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County has 2nd COVID-19 case

One person in their 50s, one in their 20s test positive

Ogle County has identified its second positive case of novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

The health department is working closely with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). The first individual diagnosed was an adult in their 50s. The second is a person in their 20s.

Further details about the individuals will not be released to protect the privacy of the individual and their family. Both the individuals and their close contacts are being monitored by the Ogle County Health Department.

This case reinforces the importance of actions the public can take to protect themselves and prevent the spread in the community. The Healthcare partners in Ogle County are work-

ing closely with IDPH, the CDC, and regional partners to monitor, respond, and help limit the spread of the disease.

Unless it is an emergency, we advise individuals who think they may have COVID-19, or have had close contact with someone diagnosed or under evaluation for possible exposure, to stay home and call their healthcare provider for further direction. (Close contact means having been within 6 feet of that person for an extended time or being exposed to their cough or sneeze.)

Do not go to the emergency room, a walk-in clinic, health department, or to your doctor's office. Call ahead and follow your healthcare provider's instructions.

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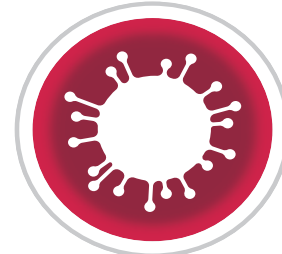


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County closing offices

OREGON – As the result of the COVID-19 pandemic and remaining consistent with county government operational changes at the Judicial Center, the county is modifying operations at the historic Courthouse and Pines Road Annex.

In an effort to be proactive and to better protect the public and county employees, Ogle

County is closing the following offices to the public: County Clerk & Recorder, Treasurer, Supervisor of Assessments, Animal Control, County Board Chairman and Vice-Chairwoman, Planning & Zoning, and Solid Waste. Please reach out to each individual office for further clarification on how they can process your business.

Additionally, these county offices will be operating with limited staff to, again, to lessen the chance of exposure for everyone. These buildings will be closed to the public and the new procedures will remain in effect until April 30.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

COVID-19: What the public can do

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Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough (or other cold or flu-like symptoms), difficulty breathing and/or shortness of breath.

What The Public Can Do:

* STAY CALM: You are not alone in this, your community is here to support you. Talk to your friends and family and let them know if you are having

concerns.

* STAY APART: Keep at least 6 feet away from others.

* STAY PUT: Stay home, keep non-essential trips to a minimum. In an effort to slow down the spread of the COVID-19 disease, Governor J.B. Pritzker issued an order for Illinois residents to remain in their homes starting Saturday, March 21. This state-wide order means residents will only

be able to leave the house for basic needs, including visiting the doctor or buying groceries, medicine, gasoline or similar supplies.

For more information about coronavirus (COVID-19), and the latest updates and guidance please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> or for local resources visit <https://coronavirus-response-ogle.hub.arcgis.com/>

Mount Morris Police

March 14

Citations were issued to Kenneth Adams, 59, Mt. Morris for Operation of uninsured Motor Vehicle, Suspended/Revoked Driver's License, and for Registration Revoked or Cancelled for no insurance. Adams was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Christina M. Moore 34, Rockford was arrested for Criminal Damage to Property and for Domestic Battery. Moore was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Obituary

Harold W. Nance

OREGON – Harold W. Nance, 95, longtime Oregon resident, died Thursday, March 26, 2020 in Oregon Living & Rehabilitation Center. Born Dec. 16, 1924 in Peru, the son of Charles and Maud (Null) Nance.

Harold was a 1942 graduate of LaSalle-Peru High School and upon graduation, served his country for 2 ½ years in the Army Air Corp during World War II.

Married to Alice Panscik May 22, 1948 in Sterling and would have celebrated their 72nd anniversary this year. He enjoyed his long career of 46 years working for the CB&Q and the Burlington-Northern Railroads. Harold was a member of the V.F.W. and Moose Lodge. He enjoyed traveling, music, reading and sports at all levels. Above all, he enjoyed being around his

four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Alice; and his three children: Michael (Julie), Steven (Cheryl) and Dawn. Preceded in death by his parents, a brother and a sister.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon, assisted the family with arrangements.

IDHS expands online, phone services

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) recently announced that, starting March 30, 14 Family Community Resource Centers (FCRC) will remain open with reduced staff to balance the need to provide essential services while meeting Center for Disease Control (CDC) social distancing guidelines during the coronavirus situation.

FCRCs are the public facing benefits offices that bring nutrition and medical supports to individuals and families across the state.

IDHS urges all customers to apply for and manage their benefits online at abe.illinois.gov or by calling the IDHS Help is Here toll-free line at 1-833-2-FIND-HELP. IDHS will keep both its customers and employees updated as to rotations to other open offices or any further office closures.

IDHS's ultimate goal is to have as few FCRC offices open as possible, while still ensuring that all customers are able to receive their life-sustaining benefits. For those offices that remain open, IDHS will continue to take steps to ensure social distancing, customer and employee safety.

"This is not a decision we make lightly. However, we have to balance the urgent

needs of residents facing hunger and poverty with extremely serious public health directives. Even as many IDHS offices close, our State's safety net remains available," said IDHS Secretary Grace B. Hou. "Please know that every local office has an urgent call team available to respond right away to emergency cases – and anyone who needs benefits can still use abe.illinois.gov or call our hotline for support."

The 14 of the 75 public facing FCRCs remaining open will have a reduced workforce of 30 percent-50 percent of staff. Staff who are not working at the public-facing offices will continue working remotely to process important benefits, and over 80 in-person local office caseworkers will become statewide ABE (Access to Benefits Electronically) call center agents in addition to the nearly 100 call center agents that are already in place.

The department developed these changes in partnership with AFSCME Council 31, other bargaining units, and advocacy organizations across the state.

On March 19, all Division of Rehabilitation Services' (DRS) Offices were closed to the public and all Home Services and Vocational Rehabilitation programs were shifted to remote access.

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Obituaries

Warren Reckmeyer

MOUNT MORRIS – Warren George Reckmeyer, 96, passed away on Thursday, March 26, 2020, at Pinecrest Manor in Mt. Morris.

Warren was born on Sept. 29, 1923, in Quincy, to George and Ruth (Wittland) Reckmeyer. He attended the Quincy public schools and graduated in 1941.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II from Feb. 1942, to Jan., 1946. After the war, he attended the Royal Academy of Music in Glasgow, Scotland. Upon returning to the States, he attended Carthage College and graduated from Millikin University with a Bachelor of Arts degree, Bachelor of Music degree, and a Master of Music degree. He married Carol Ann Prange on June 1, 1952 in Litchfield, Ill.

He taught music in Illinois public schools for 37 years. He impacted hundreds of students, many of whom went on to careers in music. He directed the Mt. Morris



Kable Concert Band for 59 ½ years, played in several area community bands, and directed the East Bank Commanders Dance Band for 20 years. He participated in the Mt. Morris July 4th Festival for 60 years, entertaining many as a member of the Clown Band.

He served on several charitable boards and committees. He was a boy scout leader and earned the Order of the Arrow. Mt. Morris honored him for his long service to the community through music by naming the band shell, The Warren G. Reckmeyer Band Shell.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church where he taught Sunday School, served on the council, and was active in the music program. With his wife, they were presented with the Mt. Morris “Hall of Thanks” award, sponsored by the Mt. Morris Community Women’s Club. The two were also recipients of the Community Builders Award presented by the Mt. Morris Samuel H. Davis Lodge of the Masons.

Woodworking and model railroading were two of his favorite hobbies which provided much enjoyment and produced many projects. In his spare time, he tuned pianos and repaired musical instruments.

He enjoyed baseball and was an ardent St. Louis Cardinal fan. A highlight came in 2016 when he threw out the first pitch to St. Louis manager, Mike Matheny in Busch Stadium, and spent time with Cardinal Hall of Famer, Ozzie Smith. He and

Carol enjoyed internet fame with their “Together Since 1952” photo.

He is survived by his wife Carol Reckmeyer, Mt. Morris; children Matthew (Mary) of Lincoln, Neb.; Andrew (Mary Ellen) of Bellevue, NE; Sarah (Donna) of Ottawa; Daniel (Shauna) of Trophy Club, Texas; 9 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Mt. Morris Kable Concert Band fund, c/o Sylvia Saunders, KCB Board member, 414 N. Hannah Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054; the Manor Nursing Home of Pinecrest Community, 414 S. Wesley Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054; Trinity Lutheran Church, 308 E. Brayton Rd., Mt. Morris, IL 61054.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date. Finch Funeral Home is assisting the family with services.

Hazel Taylor

OREGON – , age 80, died Friday, March 27, 2020 at her home near Oregon. She was born Feb. 12, 1940 in Dixon, the daughter of Arthur A. and Blanch L. (Withey) Allen.



She graduated from Amboy High School in 1958. Hazel married Gerald “Frank” Taylor, Jr. on Feb. 3, 1958 in Mt. Morris. Hazel loved gardening, watching all types of sports, especially NASCAR and the Chicago Cubs. She liked to go to garage sales, and liked to read, especially westerns, biographies, and history.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband Frank, daughter Shirley Arbogast, and grandson Colin Marciniak.

She is survived by her children Richard Taylor of Sterling, Jerry Taylor of Oregon, James Taylor of Oregon and Brenda

(Harley) Metheny of Mt. Morris, 5 grandchildren; Britt (Niccole) Taylor, Benjamin Taylor, Adam Marciniak, Clayton Metheny, and Angela (Jeremy) Jones, 2 great grandchildren Madison and Olivia.

According to Hazel’s wishes no services will be held. In her memory donations can be made to the American Cancer Society or an animal shelter of the donor’s choice. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home in Oregon assisted the family. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence.

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Obituaries

Florence Jurasek

BYRON—Florence Misuraca Jurasek, 97, of Byron, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 22, 2020 in Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon.

She was born in Rockford, on Sept. 12, 1922; the daughter of Italian immigrants from Camporeale, Sicily, Giuseppe and Francesca (Donze) Misuraca. Florence was from a large loving family; the second to the youngest and last to pass of seven brothers and sisters: Mary, Nicholas, Fora, Frank (Marilyn), Charles (Rose) and Theodore (Mary).

Florence graduated from St. Anthony of Padua School, attended Rockford Central High and graduated from West High School. She married Walter Jurasek on Sept. 13, 1952 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Rockford. He predeceased her in 1986.

Survived by her sons, Randall (Elizabeth) of Byron, and Geno of Rockford; four grandsons, Nicholas (Sara Romfo) of Kaneohe, Hawaii, and great-grandchildren Max and Eleanor; Alex (Kailani) Jurasek of Honolulu, Hawaii; Jacob of Byron, and Lucas of Ames, Iowa. Also survived by her sister-in-law, Rose Misuraca; former daughter-in-law, Pamela Jurasek; her 'third son,' David Danielson; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Predeceased by her parents, siblings and their spouses, husband, a still-born infant and her twin nephews, Terry and Ted Misuraca.

Florence was born in and spent many years living in the Misuraca family home



at 718 & 720 Cunningham Street. She worked in the Efficiency Department at Sundstrand, in the Customer Service Department at Bergner's and as a hostess at Maria's Italian Restaurant. She was a very social being and loved working with people. No matter how you knew her, all that had the pleasure will know just how incredible, sweet, sassy, stubborn, wonderful, caring, spunky and SPECIAL Florence was. She was fiercely independent and refused to be described or act as 'old!' To prove it, she didn't have a gray hair on her head! She read every word of the newspaper, completed the daily crossword puzzle, cryptogram and went through hundreds of WordFind books. She loved old movies and recorded hundreds of catalogued VCR tapes to replay when 'there wasn't anything good on TV.'

She was an excellent Italian cook and baker, who prepared every meal with love and exacting detail. She never knew how to cook for just the immediate family. There was always extra food "in case someone dropped by." Everyone felt welcome in her home and especially at her table. Her Sunday Dinners were legendary and will be missed – they always included salad,

pasta, 1-2 main courses, 3-4 vegetables, fruit and hopefully Devil's Food cake with crumbled walnuts sprinkled on top!

Though she lived on a fixed income; her generous nature faithfully supported her Church and the organizations listed below. The annual recognition Certificates of Honor she received were proudly hung in frames in her kitchen. She was deeply religious, constantly praying Novenas and Rosary's for her family, friends and anyone who needed a spiritual boost.

Florence was very involved in the various activities of her sons, their friends, and extended family. The most precious gift to Florence was spending time with her family. Her sons, grandsons and great-grandchildren were her life. She taught them invaluable life lessons and demonstrated unconditional love. She was a great listener and remembered minute details about the people she met.

Due to the current directives from our government agencies, services will be private. Interment will be at Calvary Cemetery in Rockford. A Funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church with Franciscan Friars officiating is planned for a later date.

Memorials to St. Jude Children's Hospital, Boy's Town, OSF St. Anthony Hospital, St. Anthony of Padua Church and Serenity Hospice and Home.

Arrangements are with Gasparini & Oliveri Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 707 Marchesano Dr. Condolences to: www.gasparinioliverifuneral.net.

Bernard Ackland

MOUNT MORRIS – Bernard Jeffrey Ackland, 75, beloved son, brother, classmate, teacher, friend, husband, father, and grandfather, passed away at his home in Mount Morris with his family at his side. He was born on Dec. 7, 1944 in Rochelle, the son of Baldwin "Jeff" and Helen (Crull) Ackland.

He married Margo Lynn Swope on July 12, 1969 in Compton, Ill. Bernard was a 1962 graduate of Rochelle Township High School, earning his BS degree from the University of Wisconsin, Platteville in 1967, and then his MSE degree in 1972 from the Northern Illinois University.

From 1968 to 1973, he taught school at Franklin Grove Elementary. From 1973 to 1979, he was the



manager of the Welland grain elevator, and then from 1979 to 2001 he worked for Honeywell as a product specialist, where he had one of his inventions patented.

Bernard was a member of the NEA and was honored to have an article published in their national magazine. He's been a Sunday School Teacher and member of the household of faith at Pinecreek Independent Church, Polo. He's had a deep love for the Word of God.

Bernard is survived by

his wife of over fifty years, Margo; three children, Ginger (Ryan) O'Rourke of Oregon, Melanie (Martin II) Hey of Hoffman Estates, and Brian (Jeanette) Ackland of Schaumburg; six grandchildren: Taylor, Blake, and Jordan Ackland, Martin and Tristan Hey, and Grey O'Rourke; and a brother, Gary (Susan) Ackland. He was predeceased by both parents.

A private family funeral service will be held at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home in Rochelle. Burial will follow the service at Lawnridge Cemetery. Contributions in Bernard's memory may be directed to Serenity Hospice and Home or Pinecreek Independent Church.

Please visit www.unger-horner.com to sign the online guest book.

Bernadine Coulter

OREGON – Bernadine Coulter, 90, of Oregon, formerly of Ramsey, passed away Tuesday, March 31, 2020, at Oregon Living & Rehab Center, Oregon.

Due to COVID-19 health concerns a Private Graveside Service and Interment was held at 1 p.m., Thursday, April 2, 2020, at Liberty Cemetery, Bingham, Illinois, with Pastor Harry Kirk, officiating. Memorials: Donor's Choice. Miller Funeral Home, Ramsey, Ill., is in charge of arrangements. Online memories and con-



lences may be shared with the family at www.millerfh.net.

Born March 13, 1930, in Paw Paw, the daughter of John Riley & Verda

Elizabeth (Enbaugh) Hicks. Married Robert Lawrence Coulter on June 8, 1946, in DeKalb. She was a Home-maker and affiliated with Methodist Faith.

Survived by: Sons - Robert Coulter and Mary, Oregon, and William Coulter and Sandra, Athens, Ala.; Daughter - Bridgette Carraher, Belvidere; 10 Grandchildren; 30 Great Grandchildren; and 1 Great Great Grandchild.

Preceded in death by: Parents; Husband; 2 Brothers; and 3 Sisters.

Robert A. Protz

DAVIS JUNCTION – Robert A. "Bob" Protz, age 81, died Friday, March 20, 2020 at his home in Davis Junction. He was born March 3, 1939 in Berwyn, the son of George and Eleanor (Meduna) Protz.

He attended Fenton High School. Robert married Ann M. Andersen on Aug. 27, 1958 in Chicago. He was a loving husband, father, brother, and grandfather. Bob retired after 45 years as an operating engineer for Local # 150. He enjoyed fishing with his family. Bob was a former Trustee of the Village of Davis Junction.

He was predeceased by his parents.



He is survived by his wife Ann of Davis Junction, 5 children; Stephen (Mary) Protz of Tucson, Ariz., Robert (Sheralyn) Protz, Jr. of Elgin, Marguerite "Meg" Welch of Apache Junction, Ariz., Brian Protz of Davis

Junction, and Colleen (Jeffrey) Benson of Lake Zurich, Ill., Siblings: George (Patricia) Protz of Apache Junction, Ariz., Marilyn (John) Sanecki of Wood Dale, IL, Jeanne Rotella of Lake Villa, IL, and Ronald Protz of Lawrence, Ill., 13 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and 5 great-great grandchildren.

A celebration of Robert's life will take place at a later date. A memorial fund is established in his name and can be directed to his family. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home in Stillman Valley assisted the family. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory.

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Out with the old



The Polo Lions Club along with the city of Polo and the Polo Park District have taken the bath house at the pool down and will construct a new one. Thank you to Bocker Excavating, Bills Excavating and Jim Ports for the use of trucks and equipment to do this, and thank you to the Polo Lions for volunteering.

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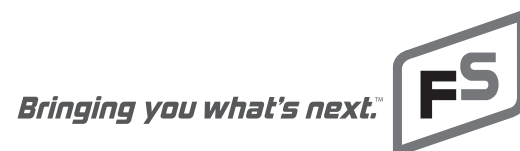
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Two sessions are for children ages 7-12 and occur July 6-10, and Aug. 3-7. The July session is a Zombie Survival Camp. We will build our own hideouts, learn how to survive in the wild, and play a zombie inspired tag game. We will become zombies ourselves and stumble through the woods looking for brains.

Our August session is a Water-

themed Camp. Children will understand why water is so important, have a water play day, and learn about the Pacific garbage patch.

Camps will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m., with the exception of Friday, when we will end at 2 p.m. Families are invited to lunch and a presentation on Friday of each camp, during which the campers will show what they have been working on during their week at the camp. Both camps

are offered to children ages 7-12.

The fee for each camp is \$115 for the first child and \$90 for any subsequent children in the family. Early drop off and late pick up will be available for an additional fee.

Our littles session for children ages 5-6 will be held June 15-19. This is our bird camp where campers will learn about birds, migration, and how to help birds in a hands-on way. The camp will start at noon and end at 4:30

p.m. Lunch and a snack will be provided. The fee for this camp will be \$70.

This year we are adding a session for 13-17-year-olds who are interested in being a junior counselor! They will attend a morning session to learn how to teach a game or do a craft and then will help the Lorado Taft staff in the afternoon with the little's camp June 15-19. Camp will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. The fee

for this camp is \$115 for the first child and \$90 for any subsequent children in the family. Breakfast and lunch are included and early drop off and late pick up will be available for an additional fee.

For more information or to register, contact Alyssa Parker at 815-732-2111, Ext. 125 or at aparker4@niu.edu. Registration forms are also available on the Lorado Taft Campus website at www.niu.edu/taft.

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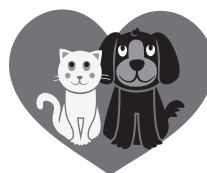
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Local restaurants opened now for pick-up

Due to COVID-19 and the state's Shelter in Place ordinance, Byron residents Matt and Jamie Pendergrass had to face reality and shut down their six bar and restaurants located throughout the region.

However, on April 1 they announced that The Cave located in downtown Byron, The Hunt Club located in Oregon and Aero Ale House located in Loves Park are back open for business and offering curbside pick-up.

The Cave, located in Byron, is a neighborhood bar that offers the famous Cave burger, wings and other delicious appetizers. Matt and Jamie opened the Cave in 2013 and in April 2018 the Cave had a tragic fire and burnt to the ground. Matt and Jamie ended up buying the building next door and rebuilt the Cave, opening back up in November of 2018.

The Cave is now open for pick-up Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and again from 4-8 p.m. To view a menu visit www.thecave-

byron.com.

The Hunt Club, located in Oregon, is a cozy spot where locals could relax after a long day of work or hunting to enjoy a delicious burger and other apps. Now, the restaurant is open for curbside pick-up Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and again from 4-8 p.m. To view a menu visit www.thehuntcluboregon.com.

Lastly, Aero Ale House in Loves Park is open for curbside pick-up Tuesday through Sunday from 4-8 p.m. This favorite hangout offers delicious wings, mac + cheese dishes, salads, handhelds, tacos, burgers and more. To view a menu, visit www.aeroalehouse.com.

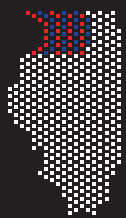
Matt and Jamie also own Aero Ale House in Byron, Rural on Tap in Rockford and Idle Hour in Mt. Morris. At this time they are not offering curbside pick-up at these locations.

"We've been through a lot over the years, especially dealing with The Cave when it burned in 2018," Matt said.



"Now having to shut down all of our restaurants is another challenge we're facing. Our livelihood relies on these establishments, as it does for our staff, so offering curbside pick-up is one way we can keep moving forward while providing delicious comfort food to our local residents and customers."

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Chana Play Day scholarships offered

CHANA – The Chana Play Day Committee has announced competition for several scholarships.

The candidates must be high school graduates or the equivalent with ties to the Chana area.

Applicants who are current or former residents of Chana or who have parents or grandparents who attended the Chana School or participated in Chana Play Day may apply. Two-time recipients are not eligible to reapply.

The \$500 scholarships will be awarded to the candidates who best meet and complete the requirements listed in the application.

Scholarship forms may be picked up at the Oregon High School guidance office or Stocking Equipment, four miles east of Oregon on IL Route 64.

Please deliver or mail the application to Ron Stocking, Stocking Equipment, 3749 East Pine Rock Road, Oregon, IL 61061.

The completed application must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 1.

Ogle County Sheriff

March 30
Dennis Vineyard was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for Criminal Trespass to Residence. Vineyard was unable to post the \$50,000/10 percent bond and will appear in court on 03/31/20 at 1 p.m.

At 6:48 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the area of 200 E. Chicago Ave. in Davis Junction for a driving complaint. After a brief investigation Deputies arrested Curtis Palmer, 38 of Stillman Valley, for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Palmer was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

March 29
At 9:30 p.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a one vehicle roll over crash on Meridian Rd near Brick Rd. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were not able to locate a driver at the scene of the crash. At 11:30 p.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a suspicious

person at a residence south of the crash. After an investigation Prescott Piaz, 26 of Rockford was arrested for Driving While License Revoked and Criminal Damage of Property. Piaz was transported by Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies to the Rochelle Hospital to get treatment of injuries he sustained in the crash. Piaz was I Bonded on all charges and given a June court date.

At approximately 3:30 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a residence in the Village of Davis Junction in regards to a domestic dispute. Following an investigation, Caylee Toepfer, 22 of Stillman Valley, was arrested for Domestic Battery. Toepfer was taken to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

March 25
At approximately 4:21 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies initiated a traffic stop at the 1,200 block of East Pleasant Grove Road. The driver, Cory Sharp (age 50 from Harmon, IL) was arrested for Driving While License Suspended.

Sharp was additionally issued a citation for Illegal Transportation of Alcohol. Sharp was released on an I-Bond and is required to appear in court at a later date.

At approximately 7:59 a.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the intersection of IL Rte. 251 and Scott Road for a two vehicle accident with an injury. After arriving on scene, Deputies learned a gray Nissan Sentra driven by Jackson Cortez, 23 of Rockford was traveling southbound on IL Rte. 251. A white Mack Semi with a tractor trailer was driven by Robert Rutledge, 55 of Poplar Grove. Rutledge had just approached the stop intersection on Scott Road traveling eastbound before he began to turn northbound on IL Rte. 251 in front of Cortez in the foggy conditions. Cortez was unable to avoid the semi and struck the trailer at the intersection before coming to rest. Cortez was transported to OSF Hospital by New Milford EMS for minor injuries. Rutledge was issued a citation for Failure to Yield at a Stop Intersection.

Oregon Police report

March 14
At 8:00 p.m., Oregon Police investigated a two-vehicle traffic crash involving a 2002 Ford driven by Danielle J. Hermes, 48, Oregon, and a parked 2003 Chevrolet belonging to Tony L. King, 52, Forreton. No citations were issued.

March 19
At 5:04 a.m., Oregon Police investigated a car vs deer traffic crash in the 2000 block of E. IL Route 64 involving a 2020 Honda driven by Juan M. Reyes, III, 29, Mt. Morris. No citations were issued.

5 parking citations and 1 verbal warning were issued from 03/16/2020 through 03/22/2020.

General Calls for Service			
Through dispatch during the week of 03/16/2020 through 03/22/2020:			
Checking a Subject / Vehicle	6	Citizen Complaints	3
Animal Complaints	2	Citizen Assist / Civil Problem	8
Assist EMS / Other Dept.	3	Disturbance / Dom Battery	

1	Alarm Response	1	911 Hang-up / Open Line	1
	Ordinance Violations	4	Traffic Stops	2

March 25
At 5:55 a.m., Oregon Police issued Lucas A. Jacobs, 44, Oregon, a citation for unsafe equipment. This violation occurred in the 500 block of Oregon Trail Road.

March 27
At 8:46 p.m., Oregon Police issued Andrew N. Bjorkman, 33, Oregon, a city citation for unlawful consumption in a public place. This violation occurred in the 300 block of N. 4th Street.

2 parking citations issued from 03/23/2020 through 03/29/2020.

General Calls for Service			
Through dispatch during the week of 03/23/2020 through 03/29/2020:			
Checking a Subject / Vehicle	7	Citizen Complaints	3
Citizen Assist / Civil Problem	1	Juvenile Complaints	2
Assist EMS / Other Dept.	8	Disturbance / Dom Battery	

2	911 Hang-up / Open Line	2	Alarm Response	1
	Ordinance Violations	2	Traffic Stops	2

Sinnissippi Centers Services during the Coronavirus outbreak

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Akre earns promotion with Stillman Bank



STILLMAN VALLEY – Stillman Bank has recently promoted a key member of its successful team in northern Illinois. Keith J. Akre, CFA, CFP® has been promoted to the position of Vice President and Trust Officer, according to Martin C. Larson, Chairman and CEO.

In his new position, Akre will be responsible for the overall administration and direction of the Trust and Wealth Management Department. He will be located primarily in the bank's Rockford office, 8492 East State Street, but will assist customers at all six Stillman Bank locations.

Akre has more than 12 years of experience in financial services and wealth investment management and has been with Stillman Bank since 2017. He earned his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance, and his Masters of Business Administration from Western Illinois University. He holds several professional certifications including Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and Certified Financial Planner (CFP®).

Akre is also very active in the community serving on several boards of non-profit, mission-driven organizations. Currently, he serves as the Treasurer of the Rockford Lutheran School Board and sits as Chair on the school's Finance Committee. He also serves as a Board of Trustee member for Rockford University, having just recently served as an advisory member to the University's Investment Committee. Akre is also a member of the Board of Directors for the YMCA of Rock River Valley and a part of the organization's Fund Development Committee. Akre lives in Rockford with his wife Heather and their three children.

For more information on Keith Akre or to find out more about Stillman Bank's products and services, please contact 815-332-8100.

Scholarship application deadline extended

STERLING – The scholarship application deadline has been extended from April 1 to May 1 for both the CGH Auxiliary and CGH Health Foundation grants for college education.

There are two separate applications, both of which can be found at www.cghmc.com/scholarships.

The CGH Auxiliary awards several \$1,000 scholarships to students who reside in the CGH service area. Students must have been accepted into their professional school of healthcare study and meet the criteria established by the Auxiliary. Last year nine scholarships were awarded. Scan completed forms to Auxiliary Coordinator Deb Keaschall at debra.keaschall@cghmc.com by 5 p.m. Friday, May 1. Call her at 815-625-0400, ext. 5727, for more information.

There are eight nursing/healthcare scholarships open to the public for the CGH Health Foundation – with one application. Awards range from \$1,000 to \$3,000. One requirement is proof of acceptance into your professional school of healthcare study. Residents of the CGH service area are eligible, including individuals living in Whiteside, Lee, Ogle, Carroll and Bureau counties. Scan completed forms to Foundation Executive Director Joan Hermes at joan.hermes@cghmc.com by 5 p.m. Friday, May 1. Call her at 815-625-0400, Ext. 5672, for more information.

In addition, the \$1,000 Illinois Hospital Research & Educational Foundation Scholarship (sponsored by the Constituency on Volunteers of the Illinois Health and Hospital Association) is available for download at www.team-ih.org/member-resources. The criteria is similar to that of the CGH Auxiliary scholarship. However, the deadline is Wednesday, April 15 for this scholarship.

State Police release enforcement figures


STERLING – Illinois State Police District 1 Commander, Captain Matthew Hodgdon, has announced District 1 enforcement figures and activity for February Illinois State Police District 1.

Troopers issued 446 citations, 496 written warnings, and made 10 criminal arrests during the month of February. Speeding accounted for 257 citations, 34 citations were issued for occupant restraint violations and 20 citations were issued for distracted driving violations.

Troopers investigated 21 traffic crashes, assisted 118 motorists, and conducted 133 commercial vehicle inspections, 16 of which were placed out-of-service for safety reasons. There were 7 arrests for driving under the influence.

District 1, which encompasses Carroll, Lee, Ogle, and Whiteside counties, had 1 traffic crash fatality in February.

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- ◇ Call 815-561-1140

Radiology

- ◇ Outpatient orders; use Third Street entrance
- ◇ Call 815-562-2181, ext. 1350

Respiratory Therapy

- ◇ No Pulmonary Function testing until further notice
- ◇ Outpatient orders; use Third Street entrance
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These support groups/classes are not meeting until further notice:
 Alcoholics Anonymous • Community CPR Classes • Grief Support Group • Group Hope • Narcotics Anonymous

3-31-20

Tornado damages structures, downs powerlines



The tornado that struck Ogle County on Saturday, March 28, appears to have damaged or destroyed 24 structures, said Ogle County Sheriff Brian VanVickle.

He said that the tornado took a path just east of Weld park, Southwest of Stillman Valley, and the path was about 7 miles long.

VanVickle said powerlines were damaged along Illinois Route 64, German Church Road, Limerick Road, Holcomb Road and Merrill Road.

The National Weather Service classified this as an EF1 tornado.

Photos taken east of German Church road on a line heading north east. (Brad Jennings photos)



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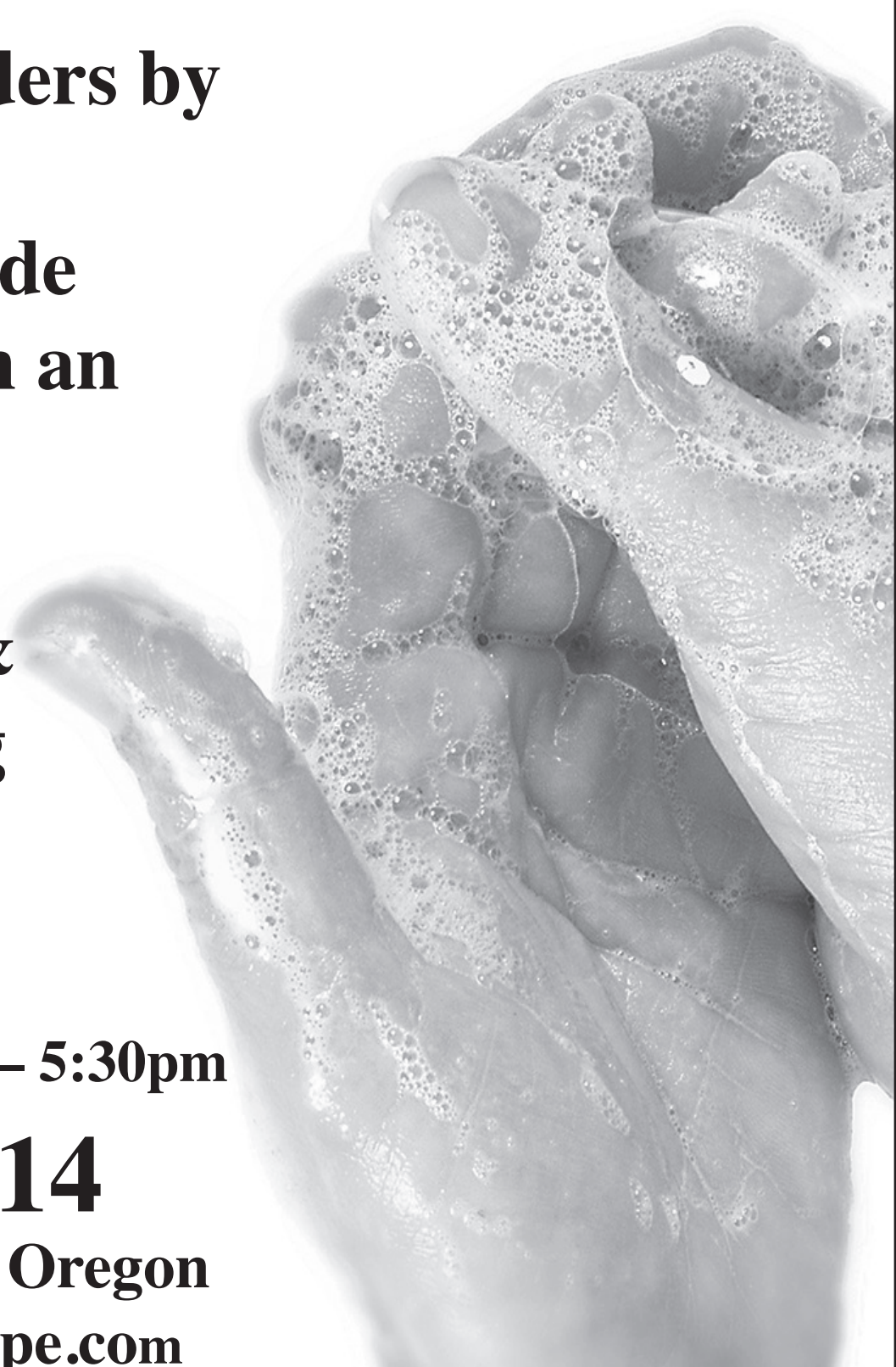
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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On April 23, 1564, the great English dramatist and poet William Shakespeare is born in Stratford-upon-Avon, the son of a leather trader and the town bailiff. At age 18 he married Anne Hathaway, who was eight years his senior.

* On April 21, 1918, in the skies over France, Manfred von Richthofen, the notorious German flying ace known as "The Red Baron," is killed by Allied fire. Richthofen was the top ace on both sides of the Western front, downing 80 enemy aircraft.

* On April 24, 1945, President Harry Truman learns the full details of the Manhattan Project, in which scientists are attempting to create the first atomic bomb. The project was so secret that the former vice president only learned of it after President Franklin Roosevelt's death.

* On April 26, 1954, the Salk polio vaccine field trials, involving 1.8 million children, begin in McLean, Virginia. A year later, researchers announced the vaccine was safe and effective, and it quickly became a standard part of childhood immunizations in America.

* On April 22, 1970, Earth Day, an event to increase public awareness of the world's environmental problems, is first celebrated in the U.S. Millions of Americans, including students from thousands of universities, participated in rallies, marches and educational programs.

* On April 20, 1980, the Castro regime announces that all Cubans wishing to emigrate to the U.S. are free to board boats at the port of Mariel west of Havana, launching the Mariel Boatlift. The first of 125,000 Cuban refugees from Mariel reached Florida the next day in about 1,700 boats, overwhelming the U.S. Coast Guard.

* On April 25, 1990, the crew of the U.S. space shuttle Discovery places the Hubble Space Telescope, a space-based observatory about the size of a bus, into a low orbit around Earth. The solar-powered telescope remains in operation to this day.

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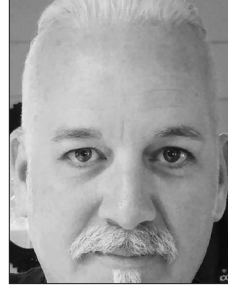
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Ventured outside and almost bought a shed

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



I used to think that I wouldn't mind maybe retiring early, spending more time around the house.

You know the scenario – you putter around doing projects, eating healthy and spending quality time with your spouse and dogs.

Well, the reality is that, when I am not working on stories and editing copy for this fine newspaper, I am eating way too much and getting a bit stir crazy. We had a couple of geese land in the front yard last week and they stayed for a couple of days. When they finally flew off, I clung to the window with tear-streaked eyes and screamed, "come back, come back!"

I needed to get out of the house.

I volunteered to take a trip to Costco to get a few things that we needed: Some meals we can heat up and serve, some napkins, mac and cheese, booze – you know, the essentials.

I even found the mother lode – a 36 roll package of toilet paper. We were running low, so I grabbed it. I will be

honest, I pushed around that cart with that giant mound of toilet in it feeling like Jeff Bezos shopping at Walmart. I was rich!

It is easy to get distracted in Costco. Yes, I believe I need that 14-gallon jug of honey and these new pants, and while I'm at it I will take 47 pounds of frozen cod. And sure, a new shower head.

So there I was wandering around the place feeling like a stud when I spotted it. It was magnificent. It was huge. It was basically a castle and I wanted to be the king that lived in it.

It was the greatest shed I have ever seen in my life.

Now, when I say shed, I am sure you are imagining some metal death trap that you and a few buddies slammed together one weekend, and all ended up getting tetanus shots because, let's face it, you are not any good with tools in your hands.

No, this was not like that. First of all, it was made of hard plastic, and looked like it might survive nuclear winter. And it had a thin row of plastic windows at the top – windows! I'm sure that a professional basketball player could get a good view out of those windows because this was a big shed. It was 7-feet tall and 7-feet wide.

I have lived in smaller apartments. Even Donald Trump would consider it "yuuuuge!"

At first, I thought the price was \$500. Wow! All of this shed for only \$500! I could fit my riding lawnmower, wheelbarrow and lots of other tools and yard stuff that I am not really sure how to operate, but am required to

own as a man, into it.

Wouldn't my wife think I was smart if I snagged this killer shed for only \$500? I tried hard to convince myself.

Then I moved around to the other side and saw the real price: \$849. I still tried to convince myself this was a steal. My wife would still consider me a genius and hero! This would be the answer to every problem I have now or have ever had in my life! And it could double as a place to sleep when she kicked me out of the house for buying an \$849 shed!

Thankfully, I snapped out of my Costco stupor. No, I didn't buy the shed. Yes, I still dream about it. But I chalk this all up to the cabin fever we are all probably experiencing.

I am glad that I made it home shed-less. Maybe in a few weeks this will all be over, and we can get back to our normal lives.

When that day comes I will have one thought: I wonder if that shed is still available?

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



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Opinion

Byron Financial Services writes letter to communities it serves

These are no doubt trying times here in the U.S.A and abroad. The spread of the novel coronavirus has brought our financial markets into bear market territory and the threat of a recession is at our doorstep if not already here.

Hard times won't last forever and Americans along with the rest of globe have mobilized to combat this pandemic. Human trials on a vaccine have already begun along with experimental treatments and their development. This is our light at the end of tunnel. We remain optimistic this will pass and America will be stronger and more prepared moving forward.

While bear markets test our fortitude to stay invested, it's

important to look at variables we can control that strive to improve our portfolio and even tax situation. It's time like these we need to focus on what we can control.

For potential investors that have delayed putting money to work into the equity markets this is no doubt a unique opportunity. Consider your risk tolerance and time horizon before making an investment decision. Contact one of our advisors for a consult to help determine if this is right for you and your family.

For those of us currently invested, bear markets may present the opportunity to harvest tax losses. Take the time to review your portfolio and identify any

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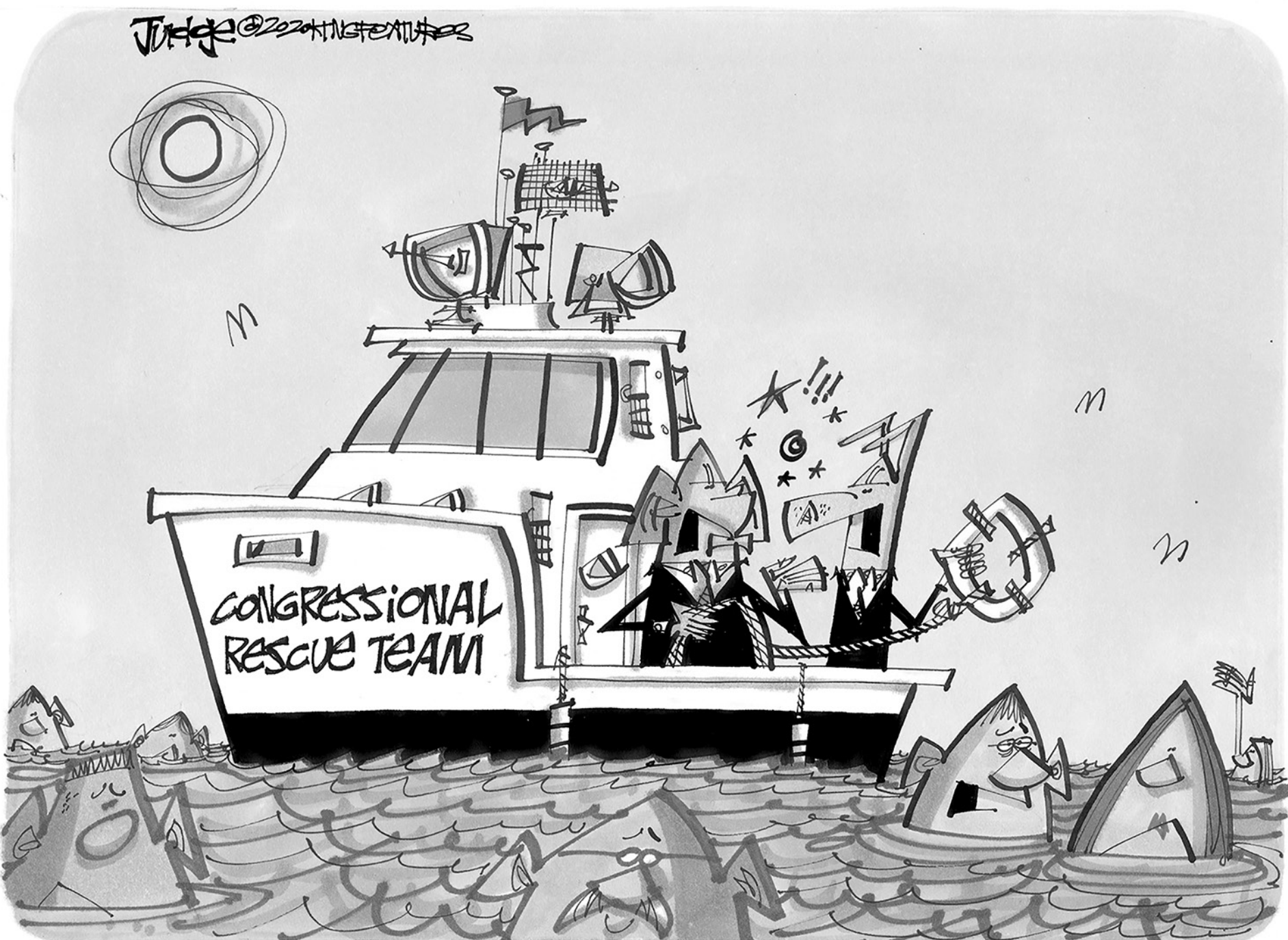
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What You Can Do to Keep Your Dream of Homeownership Moving Forward

While the coronavirus may have many of us sidelined from our usual activities, you don't have to press pause on your real estate plans just because you're staying home. Here are four things you can do right now to keep your home search on track, so you're ready to go when this health crisis subsides.

1. Get Pre-Approved

Pre-approval for a mortgage will give you a better understanding of what you can afford, and it shows you're a serious buyer. Gather the necessary documents like your income verification, credit history, and asset documentation while you're spending some time at home and reach out to a lender for assistance.

2. Virtually Connect with an Agent

Today, more than ever, it's important to start working with a trusted real estate advisor, so you're ready to move quickly when it's time. Whether you chat by phone or video, a real estate professional can help you understand how to navigate the changing dynamics of today's market without bringing your plans to a standstill.

3. Do Your Research

This is a great time to investigate down payment assistance programs in your area, especially if you think you might benefit from a low down payment option when you make your home purchase.

4. View Listings Online

You may not be able to check out homes for sale in person right now, but you can still look online for what's available in your area. Use virtual tours and listings to take note of your favorite must-haves and nice-to-haves in a potential home.



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Don't put your dreams on hold. This may still be your year to buy home, and your trusted real estate advisor is here to help you through the journey.

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Mortgage Forbearance Information

The idea is that borrowers who have been temporarily furloughed from their jobs, laid off or can't work because of sickness from COVID-19 can take a break from their mortgage payments.

The programs are designed to halt mortgage payments for up to six months and might be extended if the pandemic and economic hardships continue, according to guidelines from the Federal Housing Finance Agency.

If you take the payment forbearance, that doesn't mean you don't owe the money. If you contact your mortgage servicer and get the forbearance, the arrangement will include a plan for making up the last monthly payments.

The options include paying back in one lump sum, spreading the money owed out over multiple payments or modifying the home mortgage.

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Kennedy earns 4-H Emerald award

Illinois 4-H challenges youth to try new things, experiment in project areas that interest them, and explore opportunities around the state and country.

The 4-H Experience Award recognizes youth who excel in that challenge. The award is sponsored by the Illinois 4-H Foundation.

"We celebrate youth whose 4-H experiences have expanded outside their home county to the state, national, or international level," said Lisa Diaz, University of Illinois Extension assistant dean and Illinois 4-H director.

Youth earning the two highest levels, diamond and emerald, are recognized at the state level. The individual winners in each category include:

Lillian Kennedy, Emerald Experience Project Learning

Hub Hickory Nuts 4-H Club, Federation, 4-H Ambassador, Kennedy explores Southeast Asian cultures and shares what she learns with her club. She works at an international café, raises money for Heifer International, speaks on international issues, and attends lectures at NIU.

"4-H is a platform to both show off what I've done throughout the year and a way to improve my personal best," she said. "4-H has also given me great opportunities to realize and put into action what I want to do with the rest of my life." E

Kennedy loves to learn and is planning a dual major in music and political science with minors in psychology, environmental studies, and Southeast Asian studies. She hopes to solve environmental problems, such as deforestation, water sanitation, animal conservation, and food stability.

About 4-H: Illinois 4-H prepares and empowers youth for success. University of Illinois Extension provides 4-H programs in every county in Illinois. Illinois 4-H impacts the lives of 200,000 youth each year through sustained learning clubs and groups and short-term programming.

About Illinois 4-H Foundation: The Illinois 4-H Foundation's mission is to build relationship to generate financial resources for Illinois 4-H. Funding from individual donors, our Illinois 4-H Project Partners, companies, and friends of Illinois 4-H help the Foundation support statewide programming initiatives along with scholarships, assistance to National events, grant opportunities, Teens as Teachers and assists us in filling funding gaps.

Byron Library News

Byron Public Library Closed

Due to the shelter in place order issued by the state of Illinois, the Byron Public Library is completely closed until further notice. Due dates have been extended by our library system so there is no need to worry about late fees! Practice social distancing and stay safe, everyone! Be sure to check our Facebook page for the latest news from the library.

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Polo Library News

In cooperation with the Governor's Stay at Home orders, and to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, Polo Public Library is closed until further notice and all programs scheduled during this time have been cancelled or rescheduled.

All currently checked out books have been renewed until May 1.

You are still be able to use Axis 360, OMNI/Overdrive, Libby, and Biblioboard for e-resources (books, audio books) and we will be posting on our Facebook page (Facebook.com/pololibrary) other resources to help fill the gap while you can't use the library.

If you are new to Polo and haven't had a chance to get a library card, or maybe you

aren't normally a reader but would like to try ebooks during this time, we will be issuing temporary library cards for people in Buffalo Township. If you are interested in this, please visit our Facebook page (Facebook.com/pololibrary) or email library@pololibrary.org for more information.

WiFi is still available outside of the library building by joining the Polo Public Library Guest Access network, you do not need a password.

If you have any questions or comments, please let us know by calling 815-946-2713 or emailing library@pololibrary.org.

We sincerely hope that everyone stays healthy and safe during this time.

Bertolet Library News

Due to the shelter-in-place order, Bertolet Memorial Library will be closed through April 7. All due dates have been extended through May 1st. There is no need to worry about late fines. Our drop box will be closed to returns until we are able to reopen.

Don't forget... you can get new reading material in audio book and E-book form on the Axis 360 app or Biblioboard. ind links at our website: www.bertoletmemoriallibrary.org

Extension offering Spring Thaw webinar April 9

Illinois Extension Local Government Education webinar series welcomes two experts from the Illinois Natural History Survey to present SPRING THAW: Bugs, Disease, Public Health, and Landscaping Practices.

This webinar will be held on Thursday, April 9 from noon-1 p.m.

Holly Tuten, Associate Scientist in Vector Ecology and Dr. Chris Stone, Medical Entomologist, will cover research and surveillance on ticks and mosquitoes in regard to climate change, and how to respond in practical and management-related ways.

Tuten is a Vector Ecologist at the Illinois Natural History Survey. Her undergraduate matriculation was at UNC-Chapel Hill (B.Sc. biol. with chem. minor) where she conducted research on Drosophila Americana and field work on tick surveillance. She obtained her M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Entomology at Clemson University as an NSF Graduate Research Fellow investigating the ecology of arthropod vectors in zoological parks. Her first post-doc at the University of Kentucky laid the groundwork for a mass release of modified mosquitoes in American Samoa.

Her second post-doc was on invasive mosquito vectors at the Institute for Parasitology in Zurich where she also provided taxonomic expertise to the arthropod diagnostic lab. Following this she spent 2.5 years training and working with USDA APHIS as a Risk Analyst for the prevention, detection, and control of invasive pests in the United States. She conducts research on ticks and mosquitoes and runs the Illinois statewide active tick surveillance program through a contract with the State of Illinois Department of Public Health.

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Library Closure

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Severe Weather Preparedness



How to construct a good safe room

While it usually isn't affordable or practical to tornado proof your entire home, you can construct a safe room to provide yourself and loved ones a refuge during the storm. Both residences and businesses should consider building an effective safe place, especially if the structure lacks a lower level like a basement.

The potential damage these destructive storms produced is measured using a system called the Fujita Tornado Damage Scale. Categories range from F1-F5; the most extreme cases can see winds exceeding 300 mph. However, even moderate storms can cause structures to collapse and cause windows to explode.

New Construction vs. Retrofit

While it's feasible to retrofit a safe room into an existing home, cost of the addition is about 20 percent higher than including it in new construction plans. In most cases, it is easier to invest in a manufactured structure rather than building from the ground up. Be sure the unit is within another room that is structurally connected to the home.

If you plan to incorporate a shelter in your new home plans, make sure your contractor follows the guidelines from FEMA P-361, as the design is strong enough to remain intact through winds of 250 miles per hour.

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Interior or Exterior

Ideal places for interior shelters include a basement or corner of a garage away from overhanging tree branches. Another benefit of having a safe room indoors is it lessens the chances of rushing outdoors through severe elements to reach safety.

Exterior safe rooms can be more economical than renovating. According to FEMA standards, residential shelters should be no more than 150 feet away from the entrance of a home. To add an attractive aesthetic to your property, consider erecting a shelter adjacent to the existing building and using the same siding material to cover it.

Severe Weather Preparedness



What you need to know about a NOAA Weather Radio

A great way to stay on top of the chances of severe weather in your area is by utilizing a specialized weather radio offered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Make sure to keep extra batteries on hand or purchase a hand-crank model to receive updates if electricity is out.

Check your local area for workshops on programming and a demonstration on using the radio properly. Here are some frequently asked questions about weather radios.

What is a NOAA Weather Radio?

It is nationwide network of stations which broadcast weather information directly from the National Weather Service. As an all-hazards warning system, the radio releases warnings and post-event information on both natural and technological emergencies.

How can I receive alerts if I'm visually or hearing impaired?

Specially designed weather radios can be easily connected to other warning devices like strobe lights, bed shakers and even text printers.

How do I test my radio to ensure it is programmed correctly?

The National Weather Service schedules a weekly test for each of its Weather Radio transmitters. Typically, they occur every Wednesday, between 11 a.m. and noon, local time. Keep in mind, tests will be postponed during a live emergency.

Can I program my radio for a different area in the United States?

Yes, when you're moving or visiting another location, use the map offered by the National Weather Service's website. It is easy to find the frequencies for different areas.

What features should I look for when purchasing a radio?

There are several different models available, the most useful feature you should search for is one offering an alarm tone. Also, choose an option that will operate on batteries or with a hand crank in case the power goes out.

Is there a way to improve my weather radio's signal?

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Severe Weather Preparedness



Be sure to create a communication plan

Chances are that severe weather will break out when you are separated from family members. Make sure to have a plan so everyone knows where to seek shelter and how to reunite after the threat is over. Here are some things to include in your strategy as recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Seeking Safety

Of course, you should have a plan in place to wait out a storm when everyone is home. However, with the unpredictability of a tornado outbreak, it's likely your family members may be in different locations. FEMA encourages you and loved ones to understand emergency protocols for the places you frequent.

School: Meet with officials to discover their safety plans. Typically, elemen-

tary and high school students practice drills where they seek a safe place like a hallway to protect themselves. Younger children should also perform these methods at home to ease the stress and anxiety during an actual event.

Workplace: Teenagers should know where to go during a tornado if it occurs during their work hours. Make sure to stress the importance of safety as they may not understand the seriousness of the situation. Adults should also know how to react to an impending storm at their workplace. Encourage your leaders to practice before tornado season so both old and new employees understand procedures.

Meeting Place After the Storm

If your home or property experiences damage, it's important to follow safety precautions before rushing to find loved ones. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says to be aware of hazards from exposed nails or glass and to avoid areas with downed power lines. Ensure your family members know where to go once conditions are safe to leave. You can meet up at business or safe place in the neighborhood or a landmark on your property.

Out-of-Town Contact

If local phone lines are jammed, it's likely you won't make contact to others in your area. It's important to have an out-of-town contact for your family to reach out to. When someone can't make it to the meeting spot, your contact can give you peace of mind that they are safe and waiting for conditions to improve.

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Severe Weather Preparedness



Determine a safe spot in case of severe weather

Don't wait until the imminent threat of a tornado to find the safest spot in your home. A proactive part of emergency preparedness is to develop a plan and practice it with your family. If you don't have a basement or storm shelter, you should know where the next best area is to wait out a storm.

Make sure to stock your safe spot with necessities to keep you content and comfortable in case damage prevents you from leaving. The American Red Cross urges us to collect items like:

- Non-perishable food and enough water to last at least three days. Don't forget your pets when planning.
- Fully charged cell phones and flashlights, with extra batteries.
- A seven-day supply or medications you require.
- A NOAA Weather Radio.

During your daily routine, keep a list of other items you rely on and purchase extras for your preparedness kit. When considering which area of your home is the safest for storm survival, remember these tips from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Home, Dorm or Apartment Without Basement

The key to staying safe in a building without a basement or underground shelter is to avoid windows. During an impending tornado, seek refuge in a room at the lowest level of your home; some areas to consider are an interior hallway or under a stairwell. It's a good idea to keep a helmet on hand to protect yourself from falling debris. Another area that can provide safety is a bathroom. Crouch low in a bathtub and cover yourself with padding like a mattress or blankets.

Mobile Home

If you live in a mobile home, it's important to have an evacuation plan in place before the storm arrives. Even if the structure is tied down, it is not suitable to withstand winds from a tornado, which can reach over 300 miles per hour, according to the Storm Prediction Center.

As part of your preparedness strategy, reach out to a neighbor or loved one nearby with a basement or exterior shelter. If the threat of severe weather is present, give yourself plenty of time to make it to a destination, so you don't find yourself driving through the storm.

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Oregon Library News

Library closure

Due to the shelter in place order the Oregon Public Library will be closed until further notice. All programs have also been cancelled. We hope to help slow the spread of COVID-19 and contribute to the health of the community. Since we are a fine free library you will not be accruing fines for overdue materials, so don't worry about returning your items.

Follow our Facebook for other virtual resources during this closure and updates. You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the Oregon Public Library Facebook page. The Library staff will be posting updates and new virtual resources as they become available.

Lego challenge

While everyone is practicing social distancing, Oregon Public Library would like to extend a challenge to all those Lego lovers! The challenge begins now and continues to April 30th.

There will be three age categories, 7 years & under, 8-12 years and 13 years & up and there will be prizes. Entries will be judged on authenticity and detail. Entries will be posted on Facebook. Once the Library has reopened to the public, we hope to display the winners at the Library.

OPL would like you to construct out of Lego bricks a replica of one of the following:
Oregon Public Library,
Chana Schoolhouse,
Ogle County Courthouse,
The Eternal Indian,
Oregon Park West
or Oregon Dam area.

It can be no taller than 1-2 feet high and no wider than a placement (approximately 12" by 16"). Landscaping and detail is important...the more detail the better.

Your Lego Challenge entry must contain the following, name, age/grade, address, and 3 photos of your creation. The photos should show the progression of your construction from beginning to end. When submitting your entry please list Lego Challenge as the subject of your email. You need to submit your photo entry no later than April 30 via email to oregonlibrary@yahoo.com.

Adult coloring contest

Adults: Are you sitting at home with your kids, why should they get all the cool links and projects? Are you just stuck at home and boredom setting in? Pull out those Adult Coloring books and get coloring. Oregon Public Library will be holding an ADULT only coloring contest. You can print a coloring page off the internet or rip one out of your Adult coloring books. You have until April 30th to mail your coloring sheet to the Library. Must include Name, email address and phone number on the back. There will be two age categories: 16-20 years of age and 21 and up. Prizes and winners will be shared on our Facebook page and website.

1,000 books before kindergarten

Now is the perfect time to start 1,000 Books before Kindergarten! It's very simple to start. Normally you would come to the Library, register, receive your own folder with reading logs and start tracking your reading. Well, we have to adapt to these challenging times, so.....register by emailing child's name, birth date, guardian's name, library card number and a phone number or email address to the library email (can be found on our website),



Flashback to 2017!

then just start recording at home the titles of the books you read to your pre-kindergarten child. Debbie, our Children/Youth Librarian, will be checking emails and answering any questions that might come up. Children can listen to or read stories on e-book readers, tablet computers, or other devices as well as the old fashioned way. You can even repeat books. Computer games do not count. Once we are back in the library, stop by to pick up your own folder and we will add your list to the folder.

"There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all."- Jacqueline Kennedy

Summer reading program bookmark contest

2020 Summer Reading Program Bookmark Contest deadline has been extended to April 30, so while you're at home consider this an art assignment!

Material information

While we are closed you may have questions about your materials. These are the steps the PrairieCat consortium has taken to best serve our patrons!-due dates are being extended for items with due dates of 3/13/2020 through 3/31/2020 until April 7, 2020-library card expiration dates for patrons whose cards would have expired in March 2020 have been extended until April 30, 2020-hold requests will be suspended from closure of business on March 16 - March 31-pending hold requests

made before March 17 will be addressed after March 31-delivery of items has been suspended until at least 3/31

Please do not worry about returning your materials until we have reopened. Because this is an ongoing situation, we will post updates as more information becomes available.

Available resources for your stay at home

Online Resources: Audiobooks & eBooks are available on Axis 360 and Biblioboard. Links are available on our website: oregonpubliclibrary.com/online-resources/

TumbleBooklibrary (www.tumblebooklibrary.com) is a collection of animated talking picture books, read-alongs, ebooks, quizzes, lesson plans, and educational games which is used by thousands of schools and public libraries in over 100 countries across the world. TumbleBooks can be accessed by our patrons from the comfort and safety of their homes! Go to the Library website, free educational resources for log-in procedures.

Use our WiFi outside of our building by connecting to the Oregon Library Guest Access WiFi network that doesn't need a password.

Did you know?

During the years in the rooms at the First National Bank, members of the Library Board took turns in acting as librarians during the two or three evenings each week the Library was open. In 1903 Mrs. Addie Welty was

appointed as the first salaried librarian. She served two years and was succeeded by Miss Ethel Herbert, who also served two years. In December 1908, Miss Emily Cartwright assumed the position of regular librarian at a salary of \$360 per year and continued in this position for over fifty years. (Information compiled from historical documents found in cupboards in the Library office)

2020 Census

The time is now. Help shape your future, and your community's future, by responding to the 2020 Census. Most homes should have received a paper questionnaire (sometimes known as the census form). Please complete your form online, by phone, or by mail when your invitation to respond arrives. The 2020 Census will ask a few simple questions about you and everyone who is or will be living with you on April 1, 2020. It takes only a few minutes to complete.

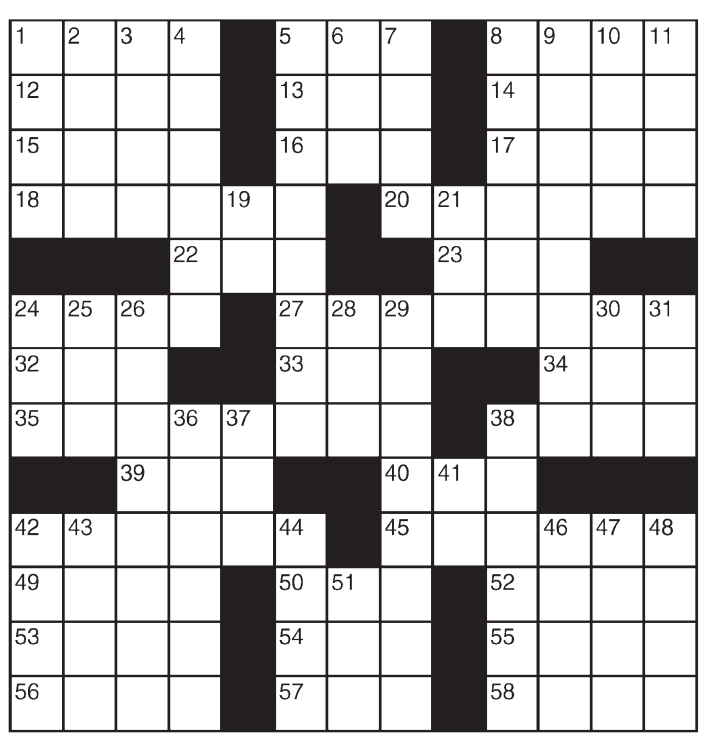
Online Response - Visit my2020census.gov to begin. Please note that if you are responding online, you must complete the census in one sitting, as you don't have the ability to save your progress.

Phone Response - English: 844-330-2020 Phone lines are open every day from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time.

Paper (Mail) Response - If you do not receive an invitation to respond from the Census Bureau, you may respond online or call their phone line.

Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 Radius neighbor
- 5 Letterman's network
- 8 Atlantic food fish
- 12 Public disturbance
- 13 Have a bug
- 14 Dumbo's "wings"
- 15 Pace
- 16 Also
- 17 Greek vowels
- 18 Proofreader's finds
- 20 Lava rock
- 22 Army rank (Abbr.)
- 23 Cul-de- —
- 24 Make fun of
- 27 Small caterpillar
- 32 Literary collection
- 33 Actress Vardalos
- 34 Cattle call
- 35 Braised beef
- 38 Help in crime
- 39 Swiss river
- 40 Spring mo.
- 42 Walk quietly
- 45 Lengthy list
- 49 Defeat decisively
- 50 Bashful
- 52 Pelvic bones
- 53 "— do for now"
- 54 Not neg.
- 55 Punch
- 56 Partner
- 57 Nevertheless
- 58 Golf gadgets
- 7 Unkempt one
- 8 Playground favorite
- 9 Subterranean passage
- 10 Caspian feeder
- 11 "Hey, you!"
- 19 Gift-tag word
- 21 Baseball bat wood
- 24 Treasure hunter's aid
- 25 Yoko of music
- 26 Grenade hurler
- 28 Serbian city
- 29 Stimulus of a kind
- 30 Fish eggs
- 31 Witticism
- 36 Baby's toy
- 37 Acapulco gold
- 38 Sculptor, e.g.
- 41 "Life of —" (2012 movie)
- 42 Decorate
- 43 Tittle
- 44 Catch sight of
- 46 Lotion additive
- 47 Pleasing
- 48 Tibetan herd
- 51 Weeding tool

MAGIC MAZE ● FOUND IN A BAKERY

T I E B Y V R O L I F C Z W T
 Q N K I F C S **M U F F I N S** Z
 W U R P M J H T E C Z X U T S
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
 Unlisted clue hint: GROUND AND SIFTED WHEAT

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|------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| Bread | Displays | Milk | Pies |
| Cakes | Doughnuts | Mixers | Sugar |
| Cookies | Eggs | Muffins | Yeast |
| Croissants | Loaves | Oil | |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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.

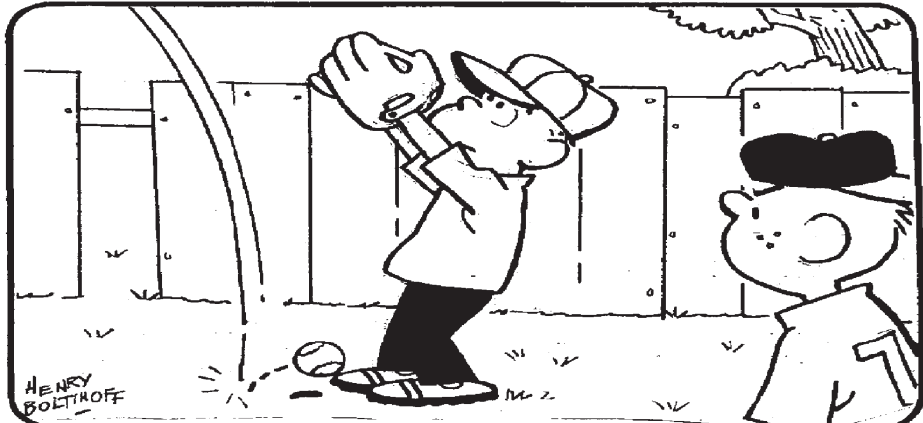
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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

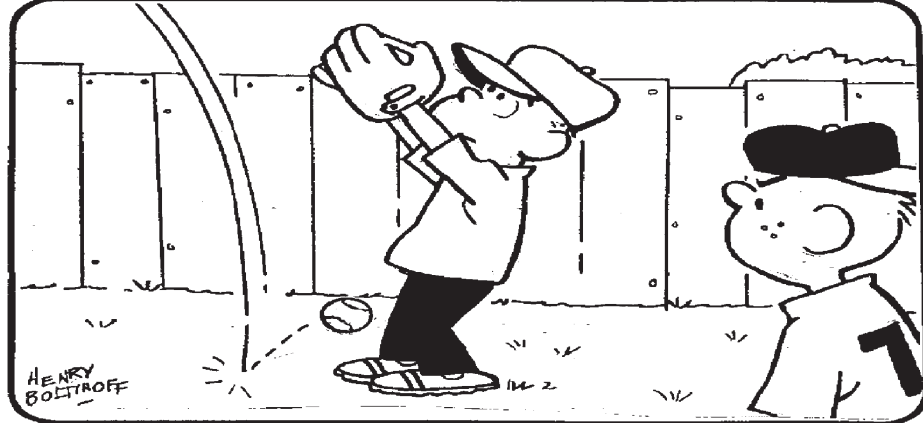
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



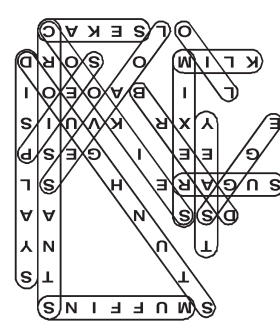
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Fence is mended. 2. Ball is higher. 3. Hat is different. 4. Shoes are different. 5. Tree is gone. 6. Seven is black.



Solution time: 25 mins.
 Answers
 King Crossword



FOUND IN A BAKERY

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

Answer
 Weekly SUDOKU

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

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

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

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIZ EJE UIF FBTUFS CVOOZ HFU

B UJDLFU? CFDBVTF JU SBO B

IPQ TJHO.

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

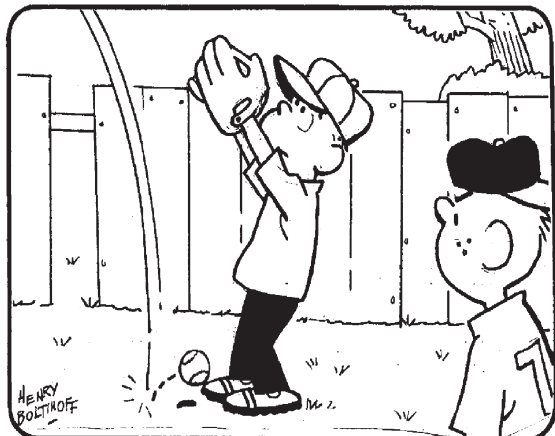
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Blue plus yellow | ___ _ _ _ N | Welcome | ___ _ _ _ T |
| 2. Future spouse | ___ I ___ _ _ | Pierre's country | ___ R ___ _ _ |
| 3. Mickey or Mighty | ___ _ U ___ _ | Code inventor | ___ _ R ___ _ |
| 4. Swan Lake, for one | ___ A ___ _ _ | Bite the ___ | ___ U ___ _ _ |
| 5. Completely unnerve | ___ _ _ _ E | Silky headwear | ___ _ _ _ F |
| 6. Perry Mason, e.g. | L ___ _ _ _ | Finn's friend | S ___ _ _ _ |
| 7. Swap | ___ _ _ D _ | Draw an outline of | ___ _ _ C _ |
| 8. Juice box | ___ _ _ T ___ | ___ dioxide | ___ _ _ B ___ |
| 9. Fret | ___ _ _ R _ | Too talkative | ___ _ _ D _ |
| 10. Ant or cricket | ___ _ _ C _ | "___ coin here" | ___ _ _ R _ |

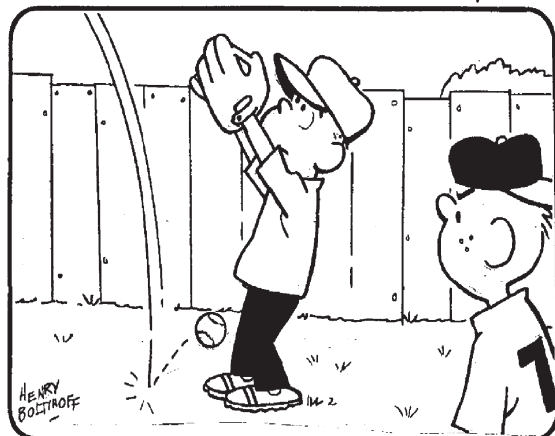
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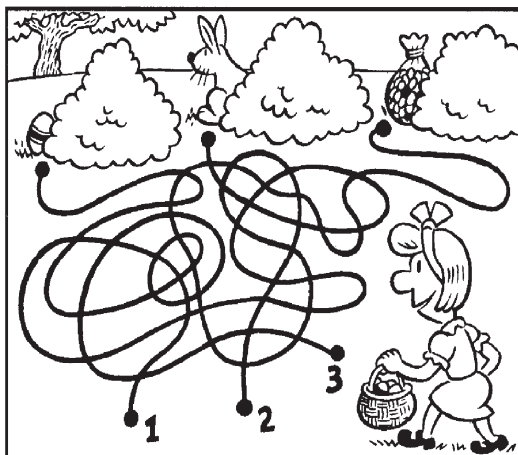


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HIDE AND SEEK! See if you can guess which path leads to the egg, to the rabbit, and to the bag of jelly beans.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

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

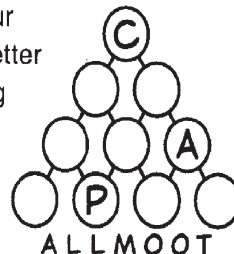
EASTER TIME!

Hidden in the diagram above are 16 words associated with Easter. They can be found by reading up or down, or side to side. You'll even find them diagonally going up or down. Letters can be used more than once. Listed below are the words you're looking for:

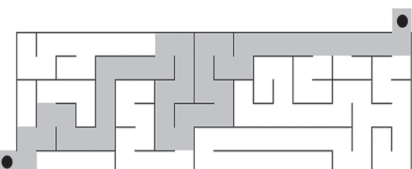
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|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Baskets | Coloring | Jelly beans |
| Bonnet | Dress | Parades |
| Bunny | Easter | Spring |
| Candy | Egg hunt | Sunday |
| Chicks | Feast | Tulips |
| Chocolate | | |

SPEED KING! What's the world's smallest eight-wheeled conveyance that can accommodate just one passenger at a time?
 Answer: A pair of roller skates.

CHAIN REACTION! Take the 7 letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight 4-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.



Answer: The words are, top to bottom, left to right: Clam, clap, clod, clot, coop, coot, coat, coal.



Kids' Maze Solution

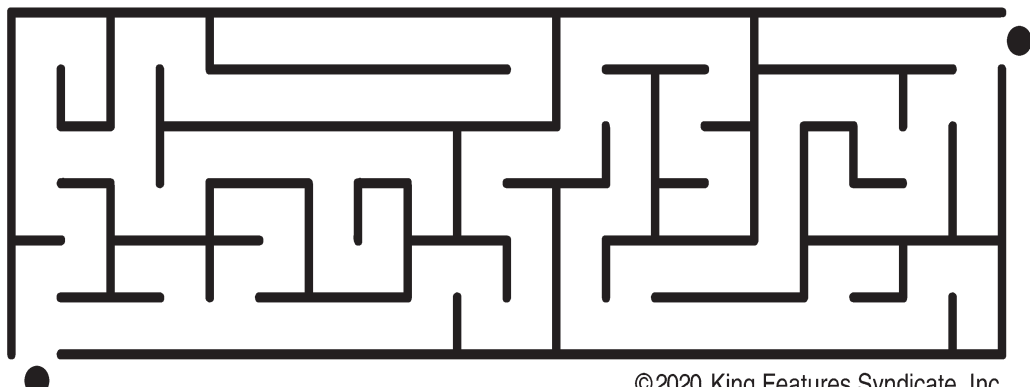
Even Exchange answers

1. Green, Greet
2. Flance, France
3. Mouse, Morse
4. Ballet, Bullet
5. Scare, Scarf
6. Lawyer, Sawyer
7. Trade, Trace
8. Carton, Carbon
9. Worry, Wordy
10. Insect, Insert

Puzzles4Kids Answer

Why did the Easter Bunny get a ticket?
 Because it ran a hop sign.

Kids' Maze



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Pursuant to the Landlord's lien provisions in rental agreement between John Tipp Unit 206 at White Eagle Storage, Shannon, IL, this storage unit containing personal property will be sold or otherwise disposed of on or after April 28, 2020 at Whit Eagle Storage at 11627 Rt 72 Forreston, IL 61030. Payment must be made by April 15, 2020, to prevent this sale. No. 0338 (Mar. 30, April 6)

PUBLIC NOTICE
MARION TOWNSHIP
Gravel Bids
Marion Township
Public Notice

Marion Township is accepting bids for Road Rock for fiscal Year 2020-2021

Specifications:

Must be able to furnish for fiscal year from April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 including winter months.

- Must spread on any Township road or delivered to Township garage as per Road Commissioner.

- Price per ton road rock spread on road.

- Road rock must be C D6 state inspected.

- Must have 1-10 tandems or 1-8 semi dumps for road construction as requested by Road Commissioner.

- \$200,00 per day deducted if not met after 48 -hour notice by Road Commissioner.

- Must be able to furnish road rock within 4 hours if needed.

- Ogle County prevailing wage rates apply on all materials delivered.

- Proof of insurance must be on file before delivery and approved by Road Commissioner.

Sealed bids must be turned in by 3 p.m. Monday May 4, at Township Clerk's office at 400 W. Roosevelt Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084, Bids will be

opened at 7:00 pm on Tuesday May 5, 2020. Any questions please call 815/222-6298.

Marion Township has the right to accept or reject any bid.
Candy S Beck/ Clerk
No. 0402 (April 6)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process-Public Participation in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission regulations (47 CFR § 1.1307) for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Program Comment for Positive Train Control and Infrastructure. Union Pacific Railroad proposes to construct

an approximately 65' monopole communications pole with associated equipment at the following approximate location in Ogle County, Illinois within the existing railroad right-of-way: Coordinates: 41.931037, -88.957024; Mile Post #69.19, Creston.

We respectfully request that parties interested in providing comment on the proposed undertaking relative to potential effects on cultural or historic properties should contact GSS, Inc., 3311 109th Street, Urbandale, IA 50322; Ph. (515) 331-2103, within 30 days of the date of this publication (GSS W20016-IL-7). No. 0403 (April 6)

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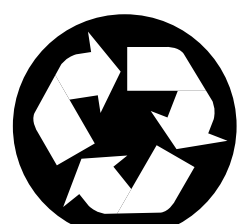
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2018 CHEVY SILVERADO LT CREW CAB, 4X4, 11,000K	\$32,126
2018 GMC SIERRA Z71, 4X4, 4 DR., HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START	SOLD
2017 CHEVY SILVERADO 4 DR., Z71, 4X4, CUSTOM WHEELS, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START	\$28,299
2017 CHEVY EQUINOX LT, HEATED SEATS, REMOTE START	\$17,264
2017 FORD FUSION SE, LOADED, ONE OWNER, MOON ROOF, 33K	\$16,687
2017 FORD EDGE SEL, AWD, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ONLY 21,000 MILES	\$23,879
2017 CADILLAC XTS, AWD, LOCAL ONE OWNER	\$27,463
2017 CHEVY EQUINOX LT, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START, MOONROOF	\$17,630
2017 JEEP PATRIOT 4X4, LEATHER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, ONLY 23K	\$17,791
2016 GMC SIERRA, CREW CAB ALL TERRAIN, 4X4, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START EXTRA CLEAN	\$30,973
2016 JEEP WRANGLER, 4 DR., 4X4, ONE OWNER ONLY, 27K MI.	\$27,581
2016 FORD EDGE SEL, AWD, HEAT SEATS, ONE OWNER	\$21,867
2016 JEEP COMPASS 4X4 LATITUDE, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START	\$15,822
2016 JEEP PATRIOT LATITUDE 4X4, REMOTE START, HEATED SEATS, 29K	\$15,831
2016 GMC TERRAIN SLT, AWD, V6, LOADED, LOCAL TRADE	\$16,873
2016 JEEP WRANGLER BACK COUNTRY, THOMPSON WHEELS, NITRO TIRES, ALPINE STEREO, NAV., REMOTE START, HEAT SEATS	\$33,672
2015 CHEVY SILVERADO LT, CREW CAB Z71, 4X4, LOADED, ONE OWNER, REMOTE START, HEAT SEATS, CHROME WHEELS	SOLD
2011 CHEVY SILVERADO CREW, Z71, 4X4, X-CLEAN, ONE OWNER	SOLD
2011 BUICK ENCLAVE CX, CLEAN, LOCAL TRADE	SOLD
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210 FORD F150 XLT, SUPER CAB, 4X4, VERY NICE, LOCAL TRADE	\$11,837
2007 CADILLAC ESCALADE ESV, DUAL DVD, MOON, LOW MILES	\$15,831
2006 FORD F150 4X4, 4WD, MOON BUCKETS, VERY CLEAN	SOLD
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