

## Craft Bomb!

We love a good surprise! Adult crafters: this one's for you. At random, we'll announce a Craft Bomb and a date. On that date, we'll post an instructional video of a simple craft to our Facebook and Instagram feeds. When it drops, adults can reserve an accompanying kit to take and make at home...while supplies last. Our first Craft Bomb? Thursday, Oct. 15!

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

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

book and activity kit: 815-645-8611. Ages 7-9.

## Teen Trivia: Halloween Edition

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

## Short & Sweets

Are you "too busy to read"? Try a short story! Then join Joanna on Zoom for a lively discussion (BYO dessert!). On Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 10 a.m., we'll discuss Kali Fajardo-Anstine's "Julian Plaza." Email Joanna at [jkuever@mail.meridian223.org](mailto:jkuever@mail.meridian223.org) for a link to the class. Copies of the reading available in either electronic or paper formats.

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

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

# Bertolet Library News

## Plastic Collection

We are unable to collect soft plastics at this time. We hope to resume as soon as we are able to deliver to the designated collection sites. We apologize for the inconvenience.

## Wednesday WhoDunIt

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

## Family Story Time

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

\* Registration is required by 5pm the Wednesday before to reserve your time slot each week. Register through the Sign Up Genius link on our website [www.ber-toletmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.ber-toletmemoriallibrary.org) or by calling 815-738-2742.

\* Masks will be required for everyone three and older who is medically able to wear one, and when

you show up for your session, we will do a quick temperature check.

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

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

## Let's Stick Together

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

## New Releases

### Adult Fiction

The Woman Before Wallis by Bryn Turnbull

The Last Agent by Robert Dugoni

The Book of Two Ways by Jodi Picoult

### Juvenile Fiction

The Burning Maze by Rick Riordan (The Trials of Apollo #3)

The Tyrant's Tomb by Rick Riordan (The Trials of Apollo #4)

### Children's Fiction

Nesting by Henry Cole

The Little Duckling Who Wouldn't Get Wet by Gek Tessaro

We are unable to accept book donations or soft plastics at this time.

# Mount Morris Library News

## Family Storytime (In-person)

In-person family storytime will start Friday, Oct. 9. This will be by appointment and for one family at a time. Fridays at 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.; will last approximately 45 minutes and will include books, rhymes and a craft. Must sign up at least two weeks in advance. Masks will be required for ages 3 and up and you will be asked to use hand sanitizer upon entry to the library. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email [dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com](mailto:dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com) to register.

## Virtual Storytime & To-Go Kits

Storytime will start Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 11:15 a.m. via Facebook Live and will be every week. Weekly storytime themed kits will be available. Reservations are required one week in advance. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email [dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com](mailto:dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com) to register.

## Halloween Grab-N-Go

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

## CATCH Club (3RD - 5TH Grades)

Come join us, along with the University of Illinois Extension, while we learn about healthy

eating and enjoy some outside physical activity (social distancing, of course). Every Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Dillehay Park Shelter from Sept. 23 - Oct. 14. Call the library (815-734-4927) or email [dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com](mailto:dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com) to register. Social distancing will be required.

## 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](mailto:dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com). We will share it on Facebook and one winner will be randomly drawn on October 9th for a small prize.

## (Virtual) Lego Club

Our {Virtual} Lego Club started on Monday, Sept. 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 [dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com](mailto:dawn.mtmorrislib@gmail.com) to be featured on Facebook!

## Browsing & Computer Use By Appointment

We are open for browsing and computer use by appointment; call the library to schedule a time. Masks are required and you will be asked to use hand sanitizer upon entering the library. No unaccompanied chil-

dren 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.

## To-Go Craft Kits Coming!

We will have craft kits for kids, tweens/teens and adults starting in October. Be watching our Facebook page for specific information.

## Curbside Pickup, Interlibrary Loans, Library Cards

Curbside Service and Interlibrary 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 materials 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](mailto:mmlib@mtmorris-il.org)

## Honor JoLynn Ward

JoLynn Ward has been an instructional aide with the Oregon School district for a long time. We want to honor her in her retirement, and for her good works. A fund has been established in her name. If you would like to join us in thanking her for her service, you may send a donation with the notation that it is in her honor.



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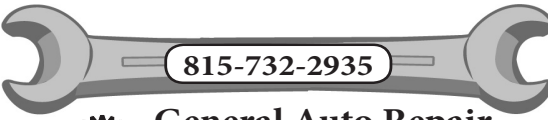

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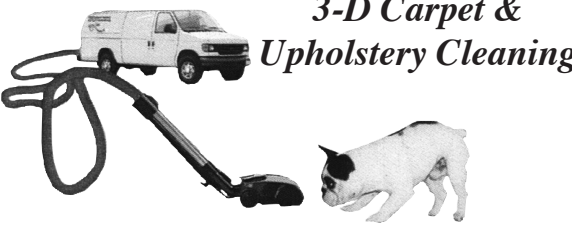
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# Forreston Library News

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## Read for a Lifetime

All high school students are encouraged to sign up for "Read for a Lifetime", a state initiative designed to encourage a life-long interest in reading. Every year 25 books, including contemporary fiction, nonfiction, and some classics

are chosen for the program. Students who read at least 4 of the books by April 15, 2021 receive a certificate of recognition from the state and a chance to win a gift card. Students must register by Nov. 15 to participate. Please call or message the library to sign up or for more information.

## 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 October 6th to vote in the November 3rd election.

## eBooks/WiFi

As always, 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.

## 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.

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 Sunday School will be held at 9:00 am from September through May. Adult  
 Sunday School will be held at 10:00 am. Confirmation studies for 7th and  
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 Sunday Schedule and Worship Opportunities:  
 Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am  
 Adult Christian Education Class: 9am  
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402 First Ave., Forreston, IL Phone: 815-938-2380  
 Pastor Sung-Eun Kim  
 OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS  
 Worship at 9:00 a.m. (childcare provided) with coffee and fellowship  
 immediately following. Sunday School Age 3-Adult, 10:15 am.  
 AA meets Mondays, 8:00 AM. Monthly United Methodist Women's meetings.  
 God is Good, All the Time, All the Time, God is Good!

### FORRESTON REFORMED CHURCH

501 Third Ave. Forreston, IL Phone: 815-938-2424 Pastor Lyle Zumdahl.  
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 "Seeking to Live by Faith, to be Known by Love, and to be a Voice of Hope."

### ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

## LEAF RIVER

### ADELINE ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH

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

### LEAF RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

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

## LINDENWOOD

### IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – LCMS

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

## KINGS

### ELIM REFORMED CHURCH

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

## MOUNT MORRIS

### DISCIPLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

All are welcome here!  
 "By God's grace in Christ, we Live, Love, & Serve"  
 9:30 am - Sunday Worship (nursery provided), with social hour following  
 10:45 am - Sunday School (children, youth, adults)  
[www.disciplesumc.org](http://www.disciplesumc.org) (815) 734-4853  
 102 N Maple Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054  
 Pastor - Rev. Julie Bunt

### EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

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

### MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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

### MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

## OREGON

### CROSSWALK MINISTRIES

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

### Ebenezer Reformed Church

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

### EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PAYNES POINT

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

### FREEDOM LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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

### OREGON CHURCH OF GOD

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

### OREGON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

### OREGON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

### RIVERSTONE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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

### ST. BRIDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

### ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

## POLO

### ST. MARY CHURCH

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

### CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE

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

### CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH ~ POLO CAMPUS

Meeting Sundays @ 10AM  
 205 N. Jefferson Avenue, Polo ~ 815.837.5255  
[polo@crossroadscn.com](mailto:polo@crossroadscn.com)  
 We offer contemporary worship and relevant Bible teaching through  
 engaging messages and powerful video. Join us after services for coffee,  
 snacks & fellowship. Kidzlink Children's Ministry (nursery-5th grade) ~  
 during adult services  
 Crave Youth Group (6th-12th grade) ~ Sunday nights 6PM, Saturday evening  
 service at 6PM. Nursery age 0-4 yrs. provided.  
 Visit our website: [www.crossroadscn.com](http://www.crossroadscn.com)

### FAITH DISCOVERY CHURCH

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

### FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

## STILLMAN VALLEY

### RED BRICK CHURCH OF STILLMAN VALLEY (CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH)

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

### KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

### VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

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

## WINNEBAGO

### MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Byron 815-234-5626	Oregon 815-732-7956	<i>Your Local, Independent Community Bank Since 1882</i>
Rochelle 815-562-7071	Rockford 815-332-8100	
Roscoe/Rockton 815-623-1800	Stillman Valley 815-645-2266	
 <p>Member FDIC</p>		

	<h1>LIFE</h1>		311 W. Washington St. Oregon, IL 61061 Ph: 815-732-2156 Fax: 815-732-6154
			



# Weekly Brain Busters

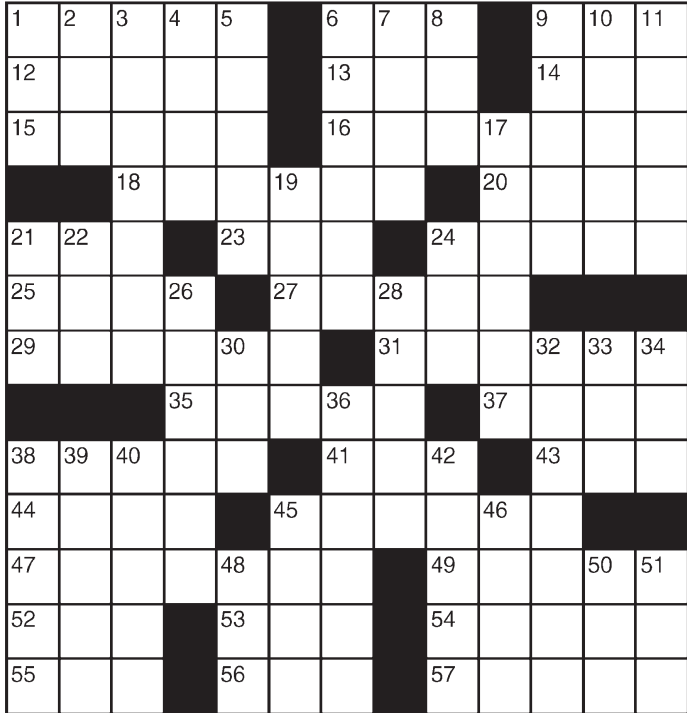
## King Crossword

## COFFEE-EXPORTING COUNTRIES

## MAGIC MAZE

### ACROSS

- 1 Former freshmen
- 6 Squid squirt
- 9 Doctrine
- 12 Construction piece
- 13 Cattle call
- 14 IRS employee
- 15 1492 ship
- 16 SAT takers' equipment
- 18 Pet rodent, often
- 20 Warmth
- 21 Second person
- 23 More, to Manuel
- 24 Portion of a repair bill
- 25 Great Lake
- 27 Amulet
- 29 "Where the Wild Things Are" author
- 31 "Nighthawks" painter
- 35 Edition
- 37 Genesis maker
- 38 Sings like Ella
- 41 Apprehend
- 43 Promptly
- 44 Sea eagle
- 45 Downy ducks
- 47 Necklace ornament
- 49 "Psycho" star



- 52 Commotion
- 53 Tall tale
- 54 Rod of tennis lore
- 55 Actress Myrna
- 56 Toss in
- 57 Tools for duels
- 6 Mischievous
- 7 Yule refrain
- 8 "— -Tiki"
- 9 Less friendly
- 10 Pie-in-the-face sound
- 11 Sail supports
- 17 Winners
- 19 Supports
- 21 "Certainly"
- 22 Mined find
- 24 Expert
- 26 Rewrote, maybe
- 28 Winning
- 30 Fool
- 32 Musingly
- 33 Swelled head
- 34 Uncooked
- 36 One
- 38 Calyx component
- 39 Guiding principle
- 40 Bother
- 42 Ball VIP
- 45 Oklahoma city
- 46 Harvest
- 48 Carte lead-in
- 50 "Golly!"
- 51 Storefront sign abbr.

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 C A X V S Q O L J A H E I C A  
 A X V T R P J N L I J B Z H F  
 D L B Y X V A T R P M P A S O  
 M K A I G E M M H O D A R A B  
 Z X W M U T A A L I R Q B R O  
 N L J I E N I O A H A G A U F  
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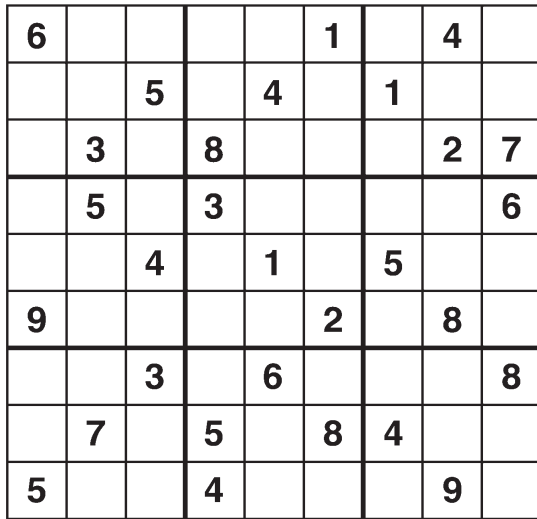
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

- Colombia
- Haiti
- Jamaica
- Peru
- Cuba
- Honduras
- Kenya
- Uganda
- Ethiopia
- India
- Laos
- Vietnam
- Guatemala
- Indonesia
- Mexico

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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

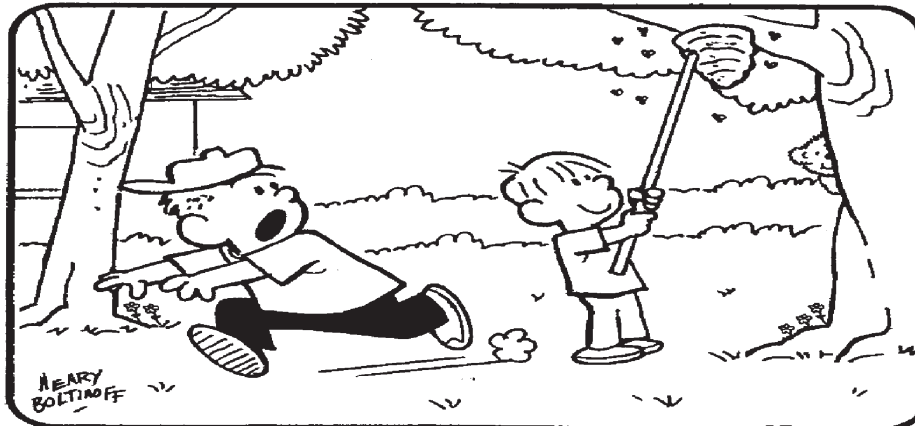
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## HOCUS-FOCUS

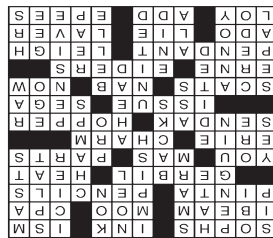
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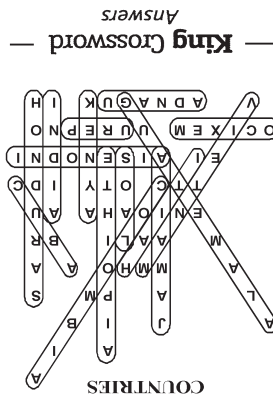
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Bear has been added. 2. Window is wider. 3. Pants are longer. 4. Flowers have been added. 5. Bushes have been added. 6. Tree has additional limb.



Solution time: 27 mins.



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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIBU JT CMBDL BOE XIJUF

BOE SFE BMM PWFS?

B TVOCVSOFE QFOHVJO.

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# Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- |                        |               |                  |               |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1. Center              | __ I __ _ _ _ | Perturb          | __ U __ _ _ _ |
| 2. Skirt fold          | __ _ _ _ T    | Beseech          | __ _ _ _ D    |
| 3. Smudge              | __ M __ _ _   | Take an oath     | __ W __ _ _   |
| 4. Modify              | __ L __ _ _   | Subsequent       | __ F __ _ _   |
| 5. Fitting             | __ _ _ _ R    | Launch forward   | __ _ _ _ L    |
| 6. Breakfast meat      | __ C __ _ _   | Twirler's stick  | __ T __ _ _   |
| 7. Draw up plans       | D __ _ _ _    | Quit the company | R __ _ _ _    |
| 8. Case of puppy love  | C __ _ _ _    | Comb's companion | B __ _ _ _    |
| 9. Fossil resin        | A __ _ _ _    | Fireplace cinder | E __ _ _ _    |
| 10. St. Bernard's brew | __ _ _ _ Y    | Actor Marlon     | __ _ _ _ O    |

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



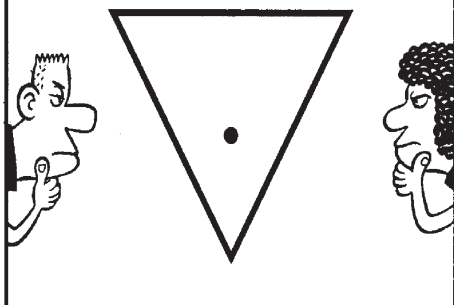
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## OPTICALS



IN THE TRIANGLE ABOVE, is the dot closer to the top line, the bottom point, or the middle?

Answer: The dot is in the middle, halfway between the top line and the bottom point of the triangle.

**FARMER BROWN'S BARN!** Farmer Brown paid 20 workmen \$2,000 to put up a new addition to his barn. Each Master Carpenter made \$300, each Apprentice Carpenter made \$150, and each helper made \$50. How many of each were included in the team of 20 workmen?



Answer: 2 Master Carpenters, 5 Apprentice Carpenters and 13 helpers. (Total salaries came to: \$600 + \$750 + \$650 = \$2,000.)

**THE FIVE-LETTER WORD POWER GRID!** Each of the five words needed to fill in our "word power grid" contain the same five letters. We give you one of these letters and plenty of hints below.

- Costs per units of service.
- Weights to deduct.
- An intent gaze.
- Expression of emotion.
- Type of flower

1.	R			
2.		R		
3.			R	
4.				R
5.				R

Answers: 1. Rates. 2. Tares. 3. Stare. 4. Tears. 5. Aster.

# Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



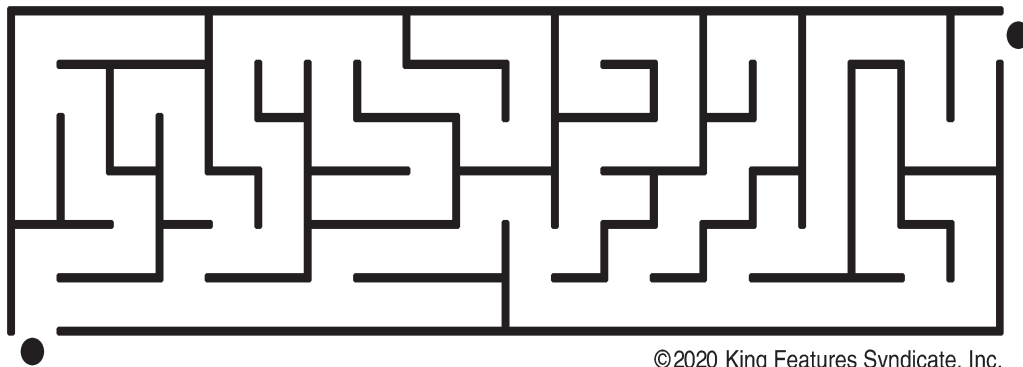
## AN ODD PARAGRAPH

What is particularly unusual about this paragraph? You won't find many paragraphs similar to it. In all probability you will not find out what is so unusual about it right away, but if you look at it and study it for long, it may dawn on you. If you should find out what is odd or unusual, don't say what it is until I ask you; if you can't find out, look on the back of this paragraph. Don't look at my solution until you fail to find out what is odd about it. I could throw you a hint, but I won't!

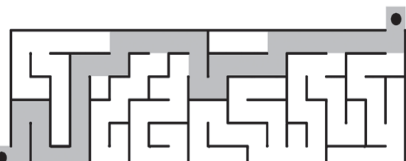
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Answer: You won't find an "e" in the entire paragraph.

## Kids' Maze



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## Kids' Maze Solution

- Middle, Muddle
- Pleat, Plead
- Smear, Swear
- Alter, After
- Proper, Propel
- Bacon, Baton
- Design, Resign
- Crush, Brush
- Amber, Ember
- Proper, Propel
- Brand, Brando

## Even Exchange

## Puzzles4Kids

Answer  
What is black and white  
and red all over?  
A submummed penguin.

**ORDINANCE 20-1**

ANNUAL COMBINED BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE BYRON MUSEUM DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2020 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BYRON MUSEUM DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1. That the following be and the same is hereby declared to be a budget containing an estimate of receipts and expenditures of the Byron Museum District, Ogle County Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021:

GENERAL FUND

<u>Estimated Receipts</u>	
General cash on hand at beginning of fiscal year	\$126,607.00
Deferred tax revenue from prior fiscal year	54,107.00
Amount to be raised by levy for fiscal year	140,000.00
Anticipated receipts from rent	6,600.00
Anticipated receipts from interest	100.00
Other income	6,000.00
<b>Total Estimated General Receipts</b>	<b>\$333,414.00</b>

<u>Estimated Operating Expenditures</u>	
Museum Equipment & Operations	1,500.00
Museum Supply/Materials	2,000.00
Purchased Services	5,000.00
Insurance	8,000.00
<b>Total Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$16,500.00</b>

<u>Estimated Corporation Expenditures</u>	
Administrative Salaries	\$67,000.00
Payroll Taxes	20,400.00
Dues & Fees	1,000.00
Education	8,000.00
Taxes	600.00
Board & Staff Development	1,200.00
Accounting	6,500.00
Legal	2,500.00
Printing/Advertising	3,000.00
Postage	3,665.00
Utilities	14,000.00
Office Equipment	2,335.00
Exhibits	1,500.00
Acquisitions	7,000.00
<b>Total Corporation Expenditures</b>	<b>\$138,700.00</b>

<u>Estimated Capital Expenses</u>	
Capital Expenses – General	\$15,000.00
Read House Project- District Contribution	30,000.00
<b>Total Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>\$45,000.00</b>

Total General Estimated Receipts	\$333,414.00
Total General Estimated Expenditures	\$200,200.00
<b>Estimated Cash at End of Fiscal Year in General Fund</b>	<b>\$133,214.00</b>

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS/GRANTS

Theater Project cash on hand at beginning of fiscal year	\$0.00
Theater Project estimated grant receipts	175,000.00
<b>Total Theater Project Estimated Receipts</b>	<b>\$175,000.00</b>

Theater Project estimated expenditures to pay off construction loan	\$175,000.00
<b>Total Theater Project Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>\$175,000.00</b>

<b>Estimated Cash at End of Fiscal Year in Theater Project Fund</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
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Read House Project cash on hand at beginning of fiscal year	\$0.00
Read House Project estimated loan receipts if grant approved	232,000.00
Read House Project contribution from the Byron Museum District	30,000.00
<b>Total Read House Project Estimated Receipts</b>	<b>\$262,000.00</b>

Read House Project estimated expenditures	\$262,000.00
<b>Total Read House Project Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>\$262,000.00</b>

<b>Estimated Cash at End of Fiscal Year in Read House Project Fund</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
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GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND FUND

G.O. Bond cash on hand at beginning of fiscal year	\$7,359.00
G.O. Bond estimated receipts	105,253.00
<b>Total G.O. Bond Estimated Receipts</b>	<b>\$112,612.00</b>

G.O. Bond estimated repayment expenditures	\$112,612.00
<b>Total G.O. Bond Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>\$112,612.00</b>

<b>Estimated Cash at End of Fiscal Year in G.O. Bond Fund</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
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Total Estimated Receipts from All Funds	\$883,026.00
Total Estimated Expenditures from All Funds	\$749,812.00
<b>Estimated Cash at End of Fiscal Year in All Funds</b>	<b>\$133,214.00</b>

SECTION 2. That the amounts set forth opposite the objects and purposes listed under the estimated expenditures in Section 1 herein, the aggregate thereof, are deemed necessary to defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of said District, and are hereby appropriated for the corporate purposes of said District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, the purpose for which appropriations are made and the amounts appropriated for the various objects being as set forth and specified under the various estimated expenditures in Section 1 herein, and hereby incorporated by reference thereto as part of Section 2 which shall be and is the Appropriation Ordinance of said District for the aforesaid fiscal year.

SECTION 3. To the extent permitted by law, all unexpended balances of any item or items by this Ordinance appropriated may be expended in making up any deficiencies in any item or items aforesaid.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall be published one time in The Ogle County Life, a newspaper having a general circulation in said District, and shall be posted in a public area of the museum building within three (3) days after its enactment and shall remain posted for fourteen (14) days. Certified copies of this Ordinance shall be made available to the public for inspection. This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after being so published.

REVIEWED, APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Byron Museum District, Ogle County, Illinois, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2020.

Ayes: 4  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

BYRON MUSEUM DISTRICT  
OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Randy Stukenberg  
President

ATTEST:

James Eisfeller  
Secretary, Board of Commissioners,  
Byron Museum District

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# Healthy Hand Hygiene Habits



**Protect yourself against COVID-19** and other diarrheal and respiratory illnesses, and help prevent the spread of germs to others, by following these simple hand hygiene guidelines:

- 1. Wash your hands with soap and warm water, lathering for at least 20 seconds.**
- 2. If soap is unavailable, use a hand sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol to clean your hands.**

Wash your hands throughout the day, and particularly under these circumstances:

- Before preparing food
- Before eating
- After using the toilet
- After changing a diaper or helping a child use the toilet
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- After coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose
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- After handling pet food or treats
- After handling garbage or garbage cans
- Before and after attending to a cut or wound

Information resource: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
LEE COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

To Whom It May Concern:

On July 30, 2020, Steward Creek Solar, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company, with its principal place of business located at 722 Preston Ave, Suite 102 Charlottesville, Virginia 22903, as lessee of certain real property located in Alto and Willow Creek Townships, Lee County, Illinois, and more particularly described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference (collectively referred to as "the Property"), filed a Petition for Special Use Permit with the Lee County Planning and Zoning Commission requesting it be granted a special use for the Property, which is zoned Ag-1 Rural/Agricultural District, to allow for the construction and operation of a solar energy system ("SES").

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the proposed petition of the SES at 7 p.m., on October 15, 2020, at the Lee County Old Courthouse Building, 112 East Second Street, Dixon, Illinois 61021.

Please be advised that due to the gubernatorial COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting will remain an open meeting but will have limited seating available. Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act and to ensure public access, the meeting will be streamed online in real time via YouTube at: https://www.youtube.com and through the Zoom Meeting platform.

The public will be able to participate by utilizing the Zoom Meeting platform. This will allow audio/visual connection for users with computers and telephones. To join the Zoom Meeting by computer, please visit https://zoom.us/j/91539239154?pwd=bG96UjNYR0RPSjRURUx2UFJjeWxWQT09

Meeting ID: 915 3923 9154
Password: 209840

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The transcripts and minutes of each meeting conducted by the Zoning Board of Appeals will be posted on the Lee County website www.leecountyil.com as they are received.

The officers and shareholder/stockholder owning >20% interest of Steward Creek Solar, LLC, are as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Name, Position, Address. Includes Matthew Hantzmon (Chief Executive Officer and Stockholder), Drew Price (Managing Director), and Daniel Bulka (Director of Operations).

Dated this 21st day of September, 2020.

STEWARD CREEK SOLAR, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company,
EHRMANN GEHLBACH BADGER & CONSIDINE, LLC
By Courtney E. Kennedy

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Table with 4 columns: PIN/Parcel #, OWNER, Legal Description, Street Address. Lists parcels owned by BLUE CHARLIE II LLC.

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Table with 4 columns: PIN/Parcel #, OWNER, Legal Description, Street Address. Lists parcels owned by CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST COMPANY.

	TRUST NO. 5486	the State of Illinois for highway purposes according to a Warranty Deed dated January 3, 1978 and recorded February 17, 1978 in Book 7803 at Page 97 as Document No. 424285.	
01-06-21-400-003	CUSICK, NANCY; GUILFOYLE, MICHAEL S.; AND THE GRETCHEN HAGEN REVOCABLE TRUST DATED AUGUST 17, 2017.	The Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 21, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM Part of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 21, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 21, said point being 2269.92 feet North of the Southeast corner of said Section 21, as measured along said East line of Section 21; thence continuing North (assumed bearing) along said East line of Section 21, a distance of 252.61 feet, thence South 89 minutes 39 seconds 10 minutes West, a distance of 108.36 feet; thence South 01 degrees 20 minutes 50 seconds East, a distance of 16.70 feet; thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 10 seconds West, a distance of 67.58 feet; thence South 00 degrees 39 minutes 10 seconds West, a distance of 237.42 feet; thence North 88 degrees 11 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 178.29 feet to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM A parcel of land in the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 21, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Lee County, Illinois, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly along the West line of said Southeast Quarter	1741 Paw Paw Rd., Steward, IL 60553

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		(1/4) a distance of 2660.20 feet to the Northwest corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along the North line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 179.09 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 78 degrees 44 minutes 10 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 172.16 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 191 degrees 58 minutes 13 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 2465.87 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 179 degrees 59 minutes 29 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 25.0 feet to a point on the South line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Westerly along said South line a distance of 154.63 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
21-12-01-300-002	DELBERT M. PATZNER TRUST DATED JULY 27, 2006	The East Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 1, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,735' West of County Line Rd; North of Lee Rd
21-12-11-300-001	ERICKSON DAVID L & SUSAN E	A part of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 11, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 11, for a Point of Beginning; thence Easterly along the South line of said Section 11, 1936.49 feet; thence Northerly at an angle of 90 degrees 39 minutes 50 seconds measured clockwise, 2649.82 feet; thence Westerly at an angle of 89 degrees 25 minutes 17 seconds measured clockwise, 1937.70 feet; thence Southerly at an angle of 90 degrees 33 minutes 07 seconds measured clockwise, 2652.68 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the NE corner of Willow Creek Rd and Locust Rd
01-06-27-300-002	FABER LAND TRUST	The West One-third (1/3) of the East Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27 AND the East Two-thirds (2/3) of the West Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, all in Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the NE corner of Paw Paw Rd and McGirr Rd
01-06-27-300-003	FABER LAND TRUST	The East Two-thirds (2/3) of the East Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~1,355' East of Paw Paw Rd; North of McGirr Rd
01-06-27-400-002	FABER LAND TRUST	The Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM, Part of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 27; thence Westerly along the North line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 440.00 feet; thence Southerly, at an angle of 89 degrees 53 minutes 35 seconds as measured clockwise from the last described course, a distance of 1151.40 feet; thence Easterly, at an angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 09 seconds as measured clockwise from the last described course, a distance of 440.00 feet to the East line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly, along said East line, at an angle of 89 degrees 59 minutes 51 seconds as measured clockwise from the last described course, a	Located on the NW corner of Locust Rd and McGirr Rd

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		distance of 1150.60 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
01-06-33-400-005	FABER LAND TRUST	The Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly along the West line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 2654.98 feet to a point on the North line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along said North line, a distance of 146.81 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course 90 degrees 41 minutes 27 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 1634.09 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 180 degrees 17 minutes 58 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 990.76 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with with last described course of 172 degrees 35 minutes 40 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 30.02 feet to a point on the South line of Section 33; thence Westerly, a distance of 174.52 feet to the point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING Part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 33; thence West along the North line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), 2509.36 feet to the Easterly Right-of-Way line of F.A. Route 412; thence South 00 degrees 40 minutes 19 seconds East along said Easterly Right-of-Way line, 934.05 feet to a point being 164.14 feet East and perpendicularly distant from Station 1039+00 on the centerline of said F.A. Route 412; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds East, along a line extended Easterly of and perpendicular to said Station 1039+00, a distance of 656.65 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 34 seconds East, 430.23 feet; thence South 53 degrees 48 minutes 43 seconds West, 801.00 feet to the Easterly Right-of-Way line of said F.A. Route 412; thence North 00 degrees 58 minutes 17 seconds West along said Easterly Right-of-Way line, 201.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 40 minutes 19 seconds West along said Right-of-Way line, 700.04 feet to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING Part of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 33; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along the East line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 1029.00 feet to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, a distance of 635.32 feet; thence North 41 degrees 10 minutes 53 seconds East, a distance of 671.56 feet; thence North 65 degrees 01	Located on the NW Corner of Herman Rd and Paw Paw Rd

		minutes 12 seconds East, a distance of 125.49 feet; thence North 70 degrees 21 minutes 30 seconds East, a distance of 84.29 feet to the East line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along said East line, a distance of 586.76 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
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01-06-34-100-004	FABER LAND TRUST	All of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 34, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described property: A tract of land being the North 506.33 feet of the East 928.27 feet of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 34, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, more particularly bounded and described as follows, and bearings are for the purpose of description only: Beginning at a P.K. nail at the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 34; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 50 seconds East, along the East line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 34, a distance of 506.33 feet to an iron rod; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds West, 928.27 feet to an iron rod; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 50 seconds West, 506.33 feet to the North line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 34; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East, along the North line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 34, a distance of 928.27 feet to the Place of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the SE corner of Paw Paw Rd and McGirr Rd
01-06-34-200-001	FABER LAND TRUST	The West Half (1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 34, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,238' East of Paw Paw Rd; South of McGirr Rd
01-06-34-200-002	FABER LAND TRUST	The East Half (1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 34, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~3,553' East of Paw Paw Rd; South of McGirr Rd
01-06-35-100-002	FABER LAND TRUST	The East Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 35, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~6,315' East of Paw Paw Rd; South of McGirr Rd
01-06-36-100-005	FABER LAND TRUST	The South Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 36, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~1,415' South of McGirr Rd; East of Woodlawn Rd
21-12-03-100-002	FABER LAND TRUST	The East Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~1,200' East of Paw Paw Rd; South of Hermann Rd
21-12-03-300-007	GEORGE W. BIHL AND GERALDINE BIHL REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST DATED JULY 14, 2020.	The East Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,041' East of Paw Paw Rd; North of Lee Rd
21-12-10-200-003	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, in Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 10; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 938.71 feet to the	Located on the SW corner of Lee Rd and Locust Rd

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		Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence continuing North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along said North line, a distance of 569.29 feet; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 459.10 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East parallel with the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 569.29 feet; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 459.10 feet to the point of beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
21-12-02-300-001	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The West Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 2, in Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the NE corner of Lee Rd and Locust Rd
21-12-03-400-002	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM the East 50 acres of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 3; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,813' East of Paw Paw Rd; North of Lee Rd
21-12-10-100-003	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The East Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,041' East of Paw Paw Rd; South of Lee Rd
21-12-10-400-003	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The West Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) in Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~1,396' West of Locust Rd; North of Willow Creek Rd
21-12-10-400-005	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The East Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) in Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM beginning at a point which is in the center of Locust Road and the center of Willow Creek Road, a distance of 1506 feet measured from said intersection along center of Locust Road in a generally Northerly direction; thence in a generally Westerly direction parallel to Willow Creek Road, a distance of 375 feet; thence in a generally Northerly direction parallel to Locust Road, a distance of 348 feet; thence in a generally Easterly direction parallel to Willow Creek Road to the center of Locust Road; thence in a generally Southerly direction along the center of Locust Road to the point of beginning; situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the NW corner of Locust Rd and Willow Creek Rd
21-12-03-400-004	GLOBAL AG PROPERTIES II USA LLC	The East 50 acres of the Southeast Quarter (1/4); EXCEPTING THEREFROM the South 607.00 feet of the West 372.04 feet, all in Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	3388 Lee Rd., Lee, IL 60530
01-06-33-200-003	HAFHEY FARMS LLC	The Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING the following described tract: A parcel of land in the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: to-wit: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 937.93 feet; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course, of 89 degrees 48 minutes 19 seconds measured counterclockwise a distance of 27.50 feet; thence Southwesterly along a line forming an angle with the last described course 95 degrees 03 minutes 26 seconds measured counterclockwise, a	Located on the SW corner of McGirr Rd and Paw Paw Rd.

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		distance of 767.44 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 259 degrees 37 minutes 42 seconds measured counterclockwise a distance of 301.50 feet; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 185 degrees 31 minutes 54 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 1600.01 feet; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 180 degrees 40 minutes 38 seconds measured counterclockwise, a distance of 666.0 feet to a point on the South line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Westerly along said South line a distance of 146.81 feet to a point on the West line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly along said West line a distance of 2658.64 feet to the Point of Beginning, in Lee County, Illinois; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence West along the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), 384.50 feet, to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence Southerly at a clockwise angle from the last described course of 91 degrees 24 minutes 00 seconds, 364.00 feet; thence West parallel with the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), 304.37 feet; thence Northerly at a counterclockwise angle from the last described course, 88 degrees 36 minutes 00 seconds, 364.00 feet to the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along said North line, 304.37 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
01-06-09-400-001	HAMILTON TRUST	The North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM a parcel of land in the North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence North on the West line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 1,328.54 feet to the Southwest corner of said North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4), said corner being the point of beginning of the hereinafter described parcel of land; thence continuing Northerly along said West line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 1,328.54 feet to the Northwest corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly on the North line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 174.67 feet to a point; thence Southerly on a line having an angle of 89 degrees 54 minutes 01 seconds as measured counterclockwise from the last described course, a distance of 691.94 feet to a point; thence Southerly on a line having an angle of 179 degrees 56 minutes 31 seconds as measured counterclockwise from the last described course, a distance of 637.17 feet to a point in the South line of said North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence West on said South line of the North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 181.40 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~359' North of Elva Rd; West of Paw Paw Rd

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21-12-15-100-001	HILLESON JOHN E AND MICHELLE	The West Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 15, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the SE corner of Paw Paw Rd and Willow Creek Rd
21-12-15-100-002	HILLESON JOHN E AND MICHELLE	The Northeast Quarter (1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 15, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,820' West of Locust Rd; South of Willow Creek Rd
21-12-10-300-005	HILLESON JOHN E AND MICHELLE	Tract I: The Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM A part of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 10 in Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 10 at a distance of 612 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Section 10; thence Easterly on the South line of said Section 10, a distance of 368 feet; thence Northerly, parallel with the West line of said Section 10, a distance of 994 feet; thence Westerly, parallel with the South line of said Section 10, a distance of 554 feet; thence Southerly, parallel with the West line of said Section 10, a distance of 462 feet; thence Easterly, parallel with the South line of said Section 10, a distance of 186 feet; thence Southerly, parallel with the West line of said Section 10, a distance of 532 feet to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM A part of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10, East 612 feet, North 532 feet, West 186 feet, North 462 feet, West 426 feet to the West line of the Southwest Quarter (1/4), South 994 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.  TRACT II: A part of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 10 in Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 10 at a distance of 612 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Section 10; thence Easterly on the South line of said Section 10, a distance of 368 feet; thence Northerly, parallel with the West line of said Section 10, a distance of 994 feet; thence Westerly, parallel with the South line of said Section 10, a distance of 554 feet; thence Southerly, parallel with the West line of said Section 10, a distance of 462 feet; thence Easterly, parallel with the South line of said Section 10, a distance of 186 feet; thence Southerly, parallel with the West line of said Section 10, a distance of 532 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,820' West of Locust Rd; North of Willow Creek Rd
21-12-15-100-003	HILLESON JOHN E AND MICHELLE	The Southeast Quarter (1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 15, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,820' West of Locust Rd; South of Willow Creek Rd (landlocked by participating parcel)
01-06-22-200-008	HOG HAVEN LLC	PARCEL 1: The North Half (1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (1/4), the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) AND that part of the East Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 22 lying Northeasterly of the Northeasterly right of way	Located on the SW corner of Perry Rd and Locust Rd

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		line of the Burlington Northern Railroad, all in Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM that part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Southerly, along the East line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), 525.0 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing Southerly, along said East line, 475.0 feet; thence Westerly, at right angle to said East line, 270.0 feet; thence Northerly, at right angle to the last described course, 475.0 feet; thence Easterly, at right angle to the last described course, 270.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that	
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		part of the East Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly, along the East line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), 1195.25 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing Northerly along said East line, 188.17 feet; thence Northwesterly, at an angle of 105 degrees 47 minutes 25 seconds measured clockwise from the said East line, 487.0 feet; thence Southerly at right angle to the last described course, 33.0 feet; thence Southeasterly, at an angle of 115 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 227.83 feet; thence Southeasterly, at an angle of 173 degrees 18 minutes 36 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 149.45 feet; thence Southeasterly, at an angle of 160 degrees 51 minutes 47 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 191.88 feet to the Point of Beginning; all in Alto Township, County of Lee and State of Illinois.  PARCEL 2: That part of the East Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly, along the East line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), 1195.25 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing Northerly along said East line, 188.17 feet; thence Northwesterly, at an angle of 105 degrees 47 minutes 25 seconds measured clockwise from the said East line, 487.0 feet; thence Southerly at right angle to the last described course, 33.0 feet; thence Southeasterly, at an angle of 115 degrees 48 minutes 26 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 227.83 feet; thence Southeasterly, at an angle of 173 degrees 18 minutes 36 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 149.45 feet; thence Southeasterly, at an angle of 160 degrees 51 minutes 47 seconds, measured clockwise from the last described course, 191.88 feet to the Point of Beginning; all in Alto Township, County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
01-06-23-100-005	HOG HAVEN LLC	Part of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 23, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 23; thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes 12 seconds East along the North line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4), a distance of 2715.15 feet to the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter (1/4); thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 46 seconds West along the East line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4), a distance of 2654.99 feet to the	Located on the SE corner of Perry Rd and Locust Rd

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		Southeast corner of said Northwest Quarter (1/4); thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 11 seconds West along the South line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4), a distance of 2703.79 feet to the Southwest corner of said Northwest Quarter (1/4); thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along the West line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4) a distance of 1183.32 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 595.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East parallel with the West line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4), a distance of 319.00 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West perpendicular to the last described course, a distance of 595.00 feet to the West line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 23; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along said West line, a distance of 1148.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM Part of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 23, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in the Township of Alto, Lee County, Illinois, being described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 23; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along the West line of said Section 23, a distance of 1467.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 595.00 feet to line parallel with said West line; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along said parallel line, 146.42 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 595.00 feet to said West line; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along said West line, 146.42 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
21-12-03-100-001	HOG HAVEN LLC	Part of the West Half (1/2) of the Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 3; thence South 0 degrees 47 minutes 13 seconds West along the West line of said Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4), a distance of 2402.94 feet to the Southwest corner of said Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4); thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 37 seconds East along the South line of the said Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4), distance of 1347.12 feet to a point 10.23 feet (15.5 links) Westerly of the Southeast corner of the West Half (1/2) of said Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4), as measured along the South line of said Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4); thence North 0 degrees 58 minutes 36 seconds East, a distance of 2420.59 feet to the North line of said Fractional Northeast corner of said Fractional Northwest Quarter (1/4); thence South 89 degrees 39 minutes 47 seconds West along said North line, a distance of 1355.37 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the SE corner of Herman Rd and Paw Paw Rd
01-06-36-300-001	JOSHUA K WADDELL 401K PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST FBO	The West Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 36, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	1525 Woodlawn Rd., Lee, IL 60530

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	JOSHUA K WADDELL		
01-06-35-400-003	JOSHUA K WADDELL, DECLARATION OF TRUST	The East Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 35, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPT that part described as followed: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 35; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 59 seconds East, along the East line of said Quarter Section, 1088.12 feet for the Point of Beginning; thence continuing along said East line 366.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 01 seconds West 238.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 59 seconds West, parallel to said East line, 366.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 01 seconds East 237.86 feet, to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	Located on the NW corner of Woodlawn Rd and Herman Rd
01-06-09-400-007	NELSON CAROLE R; NOEL, ELIZABETH; AND JONES, MARK	The South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING the following described tract: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly on the West line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 1328.54 feet to the Northwest corner of said South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly on the North line of said South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 181.40 feet to a point; thence Southerly on a line having an angle of 89 degrees 58 minutes 05 seconds as measured counterclockwise from the last described course, a distance of 862.83 feet to a point; thence Southerly on a line having an angle of 184 degrees 23 minutes 42 seconds as measured	3278 Elva Rd., Steward, IL 60553

counterclockwise from the last described course, a distance of 437.74 feet to a point; thence Southerly on a line having an angle of 166 degrees 40 minutes 02 seconds as measured counterclockwise from the last described course, a distance of 30.35 feet, more or less, to a point in the South line of said Section 9; thence Westerly on said South line of Section 9, a distance of 216.26 feet to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING The South 186.39 feet of the East 233.70 feet of the South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; ALSO EXCEPTING Part of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 9; thence West along the South line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), 924.39 feet to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence continuing West along said South line, 123.49 feet; thence North 194.00 feet; thence East, parallel with said South line 123.49 feet; thence South 194.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; situated in Alto Township, County of Lee and State of Illinois; ALSO EXCEPTING Part of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 9; thence West along the South line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), 924.39 feet to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence continuing West along said South line, 102.00 feet; thence North, 194.00 feet; thence East, parallel with said South line of Section 9,

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102.00 feet; thence South 194.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in Alto Township, County of Lee and State of Illinois. The Northeast Fractional Quarter (1/4) of Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Southerly along the East line of said Quarter, 2473.52 feet to the Southeast corner of said Quarter; thence Westerly at an angle of 90 degrees 19 minutes 47 seconds measured counterclockwise from said East line, along the South line of said Quarter, 811.67 feet; thence Northerly at an angle of 89 degrees 40 minutes 13 seconds, measured counterclockwise from said South line, parallel with said East line, 2462.88 feet to the North line of said Quarter; thence Easterly at an angle of 91 degrees 04 minutes 51 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, along said North line, 811.80 feet to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING therefrom the following: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Westerly, along the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), 1313.88 feet to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence Southwesterly, at an angle of 123 degrees 39 minutes 36 seconds measured clockwise from the last described course, 261.63 feet; thence Southwesterly at an angle of 143 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 686.99 feet; thence Northerly at an angle of 69 degrees 43 minutes 20 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 455.78 feet to the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along said North line, 789.44 feet to the Point of Beginning; situated in the Township of Willow Creek, County of Lee and State of Illinois.

The Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described tract: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 10, said point being 1478.04 feet South of the Northeast corner of said Section 10; thence continuing South along said East line of Section 10, a distance of 484.00 feet to a point, thence Westerly at right angles to the last described course, a distance of 450.00 feet to a point; thence Northerly at right angles to the last described course, a distance of 484.00 feet to a point, thence Easterly at right angles to the last described course, a distance of 450.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

That portion of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 34, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian lying Northerly of the access road; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

That portion of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 34, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian lying Southerly of the access road; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

The East Half (1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 36, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

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A part of the South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 36, in Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the Quarter Section corner, South line of said Section 36; thence North on the Quarter Section line, 19 chains and 97 1/2 links to a stone at the Northwest corner of the South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 36; thence East Var. 06 degrees, 18 chains and 9 links to a point 50 feet at right angles Westerly from the center of the track of the Chicago and Iowa Railroad; thence South 17 degrees 55 minutes East, along the West line of said Railway Company's land, to a point on the South line of said Section, 50 feet at right angles from the center of the track; thence West, 24 chains and 77 links to the Place of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

The West Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 1, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Lee County, Illinois; EXCEPT the following: That part of the West Half (1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 1, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 36, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; thence Easterly along the North line of said Section 1, a distance of 350.00 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing Easterly along said North line, 685.00 feet; thence Southerly at an angle of 89 degrees 20 minutes measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 347.66 feet; thence Southwesterly at an angle of 106 degrees 15 minutes 50 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 145.57 feet; thence Westerly at an angle of 160 degrees 54 minutes 48 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 101.23 feet; thence Northwesterly at an angle of 151 degrees 28 minutes 45 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 247.94 feet; thence Westerly at an angle of 208 degrees 15 minutes 19 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course, 251.95 feet; thence Northerly at an angle of 95 degrees 42 minutes 13 seconds measured counterclockwise from the last described course to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

Part of the West Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third

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Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of the West Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 28; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 12 seconds West along the North Line of the West Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 1171.12 feet to the Easterly Right-of-Way Line of a public highway designated Interstate 39 (U.S. Route 51); thence South 00 degrees 55 minutes 17 seconds West along said Easterly Right-of-Way Line, a distance of 451.73 feet; thence South 00 degrees 43 minutes 08 seconds East along said Easterly Right-of-Way Line, a distance of 1800.03 feet; thence South 03 degrees 07 minutes 31 seconds East along said Easterly Right-of-Way Line, a distance of 315.36 feet; thence South 85 degrees 21 minutes 18 seconds East along the Right-of-Way of said Interstate 39, a distance of 768.27 feet;

North of McGirr Rd

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thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 28 seconds East along said Right-of-Way Line, a distance of 27.50 feet to the South Line of the West Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 51 seconds East along said South Line, a distance of 392.52 feet to the Southeast Corner of the West Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence North 00 degrees 25 minutes 26 seconds West along the East Line of said West Half (1/2), a distance of 2656.48 feet to the Point of Beginning, all situated in the Township of Alto, the County of Lee and the State of Illinois.

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SCHNORR JAMES H & BILLIE J

The Southwest Quarter (1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, lying West of the Public Highway, running Northwesterly and Southeasterly across said Quarter Section; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM Part of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, AND part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, all in Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of the said Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East (assumed bearings) on the South line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, 450.00 feet to the centerline of a public road designated Paw Paw Road; thence North 00 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds West on said centerline, 204.58 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with the said South line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, and the Westerly projection thereof, 458.50 feet; thence South 00 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds East, parallel with the centerline of Paw Paw Road, 204.56 feet more or less to the South line of the said Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds East on said South line of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, 8.49 feet more or less to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

~2,890' North of McGirr Rd; West of Paw Paw Rd

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SCHNORR JAMES H & BILLIE J

The Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; EXCEPTING THEREFROM: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along the North line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 154.63 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 90 degrees 28 minutes 46 seconds measured counter-clockwise, a distance of 100.0 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 180 degrees 50 minutes 24 seconds, measured counter-clockwise, a distance of 1708.50 feet to a point; thence Southerly, along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 177 degrees 50 minutes 22 seconds, measured counter-clockwise, a distance of 848.60 feet to a point on the South line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Westerly along said South line a distance of 159.15 feet to the Southwest corner of said Northeast Quarter (1/4); thence Northerly along the West line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 2657.11 feet to the Point of Beginning, all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM Part of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, AND part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, all in Township 39 North,

~2,890' North of McGirr Rd; West of Paw Paw Rd

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Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Lee County, Illinois, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of the said Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East (assumed bearings) on the South line of said Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, 450.00 feet to the centerline of a public road designated Paw Paw Road; thence North 00 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds West on said centerline, 204.58 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with the said South line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 27, and the Westerly projection thereof, 458.50 feet; thence South 00 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds East, parallel with the centerline of Paw Paw Road, 204.56 feet more or less to the South line of the said Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds East on said South line of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, 8.49 feet more or less to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM Part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 28, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Beginning with the Northeast Corner of said Section 28; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along the East line of said Section 28, a distance of 300.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes 16 seconds West parallel with the North line of said Section 28, a distance of 726.03 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West parallel with the East line of said Section 28, a distance of 300.00 feet to the North line of said Section 28; thence South 89 degrees 28 minutes 16 seconds East along the said North line, a distance of 726.03 feet, to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.

01-06-16-400-004

SCHNORR JAMES H & BILLIE JO

The South Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 16, Township 39 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described tract: Beginning at the Southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 16; thence Northerly along the West line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 1326.72 feet to a point on the North line of the South Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence Easterly along the North line of said South Half (1/2) a distance of 728.20 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 118 degrees 55 minutes 39 seconds, measured counterclockwise, a distance of 226.27 feet to a point; thence Southerly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 148 degrees 54 minutes 48 seconds, measured counterclockwise, a distance of 925.86 feet to a point; thence Easterly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 264 degrees 22 minutes 52 seconds, measured counterclockwise, a distance of 808.93 feet to a point; thence Southeasterly along a line forming an angle with the last described course of 164 degrees 47 minutes 08 seconds, measured counterclockwise a distance of 108.45 feet to a point on the existing Northerly right of way line of a public road known as C.H. 2; thence Easterly along said right of way line a distance of 300.01 feet to a point; thence Southerly at right angles to the South line of said Southeast Quarter (1/4) a distance of 59.03 feet to a point on the South line of the said Southeast Quarter (1/4) of

Located on the NW corner of Perry Rd and Paw Paw Rd

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		Section 16; thence West on said South line to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
21-12-03-300-006	SCHNORR TRUST NO. 101; RAYMOND F SCHNORR AND GLADYS C SCHNORR	The West Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 3, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,041' East of Paw Paw Rd; North of Lee Rd
21-12-04-200-005	SCHNORR TRUST, TRUST: 101/102	That part of Lot Two (2) of the James Thompson Plat, as recorded in Book "A" of Plats, Page 41, lying Easterly of the Easterly right of way of F.A. Route 412, more particularly described as: That part of the North Fractional Half (1/2) of Section 4, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Fractional Quarter (1/4) of said Section; thence Easterly along the South line of said North Fractional Half (1/2), 3755.4 feet to the Southeast corner of said Lot 2 for a Point of Beginning; thence Northerly at an angle of 89 degrees 55 minutes 50 seconds measured clockwise from said South line, along the East line of said Lot 2, 1877.04 feet to the Northeast corner of said Lot 2; thence Northwesterly at an angle of 95 degrees 30 minutes measured clockwise from the said East line, along the Northerly line of said Lot 2, 544.28 feet to the Easterly right of way line of F.A. Route 412 (U.S. Route 51); thence Southerly, at an angle of 90 degrees 06 minutes 21 seconds measured clockwise from said Northerly line, along said right of way line, 1937.59 feet to the South line of said North Fractional Half (1/2); thence Easterly at an angle of 84 degrees 27 minutes 49 seconds measured clockwise from said right of way line, 731.05 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in Willow Creek Township, County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,974' South of Hermann Rd; West of Paw Paw Rd (landlocked by participating parcel to the South)
21-12-04-400-005	SCHNORR TRUST, TRUST: 101/102	Part of the North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 4, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 4, said point being 317.58 feet South 00 degrees 47 minutes 15 West of the Northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence continuing South 00 degrees 47 minutes 15 seconds West along the said East line, 1011.50 feet to the South line of the North Half (1/2) of said Southeast Quarter (1/4); thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes 35 seconds West along the said South line, 2355.24 feet to the East R.O.W. line of F.A. Route 412; thence North 00 degrees 23 minutes 08 seconds East along said R.O.W. line, 187.93 feet; thence North 02 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds East along said R.O.W. line, 998.13 feet; thence North 04 degrees 16 minutes 39 seconds East along said R.O.W. line, 144.10 feet to the North line of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 4; thence North 88 degrees 44 minutes 28 seconds East along the said North line, 1761.31 feet; thence South 00 degrees 47 minutes 15 seconds West, 317.58 feet; thence North 88 degrees 44 minutes 28 seconds East parallel to the North line of said Quarter Section, 559.85 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,974' South of Hermann Rd; West of Paw Paw Rd
21-12-09-200-008	SCHNORR TRUST, TRUST: 102	The South Half (1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion deeded to the People of	1357 Paw Paw Rd., Lee IL 60530

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		the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation, in Warranty Deed dated June 17, 1977 and recorded August 16, 1977 in Book 7712 at Page 363 as Document No. 420021; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM Part of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section 9; thence North 00 degrees 22 minutes 36 seconds West along the East line of said Northeast Quarter (1/4), a distance of 102.12 feet to the Point of Beginning of the hereinafter described tract of land; thence continuing North 00 degrees 22 minutes 36 seconds West along said East line, a distance of 470.52 feet; thence South 88 degrees 27 minutes 19 seconds West, a distance of 318.64 feet; thence South 02 degrees 48 minutes 03 seconds West, a distance of 462.59 feet; thence North 89 degrees 58 minutes 53 seconds East, a distance of 344.22 feet to the Point of Beginning; all situated in the Township of Willow Creek, County of Lee and State of Illinois.	
21-12-09-400-002	SCHNORR TRUST, TRUST: 102	The North Half (1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (1/4) of Section 9, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion deeded to the People of the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation, in Warranty Deed dated June 17, 1977 and recorded August 16, 1977 in Book 7712 at Page 363 as Document No. 420021; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~1,471' North of Willow Creek Rd; West of Paw Paw Rd
21-12-10-100-002	SCHNORR TRUST, TRUST: 102	The Southwest Quarter (1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 2 East of the Third Principal Meridian; all situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois.	~2,786' North of Willow Creek Rd; East of Paw Paw Rd

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Public Notice is hereby given that on September 4, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: 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, 28)

OF: )  
DAVID L. )  
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. O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010.  
CLAIMS against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Oregon, Illinois, 61061, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication of this Notice or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors,

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CHRISTOPHER M. MUELLER  
I n d e p e n d e n t Administrator  
No. 0919 (Sept. 14, 21, 28)

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
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address of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Nicholson Forestry, 9993 N Homestead Rd., Stillman Valley, IL 61084.  
Dated: September 8, 2020  
Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk  
No. 0922 (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.  
Dated: September 8, 2020  
Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk

No. 0923 (Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5)

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
Public Notice is hereby given that on September 16, 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: CLOTH. 206 Mix St., Oregon, IL 61061.  
Dated: September 16, 2020  
Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk  
No. 0927 (Sept. 21, 28, October 5)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Public Notice is hereby given that on September 15, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Custom Cuisine, 111 Sunset Lane, Mount Morris, IL 61054.  
Dated: September 15, 2020  
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No. 0929 (Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The Lost Lake Utility District has announced the regular meeting dates for 2021. The meetings will be held at 404 Lake Court Center, Dixon at 7:00 pm.  
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February 16, 2021  
March 16, 2021  
April 20, 2021  
May 18, 2021  
June 15, 2021  
July 20, 2021  
August 17, 2021  
September 21, 2021  
October 19, 2021  
November 16, 2021  
December 21, 2021  
No. 0930 (Sept. 28)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PROPOSED COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 01-20 OF THE LOST LAKE UTILITY DISTRICT OF OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT 213 DEER PAINT DRIVE, DIXON, IL FROM AND AFTER SEPTEMBER 15, 2020.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF SAID PROPOSED COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE WILL BE HELD AT LAKE COURT CENTER, 404 LAKE COURT, DIXON ON NOVEMBER 17, 2019 AT 7:00 PM.

LOST LAKE UTILITY DISTRICT OF OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SUSAN STEFFENS, SECRETARY. (Due to Covid - Meeting location may change. Contact the office at 815-652-3494 closer to the date)  
No. 0931 (Sept. 28)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Public Notice is hereby given that on September 16, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Rock River Painting and Drywall, 5 Terrace Dr., Oregon, IL 61061.  
Dated: September 16, 2020  
Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk  
No. 0934 (Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
PUBLIC NOTICE FROM BYRON CUSD 226 NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION AVAILABLE  
BYRON - Persons interested in seeking position as a member of the Byron CUSD 226 Board of Education should obtain the necessary forms at Ogle County Clerk's office: 105 S. 5th Street, Suite 104, Oregon, IL 61061 or contact them at 815-732-1110 and request the County Clerk's office to email the School Board Packet. The packet may also be accessed on their website www.oglecounty.org. Click on "County Clerk" under Departments, then "Forms." Next select "Local Election Official (Petition Packets)" and select the appropriate district. The necessary forms and information are available to print. The first day to circulate petitions is Tuesday, September 22, 2020. Board of Education Members do not receive payment for their services. Five positions will be open in April 2020. There are 3 positions that are 4 year terms and 2 positions that are 2 year terms. ( you will need to indicate if you are running for a 2 or 4 year term) The Board of Education consists of seven members currently: Christine Lynde, Kathi Gehrke, Phil Kesler, D.J. Mumma, Margaret Rock, Mary Jo Cassens, and Jeff Milburn. Petitions must be filed with the Ogle County Clerk's Office beginning December 14-21, 2020  
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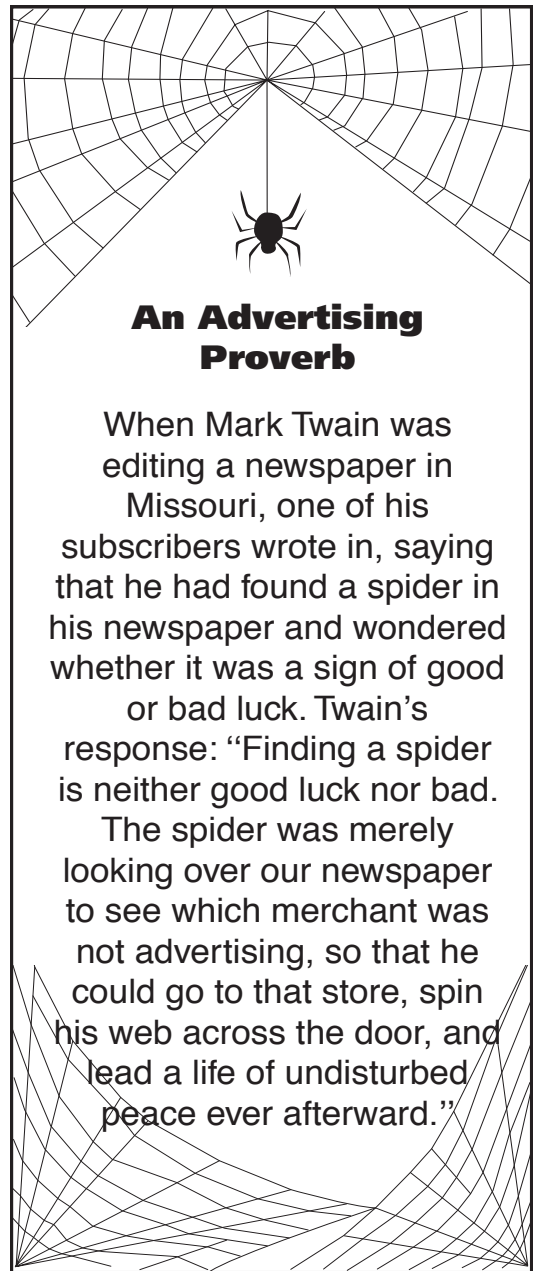
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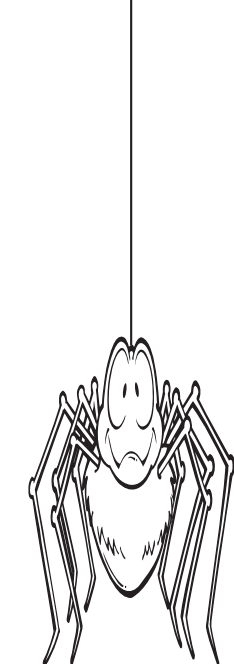
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Seattle Seahawks	at	Miami Dolphins
Los Angeles Chargers	at	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
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Baltimore Ravens	at	Washington Football Team
New York Giants	at	Los Angeles Rams
New England Patriots	at	Kansas City Chiefs
Buffalo Bills	at	Las Vegas Raiders
Philadelphia Eagles	at	San Francisco 49ers

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 05, 2020

Atlanta Falcons	at	Green Bay Packers
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#### TIE BREAKER #1

Total Combined Score

Atlanta Falcons at Green Bay Packers

Total Score \_\_\_\_\_

#### TIE BREAKER #2

Total Combined Score

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# How aging adults can maintain their mental acuity

Maintaining social connections can help aging men and women prevent cognitive decline

**A**GING is associated with or linked to a host of mental and physical side effects. For example, many adults expect their vision to deteriorate as they grow older. Such a side effect can be combatted with routine eye examinations that may indicate a need for a stronger eyeglass prescription, a relatively simple solution that won't impact adults' daily lives much at all.

While physical side effects like diminished vision might not strike much fear in the hearts of aging men and women, those same people may be concerned and/or frightened by the notion of age-related cognitive decline. Some immediately associate such decline with Alzheimer's

er's disease, an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys memory and cognitive skills, ultimately compromising a person's ability to perform even the simplest of tasks. But age-related cognitive decline is not always symptomatic of Alzheimer's disease. Learning about Alzheimer's and how to maintain mental acuity can help aging men and women better understand the changes their brains might be undergoing as they near or pass retirement age.

## Is Alzheimer's disease hereditary?

The National Institute on Aging notes that only a very rare form of Alzheimer's disease is inherited. Early-onset familial Alzheimer's disease, or FAD, is caused by mutations in certain genes. If these genes are passed down from parent to child, then the child is likely, but not certain, to get FAD. So while many adults may be concerned about Alzheimer's because one of their parents had the disease, the NIA notes that the majority of Alzheimer's cases are late-onset, which has no obvious family pattern.

Can Alzheimer's disease be prevented?

Studies of Alzheimer's disease are ongoing, but to date there is no definitive way to prevent the onset of the disease.

## How can I maintain mental acuity as I age?

Researchers have not yet determined a way to prevent Alzheimer's disease, but adults can take certain steps to maintain their mental acuity into retirement.

- **Exercise regularly.** Routine exercise may be most associated with physical benefits, but the NIA notes that such activity has been linked to benefits for the brain as well. For example, a 2011 study published in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America found that aerobic exercise training increases the size of the hippocampus, leading to improvements in spatial memory. The NIA also notes that one study indicated exercise stimulated the brain's ability to maintain old network connections and make new ones vital to cognitive health.

- **Read more.** Avid readers may be happy to learn that one of their favorite pastimes can improve the efficiency of their cognitive systems while delaying such systems' decline. A 2013 study published in the journal Neurology by researchers at Chicago's Rush University Medical Center found that mentally active lifestyles may not prevent the formations of plaques and tangles associated with Alzheimer's disease, but such lifestyles decreases the likelihood that the presence of plaques or tangles will impair cognitive function.

- **Stay socially connected.** Maintaining social connections with family, friends and community members also can help women prevent cognitive decline. Epidemiologist Bryan James of the Rush Alzheimer's Disease Center studied how social activity affected cognitive decline, ultimately noting that the rate of cognitive decline was considerably lower among men and women who maintained social contact than it was among those with low levels of social activity.

The idea of age-related cognitive decline strikes fear in the hearts of many men and women, but there are ways for adults to maintain their mental acuity well into their golden years.







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# Grandparents called upon to raise grandchildren

**O**LDER adults whose children have grown up often look forward to the next stages in life, which may involve retirement, downsizing and enjoying visits with their grandchildren. A growing number of aging adults may find themselves playing a key role in their grandchildren's lives.

According to data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2.7 million grandparents across the country are stepping into parental roles for their grandkids. Some assist their adult children while others have become the primary caregivers. Factors like military deployment, illness, incarceration, and substance abuse are forcing grandparents to take on responsibilities they may have thought were over. PBS reports that, between 2009 and 2016, the number of grandparents raising grandchildren in the United States rose by 7 percent.

Although raising the next generation can bring about many rewards, including security, sense of purpose, a deeper relationship with family, and social interaction, there are



More and more grandparents are stepping into parental roles for their grandkids.

many obstacles as well. That includes the financial strain that raising children can place on individuals unprepared for the cost of child-rearing. Census figures also show that about one-fifth of grandparents caring for children have incomes that fall below poverty level. Grandparents may be rusty concerning safety requirements and equipment now needed to care for grandchildren as well.

As grandparents navigate the unex-

plored waters of raising grandchildren, there are certain factors they need to consider.

## Legal advice or advocacy

Certain circumstances may require grandparents to seek legal help so they can raise their grandchildren in lawful ways. If there is neglect, divorce, arrest, or other factors, it may be a smart idea for grandparents to seek the help of an attorney

or advocacy group to clarify their legal rights and ensure access to grandchildren. In addition, grandparents may need certain legal documents, such as a power of attorney, citizenship papers, adoption records, or consent forms.

## Get educated

The rules have changed since grandparents raised their own children. It is important they learn as much as possible on child safety guidelines. Consumer

advocacy groups or pediatricians can help explain how guidelines have changed. New furniture and toys that meet current safety guidelines may have to replace older, unsafe items.

Take care of yourself

Raising grandchildren can be emotionally taxing, especially if poor circumstances led to the grandchildren being placed with family. It is crucial to recognize feelings and one's own health when caring for oth-

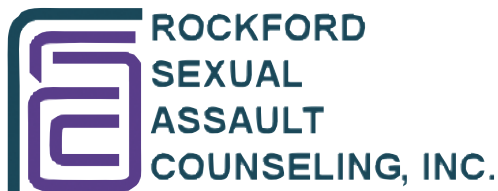
ers. A grandparent who is exhausted or overwhelmed may not offer the appropriate care. Emphasizing one's own mental and physical health is essential, as is getting help and advice when it's most needed. The organization AARP recommends compiling a list of support services, such as respite care providers, counselors and support groups.

## Grandkids will have

## feelings, too

Children, whether they are old enough to understand or not, may react to change differently. Some children may act out while others may grow detached. Grandparents can focus on providing stable environments and offer support and consistency even if grandchildren are withdrawing or pushing their loved ones away with words or actions.

Raising grandchildren can be complicated, but it has become more prevalent. It can take time for these new family units to find their grooves. More information is available at [www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org) in their GrandFamilies Guide.



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A balanced diet is an integral element of a healthy lifestyle for men, women and children alike. But while kids and young adults might be able to get away with an extra cheeseburger here or there, men and women approaching 50 have less leeway.

According to the National Institute on Aging, simply counting calories without regard for the foods being consumed is not enough for men and women 50 and older to maintain their long-term health. Rather, the NIA emphasizes the importance of choosing low-calorie foods that have a lot of the nutrients the body needs.

But counting calories can be an effective and simple way to maintain a healthy weight, provided those calories are coming from nutrient-rich foods. The NIA advises men and women over 50 adhere to the following daily calorie intake recommendations as they attempt to stay healthy into their golden years.

## WOMEN

- Not physically active: 1,600 calories
- Somewhat active: 1,800 calories
- Active lifestyle: between 2,000 and 2,200 calories

## MEN

- Not physically active: 2,000 calories
- Somewhat active: between 2,200 and 2,400 calories
- Active lifestyle: between 2,400 and 2,800 calories

When choosing foods to eat, the NIA recommends eating many different colors and types of vegetables and fruits. Phytochemicals are substances that occur naturally in plants, and there are thousands of these substances offering various benefits. The Produce for Better

Health Foundation notes that a varied, colorful diet incorporates lots of different types of phytochemicals, which the PBH says have disease-preventing properties.

The NIA also advises that men and women over 50 make sure at least half the grains in their diets are whole grains. Numerous studies have discovered the various benefits of whole grains, which are loaded with protein, fiber, antioxidants and other nutrients. Whole grains have been shown to reduce the risk for diseases such as type 2 diabetes, heart disease and some types of cancer.

Another potential hurdle men and women over 50 may encounter is a change in their sense of smell and taste. A person's sense of smell may fade with age, and because smell and taste are so closely related, foods enjoyed for years may no longer tantalize the taste buds. That can be problematic, as many people instinctually add more salt to foods they find bland. According to the U.S. Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, older adults should consume no more than 1,500 milligrams of sodium per day. That equates to roughly 3/4 teaspoon of salt. Older men and women should resist the temptation to use salt to add flavor to foods, instead opting for healthy foods that they can still smell and taste. In addition, men and women should mention any loss of their sense of smell to their physicians, as such a loss may indicate the presence of Parkinson's disease or Alzheimer's disease.

Maintaining a healthy diet after 50 may require some hard work and discipline. But the long-term benefits of a healthy diet make the extra effort well worth it.



# Sexual health as one ages

**A**GING brings about many changes in a person's body. Some of these changes, such as hair becoming gray and/or white, are widely known, while others may come as a surprise to people who have only begun to experience them.

It is normal for sexual desire and other issues affecting intimacy to change as a person ages. However, that doesn't mean that seniors' sex lives need to cease or change dramatically. Remaining open to ideas and continuing to communicate with one's partner can keep couples' relationships going strong well into their golden years.

The National Institute on Aging offers that certain normal physical changes can impact intimacy. These bodily changes may behor-



monal. Women who have gone through menopause may discover physical changes to their vaginas, including a shortening and narrowing of this part of the body. Stiffness and less lubrication also may occur in this area, impacting their comfort and enjoyment. As men get older, their ability to have and keep an erection may diminish.

Sexual issues are some-

times a byproduct of illness or certain prescription medications. Chronic pain, arthritis, surgery, and even incontinence also can impede intimacy. These are largely treatable conditions, but patients must be willing to first open a dialogue with their physicians.

### Communicate

Couples are urged to talk about their intimacy goals.

One person may not be fully aware of a partner's desires.

Other issues can be addressed as well. Discuss any discomfort or sexual problems that can affect the relationship. Couples can bring situations to light so they can manage their issues together. This can bring about a mutually acceptable solution that benefits both partners and prevents one from suffering in silence.

### Overall health

Paying attention to overall health can positively impact sexual intimacy. Exercising regularly, eating a healthy diet, drinking plenty of fluids, avoiding tobacco and excessive alcohol consumption, and managing stress in your life can help in your daily life and in the bedroom. Speak with a doctor if a particular

medication is impacting your health in a negative way. There may be another, less invasive option you and your physician can explore.

### Think creatively

Intimacy is more than just intercourse. Intimacy may include touching, closeness, fantasies, role playing, and much more. The Mayo Clinic says people can help their partners understand what they want from them. Discuss something that seems exciting and find a way to include it in your sex life if both partners are willing.

### Play it safe

Seniors who are single can broaden their horizons and resolve to get out and meet new people. However, when the time comes to

engage in sexual activity, seniors should be smart about it, regardless of their age. People age 55 years or older account for one-quarter of all Americans living with HIV, reports the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In 2013, people age 50 and over constituted more than 27 percent of new AIDS diagnoses. Older adults are also at risk of other sexually transmitted infections. Condoms may seem like something for younger people to worry about, but they're a necessity for older adults as well.

Sexual health is something seniors think about as the years pass. Remaining healthy, engaged and communicative with a spouse or partner can ensure couples enjoy sexual intimacy for as long as possible.

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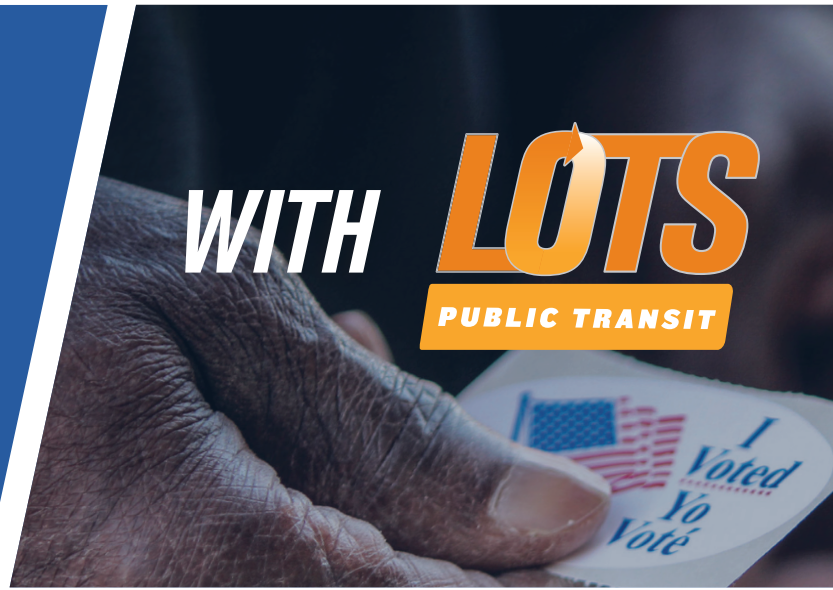


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# Sleep loss can affect memory in seniors

**P**OOOR sleep can leave people feeling groggy, disoriented, depressed, and not up for facing the day. And now there's new evidence that insomnia can contribute to memory loss and forgetfulness among the elderly.

A study — the first of its kind — unveiled a new link between lack of sleep and memory loss. Researchers at the University of California, Berkley found that during sleep important brain waves are produced that play key roles in storing memories. These waves transfer the memories from the hippocampus to the prefrontal cortex, a portion of the brain where long-term information is stored. Sleep loss can cause the memories to



remain in the hippocampus and not reach the long-term storage area, found researchers. This can contribute to forgetfulness and difficulty remembering simple details, such as names.

Seniors are frequently plagued with deteriorated sleeping patterns that lead to shallow sleep and more awakenings, says those at the Uni-

versity of California. This can contribute to the prevention of memories being saved by the brain each evening.

This is not the first time sleep and brain health have been measured. A 2008 University of California, Los Angeles study discovered that people with sleep apnea showed tissue loss in brain regions

that help store memories.

WebMD says imaging and behavioral studies show the role sleep plays in learning and memory and that lack of sleep can impair a person's ability to focus and learn efficiently. Combine this with the necessity of sleep to make those brain wave connections for memories to be

stored, and the importance of deep sleep is apparent.

Another study, published in the journal *Brain*, conducted by doctors at Washington University in St. Louis, linked poor sleep with early onset of dementia, especially Alzheimer's disease. Although poor sleep does not cause Alzheimer's, it may increase brain

amyloid proteins believed to be intrinsic to the disease. When slow-wave deep sleep is disrupted, levels of amyloid can grow and clog the brain. This is corroborated by data published in the journal *Neurology*. Getting deep sleep is important for reducing these proteins.

The American Academy of Sleep

Medicine recognizes the difficulties elderly people may have in regard to sleep. The quality of deep sleep among older adults is often 75 percent lower than it is in younger people. Doctors can be cognizant of how sleep impacts memory and the onset of dementias and discuss insomnia treatment options with their patients.

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# Pros and cons of joint replacement surgery

**T**O people outside the medical field, joint replacement surgery might sound like a solution that's considered only after all other options have been exhausted. But joint replacement surgery has become very common, even though some studies have suggested certain procedures are being performed unnecessarily.

A 2014 study published in the journal *Arthritis and Rheumatology* found that one-third of patients who undergo knee replacement surgery may not be appropriate candidates for the procedure because their symptoms are not severe enough to merit aggressive intervention like surgery.

The decision to undergo surgery is always a patient's to make. Weighing some pros and cons of joint replacement surgery can help patients make the most informed decisions possible.

## Pros

The Cleveland Clinic notes that many patients who have undergone joint replacement surgeries have experienced dramatic improvement within a relatively short time after undergoing the surgery. Much of that improvement is related to pain, which for many people becomes overwhelming prior to surgery.

Another benefit to joint replacement surgery is the recovery time. For example, the Cleveland Clinic notes that patients who have knee replacement surgery are usually standing and even moving the joint the day after their surgeries. Within six weeks, those same patients are typically walking comfortably with very little support. While each patient is different, any fears that joint replacement surgery will require patients to be immobile for months after surgery are unwarranted.

Joint replacement surgery also can be a long-term solution, whereas the alternatives might not be. The Cleveland Clinic says that roughly 85 percent of knee implants will last 20 years, and that life expectancy figures to grow as technology advances.

## Cons

As beneficial as joint replacement surgery can

be, it's not without downsides. Cost is one such disadvantage. How much a patient pays for the surgery depends on his or her coverage, but AARP notes that the average knee replacement surgery costs \$31,000. Such costs can be prohibitive for aging men and women who are no longer working.

Another potential disadvantage to going under the knife, especially for those who are borderline candidates for replacement surgeries, is the likeli-

hood that surgery won't have a significant impact on quality of life. A 2017 study published in the journal *BMJ* found that knee replacement had minimal effects on quality of life, especially for patients whose arthritis was not severe.

Joint replacement surgeries are common. When deciding if surgery is their best option, patients should consider the pros and cons of going under the knife before making their final choice.



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# Exercise and aging: How to work out safely after 50

**I**N an ideal world, people young and old exercise each day. But as men and women age, finding time to work out is not so easy.

Commitments to work and family often take precedence over daily exercise. As a result, many people 50 and over might not have exercised regularly or at all in many years. But as children grow up or even move out, people facing down their golden years are often compelled to get back in the gym. That's a wise decision that can increase a person's chances of being healthy and happy in retirement. But before beginning a new exercise regimen, men and women over 50 should take heed of the following safety tips to ensure their efforts are not derailed by accident or injury.

- Speak with your physician. The National Institute on Aging notes that even people with chronic conditions such as heart disease, diabetes or arthritis can be physically active. However, anyone with such a condition and even those who don't fall

into those categories should consult with their physicians and receive a full physical before exercising. Such a consultation and checkup can shed light on any unknown issues, and physicians can offer advice on how to safely manage any problems that may arise.

- Begin with low-intensity exercises. Even if you feel great and have maintained

a healthy weight, don't push yourself too hard at the start. Your body needs time to adjust to physical activity, so choose low-intensity exercises like walking and light strength training so your muscles, tendons and ligaments can adjust. Initially, exercise every other day so your body has ample time to recover between workouts.

- Choose the right places to exercise outdoors. Exercising outside provides the best of both worlds for many people, providing a chance to get healthy all while enjoying the great outdoors. When exercising outdoors, choose areas that are not remote and where others can see you and offer help if you suffer an injury or

have an accident. Boardwalks, public parks and outdoor gyms are safer places to work out than wooded areas or other places well off the beaten path.

- Stay hydrated. The NIA notes that many people lose their sense of thirst as they age. But just because you aren't thirsty does not mean you don't need water, espe-

cially while exercising. Water regulates body temperature and lubricates the joints, thereby decreasing your risk of injury during exercise.

Exercising after 50 can help people live healthy well into retirement. But caution must be exercised when aging men and women return to exercise after a long break.



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**A**GING men and women may be tempted to eschew home cooking entirely. After all, there are plenty of convenient frozen or take-out foods available that can be whipped up in a snap. However, there are certain benefits to cooking your own meals.

John Moore, DO, an Aetna medical director and senior health specialist, says that cooking can be good for helping to stave off cognitive decline. Dr. Moore notes that, when cooking, the mind is put to use following a recipe and learning new skills and tasks. Furthermore, cooking for oneself can boost seniors' self-confidence, reassuring them that they can handle an important daily task without having to rely on their family for meals.

As long as it is deemed safe (i.e., no sign of cognitive decline or forgetfulness), seniors should be encouraged to continue cooking.

# Annual colorectal cancer screenings are recommended for men and women over 50

AS the human body ages, screening for various conditions and diseases may need to occur more frequently. Routine doctor visits may not be a part of most people's image of the perfect retirement, but such checkups can save lives and make one's golden years much more enjoyable.

The World Health Organization notes that cancer is the leading cause of death across the globe and that colorectal cancer is the second most common cause of cancer death in the world. A 2017 study published in the journal Cancer Epidemi-

ology, Biomarkers & Prevention concluded that risk factor modification, screening and treatment all have considerable potential to reduce colorectal cancer mortality by 2030.

The U.S. National Library of Medicine recommends that men and women between the ages of 50 and 75 be screened for colorectal cancer every year. Doctors screen for colorectal cancer in various ways, and many of these screenings need not be conducted annually. However, the USNLM recommends that all men and women between the ages of 50 and 75 receive a fecal occult



blood, or stool-based, test every year. In addition, men and women should receive a fecal immunochemical, or FIT, test every year. The FIT

is a simple test that adults can conduct in the privacy of their own homes.

Doctors may recommend additional screenings for

colorectal cancer. Upon making such recommendations, doctors will discuss patients' screening options, which include an assortment

of tests, and then recommend which test might be best for the patient. The USNLM recommends men and women receive stool DNA tests every three years, flexible sigmoidoscopy tests every five years and double contrast barium enemas every five years. Virtual colonoscopies (once every five years) and colonoscopies (once every 10 years) also may be recommended.

Colorectal cancer claims hundreds of thousands of lives across the globe every year. Men and women over 50 can reduce their risk of falling victim to colorectal cancer by scheduling annual screenings.

## Choices for long-term care

BEING able to care for oneself independently can be a source of pride. However, illness or age can affect people in ways that require them to seek assistance with medical needs or daily activities for an extended period of time. In such instances, long-term care services can fill a need.

Long-term care assists people in their homes, in the community or in various types of facilities with various daily and medical requirements. According to WebMD, research shows that many people are unaware of long-term care options or may be misinformed about what's out there.

### Home care

Various services can be utilized in the comfort of home. According to the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee Office on Aging, services can include home-delivered meals, pest control, minor home modifications, or visiting nurses and health aides. Other benefits may include shopping or physical therapy.

### Community care

Community services can include adult day care centers, meal programs, senior centers, community transportation, and others. Community services enable people to continue to live in the community with some support. They also may help family or friends serving as caregivers enjoy a break from the assistance they have been providing.

### Care facilities

Long-term care may be mistaken as strictly nursing homes, but facilities extend to places that provide other services. Here's a look at the care facilities.

- Independent senior living: Independent living facilities may provide assistance only when needed. Amenities are designed to make things easier and more convenient for residents. Fitness centers, pools, dining venues, and transportation may be included. These facilities tend to provide the most independent form of senior living. Some independent living facilities are part of larger continuing

care retirement communities that have staged care that goes from independent to skilled nursing.

- Assisted living: These homes provide 24-hour supervision, meals, health-care services, and other forms of assistance in a home-like setting. Types of services include laundry, housekeeping, medication dispersal, and dressing.

- Skilled nursing homes: Nursing homes provide care for those who cannot care for themselves at home or in the community. These facilities offer many services all under one roof, like rehabilitative services, meals, activities, and around-the-clock care. Some skilled nursing homes offer temporary care after an injury or illness and are used in lieu of an extended hospital stay.

It is never too early to begin planning for elder care that may include long-term care possibilities. Individuals are urged to work with an elder care lawyer to help navigate the complexities of planning for medical care and their potential financial needs.

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## How occupational therapy can help people live with arthritis

OCCUPATIONAL therapy may sound like something exclusive to people who are injured on the job. Though occupational therapy helps people in the workplace every day, it also helps men and women, including those with arthritis, perform everyday activities that may or may not be work-related.

Arthritis can take both a physical and financial toll. The Arthritis Foundation notes that it's difficult to determine just how many people currently suffer from arthritis, as treatment often isn't sought until symptoms become severe. Conservative estimates from the AF suggest 54 million adults in the United States currently have arthritis, though the organization reports that a recent study suggested as many as 91 million might be dealing with this painful inflammation and stiffness of the joints. As if the pain from arthritis weren't enough, the condition also can cause financial problems for those who cannot work or only work part-time, with annual medical costs and earnings loss estimates in the hundreds of billions of dollars.

Occupation therapy can help people with arthritis overcome their conditions. The American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc., notes that most joints have the potential to develop arthritis,

which can affect mobility, cause pain and even lead to deformity. However, the AOTA® also states that OT practitioners aim to help people with arthritis maximize their ability to participate in activities like work or recreation while striving to help patients enhance their quality of life.

Because there are more than 100 different types of arthritis, men and women diagnosed with the condition can benefit greatly from individualized care. One-size-fits-all solutions may not work for arthritis sufferers, who can benefit from one-on-one interactions with OT practitioners. For example, the AOTA® notes that OT practitioners may recommend personalized adaptive equipment to patients with arthritis who are experiencing pressure and discomfort in their hands when holding or working with objects. Before making such recommendations, OT practitioners may analyze patients' daily activities to ensure they get equipment that will provide the support and relief their specific condition calls for.

Arthritis is a global concern that the Arthritis Foundation estimates will only become more prevalent in the decades to come. Occupational therapy can be just what arthritis sufferers need to overcome their conditions and improve their quality of life.



# New medications help with Parkinson's treatment

Parkinson's is the second most common age-related neurodegenerative disorder after Alzheimer's disease

**P**ARKINSON'S disease is a progressive nervous system disorder that primarily affects movement. In the earliest stages of Parkinson's, an affected person's face also may show little or no expression and speech may become soft and slurred.

According to Parkinson's News Today, Parkinson's is the second most common age-related neurodegenerative disorder after Alzheimer's disease. In fact, Parkinson's affects more people than multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy and ALS combined, and an estimated 10 million people worldwide have Parkinson's disease.

The Parkinson's Foundation estimates that nearly one million people in the United States live with Parkinson's disease in 2020. Age is a risk factor for Parkinson's, but an estimated 4 percent of people with the disease are diagnosed before age 50.

Many people are familiar with the symptoms of Parkinson's, like tremors in the limbs. Slowed movement, or bradykinesia, also occurs over time. Rigid muscles, impaired posture and balance, and loss of automatic movements like blinking and swinging arms while walking also can occur, advises the Mayo Clinic.

Like other neurodegenerative conditions, Parkinson's is linked to changes in cells in the brain, which may gradually break down or die. Environmental triggers or genetics may also contribute to Parkinson's.

Parkinson's also may be caused by shifting levels of the chemical mes-

senger dopamine in the brain. When neurons break down, they produce less dopamine, and this causes abnormal brain activity.

Parkinson's has no cure, and treatment of the disease is designed to slow progression and treat certain symptoms.

Parkinson's patients and their families may be excited to learn that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the use of a new medication known as Nouriaz (istradefylline). It is recommended for "off" time, when symptoms return between other medication doses. Nouriaz belongs to a class of medications known as adenosine A2A antagonists, which work differently from all currently available Parkinson's drugs. This drug blocks the brain chemical adenosine, which boosts the signaling of dopamine, the brain chemical that decreases in Parkinson's patients. The medication can be added to a regimen consisting of levodopa/carbidopa to decrease off times. Four placebo-controlled clinical trials, which included more than 1,000 participants, demonstrated a significant decrease in "off" time when Nouriaz was added to levodopa/carbidopa. Levodopa is converted to dopamine in the brain. Carbidopa helps prevent the breakdown of levodopa before it can reach the brain and take effect.

Parkinson's patients can work with their doctors to find a regimen of drugs, therapy and support that may lessen their symptoms and improve their quality of life.

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# Taking time to travel

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While there are plenty of trips that are fun for any traveler, senior citizens have additional options to see the world.

## Find a senior travel group

ElderTreks and Road Scholar offer adventures of all kinds for senior citizens, including short and inexpensive trips to places throughout the United States and longer excursions to Central and South America, Europe, Africa and more. These programs allow you to sign up for the trips you want to take, browsing through different adventure options like train travel, hiking, sea trips and more, and they do the planning for you.

Traveling by yourself? There are tour groups that cater to single senior citizens as well.

## Look into discounts

AARP and other organizations for senior citizens offer travel discounts on flights, hotels, rental

cars, cruises and tours. Check out what options are available. Often insurance companies and big box stores offer discounts as well, so find the best deal you can. When you go to museums and other sights, ask about a senior discount. You also can get deal on some train tickets throughout Europe, according to Rick Steves; ask at the train station what discounts are available.

Even without special deals, retirees have the advantage of more open schedule. Rick Steves suggests traveling during shoulder season (April-May, September-October), when prices are lower because it's not peak season, but the weather is still fairly good.

## Get a national parks pass

Seniors can get a lifetime National Parks pass for \$80, allowing entry into all the national parks and monuments throughout the country.

For the outdoorsy types, this is an inexpensive way to spend a day or a weekend hiking or camping. Even the less outdoorsy types can find easy hikes or beautiful drives through some of the country's most pristine, gorgeous landscapes, including the red rocks of Zion National Park, the geysers of Yellowstone or the green, rolling hills of Shenandoah National Park.



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