



Memorial Day events canceled, small presentation planned

AMBOY—The Amboy American Legion won't be hosting an official Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 25. Instead, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Amboy American Legion will do a small presentation in honor of Memorial Day.

The Amboy American Legion Rifle Squad will post the colors and fire a volley at 10 a.m. in Veterans Park in Amboy on Memorial Day. Volley fire, as a military tactic, is in its simplest form the concept of having soldiers shoot in turns. In practice, it often consists of having a line of soldiers all fire their weapons simultaneously at the enemy forces on command.

The public is allowed to attend the presentation, but is asked to exercise social distancing and follow the current health guidelines.

Services in Sublette and Woodhaven Lakes have been canceled.

Brooklyn American Legion

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Memorial Day services for Brooklyn American Legion Post 657 will be canceled.

Amboy Poppy Sales

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic the American Legion Auxiliary will not be hosting the sale of poppies over the Memorial Day weekend this year.

Lee and Ogle County officials submit four phase re-opening plan to governor's office

LEE COUNTY — Officials from Ogle and Lee Counties have submitted re-opening plans to Governor Pritzker's Office, thanks to assistance from State Representative Tom Demmer.

The plan includes detailed criteria for local businesses that have been deemed 'non-essential' by the Governor's executive order to re-open. The group is anxiously awaiting a response.

The plan, crafted in collaboration with elected officials, public health administrators and hospital representatives from both counties outlines specific measures local businesses would take to re-open. Legal advisors for the public entities in the region advise against re-opening outside the pa-

rameters of the Governor's executive order due to the legal and financial consequences. Therefore, the two-county group wishes to work alongside the Governor and his staff to come to an agreeable solution.

Representatives are also reaching out to the Illinois Municipal League's Director, Brad Cole, to engage in conversations regarding modifications to the re-opening guidelines. The Illinois Municipal League serves as an advocate for all municipalities throughout the State and has been engaged with the Governor's office since early on in this crisis.

"A successful re-opening plan should be based on local data, and have the input of local health department officials and community leaders," Said Illinois State Representative

Sublette approves new contract with Republic

BY TONJA GREENFIELD
General Manager

SUBLETTE—The Sublette Village Board met remotely again for their monthly meeting on Monday, May 11.

Pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order No. 2020-07 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5), Governor Pritzker has suspended certain rules of the Open Meetings Act—specifically the Executive Order permits remote public meetings. In light of the current COVID-19 public health emergency and the prohibition of public gathering of 10 or more, the Sublette Village Board has chosen to conduct the board meeting remotely on April 13, April 30 and May 11.

Attendees had the option of calling into the meeting or viewing the meeting through their computer.

Residents were still allowed to ask questions during the Audience Participation portion of the meeting – with the difference being how they asked the question. Acting Village Board President John Stenzel asked that those with questions to send them prior to the start of the meeting to stenz1@hotmail.com and said that those questions and/or comments will be read during the meeting and addressed.

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Pritzker details contact tracing pilot effort, defends misdemeanor emergency rule

BY JERRY NOWICKI AND BEN ORNER
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Gov. JB Pritzker on Monday announced the launch of Illinois' contact tracing program and defended an emergency rule filed Friday to allow for misdemeanor charges against businesses defying his stay-at-home order.

The contact-tracing effort for COVID-19 – one that is required to move the state along the governor's "Restore Illinois" reopening plan – will begin in two pilot counties.

Pritzker said contact tracing, which was used early on in the state's coronavirus outbreak when the number of cases was manageable small, consists of tracers interviewing people who have newly tested positive about who they had significant contact with in the past 48 hours.

Those people, often family, friends or co-workers, are then contacted and encouraged to stay home and practice social distancing for 14 days or get tested.

Pritzker called contact tracing "arguably

our most sustainable tool" in further slowing new COVID-19 cases and lifting social and economic restrictions.

"This straightforward process truly does reduce the number of new infections," the governor said during his daily briefing from his Chicago home.

Contact tracing will be conducted on the local level by Illinois' 97 county and city health departments, but supported by the Illinois Department of Public Health. The two pilot counties, St. Clair County, outside St. Louis, and Lake County, north of Chicago, will immediately ramp up their contact tracing capabilities for newly-discovered COVID-19 patients.

The two counties were chosen "for having significant needs in terms of case numbers in vulnerable populations, a capacity to grow their contact tracing and great existing collaborations of public health personnel, medical students and volunteers already on the ground," Pritzker said.

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Amboy Junior High to co-op with Paw Paw for soccer

BY BONNIE MORRIS
Editor

AMBOY—A new sport will be available to Amboy Junior High School students this fall. The Amboy Board of Education approved a two-year coop agreement with Paw Paw for junior high soccer for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 school years.

Some board members expressed concern during the May 14 board of education meeting, saying they were reluctant to possibly interfere with the community-based AYSO. However, the new program will be a school sport with transportation provided, trained officials, certified coaches and added structure. The sport will be open to boys and girls in 6th-8th grade. Games and practices will be held in Paw Paw.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Joshua Nichols said the Amboy School District expects to receive \$102,508 from the Federal Cares Act. The money is to be used to support necessities

related to the COVID-19 school shut down including remote learning and Wifi increases. Nichols said the funding amount is based on the district's Title 1 funding.

Nichols again expressed his appreciation to all staff members and everyone else who supported the school district's efforts over the past two months. "I am impressed by what we did," he said. "We have fed 280 students on average each week and we were fortunate that we already had devices for our students, because not all schools did. Some are still shopping for Chromebooks. The staff and everyone involved did a great job."

OTHER BUSINESS

- Approval was given to the course requirements for the Amboy High School graduating class of 2020. Nichols said the state gave school districts flexibility in determining the requirements due to reliance on remote learning the past two months.

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Strong thunderstorm, winds roll through area Thursday night

LEE COUNTY—The National Weather Service reported that flash flooding and scattered strong thunderstorm winds occurred on the night of Thursday, May 14 into Friday, May 15.

Rainfall amounts from this round of storms, along with rainfall earlier in the day on Thursday, brought some totals in excess

of four inches in parts of the Chicago metro (including the official measurement at O'Hare International Airport), and also in/near Kankakee County.

The heavy rain resulted in some impassible roads due to water.

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United Way addresses summer hunger, provides free meals

LEE COUNTY — Beginning June 3, United Way of Lee County will provide free meals to all children and teens in Lee County, all summer long.

"Food insecurity has made an already stressful time even more so. Many families rely on school meals to feed their children," said Keri Olson, Executive Director of United Way of Lee County. "The United Way Summer Eats program will help bridge the gap by providing families safe, stigma-free places to receive meals."

Kids and teens will be able to get a grab and go meal from one of 10 sites throughout Lee

County. Meals will feature kid-friendly foods like peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, crackers, granola bars, and fruit. No registration or ID is required, and participation is open to all children and teens 18 and under.

United Way of Lee County began serving summer meals in 2017. Changes to this year's Summer Eats will allow for added safety during the pandemic. Additional cleaning procedures will be maintained, and meals will focus on prepacked, individually sealed items. Instead of serving lunches three days a week, each site will only serve on Wednesdays but

will provide three lunches for each child, along with extra goodies. Pick up will be contact-less and volunteers will be provided with masks and gloves. The program runs June 3– Aug. 12.

2020 Summer Eats Meal Sites and Serving Times

- Dixon High School Cafeteria: 12 p.m.
- Madison/Reagan Middle School: 12 p.m.
- Jefferson School: 12 p.m.
- Washington School: 12 p.m.
- Old Lincoln School (Open Sesame): 12 p.m.
- St Paul Church, Dixon: 12 p.m.

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Lee County announces its first death from COVID-19 on May 12

LEE COUNTY — On May 12, the Unified Executive Leadership team was saddened to report the first COVID-19 related death in a Lee County resident. This individual was a resident of Jack Mabley Center and had recently been hospitalized and receiving comfort care. The resident was in his or her late 50's and had underlying health conditions. The Unified Executive Leadership Team offers its sincere condolences to this individual's family, friends and the staff of Jack Mabley Center.

As of May 18, the total for Lee County is now 79, with 1 death.

Current Testing Criteria:

The Illinois Department of Public Health has expanded testing guidelines. Now the following people can be tested with or without symptoms.

- Work in health care facility
- Work in correctional facilities, such as jails or prisons
- Serve as first responders, such as paramedics, emergency medical technicians, law enforcement officers, or firefighters
- Support critical infrastructure, such as workers in grocery stores, pharmacies, restaurants, gas stations, public utilities, factories, childcare and sanitation.

AMBOY MINUTE

Amboy High School
Class of 2020

CLASS OF 2020

Amboy High School Class of 2020 graduates featured.

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Lee County tax bills to be mailed to residents on May 22

LEE COUNTY — Paula Meyer, Lee County Treasurer, announced that her office mailed real estate tax bills on May 22 to Lee County property owners. Taxes are payable in two installments due on June 26 and Sept. 2.

The County Treasurer asked that anyone not receiving a bill please contact the Treasurer's Office 815-288-4477.

Failure to receive a bill does not exempt liability for payment. This is the only bill taxpayers will receive.

As the Old Lee County Courthouse is closed, the preferred methods of payment are:

1) Online by direct debit from a bank account at www.leecountyil.com. The online payment service provider charges a \$1.00 convenience fee for direct debit payments. No portion of these fees are received by Lee

County.

2) Online by credit card at www.leecountyil.com. The online payment service provider charges a 2.35 percent convenience fee for credit card payments. No portion of these fees are received by Lee County.

3) By mail to the Lee Co. Treasurer, PO Box 328, Dixon, IL 61021. Please include the stubs with the payment.

4) Payment at any bank in Amboy, Ashton, Dixon, Franklin Grove, Paw Paw, Sublette, and West Brooklyn. Please bring the entire tax bill to the bank.

Those taxpayers who intend to pay at the Old Lee County Courthouse should be aware that the building is locked. Payments will be accepted from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through a first floor window on the north side.

White announces drive-through services for vehicle registration

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced today that beginning Tuesday, May 19, seven facilities will be offering drive-through services for vehicle registration sticker transactions only. This is the first step in a comprehensive reopening plan that

will be announced shortly and will include the proper protections for customers and employees, such as PPE and social distancing.

The seven drive-through facilities are Chicago North, Chicago South, Chicago West, Rockford-Central, Macomb, Springfield-Dirk-

sen and Tilton. These facilities were selected due to the configuration of the buildings which allowed for drive-through transactions. All employees will wear face masks and customers are encouraged to do the same.

"My commitment is to do everything we can to help protect the health and safety of our residents, while providing services to the people of Illinois," said White.

White continues to urge the public to renew their vehicle registration stickers online at www.cyberdriveilinois.com for those customers that can do so. Since mid-March, more than 600,000 people have renewed their stickers online, an increase of approximately 65 percent.

White is reminding the public that all expiration dates for driver's licenses, ID cards and vehicle registrations have been extended at least 90 days after Driver Services facilities reopen.

White also reminded the public that the federal government extended the REAL ID deadline by one year. The deadline is now Oct. 1, 2021.

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"This is a hard decision but these are unprecedented times," he told the board. "There are a few students who, if they were physically in school, would probably graduate because we would be here to help and encourage them. Some students' personal lives have melted down during this time and it gets a little crazy for them."

AHS Principal Janet Crownhart noted that the governor's guidance suggested that any student who was on track to graduate in March, should not be penalized and kept from graduating due to the pandemic. Crownhart said there are only three students on the borderline and their home lives have played a role. "We reached out but there are extenuating circumstances," she said.

• Nichols said the con-

struction project at AHS is still continuing on schedule. Foundation work is underway and ComEd completed the transition of power. Next will be the precast panels, which are expected in the next month or so.

• The board approved the IASB policy revisions and the fee schedule for 2020-21.

• A proposal from OSF Saint Paul Medical Center, Mendota for drug and alcohol testing services for the 2020-21 school year was approved. Nichols noted that OSF had been doing a good job at a reasonable price and recommended the district continue working with them.

• The board approved two lease proposals from Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc. The first is for a 2019 model, 72-passenger school bus and the second is a for two 2020

model, 14-passenger activity buses. Both leases are for three-years.

• Approval was given to a rental agreement with Technology Resource Advisors, Inc. for 131 Chromebooks at a cost of \$52,138.

PERSONNEL

Following closed session, the board accepted the retirement resignation of Marsha Monaghan as library aide and cashier at Amboy Junior High, effective May 20. They accepted the resignation of Wendy Shiaras as a 3rd grade teacher and of Emily Majewski as a 2nd grade teacher, both effective at the end of the 2019-20 school year.

The resignation of Melissa Fields as assistant head cook at Amboy Junior High was accepted as of May 20. Fields was then approved as building secretary at Central School, effective May 4.

The next regular board meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 18 at Central School. All meetings are open to the public.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AMBOY-St. Patrick Food Pantry, 32 N. Jones Ave., will have drive by/pick up service from 9 to 10 a.m. each Wednesday during May.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., is closed for regular business. Call 815-284-3371 for updates.

AMBOY-All Lee County Extension, as well as Carroll and Whiteside Extension, events have been cancelled, suspended, or transitioned to online delivery. This applies to all events scheduled through May 31, 2020. Go

to: go.illinois.edu/Extension-COVID19 for updates and to ask questions.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Friday, May 22, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 421 S. Peoria Ave. Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

STERLING-The American Red Cross will hold a

Blood Drive from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27, at Sterling YMCA, 2505 Avenue E. 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 6, from 9 a.m. until noon. Call 815-440-2078 for more information.

Lee Center Cemetery maintenance district meeting set for June 3

LEE CENTER—The Lee Center Cemetery Maintenance District Committee will meet at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, June 3, at Mike Jahn's shop located at 1119 Inlet Road in Lee Center. The main purpose of this meeting is to approve both the 2019-20 financial statement and the 2020-21 annual budget.

Also, due to the current coronavirus situation, there will not be a community Memorial Day weekend service at the cemetery this year.

We would like to thank Judy Schmidt and Janice White who will be placing the flags on the veterans' graves before the holiday weekend.

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OBITUARIES

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Jason R. Wittenauer March 26, 1975 - May 15, 2020

AMBOY — Jason R. Wittenauer, 45, of Amboy, died Friday, May 15, 2020 at KSB Hospital in Dixon after a life long battle with diabetes.

He was born March 26, 1975, in Dixon, the son of Rick and Linda (Glenn) Wittenauer.

Jason was a member of the United First Church in Amboy.

Jason is survived by son, Brian (Sabian Rock) Wittenauer, of Dixon; his parents, of Amboy; brothers, Ryan (Sarah) Wittenauer, of Amboy, Chad Wittenauer, of

Dixon and Kyle (Kimberly) Wittenauer, of Amboy; and nieces, Madison, Julia, Bailey, and Harper Wittenauer.

He is also survived by many aunts, uncle, and cousins.

A private family service and visitation will be held on Wednesday at the United First Church in Amboy. Burial will follow at Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy. A memorial has been established.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.



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

Duane (Moon) Zimmerly June 30, 1974 - May 15, 2020

AMBOY — Duane (Moon) Zimmerly, 45, of Amboy passed away Friday, May 15, 2020 at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital.

He was born June 30, 1974, in Princeton, the son of Daryl "Chuck" and Marlene (Sheridan) Zimmerly. Duane had worked for Marshall Beauty Supply in Dixon.

Duane loved hunting, fishing, trapping, four-wheeling, his family, his dogs, and participating in the Pro-Am fishing tournaments in Savanna. He was also an avid White Sox and Chicago Bulls fan.

He was preceded in death

by his father, Chuck. Duane is survived by his mother, Marlene Zimmerly, of Amboy; sisters, Angie Zimmerly Mills, of Bentonville, Ark., and Nicole (Kyle) Schoenholz, of Amboy; and nieces and nephews, Vaughan and Gavin Mills, Chloe Landrus, and Charlie, Cozy and Cash Schoenholz.

A family Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m., on Thursday, May 21, 2020, at St Mary Catholic Church in Walton. Burial will follow at St Patrick Cemetery in Maytown. Family visitation will be on Thursday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. the



Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. A memorial has been established.

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

Carol V. Foglesong Oct. 2, 1946 - May 15, 2020

NEW BOSTON — Carol V. Foglesong, 73, of New Boston, Illinois died Friday, May 15, 2020 at Trinity Rock Island.

Private family visitation will be held at Dennison Funeral Home, Aledo. Graveside services are Wednesday, May 20 at New Boston Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to a local food pantry.

Carol was born Oct. 2, 1946 in New Boston the daughter of Milton and Gwendolyn Maxine Humble McDonald. In September of 1963 she married Curtis Coulter, from this marriage came two children, Rhonda and Scott. Carol spent the last 29 years with her beloved Larry.

She worked several years at Heinz in Muscatine, retiring in 1992. In her younger days she loved to play

softball. She was an avid gardener who loved flowers and watching birds...especially hummingbirds. Carol loved playing board games, bingo, cards and going to the casino. She was a wonderful cook and baker, her pies were delicious. Her greatest joy was time spent with family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Those left to cherish her memory are her beloved, Larry Morrissey; children, Rhonda (James) Akers and Scott Coulter; grandchildren, Melissa (Brad) Carrell, Amy (Dusty) Terrill, Lindsay (Tyler Johnston) Etheridge, Brandon (Ashley) Coulter and Matt Zimmerman; great-grandchildren, Kaiden, Brody, Lily, Blair and Jude; siblings, Marilyn (Lloyd) Nelson, Kathleen Baker, Alice Cantrell, Mick (Debbie) McDonald and Peg



Larson; as well as Larry's children, Christine Ryan, JP Morrissey and Katie (Vince) Spiritosanto and grandchildren, Michael, Audrey, Tess, Johnny and Talia.

She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Cheryl McDonald, Virginia Lascelles, Jim McDonald and Jodie Whitlow.

Online condolences may be left at www.dennisonfuneralhome.com.

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There was a swath of notable wind damage to primarily trees in north central Illinois (Lee & DeKalb Counties) into the far western suburbs of Chicago (Kane County), and while broad strong winds are the main culprit, it's possible some of this was caused by

brief tornadoes.

In Sublette, Lee County Emergency Management reported tree damage in Woodhaven Lakes area, and part of a roof uplifted in town.

The Lee County Emergency Management reported flooding of IL Route 26 near

IL Route 30 and of residential streets in Amboy.

In Paw Paw, there were reports of wind damage including numerous trees down along Chicago Road, Chapman Street and Maple Street.

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Republic Services

The board voted 4-1 in favor of extending the village's current contract with Republic Services by five years, expiring Feb 28, 2027. The new contract will include a rate increase and Republic will supply 95 gallon totes to residents. Voting against the motion was Sublette Village Trustee Julie Kessel. Absent from the vote was Sublette

Village Trustee Jeff Myers. When asked why she voted no, Kessel said she would have liked to see different contract rates once the current contract was up. This new contract will take effect on July 1.

In other board news:

- An in-person committee meeting will be held to discuss the upcoming budget.
- UBmax billing software

is up and running. Stenzel said that there is a place where residents can log in and set up a username and password and have access to their personal water account. He added that they are still working out how to send out delinquent letters.

The next Sublette Village Board meeting will be held at 7 p.m., on Monday, June 8.

Amboy News Obituary Policy

The Amboy News will print DEATH NOTICES (approximately 50 words including name, age, date of death, time/date of services) free of charge. OBITUARIES will be printed at a cost of \$25 to be billed to the arranging funeral home or prepaid with cash, check or credit card. Please submit obituaries or death notices to tgreenfield@amboynews.com.

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SOCIAL NEWS

The Book Nook

By:

Tatjana Kazan

Her Mother's Daughter

There are those who insist that mothers are born with love for their children and place them before all other things, including their own needs and desires. This was not the case with us." So begins Alice Hoffman's terrific short story "Everything My Mother Taught Me" (available on amazon Kindle).

The story is a retelling of the ancient tale of a daughter's adoration of her dead father coupled with an abhorrence of her adulterous mother. It is told by twelve-year-old Adeline: In 1908, after the quiet demise of her saintly father, Adeline's beautiful young mother Nora finds employment as a housekeeper at a lighthouse on a desolate island "at the tip of Cape Ann, Thacher Island was made up of fifty acres of rocks," and proceeds to have an affair with one of the lighthouse keepers, the handsome Rowan Ballard with the beautiful smile. Her mother, Adeline explains "was the sort of person who saw only herself and her shadow, and the rest of us disappeared in the bright sunlight."

Adeline rather off-handedly mentions the depth of her devotion to her dead father: "I abolished all language on the day of my father's funeral. I did it to honor my father and outrage my mother, who slapped me when I refused to answer her." It takes will and tenacity and plenty of self-righteous piety for a twelve-year-old to forever hold her tongue.

Adeline befriends Rowan's wife Julia and in time makes her an accomplice. "She was older than my mother, and quiet, like me. She was pretty, but you had to search for her beauty, which was hidden in her kind eyes." Julia shields Adeline from Nora's cruelties and bravely endures Rowan's beatings. "She feared the man who crept into her bed early in the morning, when he was done with my mother," Adeline imagines and concludes "She would have to do away with herself in order to have a life of her own."

Adeline hatches a plan to save Julia with the added possibility of doing in her mother. She loves Thacher Island, but she is philosophical: "I would miss the white stones and the tide pools and the way the stars shone at night, so close it seemed you could touch them. I'd miss the goats and the niece's grave and how the storms came in so quickly you had to run and hide. I understood why my father loved the sea and why he left it. I closed my eyes and went through a list of everything I wished I could thank him for giving me. Patience, loyalty, trust, and hopefully, in time, kindness." Her plan, of course, lacks all of these fine virtues. It relies, as the title suggests, on everything her mother taught her.

Educational Briefs

Braida graduates from Iowa State

AMES, Iowa—Michael James Braida recently graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Iowa State. He is the son of Timothy Braida and Jodie Koch and the grandson of Marilyn and the late James Braida.

TEEN TURF

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Thank you to John Pierce, William Kant, Sue Seaworth, Susan Duffy, Margaret Duffy, Katherine Worton, Jeremy & Kristen Tews, Wayne Smith, Judy Truckenbrod, Don & Paula Meyer, Denise & Marty Bickett, Will Klein (from himself and also in honor of Chris and Kim Leffleman), and to everyone who had given on Giving Tuesday through Facebook. These individuals either provided food or monetary resources for us to continue.

If You are in Need

If you or someone else you know needs anything, for example, food, toiletries, or medicine, please don't hesitate to contact Eileen Piper at 815-440-8195. She can arrange for someone to pick up and drop off those items in a safe and timely manner.

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 May on Wednesdays: 20th, and 27th 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 May
If you know any person,

young or old who is 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

Touch me, O Lord, and fill me with your light and your hope. Dear God, please give me strength when I am weak, love when I feel forsaken, courage when I am afraid, wisdom when I feel foolish, comfort when I am alone, hope when I feel rejected, and peace when I am in turmoil. Amen.



THE PASTOR'S PEN

God still has the answers we need

BY PASTOR JOHN KALEBAUGH
The COVID-19 Pandemic, as expected, has affected our economy in ways without precedent in recent years as our nation's economy has been brought to a near standstill and the prosperity we have experienced – perhaps the greatest in the last 50 years, appears to be all but erased. The fears and hardships experienced by people seeking to put food on the table and pay the bills now seems equal to those of the virus. One may wonder, "Does Scripture hold any 'keys' which may apply to our nation's current situation?" I believe it does.

In its' time the nation of Israel may have also been considered one of the most prosperous nations on Earth – for its size. Under the reigns of King David and Solomon the nation had prospered to such an extent that, "The king made silver as common in Jerusalem as stones." (2 Chronicles 9:27). Solomon was doing quite well! In fact, he was doing so well the Queen of Sheba came to visit him and when she heard his wisdom and witnessed the magnificence of his kingdom, the Bible says, "There was no more spirit in her." In other words, "... she was overwhelmed!" (9:4) Can you imagine that! This wasn't a "commoner" who came to visit him. This was a woman who was queen of a whole

country! Certainly, this represented the "highwater" mark in Israel's history.

The nation of Israel had risen to a place of prominence because they had honored the one true God. Scripture records numerous instances when both kings David and Solomon paid tribute to God through their words, prayers, and actions. King David advised young Solomon – the heir to his throne, "And Solomon, my son, get to know the God of your ancestors. Worship and serve Him with your whole heart and with a willing mind. For the Lord sees every heart and understands and knows every plan and thought. If you seek Him, you will find Him. But if you forsake Him, He will reject you forever." (1 Chronicles 28:9 NLT) Solomon did honor God, and while he honored God the nation prospered. Any nation is at its "best" when it seeks to honor God.

Unfortunately, during his lifetime Solomon began to compromise the good and godly standards he once held onto – and the nation suffered because of it. Israel soon experienced division, chaos, and decline. Eventually they were taken away into captivity. There were periodic glimmers of hope, however. During the reign of King Jehoshaphat (872-848BC) the nation was facing dire circumstances in which they were about to be overrun and conquered by an

opposing army. Jehoshaphat knew that his nation would be powerless against such a mighty force – but they had God on their side. He told his people, "Listen to me all you people... Believe in the Lord your God, and you will be able to stand firm..." (2 Chronicles 20:20). And God Himself withstood and conquered the enemy. It was literally a "Holy War!"

We too can learn from these examples – both as a nation and as individuals. It is not by accident that our country's motto is, "In God We Trust," and that its own currency. But is that all it is to us... or is it something more? Granted, our nation has known times of moral and spiritual decline – but it has also seen times of moral and spiritual renewal and revival! And we are at our very best – as a nation and as individuals, when we seek to honor God and are walking closest to Him.

God has not changed! He still has the "answers" we need for this hour. We find ourselves in today. And as we seek Him, we will find Him. That is a promise. May we all seek Him with a greater tenacity during these times than we have ever sought Him before. And in the process may we find the renewal and revival that we so desperately need as a people of the United States. Amen and Amen.

God Bless you.



Pankhurst Memorial Library is still offering Curbside Service. We are open Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Just call ahead with the material that you would like, pull to the front of the library and I will drop it off for you. We miss our patrons and can't wait to see everyone again. Stay safe and healthy.

New books for May are here. It took a little longer for our new books to arrive, but they are here. If you see a book that you would like, but it is already checked out I will add your name to the wait list and give you a call as soon as it is available.

New books in the Adult Library:
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"The Girl Beneath the Sea," by Andrew Mayne
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"Gus," by Ellen Miles
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"Our Friend Hedgehog," by Lauren Castillo
"Snowball," by Ellen

Miles
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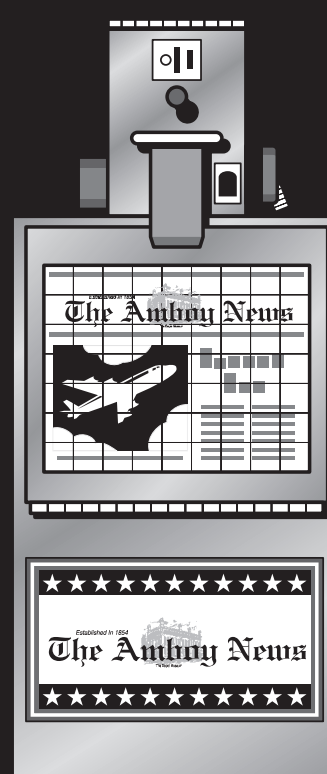
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The Amboy News will have

EARLY DEADLINES
for our issue of May 27 due to Memorial Day.

Advertising deadline is Thursday, May 21 at noon

Editorial deadline is Friday, May 22 at 10 a.m.



Opinion

This pandemic we are experiencing isn't fair

Believe it or not, a cap and gown won't protect you from the Coronavirus.

I was thinking about that Saturday as I drove past a park not far from where I live and saw the 2020 Tri-City High School class scrunched up in a gazebo posing for pictures in a city park. No one was wearing masks and they most certainly weren't observing the 6-foot social distancing requirements.

And, yes, I get it. It's not fair that this year's graduates aren't experiencing the usual pomp and circumstance to mark this milestone in their lives. But this pandemic we are experiencing isn't fair. It preys on the most vulnerable in our society.

It's easy to be dismissive of this crisis as being a "Chicago problem" and not a concern for folks elsewhere. But just down the road from where these kids were posing, 20 people died in one nursing home of this horrible disease.

I began wearing a mask before Gov. J.B. Pritzker issued an edict requiring them. I don't wear it to comply with the government; I wear it as an act of kindness toward others.

Are they 100 percent effective? No. But they are a deterrent. Wearing a mask during an epidemic is much like at other times covering your nose before you sneeze. It's not only good hygiene, but it's a courtesy to those around you.

Sadly, I've seen the mask rule ignored.

I dropped by an auto parts store in Springfield on Wednesday for some power steering fluid. The place was packed with about 20 customers. Only myself and one other were wearing a mask. Even the employees working the cash register left them dangling around their necks. The story was much the same at a farm-supply store, where I went to pick up some pet food.

When I dropped by a nursery on Saturday, to buy a Mother's Day gift, I couldn't help but roll my eyes. None of the cashiers and fewer than one-fifth of the customers wore masks. And the place was packed.

They are not only showing contempt for Pritzker's order but also for the welfare of others.

Part of the problem has been Pritzker's approach.

Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



This past week, he unveiled a five-phase plan for bringing Illinois back to "normal." While well intentioned, it is unwieldy and ultimately as ineffective as a Soviet five-year plan.

This heavy-handed, big government "solution" won't work for the simple reason that a law only is effective if it is obeyed. Right now, many people are ignoring the executive orders because they view it as government overreach. Noncompliance, for them, is an act of civil disobedience.

Governor, you want folks working with you – not against you. To achieve this, you need to stop ordering and start listening.

For example, under the governor's plan, most in-person worship services are banned indefinitely.

The governor's plan says groups of 50 or more won't be allowed to meet until there is either a vaccine or effective treatment for COVID-19.

There is no guarantee of a vaccine. More than 30 years ago, when I was a medical reporter, I wrote about massive government funding and Herculean scientific efforts to develop an AIDS vaccine. That vaccine doesn't exist yet.

And a COVID-19 vaccine doesn't exist either. Like the AIDS vaccine, it may not come to fruition.

For the governor to pin reopening churches, mosques and synagogues to future medical advances isn't a plan, it's a hope. A more effective idea might be to work with religious leaders on ways to minimize the risk of infection.

Things like wearing masks during church services, creating social distancing barriers between families and eliminating handshakes and hugs would go a long way toward alleviating possible routes of infection.

The governor ought to be working with religious leaders to develop solutions that will allow them to meet, rather than issuing orders that will ultimately result in churches defying the governor and meeting anyway.

Remember, a law is only effective if it is obeyed.

The nature of democracy is compromise and consensus. Our lawmakers represent the different needs and concerns

of various areas of the state. And yet, the governor has acted unilaterally for months without any formal input from legislators.

He has the authority to call the legislature back into session. But he has chosen not to.

And that does not serve the state well.

"We have a system of checks and balances," House GOP Leader Jim Durkin said. "We need the legislature to meet in Springfield. We can do this safely. ... The governor has not done a good job of balancing the state's health needs with its economic needs."

The governor's office did not return calls seeking comment.

In the working-class community where I live, many people are experiencing unemployment for the first time. Once proud barbers, waitresses, bartenders, cashiers and others have been reduced to scrounging at a food pantry to just feed their families.

People want to return to work in a safe way. Their employers are willing to develop safety plans. But instead of collaboration, we receive one-size fits all edicts from Pritzker.

That's not how our system of government is supposed to work.

It's time for lawmakers to return to Springfield and provide input. And it's time for the governor to stop telling and begin listening.

After all, a law is only effective if it is obeyed.

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

Letters to the Editor

Have a safe Memorial Day

Dear Editor,

This year, Memorial Day comes during a particularly trying time. But, even amid the hardship and uncertainty brought on by the current public health crisis, Americans across the country will take time to honor the men and women in uniform who gave their lives for this country. On May 25, whether you're social distancing at home or cautiously beginning to return to normal life, join us in celebrating those who bravely defended our freedom, safety and wellbeing.

While so many things have changed over the past few months, Memorial Day

is an opportunity to take a step back and reflect on the sacrifices made by our fallen heroes. If you're raising a glass in their honor, remember to prioritize the very thing our servicemen and women fought so selflessly to preserve: our safety. Regardless of how you're saluting our fallen heroes, if your plans involve alcohol, make sure you take steps to protect yourself and your neighbors by hydrating between beers and drinking responsibly.

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Mary Adolphson
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On This Day in History

100 Years Ago May 21, 1920

Mrs. Hattie Leager, who recently purchased a Chalmers car, is anticipating a trip to California in the near future. Mrs. G.M. Finch and daughter and Miss Elizabeth Edwards will accompany her.

Miss Josie Keho is substituting in the third and fourth grades at the high school building during the absence of Miss Jean Carroll who was called to Springfield by the illness of her sister.

Mrs. Ray Price visited over the weekend in Malden.

Arthur Rose came out from the city to spend Sunday with his mother.

A.A. Carmichael and H.F. Epperson were business visitors in Chicago Wednesday.

75 Years Ago May 17, 1945

Mrs. William Welty, Mrs. E.M. Sullivan, Mrs. William Hull and Mrs. Henry Mortensen spent Friday in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bybee moved Friday to their new home near Amboy Hospital.

Miss Margaret McBride, R.N., of Savanna, is spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McBride.

Miss Betty Powers was a Wednesday overnight guest of her cousin, Miss Elaine Shultz in Sublette.

50 Years Ago May 21, 1970

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Leffelman are this week announcing the purchase of the Amboy Liquor Store on South Jones Avenue, Amboy, from Ray Ackerson. They took over operation of the business last week and will continue it along with same lines as in the past.

"The Music Man," playing to sold-out houses three nights in a row last weekend at Amboy High School, was decidedly a hit production. It was a crowd pleaser – it was the musical and dramatic truth of what Cooperation (and that's with a capital C) can do.

"Enjoy your retirement, you've earned it," Dr. Jerome P. Hochstatter, president of the District No. 272 Board of Education, told Elementary Supervisor R.A. Reinboth when the latter's letter of resignation was read at the board meeting

Monday night. "To say the least, we'll miss you," declared Superintendent Stephen Clark.

25 Years Ago May 25, 1995

Members of the Lee County Pheasants Forever and volunteers from Continental Colloids planted wildlife habitat Saturday on 20 acres owned by Continental Colloids at GRIP. They are Dave Mayes, Sean Doane, Greg Dimmig, Gerald Klein, Keith Heppler, Jim Selover, Dave Ely, Andy Esgar, Caleb Hardy and Jim Pierce.

National Honor Society inductees at Amboy High School during the recent scholastic honors banquet were Jeff Cassidy, Brad Morris, Lindsay Shaw, Maria Zimmerly, Kelly Malach, Stefanie Gardner, Nick Streit, Sarah Henkel, Kari Politsch, Emily Leffelman, Cindy Shaw, Paul Keller and Doug Dinges.

Students inducted into the Amboy High School Academic Hall of Fame at the recent scholastic honors banquet were Kristin Betz, Jamie Grennan, Diane Faivre, Greg Mini, Chris Fleming, Mike Dale and Travis Volz.



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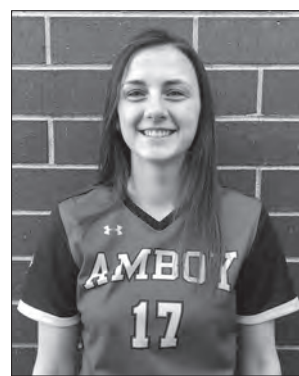
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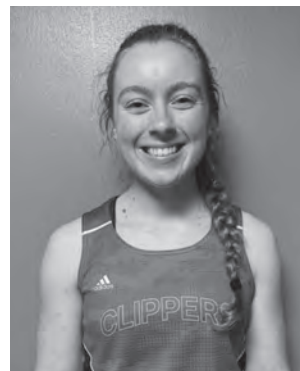
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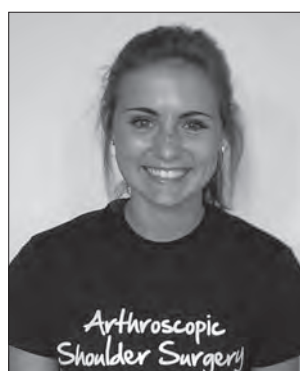
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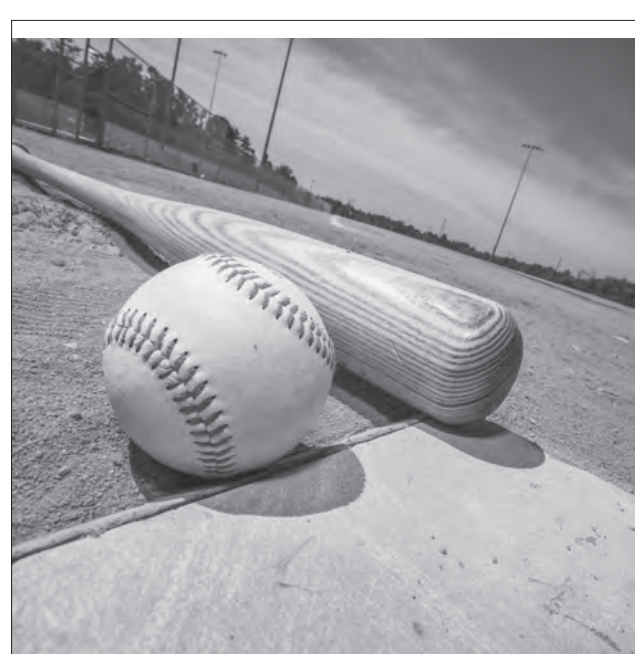
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Misdemeanor rule

Pritzker also faced questioning about an emergency rule filed by his administration Friday to allow the state to levy Class A Misdemeanor charges against any business or entity defying Pritzker's stay-at-home order.

Such a charge is punishable by a fine from \$75 to

\$2,500. Pritzker said that's a cheaper alternative than revocation of a license and a gentler measure than an IDPH closure order.

The emergency rules filed Friday codify that those disobeying the stay-at-home order are subject to existing IDPH enforcement measures.

Republicans, however,

called the threat of fines an overreach and an insult to business owners already reeling financially from the pandemic.

Pritzker said he is also concerned about a resurgence of the virus as more people venture farther from their homes.

"I must say that I'm con-

cerned about all of the warnings that have been given by epidemiologists about the potential for a surge in the fall," the governor said. "Because if people don't learn the lessons over the summer that we've learned over the last couple of months, and then we hit a fall surge, I mean, we're gonna be in big trouble."

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Deposits \$6545.18	
Lee County Taxes \$4766.33, Burial Receipts \$1600.00, Interest on CDs \$138.30, and Interest on Account \$40.55	
Expenses \$7116.44	
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Ending Account Balance as of April 30, 2020	\$12,290.46
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Beginning Account Balance as of May 1, 2019	\$15,184.18
Deposits \$181.17	
General Deposits \$121.17, and Interest on Account \$60.00	
Ending Account Balance as of April 30, 2020	\$15,365.35

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Public notice TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE LEE COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Lee Community Fire Protection District of Dekalb County and Lee County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021 has been prepared and the public notice has been posted in three places within the said Fire District, and also printed in the Dekalb Daily Chronicle and The Amboy News. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that a public hearing shall be held as to such Budget and Appropriation Ordinance at the Lee Community Fire Department, Lee, IL on July 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Cass Larson, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Lee Community Fire Protection District
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SOCIAL NEWS



THE PASTOR'S PEN

God's Help In Troubled Time

BY PASTOR RICK WULF,
The East Grove Union Church of Rural Amboy

I trust that you are all well as you are reading this article. If you are like me and so many others, you are getting tired of this whole mess that we have been dealing these past months. I suppose that one of our traits as human beings is that many of us want what we want, and many as well don't like to wait for it. That one advertisement for that one financial company that will give you money when you turn over your annuities or scheduled payments to them, because "it's my money and I want it now!" even though you end up paying a lot for it in the end! Waiting is not the easiest for us as humans. The Psalmist writes in Psalm 40, "I waited patiently for the LORD; And He inclined to me, And heard my cry. He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, Out of the miry clay, And set my feet upon a rock, And established my steps. He has put a new song in my mouth-

Praise to our God; Many will see it and fear, And will trust in the LORD. Blessed is that man who makes the LORD his trust, And does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies." Because of our impetuous nature we just don't always like to wait. But we do need to remember the warning from Alexander Pope in his 1711 poem An Essay on Criticism: "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread." As we learn to trust God and wait in faith on Him sometimes that faith is tested and we may become very impatient. Another saying that you may have heard tells us to "Let go and let God take control," but the problem with that philosophy abandons our responsibility as people of faith. We do need to trust God by and live our lives by faith in obedience to His Word! Let me encourage you in your faith walk through these difficult days to spend time with God reading His Word. The Psalmist David also had much to say in Psalm 37, (NKJV). In verses 3-9, he wrote, "Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in

the land, and feed on His faithfulness. Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass. He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, And your justice as the noonday. Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, Because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass. Cease from anger, and forsake wrath; Do not fret—it only causes harm. For evildoers shall be cut off; But those who wait on the LORD, They shall inherit the earth."

God has given us so much help and encouragement in His Word through what His people have gone through in the past which He inspired them to record. May God continue to bless you and give you His peace! Don't fear trust Him, read His Word, allow Him to be your help in your time of need. Seek Him with all your heart. Cry out to Him and as He has promised, He will come to help you! Don't

let this opportunity pass you to trust in Him for all that you need! I am praying for you.

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Even though barbecues and visions of the upcoming summer weather may command much of the attention come Memorial Day weekend, the holiday really serves as a remembrance for those military members who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

Memorial Day origins

Memorial Day was first known as Decoration Day and was borne out of the Civil War. on May 30, 1868, General John Logan, a national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, decreed General Order No. 11, which designated the day for the "purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land." May 30th was chosen because it wasn't the anniversary of any particular battle.

It took several years for the first state to recognize the holiday, which New York adopted in 1873. By 1890, all northern states recognized Decoration Day. When the holiday changed from commemorating those who died fighting the Civil War to honoring Americans who died fighting in any war after World War I, the South began to recognize it as well.

2020 Memorial Day

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, ceremonies honoring those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country will either not be held, or be a smaller version.

In Amboy, the Amboy American Legion Rifle Squad will post the colors and fire a volley at 10 a.m. in Veterans Park in Amboy on Memorial Day. Volley fire, as a military tactic, is in its simplest form the concept of having soldiers shoot in turns. In practice, it often consists of having a line of soldiers all fire their weapons simultaneously at the enemy forces on command.

The public is allowed to attend the presentation, but is asked to exercise social distancing and follow the current health guidelines.

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ea.

Reg. Price \$2.39 ea.



Shurfine Real Mayonnaise

30 oz

\$2.49

ea.

Reg. Price \$2.79 ea.



Heinz Relish

12.7 oz

\$1.79

ea.

Reg. Price \$2.39 ea.



Gatorade

8 Pack Bottles Assorted

\$5.99

ea.

Reg. Price \$7.79 ea.



Hidden Valley Salad Dressings

Assorted 16 oz

\$3.49

ea.

Reg. Price \$3.79 ea.



Shurfine or Food Club Butter

16 oz

\$2.39

ea.

Reg. Price \$2.89 ea.



Cool Whip

8 oz

\$4.99

ea.

Reg. Price \$5.89 ea.



Body Armor Drinks

Assorted 32 oz

2/\$2

Reg. Price \$1.89 ea.



Sale goes through May 26, 2020

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