



NOTHING STOPPED THE EASTER BUNNY

The Amboy Lions Club and the Amboy Fire Protection District offered a special treat for the youth of Amboy on Saturday afternoon. Since the annual Cliff Walter Easter Egg Hunt was canceled due to the State of Illinois Stay in Place order in effect, Lions members and the fire department still found a way to bring a little Easter fun to the youth in Amboy. The Easter Bunny sat on the front of the Amboy Fire Engine and was paraded up and down the streets of Amboy. Pictured above, local young wave to the Easter Bunny as he passes by the Amboy Junior High building.

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News



The Easter Bunny rode all over town including on Route 52 before heading to the north side of town.

Mary Mays/Amboy News



After touring Amboy, the Easter Bunny headed south to Sublette where he joined up with the Sublette Fire Department to ride around town and wish all of the youth a Happy Easter.

Mary Mays/Amboy News



April 13 Update: Lee County has a total of 13

LEE COUNTY — Since our last press release on Thursday afternoon, there are 1,173 new cases of COVID-19 in Illinois for a total of 22,025 across 87 counties. The state death toll has increased by 74 for a total of 794 deaths. Over the holiday weekend, KSB Hospital received 3 new positive test results for Lee County and today the health department received 1. Two of these residents are in their 60’s, one in his or her 30’s and one in his or her 20’s. Lee County now has 13 confirmed cases. There are currently 20 test results pending and 12 people are in quarantine.

Lee County Health Department “Support for Seniors” Program Now Available to those with Underlying Health Conditions or with Limited Mobility:

The Lee County Health Department has extended their “Support for Seniors” program to those with underlying health conditions or with limited mobility. The purpose of the program is to help these people avoid potential risk and exposure to COVID-19 by providing assistance in picking up groceries and other essential needs. Volunteers have undergone background checks.

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Funding aims to help businesses get back to full strength

AMBOY — Amboy and Sublette area businesses can now apply for a grant to help them recover from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic. News Media Corporation, the parent company of The Amboy News, has established a \$100,000 fund to help local businesses get back to full strength by subsidizing local marketing efforts through matching advertising dollars.

“As a family owned business operating for almost 45 years, we know the only way to get through tough times is to stand with our partners, customers and readers. We are proud to offer any assistance we can to locally owned businesses, which are the heart beat of the community we publish in,” said JJ Tompkins, Chief Revenue Officer of News Media Corporation.

Businesses operating in the Amboy/Sublette market can apply for a matching grant of up to \$5,000 today at amboynews.com/communitymarketinggrant. Applicants will receive a response to their application within one to two business days.

The fund is open to all locally owned and operated businesses impacted by the coronavirus, whether or not they are Amboy News current advertisers. Grant money can be used for local print and online advertising in The Amboy News and on www.amboynews.com. between April 1 and June 30, 2020.

For more information and to apply, visit amboynews.com/communitymarketinggrant.

2019 Lee County final multiplier announced

SPRINGFIELD - Lee County has been issued a final property assessment equalization factor of 1.0000, according to David Harris, Director of the Illinois Department of Revenue.

The property assessment equalization factor, often called the “multiplier”, is the method used to achieve uniform property assessments among counties, as required by law. This equalization is particularly important because some of the state’s 6,600 local taxing districts overlap into two or more counties (e.g. school districts, junior college districts, fire protection districts). If there were no equalization among counties, substantial inequities among taxpayers with comparable properties would result.

Under a law passed in 1975, property in Illinois should be assessed at one-third (1/3) of its market value. Farm property is assessed differently, with farm homesites and dwellings subject to regular assessing and equalization procedures, but with farmland assessed at one-third of its agriculture economic value. Farmland is not subject to the state equalization factor.

Assessments in Lee County are at 33.18 percent of market value, based on sales of properties in 2016, 2017, and 2018.

The equalization factor currently being assigned is for 2019 taxes, payable in 2020. Last year’s equalization factor for the county was 1.0000.

The final assessment equalization factor was issued after a public hearing on the tentative factor. The tentative factor issued in January 2020 was 1.0000.

The equalization factor is determined annually for each county by comparing the price of individual properties sold over the past three years to the assessed value placed on those properties by the county supervisor of assessments/county assessor.

If this three-year average level of assessment is one-third of the market value, the equalization factor will be one (1). If the average level of assessment is greater than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be less than one (1). And if the average level of assessment is less than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be greater than one.

A change in the equalization factor does not mean total property tax bills will increase or decrease. The assessed value of an individual property determines what portion of the tax burden a specific taxpayer will assume. That individual’s portion of tax responsibility is not changed by the multiplier.

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LOCAL NEWS

Illinois Department of Labor shares safety measures for 2020 planting season

SPRINGFIELD – COVID-19 has hit the pause button for millions of people in Illinois – but that does not include the state's farmers.

The warming spring weather means an onslaught of activity in farm fields across Illinois. This means a lot more farm vehicular traffic on Illinois' roadways over the next few weeks. While the state's stay-at-home mandate has reduced vehicular traffic overall, it doesn't change the fact that spring planting season is one of the most dangerous times for farmers – both on the roads and in the fields.

"Farmers are the backbone of our state's economy, and I know how hard they work this time of the year. But in the rush to get the 2020 crop in, we urge them to use caution while sharing the road," said Michael Kleinik, director of the Illinois Department of Labor. "We all want farmers to head home to their families safe and sound at the end of each day."

Vehicle safety is an especially important focus this time of year. Tractor overturns are the leading cause of fatalities in the agriculture industry, according to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. These accidents result in about 130 deaths each year nationwide.

While tractor roll-over accidents most often occur on the farm, roadways also pose a major safety hazard. Too often a vehicle attempting to pass causes a collision before the tractor or farm implement can finish a left-hand turn. Such collisions

occur simply because the driver fails to reduce speed for the slower moving farm implement.

Impatience and speed are a deadly combination on rural roads this time of year. Visibility is also a key to road safety. All agricultural vehicles using the public roadways must display the fluorescent orange Slow Moving Vehicle triangle. Additionally, tractors and other self-powered farm vehicles must have proper lighting. According to Illinois law:

- Lighting is required from 30 minutes before sunset to 30 minutes after sunrise.
- There should be two white lamps on the front of the vehicle, visible from at least 1000 feet to the front of the vehicle.
- There should be two red lamps on the rear of the vehicle, visible from at least 1000 feet to the rear of the vehicle.
- There should be at least one flashing amber signal lamp on the rear of the vehicle, mounted as high as possible and visible from at least 500 feet, which can be used during daylight as well.

Drivers should remember that farm vehicle operators have limited visibility to the rear. Anyone passing such a vehicle needs to use extreme caution.

Modern farm equipment provides effective safety devices if they are used properly. Death and serious injury from tractor roll overs can be prevented by roll-over protective structures – a roll bar or cage designed to provide a safe

space around the driver.

Too often workers fail to use a vital part of this safety device – a safety belt. Always buckle up.

Modern farm equipment can also invite farmers to push their limits. No one is as safe as they should be when they are tired, hungry or thirsty. Rest. Nutrition. Hydration. Tractors aren't the only things that need maintenance and fuel to function properly.

CGH launches Telehealth visits to deliver care to patients

STERLING - In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, many CGH Medical Center providers are now offering telehealth visits to our patients. Telehealth allows both new and established patients to safely "see" their healthcare provider – or a Ready Care provider for more urgent issues - through a secure video appointment without leaving the comfort and safety of their home.

"As we continue to practice social distancing, it's important that we give you safe and expanded options for care," said Dr. Paul Steinke, CGH President and CEO. "We are committed to caring for our patients and our communities now and always. We are learning with you, developing and continuously working to find the safest and best ways to deliver healthcare during these unprecedented times."

To schedule a video visit, patients should call their CGH provider's office, ask if they are participating and see if a telehealth appointment is an option. If so, an appointment will be scheduled just like would normally be done for non-emergency medical issues and follow ups. Telehealth visits are also available at the CGH Ready Care Clinic. Call the Ready Care Clinic at 815-564-1999 to schedule your appointment.

At the time of the appointment, the provider's nurse will call the patient's cell phone to obtain preliminary information. The nurse will then send a secure text message to the patient when ready for the video portion of the visit to start, and the patient connects with their provider by following the text link. During the video visit, the provider can electronically prescribe medications, if necessary, refill medications and order labs. In addition, the nurse or receptionist may call back after the visit to schedule further testing or appointments.

"Several CGH physicians and providers have conducted their first telehealth visits with their patients," said Shane Brown, CGH Vice-President of Physician Services & Clinic Operations. "The response and experience have been positive for both the providers and our patients who can complete visits from the safety of their homes."

Telehealth visits currently require that the patient has a smartphone. Visits will be charged/billed to insurance just as if the patient came into the clinic for an appointment, and co-pays (if applicable) will be billed. Learn more about CGH Telehealth at www.cghmc.com/telehealth or call your healthcare provider's office.

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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 April on Wednesdays: April 15th (regular), April 22nd, and April 29th from 9 to 10 a.m. No need to get out of car, they will bring the groceries to your car.

Draw Down

Due to the Covid-19 outbreak, we regretfully have to cancel our biggest fundraiser of the year: our annual drawdown. This is for the safety of the community. We do appreciate your support and we hope that we will be able to weather this storm. If you sent in a check and haven't received a phone call from Eileen, please call her at 815-440-8195. We want to thank those individuals that donated their ticket money, despite the cancellation. If you would like to contribute to Teen Turf, please do so at P.O. Box 321, Amboy IL, 61310.

A Note to say hello or Happy Birthday

If you know any person, young or old, who is in need of a Hello or a Happy Birthday, please reach out to us via Facebook Messaging or please call Eileen Piper at 815-440-8195

Final Word

Your Teen Turf family wishes you health and well being. We come to pray for those who are caring for the sick. It takes a kind and selfless heart to care for those who are sick, and so Father we pray for them. We pray that You would be their source of rest, their source of replenishment when weary, and their source of hope in such overwhelming times. Lord we know in Luke 6:38: that whosoever pours out shall be given back in proportion, so we pray blessings upon these caregivers. We also pray for their health that they may not fall ill. Father protect them with a hedge of protection against the germs of coronavirus and help those who are giving to be protected as they nurse others back to health. Bless them, oh Lord.

Illinois SNAP recipients begin receiving maximum benefit amounts

CHICAGO/SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Human Services announced that more than 450,000 Illinois households will receive additional Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits beginning Tuesday, April 8. All who are eligible for the additional benefits should receive them by April 20. The additional funds are intended to help Illinoisans obtain food and support for their families during the COVID-19 pandemic. The maximum SNAP benefit amounts will be implemented for April and May.

"No Illinoisan should ever have to worry about where their next meal is coming from, especially during an ongoing public health emergency," said Governor JB Pritzker. "Expanding the amount of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits people receive will help families stay safe and healthy in the coming months."

Increased benefits will be automatically loaded onto SNAP recipients' Link cards, and there is no need for anyone to re-apply, visit an office, or call. All new applications authorized in April will also receive the maximum allotment for their household size.

"We're exploring every avenue we can to provide extra support for Illinoisans. IDHS has applied for several waivers to make it easier for people looking for food assistance," said IDHS Secretary Grace B. Hou. "Less documentation is required, in-person requirements are waived, and now we'll be able to increase the amounts loaded into Link cards by a significant amount for many families."

The federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act gives states the option to provide SNAP households with the maximum SNAP allotment, which is based on household size. SNAP households which are not currently receiving the maximum allotment will receive additional SNAP benefits which bring their allotment amount to the maximum. Households already receiving the maximum benefit will not receive additional benefits.

Illinois SNAP recipients receive their benefits at different times each month, so increased SNAP benefits will be loaded on different dates for SNAP recipients.

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program provides food assistance to low-income people and families living in the United States. It is a federal aid program administered by the Food and Nutrition Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Distribution of benefits occurs at the state level.



Granny Rose – Sadler

Sadler was abandoned in the parking lot of the shelter. This young 3 year old neutered male has an outgoing personality and unusual markings. He is mostly white with a black tail and just a couple black areas. Upon arrival, he was so starved for attention that he never wanted you to stop petting him. He's calmer now, but still likes to be rubbing on you for attention. To see Sadler, visit Granny Rose Animal Shelter, 613 River Lane, Dixon. Call 815-288-PETS(7387) or visit www.grannyrose.org.

Photo contributed

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 April.

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.

AMBOY-The U of I Extension Webinar Series, Growing Horticulture in Northwest Illinois, will be aired each Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m. through May 13. No cost to participate.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS EXTENSION

Webinar Series Offered by University of Illinois Extension Educators

The spread and mitigation of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is an evolving concern for Illinois. With all of our in-person meetings currently canceled or postponed until after May 31, we are expanding our online webinars and trainings. A new website has been created and can be checked frequently for new upcoming or recorded webinars at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/global/digital-webinars-and-training>

Extension to Offer Growing Horticulture in Northwest Illinois Series

University of Illinois Extension is pleased to announce a free webinar series, Growing Horticulture in Northwest Illinois on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. delivered using Zoom. University of Illinois Extension Educators Bruce J. Black, Grant McCarty and State Master Gardener Coordinator Candice Hart will teach these webinars. Growing Horticulture in Northwest Illinois is for anyone interested in learning more about gardening, growing food in a home or community garden or looking for ideas for the upcoming growing season.

"Horticulture is a great way to get fresh air, daily exercise and a fun hobby for families," states University of Illinois Extension Horticulture Educator, Bruce J. Black. "Participating in these webinars can help improve your horticulture knowledge & growing season whether you are growing food for your family, growing flowers or even just tending your landscape."

• April 15, 2020

Drought Tolerant Annuals and Perennials presented by Bruce J. Black

• April 22, 2020

Big Flavors in Small Spaces: Container Fruits presented by Bruce J. Black

• April 29, 2020

Northern Illinois Berry School (Part One): Introduction and Management presented by Candice Hart and Bruce J. Black

• May 6, 2020

Northern Illinois Berry School (Part Two): Management and Diseases presented by Bruce J. Black and Grant McCarty

• May 13, 2020

Colorful Vegetables, presented by Bruce J. Black
The Growing Horticulture in Northwest Illinois Series will be held on Wednesdays, starting April 1, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. through Zoom. Pre-registration is required two days prior to each website and can be completed online at go.illinois.edu/growinghortwebinar. These webinars are offered FREE but preregistration is required.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Bruce Black via email at brucejb@illinois.edu.

Master Gardener Training Starts in August

If you have an interest, passion or some experience in gardening or landscape management, expertise not required, come join our team of Master Gardeners. The University of Illinois Extension Whiteside County will be offering face to face Master Gardener training beginning Aug. 25. Classes will meet every Tuesday through Nov. 3, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Sterling Extension office; 12923 Lawrence Road, Sterling. Training covers home horticulture topics including: botany, diseases, entomology, fruits and vegetables, annual and perennials, soils, and more. You do not need to be a gardening expert to become a Master Gardener. Contact Mary Nelson at mnelsn25@illinois.edu for more information.

We will also be offering an online Master Gardener Training program. The online program allows volunteers to complete the training who may have never been able to in the past due to schedule or time conflicts. This online self-guided course for Illinois residents can be completed anytime of the day or night. Set aside about four hours per week for videos, reading and completing quizzes and the training will be complete in 14 weeks.

The 2020 Master Gardener online training includes 13 modules – an introduction and 12 subject areas. Module topics include: botany, soils and fertilizers, plant diseases, entomology, integrated pest management, annuals and perennials, trees, shrubs and woody vines, lawns, small and tree fruits, vegetables, composting/organic gardening and living with wildlife. Each module consists of several videos and an online quiz; a strong internet connection is highly recommended.

For more information, please contact Mary Nelson – mnelsn25@illinois.edu

Lucky Clovers 4-H Club to meet virtually

Lucky Clovers 4-H Club is a new 4-H Club in Lee County. Lucky Clovers 4-H Club is an inclusive place for kids of all kinds and will be learning about different topics throughout the 4-H year. The club has already learned about Archeology and Healthy Snacks. They have also participated in service projects for the community.

The club will be exploring a new option and meet virtually on Wednesdays at 6pm starting May 6. The club will have time to socialize, learn a new project/skill, and learn what 4-H can offer them.

For more information on how to join the Lucky Clovers 4-H club, contact Kathy at kbook@illinois.edu.

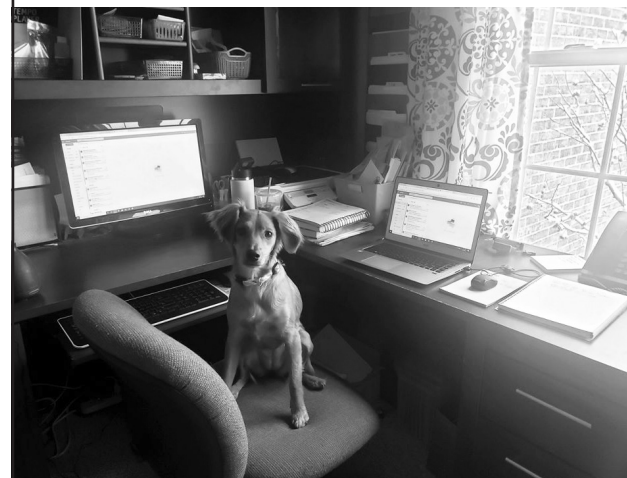
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Register online two days prior to the webinar at go.illinois.edu/wellnessathome.

AMBOY-The U of I Extension Discover Wellness at Home Webinar Series is offered from 2 to 3 p.m. on Thursdays through April 30. The sessions are free. Register online at go.illinois.edu/wellnessathome.

AMBOY-The First Baptist Church Food Pantry, 24 N. Mason Ave., will be open on Saturday, April 18, from 9 a.m. until noon.

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LOCAL NEWS/OBITUARIES

Governor announces COVID-19 rules unlikely to ease by April's end

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SPRINGFIELD — Gov. JB Pritzker said Thursday, one month since he issued a state of emergency, it is “unlikely” his stay-at-home order can be lifted safely before April 30 and organizers of large summer events “need to think seriously” about canceling them.

The Illinois Department of Public Health reported an additional 1,344 confirmed cases of the novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, bringing the state total to 16,422 in 81 of Illinois’ 102 counties.

Dr. Ngozi Ezike, the department’s director, said 66 residents died in the past 24 hours from Cook, DuPage, Effingham, Kane, Kankakee, Lake, Rock Island, St. Clair and Will counties. In total, the state has had 528 fatalities caused

by coronavirus.
“From my perspective today, I do not see how we’re going to have large gatherings of people again until we have a vaccine, which is months and months away,” Pritzker said. “I would not risk having large groups of people getting together anywhere, and I think that’s hard for everybody to hear, but it’s just a fact.”

The governor added an increase in testing residents, tracing social spread of COVID-19 and treating those who are ill are “not enough” for him to green-light large scale festivals, fairs and other events.

The number of cases and virus-related deaths in Illinois is still rising, Pritzker said.

“Everybody needs to know that if we are improving, and it’s still up in the air, but if we are improving here in the state, it is because people are

staying at home,” he said. “... We need this curve to bend, and then we can begin to talk about how we can begin to open things up a little bit more.”

Even if the public health situation in Illinois begins to improve by the month’s end, state officials will consider other rules and restrictions to implement moving forward.

“It isn’t going to be that all the sudden you’re going to drop the stay-at-home and every other restriction,” Pritzker said, “and that’s because there is a propensity that if you do that, we’re going to see a big spike upward and again, hospitalizations, ICU beds filled, vents filled and more death.”

Since March 9, when the governor issued a disaster proclamation in response to the novel coronavirus pandemic, his administration limited gatherings to no more than 10

people, closed restaurants and bars to dine-in, enacted a stay-at-home order and shuttered schools.

State officials also increased Illinois’ health care capacity by creating five alternative care facilities, ordered ventilators, purchased personal protective equipment in bulk and asked medical professionals who were retired or about to graduate school to staff institutions across Illinois.

“During the last month, we have experienced tremendous tragedy — we have lost hundreds of Illinoisans, each one a person of immeasurable worth to their families, their friends, and their communities and to this state,” Pritzker said. “Thousands more are fighting in our hospital systems for their lives and many, many thousands more are recovering or have already recovered at home.”

Other Notes

- The governor said implementing the next minimum wage increase in July — as dictated by statute the General Assembly approved last year — is still important. The minimum wage, which increased to \$9.25 from \$8.25 on Jan. 1 will increase again to \$10 on July 1.

The scheduled raise is “very small,” Pritzker said, and the economic situation created by the pandemic should “indicate to you more than ever before” why it should be done.

- Ezike said while some hospitals across the state might be reaching their patient capacity, there are other facilities nearby that can continue to receive ill Illinoisans. Her agency divided the 211 hospitals in the state into regions, and through monitoring, officials know how many beds and ventilators are free at which hospitals.

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The number of volunteers is limited, so this service is available to those who do not have family or friends who can help with these tasks.

There is a short screening process to be eligible for this assistance.

If you need assistance, please contact Jennifer Kolb at the health department-815-284-3371, extension 118.

SNOW BIRDS ARE ASKED TO CONTACT THE LEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

It is that time of year where “snow birds” will be returning north to their primary homes. These are people who live at a secondary residence during certain times of the year, generally traveling to areas of the country with a warmer

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What to do if you think you have COVID-19: (UPDATED INFORMATION)

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

- Use the “KSB Care Anywhere” virtual care app (<https://ksbhospital.zipnosis.com/>) for a free 5 question screening in order to help differentiate your symptoms between the virus

and other seasonal maladies. While a credit card is required for a more involved assessment, no charges will be applied if a COVID-19 testing referral is made.

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

- Residents with a Primary Care Practitioner can also CALL their office for advice. Again, CALL FIRST before going to the office.

For general questions about COVID-19, call the IDPH hotline at 1-800-889-3931 or 211.

OBITUARIES

Henry Walter Antosiak Dec. 18, 1940 - April 13, 2020

SUBLETTE — Henry Walter Antosiak, 79, of Sublette, passed away on Monday morning, April 13, 2020 in his home.

He will be dearly missed by Judy, his loving wife of 60+ years, and two children, Steve (Jackie) and Scott (Ysenia); and his one beloved granddaughter, Christina. Henry is survived by his 2 brothers, Robert (Mary Ann) and Mark (Julia).

Henry was born on Dec. 18, 1940 in Chicago to Henry and Eleanor Antosiak. After World War II, Henry was raised by his father and his beloved grandmother, Florence. While in grade school, Henry always loved Busia’s cooking and company. Henry graduated Lane Tech High School in 1959 and later attended Wright Junior College where he studied engineering and joined the track and field

team.

In the late 1950s he met Judy and they married on Nov. 7, 1959 at St. Sylvester in Chicago. Through the years they lived in: Chicago, Hanover Park, Algonquin, Sublette, and they vacationed at the campgrounds in Woodhaven Lakes. Henry worked as a senior design engineer and then as an engineering business owner until his retirement in 2000 when they moved to Sublette.

In his earlier years, Hank had a skillful passion of building scale models to the utmost precision. He loved World War II aviation and maritime. Through the years, he constructed finely detailed models including RC airplanes, fine scaled wooden ship models, and numerous World War II airplane dioramas. In addition, Hank devoted much time for

his sons in numerous sports and later in supporting their hobbies. Being a Chicago Cubs fan, he was a baseball coach 7 years for Steve and Scott. Hank was an avid fisherman, who took trips to the north woods even spending time fishing in the Arctic. He was always there for family functions including many events for his granddaughter.

During his 20 years in Sublette, Henry was an usher for the local Catholic Church: Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Henry and Judy ran the Church Hall duties for many of the events held there. Henry was also a member of the Amboy Knights of Columbus for 4+ years.

Our family thanks everyone for their kind thoughts and prayers. Due to the current pandemic we are all going through, a private Mass of Christian Burial



will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette with Father Randy Fronck officiating. Burial will follow in St. Mary’s Cemetery. A memorial Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sublette will be announced at a later date. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is handling arrangements.

SUBLETTE NEWS

The Sublette Fire Department has joined the trend of fire departments making road side visits for children’s birthdays. This is a way of making a child’s birthday special during these distancing times. A fire truck will come to the child’s home with lights and sirens and park along the street or road to allow the family to take photos in front of the truck.

The driver will remain in the truck. The visits are from Monday to Friday at 6 p.m. or Saturday at 1 p.m. Children must be 12 or under and must live in the Sublette Fire District.

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First Congregational United Church of Christ of Lee Center
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www.LeeCenter-UCC.org
Phone 815-732-7032
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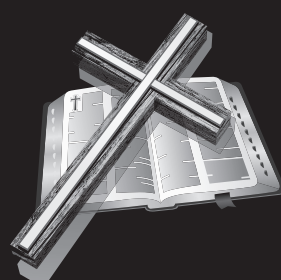
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SOCIAL NEWS



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Renew our personal commitment to follow Jesus

By Pastor John Kalebaugh

"These are the times that try men's souls..." — Thomas Paine.

This quote is from a pamphlet entitled, "The American Crisis" written in the winter of 1776. General Washington gave orders for the pamphlet to be read in its entirety - out loud... to his troops at Valley Forge. Shortly afterwards they crossed the Delaware and won a battle. It just seemed appropriate for us at this time too.

This week - after Easter, is a time when many of us are usually busying ourselves with things like yardwork, gardening, kids' baseball, church services, and other social functions that we often associate with "Spring." Yet now we find ourselves trying to make sense of these "trying times" in which we find ourselves. Some of our routines may still be normal (gardening and yardwork) but almost everything else is... different. Not normal. This is not our idea of how we wanted to spend our Spring. Yet here we are. And there is a sense of uncertainty and bewilderment... maybe even a little fear and anxiety about the future and the new "normal".

I wonder if this is how the disciples felt after the events of Holy Week? When Jesus had come into their lives everything changed. They had spent 3 years learning and growing and adjusting their lives to a new "normal". And about the time they may have thought, "Okay... I got this!" ...everything changed again.

Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection affected all of them in their own unique ways. I think Peter may have been affected most. He was the one who had denied the Lord after boldly declaring that he wouldn't. And yet he did. And he was tormented by his actions. So he went back to something that was familiar and normal to him before he'd ever met Jesus... fishing.

John's Gospel records the beautiful story of his reconciliation. After fishing all night and catching nothing Jesus shows up and then they caught more fish than they could handle. It didn't take Peter long to realize that this was his Lord's doing! In the dialogue which follows, Jesus asks Peter 3 times "Do you love Me?" and Peter reaffirms his faith in the resurrected Christ by stating, "Lord, you know that I love you" (John 21:17).

The restoration of his relationship with Jesus also brought a renewal of His call to "follow Me".

But then Peter inquired about another disciple (John), "But Lord, what about this man?" Peter was searching to know answers to things that were really not his business to know. Jesus had other plans for John. And Jesus let Peter know this. But this did not negate the fact that Jesus still had a unique and specific future for Peter - after he was restored to fellowship with Jesus. And following the Days of Pentecost Peter and the other disciples went about changing the world. Nothing would ever be "normal" again.

Perhaps your life today is not what you are thinking it should be during these uncertain times. But God knows you and He cares for you. He has a plan for your life too. Sometimes when life seems uncertain it's good to go "back to the beginning" and renew our personal commitment to "follow" Jesus. And to allow the Holy Spirit to reestablish His unique plan for your life. And He will! Just as He did for Peter and the other disciples. And your new "normal" could be even better than it had ever been before!

The Book Nook

By:
Tatjana Kazan

Making It Through

Hartmann, a voluptuary, lowered a spoonful of brown sugar crystals into his coffee cup, then placed a square of bitter chocolate on his tongue, and, while it was dissolving, lit his first cigarette." So begins "Latecomers," Anita Brookner's elegant, ironic novel of the friendship of two remarkable men.

Thomas Hartmann's best friend is Thomas Fibich, who has all the qualities the cheerful Hartmann does not: he is melancholy, serious, idealistic. Hartmann, the older of the two - he was a twelve-year-old boy from Munich and Fibich, a five-year-old Berliner when they were put on the Kindertransport to get them to safety in England - met Fibich at an English boarding school, where they forged a life-long friendship. Fibich is haunted by a past of which he remembers a few fugitive images, whereas Hartmann well remembers his elegantly dressed parents being hauled off in a horsecart. But he does not allow himself to dwell on the past. His refrain throughout the novel is "Look! We have come through!"

They own a successful greeting-card business in London, and after they marry, live in adjacent apartments. Their childhood loss of families and homeland has made domesticity "important to them both." Hartmann marries Yvette, whose "peculiar attraction was based not on looks as so much as on various forms of self-advertisement." In her late fifties, she becomes "defiantly blond," and Hartmann, who enjoys her frivolities, comments that "her instinctive response to trouble was to turn younger." Having had a mistress early in their marriage, he now realizes that "he had been faithful to his wife for so long that anything else would be intolerable."

Fibich also marries his ideal mate. Christine, earnest, repressive, having survived a terrible, emotionally impoverished childhood, is so modest that she does "not even presume to be unhappy." To their dismay, they produce a son, Toto, a monstrously boisterous child whose egotism is an indictment of their timidity. He is "astonishingly handsome," an impulsive narcissist, who, Christine realizes, is a man who hates women. Fibich worries "whom could Toto trust since he loved no one."

Fibich finally has the courage to travel to Berlin to retrieve his past. "One more effort," he tells himself, "then my slate is clean - home to those he had loved beyond measure." But he is just a tourist in an alien city. On the plane home, he realizes that "nobody grows up. Everyone carries around all the selves they had ever been, intact, waiting to be reactivated in moments of pain, of fear, of danger. Everything is retrievable. Every shock, every hurt." In the end, all he cares about is to teach Toto that "stable edifices can be erected on ruins." At Heathrow airport, Hartmann is waiting for his friend to take him home.

From The Heart Calendar winners

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Opinion

April is Organ Donor Month in Illinois

Editor's note: As we endure the coronavirus lockdown it's important to remember the most vulnerable to being infected: the elderly, cancer patients, those with HIV and those who have undergone an organ transplant. April is organ donor month in Illinois. Columnist Scott Reeder tells of his family's experience with an organ transplant.

Ever found yourself hoping someone will die so someone you love can live? Sixteen years ago, I found myself in that unenviable position.

My brother Danny was dying. For years he had suffered from a rare liver disease—primary sclerosing cholangitis. Finally, his liver was giving out. Death was near.

For months he had teetered atop the Mayo Clinic's transplant list waiting for a liver.

Someone had to die for him to survive. His prospects grew dimmer as he waited.

Each day, 20 Americans die waiting to have an organ transplant. And according to the Health Resources and Science Administration there are more than 116,000 Americans on

Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



the national transplant list.

Not enough people have signed up to be organ donors.

For my brother, his situation was more dire than most. Not only did physicians need to find a good genetic match but also someone who had never had Mononucleosis.

Danny, had never had mono. Our mother, a registered nurse, drilled in us the importance of good hygiene. We never shared cups, lollipops or dishes with friends. And mono, a common infection, never came our way.

But this careful attention to cleanliness became a detriment. If Danny received an organ from someone who had been infected anytime in their life, he could have life-threatening complications.

So the potential donor pool was small. And all we could do was wait and pray.

I was at an investigative reporting conference in Atlanta when I received the early morning call.

It was my mother and she was crying.

Mom didn't weep easily.

But that day her tears were happy ones.

A donor liver had come through.

A middle-aged woman in Rochester, Minn., died of a brain aneurysm. Sometime earlier, she'd signed an organ donor card.

That small act saved my brother's life.

On Father's Day 2004, he began his path to recovery. With the gift of a new liver his yellowing skin returned to a healthy peach color. His weakened body regained energy.

But this isn't an "and they lived happily ever after" story. I wish it were. Cancer began to grow in his transplanted liver and by December 2005, he was dead.

Still, some woman, whose name we will never know, gave him a year and a half that he never would have had.

My brother was not a man prone to much introspection. He was a farmer. Most things were black and white: crop yields, commodity prices, hog weights.

But when it came to the unknown woman who gave a part of herself to him, he became quiet and contemplative.

"I wonder what she was like. Did she have kids?" he said shortly before he died.

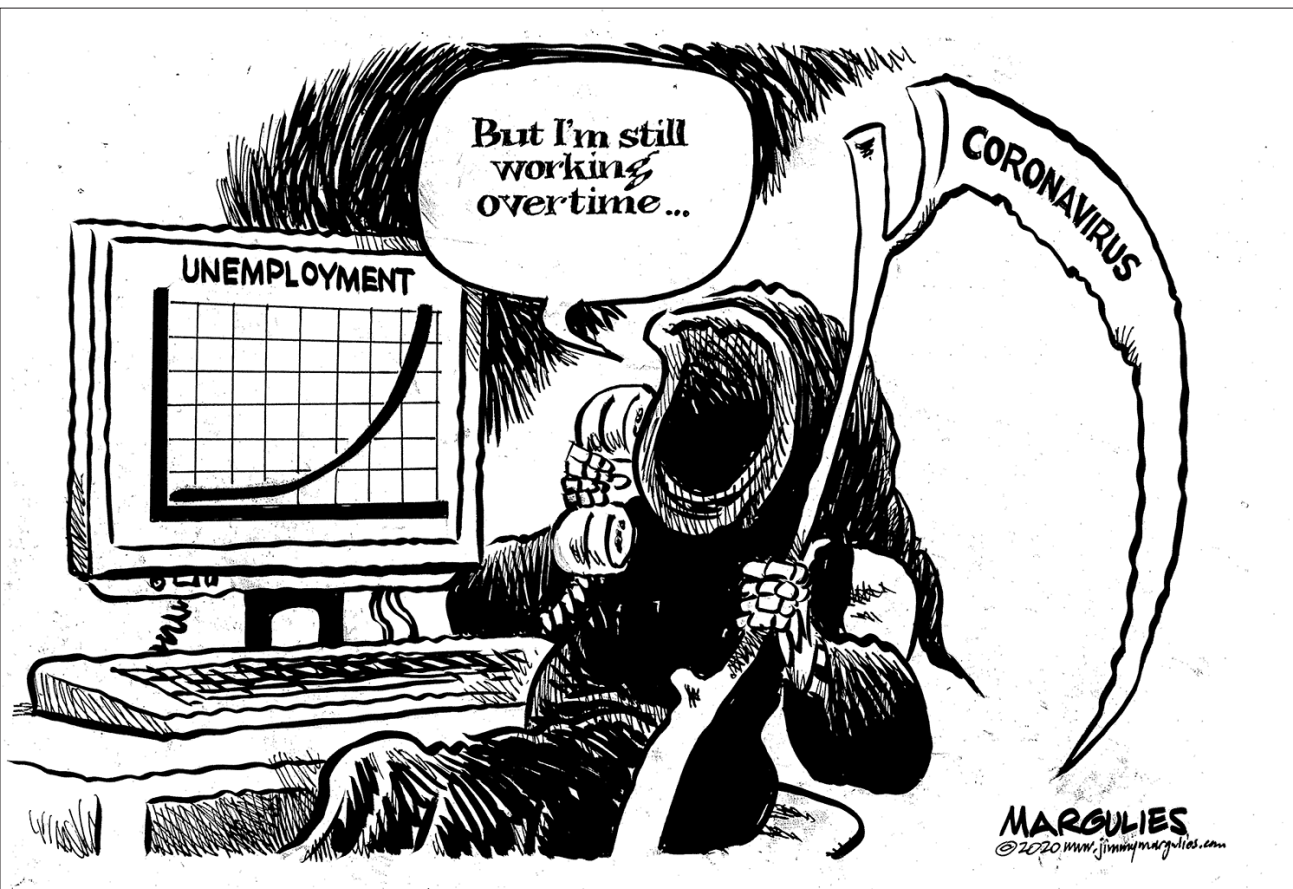
I wondered if her family missed her as much as I would miss Danny.

We do know this much about the woman: she cared enough to give.

April is organ donor month in Illinois.

Please consider being an organ donor.

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



On This Day in History

100 Years Ago April 16, 1920

The annual luncheon of the Women's Club held in the Congregational Church parlors Thursday afternoon was an enjoyable affair. The house committee, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. R. L. Jenkins, served a delicious and satisfying banquet of sliced tongue, creamed potatoes, corn pudding, cottage cheese, light biscuit, pickles, coffee, nut and pimento salad, pineapple ice, angel food and other cakes.

Miss Ida Poths went to Compton Tuesday to spend a few days with her sister.

Mrs. Andrew Meyer went to Dixon Saturday to meet a niece who came here from Des Moines, Iowa, to make her home.

75 Years Ago April 12, 1945

Corporal Horace H. Bonne of this city, is a member of the 879th Air Borne

Engineer Aviation Battalion which was recently cited for service in Burma.

Mrs. C.T. Smith has rented her apartment to Miss Barbara Herlin, the new Lee County Home Adviser.

Miss Marjorie Morgan returned to her studies at Illinois State Normal University in Normal last week after spending her Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Morgan.

Friday and Saturday at the Amboy Theatre Roy Rogers and Trigger in Yellow Rose of Texas.

50 Years Ago April 16, 1970

Voters at the 121st annual meeting of the Town of Amboy, held Tuesday evening in Amboy City Hall, went on record in favor of maintaining the present form of township government.

Although they won't take office until July 1, 1970, new officers of the Amboy Lions Club were elected Monday evening. G.R. Duitsman was named President, Glenn Deem was chosen as

first vice president and Earl Gascoigne is the new second vice president.

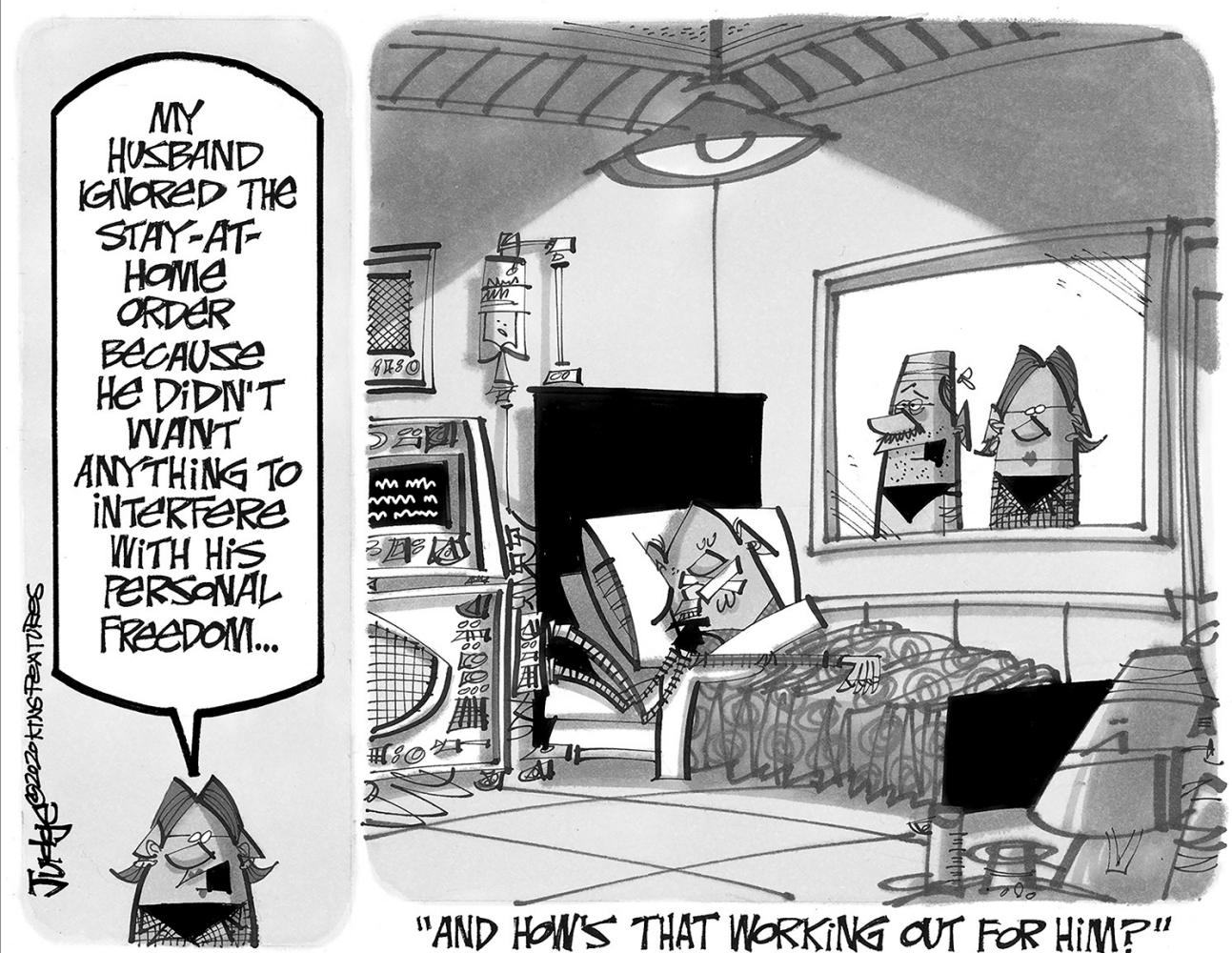
25 Years Ago April 20, 1995

Less than 25 people attended last Wednesday's hearing to discuss plans for sewer plant renovations in Amboy, and many of them were not Amboy citizens but people who live near the ponds and have been enduring the noise and odors for years.

Amboy Board of Education will seek bids on portable classrooms for 1995-96 to relieve overcrowding at Central School.

Melissa Schumacher of Amboy High School placed first in public speaking at the 17th Annual Health Occupations Leadership Convention held in Springfield April 5-7.

Larry and Marge Becker led their freshman CCD class from St. Patrick's Parish through a re-enactment of the events leading up to the crucifixion of Christ on Good Friday.



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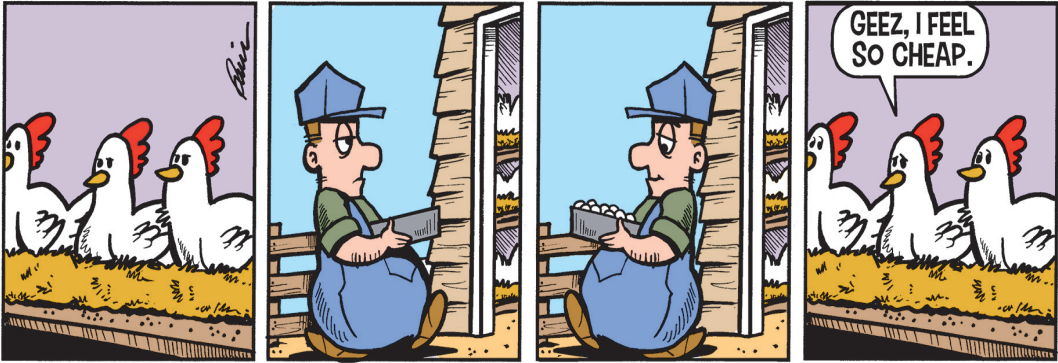
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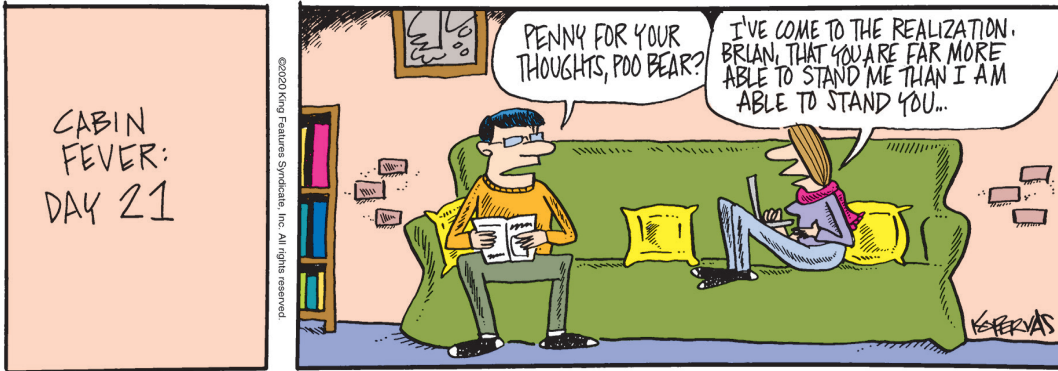
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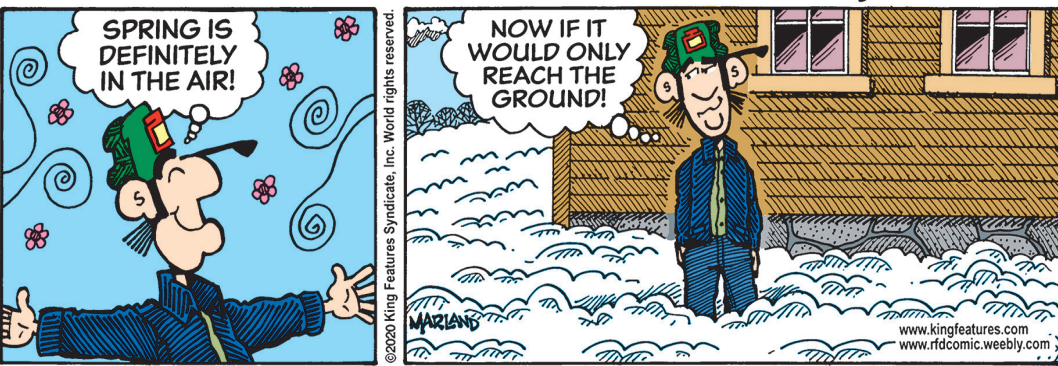
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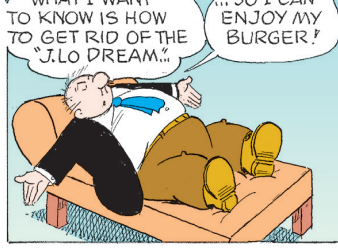
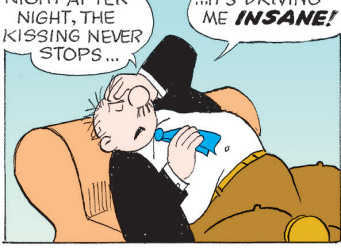
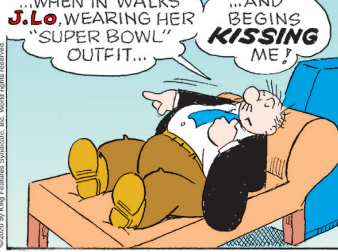
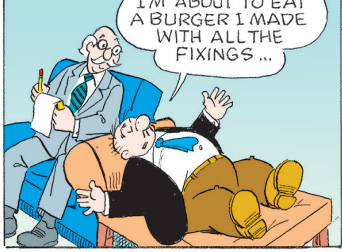
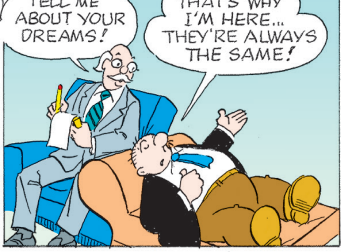
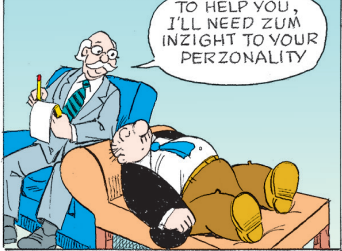
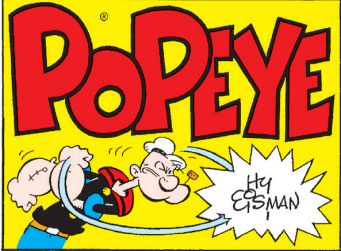
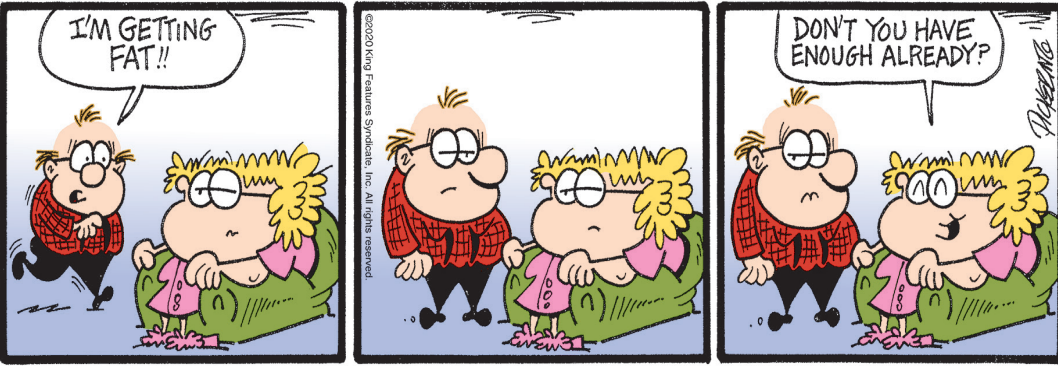
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by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF - A - DAY



“...And another thing—she’s never ready on time.”

SCRAMBLERS

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

Melodic

TILLING

Annoyance

ARCHING

Blowing

ZEYBRE

Blinking

SORBET

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

Posting Date April 13, 2020

ACROSS

- 1 Pythias' pal
6 Try the tea
9 Cleveland cager
12 Memorable mission
13 " — Little Teapot"
14 Blackbird
15 Make obscure
16 "Material Girl" singer
18 Bold alternative
20 Check
21 Dogtag wearers
23 — good deed
24 Founded (on)
25 Love god
27 Ill-suited
29 Praying bug
31 Tiny
35 Vote for
37 Prego rival
38 Start a rally
41 Moon vehicle acronym
43 — Perignon
44 Shaving cream additive
45 Cut aid
47 Insanity
49 Free of frost
52 Inseparable
53 Bullring bravo
54 Beetle Bailey's bully

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12						13			14	
15						16			17	
		18			19			20		
21	22			23			24			
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44					45			46		
47				48				49		50
52				53				54		
55				56				57		

- 55 Commotion
56 Trawler need
57 Hiker's route
11 Food item
17 Speaker
19 Grown-up nit
21 Prized possession
22 A Gershwin brother
24 Morsel
26 Spielberg or Soderbergh
28 In the cards
30 — -de-France
32 Fortified Portuguese wine
33 "But — on forever":
Tennyson
34 Summa — laude
36 Storage area
38 Pago Pago's place
39 Savanna grazer
40 Wild West show
42 Interior
45 Capri, e.g.
46 Approach
48 A billion years (Abbr.)
50 Movie trickery
51 Wet wriggler

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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 BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Tie is different. 2. Plane is missing. 3. Ship is missing. 4. Window is added. 5. Hobo stick is different. 6. Word changed to "agent."

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: O equals P

ZC UTJ OXJOWX YBX GXNYUZVQ UDX
RXBZUI JC UDXBRJIUYUI, TJSWG ZU
NX Y DXYUXG YBQSRXVU?

SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word

1. Lifting; 2. Chagrin; 3. Breezy; 4. Strobe

solution

SCRAMBLERS

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- ACRONYMS: What does the ZIP postal code stand for?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the longest river in the United States?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was Walt Disney's middle name?
- BUSINESS: Which company owns the Lamborghini line of sports cars and SUVs?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient in the snack hummus?
- MYTHOLOGY: Where was Achilles' vulnerable spot?
- MOVIES: In the thriller "Die Hard," what was the name of the high-rise building where the action took place?
- SCIENCE: Which part of the atom has no electrical charge?
- ENTERTAINERS: Which actress/singer's nickname was The Divine Miss M?
- TELEVISION: Which 1970s comedy series spawned the spinoff series "Maude"?

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10. "All in the Family"
9. Bette Midler
8. The neutron
7. Nakatomi Plaza
6. His heel
5. Chickpeas
4. Volkswagen
3. Elias
2. Mississippi River
1. Zone Improvement Plan

Trivia Test Answers

T	R	A	V	E	N	O	A	D	O
G	H	E	S	S	E	N	D	E	M
I	C	E	D	E	S	S	E	N	D
M	O	N	I	D	O	I	O	L	A
M	O	N	I	D	O	I	O	L	A
U	G	A	T	E	L	E	C	T	A
O	I	C	A	T	I	O	N	I	D
N	I	D	O	I	O	L	A		
B	E	D	I	C	A	T	I	O	N
A	N	N	O	D	E	M			
I	N	A	V	A					
C	A	V							

Solution time: 27 mins.

Answers

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU
If two people are debating the merits of the thermostat, would it be a heated argument?
answer
CryptoQuip

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN RE THE)
ESTATE OF)
LEONARD C.)
TURNER, SR.,)
Deceased.)
2020 P 22

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of LEONARD C. TURNER, SR., of 1617 Bonnie Avenue, Dixon, Lee County, Illinois on February 7, 2020. Letters of Office were issued on March 20, 2020, by the 15th Judicial Circuit Court of Lee County to the representative and Independent Executor, BRENDA A. CARUANA, 796 Tulip Lane, Rockford, IL 61107. The attorney for the representative and Independent Executor of the estate is Robert J. Thompson, 119 West First Street, Ste. 200, P.O. Box 1016, Dixon, Illinois 61021.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Lee County Services Building, 309 South Galena Avenue, Dixon, Illinois 61021, or with the representative, BRENDA A. CARUANA, 796 Tulip Lane, Rockford, IL 61107, within six (6) months from the first publication of this Claim Notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of specific notice to known creditors, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that time period is barred. Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed.

BY: BRENDA A. CARUANA, Representative/Independent Executor
Robert J. Thompson
Attorney for the Estate
119 West First Street, Ste. 200
P.O. Box 1016
Dixon, IL 61021
(815) 284-7705 phone
(815) 284-7707 facsimile
bobthompsonlaw@gmail.com email
No. 0402
April 15, 22, 29, 2020

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127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

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203 HELP WANTED

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315 WANTED TO BUY

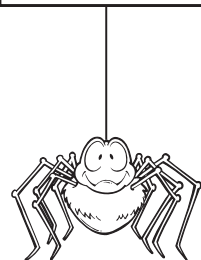
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LOCAL NEWS

U.S. Department of Labor publishes latest guidance regarding Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation Program

WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA) today announced the publication of Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) 17-20, which provides further guidance to states as they implement the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), including the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program.

"The CARES Act provides valuable relief to American workers facing unemployment, including unemployed workers who may not otherwise be eligible for regular Unemployment Insurance benefits," U.S. Secretary of Labor Eugene Scalia said. "The guidance issued to states today follows significant guidance and support the Department of Labor has already provided to our state partners, including \$500 million in emergency administrative funding."

Under the Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, states can provide up to 13 weeks of federally funded benefits to qualified individuals who:

- have exhausted all rights to regular compensation under state law or Federal law with respect to a benefit year that ended on or after July 1, 2019;
- have no rights to regular compensation with respect to a week under any other state UC law or Federal UC law, or to compensation under any other Federal law;
- are not receiving compensation with respect to a week under the UC law of Canada; and
- are able to work, available to work, and actively seeking work, although states must offer flexibility on "actively seeking work" where there are COVID-19 impacts and constraints.

The cost of PEUC benefits is 100% federally funded. States may not charge employers for any PEUC benefits paid. Implementation costs and ongoing administrative costs are also 100% federally funded.

In addition to the PEUC program, ETA has provided guidance to the states regarding two additional CARES Act unemployment programs. Under Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation, states will administer an additional \$600 weekly payment to certain eligible individuals who are receiving other benefits. The Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program assists individuals who do not qualify for regular unemployment compensation and are unable to continue working as a result of the coronavirus, including self-employed workers, independent contractors, and gig workers.

For more information on UIPLs or previous guidance, please visit <https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/>.

For Department resources on coronavirus, please visit <https://www.dol.gov/coronavirus>.

For more information about coronavirus, please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

The Employment and Training Administration administers federal job training and dislocated worker programs, federal grants to states for public employment service programs, and unemployment insurance benefits. These services are primarily provided through state and local workforce development systems.

The mission of the Department of Labor is to foster, promote and develop the welfare of the wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.

Editor's Note: The Amboy News will continue to post the State's and Lee County's daily updates on our website www.AmboyNews.com

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Demmer encourages local photographers, artists and creative organizations to apply for relief

DIXON—State Representative Tom Demmer (R-Dixon) is encouraging local photographers, artists and creative organizations to apply for Coronavirus relief funding through Arts for Illinois.

“The Coronavirus pandemic has put pressure on every part of our economy, including those who work in the arts,” said Rep. Demmer. “Fortunately, there is relief funding available for local artists, photographers, creative organizations and others to help ease the burden. Deadlines will be extended for downstate applicants, so I encourage all of those who are eligible to apply for these grants.”

The Arts for Illinois Relief Fund provides financial relief to workers and organizations in the creative industries impacted by COVID-19. This includes all artists and artisans, including stage and production members and part-time cultural workers, and large to small arts organizations in all disciplines. Donations to the fund will go directly to artists

and arts organizations throughout Illinois. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Individuals are encouraged to apply for one-time grants of \$1,500, which are awarded expediently and based on a lottery system. Arts organizations grants are likewise based on a combination of need and lost revenue from the crisis.

The fund is a partnership between the City of Chicago, the State of Illinois, the broader philanthropic community, and the residents of Illinois. It can accept donations from individuals, foundations, and public sources.

The Arts for Illinois Relief Fund is administered by Arts Alliance Illinois in partnership with 3 Arts and Arts Works Fund, long-standing and trusted service organizations and grantmakers.

For more information, please visit artsforillinois.org/donate-and-apply. If you have any questions, please direct them to help@artsalliance.org.

Educational Briefs

Local student named to Dean's list

CAMPAIGN—The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign lists the 7,440 students named to the Dean's list in December, as

well as the 3,187 December graduates and 1,507 August graduates.

Locally, Jacob Vandewoestyne, of Amboy, was named to the Dean's List. He is a junior majoring in Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Amboy Police

Possession of open alcohol

On April 6, at 8:23 a.m., Jeremy Redmond, 22, of Amboy, was issued an ordinance violation for possession of open alcohol.

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