

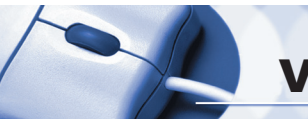


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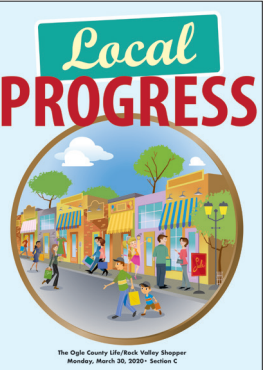
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Weathering the shopping storm

Oregon SuperValu owner says store is working hard to keep up with demand

By Brad Jennings
Editor

OREGON – It has been a little crazy lately for Jim Kaufman, owner of the Oregon Super Valu grocery store.

“We didn’t ever anticipate what was going to happen,” he said at the start of another busy day last week.

But that doesn’t mean the run on grocery stores brought on by the COVID-19 virus and the state-imposed shelter in place directive was a total shock to the longtime grocer. He said he heard from relatives in the Chicago suburbs a couple of weeks ago that Walmart was running out of toilet paper. That was surely a sign.

“I got kind of a jump start on it because of them,” he said.

That means Kaufman started bumping up his

orders early to try and keep up with the coming demand.

But, why the run on toilet paper?

Kaufman said people saw that it was happening overseas and started buying it in bulk. And when Walmart started running out, that really pushed people to buy.

“It’s something you don’t want to be without really,” he said.

Kaufman, whose family bought the store in 1970, said people are buying enough to last two or three months. He said others are buying it to stockpile and try to sell at a higher price.

He said the store is still getting toilet paper in regularly and limiting the number of packages customers can buy, but it doesn’t last long. He said he always holds some back for customers who really need it, like the elderly.



Kaufman said with the closure of stadiums and restaurants – other places people use toilet paper – that put a lot of pressure on grocery stores.

“The biggest problem is the grocery stores got kind of blindsided in the United States,” he said.

He said his meat department employees are working long days to try and keep up. He said people are buying a lot of meat, fruits and vegetables. And bread is hard to keep in stock.

“The bakers can’t keep up,” Kaufman said.

He said eggs are also

difficult to keep in stock. He said Mexico is taking more eggs than usual, and the government is using 900,000 eggs a day to try and develop a vaccine for the virus.

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SwedishAmerican seeks face masks, gloves, other items

ROCKFORD – Starting March 25, SwedishAmerican began collecting donated items from the community.

These donations will add to the inventory SwedishAmerican has already built up as part of its preparedness efforts to protect staff as they care for patients with COVID-19 during the coming weeks.

“We’ve had an outpouring of community interest to donate supplies to help combat COVID-19 and protect our employees,” said SwedishAmerican Materials Management Director John Cashmore. “Due to the critical shortage of personal protective equipment (PPE) and disinfecting supplies nationwide, SwedishAmerican is turning to the community for donations of specific new or unused items.”

SwedishAmerican will accept donations of specific new/unused/unexpired items from businesses and organizations Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the hospital’s State Street entrance, 1401 East State St., Rockford.

New and unused items that SwedishAmerican will accept include:

- * Face masks (At this time homemade masks are not being accepted.)
- * N95 masks, sometimes called respirators
- * Eye protection, including face shields and unvented goggles
- * Disposable gowns
- * Disposable gloves
- * Wipes: bleach or antimicrobial
- * Hand sanitizer

SwedishAmerican is also accepting specialized medical equipment items including: PAPRs (powered air-purifying respirators) and PAPR hoods, nasal testing

swabs, and viral testing kits. Items that list expiration dates must be unexpired.

SwedishAmerican is not accepting the following items: medication, blankets, toys, clothing or other medical supplies.

Donations must be dropped off in person. It is essential that no one involved in the creation, distribution or delivery of new/unused materials or homemade masks have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, shortness of breath) or have recently been exposed to anyone experiencing these symptoms or who has been tested positive for COVID-19.

Anyone with questions or needing additional information, please email Foundation@swedishamerican.org or call 779-696-2496.

For more information about COVID-19, visit <https://www.swedishamerican.org/Coronavirus>.

About SwedishAmerican:
A division of UW Health, SwedishAmerican is dedicated to providing excellence in healthcare and compassionate care to the community. The organization serves residents of 12 counties in northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin through a dedicated and caring staff, a major acute care hospital and a free-standing outpatient cancer center in Rockford, a medical center in Belvidere, a network of nearly 30 primary care and multi-specialty clinics, and the region’s largest home healthcare agency. Additionally, SwedishAmerican has achieved Magnet® recognition as a reflection of its nursing professionalism, teamwork and superiority in patient care. Please visit swedishamerican.org for more information.

Lions cancel bunny breakfast

LEAF RIVER – The Leaf River Lions are canceling their “Breakfast with Bunny” on Saturday April 11 due to the coronavirus situation.

This also means there will be no Easter egg hunt this year. The Lions regret having to cancel but due to the spreading of the virus it is our desire to keep everyone healthy.

The next breakfast scheduled for May 9 will be decided at a later date whether it will need to be canceled so please watch the paper for information.

Social distancing



People get out and enjoy a walk last week at Oregon Park West. Shelter at home doesn't mean people can't get out of the house and get some exercise. (Brad Jennings photos)

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SHOPPING: His advise is don't panic

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Kaufman does have some advice for people on how to handle grocery shopping right now.

“I would say don’t panic,” he said. “Buy what you need.”

He said it doesn’t hurt to have extra canned goods and

frozen items on hand in case the shutdown is extended. And if there is something you just can’t be without, just buy a little extra of that item.

Kaufman also praised his staff, who have been working long, hard hours.

“My employees have been killing it,” he said.

And while a few out

of town people have complained, Kaufman said his regular Ogle County shoppers have been “just wonderful.”

He said that while people have changed where they are buying their food, there is still plenty of it.

“The world is not running out of food,” he said.

Wellness webinars run through April

When life is uncertain, it's important to focus on personal wellness to help you and your family thrive during difficult times.

Join University of Illinois Extension for a free weekly webinar series focused on building resiliency, clearing clutter, being mindful and more.

The "Discover Wellness At Home" series of webinars are free and will be 2-3 p.m. on Thursdays. They are available to the public to view remotely online from the comfort of home or anywhere with internet access.

Sign up online at go.illinois.edu/WellnessAtHome at least two days in advance. Participants will receive a confirmation email with webinar connection details.

"This series features timeless topics, developed to help individuals and families thrive during life transitions and difficult times," said Chelsey Byers, Illinois Extension Family Life educator.

"We know many people now suddenly are finding themselves at home and we can still deliver the same high-quality, research-informed programs in a virtual format.

** How High Do You Bounce? Building your Resilience, March 26* – With stress identified as a

global health epidemic, it is now more important than ever to build resiliency skills to thrive during times of difficulty. Highly resilient people can adapt, recover and grow stronger from adverse situations. Learn how to create opportunities from challenges by building an action plan that nurtures resiliency. Presented by Tessa Hobbs-Curley and Karla Belzer

** Caregiver Self-Care: Overcoming the Challenges of Caregiving, April 2* – We all know someone who is providing care for someone else. It is a rewarding experience for most, but caregivers experience many difficult emotions and losses along their journey. This workshop will focus on overcoming the challenges of caregiving and will examine how to identify and prevent caregiver stress and techniques for self-care. Presented by Cheri Burcham and Tessa Hobbs-Curley.

** Simplify Your Life by Clearing the Clutter, April 9* – Does the clutter in your house cause you stress? Is the mess starting fights with family members? Are you too overwhelmed to know where to start? If this sounds like you or someone you know, join us to learn strategies, develop a plan to organize your life and reduce

stress. Presented by Molly Hofer and Chelsey Byers.

** Who Gets Grandma's Pie Plate, April 16* – It's a touchy subject, but have you ever considered where your valued possessions will end up? This session features information about the importance of including personal title and non-titled property as part of estate and inheritance planning. Explore strategies for speaking with family members about distributing family items with emotional and sentimental value and preventing family conflict. Presented by Chelsey Byers and Molly Hofer.

** Being Mindful During Difficult Times, April 23* – During times of stress, our mental, emotional and physical health can suffer as we disconnect from life. Mindfulness is the act of actively paying attention to the present moment. The simple practice of being present can make life more enjoyable and reduce stress. Participants will explore the benefits of mindfulness meditation and learn techniques that reduce stress and increase life satisfaction. Presented by Karla Belzer and Cheri Burcham.

** Someday is Today – Live Your Bucket List, April 30* – Do you have personal goals that always

end up on the back burner because "life happens?" If you say "I'll get to that someday," and "when things slow down," on a regular basis, then you need to work on your bucket list. The point of a bucket list is to help you live your life to the fullest by reaching all of your goals. Join us to learn how to create a bucket list and set exciting goals to pursue your interests and fulfill your dreams. Presented by Karla Belzer and Cheri Burcham.

The University of Illinois Extension Nutrition & Wellness program encourages individuals, families and communities to live healthier through online and in-person skill sharing. Learn about managing diabetes, safely preserving foods, being food-safe at home and making healthier choices when shopping, cooking and meal planning.

More information is available at go.illinois.edu/dmp or find us on Facebook or Twitter @uie_DMP.

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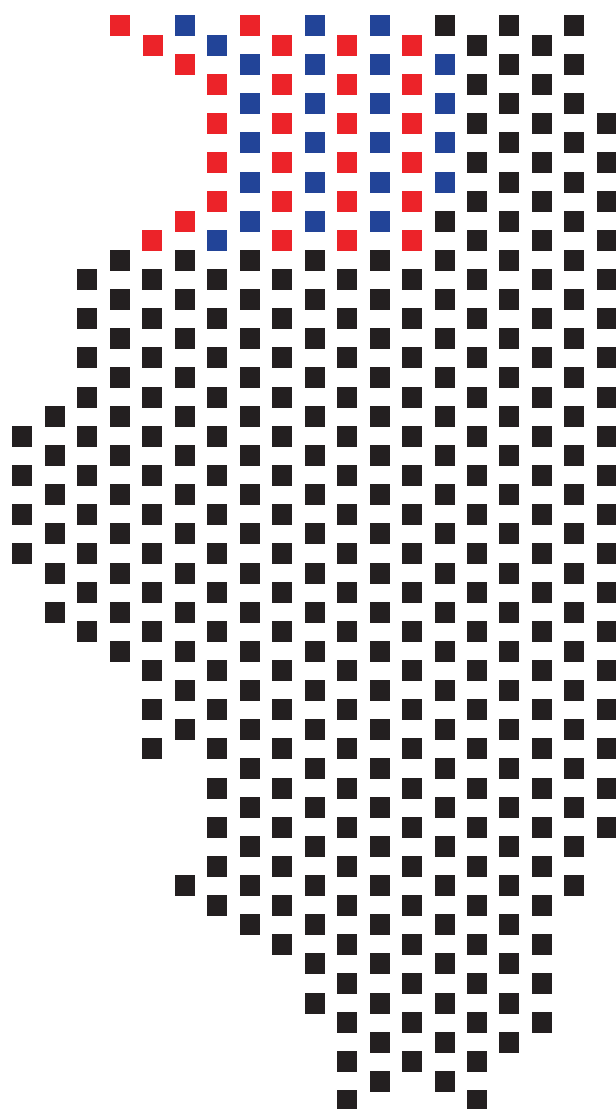
Mount Morris Police report

Feb. 24
A Citation was issued to Fahad Khalil 32, Cedar Rapids, IA for Speeding.

Feb. 28
Kristopher C. Mockovak 19, Mt. Morris for Theft \$500 and under. Mockovak was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Citations were issued to Megan C. Moorehead 26, Mt. Morris for Driving under the Influence of Alcohol and for Operation of Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Moorehead was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Feb. 29
Citations were issued to Jesse L. Hitt 43, Mt. Morris for Driving under the Influence of Alcohol and for Operation of Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Hitt was transported to the Ogle County Jail.



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Obituaries

Lola A. Hall

MONROE CENTER – Lola A. Hall, age 96, died Sunday, March 22, 2020 at Generations at Neighbor's in Byron. She was born Sept. 16, 1923 in Lindina, Wis., the daughter of Max D. and Freda (Sander) Wright.

She graduated from Monroe Center High School in 1941. Lola married Orlo L. Hall on March 7, 1943 in Orlando, Fla. He preceded her in death on Mar. 10, 2001. She was a member of the Monroe Center Community Church for several years. Lola like to garden, play cards, read, and enjoyed puzzles.

She was predeceased by her parents, husband Orlo, granddaughter Marsha Hall, great great granddaughter Taytum Berry, sister Evelyn Wright, brother Arthur Wright, and son-in-law Kai



Myrvold.

She is survived by her children; Ronald (Luanne) Hall of Davis Junction, Elaine Myrvold of Monroe Center, and Raymond (Jaime) Hall of Monroe Center, brother Ralph (Glenna) Wright of Las Vegas, Nev., and sister Louise (Harold) Kolthoff of Belvidere, 6 grandchildren; Michael (Ann) Myrvold, Karin Myrvold, Brian (Janet) Hall, Heather (Alan) Alderks, Brittany (Adam) Fris-

bie, and Todd Hall, 11 Great Grandchildren; Keegan Myrvold, Kourtnee (Tate) Berry, Koltan (Fiancée) Cassidy) Myrvold, Jovie Myrvold, Adrienne Hall, Tyler Hall, Gwen Hall, Ayden Alderks, Jaxon Alderks, Blake Frisbie, and Bennett Frisbie, many nieces and nephews.

The family would especially like to thank Dorothy and Nova for their loving care of Lola, and thank you to Serenity Hospice and Home for their loving care.

A private graveside service will be held at the Monroe Center Cemetery with the Pastor Scott Nesse of the Stonebridge Church in Rockford officiating. No visitation. A memorial fund is established in Lola's name. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home in Stillman Valley assisted the Hall family.

Evert L. 'Sam' Kump

OREGON – Evert L. "Sam" Kump, age 88, died Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at his home in Oregon. He was born June 21, 1931 on the family farm near Oregon, the son of Ferdinand W. and Dorothy (Drumheller) Kump.

Sam attended Oregon schools. He served in the U.S. Army from 1948 – 1952. Sam married Jean Cook on Feb. 19, 1955. He worked most of his life for the Telephone companies in the Oregon area. He was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Oregon and the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Oregon VFW Post #



8739. His favorite hobby throughout his life was pigeon racing. He also enjoyed woodworking.

Sam was predeceased by his parents, brothers Donald, Harold, and David Kump, sisters Sue Kump, and Erma Moser, daughter-in-law Vickie Kump, and son-in-law Dennis Donahue.

He is survived by his wife Jean of Oregon, son Mike Kump of Paynes Point, daughter Debra Donahue of Anchorage, Ala., 3 grandchildren; Megan, Ryan, and Cameron, 3 brothers; Raymond (Ardis) Kump of Adeline, Jake (Jean) Kump of Oregon, and Dennis (Jeanne) Kump of Oregon, and several nieces and nephews.

A private graveside service will be held at the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery near Oregon with the Rev. Joseph Naill officiating. No visitation. A memorial fund is established in Evert L. Kump's name. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence.

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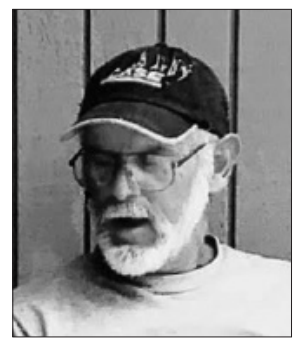
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Franklin Heller

OREGON – God knew when he created the world that on Oct. 26, 1950, Franklin and Agnes (Schier) Heller would have a baby boy. His name was to be Franklin Laverne.

God would place the love of his life, Karen Wallgren, right at his feet; and they would be joined in marriage on July 1, 1972. God would bless them with three children and seven grandchildren. Their first born child, Jeremy (Terri Harper) with children: Julia, Trent, and Jenna. Second born, Nathan (Larinda Jameson) with children Levi and Jacklyn. Third born, his little girl Charity (Nick Prose) with children



Johnathan and Gracie.

He was to be drafted in the United States Army with draft number 7 right out of Oregon High School in 1969. God would bring him back safe from serving in the military; later, the effects from his service in Vietnam caused the end of his time on earth. Once

at home, he supported his family by working for the Ogle County Highway Department for 37 years.

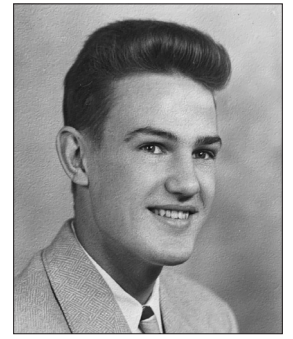
There are two grandchildren and a daughter-in-law (Larinda) already with the Lord.

Franklin Laverne peacefully joined them with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on March 24, 2020. In honor and in memory of our grandpa, please consider supporting the Rockford Rescue Mission to continue our grandpa's love for helping others. Private family services will be held. The family was assisted by Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home.

Eugene Moring

OREGON – Eugene Arthur Moring, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family in Oregon. Gene was born to Arthur Moring and Mabel Steinhagen in Shannon, on Oct. 30, 1930.

In 1948 he graduated from Lanark High School in Lanark. In 1950, married his high school sweetheart, Sally Stevens, of Oregon. They were married just shy of 70 years. He began his career working 20 years for Tikkala Construction Company where he learned the core aspects of the construction business including civil engineering, architecture, city planning, draftsmanship, carpentry, masonry, plumbing, heavy-machinery operation. He left to form his own company, Moring Construction, and was a prominent residential and commercial developer in Northern Illinois. Later



he expanded and created multiple businesses in the energy industry, including Insul-Mor Manufacturing.

Gene's pastimes were many. He was a well-traveled birder, amateur archeologist, precision machine hobbyist and master cabinet craftsman for family and friends. Gene was an avid reader and his personal library contained thousands of books on diverse subjects. He was an amateur painter, a collector of antique and vintage tools and wood-working machinery, some dating

from the early 20th century.

Gene was influential in the community as an active member of the Oregon Sportsman's Club, Jay-Cees, Oregon Stock Club, and the Oregon Golf Club.

Gene was preceded in death by son, David, brother Marv, and sister Lorraine. Gene is survived by his wife Sally and 5 daughters: Catherine, Kathleen (Kitty), Debra, Elizabeth and Jeanine, seven grand-children and six great-grand-children, sisters Donna Smith and Kay Stitzel.

A Gene Moring Memorial has been established in his name for Serenity Hospice. Our family would like to thank that amazing organization for the great compassion and care they gave to all our family.

A Joint Celebration of Life will be held for Gene and Sally's brother, Edward J. Stevens at a future date.

Pinwheel gardens plating will be April 1

POLO – April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and Prevent Child Abuse Illinois is spreading the message that everyone can help promote great childhoods in their community.

Pinwheels are nationally recognized symbols of child abuse prevention and symbolize hope and the promise that every child deserves to be raised in a healthy, safe, and nurturing environment.

The Polo Women's Club brings public awareness by annually planting pinwheel gardens at the Paul Grahling Park, Centennial Grade School, Applington Middle School, and the Polo Community High School each April. This year's event will take place on Wednesday, April 1.

With awareness, education, and support, the community working together can have an incredible impact on preventing child abuse.

As a reminder, the simple pinwheel should compel us to report suspected abuse (1-800-25-ABUSE) and protect all children. Children deserve to grow up in safe and nurturing homes.



By-Y-Badgers 4-H Club enjoyed their club bowling tournament held at Uptown Lanes.

It's been a busy winter for By-Y-Badgers

The By-Y-Badgers held a special party on Nov.17, 2019, to celebrate 50 years as a club at the Byron Public Library. Clair Hildreth did a fantastic job organizing this event for the current and past members. Club members kicked off December by helping with the Byron community event, Miracle on Second Street, on Dec. 6, 2019, by giving hay rides and helping Santa. Lauren Carlson and Alex Cassens also participated in the Festival of Trees. The December meeting was held December 9, and members enjoyed Lauren Carlson giving a presentation to expand their knowledge on live Christmas trees.

January's meeting was held on Jan. 13, 2020. The members enjoyed a delicious potluck dinner and club leader, Julie Carlson, recognized members for the Club Experience Awards they earned for the 2018-2019 4-H year. Gold Club Experience awards went to: Kade Boatman, Kendall Boatman, Lauren Carlson, Will Carlson, Alex Cassens, Nick Cassens, Carter Conderman, Carson Conderman, Bruce Gehrke, Renee Gehrke, and Jacob Hickman. Silver Club Experience Awards were earned by Clair Hildreth and Alex Booker. Bronze Club Experience Awards went to: Ella Tunink, James Tunink, and Colton Gehrke. Cloverbud ribbons were presented to: Andrew Hickman, Hazel Homman, and Adrien Booker.

A special award was presented to the following members to recognize their last year in 4-H: Will Carlson, Natalie Carlson, and Collin Conderman. The following club members gave talks to showcase their projects: Kade Boatman, Kendall Boatman, Will Carlson, Alex Booker, Nick Cassens, Andrew Hickman, Adrien Booker, Ella Tunink, Colton Gehrke, Bruce Gehrke, Renee Gehrke, James Tunink, Alex Cassens, Carter Conderman, and Carson Conderman.

The club bowling tournament was held Feb. 2, 2020, at Uptown Lanes in Byron, and two of the teams qualified to compete at the Ogle County Finals Bowling Tournament. The senior team included Collin Conderman, Carter Conderman, Matthew Hickey, and the junior team included Nick Cassens, Kade Boatman, and Kenneth Boehm. The junior team placed second while the senior team placed third at the county finals. A special presentation at the February meeting on Tupperware by Rebecca Bontz was arranged by Alex Cassens. Tupperware orders were used as a community service fundraiser for The Kitchen Table in Rochelle. Lauren Carlson also delivered a presentation on her floriculture shade garden project.

Members of the By-Y-Badgers 4-H Club participated in the Ogle County 4-H Penny Carnival held on March 7, 2020. This year's theme was "Build Your Future with 4-H" and the club's booth received The Most Entertaining Award. The club met on March 9, 2020, which included a team juggling leadership and communications activity led by Matthew Hickey.

Submitted by Kendall & Kade Boatman, Club Reporters

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Area seamstress making protective masks

By Andrew Heiserman
Staff Writer

ROCHELLE – As healthcare facilities and providers across the country face a shortage of protective masks, one local seamstress is doing her part to help keep them supplied.

Zoe Ujcic began sewing at a young age, but it was not until the end of high school when she began to take it seriously. After high school she went to the College of DuPage taking tailoring and alteration classes to become a fashion designer.

Once she completed her classes, she worked as a seamstress focusing on alterations, fixing clothes to get away from fast fashion. Doing this is more sustainable than always buying something new rather than repairing it.

“If your zipper breaks, come to me and I will fix it, rather than buying a brand-new coat,” said Ujcic. “It is just a little bit more efficient.”

Recently, Ujcic has seen the shortage of available protective masks on the news and decided she wanted to do something to help. She did research and learned that she did not have the resources necessary to make N95 respirator masks, but that did not stop her.

After doing more research she learned that by using a three-layer blend of materials, she could make a reusable, surgical-like mask. The masks are made of two layers of cotton, one layer of woven material, such as Kevlar and a wire to help keep it snug against the face.

All masks are machine washed, dried and immediately put in Ziploc bags. While the masks are not manufactured in a medical facility, they protect against multiple substances.

“I have so much extra fabric and will be home for the next two weeks just like everyone else, so why not do what I can to help,” said Ujcic. “They are pretty heavy duty and protect against aerosols and liquid from getting in. It is much better than nothing.”

Currently she is making them for those in need, such as medical facilities, nursing homes, and a few nurses that have reached out. She plans to continue making masks until either supplies run out or the demand is met.

If anybody has extra one-eighth-inch elastic or 20-gauge wire to donate to help continue making masks, reach out to cicalterations@gmail.com or Yvonne Brass on Facebook. All donations are greatly appreciated.



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Polo Police report

March 1
TIME: 7:06 p.m.
REPORT: Sean P. Slattery, 29, Leaf River, was arrested for Unlawful Possession of Cannabis in a motor vehicle, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis over 30 grams and No Registration Light. Slattery was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

REPORT: Brenda J. Florin, 56, Polo, was issued a City Citation for Failure to Register Dog.

County Assists 3
Possession of Cannabis 1

General Calls for Service for the weeks of February 24, 2020 thru March 8, 2020

General Calls for Service for the weeks of March 9, 2020 thru March 22, 2020

March 11
TIME: 7:30 a.m.
REPORT: Megan Huckabee, 38, Mt. Morris, was cited for Failure to Signal. Huckabee was released on an I-bond.

Citizen Complaints/Assist	21
Animal Complaint	6
Disturbance/Domestic	2
Fire/Medical Assist	6
Lock Out	2
911 Hang Up	4
Traffic Stops	8

Citizen Complaints / Assist	14
Juvenile	1
Animal Complaint	3
Disturbance / Domestic	2
Fire / Medical Assist	5
Lock Out	3
Traffic Stops	13

March 12
TIME: 10:10 a.m.

Ogle County Sheriff

March 23
At approximately 4:47 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a suspicious subject call in the Village of Davis Junction. The subject, Jacob Patton, 19 years old of Rockford, was located in the 400 block of Heartland and subsequently arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and three out of county warrants. Patton was transported the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

March 20
At approximately 7:38 p.m., Deputies responded to an address in the Mt. Morris Estates Trailer Park in reference to a Domestic Disturbance. After further investigation Mark Denham, 56 of Mt. Morris, was placed under arrest for Domestic Battery. Denham was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

March 19
Tara L. Swint, 36 of Oregon, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer. Swint was able to post the \$1,000/10 percent bond and will appear in court on 04/24/20 at 9 a.m.

Club offers scholarship

BYRON – The Byron Women's Club Empowerment Scholarship is awarded to women residing in the Byron School District who would like to continue their education in college/community college, a GED program, or a vocational/professional training program.

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Lions dinner date changing

LEAF RIVER – The Roast Pork Lions Dinner scheduled for April 19 has been canceled at this time however the Lions are hoping to reschedule this dinner at a later date.

This is a fundraiser just for the Leaf River Summer Daze which we hope is not canceled either, but time will tell. Again, keep watching the paper or look for our sign prior to the event.

E-mail news items to bjennings@oglecountyilife.com
Please send photos in the jpeg format. The deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.



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COVID-19

Stay Home to Stop the Spread

Illinoisans working together and staying home can do their part to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). When you go out for essential needs, work or to get fresh air, keep distance between yourself and others, and take the following precautions.



PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS

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- Monitor your health closely for cold or flu symptoms.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Limit non-essential travel, shopping trips and social visits.
- Avoid people who are coughing or sneezing.



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- Separate yourself from others in your home.
- Limit contact with pets and animals.
- Wear a facemask when you are around others.



PROTECT THE MOST VULNERABLE

- Older adults (60+) and those with serious chronic medical conditions like heart disease, diabetes or lung disease, or have a weakened immune system, should stay home.
- Stay in touch – video chat or text with family or friends who have these conditions.
- Stock up on medications and supplies to lessen travel and contact with others.



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Rock River Center cancels What's Cookin', suspends activities

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Updated notice

After much consideration, Rock River Center, Inc. has made the difficult decision to cancel What's Cookin' 2020. Thank you for your support. All tickets will be refunded. All sponsorships will be deferred to next year's event which will be held April 17, 2021 at Barnacopia.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On April 14, 1818, Noah Webster, a Yale-educated lawyer with an avid interest in language and education, publishes his American Dictionary of the English Language. Webster's dictionary was one of the first to include distinctly American words, introducing more than 10,000 "Americanisms."

* On April 13, 1870, the Metropolitan Museum of Art is officially incorporated in New York City. The city stipulated that the collection be kept open to the public year-round and free of charge. The first object the Met acquired was a Roman sarcophagus.

* On April 16, 1881, on the streets of Dodge City, famous Western lawman and gunfighter Bat Masterson fights his last gun battle. He would live another 40 years. Masterson had his first shootout in 1876 in Texas over the affections of a dance hall girl named Molly Brennan.

* On April 19, 1897, John J. McDermott of New York wins the first Boston Marathon, a measured distance of 24.5 miles from the Irvington Oval in Boston to Metcalf's Mill in Ashland. The marathon's distance was changed in 1908 to its current length of 26 miles 385 yards.

* On April 17, 1945, U.S. Lt. Col. Boris T. Pash commandeers over half a ton of uranium at Strassfurt, Germany, in an effort to prevent the Soviets from developing an A-bomb. Pash headed a group searching for German scientists to prevent the Soviets from capturing them.

* On April 15, 1959, new Cuban leader Fidel Castro visits the United States. President Dwight Eisenhower, however, had no intention of meeting with the communist revolutionary and instead went to the golf course.

* On April 18, 1983, the U.S. embassy in Beirut, Lebanon, is almost completely destroyed by a suicide car-bomb explosion that kills 63 people, including 17 Americans. The terrorist attack was carried out in protest of the U.S. military presence in Lebanon.

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Social distancing is not my strength

Here we are, social distancing with the best of them.

For some, this is a dream come true. There are plenty of people who do their best to avoid other humans as much as possible. Others, of course, need to have human interaction in their lives. Not just because they like people, but because it is a part of their job.

All of us, no matter how we feel, find ourselves much more distanced these days, good or bad. I certainly feel for those who make money working at or running businesses that rely on humans being there – bars, restaurants, dentists and many, many more.

Many of us find ourselves working from home. It's not a bad thing, to be sure. And with a great Internet connection and a solid computer, we can get most of what we need done with no problem.

But there are the downsides. For example, I find myself counting our remain-

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



ing toilet paper rolls over and over. I can't say I have ever worried about toilet paper before, but I find myself being more obsessed than Mr. Whipple. (Younger folks might want to Google that).

I am also trying hard to find ways to avoid doing those "big projects" my beautiful wife, who is also working from home, has been suggesting.

"Ah, I would love to go through all of the storage in

the basement, but I'm busy writing my column and worrying about how much toilet paper we have left."

I would love to get out and take a nice walk during the lunch hour, but our weather has been anything but cooperative. Snow? Check. Rain? Check. Beautiful sunny spring day? Nope – at least not yet.

So what have you been doing during this mandated isolation? I have plenty of friends who are happily doing projects, putting together puzzles, streaming shows on TV or reading books. Many of my musician friends are writing or learning songs, honing their craft or complaining about the cancellation of all live gigs.

This is a unique time, that is for sure. We have never really gone through anything like this before. Thankfully, it seems that most people are taking it seriously – well, not in Florida where they are pretending nothing is

happening. What is wrong with Florida?

My dogs were thrilled that we were working from home – at first. Dogs love the attention and are glad to snuggle on your lap and happy to accept extra treats.

But when they realize you actually have to work and can't just be their play buddy, they quickly throw you the stink eye. In short, they become cats.

I am hoping this shelter in place thing doesn't last too long. I understand it and I fully support it. But I am not one to just stay in one place for too long. I want to get out and talk with people and go out with friends and enjoy some social interaction.

In the meantime, I will be here working between bouts of counting toilet paper rolls and worrying that I will run out of hairspray. Hey, pandemic or not, I have to keep up with my hair routine.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



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The unraveling of the American democratic web

The patriot in me believes that American democracy is here to stay. The hardheaded realist says the odds are against it. The record shows that democracies are rare, unnatural, fragile things that will sooner or later fall apart.

The first democracies arose over two thousand years ago in ancient Athens and Rome. Athenian democracy can be said to have lasted about 250 years or less, although elements remained in place for some time afterward. The Roman Republic survived for almost 400 years before it began a century-long slide into dictatorship and eventual rule by emperor.

That's not a long time compared to the thousands of years of monarchies, dictatorships, and oligarchies

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Opinion**
By Lowell Harp



that came before and after. It wasn't until almost 2,000 years after the collapse of the Roman Republic that democracy reappeared with the American Constitution.

The system that we Americans created and that others around the world have since adopted isn't just about elections and majority

rule. Civil liberties, checks and balances, and the rule of law are among the built-in safeguards designed to keep it from falling back into tyranny. But it now appears that, at over 200 years old, modern democracy is showing its age and may be following the ancient ones into decline and fall.

The trend shows up in a yearly Democracy Index published by the British magazine, *The Economist*, which ranks the nations of the world according to how democratic they are. The Index reveals a decline in the number that qualify as "full democracies." The United States, for its part, has been slipping in the index since it was first published in 2006. In 2016, we dropped from a full democracy to a "flawed democracy," with a ranking

of 21 out of 167 countries. As of 2019, our ranking has further slipped to 25.

Having lived all our lives under democracy, it's hard for us to appreciate how uncommon and delicate it is, and how much it depends on an elaborate web of institutions and traditions for its survival. Our complacency is misguided and dangerous. The Democracy Index portrays a web that's beginning to unravel here and around the world.

Ancient Rome's Republic fell apart under the pressure of severe changes in its society and economy, brought about by years of war and a growing divide between rich and poor. Historians, such as Garret C. Fagan in his Great Courses lecture, describe how the loss of common identity

weakened respect for the institutions and traditions that had formerly held it together. More and more, the Republic was dominated by demagogues and dictators until it ceased to be a republic in all but name, and finally abandoned even the pretense of democracy.

We and other modern democracies seem to be following a similar course. This time, technology, urbanization, income inequality, and globalization are among the forces reshaping the economy and splintering society into irreconcilable tribes. The result, as in ancient times, is a government that increasingly fails to represent the people as a whole.

The smart money says that American democracy won't survive these trends,

but there are signs that we could beat the odds. The current Democratic presidential primary contest reveals a widespread longing for a return to a more respectful attitude toward democratic institutions and traditions, and for civility in public discourse. My reading is that many Republicans are yearning for the same.

If I'm right about that, American democracy might, in spite of the odds, turn away from its historic arc into decay and ruin.

Lowell Harp is a retired school psychologist who served school districts in Ogle County. His column runs monthly in The Ogle County Life. For previous articles, you can follow him on Facebook at <http://fb.me/lowellharp>.

Be wary of power officials try to take

Dear Editor,
Listen closely to the rhetoric our political leaders are using!

Watching Gov. Pritzker's address "ordering" the closure of public and private facilities the other day really irritated me! He is elected and has authority, and indeed responsibility, to make these decisions for publicly funded institutions, but he has absolutely no authority to dictate to private business or private citizens. He can request, he can ask, he can cajole, he can even beg, but he cannot order!

I was glad to see Gov. Pritzker back peddled the following day when questioned about this "authority" by an offscreen reporter (I give that reporter lots of credit for asking).

The positive I see coming out of this COVID-19 strategy; it is bringing us together for a common goal/cause, something this country has been lacking for a long time!

While I agree with this strategy for reducing the impact of this virus, it has to be voluntary it cannot be dictated!

Be very aware of how much power our elected officials subtly try to take from "We the people." Remember they work for us (or they are supposed to) not the other way around!

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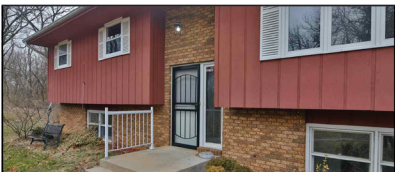
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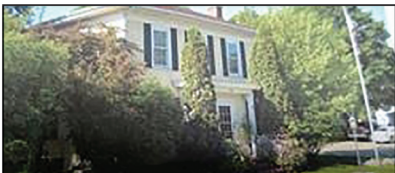
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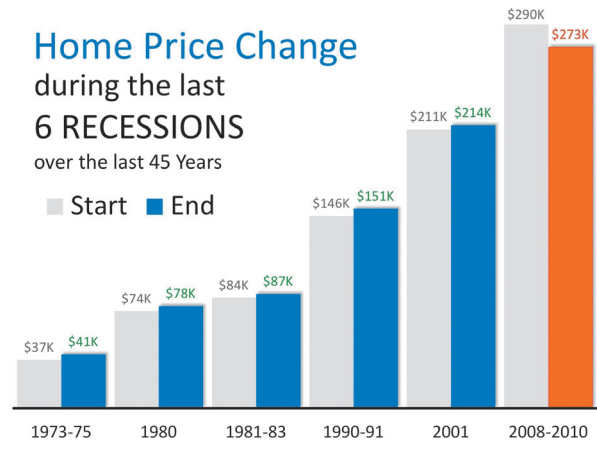


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Polo Library News

In cooperation with the Governor's Stay at Home orders, and to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, Polo Public Library has a new tentative reopen date of April 8 at 10 a.m. Until that date, the building will be closed and all programs scheduled during this time have been cancelled or rescheduled.

You are still be able to use Axis 360, OMNI/Overdrive, Libby, and Biblioboard for e-resources (books, audio books, magazines, etc) 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@polo-library.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.

Forreston Library News

Library Closure

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, Forreston Public Library will remain closed until Forrestville Valley schools reopen. All programs/activities are cancelled and all due dates have been extended. Please check our Facebook page for updates.

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Even though the library is closed, you may still enjoy eBooks through Axis 360. If you would like more information on creating an account, please message us on our Facebook page or email forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com and we'll help you get set up. You may also access the internet outside the library by connecting to our WiFi. No password is required.

New Look

The Forreston Lions Club has generously volunteered to paint our Community Room and back hallway. A huge thank you to them for sharing their time and talents this way!

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 that date. 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. Find links at our website: www.bertoletmemoriallibrary.org.

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Local students involved in benefit university dance marathon

IOWA CITY, Iowa – The University of Iowa's student-led Dance Marathon raised more than \$2.8 million for the UI Stead Family Children's Hospital in its 26th year.

Dance Marathon is the UI's largest student organization. It has raised more than \$30 million since its first event in 1995.

Local students involved include: Grace Carr of Leaf River and Leah Harrolle of Davis Junction.

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Kennay Farms has made switch to making hand sanitizer

By Andrew Heiserman
Staff Writer

ROCHELLE – During tough times like the country is currently facing, many organizations are coming together to help each other through it.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the country has been facing a shortage of cleaning supplies and hand sanitizer. Many distilleries throughout the country, including Rochelle's local Kennay Farms, have switched from making spirits to making hand sanitizer.

The governing agency gave Kennay Farms the approval to go ahead with making hand sanitizer on Thursday and the distillery began working right away. The decision was made based on the need in the community, as well as what the family felt was the right thing to do.

"We realized that there was a need and that we needed to get production up and running," said Evan Quinn, member of the Kennay family and vice president of marketing. "We saw the need to band together as a family to help out the Rochelle community and Northern Illinois the best we pos-

sibly can."

The process of making the hand sanitizer is nearly the same and uses the same corn it distills in its spirits. The corn is distilled to an alcohol percentage of 78 percent and then additional ingredients such as glycerol and hydrogen peroxide are added.

Once the product is finished and packaged, it is being sent to health care providers and first responders in the area. The goal of the distillery is to shock the system, to get things as balanced as possible in the regional area.

The distillery has been given the green light to continue producing hand sanitizer until the middle of June. It has begun making its first batch and hopes to have it ready to be distributed by the end of the day Friday, March 20. While the demand for spirits was still there, Kennay Farms said they did what they felt was the right thing to do.

"We could have chosen to continue distilling and distributing our whiskey, vodka and gin," said Quinn. "But, that just did not seem right to us when we could be doing something for the greater good instead."



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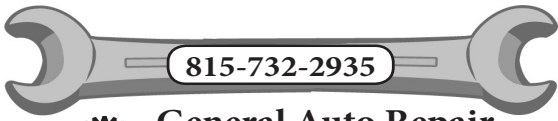

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 Email: ucb@comcast.net Website: unitedchurchofbyron.org
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 Youth Ministry Coordinator: Richard Simpson
 Adult Sunday School 9:00am-10:00am, Kids Sunday School (ages 3 thru high
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 Sunday Schedule and Worship Opportunities:
 Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am
 Adult Christian Education Class: 9am
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 For complete ministry schedule and activities, please check our website or
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 Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 am; Coffee And... Fellowship 10:00 am; Sunday

School 10:15 am Wednesdays: Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Other Activities: Men's
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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.

Updates

2020 Summer Reading Program Bookmark Contest deadline has been extended to April 13, so while you're at home consider this an art assignment!

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.

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/

You can also 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?

On December 3, 1872, an ordinance was passed by the City Council of Oregon to establish a library and reading room for the general public. Eight gentlemen were appointed to a Board of Directors which held their first meeting in the office of Judge Woodcock (then County Clerk) on December 14, 1872. A committee was formed to make selection of books. The report of the committee was accepted at a later meeting and the books were ordered to be purchased. There were 967 volumes in the library, exclusive of all public documents. In the reading rooms, there were five weeklies, four monthlies, two quarterlies, and many other magazines and papers. (History of Ogle County)

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 7am to 2am 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.

Moving Up Higher

with
Joyce Meyer



Experiencing God's power in everyday life

After I became a Christian, there were many years when I had no victory in my everyday life. I was miserable because I still had wounds in my soul from the past that made me insecure, angry, suspicious of others, and hard to get along with.

Even though I loved God and went to church every week, I had no idea that there was power available to me to overcome the hurts from the past and the struggles of everyday life. And everything that came along that was hard to handle, defeated me.

But I was so grateful when I found out in God's Word that not only is He powerful, but He wants to fill us with His power. He promises in His Word that we can have abundant life in Christ because He has overcome the world! (See John 10:10; 16:33.)

The truth is, as believers in Christ, we don't have to live weak, wimpy, pitiful, pathetic, barely-getting-by lives. We can have God's power working in us to enable us to do whatever we need to do in life!

There's No Such Thing as a Problem-free Life

Some people have the misconception that when they give their lives to Jesus, they will no longer have any problems. It would be nice if this were true, but in this world, we WILL have trials and tribulations. The good news is we can cheer up anyway because Jesus has overcome the world.

In John 16:33 (ESV), Jesus says, "...In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

No one can promise you a problem-free life, but God promises that if you will put your trust in Him, He will give you a faith that enables you to rise above the problems you face. And when you get through them, you'll be stronger on the other side than you were before you had them.

The Truth About God's Power

Knowing you can have power from God to live in this world is one thing, but learning to believe this truth and walk in it is the key to having victory over the trials and suffering you face. I love Philippians 3:10 because it says we can actually experience the same power that raised Christ from the dead.

In this verse, the apostle Paul says his determined purpose was to "know Him [experientially, becoming more thoroughly acquainted with Him, understanding the remarkable wonders of His Person more completely] and [in that same way experience] the power of His resurrection [which overflows and is active in believers], and [that I may share] the fellowship of His sufferings, by being continually conformed [inwardly into His likeness even] to His death [dying as He did]" (AMP).

This is an amazing and encouraging promise from God, because we all face problems and have weaknesses we can't overcome in our own strength or effort. But if we are determined to trust God in every situation, all the time, we can fight the good fight of faith by HIS grace.

Being More Than a Conqueror Through Christ

Romans 8:37 (AMP) says: "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors and gain an overwhelming victory through Him who loved us [so much that He died for us]." I love this phrase "more than conquerors." But what does it really mean?

Being more than a conqueror means that before you ever have a problem, you are confident that you have whatever it takes to overcome it through your relationship with Christ. In other words, you know you have the victory before you ever get the problem.

Now, in order to "qualify" for the power of God, we must first come to the place where we recognize that in and of ourselves, we are weak and we have limitations without God. If we didn't have any weakness, we wouldn't realize we need Him. And one of the best prayers we can ever pray is "God, I need You, and I'm nothing without You!" (See John 15:5.)

It's so important for us to understand this because if we wait until we have a problem that's too big for us to handle before we rely on God's strength, then we're setting ourselves up to fail.

The best thing we can do to live this life in victory is to continually seek God with our whole heart, realizing we're desperate for Him all the time. Spend time with Him in prayer and studying His Word every day. Then, when the storms of life happen, you will be confident that in Christ, you already have everything you need to overcome them...and you'll experience the power of His resurrection as you rise above them!

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Deadline for all releases and photos is 3 p.m. Wednesday.

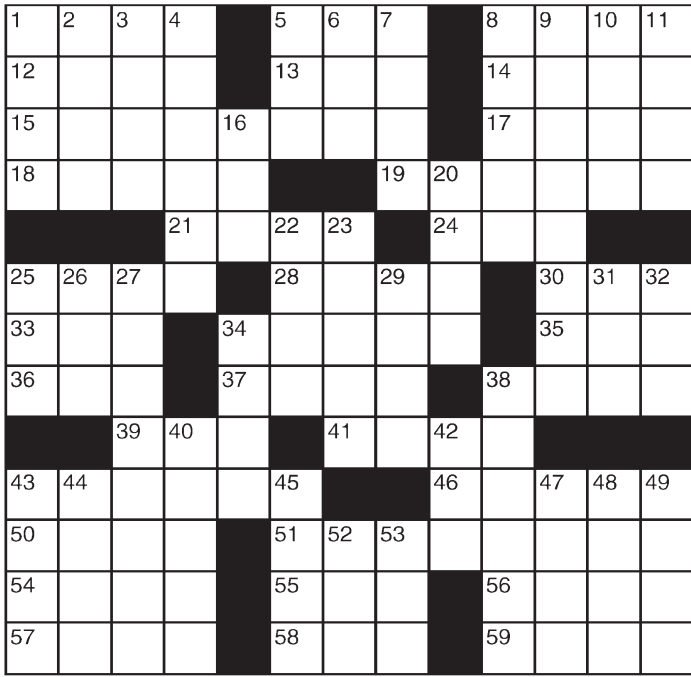
Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

MAGIC MAZE ● KEEPSAKES

ACROSS

- 1 Uncategorized (Abbr.)
- 5 Web address
- 8 Portent
- 12 Maleficence
- 13 Menagerie
- 14 Scruff
- 15 Reading material
- 17 Matures
- 18 World-weariness
- 19 Salty solutions
- 21 Fix, in a way
- 24 Raw rock
- 25 Knighted woman
- 28 Nuisance
- 30 Kennedy or Koppel
- 33 Carte lead-in
- 34 Newton or Stern
- 35 Anger
- 36 Gasoline stat
- 37 Dilbert's workplace
- 38 Check bar codes
- 39 Born
- 41 Fourth dimension
- 43 Marketplaces of old
- 46 Got up
- 50 Story
- 51 Belgian surrealist Rene
- 54 Ear-related
- 55 Individual



- 56 List-ending abbr.
- 57 — moss
- 58 Workout
- 59 Sources for sauces
- co-defendant
- 8 Broadcasting
- 9 Attractive
- 10 Duel tool
- 11 Loch —
- 16 Speed along
- 20 Campus mil. org.
- 22 Church section
- 23 Leavening agent
- 25 Water barrier
- 26 Jungfrau, for one
- 27 Mississippi bloom
- 29 Munro pseudonym
- 31 Historic period
- 32 Hideaway
- 34 Concept
- 38 Episodic TV show
- 40 Put up
- 42 Scratch
- 43 On
- 44 Fence opening
- 45 Urban pall
- 47 Maestro
- 48 Go no farther
- 49 Congers, e.g.
- 52 Whatever number
- 53 Jewel

DOWN

- 1 Viral Internet phenom
- 2 Terrible guy?
- 3 Autograph
- 4 Contract section
- 5 Submachine gun
- 6 Reagan or Howard
- 7 Leopold's

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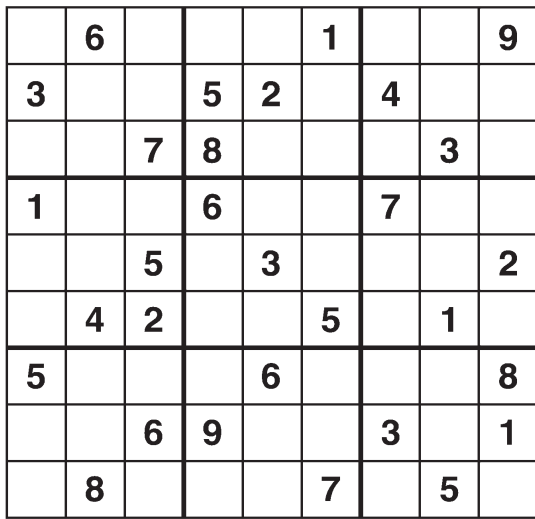
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: OLYMPIC GOLD —

- Antique
- Jewelry
- Photos
- Souvenir
- Autograph
- Locket
- Postcards
- Token
- Diary
- Necklace
- Relic
- Trophy
- Gifts
- Pendant
- Rings

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

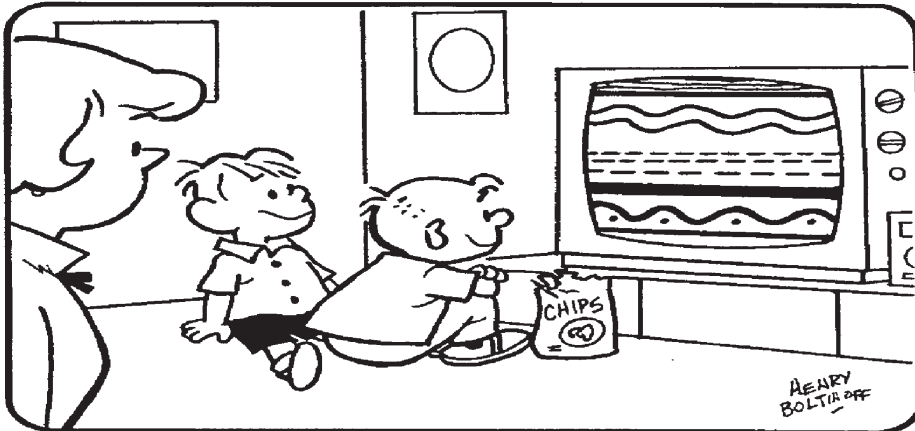
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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

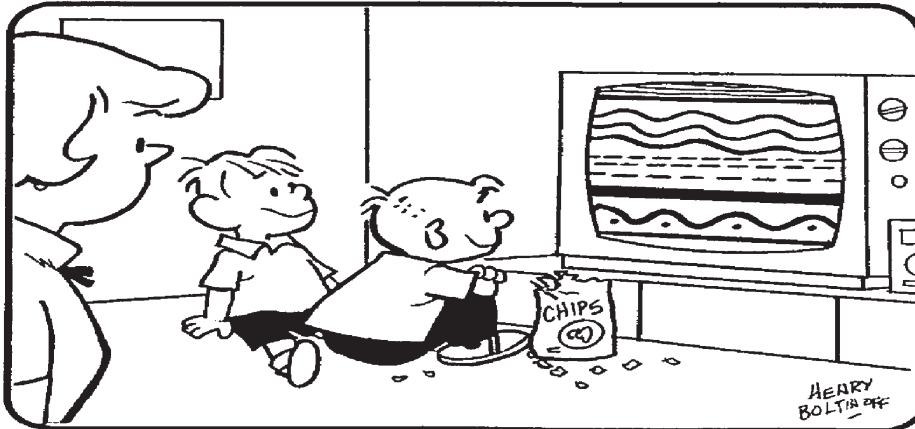
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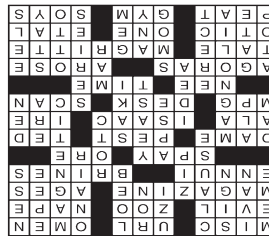
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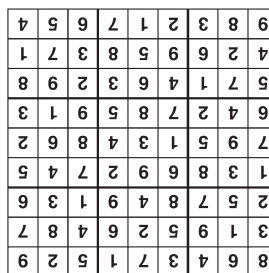
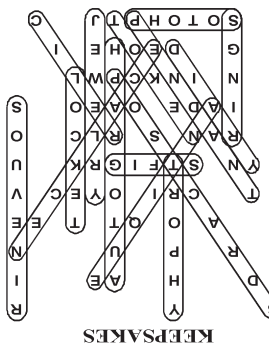
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



1. Picture is missing. 2. Wave is added on screen. 3. Pants are different. 4. Chips on the floor. 5. Blouse is different. 6. Buttons are missing.



Solution time: 25 mins.
Answers
King Crossword



Answer
Weekly SUDOKU

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DOES THE EASTER BUNNY USE TO DRY HIS FUR?

LADIES	___	SLIDE	SANDER	___	NEARS
WHINES	___	SWINE	BORDER	___	ROBED
LAMEST	___	MELTS	PASTRY	___	TRAPS
CLEARs	___	SCALE	ERECTS	___	CREST
BAKERS	___	BARKS	REALMS	___	MEALS

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

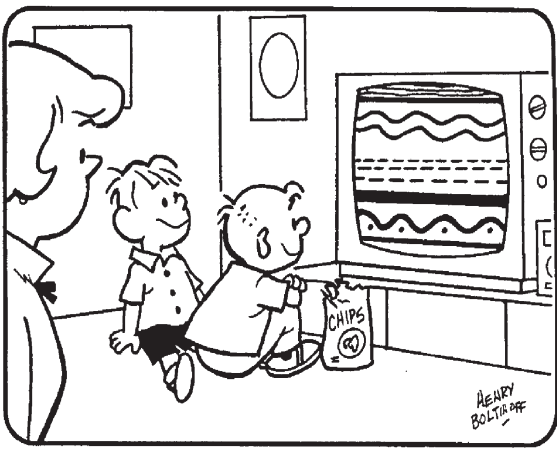
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Mason's material	___	C	___	Threshold	___	N	___
2. Lone Ranger's steed	___	I	___	Serving tray	___	A	___
3. Peace prize giver	___	B	___	Innovative	___	V	___
4. Graph	___	___	T	Bracelet bauble	___	___	M
5. Mr. Lloyd Webber	___	___	___	Singer Bocelli	___	___	A
6. Became a teacher	T	___	___	Apprehended	C	___	___
7. Hazy	___	I	___	Mildewy	___	U	___
8. Tailor's filament	___	___	D	Menace	___	___	T
9. Red blossom	___	O	___	Young canine	___	U	___
10. Hatchling	___	I	___	Chess move	___	E	___

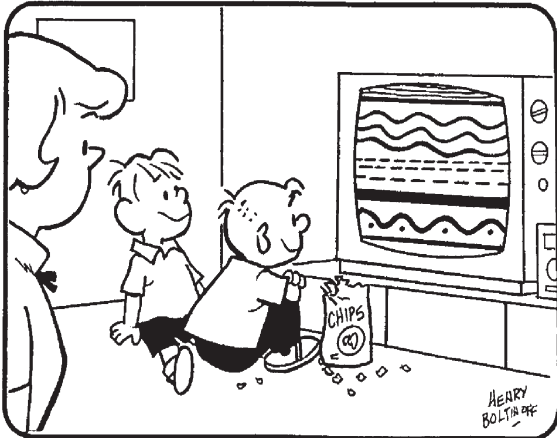
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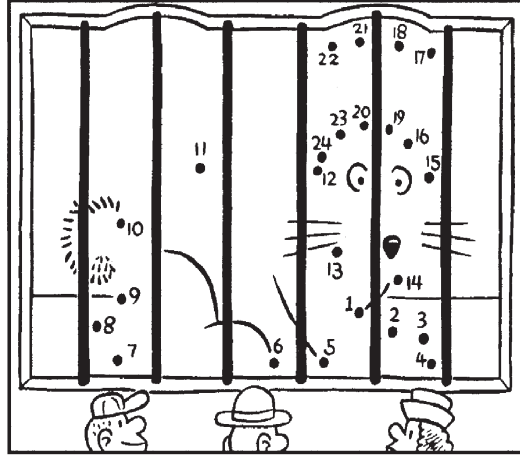
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IS THIS THE NEW KING OF BEASTS? Join the dots and find out.

Answer: No, it's only a Giant Bolivian Bashful Bunny.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

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1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

BIG TOP BAFFLERS!

IN THE GRID, at left, there is room to enter five five-letter words pertaining to the circus world. The following definitions should help you:

- To put up a circus tent.
- What acrobats do.
- Type of clown pants.
- Performers in the World's Smallest Circus.
- Found in animal cages.

There is a dark frame around the center column of letters. If you correctly solve the puzzle, the letters in this frame, top to bottom, will spell out the name of a circus animal.

Answers: 1. Pitch. 2. Flips. 3. Baggy. 4. Fleas. 5. Straw. The center column word is "tiger."

READ THE FOLLOWING sentence once and state how many "f's" are in it.

"To be genuine, every package of Kellogg's Corn Flakes must bear the signature of W. F. Kellogg."



Answer: There are four "f's" in the sentence. The "f's" in "of" are often missed.

DOUBLE TROUBLE! Below are six partially spelled words. Four letters are missing from each word. In each case you must find a two-letter word that can be used to fill in the missing letters. Below you'll find some hints.

- A favorite food.
- A king or prince.
- An Asian disease.
- Type of headgear.
- Used for cooking.
- A crucial situation.



1. P ___ T ___
2. M ___ ARAJ ___
3. ___ RI ___ RI
4. ___ RD ___ T
5. ___ BAC ___
6. CR ___

Answers: 1. (AS) Pastas. 2. (AH) Maharajah. 3. (BE) Berber. 4. (HA) Hardhat. 5. (HI) Hibachi. 6. (IS) Crisis.



Kids' Maze Solution

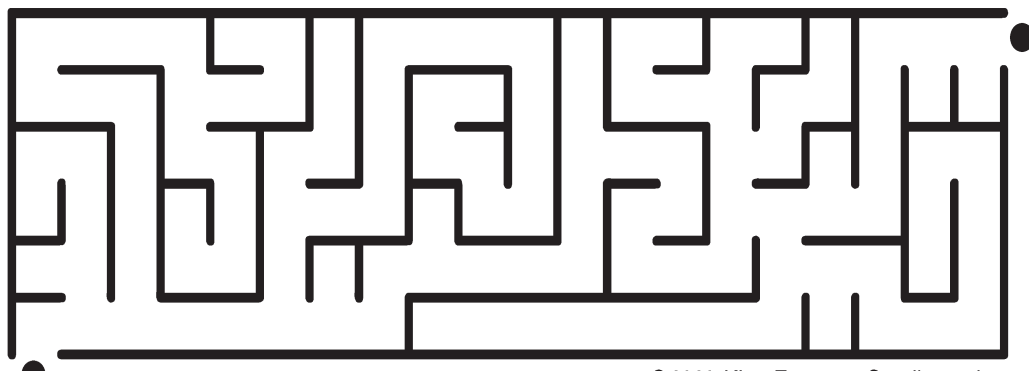
1. Brick, Brink
2. Silver, Salver
3. Nobel, Novel
4. Chart, Charm
5. Andrew, Andrea
6. Taught, Caught
7. Misty, Mussy
8. Thread, Threat
9. Poppy, Pappy
10. Chick, Check

Even Exchange

Answer

LADIES	A	SLIDE
WHINES	H	SWINE
LAMEST	A	MELTS
CLEARs	R	SCALE
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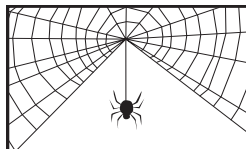
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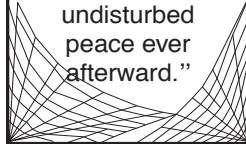
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NOTICE FOR
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Notice is given of the
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zler, Jr. of Forreston.
Letters of office were is-
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to Debra A. Heizler, 601 N. Walnut Ave., P.O. Box 363, Forreston, IL 61030 whose attorney is Edward J. Mitchell, 110 N. Broad Street, Lanark, IL 61046 Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Carroll County Courthouse, 301 N. Main, Mt. Carroll, IL 61053 or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the date of issuance of letters and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
DATED: March 2, 2020.
/s/ Debra A. Heizler
(Representative)
BY: /s/ Edward J. Mitchell
(Attorney)
No. 0320 Mar. 16, 23, 30)

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
Sealed bids will be received for the following sections by the Ogle County Highway Department, Oregon, Illinois, until 2:00 P.M. April 9, 2020 for:
1. 20-XX000-00-GM 2020 Township Sealcoats,
2. 20-00000-02-GM 2020 County Sealcoats,
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4. 20-06000-00-GM Flagg Twp Paving,
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6. 20-21131-00-RS Rockvale Township Paving
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PUBLIC NOTICE
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Dated- March 10, 2020
CandyS Beck
Marion Township Clerk
No. 0339 (Mar. 30)

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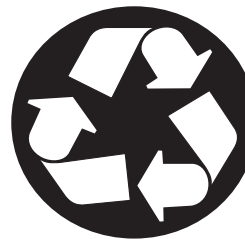
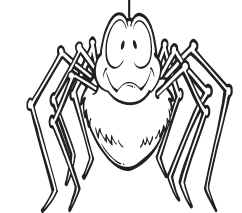
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- 2017 CHEVY SILVERADO 4 DR., Z71, 4X4, CUSTOM WHEELS, HEAT SEATS, REMOTE START **\$28,299**
- 2017 CHEVY EQUINOX LT, HEATED SEATS, REMOTE START **\$17,264**
- 2017 FORD FUSION SE, LOADED, ONE OWNER, MOON ROOF, 33K **\$16,687**
- 2017 FORD EDGE SEL, 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**
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- 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**
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- 2011 CHEVY SILVERADO CREW, Z71, 4X4, X-CLEAN, ONE OWNER **\$17,632**
- 2011 BUICK ENCLAVE CX, CLEAN, LOCAL TRADE..... **SOLD**
- 2011 CHEVY SILVERADO CREW, 4X4, CLEAN LOCAL OWNER..... **SOLD**
- 2007 CADILLAC ESCALADE ESV, DUAL DVD, MOON, LOW MILES..... **\$15,831**
- 2006 FORD F150 4X4, 4WD, MOON BUCKETS, VERY CLEAN **\$9,432**
- 2006 FORD F-150 LARIER, CREW, 4X4, LEATHER, MOON, LOCAL TRADE..... **\$8,852**
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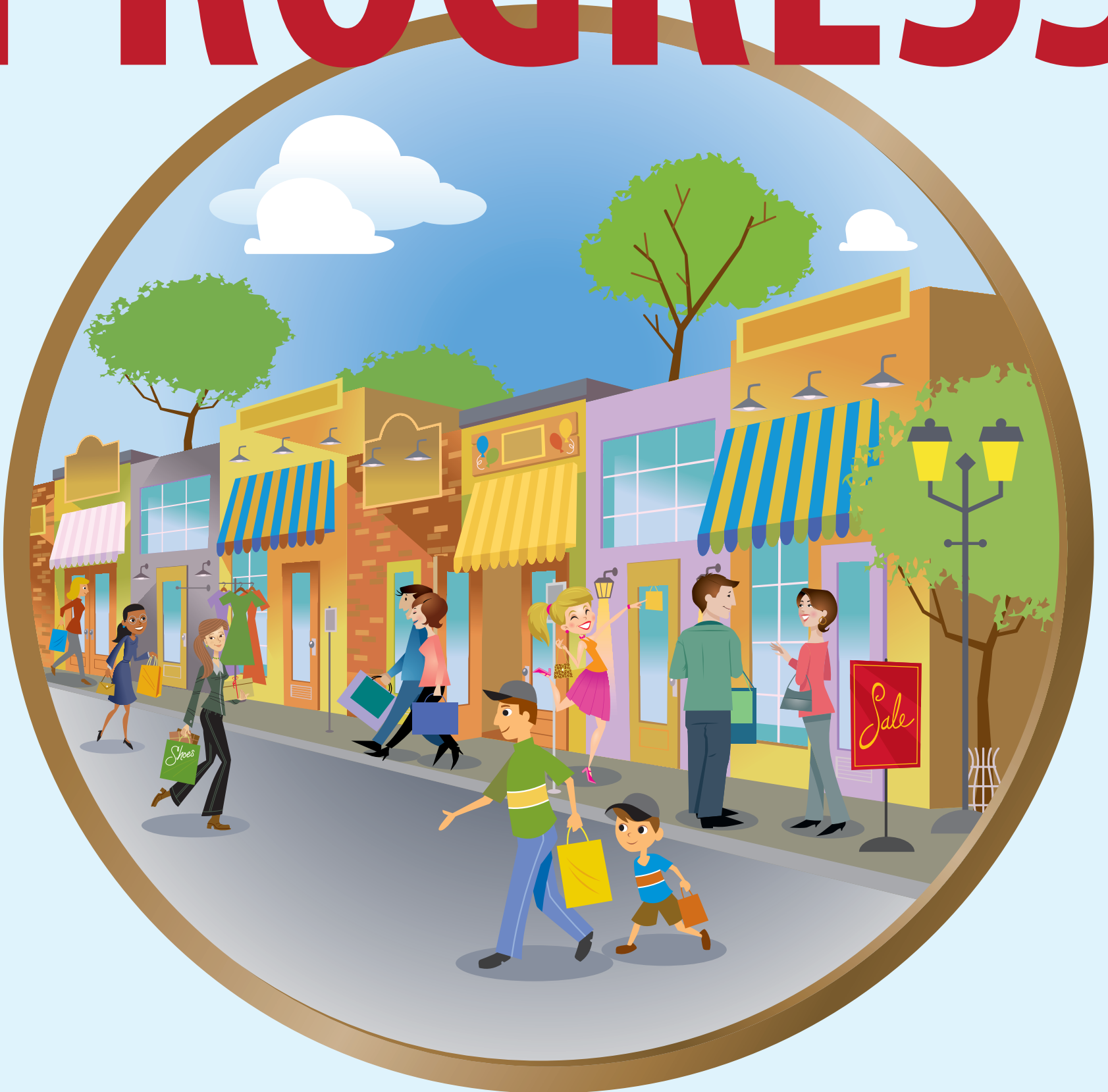
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Keeping your cool can be hard to do when the market goes on one of its periodic roller-coaster rides. It's useful to have strategies in place that prepare you both financially and psychologically to handle market volatility. Here are 11 ways to help keep yourself from making hasty decisions that could have a long-term impact on your ability to achieve your financial goals.

1. Have a game plan

Having predetermined guidelines that recognize the potential for turbulent times can help prevent emotion from dictating your decisions. For example, you might take a core-and-satellite approach, combining the use of buy-and-hold principles for the bulk of your portfolio with tactical investing based on a shorter-term market outlook. You also can use diversification to try to offset the risks of certain holdings with those of others. And if you're an active investor, a trading discipline can help you stick to a long-term strategy.

2. Know what you own and why you own it

When the market goes off the tracks, knowing why you originally made a specific investment can help you evaluate whether your reasons still hold, regardless of what the overall market is doing. Understanding how a specific holding fits in your portfolio also can help you consider whether a lower price might actually represent a buying opportunity. And if you don't understand why a security is in your portfolio, find out. That knowledge can be particularly important when the market goes south, especially if you're considering replacing your current holding with another investment.

3. Remember: Everything is relative

Most of the variance in the returns of different portfolios can generally be attributed to their asset allocations. If you've got a well-diversified portfolio that includes multiple asset classes, it could be useful to compare its overall performance to relevant benchmarks. If you find that your investments are performing in line with those benchmarks, that realization might help you feel better about your overall strategy. Even a diversified portfolio is no guarantee that you won't suffer losses, of course. But it means that just because the S&P 500 might have dropped 10% or 20% doesn't necessarily mean your overall portfolio is down by the same amount.

4. Tell yourself that this too shall pass

The financial markets are historically cyclical. Even if you wish you had sold at what turned out to be a market peak, or regret having sat out a buying opportunity, you may well get another chance at some point. Even if you're considering changes, a volatile market can be an inopportune time to turn your portfolio inside out. A well-thought-out asset allocation is still the basis of good investment planning.

5. Be willing to learn from your mistakes

Anyone can look good during bull markets; smart investors are produced by the inevitable rough patches. Even the best investors aren't right all the time. If an earlier choice now seems rash, sometimes the best strategy is to take a tax loss, learn from the experience, and apply the lesson to future decisions. Expert help can prepare you and your portfolio to both weather and take advantage of the market's ups and downs.

6. Consider playing defense

During volatile periods in the stock market, many investors reexamine their allocation to such defensive sectors as consumer staples or utilities (though like all stocks, those sectors involve their own risks, and are not necessarily immune from overall market movements). Dividends also can help cushion the impact of price swings.

7. Stay on course by continuing to save

Even if the value of your holdings fluctuates, regularly adding to an account designed for a long-term goal may cushion the emotional impact of market swings. If losses are offset even in part by new savings, your bottom-line number might not be quite so discouraging. If you're using dollar-cost averaging — investing a specific amount regularly regardless of fluctuating price levels — you may be getting a bargain by buying when prices are down. However, dollar cost averaging can't guarantee a profit or protect against a loss. Also consider your ability to continue purchases through market slumps; systematic investing doesn't work if you stop when prices are down. Finally, remember that the return and principal value of your investments will fluctuate with changes in market conditions, and shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when you sell them.

8. Use cash to help manage your mindset

Cash can be the financial equivalent of taking deep breaths to relax. It can enhance your ability to make thoughtful decisions instead of impulsive ones. If you've established an appropriate asset allocation, you should have resources on hand to prevent having to sell stocks to meet ordinary expenses or, if you've used leverage, a margin call. Having

a cash cushion coupled with a disciplined investing strategy can change your perspective on market volatility.

9. Remember your road map

Solid asset allocation is the basis of sound investing. One of the reasons a diversified portfolio is so important is that strong performance of some investments may help offset poor performance by others. Even with an appropriate asset allocation, some parts of a portfolio may struggle at any given time. Timing the market can be challenging under the best of circumstances. Make sure your asset allocation is appropriate before making drastic changes.

10. Look in the rear-view mirror

If you're investing long term, sometimes it helps to take a look back and see how far you've come. If your portfolio is down this year, it can be easy to forget any progress you may already have made over the years. Though past performance is no guarantee of future returns, of course, the stock market's long-term direction has historically been up. With stocks, it's important to remember that having an investing strategy is only half the battle; the other half is being able to stick to it.

11. Take it easy

If you feel you need to make changes in your portfolio, there are ways to do so short of a total makeover. You could test the waters by redirecting a small percentage of one asset class to another. You could put any new money into investments you feel are well-positioned for the future, but leave the rest as is. Even if you need or want to adjust your portfolio during a period of turmoil, those changes can — and probably should — happen in gradual steps.

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Keep busy with Byron Forest Preserve District

If you are looking for something for to do in Ogle County, look no further than the Byron Forest Preserve District.

Located at 7993 North River Road in Byron, the Forest Preserve District offers something for everyone.

There are, of course, great trails and picnic shelters. There are also banquet facilities for social and business events, observatory for sky viewing, an 18-hole golf course and don't forget about the award-winning museums.

The District also offers a preschool, summer camp and other family programs.

For 40 years, the Byron Forest Preserve District has been offering a wide variety of educational and recreational activities for county residents and beyond.

The District, which employs up to 60 people during peak season, is a big supporter of local community events and organizations. It belongs to several chambers of commerce, Illinois Park and Recreation Association, Illinois Association of Park Districts, Illinois Association of Conservation Districts, Natural Land Institute, Environmental Education Association, etc.

The District also assists with many City of Byron and Byron Chamber events held for the community, including Byron Fest and Miracle on 2nd Street.

Wonderful memories are made at the Byron Forest Preserve from attended preschool and summer camp, to being married or hosting a baby shower or child's birthday party at the Jarrett Prairie Center.

There are also those who grew up playing golf at PrairieView and now work at the course.

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KSB Oregon clinic the place from newborns to elderly

Whatever your medical needs, the KSB Oregon Clinic has you covered. The clinic offers family care, including obstetrics, a full-time lab, X-ray imaging and full-time physical therapy.

Opened in August 1996 the clinic is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m., with extended hours on Monday until 7 p.m.

The Oregon clinic offers care across the continuum. From newborns to elderly, it is able to care for each and every aspect of a patients' wellbeing. The clinic offers easy access to quality healthcare. It has a certified lactation consultant on site and the providers continue to see patients at the nursing home.

The KSB Oregon Clinic offers easy access to healthcare for local residents, helping decrease the long drive times for medical services. There is also a cardiology group that comes to the clinic at least once per month.

KSB is also involved with the community, helping host the Concert in the Park series through the Oregon Park District. And Dr. Myers and Dr. Reckamp serve on the Ogle County Health Department Board.



Mount Morris clinic offers services for entire family

The KSB Clinic in Mount Morris offers services for the entire family, from pediatrics to adults – including women's health.

The clinic has been a part of the community since the late 1970s, and became a part of KSB in October 2012. The clinic is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. On Wednesday, the clinic is open from 8:30 a.m.-noon.

KSB has been partners with of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford for more than 6 and a half years. Dr. John Plescia has been very involved with the UIC program, which helps to encourage medical students to pursue careers in a rural health setting, similar to the Mount Morris community.

Also, it is a teaching facility for University Illinois College of Medicine, which includes doctor of pharmacy services.



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Ukulele Station America – the biggest little store in the country

Don't let its size fool you. Oregon Ukulele Station America might be small in size, but it is huge in sales and known across the country by ukulele enthusiasts.

Ukulele Station America opened in the Summer of 2015 after total restoration of the "Old Mongan Gas Station" was complete. The "Magical Little Stone Cottage" soon became a destination. In the first year it sold nearly 100 ukuleles. The second year over 300. The third year the store and owner John Lindhorst sold over 600 ukuleles.

He now sells more than 1,000 instruments each year and continues to see substantial growth each year.

Ukulele Station America is a specialty shop in a unique building. Its huge selection and personal, friendly service stands out in contrast to "big box stores." Even though the shop is small (208 square feet), it carries the top major brands including Kala, Oscar Schmidt, Lanikai, Fender, Gretsch, Gold Tone and more.

There are at least 100

ukuleles in stock at all times. The store also has hundreds of music books and lots of accessories, and even stock strings for other instruments like guitars, banjos, mandolins, dulcimers and more. It has special order other instruments too, like banjos, mandolins and guitars.

"We constantly change and increase our inventory to meet the latest trends and tastes," Lindhorst said.

Lindhorst said he has sold ukuleles to people from Hawaii, California, New York, Colorado, Texas and every state in the Midwest. The store is still strictly a "Brick & Mortar" shop and does not yet sell online.

"Ukulele Station America is truly a magical place where people gather to make music and have fun," Lindhorst said.

Magical and award winning. Held during the Summer NAMM Show in Nashville, the annual awards honor retailers who demonstrate exceptional commitment to their stores, neighborhoods, and customers, and share in a vision of creating a more musical world



through their local communities. Ukulele Station America has been named a "Top 100" Music Store every year since it opened. That's four years in a row.

At the Awards Ceremony in Nashville, it has been a top 3 nominee for Best Emerging Dealer, Best Community Store and Customer Choice Award. It is a

huge accomplishment to be named a Top 100 store by the National Association of Music Merchants.

And while Ukulele Station America is earning a

name for itself across the country, Lindhorst has an eye on the future.

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Central Bank Illinois keeps focus on the customer



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Central Illinois Bank is a high performing community bank founded in

1907. Other branch locations include Andover, Fulton, Peru and Princeton. Total assets are nearing \$1 Billion, and the bank has more than 170 employees.

Central Bank is

large enough to meet any size business or deposit account need, with local management who truly cares about the community, learns about local business and who takes the time to be

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The bank believes Ogle County is a vibrant, exciting place to do business.

With a variety of businesses and community-based organizations, there is a

natural fit between Central Bank and the Ogle County business community.

The future is bright at Central Bank Illinois, and it expects to continue to grow and expand its ser-

vices as new technology emerges and as an opportunity to extend its strong community banking philosophy in the region.

You can find the bank online at central-bank.com.

Your Community Banking Team



(L-R) Brandon Svela, Jenni Winterland, Bruce Seldal, Lori Hillison and Earl Fleming

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