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2020 Lee County Fair and Junior Show canceled

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Fair Association voted to cancel the 2020 Lee County Fair and Junior Show at their June meeting. The fair was scheduled for July 23-26 at the Lee County 4-H Center and Fairgrounds.

The board of directors released a statement explaining they sought guidance from multiple sources included the Lee County Health Department, the Bureau of County Fairs at the Illinois Department of Agriculture, the Lee County 4-H program and vendors and volunteers.

"In the end we had to abide by the phased Restore Illinois plan and we couldn't find a way around that," said Fair Association president Adam Henkel.

The board had been meeting virtually since March to discuss the future of the fair. Members considered ways to modify the junior show and fair activities by asking fair

vendors to share how they would handle guidelines and restrictions in place because of COVID-19.

"Every person we talked to indicated they would do their best to abide by rules and make changes," said Henkel. "We are grateful for the support."

Because the fair is also the annual 4-H show, members were in contact with the Lee County 4-H program coordinator and Extension office as well. On June 1 University of Illinois Extension-Champaign Urbana announced that all July 4-H shows and activities would be conducted virtually. 4-H members will receive information about registering for the virtual 4-H show from their leaders and Extension staff.

The Fair Association will be contacting all fair vendors, volunteers, and partners to share their decision and begin planning for the 2021 fair scheduled for July 22-25, 2021.



PARADE FOR AHS CLASS OF 2020

The Amboy Fire Protection District held a parade honoring the 2020 Amboy High School seniors on June 6. AHS graduating seniors were invited to follow the parade in their personal vehicles or ride on the apparatus following social distance guidelines.

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News



Patriotic contest for youth and adults planned

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For The Adults

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Winners: Winners will be announced in the July 8th edition of the Amboy News. Prizes will be awarded to the top two residential entries.

To view the contest, enter and vote, visit www.AmboyNews.com and click on the banner ad for the 2020 Patriotic Decorating Contest.

For The Kids

A Fourth of July coloring contest is featured in today's



newspaper on page A7. This contest is sponsored by Amboy Food and Liquor, The City of Amboy, and The Amboy News.

All children 10 years old and younger are invited to color the Fourth of July scene and submit it to Amboy Food and Liquor for

a chance to win fabulous prizes.

One Entry Per Child.

Entries must be received at Amboy Food and Liquor by 5 p.m., on Tuesday, June 23. All coloring pages will be hung in the window of the grocery store and issued an entry number. The public is

invited to vote for the winner between Wednesday, June 24 and Wednesday, July 1 at the grocery store by voting for a certain entry number. Winners will be announced in the July 8th edition of the Amboy News.

Prizes are awarded for the top 5 places.

Lori Schrock named Teacher of the Year

BY BONNIE MORRIS

Editor

MENDOTA - What can music teach us? For Lori Schrock, who recently retired from Mendota High School after 26 years as choir director, music was not only a way to enable students to share their talent but it also offered lessons on resilience and how to persevere through life's challenges. In the last few months of school this year, those life lessons would become more important than ever.

Schrock had made many plans for her final few months as choir director at MHS. Then in mid-March, schools were required to shift to remote learning due to COVID-19 and all those plans fell to the wayside. Despite all the cancellations and other disruptions for schools caused by the pandemic, Schrock was able to end her tenure at MHS with one special surprise - being named Teacher of the Year by the Regional Office of Education (ROE).

Although the usual ROE



Schrock

banquet and announcement of the award could not take place this year, MHS administration did their best to make this a special moment for Schrock. When Superintendent Jeff Prusator requested a meeting with her at the end of the year, Schrock assumed they would discuss how the school closure had affected the music program.

"We had lost so much for the band and choir this year," she said, "I had all my notes ready and prepared for what I wanted to say."

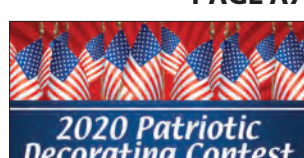
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COLORING CONTEST

Local youth ages 10 and under are encouraged to participate in the 2020 Fourth of July Coloring Contest.

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PATRIOTIC DECORATING CONTEST

Amboy Food and Liquor, The City of Amboy, and The Amboy News are sponsoring the 2020 Patriotic Decorating Contest.

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Joyce Montavon

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Amboy High School Student of the Year Ashley Althaus, pictured center, accepts a check from Colleen Henkel, Executive Vice President of The First National Bank in Amboy. Also pictured from The First National Bank are Amanda Walter, Linda Costliow, Lisa Bickett, Susan Gomez and Mike Hickey.

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Althaus named Student of the Year

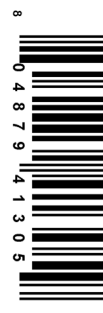
AMBOY — Ashley Althaus, daughter of Steve and Deb Althaus, was named the 2020 Student of the Year at Amboy High School. Ashley will be attending Iowa State University in the fall to pursue a degree in Agriculture.

The nine students of the month for the 2019/2020 school year received a \$475 award. They were: Ashley Althaus, Margaret Vaessen, Sidney Corcoran, Tyler Stewart,

Alison O'Rourke, Rachel Ackert, Nastasja Vaessen, Maddison Full and Brittany Barlow.

The First National Bank in Amboy is the proud sponsor of this \$4,750 scholarship award. This is the 37th year the Bank has sponsored this scholarship at Amboy High School.

The First National Bank in Amboy congratulates all the students and wishes them the best in all their future endeavors.



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Amboy High School announces its honors night award winners

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Presidential Outstanding Academic Achievement Awards
Joel Brown, Abigail Ely, Nathan Friel and James Popovich

Presidential Outstanding Academic Excellence Awards

Rachel Ackert, Ashley Althaus, Brittany Barlow, Mercedes Bell, Bailey Bickert, Sidney Corcoran, Maddison Full, Alison O'Rourke, Kenzie Scudder, Avery Shaw, Tyler Stewart, Margaret

Vaessen, Nastasja Vaessen, Joshua Yocum, and Jade Zimmerly

Citizenship Award
Zachary Wicaryus
Illinois State Scholars
Ashley Althaus, Sidney Corcoran, Tyler Stewart, and Nastasja Vaessen

Gold Tassels – Honor Students
3.0-4.0 GPA

Rachel Ackert, Ashley Althaus, Brittany Barlow, Mercedes Bell, Bailey Bickert, Sidney Corcoran, Kyleigh Donna, Abigail Ely, Arian Fekolli, Nathan Friel, Maddison Full, Tristan Graves,

Jakob Highbarger, Justin Janssen, Daunte Kessel, Rebekah Lewis, Justin Martinson, Austin Norman, Alison O'Rourke, James Popovich, Kenzie Scudder, Avery Shaw, Tyler Stewart, Andrew Their, Margaret Vaessen, Nastasja Vaessen, Joshua Yocum, and Jade Zimmerly

Cum Laude-3.5-3.69
Rachel Ackert, Brittany Barlow, Bailey Bickert, Kenzie Scudder, Avery Shaw, Joshua Yocum, and Jade Zimmerly

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LOCAL NEWS

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AMBOY-The Food Preservation Webinar Series, presented by the U of I Extension, will be held as a zoom meeting each Wednesday, June 10-July 22. Space is limited for this free series. Register at <https://illinois.zoom.us/join/register/10uf-2grjotH9a3CtIIW-zlEpNMdaiwmqmG>.

AMBOY-The Everyday Environment Webinar Series, presented by the U of I Extension, will be held online Thursday, June 11, 18

and 15, at 1 p.m. Register at go.illinois.edu/everyday-environmentwebinars.

STERLING-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, at the Sterling Bethel Reformed Church, 230 E. 23rd St. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 6

p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, at the Dixon Elks Lodge, 1279 Franklin Grove Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

AMBOY-St. Patrick Food Pantry, 32 N. Jones Ave., will be open from 9 to 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Friday, June 19, at Dixon Home of Hope, 1637

Plock Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

AMBOY-The First Baptist Church Food Pantry, 24 N. Mason Ave., will be open on Saturday, June 20, from 9 a.m. until noon. Call 815-440-2078 for more information.

SUBLETTE-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23,

at the Ellice Dinges Building, 202 West Street. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

ROCK FALLS-The American Red Cross will

hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23, at Rock River Christian Center, 1800 Prophet Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

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Before getting the meeting started, Prusator said he wanted to move the conversation to the board room instead of his office. Schrock did not think too much of the switch until she walked in and saw her daughter, husband, mother and mother-in-law sitting in the room. At first, she thought it might have something to do with her retirement.

"Then they started a virtual presentation with the regional superintendent - I had no idea it was for Teacher of the Year for three counties," she recalled. "I was so blindsided. I feel very overwhelmed."

A born teacher, Schrock knew from an early age what she wanted to do. Growing up in Amboy, she was inspired by her junior high band director, Greg Knutson.

"That's when I decided on my career," she said. "I loved the feeling of empowerment, the feeling you have as a musician and I wanted others to feel it, too. Music is a vehicle that can help kids learn how to be the person they want to be, how to channel their emotions, how to validate themselves, to know they are worthy, important, smart and that they matter. I wanted to use music to help kids do that."

As a high school student, Schrock's goal was to go to the University of Illinois. In fact, she was so determined that the only college she applied to was U of I. Fortunately, she was accepted. While in college, she had the opportunity to intern with Mr. Baile at MHS, which proved to be very beneficial to her education and career.

Her first teaching job was at Paw Paw, where she spent three years instructing all grade levels in band and choir.

"It was a great learning opportunity - exhausting - but I respected what the job gave to me about teaching and what's important," she noted.

Schrock spent the 1989-90 school year filling in at Northbrook in Mendota during the regular instructor's maternity leave. That year, she had 180 band students in grades 5-8.

The next year, she taught in Amboy but because of her experience at Northbrook and the relationships she had formed in Mendota, she was asked by Rex Benson to apply for the choir director job at MHS, which had opened up. Schrock said there had been quite a bit of turnover in the music program at the time

and this would be a chance to help grow the program again.

"Working with Mr. Benson, we did great work and we had fun - there was energy and growth," she recalled. "My first students at MHS were the ones I had taught at Northbrook and that first class had lots of very talented students. They were great performers, very talented and the level and expectations got better and better. It was great to be the visionary behind that. I always wanted something more, better and I was never afraid to try something new. Kids have no fear. It was nice to evolve in that way."

As the years passed and times changed, that evolution continued. During an interview in early March, just prior to the scheduled opening of the spring musical, Schrock was asked what types of lessons students might learn from being in a play - a big question to answer on the spot. But after pausing for just a moment, she answered. "It's a laundry list - confidence, learning how to work hard, being accountable to your teammates, holding up your end because the show is the greatest when the weakest person is at their best, being responsible, being prepared - and they've done it," she said of the students who were to appear in the play.

As Schrock continued her answer that day, she had no idea how timely her words would become.

"Working through the struggle. How do you press on? We're in a society that throws in the towel way too easy," she said. "How do you overcome your own self doubt and get past fear of judgement? There's all the social stuff, too. They may have to be in an ensemble with somebody they don't really care for but have to learn how to work with them. They're still kids and there are still lessons to be learned. You have to be accountable. We talk about those things. How do you be a person? If you don't want people to talk about you in a negative way, what do you need to do differently? Teenagers don't always think about that. We discuss those things a lot and we have the hard conversations with students."

Two months later, with so much having changed for everyone, Schrock said she had really noticed a change in the needs of students over the last 8 to 10 years. "You worry about your students and wonder how you can help

them, but it has become more about things other than the music," she said. "In recent years, I always had kids at my door wanting help of some kind, kids that have a lot of baggage that is out of their control."

Schrock said some of her students were forced to rise above some really difficult situations but they were resilient.

"It has been heartbreaking and fulfilling at the same time," she explained. "The needs of the kids changed in the last decade and I probably got better at what I did. Kids were at my door for help, comfort, reassurance. I gave them gas money and money for groceries when they were going through a tough time."

But through all the changes, Schrock never lost her love of teaching. "I have worked hard but I never considered it a 'job,' and I never said I didn't want to go to work."

Looking back through the past 26 years, Schrock said one thing has remained the same.

"The music has connected us, helped us understand and to teach kids how to do the right thing, to be kind," she said. "We had a lot of group discussions about how to treat people and be a leader. I'm proud of the culture that we have built and the people I've worked with. It's being selfless, using the gift of music to make people feel better."

During the shut down, Schrock told her students that music and the arts are a time stamp and she encouraged them to journal what they observe because literature, poetry and music will be written about this time in history.

After receiving the Teacher of the Year Award, Schrock said she was asked to share some of her favorite moments as a teacher but her answer went in another direction.

"It wasn't 'favorite moments,' it was all the little moments," she explained. "Watching students find that joy. Those are the moments. Every year was full of them. The energy - that happened every week - the magic we do because of the art form we do."

What's next? Schrock plans to spend some time working as a substitute teacher in Mendota or Amboy, but she definitely intends to spend more time with

her husband, children and grandchildren.

"With this job, family has been a sacrifice," she said. "Yes, I chose this field but I never had summers off and family gatherings were difficult to plan with my schedule."

Schrock also hopes to do some traveling, take up yard work as a hobby and just enjoy her home.

After announcing her upcoming retirement three years ago, Schrock had made many plans for the end of this year. Of course, as with most everything else this spring, those plans all changed. On the day of what would have been her final concert at MHS, she admitted that she cried most of the day. But despite all the disappointments, she decided to write a letter to her students.

"There was no closure, not for them and not for me," she said. "It took me hours to write and it was hard. So many things were canceled including our show choir tour this summer."

But mostly, Schrock said she felt bad for her students. Not only did they miss out on many special events they had worked so hard for, but they will have two new teachers in the fine arts department next year.

"But I'm so proud to leave the new director with the students we have now," she emphasized. "This group of students is prepared for what is to come and everyone will find creative ways to make it work. I just don't know how, and I am worried for the kids and the teachers."

After years of teaching important life lessons to students, Schrock said she has heard from many of her former students who made her feel that it was all worthwhile.

"Kids have sent texts - one said if not for me, he wouldn't have made it through high school," she said. "That is what matters. He said I always made him feel like somebody. And I got another text today thanking me, and this was a kid who I thought hated me."

Schrock said throughout her teaching career she always remembered something Mr. Baile told her early on.

"He said you may think kids aren't listening but they hear you," she recalled. "At the end of the day, they'll do the right thing."

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Joyce M. Montavon Feb. 24, 1937 - June 2, 2020

DIXON — Joyce M. Montavon, 83, of Dixon died Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at her home surrounded by her family following a short illness due to a rare form of aggressive anaplastic thyroid cancer.

She was born Feb. 24, 1937 in Mendota the daughter of Joseph and Lucille (Boehle) Nauman. Joyce was a Registered Nurse and did her nursing training at St Joseph/Mercy Hospital in Aurora where she then worked as a surgical nurse. She had also worked at KSB Hospital in Dixon, the Amboy Hospital and did home health care.

She was a member of St Anne Catholic Church in Dixon.

Joyce married Richard C. Montavon on Sept. 6, 1958, at St Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Dolores Leffelman and Shirley Full; and three brothers, Stanley, Mervin and Earl Nauman.

Joyce is survived by her husband, Rich; children, Ann Montavon, of Dixon, Kathleen Rosignal, of St Charles, Julia (Tim) Langan, of Peoria, Richard "Dick" (Susan) Montavon Jr., of Oregon, Sara (John) Stimac, of East Alton; 11 grandchildren, Jessica (Mark) Szachowicz, Jacqueline (Victor) Bompreszi, Kate (Joseph) Vitucci, Mitchell Langan, Patrick (Dani) Langan, Natalie Langan, Lucas Langan, Bailey Montavon, Lauren Montavon, Megan Spaniol; four great-grandchildren, Colette and Sloane Szachowicz and Sienna and Victor Jr Bompreszi.

She is also survived by two sisters, Clara Mae Ansteth, of Amboy, Janet (Jim) Montavon, of Dixon and one brother, Don (Marilyn) Nauman, of Freeport.

Joyce was a very caring and loving person by nature. Her family always came first and she will be greatly missed by her husband, children,



grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A family Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday at St Anne Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. Thomas Doyle officiating.

Burial followed at St Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. A family visitation was held at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon on Thursday.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established.

Condolences may be sent online to www.thejonesfh.com.

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Mercedes Bell
Summa Cum Laude 3.9-4.0

Ashley Althaus, Sidney Corcoran, Maddison Full, Alison O'Rourke, Tyler Stewart, Margaret Vaessen, and Nastasja Vaessen

Student of the Month
Ashley Althaus – September

Margaret Vaessen – October

Sidney Corcoran – November

Tyler Stewart – December
Alison O'Rourke – January

Rachel Ackert – February
Nastasja Vaessen – March

Maddison Full – April
Brittany Barlow – May

Student Of The Year
Ashley Althaus

Perfect Attendance
Nicholas Corcoran, Angela Daszkiewicz, Ian Eller, Mason Ely, Caden Latta, Erin Latta, Brian Murphy, Garrett Pertell, Kelton Schwamberger, Alexzandra Vaessen, and Valentin Vazquez

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Sidney Corcoran and Maddison Full

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Sidney Corcoran, Ashley Althaus, Mercedes Bell, and Tyler Stewart

Red Cross Scholarship
Ashley Althaus, Nastasja Vaessen

DeKalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award (Sponsored by Monsanto)
Margaret Vaessen

State Proficiency Award Winner in the area of Agriculture Education
Ashley Althaus

Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship – \$1500
Ashley Althaus

Gentry Family Agricultural Scholarship
\$1,000 Margaret Vaessen

Amboy FFA Alumni Scholarship
Ashley Althaus, Margaret Vaessen

Amboy FFA Star Greenhand
Kelton Schwamberger

State FFA Band
Dana Merriman, Kelton Schwamberger

Illinois State Scholars
Ashley Althaus, Sidney Corcoran, Tyler Stewart, Nastasja Vaessen

Don Schamberger Memorial Scholarship
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June 8 Update: Lee County records 2 additional positive cases

LEE COUNTY — There were 4 new positive tests in Lee County on June 5 and 2 positive cases on June 8, bringing the total to 92. The new cases are in three individuals between the ages of 10-19; and one in his or her 30's, 40's and 60's. Seventy-eight of the 92 positive cases in Lee County have recovered and been lifted off isolation.

As we continue through Phase 3 of the Restore Illinois plan, we remind residents that when in public and unable to

maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet, please wear a mask or face covering. Some residents may not feel a risk to themselves, but people can be carriers of the virus and spread it to others even if they show no symptoms. Think of wearing a mask or face covering as a way to protect others; some of whom may be vulnerable due to their age or an underlying health condition.

IDPH announced that a pet cat recently tested positive for COVID-19 after becoming sick in mid-May. The cat was in a home with people who had tested positive. This is the first animal to test positive for the virus in Illinois. There is no evidence COVID-19 is transmitted from animal to humans. However, if you are sick, you should distance yourself from pets as well as people.

What to do if you think you have COVID-19:

Individuals with symptoms SHOULD NOT GO to health care facilities such as hospitals, clinics, and urgent care centers without CALLING FIRST. Instead, they can seek care by using one of the following options:

- Use the "KSB Care Anywhere" virtual care app (<https://ksbhospital.zipnosis.com/>) for a free 5 question screening in order to help differentiate your symptoms between the virus and other seasonal maladies. While a credit card is required for a more involved assessment, no charges will be applied if a COVID-19 testing referral is made.

- KSB is offering a Coronavirus HOTLINE, by which symptoms can be evaluated against federal screening guidelines, and if appropriate, a referral is made to their Drive-Thru Screening site. The screening site is available ONLY through the hotline and between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm on weekdays by calling 815-285-7777.

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THE PASTOR'S PEN

Let Us Thank God For The Unfathomable Gift Of The Holy Eucharist

BY FATHER TIMOTHY J. DRAPER

To one degree or another, each of us has felt the weight of Christ's Cross during the coronavirus pandemic. The restrictions resulting from this pandemic have impacted every aspect of our lives, including the free exercise of religion. As a Catholic priest, I can say with certainty that one of the deepest sufferings of Catholic Christians during this pandemic has been the inability to attend Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist in Holy Communion. With the shelter-in-place order having recently come to an end in our state, many places of worship are gradually reopening. How providential that this gradual reopening overlaps with this Sunday's celebration of Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ!

In the Gospel for this Sunday, Jesus says: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world" (Jn 6:51).

The Gospel of St. John tells us that when Our Lord spoke these words about the Eucharist, the "Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?'" (Jn 6:52) In response to this quarreling,

Christ declared all the more strongly and solemnly: "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink" (Jn 6:53-55).

Christ truly affirmed that his flesh was true food and his blood true drink—food and drink that he would later give to his Apostles at the Last Supper and entrust to his Church until his second coming in glory. In his First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul writes: "I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes" (1 Cor 11:23-26). To celebrate the Mass is to "do this in remembrance" of him.

Christ's revelation about the Eucharist being truly, really, and substantially his body and blood was the faith of the first Christians. Again, in his First

Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul rhetorically asks the Church in Corinth: "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" (1 Cor 10:16)

Twenty centuries later, Catholic Christians believe the same thing. We believe and profess that the Holy Eucharist is the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. By attending Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist in Holy Communion, we receive here and now the graces that Christ won for us on the Cross.

This grace unites us more closely to Christ and, through Christ, to all the members of his mystical body, the Church. Hence, St. Paul says: "Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" (1 Cor 10:17). Amidst so much illness and death, how consoling it is to hear Jesus tell us that "whoever eats this bread will live forever" (Jn 6:58)!

On this Corpus Christi weekend, let us thank God for the unfathomable gift of the Holy Eucharist and for the ability to begin to celebrate and receive this gift once more.

The Book Nook

By:
Tatjana Kazan

Late In The Day

In this time of a monstrous pandemic with its astronomical numbers of sickness and death, reading Tessa Hadley's novel "Late in the Day" (2019) is like a friend advising you to take time out. It is an elegy for a time when people, in this instance, the upright, English middle class, still paid attention to their feelings. As one character laments: "Our bourgeois sensibility. All our sadness and our subtlety, our complicated arrangements. Our privilege of subtlety and irony is at an end. What's in that Polish poem Alex quotes? Something about how the barbarians don't object to irony. They just grind it up and use it as their salt."

Set in the affluent world of London art dealers, erstwhile poets, and artists, "Late in the Day" tells the story of two couples in their fifties who have been best friends since college days. The novel opens with the sudden death of Zachary Samuel, who, as Isobel, the daughter of one of the couples, explains to her date: "He was my dad's best friend, my best friend's father, Mum's best friend's husband." Or as Isobel's mother Christine mourns, "Of all of us, he's the one we couldn't afford to lose."

In language that is fluid and assured, Hadley proceeds to depict the demise of the thirty-year friendships with revealing set-pieces from the past. It begins when best friends Lydia and Christine first meet their French instructor, the patronizing, married Czech-born poet Alexandr Klimec. Lydia, voluptuous, theatrical, decides she must have him. She insinuates herself into his life, and sets up Christine with Alex's best friend Zachary. But Alex chooses Christine and the very rich Zach marries Lydia.

Alex, who is the sort of man who "never lets himself be caught out in admiring wonder," abandons poetry to teach grade school. Christine, who is the heart of this story, becomes a fine narrative artist, viewed by Alex as nothing more than a housewife's hobby. Lydia, who had the "gift of reeling the men in and throwing them out at the same time," devotes herself idleness, and Zach, generous and full of life, sustains the group. By his death, "the shape of all their lives was shaken loose now," and the disaster is not long in coming.

The women in their youth enjoyed "the golden good fortune of being chosen," but as their lives begin to fall apart, Christine wonders, if the "questioning of impervious male knowledge had always come to women at a certain age, in their prime, as they grew out of the illusions of girlhood. Or was it a new thing coming about in history, because of cultural change?" In Hadley's telling, it is Christine's personal history that liberates her, Christine's coming-of age late in the day.

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Travi Scholarship award winners

AMBOY — The Travi family is proud to announce the recipients of the Travi Family Scholarship. Our family is a strong believer in the value of education and how education can play an important role in one's future life successes. The local community has been very supportive of our family in our personal lives and professional careers. It is our honor to financially help in a small way our future citizens and community leaders achieve their career goals. The decision this year was a difficult due to the high quality of applicants. This year's recipients not only excelled in the classroom but were very involved in community service and extracurricular activities at the high school throughout their four years.

THE 2020 TRAVI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE:

Mercedes Bell. She will be pursuing a career in radiation therapy.

Nastasja Vaessen. She will be majoring in education.

Congratulations to both recipients and best of luck with your future career goals.



Pictured are from left, Mercedes Bell, Jim Travi and Nastasja Vaessen.

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Opinion

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances ~ The First Amendment

Rage is boiling over and we have to ask ourselves why?

As I've been watching racial tensions escalate, my mind has wandered into the realm of poetry.

To be precise, I've been thinking of the prose of the great African American poet Langston Hughes. The lyricist from Lincoln, Ill. wrote:

What happens to a dream deferred?

Does it dry up
like a raisin in the sun?
Or fester like a sore—
And then run?
Does it stink like rotten meat?
Or crust and sugar over—
like a syrupy sweet?

Maybe it just sags
like a heavy load.

Or does it explode?

The words are as applicable today as when they were written in 1951. Racial discrimination remains all too real in our society.

During my more than three decades in journalism, I've become all too aware of this.

I remember my first full-time newspaper job at the Galveston Daily News. I was only a few weeks out of graduate school when I was sent to cover a shooting.

Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



The victim was still bleeding on the dirt when I got there and the smell of gunpowder enveloped the air. I talked to witnesses, police officers and others. I worked the scene hard, just like I'd learned in journalism school.

I hurried back to the newsroom and began pounding out my story. I pitched it for prominent play to the managing editor. He asked one question: "Is the victim black or white?"

When I told him the victim was black, he replied in his syrupy East Texas drawl, "Well just make it a brief and we'll play it inside."

Black lives matter. Unfortunately, for some they don't matter much.

I'd been on the job for all of two or three weeks and he was the top editor in the newsroom.

I left the newsroom that day feeling dirty and compromised. I remember calling home to Illinois and asking my Dad: Should I quit?

His response was "No." He said no one wants to hire someone who quit their first job after only two weeks. He added: work hard and get hired by a better newspaper after you've put in at least a year there.

It may have been good personal advice, but its lousy guidance for how to improve a society. If good people won't stand up to racism, who will?

This is why I support the Black Lives Matter movement.

Peaceful protest is always an appropriate way to seek a redress of grievances from government.

When he ran for president, Donald Trump condemned professional athletes for taking a knee during the National Anthem. They harmed no one. But were disparaged for quietly protesting injustice.

It made people uncomfortable. Good. Comfort the afflicted, afflict the comfortable.

What happened to George Floyd in Minneapolis was shameful and wrong. And sadly, this type of conduct has been tolerated in police departments for far too long.

It is unfortunate, but not surprising, that urban violence has followed in the wake of this tragedy.

The answer isn't tear gas. It isn't rubber bullets. It isn't glib comments from a politician hunkered behind a wrought iron fence.

Rage is boiling over. We have to ask ourselves: why?

The Minneapolis officer charged with third-degree murder in Floyd's death had a long history of excessive force complaints. And, yet, he remained employed.

Over the years, I have written on police misconduct issues. In many cities it is difficult to fire a bad cop.

Much of this has to do with labor union rules and the arbitration process, which all too often protects incompetent, abusive officers.

We need to do a better job of policing the police. After all, if good people won't stand up, who will?

Scott Reeder is a veteran statehouse journalist and a freelance reporter. He can be reached by email at ScottReeder1965@gmail.com.



On This Day in History

100 Years Ago June 11, 1920

W.D. Scott, E.E. Ostrander, B.H. Lyon, James Thompson, Jr., Byron Treadwell, and John Haas went to Detroit Friday to bring home a consignment of new cars for Glasburn and Jacobs.

The B.Y.P.U. gave a farewell social Wednesday evening in the church parlors for Miss Harriett James, who will soon leave their midst, announcement being made of her approaching marriage.

Miss Mary Rooney spent Friday in DeKalb, where she went to make arrangements to attend summer school at the state Normal.

The Shaws School taught by Miss Anna Hayes, closed Thursday.

75 Years Ago June 7, 1945

Between 1900 and 2000 people attended the Rodeo at the new Lee County Fairgrounds on U.S. Route 52 north of

Amboy Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stephenitch of Sublette have purchased the W.W. Supinger residence on East Main Street, Amboy, and will make their home there. Mr. and Mrs. Supinger, Mary and Earl, will move to Polo where he is now agent and operator for the I.C.R.R.

50 Years Ago June 11, 1970

Members of the Amboy Immanuel Lutheran Church congregation will proudly dedicate their new church building in impressive ceremonies next Sunday, June 14.

Darrel Veith, student at Amboy High School, has been selected to attend a week-long Conservation class on a scholarship provided by the Amboy Evening Woman's Club. The class will be held later this month at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

Sixty new employees were added to the Dixon State School staff in the pe-

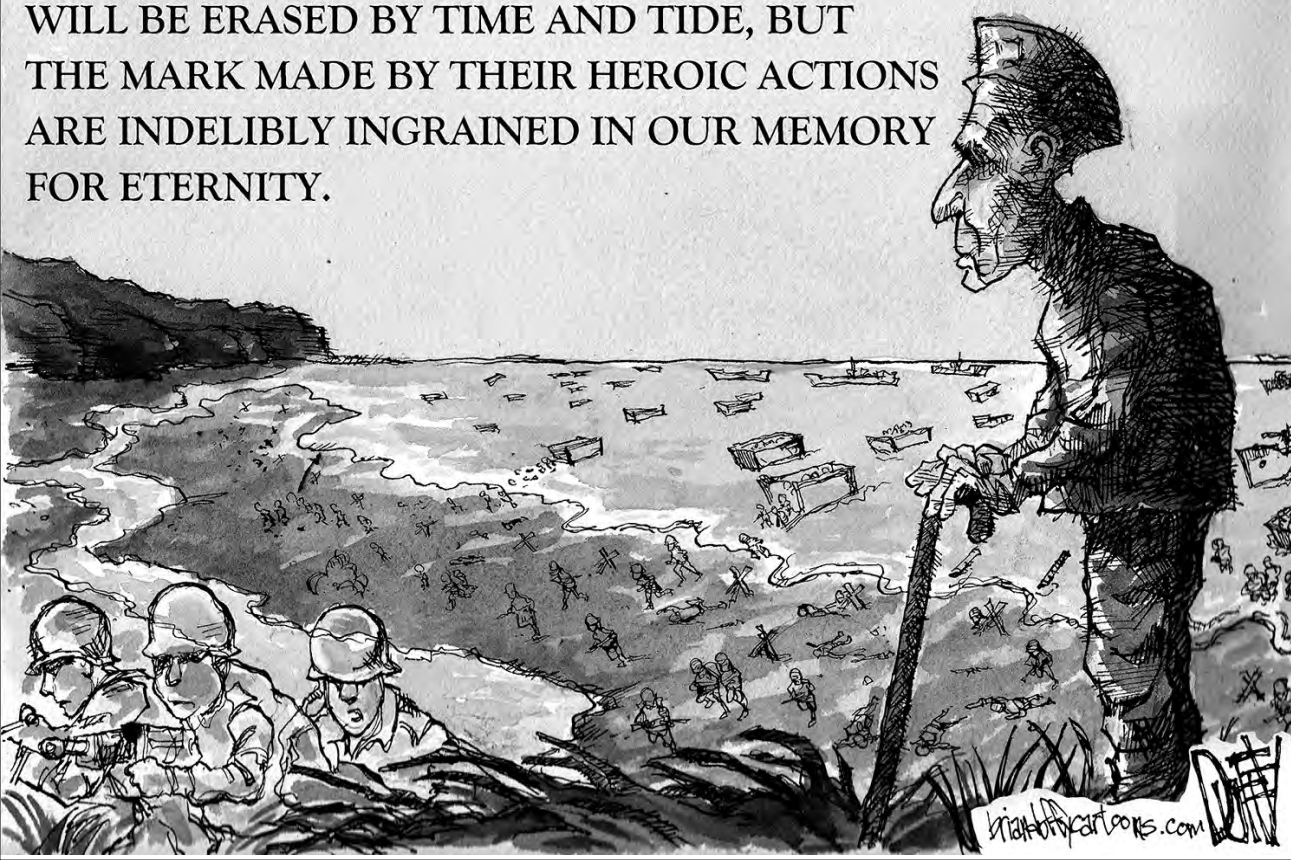
riod from March 18 to May 4. Included in these are Nursing Assistant Bonnie Haley, Clothing Service Aide I. Jean Fogle, and Dietary Worker Doris Ail, all of Amboy.

25 Years Ago June 15, 1995

Jeffrey Bryant of Amboy was recently named Employee Volunteer of the Year at Dixon Correctional Center. According to a letter written by Keith Nelson, warden, Jeff has been a member of Amboy Fire Department for over six years and serves as a volunteer fireman, EMT, CPR and Red Cross first aid instructor.

A ribbon of \$5 bills was cut Monday to kick off a week-long grand opening celebration at First Federal Savings bank in Amboy. The firm recently moved into its new facility in downtown Amboy. The ribbon, accounting to \$250, was donated to the Depot Museum for its renovation project.

SOON THE LAST FOOTPRINTS OF THE NEARLY 175,000 TROOPS THAT CHARGED THE BEACHES AND CLIFFS OF NORMANDY WILL BE ERASED BY TIME AND TIDE, BUT THE MARK MADE BY THEIR HEROIC ACTIONS ARE INDELIBLY INGRAINED IN OUR MEMORY FOR ETERNITY.



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SOCIAL/LOCAL NEWS



Ray and Linda Ramsdell

Couple to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

FRANKLIN GROVE — Ray and Linda Ramsdell are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Ray Ramsdell and Linda Vivian were united in marriage on June 27, 1970 at the Lee Center Congregational Church. They have been lifelong farmers and are the parents of Angie (David) Laughlin of Pickerington, Ohio, Randy (Marcy) Ramsdell, of Franklin Grove, and Rob (Kristina) Ramsdell, of Eldena. They have 6 grandchildren and 3 step grandchildren. A celebration has been postponed. Instead, please send cards to 1432 Franklin Rd., Franklin Grove, IL 61031



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If You are in Need
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Mini Food Pantry
We have devised a small pantry in the hallway of Teen Turf. The outside door is always open. We have snacks, school supplies, and other fun items. Please take what you need. We will continue this program until the epidemic is over. If you need something in particular, don't hesitate to call Eileen at 815-440-8195 or call Teen Turf at 815-857-4800.

St. Pat's Food Pantry
Due to the unprecedented times, St. Pat's is holding extra food pantry dates in June. They will be having their normal one on June 17, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. No need to get out of car, they will bring the groceries to your car.

A Note to say hello or Happy Birthday in June
If you know any person, young or old who is in need of a Hello or a Happy Birthday. Please reach out to us via Facebook Messaging or please call Eileen Piper at 815-440-8195. We have given out over 50+ cards.

Final Word
"Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight." Romans 12:16

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Amboy High School announces its honor roll

AMBOY—Amboy High School announces its second semester honor roll.

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- Sophomores**
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- Freshmen**
James Curl, Charlie Dickinson, Courtney Ortgiesen, Kelton Schwamberger, Alexandra Vaessen, Wesley Wilson
- HIGH HONORS**
- Seniors**
Ashley Althaus, Mercedes Bell, Bailey Bickett, Kyleigh Donna, Arian Fekolli, Tristan Graves, Trevyn Gunning, Jakob Highbarger, Justin Janssen, Daunte Kessel, Avery Shaw, Riley Sus, Margaret Vaessen, Nastasja Vaessen, Joshua Yocum,
- Juniors**
Tori Daniels, Dashad Greene, Madelyn Henry,

- Mariah Hoffman, Jordan Jacobs, Brady Jones, Calvin Seier, Carter Seier, Brooklyn Whelchel
- Sophomores**
Lauren Althaus, Olivia Dinges, Mason Ely, Jordan Gulley, Sabdy Herrera, Jairon Hochstatter, Elizabeth Malach, Dana Merriman, Amelia Mondro, Baylie Nickel, Kenzie Nickel, Chanlor Pohl, Susana Santiago-Meirndorf, Haley Sus, Caden Wittenauer
- Freshmen**
Olivia Costner, Bradley Dinwiddie, Sierra Huffman, Landon Koppien, Courtney

- Lachat, Brian Moore, Garrett Pertell, Phillip Stewart, Aislinn Zitelman
- HONORS**
- Seniors**
Justin Martinson, Austin Norman, Alison O'Rourke, James Popovich, Zachary Wicaryus
- Juniors**
Darla Appleman, Joshua DeWaele, Makenzie Gerdes, Preston Henkel, Makai King, Caden Latta, Eden Lindemeyer, Macy Mershon, Brian Murphy, Manon Poublanc, Liberty Sheaves, Natalia Soto
- Sophomores**

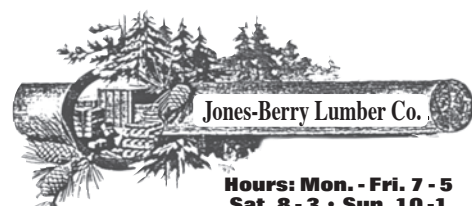
- Jacob Bickett, Hannah Blanton, Nicholas Corcoran, Angela Daszkiewicz, Nicole Latta, Haden McCoy, Alyzea Mckendry, Olivia Miller, Sophia Nelson, Autumn Norman, Haidyn Zimmerly
- Freshmen**
Reed Barnes, Jarrett Dempsey, Ryan Dickinson, Ethan Garcia, Jose Herrera, Brooklyn Hoffman, Ana Guadalupe Lopez-Belmontes, Ethan Pratt, Robert Raymond, Tatum Romero, Alison Shaw, Marie Shaw, Valentin Vazquez, Kaylin Woodyatt, Nicole Worman

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

IL - TAX DEED LEE 2017TX5 2017-00198
TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 2017-00198 TO: Estate of Diana E. Inman Occupant Loreen Inman Peterson Jennifer Inman Stacy Lydon First National Bank in Amboy Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of LEE County, Ill. as Case No. 2017TX5 The Property is located at: 465 Dry Gulch Rd., Amboy, IL Property Index Number: 13-21-11-101-002 Said Property was sold on 10/31/2017 for Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and/or Special Assessments for the year 2016. The period of redemption will expire on 9/21/2020. On 10/15/20 at 11:00 am the Petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed. Realtax Developers, Ltd, Petitioner No. 0503 May 27, June 3, 10, 2020

IL - TAX DEED LEE 2017TX5 2017-00024
TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 2017-00024 TO: Louis Digoia Louis Digoia Spouse of Louis Digoia Louis Digoia Spouse of Louis Digoia Spouse of Louis Digoia Occupant Jessica Barrera Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of LEE County, Ill. as Case No. 2017TX5 The Property is located at: 219 S. Locust St., Amboy, IL Property Index Number: 02-15-23-101-002 Said Property was sold on 10/31/2017 for Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and/or Special Assessments for the year 2016. The period of redemption will expire on 9/21/2020. On 10/15/20 at 11:00 am the Petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed. Realtax Developers, Ltd, Petitioner No. 0504 May 27, June 3, 10, 2020

terested in said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of LEE County, Ill. as Case No. 2017TX5 The Property is located at: 19 N. Jones Ave., Amboy, IL Property Index Number: 02-15-15-457-006 Said Property was sold on 10/31/2017 for Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and/or Special Assessments for the year 2016. The period of redemption will expire on 9/21/2020. On 10/15/20 at 11:00 am the Petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed. Realtax Developers, Ltd, Petitioner No. 0505 May 27, June 3, 10, 2020

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on February 14 A.D. 2020 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Lee County, Illinois, setting forth, the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Inspired located at 204 N. Jefferson Amboy, IL 61310. Dated this 14th day of February A.D. 2020. Cathy Myers, County Clerk by Lori Miller, Deputy No. 0506 May 27, June 3, 10, 2020

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 18 A.D. 2020 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Lee County, Illinois, setting forth, the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Skaggs Family Farm located at 452 Church Rd. Compton, IL 61318. Dated this 18th day of May A.D. 2020. Cathy Myers, County Clerk By Gerianne Knack, Deputy No. 0508 May 27, June 3, 10, 2020

INVITE TO BID

The City of Amboy will accept sealed bids for a 1990 Chevy Pickup Truck with plow until 4:00pm on Friday June 26, 2020. Submit bids to City of Amboy 227 East Main Street, Amboy, IL 61310 The City reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Any questions contact Jeramey Wittenauer 815-857-3814. No. 0603 June 10, 2020

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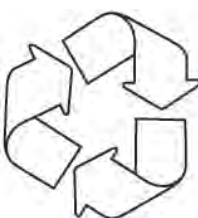
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2020 Buick Enclave AWD Avenir, WHite.....\$45,900	2017 Chevy 1500 Crew 4x4, LT, Silver.....\$30,900
2018 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab LTZ, 4x4, Black.....\$37,900	2017 Chevy Cruze LT Gray.....\$16,900
2018 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab LT, 4x4, Maroon.....\$33,500	2017 Chevy Equinox, FWD LT, Sunroof, Blue.....\$16,500
2018 Chevy Crew 1500 LT, Leather, 4x4, Gray....\$31,500	2016 Chevy K1500 Crew CabLT, 4x4, Z71, Gray.....\$28,500
2018 Chevy Equinox FWD LT Black.....\$19,500	2016 Chevy Traverse LTZ AWD Sunroof, DVD, Tow Pkg Pearl White.....\$26,500
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LOCAL NEWS

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



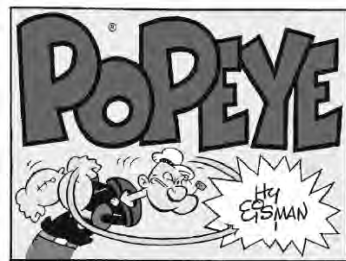
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Angst

AMELIAS

Guard

BORRED

Gift

WODEN

Gourd

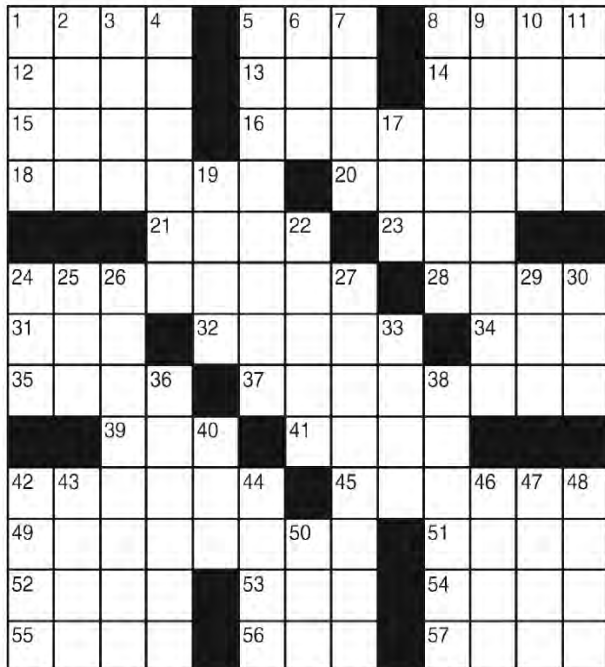
TUGMEN

TODAY'S WORD

ACROSS

- 1 Impale
5 Father
8 Waller or Domino
12 Operatic solo
13 Playwright Levin
14 "Step —!" ("Hurry!")
15 Kindly bloke
16 Make a mock-up of
18 I before E except —
20 Draw forth
21 Doesn't feel good
23 Overly
24 Kiss
28 Winter forecast
31 Debt notice
32 Detroit team
34 Payable
35 Calm before the storm
37 Vary a tone
39 Winning hand's winnings
41 Cupola
42 Notlikethis
45 Random drawing?
49 Count
51 Require
52 Right angles
53 Knight's title

King Crossword



- 54 On the rocks
55 Encounter
56 Skirt terminus
57 "Finding Nemo" character
7 Knighted woman
8 Page numbers
9 Big snake
10 South American monkey
11 Undo a delete
17 Last (Abbr.)
19 Small stream
22 Remained upright
24 Lubricant
25 Old French coin
26 Guilty
27 Germ layer
29 Result of three strikes
30 Tiny
33 Wrestling style
36 Noisy swarmer
38 Nikita's successor
40 — Aviv
42 Branch
43 Wan
44 Morse morsel
46 Retro art style
47 Lecherous look
48 Vortex
50 Dead heat

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Earring is missing. 2. Man's expression is different. 3. Tree is gone. 4. Shadow is cast on bush. 5. Blade handles are different. 6. Leaves are different.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: V equals N

WT U JRDMIJRVQ WI UMROJ JR TUAA
RSQC UVK PWJ HRO, HRO DWFPJ IUH
HRO'CQ WV FCUSQ KUVFQC.

REMEMBER

Today's Word

3. Endow; 2. Nutmeg

1. Malaise; 2. Border;

solution

SCRAMBLERS

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY: Denali is the highest mountain on which continent?
- GAMES: What color of property is Connecticut Avenue in the board game Monopoly?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Gracie Mansion is the official residence of which elected official?
- MOVIES: Which 1980s movie tagline was "the first casualty of war is innocence"?
- MATH: What is the only number that is twice the sum of its digits?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a dolphin baby called?
- ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system spins the fastest on its axis?
- LANGUAGE: What is a bugaboo?
- TELEVISION: What was the family's last name on "The Cosby Show"?
- FOOD & DRINK: What kind of flower produces vanilla pods?

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Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

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Cow Belle Ice Cream Assorted 46-48 oz  \$3.49 ea. Reg. Price \$3.89 ea.	Johnsonville Brats or Sausage 18 oz Assorted  \$4.49 ea. Reg. Price \$5.89 ea.	Redi Serve Chicken Strips, Nibblers or Patties 30-36 oz  \$3.99 ea. Reg. Price \$5.79 ea.

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<div>C & H Cane Sugar</div> <div>4 lb bag</div> <div><div>\$2.79</div><div>ea.</div></div> <div>Reg. Price \$3.09 ea.</div> <div></div>	<div>Daisy Sour Cream</div> <div>14 oz</div> <div><div>\$1.99</div><div>ea.</div></div> <div>Reg. Price \$2.69 ea.</div> <div></div>	<div>Blue Bunny Ice Cream Cones or Sandwich</div> <div>9 Pack</div> <div><div>\$3.99</div><div>ea.</div></div> <div>Reg. Price \$5.39-6.49 ea.</div> <div></div>	<div>Food Club Garlic Bread, Sticks or Texas Toast</div> <div>10-16 oz</div> <div><div>\$1.49</div><div>ea.</div></div> <div>Reg. Price \$1.99 ea.</div> <div></div>
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