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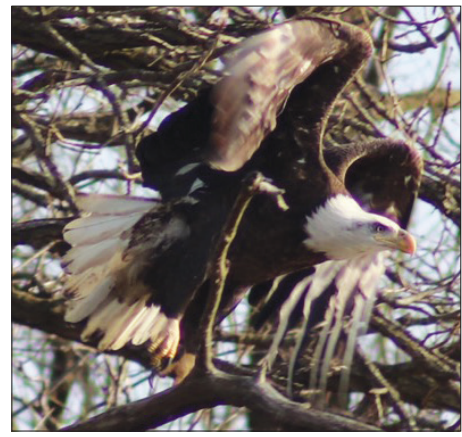
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Rock River eagles



During a Christmas Day canoe trip on the Rock River, Oregon's Quentin Snook took these photos of Bald eagles along the way. Snook said he canoes the river often and sees eagles throughout the year. He said there are nests along the river between Castle Rock State Park and Lowel Park in Dixon.

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Gallery to host painting party Feb. 8

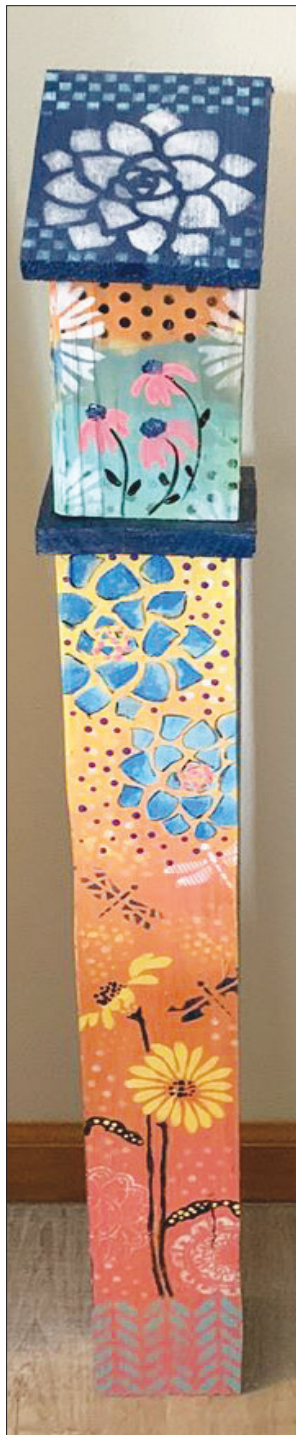
MOUNT MORRIS – Encore! Mt. Morris is sponsoring a painting party Feb. 8, 9 a.m.-noon at the Old Sandstone Gallery in Mount Morris.

All of the projects will look great in your yard or on your front door. Karen Hilliard will be coaching us as we make beautiful garden peace posts or front door signs, all customizable. No painting experience necessary. Refreshments provided too. Many designs to choose from; registration requires you to select the design you want to make ahead of time so that materials can be prepared for you. See images of the choices at <http://www.facebook.com/encoremmtorris> or www.encoremmtorris.com. Some customization is possible, as well.

This event will be held at the Old Sandstone Gallery (handicap accessible) in Mount Morris, 122 S Wesley Ave. Cost is \$38. To reserve your seat, call Karen at 815-980-3867 and let her know which design you want to make.

Questions? mollyb@encoremmtorris.com or leave a message at Village Hall and someone will get back to you: 815-734-6425

Encore! Mt. Morris is composed of volunteers committed to developing Mount Morris into a unique, thriving rural and cultural arts destination in northwest Illinois. Learn more at EncoreMtMorris.com.



The historic H.I. Lincoln Building, currently undergoing significant refurbishment, will re-open for one day on January 31, 2020 to allow for continuity of the popular Fifth Friday Music Series. The Acoustic Circus will be the first star attraction of 2020.

Lincoln Building to open for event

FRANKLINGROVE – Kay Shelton, National President of the Lincoln Highway Association (LHA), and John Nicholson of Faming Heritage Inc. (FHI) have jointly announced that the historic H.I. Lincoln Building in downtown Franklin Grove will reopen for one day, Jan. 31, during the current refurbishment project to allow for the continuity of the traditional Fifth Friday Music Programs.

The building, originally built in

1860 and restored by Farming Heritage Inc. between 1995 and 2000 has been occupied by LHA since that time. Many upgrades will be introduced when the building re-opens as a LHA National Interpretive Center and Regional Tourism Development Facility.

Also announced were the 2020 Fifth Friday dates and attractions:

- Jan. 31 – The Acoustic Circus – The Central States leading folk-rock band.
- May 29 – Switchback – Internation-

ally touring Celtic-American Duo.

July 31 – Jim Wolber and the Lariat Band (now increased to 7 members) in a special Summer evening show at the Chaplin Creek Village Barn.

Oct. 30 – Well Strung – a powerhouse group from Byron. Originally a two guitar and harmonica trio now enhanced with a bass player and a keyboard artist.

Watch for additional announcements.

Youth-led groups can apply for grant program

The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois will accept applications for the In Youth We Trust (IYWT) grant program until 5 p.m. on Feb. 6.

Applications must be submitted by youth-led groups or organizations serving youth in Boone, Ogle, Stephenson, or Winnebago counties, using the forms found at cfnil.org/grants/youth. Applications will be reviewed by the In Youth We Trust Council, a group of local high school students who convene monthly at the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois to learn about grantmaking, volunteerism, and community leadership.

Applicants can request a maximum of \$3,500. Last year's recipients included Aquin Catholic School Theater Department, Auburn High School Capstone, Boys and Girls Club of Rockford, DiversCITY Youth Group, GiGi's Playhouse, Harlem Veterans Project, Winnebago County CASA, Parenthood Promise Scholars, and Winnebago FIRST Robotics Team.

The IYWT Council looks for projects that:

- * Promote collaboration and teamwork
- * Provide creative solutions to community issues
- * Create community awareness and understand-

ing of youth issues

- * Have a clear, practical plan for implementation
- * Have a realistic budget.

The IYWT program is an opportunity for high school students from all over the region to learn about and practice philanthropy. The students help establish grant criteria, evaluate proposals, and recommend grant awards for youth led projects. IYWT empowers youth to expand their moral imagination and "See the good." This year IYWT celebrates its 25th year of philanthropy and leadership in northern Illinois and anticipates surpassing \$500,000 in

grantmaking for youth-benefiting projects in our region.

The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois has been a regional leader in philanthropy since 1953. CFNIL serves as a catalyst for giving in order to attract, preserve, and grow an endowment for the needs of the people of Northern Illinois. The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois established In Youth We Trust in 1994 with a grant from the Ford Foundation. In Youth We Trust teaches grantmaking and volunteerism to today's youth, preparing them to be the positive change of tomorrow.

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Leaf River church hosting a blood drive Feb. 10

LEAF RIVER – The Leaf River United Methodist Church is hosting a Community Blood Drive on Monday, Feb. 10.

Staff from the Rock River Valley Blood Center will draw blood between 1-6 p.m.

If you are at least 17 years old (16 years old with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in general good health, you should be eligible

to donate blood. One in three people will need blood and you never know when you or someone you love might be the one.

The Rock River Valley Blood Center is the sole supplier of blood and related services to OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rockford Health System, SwedishAmerican Health System, Beloit Health System, Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, FHN, Mercy

Harvard Hospital, SwedishAmerican Medical Center – Belvidere, and Rochelle Community Hospital.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Laura at 815/738-2508 or the Rock River Valley Blood Center at 815-965-8751, toll free at 877-RRVBC-99 or on the web at www.rrvbc.org. For other locations where you can donate, go to www.rrvbc.org/drives-calendar.



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Obituary

George A. Wrasse



BYRON – George A. Wrasse, age 92, passed away at Pinecrest on Jan. 12, 2020. He was born to Otto and Bertha (Meyer) Wrasse on March 8, 1927 on his parent’s farm located 5 miles NE of Hancock, Wis.

He attended Four Corners grade school and Hancock High School. George worked in a defense plant that produced superchargers for B29 bombers at Allis Chalmers in Milwaukee during school vacation in 1944. He then enlisted in the U.S. Navy in March of 1945 and was called on March 30 1945 to training school at Great Lakes Training Center. His ratings held were AS, F2c, F1c, S1c, and Phom3c. His duty station was Johnston Island in the Pacific and duties were whatever could be done to relieve the longtime veterans who needed replacements before they could leave for home. Starting as a baker’s helpers his duties also included file clerk, typist, mail delivery, and ended his stay there as a photographer. In August, President Truman gave the order to deliver the atomic bombs to Japan which probably saved many lives and ended the war. He served on the Johnston Atoll until July 1946 and was honorably discharged on July 30, 1946.

He then went to Deforest Radio School in Chicago

and spent a year at Milwaukee School of Engineering. George went on to work at Dictaphone Corporation in Madison and Collins Radio in Janesville before owning and operating a plumbing and heating business in Hancock with his brother Carl. He then moved to Casa Grande, Ariz., working for a heating and cooling contractor and then worked on the 16 Titan 2 missile sites around Tucson. He moved to Byron and worked until his retirement at Pressure Airduct, United Sheet Metal, and finished at Larson Sheet Metal.

He married Geraldine “Gerry” Wrasse on Oct. 6, 1951; she passed away on June 12, 1986. He then married Frances VanVelzer on Dec. 27, 1986 in Byron; she passed away on Aug. 23, 2004. George was an active member of All Saints Lutheran Church in Byron. He enjoyed gardening and playing pool with his friends.

He loved music and playing his keyboard. He spent time inventing, designing, and building a multitude of things. He enjoyed cooking and entertaining people. He also loved a good game of cards.

He is predeceased by his parents, wives, siblings, Lillian, Esther, and Carl; grandchildren, Brian and Kyle Wrasse, daughters in law, Pamela, Pennie, and Valerie, step daughter Debbie, and step granddaughter Kimberly.

He is survived by his children, George (Pamela) Wrasse, Roger (Diane Medearis) Wrasse, John (Marina Zemchikhina) Wrasse, Jim (Diane) Wrasse, and Julia (Ron) Bargren; step children, Victoria (David) Taylor, Julie (David) Stukenberg, and Richard (Donna) VanVelzer; 11 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, 7 step grandchildren and 8 step great grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 29 at All Saints Lutheran Church with a luncheon to follow. A visitation will be held from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service. Memorials are established for All Saints Lutheran Church, St. Jude’s, and the Senior Center in Oregon. To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhol-landgale.com.

Obituary

Karl Black



MOUNT MORRIS – On Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2020, Karl Black, loving husband, father of two children passed away at the age of 79. Karl was born on Aug. 26, 1940 in Oregon, to Pete and Lillian Black (Merritt). He graduated from Sunny Slope High School in Phoenix, Ariz. in 1958. He worked in the grocery business for 52 years, ending his career in Mount Morris. On Nov. 26, 1966, he married Linda Knecht. They raised a son, Derek, and daughter, Tammie.

Karl had a passion for sports especially football, basketball and baseball. His love for sports began at a young age and he especially enjoyed his time playing on the Sunny Slope basketball team. They won their conference three years in a row! If there was a game on TV, he was watching it, cheering out loud and yelling at the refs. He loved to cheer on the ASU Sundevils, the UW Huskies and anything his kids played! Thanks to Michael Jordan’s book, Karl discovered a love of reading and soon became a fan of the Clive Cussler series as well. Karl also was

a music lover. He played his music so loud that the neighborhood got to enjoy classics like James Brown, Wilson Pickett, Lou Rawls and lately the Jimmys. He went to many concerts with Linda such as Carrie Underwood, Keith Urban and Miranda Lambert. Exploration was in his genes, whether it was a nature hike with Whale Watchers, a bus trip to Nashville, a weekend in Galena or a trip abroad to Costa Rica, Karl loved to learn about new places and cultures. If you could describe a place as quaint, he especially wanted to go there.

Community was important to Karl. He was a member of Kiwanis, the Methodist Men’s Club, Whale Watchers and Old

News (history club). He looked forward to the local potlucks and bingo games, especially when the prizes were candy. Karl loved spending time with family. He was quick to smile and crack a dad joke. He had a heart for others, especially his granddaughters Lilly and Luci. When they were little, he could be found playing Barbies or having a tea party with them and loving every minute of it.

Karl was preceded in death by his grandparents, Peter and Alice, parents Pete and Lillian, and niece Kristy Burger.

He is survived by his wife, Linda, two children, Derek and Tammie, two granddaughters Lilly and Luci, brother, Gary (Pam) and sisters Judy and Carolyn.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020 at the Disciples United Methodist Church in Mount Morris at 3 p.m. with Rev. Julie Bunt officiating. Visitation was on Saturday from 2 p.m. until service time in the Church.

In lieu of flowers memorials to Mt. Morris Public Library

Oregon Park Disitrc announces upcoming events

After school open gym

Calling all 8-14 year olds, join us at Nash Recreation Center for a safe and supervised afternoon in the gym. This program is free! We will have a light snack along with a new sport each Monday from 3:30-5 p.m. Drop in and make new friends in a friendly environment. This program is sponsored by E.D. Etnyre & Co.

Childcare

We offer childcare for four days a week from 4:45-6:45 p.m., Labor Day to Memorial Day, to allow our patrons an opportunity to enjoy our facility while having peace of mind that their child (3 months to 9 years) is in a safe environment with experienced staff. Parents must always remain in the building while using the program. This service is free for annual pass-holder and non-annual pass-holders only pay \$5 for the first child and \$1 for each additional child (maximum of \$7/family).

Free drop-in playtime

Come drop in to meet friends and actively play at Nash Recreation Center in Oregon. We will have mats, balls, pop up tents, music and more set up in the multipurpose room for children to exert some energy and get out of the house. Come enjoy a cup of coffee while the kids

play. Program occurs each Friday from 9:30 a.m.-noon. This is free to members and a daily fee for non-members.

Indoor soccer

This growing indoor recreational soccer program will take place on Saturday mornings. The league is split into 2 age groups, 4-5 year olds and 6-7 year olds. The season runs Feb. 15-March 14. Each day the program will start with practice followed by a game. If you are interested in coaching, please contact Lesley at lesley@oregonpark.org.

Deadline for registration is Jan. 30 and the cost is \$35/ \$42 NR

Co-ed volleyball league

Co-Ed Volleyball is back at the Nash! Games will be played on Thursday Nights. This is a fun and semi-competitive league and will consist of a regular season and an end of the year tournament. Teams may have a maximum of 6 players on the court at one time with no more than 3 males at once. Mandatory captain’s meeting will be held on 2/6 at 5:30 p.m. at Nash Recreation Center. A maximum of 8 teams will be allowed, register early! Registration deadline is February 5th, and the season runs February 13th through April 30th. Fee \$215 per team.

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Oregon Police report

Dec. 29

At 3:25 p.m., Oregon Police issued Brandon J. Meiners, 33, Oregon, a citation for use of a cell phone while driving. This violation occurred in the 600 block of N. 4th Street.

Dec. 31

At 3:32 p.m., Oregon Police issued Stephen Webster, 26, Dixon, a citation for unlawful window tint. This violation occurred in the 200 block of S. 4th Street.

Jan. 1

At 6:30 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Jolina M. Ramos, 28, Dixon, on an outstanding Lee County warrant for failure to appear. Ramos was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Jan. 2

At 5:02 a.m., Oregon Police issued a city citation to Brody J. Stone, 20, Oregon, for violating the barking dog ordinance. This violation occurred in the 400 block of N. 6th Street.

At 7:05 a.m., Oregon Police investigated a two-vehicle traffic crash at the intersection of Washington and 4th Streets involving a 1996 Ford driven by Nathanael G. Rittmeyer, 27, Oregon, and a 2015 Nissan driven by Katrina D. Greer, 25, of Galesburg, IL. Rittmeyer was issued a citation for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

Jan. 3

At 11:29 p.m., Oregon Police issued Robert J. Ricks, 67, Rockford, a citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. A passenger in Ricks' vehicle, Leih A. Steinhoff,

41, Rockford, was arrested on an outstanding Rockford Police Department warrant. Ricks was allowed to leave the scene. Steinhoff was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 400 block of S. 4th Street.

Jan. 4

At 5:45 a.m., Oregon Police investigated a car vs building traffic crash at the McDonald's restaurant, 211 S. 4th Street, where a 2013 Ford driven by Kayla R. Barton, 22, Oregon, struck the side of the building. No citations were issued.

At 8:15 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Jonathon J. Wilson, 36, Maple Park, IL, for driving while license suspended. Wilson was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. Wilson was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 900 block of W. Pines Road.

7 parking citations and 16 verbal/written warnings were issued from 12/30/19 through 01/05/20.

General calls for service Through dispatch during the week of 12/30/19 through 01/05/20:

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| Checking a Subject / Vehicle | 4 | |
| Citizen Complaints | 4 | |
| Animal Complaint | 2 | Juvenile Complaint |
| Citizen Assist / Civil Problem | 2 | |
| Disturbance / Domestic | 5 | |
| Assist EMS / Other Dept. | 8 | |
| Lockout Vehicle / Building | 1 | |
| 911 Hang-up / Open Line | 3 | |
| Traffic Stops | 13 | |

Ordinance Violations 1

Jan. 7

At 4:35 p.m., Oregon Police investigated a two-vehicle traffic crash in the 1100 block of Jefferson Street involving a 2013 Kia driven by Jessica V. Geske, 16, Oregon, and a parked 2007 Nissan belonging to Jennifer A. Kenney, 46, Oregon. No citations were issued.

Jan. 8

At 7:55 p.m., Oregon Police issued Drew M. Harper, 16, Byron, a citation for speeding, 47 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred near the intersection of N. 4th and Fair Streets.

Jan. 10

At 3:55 p.m., Oregon Police responded to a two-vehicle traffic crash in the Super Value parking lot located at 204 N. 4th Street involving a 2001 Chrysler driven by Samantha R. Smitherman, age 12, Mt. Morris, and a parked 2015 Nissan belonging to James P. Wooden, 36, Dixon. The owner of the Chrysler, Michelle R. Smitherman was issued citations for driving while suspended and operating an uninsured motor vehicle for operating the motor vehicle previously.

At 7:20 p.m., Oregon Police investigated a hit and run that had just occurred in the 300 block of S. 5th Street where a parked 2017 Chevrolet belonging to Nicholas J. Dawtyne, 34, Oregon, was struck by an unknown vehicle, possibly a silver or tan van or SUV, and left the scene. Anyone having any information regarding this incident, please contact the Oregon Police Department at 815-732-2803.

At 11:44 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Tommie L. Hurst, 29, Oregon, for obstructing a peace officer. Hurst was transported to the Ogle County jail. This violation occurred at the intersection of 1st and Clay Streets.

Jan. 11

At 2:55 a.m., Oregon Police responded to a noise complaint in the 400 block of N. 6th Street resulting in issuing a city citation to Brody J. Stone, 20, Oregon, for violating the noise ordinance.

Jan. 12

At 12:28 p.m., Oregon Police investigated a two-vehicle traffic crash in the parking lot of McDonald's, located at 211 S. 4th Street involving a 2008 Dodge driven by Julie M. White, 61, Mt. Morris, and a 1998 Chevrolet driven by James E. Farmer, 73, Oregon. No citations were issued.

39 parking citations and 10 verbal/written warnings were issued from 01/06/2020 through 01/12/2020.

General Calls for Service Through dispatch during the week of 01/06/2020 through 01/12/2020:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----|---------|
| Checking a Subject / Vehicle | 7 | |
| Citizen Complaints | 12 | |
| Animal Complaint | 1 | Citizen |
| Assist / Civil Problem | 7 | |
| Assist EMS / Other Dept. | 5 | |
| Lockout Vehicle / Building | 3 | |
| 911 Hang-up / Open Line | 2 | |
| Open Door / Window | 1 | |
| Ordinance Violations | 13 | Traffic |
| Stops | 14 | |

Ogle County Sheriff

Jan. 14

Tracey Gobin, 56, of Leaf River was arrested for Failure to Appear Arrest Warrant. Gobin has to pay \$621 and will Appear in court on 01/14/2020 at 1 p.m. Gobin remains in the Ogle County Jail.

Jan. 13

Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a check welfare at 519 S. Regulator Street in Creston. After an investigation by deputies, Heather Misch, 34 of Creston, was arrested for Domestic Battery. Misch was held in lieu of bond at the Ogle County Jail.

Jan. 12

At 6:05 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to 116 Primrose Lane in reference to a domestic dispute. After an investigation Deputies arrested Dyanna Merritt, 38 of Davis Junction, for Domestic Battery. Deputies also arrested Dennis Vineyard, 47 of Davis Junction, for Domestic Battery and Violation of Bail Bond Conditions. Merritt was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she is being held in lieu of bond. Vineyard was treated at Rochelle Community Hospital for his non-life threatening injuries before being transported to Ogle County Jail where he is being held in lieu of bond.

Jan. 10

At 3:21 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop at Route 251/Big Mound Road. After an investigation, Deputies arrested Lindsey Roberts, 34 of Oregon, for Driving While License Revoked. Roberts was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

Mount Morris Police report

Dec. 8

A citation was issued to Stephen R. Hiner, Jr. 39, Mount Morris for no valid registration.

Dec. 20

A citation was issued to Ashley P. Paddie, 28, Mount Morris for speeding.

Dec. 21

Timothy J. Parker, 37, Mount Morris was arrested on an outstanding Lee County warrant. Parker was transported to the Ogle

County jail.

Dec. 26

A citation was issued to Seth F. Groom, 20, Batavia for speeding.

Dec. 28

Acitation was issued to Thomas D. Leigh, 30, Oregon for no valid registration.

Jan. 7

Ashley C. Throw, 20, Oregon was issued a citation for speeding.



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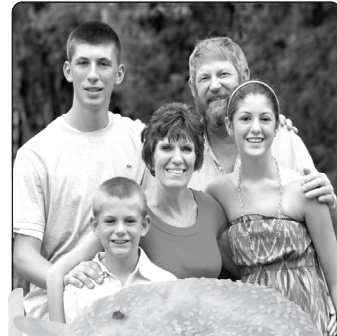
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Forreton school principal earns honor

FORRESTON – On Tuesday, Jan. 7, students and staff at Forreton Junior Senior High School recognized Principal Travis Heinz for his award of excellence provided by the Illinois Principal Association, Northwest Region. This surprise announcement was made by Superintendent Smith during an all student assembly.



members of the Board of Education, building administrators, teachers, students and family members.

“I am incredibly proud of the work of Mr. Heinz at FJSHS,” Smith said. “This distinguished award demonstrates his commitment to the students and staff in our district and his excellent work each and every day.”

Heinz responded to the surprise announcement by saying: “I am very honored to receive this award and even more honored to share it with all of my Cardinal Family as this is a direct reflection on the great staff, students, and community that I am grateful to be with each and every day.”

Heinz will advance for consideration for the Illinois JH Principal of the Year, which will be announced at a later date. The Northwest Region Principal’s Association will present Heinz with a certificate at an upcoming Board of Education meeting later this spring.

This distinguished award recognizes the outstanding accomplishments of school leaders within the area region who have succeeded in providing high quality learning opportunities for students. The principals receiving this recognition have made exemplary contributions to the profession and are acknowledged by their peers.

Heinz was nominated for this particular award by staff members at FJSHS.

In one nomination staff stated the following, “To describe Mr. Travis Heinz in a few words is a difficult task, but one that can be achieved around four main words: loyal, passionate, dedicated, and family.”

A second nomination described Mr. Heinz as understanding, “It seems like he always has the wisdom and familiarity to help people around him when they need it the most.”

The award celebration included congratulations from Superintendent Sheri Smith,

Acclaimed play to be staged in Byron

BYRON – Byron Civic Theatre (BCT) continues its 25th season this month with “The Waverly Gallery,” a play written by Academy Award winner Kenneth Lonergan.

“The Waverly Gallery” is about the final years of Gladys, a generous and chatty grandmother battling Alzheimer’s disease. Gladys is a longtime owner of a small art gallery in Greenwich Village, fighting to retain her independence. The play explores the effect of her decline on her family.

“This production is unique for us at Byron Civic Theatre, as we take an intimate look at a family dealing with a crisis,” said Chris Palmer, BCT president. “It’s a story that will move you to laugh and to cry – and to reflect on the delicate family relationship at all stages of life.”

Byron Civic Theatre’s production of “The Waverly Gallery” opens the weekend of Jan. 24-26 and continues Jan. 31-Feb. 2, with shows at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are available at the door, online at www.bctmagic.com, or by calling the box office at 815-312-3000.

Kenneth Lonergan’s acclaimed memory play originally premiered at the Williamstown Theatre Festival in 1999 running for two weeks; then opened off-Broadway in 2000, earning multiple awards and nominations including a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 2001. “The Waverly Gallery” premiered on Broadway in 2018, with the revival receiving two 2019 Tony Award nominations – Best Revival of a Play and Best Actress in

a Play (Elaine May, winner).

Critics have called the play a “finely observed story of the predations of old age... [it] isn’t so much a proper play as an essayistic memoir given dramatic form. It is nonetheless deeply theatrical. Mr. Lonergan... has one of the keenest ears of any working playwright... is also often deeply funny.” Ben Brantley, The New York Times

About Byron Civic Theatre

Byron Civic Theatre (BCT) is located in Byron, an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization. Now in its 25th anniversary season, BCT produces four quality shows each season using local talent from throughout northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. Shows are performed at the Byron Middle School Theatre, 850 N. Colfax, Byron.



Park District offers childcare

The Oregon Park District offers childcare for four days a week from 4:45-6:45 p.m., to allow their patrons an opportunity to enjoy the Nash Recreation Center while having peace of mind that your child (3 months to 9 years) is in a safe environment with experienced staff. Parents must always remain in the building while using the program. This service is free for annual pass-holder and non-annual pass-holders only pay \$5 for the first child and \$1 for each additional child (maximum of \$7/family).

German Valley Lions hosting annual supper on Jan. 25

GERMAN VALLEY – The German Valley Lions Booster Committee will sponsor its annual German Soup Supper on Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Silver Creek Reformed Church, 326 S. Bunker Hill Road.

Serving will begin at 4:30 p.m. The church is handicapped accessible. Featured soups will be chicken dumpling, split pea, potato, goulash, sauerkraut and chili. Also on the menu will be assorted sandwiches, desserts including pineapple cake and Black Forest torte and beverages. Carry outs will be available.

Costs are \$8 for adults, \$5 for those ages 4-12 with those 3 and younger served free. Proceeds will benefit German Valley Days 2020.

For information, call 815 362-3671.

Motorcycle swap meet will be on Feb. 9 in Dixon

DIXON – The Twin Rivers Chapter of ABATE is having its 13th annual motorcycle swap meet on Sunday, Feb. 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Dixon Elks Lodge, 1279 Franklin Grove Road, Dixon.

Admission is \$5 and free for children 12 and under. Early birds are \$7. Vendors will be selling all makes and models of new and used parts, leathers, and biker clothes, motorcycle photos and more. Plus, this year we will have a seamstress sewing leathers, patches, and making repairs.

Breakfast, lunch and refreshments will be available all day.

Vendor space is available for \$25. To be a vendor or for more information, call John at 815-440-6018.

Proceeds from the event are used for education and signs you may have seen that say “START SEEING MOTORCYCLES.”

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Feb. 3-27

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Wednesday nights 6:30-7:30 p.m.

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Feb. 3-27

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\$32R/\$38NR



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Wednesday nights 6:15-8 p.m.

Feb. 12-April 1

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Ducks Unlimited banquet Feb. 29

OREGON – The Four Rivers Chapter of Ducks Unlimited will hold its 2nd annual banquet at the Rock River Center of Oregon on Saturday, Feb. 29 at 5 p.m.

“The Ducks Unlimited success story,” said chapter chairman Pete Oliver, “is one that makes me proud to be a volunteer. Local Ducks Unlimited fundraising events held throughout the country last year contributed \$66 million towards Ducks Unlimited’s Rescue our Wetlands campaign. But what is even more important to realize is that this national fundraising total must increase this year if the North American waterfowl habitat race is to be won.”

Each year, the United States loses some 100,000 acres of wetland habitat. Since its inception, Ducks Unlimited has raised

over \$5 billion and enhanced, restored, or protected over 191 million acres of wetland habitat, collectively an area greater than the State of Texas. Projects funded by DU provide habitat for over 900 wildlife species, including waterfowl, river otters, sandhill cranes and numerous species of songbirds.

While Ducks Unlimited has accomplished a great deal since its founding in 1937, the rapid draining of our wetlands demands that the organization continue to accelerate its work. Efforts like those of the Four Rivers Chapter are a vital part of Ducks Unlimited’s efforts.

For information on how you can support Ducks Unlimited’s program of wetlands conservation, contact Trevor Hogan at 815-703-9596 for tickets and further details.

Church hosting soup luncheon on Jan. 22

DAVIS JUNCTION – Once again this year the Davis Junction United Methodist Church in Davis Junction will be holding its Soup Luncheon.

The first one will be Wednesday, Jan. 22. The following ones will be Feb. 19 and March 18. The luncheons will be held in the Fire Station in Davis Junction at 11 a.m.-1 p.m. or until the soup is gone. In Jan. the

soups will be turkey noodle and bean and ham. In February we’ll serve vegetable beef and bean and ham and in March it will be potato and bean and ham. Lunch is served for a free will offering.

Come and join the fun. Of course, the luncheon will be dependent on the weather but we are hoping for clean streets and little snow.

Pancake supper will support Leaf River Fire Dept.

LEAF RIVER – There will be a pancake supper on Feb. 1 from 4-8 p.m. at the Leaf River Complex to support the Leaf River Fire Department.

The menu will be pancakes, sausage,

eggs, hash browns, applesauce, juice, coffee and milk. People can eat there or take the food to go. Donations will be accepted at the door. The funds go to buying equipment the department needs.



Sign class set for Feb. 5

OREGON – Custom signs and wall décor continue to be a popular trend.

Together, the Oregon Park District, Timber + Tribe, and Cork & Tap continue to offer fun stenciling and sign making classes. Custom signs are awesome because you can make them whatever size and shape you want and make them say whatever you want.

The classes offered through the Park District typically offer the participant many choices of sayings. Signs can be decorative,

motivational, inspirational, romantic, funny and more. Some of the Park District participants enjoy creating, the experience and the social environment and make their signs to give as gifts.

Timber + Tribe instructor, Charlotte Bauer, teaches the basic techniques, tips and tricks to successful stencil application. Each design is individually crafted choosing from a variety of stain and paint colors that Charlotte has available. The classes make for a fun night of painting, laughing, and sipping on your favorite

beverage at Cork & Tap while creating a sign.

Register now for the next T+T sign making class. The Long Board Porch Sign Class is Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. The last day to register is Jan. 28. These signs will be 10” wide x 48” tall and participants can choose from 10 different sayings to stencil on their board.

Register through the Oregon Park District by calling 815-732-3101, on line at www.oregonpark.org, or stop in at Nash Recreation Center to Register.

New guidelines for plate discount

Beginning Jan. 1, the IL Dept. on Aging’s Benefit Access Program for the license plate discount will increase income eligibility limitation.

New income guidelines are as follows:

- * One person household- 2018 income must be less than \$33,562
- * Two person household- 2018 income must be less than \$44,533
- * Three or more person household- 2018 income must be less than \$55,500
- * Applicants must be 65 years old or older by Dec. 31 of current year or 16 years or older and totally disabled at the time you file.
- * You must be a resident of Illinois at the time you file this application.

If you need more information or need assistance filing the online application, contact the Rock River Center, 810 S 10th ST, Oregon, 815-732-3252 or 800-541-5479.

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Serenity, park district team for grief day camp

OREGON – The Oregon Park District and Serenity Hospice are teaming up to offer a fun Saturday on Feb. 1 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Losing a parent or sibling will affect a child for the rest of their life. Kids usually feel alone with their grief, so Serenity Hospice is sponsoring a day camp for the kids to spend time together, learn ways to cope with their grief and have a great time! (Bring your swimsuit and towel.)

The day camp is just \$10 per Resident and \$12 per Non-Resident and welcomes any child from 7 to 17 years old. Deadline to register is Jan. 27.

You can register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

Play auditions set for Jan. 27 and 28

MOUNT MORRIS – The Performing Arts Guild invites the public to join the cast of their spring performance of “Miss Holmes.”

Performances will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 27-29 at the Pinecrest Grove Theatre. We will be having this show due to lack of interest for Flowers for Algernon.

When an anonymous note sends a newlywed wife looking for help, Miss Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Dorothy Watson work together to uncover the secrets surrounding a corrupt police inspector whose wives have a habit of turning up dead. But this Holmes and Watson face far greater challenges than bringing the cunning criminal to justice. Miss Holmes possesses one of the greatest deductive minds of her generation, but she

chafes at the restraints imposed upon her by society and family. Dr. Watson struggles to make a difference at the only hospital in London that will hire female doctors. In a time and place where gender roles are rigidly defined, these unconventional women dare to challenge societal norms by providing an unusual, but necessary, service.

Auditions will be held on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 27 and 28 from 6-8 p.m. at the Pinecrest Grove library, 500 Evergreen Lane, Mount Morris. The cast consists of 5-10 male and 4-8 female roles.

Materials will be provided at the audition, so come early to review the readings. For more information about auditions, please contact Director Dave Sowinski at 815-718-0933.

Legion meet is Jan. 22

BYRON – The Byron American Legion Post 209 invites all Post members to attend a General Meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 22 starting at 7:15 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Sunrise II Restaurant, 101 W Second St, Byron. All Post 209 members and interested community Veterans are invited to attend.

The meeting gives The American Legion the opportunity to draw attention to key programs and services the nation’s largest veterans service

organization provides, including assistance with benefits claims, career and education support, temporary and emergency financial assistance and help for the wounded, ill and injured who have served our nation in uniform. Under discussion for this meeting is Legion participation in the annual Byron Miracle On Second Street in December of this year, so bring your ideas.

To find out more about The American Legion Post 209, please visit <http://www.legionpost209.org/>

Bake sale Feb. 1 in Mount Morris

MOUNT MORRIS – A bake sale to raise funds for the 2020 July 4th Let Freedom Ring fireworks will be held in conjunction with the February Finds Antiques and Collectibles Market on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 9 a.m. at the Mount Morris Moose Lodge #1551 Family Center, 485 E. Hitt St., Mount Morris.

The fundraising committee is asking for donations of cakes, cookies, candy, snack mixes, pies, breads and any other goodies you are willing to donate. The committee will package donations, or you may do the packaging, and we will price them. Bring donations to the Moose Lodge between noon-7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 31.

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County sets electronic recycling dates for 2020

OREGON – The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) will offer residential electronics recycling throughout 2020 on select dates for Ogle County residents.

These drop-offs are held at the County Annex Building at 909 Pines Road in Oregon, which is just west of the IL Route 2 and Pines Road intersection.

These events are for Ogle County residential electronics and an ID is requested upon check-in at the event. Items accepted include all televisions, computers, monitors, computer hardware and cables, printers, FAX machines, desktop copiers, phone

systems, cell phones, tablets, laptops, VCR/DVD units, cable/ satellite boxes, video gaming equipment, radios, digital clocks, stereo equipment (no wooden speakers are accepted), holiday lights, extension cords, fish finders, calculators, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs, CD/DVD's, and printer cartridges. Microwave ovens are accepted for a \$5 fee. There is a limit of seven (7) large items per vehicle, and boxes and crates filled with smaller items are considered a large item.

Unaccepted items include smoke detectors, vacuum cleaners, heaters, fans, dehumidifiers, sump pumps, motors, tools, toys,

lights, lamps, flashlights, appliances, coffee makers, toasters, bread makers, fryers, exercise equipment, and personal hygiene items. Please remove electronics from boxes and other packaging prior to attending the event. No business/institutional electronics accepted at these events. Contact the OCSWMD for business electronic recycling options.

The dates for the residential electronics recycling program for 2020 are listed below:

Friday events will be held January 31st, February 28th, March 27th, April 24th, May 29th, June 26th, July 31st, August 28th, September 25th, October 30th, and November 20th. There will be no December collection.

These events run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday events will be held on May 16th and October 17th and will run from 8 a.m. to noon.

The OCSWMD may cancel or alter the hours of any collection event based upon weather conditions, staffing, or warehouse space. The OCSWMD will make every effort to publicize cancellations of collection events through social media.

Please contact the OCSWMD at 815-732-4020, visit oglecounty.org, or Facebook for more information regarding this program, or if you have business/ institutional electronics you wish to recycle from Ogle County.

Political meeting Jan. 23 in Oregon

OREGON – Indivisible: Mt. Morris/Oregon Political Action will meet on Thursday, Jan. 23, at 9:30 a.m. at the Village Bakery in Oregon.

Indivisible is group of local citizens who have come together to share information,

support each other, and act against a political tide that runs counter to our values of truth, inclusion, tolerance, ethics and fairness. The group does not have a designated political affiliation. This meeting is open to anyone who is interested.

Dog obedience classes coming

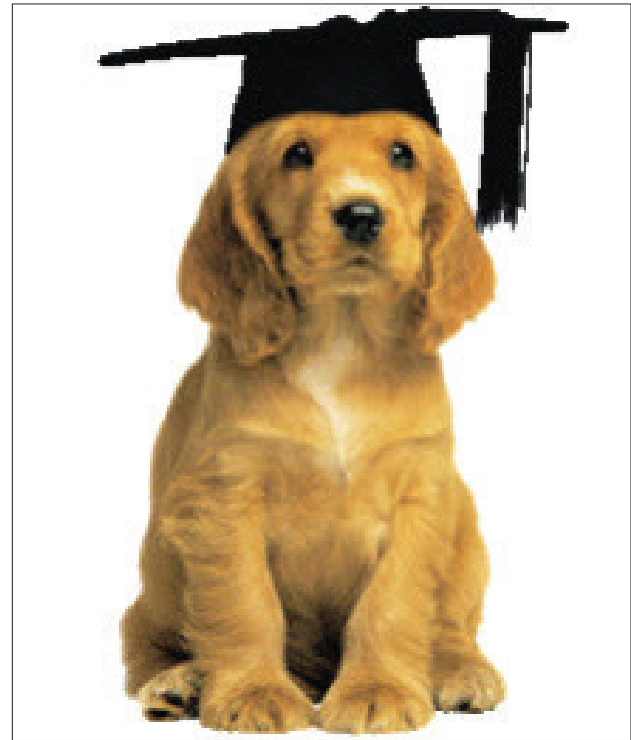
OREGON – The Oregon Park District is a popular and affordable place for dog obedience classes.

Join us in this positive introduction to obedience, complicated by confidence-building exercises with dog trainer, Bree Pazera. This class is meant for puppies who are 10 weeks to 5 months of age. The class runs on Mondays in February from 6-7 p.m.

Fee is just \$30 per Resident and \$36 per Non-Resident.

All puppies must provide confirmation of puppy shots prior to first class.

Deadline to register is Jan. 27. You can register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.



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Dr. Cates selected as contributor to Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain Guidelines

OREGON – The Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP) has selected Dr. Jeffrey Cates to serve as a national expert in creating Clinical Practice Guidelines for Chiropractic Management of Patients with Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain.

The group of experts employ a Delphi process where researched is reviewed and rated. The experts review the research data and establish medical practice guideline consensus for best practice procedures.

Cates has worked with the CCGPP for several decades and has published works that include several medical journal articles on quality assurance and standards of care in healthcare. He is co-author of the CCGPP low-back chapter and lead author of the chapter on thoracic disorders of the profession's best practice guideline text. Cates work is included in the medical literature.

He maintains a private practice of chiropractic orthopedics in Oregon.



Annual soup, dessert fundraiser Feb. 1

ASHTON – The Hub Cluster annual soup and dessert fundraiser will be held from 4:30-7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 1 at the Ashton United Methodist Church.

There will also be a special dessert silent auction.

Proceeds from the event will be used to support Hub Cluster Mission projects.



Ogle Jolly 4-H

In the month of December, Ogle Jolly 4-H members were involved in many activities. Members of the club participated in the Stillman Valley Cardinal Community Christmas Tree competition by decorating a tree with the theme of Santa's workshop. They decorated the tree with cookie cutters and ornaments with pictures of club members. On Dec. 11, members visited Neighbors Nursing Home in Byron to carol for its residents. They also continue to collect canned goods for the Stillman Valley Food Pantry.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Weds., Jan. 22

The Davis Junction United Methodist Church in Davis Junction will be holding its Soup Luncheon at the Fire Station in Davis Junction at 11 a.m.-1 p.m. or until the soup is gone. The soups will be turkey noodle and bean and ham. Lunch is served for a free will offering.

Thurs., Jan. 23

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at 2 p.m. on Sundays. Shows are performed at the Byron Middle School Theatre, 850 N. Colfax.

Al-Anon Family Groups offer help to those who are affected by someone's drinking. Join us each Friday for a free meeting, 10-11 a.m., at Community Room at the KSB Clinic at the south edge of Polo at 1107 S. Division Ave (Route 26).

sponsor its annual German Soup Supper at the Silver Creek Reformed Church, 326 S. Bunker Hill Road. Serving will begin at 4:30 p.m. The church is handicapped accessible.

Fri., Jan. 24

Byron Civic Theatre's production of "The Waverly Gallery" opens today and also runs Saturday and Sunday, with shows at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and

Sat., Jan. 25

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Feb. 8, 1587, after 19 years of imprisonment, Mary Queen of Scots is beheaded at Fotheringhay Castle in England for her complicity in a plot to murder Queen Elizabeth I. In 1542, while just six days old, Mary had ascended to the Scottish throne upon the death of her father, King James V.

* On Feb. 4, 1913, Rosa Parks is born Rosa Louise McCauley in Tuskegee, Alabama. Parks' name has become synonymous with her refusal to give up her seat to a white man on a segregated bus in 1955.

* On Feb. 6, 1928, a woman calling herself Anastasia Tschaikovsky and claiming to be the youngest daughter of the murdered Russian czar Nicholas II Romanov arrives in New York City. It wasn't until 1994 that Anastasia's DNA showed her to be Franziska Schanzkowska, a Polish-German factory worker.

* On Feb. 5, 1934, Henry Louis Aaron Jr., the baseball slugger who broke Babe Ruth's legendary record of 714 homers, is born in Mobile, Alabama.

* On Feb. 3, 1950, Klaus Fuchs, a German-born British scientist who helped develop the atomic bomb, is arrested in Great Britain for passing top-secret information to the Soviet Union. His arrest led authorities to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and their subsequent execution.

* On Feb. 9, 1960, Adolph Coors disappears while driving to work from his Morrison, Colorado, home. Adolph, grandson of Coors' founder and the chairman of the Golden, Colorado, brewery, was kidnapped and held for ransom before being shot to death.

* On Feb. 7, 1984, while in orbit 170 miles above Earth, Navy Capt. Bruce McCandless becomes the first human to perform an untethered spacewalk. McCandless flew up to 320 feet away from the space shuttle Challenger while testing a rocket backpack of his own design.

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We need art in our lives now more than ever

Let's face it – the world is not a sane place right now.

From the politics to the wars to raging fires and horrible weather events, things are crazy and getting crazier every day, it seems.

We can simply ignore as much of this as possible, of course. Sticking our collective heads in the sand won't help anything, and might have the opposite effect, but it can at least give us a little peace. That peace is hard to find on social media or at loud family gatherings.

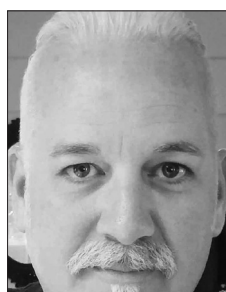
Some retreat to their families. Others enjoy going outdoors and communing with nature. Others play sports or workout to retune their minds and bodies.

These are all great things to do, but I rely on the one thing that has helped me since I was a kid: Music.

I spent hours listening to music when I was young, of course. And my teenage years were so engrossed in music I barely had time for

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



school. And yes, I had the grades to prove it.

I started playing an instrument (trumpet) in the 5th grade, and moved to baritone by 7th grade. I did some time in the high school marching band before making the guitar my main instrument.

I wrote music and played in bands in high school, like many teens do. No, those songs weren't that great, but being creative was a muscle I loved to flex, and still do.

In fact, it is a muscle I have to flex to survive, it seems.

I played while I was in the military. I played during college. I snuck in song writing and recording sessions while covering high school football games at night and county board meetings during the day as a new reporter.

Being creative was an outlet I had to have in my life. The stress of being a new father and working long hours and buying my first home were all washed away when I plugged in and played—or simply strummed my acoustic guitar.

I have hours and hours of tapes filled with songs I have written and recorded. Some are very good. Some are not so good. But all of them were a great emotional release when I needed it. And at times, these creative sessions have truly saved my sanity.

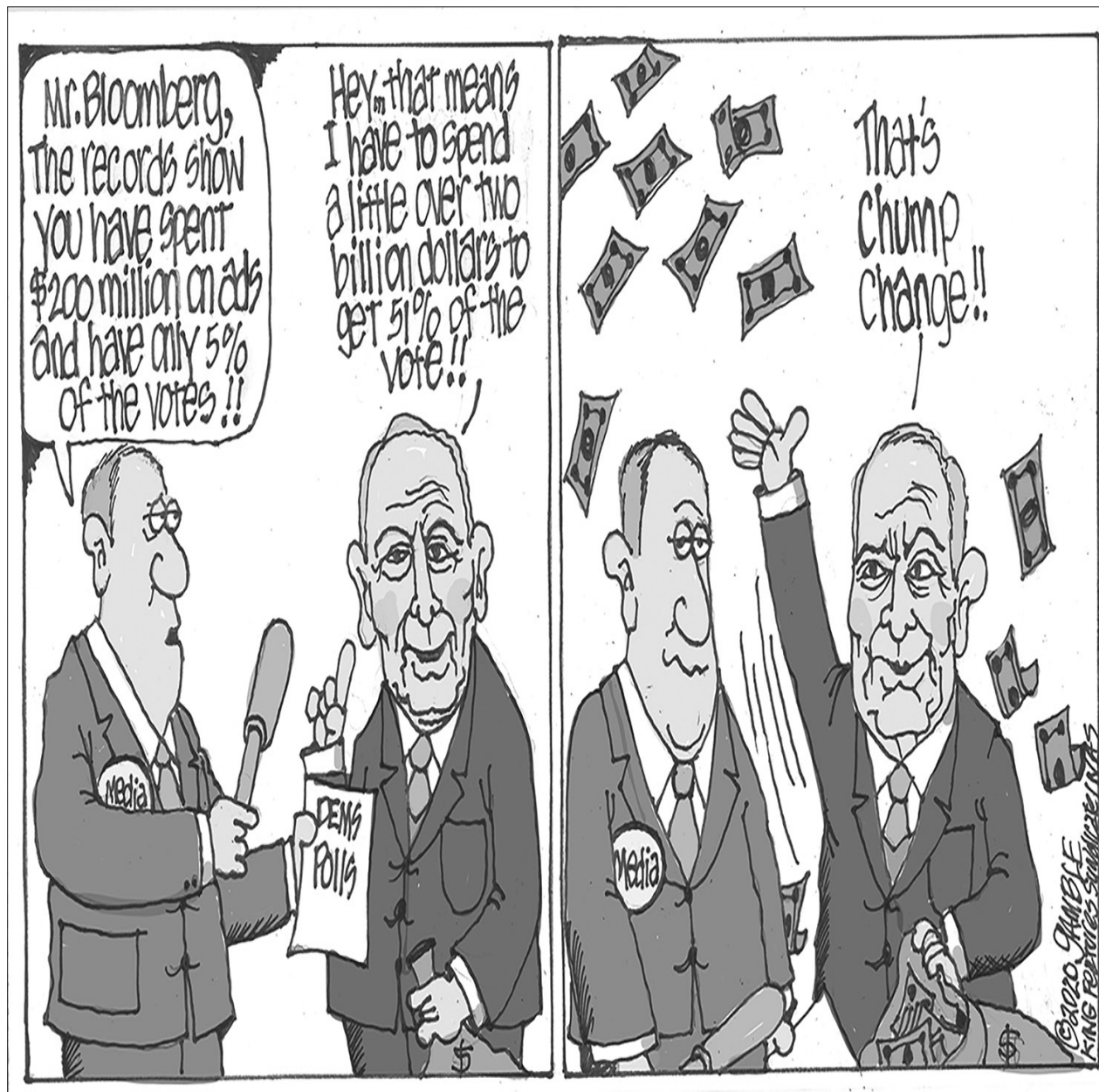
I still write and play music multiple times a week. My wife and I preform as an

acoustic duo doing songs we wrote. We also play in an all-original rock band in the region. Yes, I am still playing loud rock music and I plan to do so as long as I can. No, it is not a young man's game. It is not a game. It is the heartbeat of my life, and the life of many others.

If you have a son or daughter or grandson or granddaughter and they want to play an instrument, please encourage them to do so. Put up with the drumming, or the piano playing or the awful early stages of them learning the guitar. It might lead nowhere, but it might also be the beginning of a lifelong passion that gives them limitless joy.

In today's crazy world, we need to find our joy. We need to find an outlet from the crazy. We need art in our lives, I believe. For me it is music. And without it, I would not be who I am.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



VIEWPOINT

"Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the freedom of speech or of the press"

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Tribalism in politics not good for the country

Dear Editor,

Republican congressmen have marched in lockstep with the president, at least in public. There were a few who meekly objected to the withdrawal of troops from Syria, which benefited ISIS, Assad, Russia, Iran and Turkey. Then there was Trump's pronouncement, "If the Democrats are successful in removing the President from office, it will cause a civil war like fracture from which our country will never heal." (A quote from evangelical pastor Jeffress - Fox News). A few congressmen objected publicly, including our own congressman Adam Kinzinger. No, I don't think a civil war is imminent, but there are some deep divisions among us

that are becoming alarming.

People seem to be following the politics of their "group" and don't think for themselves. The East and West Coasts and large urban areas are mostly Democratic, while rural areas and the South are more Republican. Suburban counties, many of them affluent and highly educated, are split in their party allegiance. However, the affluent counties surrounding Chicago all voted Democratic in 2016.

Minorities, including Asians, voted Democratic in 2016. Those with college degrees, and especially advanced degrees, favored Clinton. All the nearby University towns and surrounding counties, (Madison, Champaign, Ann Arbor,

Des Moines, and Minneapolis), voted Democratic. Those earning less than 50K a year tended to vote Democratic, while those earning over 100K were evenly split between the two parties. Most voters under 45 years of age favored Clinton; older voters usually chose Trump. Religious conservatives voted strongly for Trump. Catholics and Mainline Protestants - not so much. (Roper Center, Business Insider, Institute on Religion and Democracy, and Pew Research)

This "tribalism" is not as troubling as our combative attitude, a fire that is fueled by the present administration. The President indulges in name calling and brutal attacks on those who disagree with

him, referring to journalists as purveyors of "fake news," even when nearly all of them are in agreement. Trump wants us to believe he is the savior who protects us from the "evils" of the "deep state". (How many of his former assistants have been indicted or are in jail?) He has shown distrust for the intelligence agencies, believing Putin instead. How many of his foreign policy decisions have been made without consulting or collaborating with congress, the state department, or the military?

In a democratic republic such as ours, there must be an underlying respect for one another and for our democratic institutions. Compromise is absolutely necessary if

we are going to make any progress toward solving massive problems such as the following: availability and affordability of healthcare, cost of pharmaceuticals, cost of higher education, lack of response to climate change, low student test scores, low life expectancy, disrespect for the democratic process, a deepening divide between the rich and the poor, growing influence of money in the political process, foreign interference in elections, mass killings, and the national debt. People don't seem to realize that we trail other developed democratic countries in many of these areas.

Let's "bury the hatchet" and get to work - together.

Delmar Loehr, Forreston

Goodfellows thankful for support

Dear Editor,

The Mount Morris Goodfellows would like to thank the many individuals, organizations, and businesses that chose to support our efforts by making a donation to help those in our community who, for some reason, could use a little assistance.

It is the generous support of our community that allows the work of the Goodfellows to continue. This holiday season we were able to touch the lives of one hundred twenty-two families. We thank you for making that possible.

Best wishes in 2020 from the Mount Morris Goodfellows.

Sincerely,

Charlie Beard and Jerry Griffin

**PUT WASTE IN ITS PLACE!
RECYCLE!
RECYCLE!
RECYCLE!**



Polo Police report

Jan. 8

TIME: 3:11 p.m.

REPORT: Rebecca K. Alexander, 22, Chadwick, was cited for Disobeying a Stop Sign. Alexander was released on an I-Bond.

General Calls for Service for the weeks of December 30, 2019 thru January 12, 2020

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| Citizen Complaints/Assist | 10 |
| Animal Complaint | 3 |
| Disturbance/Domestic | 3 |
| Fire/Medical Assist | 13 |
| Alarm/Open Door | 2 |
| 911 Hang Up | 1 |
| Traffic Stops | 6 |
| County Assists | 2 |



DeVries earns Rockford University award

Jacqueline DeVries was the recipient of the Award of Distinction by the Rockford University Alumni Association at an All-Alumni Dinner and Awards Ceremony of Reunion on Friday, Oct. 4.

This award is given to an alumni for fulfilling the ideals of Rockford University and bringing honor and esteem to the University through their vision, dedication and initiative in a purposeful endeavor, by

their responsive and sustained efforts in community improvements and/or by their notable achievements in a profession.

DeVries received her undergraduate degree at Rockford University, her graduate degree and then was asked to become an adjunct faculty member at the university.

She taught for Rockford University in the Master of Arts in Teaching graduate program for over 20 years.

Build-A-Barn events set

The Ogle County Horse Barn Committee/Build-A-Barn has five fundraisers planned for 2020.

The first will be the annual Tack Sale on March 1, at the Mount Morris Moose Center, 101 Moose Drive, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. We will have vendors with a large-selection of new and used horse tack; antiques, crafts and much more. The entire south wall will

be new tack, accessories and related horse equipment. We have booths still available but they

are going fast. Check out our Facebook page, The Ogle County Horse Barn Committee/Build-A-Barn and download a contract or contact Lynne Radville at shadowboxerarabians@gmail.com or text to 815-238-7892.

The following shows will be held at the Ogle County Fairgrounds, 1440 N. Limekiln Rd., Oregon:

Fun Show. Bring your fuzzy horses for a day of fun. No need to clip or

bathe your horses. Show tack/clothes not required.

June 27 – Open English Show. Formerly Bits n Reins show

June 28 – Open Western Show. Formerly Bits n Reins show

Aug. 2 – Ogle County Fair Open Show, beginning 9:30 a.m.

Oct. 10 – Spooktacular Horse Expo - Clinics and demonstrations

Oct. 11 – Spooktacular Horse Expo - Fun Show

Showbills will be posted on our Facebook page soon.

Also, our very own, Chaplain Jay LaRette, will bring the gospel to Midwest Horse Fair on April 19. If you are going to Midwest, plan on attending the church service on Sunday morning to hear LaRette's message. LaRette and his talented horse conducted church services at our Spooktacular 2019 show.



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2020 SILVERTHORN Drive, Byron
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10 ACRES IN STILLMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT! 3 bed, 2 bath farm house. 7 acres (MOL) tillable land. Home features Lrg kitchen w/dining space. Slider in the kitchen goes out to a large deck & beautiful views. First floor laundry. Large 2.5 car garage. 6196 E MCCORMICK Road, Stillman Valley
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Sharon Bowers
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Lyrah Austin-Bushnell
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FRESH & CLEAN 4 BED 2 BATH IN BYRON! Trees line the back of property for ample privacy. Finished LL w/possible 5th bedroom/bonus room. Beautiful house on corner lot w/new roof, gutters, flooring, paint, front door & 3 sliding glass doors in 2019. Priced to sell. 8714 N SUNSET Drive, Byron
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DAVIS JUNCTION! 3 bed, 1 bath house w/attached garage on nearly an acre. Legally, non-conforming as a single family residence. Current zoning C3. 5699 N US HWY 251, Davis Junction
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OREGON! 2 Bedroom ranch with large living room, full basement, 2 bathrooms, 2 car garage, gas forced air, CA, newer mechanical. Fenced yard. 1006 S 4TH Street, Oregon
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STONE & BRICK RANCH HOME! 3 bedroom 1.5 bathroom home w/ open flow from living room w/ wood fireplace, dining room, & kitchen w/ stainless steel appliances and quartz countertops. Finished basement with additional fireplace and unfinished storage area. 1612 OAKES Avenue, Rockford
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ALISA PATTERSON/ CHRISTI STEINES
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\$85,000 dickersonnieman.com/201906671
LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION! Great location! Lots of great updates! 3 bed, 1.5 bath. Updated kitchen! New roof & windows! Nicely landscaped lawn. Forrester Schools. Truly a must see!
201 W WILLOW Street, Forrester
KAYLA HESLOP
815-222-9771



\$224,900 dickersonnieman.com/201906335
SYCAMORE! 4 bedroom ranch home in Sycamore with 2 kitchens, a 33x14 bonus room, newer roof, AC, and Furnace on .41 acres, priced to sell!! Come check out this home before it's gone!
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Sean Hosseini
978-0018



\$127,000 dickersonnieman.com/201906233
NICE BRICK RANCH HOME! On the southeast side of Rockford. Open flow from living room into the kitchen. Beautiful hardwood floors throughout ML. Three good sized bedrooms. Finished LL w/gas fireplace, bar area & half bathroom. 5431 GOLDEN PRAIRIE Circle, Rockford
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GREAT STARTER HOME/INVESTMENT PROPERTY! With river view! Home features a large living room and walk out master, 2 car garage. New roof 2018, garage door opener 2019, furnace 2018, central air 2017. 8760 RIVER Drive, Byron
CARLA CAPASSO
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READY, SET, MOVE! Nice 4 bedroom home in Byron Hills Estates. 1/2 acre lot with mature trees and room to roam. Large two and a half car garage. 5314 E NORDIC WOODS Drive, Byron
JOHN ORLANDO/ KELLI WENSKY
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BEAUTIFUL CONDO IN STILLMAN! Located at the edge of town! Eat-in kitchen w/walkout to large deck. All appliances stay & window shades, full basement w/partial exposure. Located close to high school & close to I-39. 321 E PERSHING Street, Stillman Valley
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LARGE 2 STORY! In great subdivision. 4 BR, 2.5 bath home close to I-39 access. Master BR features walk-in closet & master bath. Kitchen has new granite counters & lighting w/ eat-in area w/stools & room for a table. Backyard has mature trees. 15958 E LU ANN Lane, Davis Junction
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RANCH HOME! One owner ranch with over 3400 total sq. ft. with 1840 on main level! Open floor plan w/3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 10 ft ceiling in the great room. 3 1/2 car insulated garage. Picture perfect back yard! Immaculate!
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OREGON! Looking for a 3 bedm ranch in the country sitting on 1 acre MOL w/lots of trees, large sun room, eat-in kitchen w/open floor plan, 2 car attached garage, fenced backyard, lg living room, 10x12 storage shed "as is". NEW Furnace!
3906 S DAYSVILLE Road, Oregon
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CUSTOM BUILT ONE OWNER RANCH! 4 BR, 3 bath home on 5 acres. Master bedroom w/walk-in closet, full bath w/double sinks & overlooks the wooded backyard. Beautiful 2 story heated sun room. Zoned AG. 40x50 outbuilding w/machine shed. Byron Schools!
916 TOWN LINE Road, Leaf River
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CHURCH + 4 BEDROOM HOME! Off of Rt. 72. 4 bedroom 2 bathroom home. Large church with office on the main level. Downstairs you have a full kitchen and meeting rooms. Close proximity to I-39.
100 WEST Street, Monroe Center
ROBIN HENRY
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GORGEOUS 2 STORY IN PRIVATE CUL-DE-SAC! Spacious 2 story in established Byron subdivision. 3 large bedrooms and 2.5 baths located in a private cul-de-sac. Large pantry and separate laundry room. Large living room with vaulted ceilings & skylights.
8489 N CRAIG Court, Byron
TIFFANY CRAVATTA
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GREAT INVESTMENT PROPERTY! In heart of Byron. Close to restaurants, shops, & schools. Great visibility & easy to rent. Main floor unit has two bedrooms & one bathroom w/access to laundry & bonus room in basement. Upper unit is a one bedroom one bathroom.
201 S UNION, Byron
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\$259,000 dickersonnieman.com/201903679
5.96 ACRES ZONED AG! Open concept w/2500 SF, 4BR, 2.5 bath, 10' ceilings, transoms, GR w/FP, DR, KIT w/island+snack bar, 42' upper cabs, granite, SS appls, pantry. Solid 6 panel drs, LVT flring & plush carpet thru-out. MBR w/bath & WIC. Partially exp LL. 3C garage. 12448 N MERIDIAN Road, Byron
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\$128,900 dickersonnieman.com/201902243
FIRST TIME OPEN! Hardwd flrs thru-out main level. Formal LR & DR, 3 generous BR's. Beautifully updated full bath on main flr. Finished LL w/rec room, fireplace and 2nd bath. Screened porch & private rear yard. Great location w/county taxes.
403 E LINCOLN Street, Mount Morris
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\$169,900 dickersonnieman.com/201902103
CHARMING RANCH! 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Ranch w/freshly painted ceilings & walls. 2 bonus rooms in the basement electrical done, sheet rocked, ready for finishing touches. FF laundry w/2nd laundry hook up in the basement. Byron Schools.
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OREGON! 66x132 building site, city sewer & water at street. Additional lot available to purchase. \$20,000.
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We meet at Valley Covenant Church on the corner of North Maple Street and Route 72, in Stillman Valley, on the second Tuesday of each month. Join us from 3-5 p.m. and bring photo I.D. and proof of residence.

Our April distribution will be changed to April 7 from 3-5 p.m.

Winter reminder: We follow the Meridian School District closure calendar. If Meridian schools are closed, we are closed. For any questions please call Bread of Life at 815-645-8872, Ext. 15.

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New Listing
This is a UNIQUE PROPERTY! 2 bedroom RANCH HOME with additional 2 bedroom IN-LAW APARTMENT attached. This sweet place is MOVE-IN READY with fresh paint and carpet. Main house boasts gorgeous natural hardwood floors, first floor laundry, and attached garage. New sliding glass door leads to 12X22 deck with ramp and a large yard. Apartment built in 1998 has an open floor plan with first floor laundry, new AC and water heater. Detached 1.5 car garage and blacktop driveway.

Jenny at 815-440-2145
133 E 5th St, Byron, IL \$179,900



New Price
Super cute bungalow in Pecatonica, large updated kitchen with tile floor, new master bedroom with huge walk in closet. Large living room plus enclosed front porch. Extra deep backyard with room for lots of projects, partial finished lower level.

Carla at 815-985-6235
327 W 4th St, Pecatonica, IL \$59,900



Mt Morris
Charming home with 3 bedrooms and 1 bath. Spacious fenced in backyard, 1.5 car garage and additional storage shed. Updated kitchen, newer paint throughout.

Nothing to do but move in!
Stephanie at 815-985-2055
409 E Center St, Mt Morris, IL \$65,000



New Listing
Make a life of memories on quiet and cozy Memory Lane! This 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bathroom ranch style home has vaulted ceilings and natural lighting that give the much desired large open ambience. The finished lower level walk-out has a family room, second kitchen and bar area great for entertaining. Enjoy the great outdoors on your large wooded lot where you'll see deer, turkeys and more. There is a 4 car detached garage for extra vehicles or storage.

Home is sold AS IS..
Mark at 815-631-1699

9724 N Memory Ln, Leaf River, IL \$112,000



New Price
Year round vacation home plus a cabin on the water front. Includes private dock, golf cart and riding lawnmower. This 2 bedroom ranch home with vaulted ceilings and skylights, offers country living plus its own cabin on the Rock River's edge. Nearly 2 acres, main house has walkout lower level that is plumbed for 3rd bathroom. 2 car attached garage, nice wooded setting located between Byron and Oregon on River Rd.

Carla at 815-985-6235
3536 N River Rd, Oregon, IL \$224,900



Rockford
4 Br, 3.5 Ba 2 story traditional. Open concept kitchen, eat in and living room lends itself to entertaining. The kitchen has granite counter tops & newer stainless steel appliances. After dinner, send the kids downstairs to the large rec room with brand new epoxy floors or out back to enjoy the 1.79 acres of land! When it's time for bed, the newly carpeted 2nd floor has 4 large Br so everyone has their space. You will sleep soundly knowing furnace, & A/C new in 2018, roof new 2014, sump pumps have battery back-up & a security system is armed

Erin at 815-262-5555
7949 McNair Rd, Rockford, IL \$258,000



New Listing
WINNEBAGO SCHOOLS! Well kept and maintained 3 bedroom, 1.5 bathroom home conveniently located near Bypass 20 and in the desirable Winnebago School District. This home features a spacious living room with large picture window. Kitchen that includes appliances along with an eat in area that has sliders to your patio. The master bedroom has a half bath en suite and large closet. All 3 bedrooms have hardwood floors under the carpeting. Updates include- roof & insulated garage door. Enjoy the warmer months on your concrete patio enjoying your quiet neighborhood. Situated on a roomy .32 acre lot - this property could be your HOME!

2033 Inner Circle Dr Rockford 61101
\$125,000



Open House
Sunday Jan 26th
2-4 pm
Sitting on a large corner lot with extra neighboring lot, this 2,776 sq ft colonial has 3 finished floors with 4 BR 1.5 BA. Large original stain glass & Leaded windows and Replacement Windows throughout let in natural lighting that glistens off the original hardwood features.

You'll discover crown molding, built in & exposed buffet, tons of built in's, wood beam ceilings, wood burning fireplace, pocket doors, grande split staircase, original hardwood floors, ceramic floors and so much more. Third floor has plush carpet, vaulted ceiling, built ins, leaded glass insert windows with seating.

Mark at 815-631-1699
512 E Mason St, Polo, IL \$185,000



Mt Morris
This house has 1 bedroom on the main level and 3 bedrooms upstairs. Full bath on main floor and upstairs. The 3 upstairs bedrooms have a large central family room as well! Even more space in the basement rec room! Roof is 2 years old, furnace just over a year old. This house has a great floor plan. 2 car attached garage. Large corner lot right by the entrance to the golf course.

Lori at 815-973-2180
310 N Fletcher Ave, Mt Morris, IL \$118,000

Ogle County Running Crew seeking new members

OGLE COUNTY —

Are you a runner or know someone who is? If so, you'll be interested in the OC Running Crew.

The group wants to expand running opportunities in Ogle County so people feel safe, welcomed and interested in sharing miles with like-minded people. The OC stands for Ogle County and has a Facebook page, Instagram feed and Strava page, @OC-RunningCrew, where you can learn about group runs, find a description of every running trail in the county and ask questions about gear, nutrition and upcoming races.

They've hosted a Christmas lights run in Byron for the last two years where they run approximately 4 miles through subdivisions looking at the best light displays and a New Year's Day run in Oregon to kick off the year right. Other events have been trail runs at Lowden Miller State Forest and the Byron Forest Preserve.

Last year some members of group participated in the OC Running Crew Gravel Road Marathon which started and finished in Adeline on Dec. 14. Those hardy



The OC Running Crew is looking to expand running opportunities throughout the area. (Courtesy photo)

runners traveled 26.2 miles of mostly gravel roads on a brisk and windy day over the rolling hills and back roads of Maryland and Leaf River Townships. Organizer Chris Remhof from Byron had finisher medals made and Runners Image of Rockford donated finisher gifts.

Remhof and his wife Terry, lifelong residents of the area, started the group in 2018 hoping to bring together runners from all corners of Ogle County. The OC Running Crew welcomes all paces and encourages those interested

in running, whether roads or trails, to check out the Facebook group for more information

"When I served on the County Board and drove around reviewing zoning issues, you got a sense for how big and different each part of the county is. I want runners in Forreston to check out Skare Park in Rochelle, Byron runners to let loose on the Joe Stengel Trail outside Polo and for everyone to enjoy all the different places we have to run either on pavement, trails or gravel roads" Remhof explained.

Oregon girls basketball team tops Ashton-Franklin Center

OREGON — The Oregon girls basketball team defeated Ashton-Franklin Center 51-38 on Thursday, Jan. 9. Jenae Bothe led the Hawks with 19 points while Breanna DeHaan added

14 points and Olivia Lambrigtsen scored 12 points in the win.

Oregon hosted Byron on Tuesday, Jan. 14 and lost 60-54. Jenae Bothe shined with 27 points, while Ol-

ivia Lambrigtsen totaled 16 points to help lead the Hawks in the game. Ella Grundstrom recorded 17 points for the Tigers, with Paige Bukoski scoring 12 points.

Oregon boys fall against Lutheran

OREGON — The Oregon boys basketball team lost 82-53 against Rock-

ford Lutheran on Friday, Jan. 10. Trey Woolsey led the Hawks with 22 points,

while Eli Rufer added seven points and Ryker Finch chipped in six points.



Mellon earns 100th victory

The Stillman Valley girls basketball team defeated Genoa-Kingston 41-25 on Friday, Jan. 10 for head coach Bobby Mellon's 100th victory at the high school. Pictured above are the Cardinals with coach Mellon and their fans after the win over Genoa-Kingston. (Courtesy photo)

Oregon wrestling team notches wins

OREGON — The Oregon wrestling team moved to 10-15 overall after its quadrangular meet with Mendota, Newman Central Catholic and Sherrard on Tuesday, Jan. 14.

Oregon defeated Newman Central Catholic 66-17. Wayde Reimer (170), Brandon Hyde-Jones (182), Daniel Dominguez (195), Lane Halverson (106), Grant Stender (113), Sam Minnis (126), Seth Stevens (132), Gabe Eckerd (145)

and Sebastian Cardenas (152) all received forfeits for the Hawks. Edwin Estrada (120) and Evan Flaharty (285) both locked down pins in the victory.

The Hawks took down Mendota 78-0. Braydon Altherr (138), Gabe Eckerd (145), Sebastian Cardenas (152) and Jokiah Sewell (160) all recorded pins for the Hawks. Oregon received forfeits for Lane Halverson (106), Grant Stender (113), Sam Minnis (120), Emmett

Peterson (126), Wayde Reimer (170), Brandon Hyde-Jones (182), Daniel Dominguez (195), Josh Batt (220) and Evan Flaharty (285).

Oregon dropped a close dual with Sherrard 40-36. Jokiah Sewell (160), Wayde Reimer (170), Lane Halverson (106) and Gabe Eckerd (145) notched pins for the Hawks, while Edwin Estrada (113) received a forfeit. Seth Stevens (126) and Evan Flaharty (285) won by decision.

Oregon bowlers roll over St. Bede

OREGON — The Oregon boys bowling team defeated St. Bede 3,517-2,868 on Tuesday, Jan. 14. Jacob Smith rolled a

661 series and a 232 high game for the Hawks, while Isaac Kaltenbrun scored a 654 series and a 246 high game. Oregon's girls bowl-

ing team won 3,187-2,696 against St. Bede behind Hannah Kaltenbrun's 596 series and Rebecca Meyers' 568 series.

Polo boys basketball beats Amboy

POLO — The Polo boys basketball team earned a 60-43 victory against Amboy on Tuesday, Jan. 14. Tucker Mumford led the Marcos with 17 points in the win, while Jace Coffey scored 12 points and Scott Pierost added nine points.

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Good Citizen Award

The Good Citizen Award for December at Polo's Aplington Middle School went to Tori Leesman, Natalya Witkowski. Not pictured: Camrynn Jones.



Students of the Month

Forreston Jr./Sr. High School December Students of the Month were, front row from left: Elizabeth Bishop, Freshman; Gavin Fox, 6th grade; and Caylee White, Junior. Back Row from left: Sophia Lewis, 7th grade; Sydni Badertscher, 8th grade; Principal Travis Heinz; Lauren Melton, Senior; and Taylor Akins, Sophomore.

RRC has upcoming events, activities

Rock River Center is a resource center located at 810 S. 10th Street, Oregon. Our activities and trips are open to all ages. Call our office at 815-732-3252 with any questions on our programs or services. Visit us on the web at www.rockrivercenter.org and like us on Facebook.

RRC teams with Lee County Council on Aging to present the ITAC Program

Monday, Jan. 27

Rock River Center, Oregon, IL 61061

10:30-11 a.m. presentation

11 a.m. testing begins – appointments appreciated

If interested in testing the phones, please bring your full phone bill and license/ID (proof of residence). There is NO Income or Age Requirement!

Only requirements are as follows:

* Legal resident of Illinois

* Standard phone service in residence and/or cell phone service

* Prepaid cell phone users need an active phone to qualify

* Can no longer hear well on the phone

You may qualify for a free phone. Appointments are appreciated and will be taken first. Please call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to schedule.

Any questions on this program please call Samantha from Lee County Council on Aging at 1-815-288-9236

See Jay Leno live Friday, April 17

This is not an impersonator! The one and only Jay Leno is coming for a hilarious night of stand-up comedy as only the former king of late night can deliver.

After hosting The Tonight Show for more than two decades, Jay Leno has earned the right to take it easy, but then he wouldn't be known as "the hardest working man in show business."

We have a group of tickets for his performance scheduled in our area.

Paramount Theatre, Friday, April 17. Depart RRC around 5 p.m. Full itinerary to follow

If you miss seeing him on TV, come see one of the absolute masters of comedy live in person. Act now. Once tickets go on sale, they will go fast.

Cost (includes RT transportation and Live Performance):

\$140 Members / \$145 Non-Members

Reservation/payment deadline: March 1.

Please call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to make your reservation.

MyMedicare.gov

Have you signed up to use MyMedicare.gov? If not, you may want to consider doing so. Through this web site you can access your personal Medicare related information.

For example, you can:

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Plus, just as with signing up for a MySocialSecurity account, when you sign up for a MyMedicare.gov account, it keeps scammers from using your information to sign up for an account.

If you would like help signing up for a MyMedicare.gov or a MySocialSecurity account, we can help you. Just call us at Rock River Center, 815-732-3252, or 800-541-5479.

NICOR Gas "Sharing" Program Available

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For more information or to make an appointment, call Linda at 800-541-5479 or 815-732-3252.

Cancer Support Group

"Facing the Challenge" is a support group that provides a safe, accepting environment for patients currently going through treatment, survivors, caregivers and loved ones to talk openly about the challenges a cancer diagnosis brings.

Rock River Center and Home of Hope partnered to offer information to this group. They meet on the 4th Thursday of March, June, September and December from 3- 4 p.m. at Rock River Center.

Caregiver Support Group

Patti Kilmer, MSW from Generations @ Neighbors, leads our Caregiver Support Group. We welcome new caregivers, those anticipating caregiving, and those for whom caregiving is already a way of life. The Group meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 10-11:30 a.m. at Rock River Center. For more information, call Patti Kilmer at 815-234-2511 or 815-298-7004.

Diabetic Support Group

This very informative group meets the 1st Wednesday of the month from 2-3 p.m. at Rock River Center. Join this group to receive support, encouragement and the sharing of experiences when living with diabetes. A different topic is discussed each month and recipes are shared as well

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Bertolet Library News

Census Job Information

Tuesday, Jan. 28, 1:30 to 4 p.m.

If you're looking for work in the area the Census Bureau is looking for you! A representative will be here with information on how to join the 2020 Census Team. Several positions are open in Ogle County and the surrounding area and these jobs provide great pay, flexible hours, and paid training. This will be one of your last chances to find out more about the application process and get answers to any questions you may have before training begins.

Toddler/Preschool StoryTime

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Winter is a great time to get out of the house and bring your favorite little one to the library to share stories, songs, and activities. This relaxed program is designed to help children make friends, practice new skills, and experience the joy of sharing books with

people they love.

Legion Fundraiser

The American Legion Post #1148 is once again offering a wide assortment of plain and chocolate covered nuts, fruits, and candies. Limited quantities are available so stop in to support this fundraiser while your favorites are still here!

Plastic Recycling

We are still collecting film-type plastic such as shopping bags, sandwich bags, bread wrappers, or any bag-type plastic. Wrap from new furniture (especially mattresses) is also welcome. All plastic must be clean, dry, and free of food residue. Please do not bring hard plastic as that is not allowed in this program. We are located on the south end of Leaf River at 705 Main St. Thanks for your help!

Byron Library News

Special Hours

The library will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20 for a staff training day. We will re-open with our regular hours on Tuesday, Jan. 21.

Matinees at BPLD: Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles

Friday, Jan. 24
10-11:30 a.m.

This documentary looks at the origins of Fiddler on the Roof, one of Broadway's best-known musicals. Max Lewkowicz's "Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles" provides an entertaining overview of the unlikely success of Fiddler on the Roof, which won 9 Tonys and is the longest running musical in Broadway history. Refreshments provided. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Super Bowl LIV Scoop presented by Sean Considine

Monday, Jan. 27
5-6 p.m.

What does it take to get into the Super Bowl? What makes an underdog and how are the odds determined? What do the referee calls mean? Novice football watchers and devoted fans alike will enjoy Sean's stories and professional knowledge. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Princess Di: Gone But Still Kicking!

Tuesday, Jan. 28
1-2 p.m.

Jilann Gabrielle of Paradise Playhouse

presents a cabaret style show. Princess Di cut a deal with St. Peter at heaven's gate and will be allowed to stay with her sons at the palace, but in return she will age. Don't miss this performance and chance to learn about Princess Diana's public and personal life within the British Royal Monarchy. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

National Hot Chocolate Day

Friday, Jan. 31
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Enjoy a free cup of hot chocolate with your choice of stir-ins and toppings! No registration required!

Byron Pioneers and the History of the Census

Wednesday, Feb. 5
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Find out which Byron pioneer undertook the first U.S. Census for Ogle County in 1840 and other interesting stories about Byron settlers. Also learn how the census adds value to our community with our Director, Emily Porter. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Totally Radical 80s Time Travel Adventure Escape Room

Saturday, Feb. 8
9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Ages: 18 and up

You've gone back in time! Use your knowledge of all that was rad in the 80s to get back to the present day. One per-

son should register your group of 3-5 for a 45-minute time slot. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register your group.

Ninja Night

Tuesday, Feb. 11
6-7 p.m.

Ages: 3-8 years

Break out those ninja moves! Join us for ninja stories, activities, and more! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Crafting with Cathy: Chalkboard Clipboards

Thursday, Feb. 13
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Create a fun and functional DIY chalkboard clipboard for all your to-do or shopping lists! All supplies provided. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Chicago True Stories

Wednesday, Feb. 19
1-2 p.m.

Actress Martina Mathisen portrays a flapper named Flora who tells us how fashion, crime, and prohibition shaped the 1920's. Learn fact from fiction and how reality relates to the 2002 Oscar winning film "Chicago". Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Please register for all programs by visiting byron.evanced.info/signup or by calling 815-234-5107.



Many thanks to James and Karen Virnoche-Brown who shared their trip to the Holy Lands with the armchair travelers at the Byron Public Library.

Forreston Library News

Retirement reception

Cindy Bahr will be retiring after serving many years as the Forreston Library Director. We will be hosting a retirement reception on January 25 at the library from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Please stop by and wish Cindy well.

Story Hour

All children are welcome to Pre-school Story Hour for stories, crafts and playtime. Please join us every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. when school is in session.

Book club

The Book Club will meet on Tuesday evening Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. The book selection for January is Two by Two by Nicholas Sparks. Stop by the library and pick up a copy of the book to read and then join the club for lively discussion and light refreshments.

E-mail news items to
bjennings@oglecountylife.com
Please send photos in the jpeg format.

Polo Library News

Polo Public Library, 302 Mason St., Polo, IL 61064

Phone: 815-946-2713, email: library@pololibrary.org. Check out our new website at www.pololibrary.org. "Like" us on Facebook and "Follow" us on Instagram.

All programs are free (unless otherwise noted) and accessible. Please note that some programs require registration.

Library Closed

Martin Luther King's Birthday, Monday, January 20

Winter Reading Program for All Ages

January 2nd-February 29th

Pick up your age appropriate Reading Bingo Card or Reading Log at the Polo Library front desk starting January 2nd and warm up with a good book!

Children's programs

Parents or caregivers must remain in the library if their child is under 8.

Early Out Program

Ages 6-12

Wednesday, January 22, 1-2:30 p.m.

Movie: The Lion King (2019 - new release)

Call to register, 815-946-2713

Pokemon Club

Ages 8-14

Tuesday, January 28, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

This club is open to Pokémon card collectors. Join in to play games and trade cards.

Tales for Tots

Pre-K/Kindergarten Story Time

Ages 3-5

Saturday, February 8, 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Theme: Valentine's Day

Little Bear's Valentine by Else Homelund Minarik

Parent/guardian/caregiver must stay with child during the program. Call to register, 815-946-2713

Lego Challenge: Build Your Name

Ages 8-14

Tuesday, February 11, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Teen programs

Book Subscription Box Pickup

Saturday, January 25, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pick up your Book Subscription Boxes

Teen scene

Ages 13-18

Tuesday, January 28, 5:30-7 p.m. Cookies and Canvas Painting Party. Call to register, 815-946-2713

Adult programs

Rock River Center representative

Wednesday, January 22, 10 a.m.-noon.

The Rock River Center provides a caseworker to answer questions about Medicare, insurance, home care and anything else to do with caring for the older population. No appointment necessary.

Lifelong Learning

Thursday, January 23, 6-7 p.m.

Monthly on the fourth Thursday University of Illinois Extension, Celebrations and Traditions: Strengthening Family and Community. Plan to discuss the importance of traditions, explore ideas for maintaining family traditions or creating new ones, and create a plan for documenting celebrations. Call to register, 815-946-2713

Board @ the Library - Games for Adults 18+

Saturday, January 25, 3-5 p.m.

Monthly on the fourth Saturday

Join us after hours for table top games (options include Settlers of Catan, Ticket to Ride, Codenames, and Betrayal at the House on the Hill) and snacks.

Yoga

Monday, February 10, 6-7 p.m.

Krystal from ADM Studios in Oregon will be our instructor.

Bring a mat if you have one. Call to register, 815-946-2713

Coffee with a Cop

Wednesday, February 12, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join us for refreshments and conversation monthly on the 2nd Wednesday.

Knit Happens - Beginner's Knitting Class

Saturday, February 15, 1-3 p.m.

Monthly on the third Saturday

Learn to knit a scarf - The Library will provide the needles, the attendees will bring bulky weight yarn in color of their choice. Call to register, 815-946-2713

Euchre

Thursday, February 20, 5:30-7 p.m.

Time to play cards, bring a friend

Book Discussion Groups

Extra books are always available for these discussions. Please check one out and join us.

Friday Book Discussion @ the Library

Friday, January 24, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Selection: Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

Afternoon Book Club @ the Library

Monday, January 27, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Selection: Educated: a memoir by Tara Westover

Oregon Library News

1,000 books before kindergarten

The objective of the 1,000 Books Foundation (a non-profit public charity based in Nevada) is to promote reading to newborns, infants, and toddlers and to encourage parent and child bonding through reading. Numerous studies estimate that as many as one in five children have difficulties learning to read. Reading has been associated as an early indicator of academic success. Beginning in January, the Library will offer this nationwide pre-kindergarten challenge to its' district patrons. How does this work? Come to the Oregon Public Library, register, receive your reading folder & instructions and off you go! Seems impossible? For more information, call the Library at 815-732-2724.

18-24 months story time club (9:30 a.m.)

Preschool (3-5 yrs. old) story time (new time - 2 p.m.)

Join us for songs, stories, games and crafts on Thursdays.

Lego Club (grades 2nd -7th) - Tuesday, Jan. 21, 3:30 p.m.

National Puzzle Day - Wednesday, Jan. 29

Come celebrate national Puzzle Day at the library. We will have puzzles out for you to do in our gallery all day long.

Reading plus w/ Mrs. Himert - Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Join Mrs. Himert, a retired reading specialist with years of experience, for entertaining ways to interact with reading. This NEW program is designed for 1st-4th grade with read alouds, reader theater and a drawing for 3 free books each session. Other session dates: February 26, March 18 and April 22. Registration requested.

Afternoon movie - Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2:30 p.m.

Early dismissal from school means movie time at the Library. Mark your calendar...we will be showing Lady and the Tramp (2019)-rated PG.

Couples cooking class - Thursday, Feb. 13 at 6 p.m.

This class will be held at Cork N Tap and taught by Lynn Kaufman of Lynn's Kitchen. Bring your spouse, significant other or friend to Cork N Tap for a fun evening of baking. Each couple will make 12 mini cheese cakes to take home to enjoy on Valentine's Day and a drink of choice at Cork N Tap. There is a cost of \$15 per couple, you can come alone for \$20.00. Please reserve your seats at 815-732-2724. Payment and RSVP's due by Feb. 11. Must have at least 5 couples registered to hold class.

Library book clubs

Books on Tap Book Club meets on Thursday, Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. at Cork n Tap to discuss Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom. Special Guest for Books on Tap: Conversation with the author, Kathleen Grissom, via phone! The 2WBC meets Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss The Help by Kathryn Stockett. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 1 p.m. to discuss The Library Book by Susan Orlean.

Adult yoga Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.

Family yoga Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

Benefits of yoga include developing a mind-body connection and present centered awareness. Strength, flexibility, stamina/endurance and a sense of calm for both the mind and body will increase with repeated practice over time. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat and water bottle. Mats will be provided to

those in need on a first come, first serve basis. Registration required.

Oregon Writer's Group (OWG) - No meeting in January, see you Feb. 11

Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the Month

The OWG is a gathering of writers or writer-wannabes who meet to support each other and to further their own writing. The purpose of the group is to help and encourage you in your writing. If you need brainstorming ideas, we can help suggest ideas or aid with the creative process. The Oregon Writers Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Explore more Illinois

Explore More Illinois is a service of the Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS). RAILS is funded by a grant from the Illinois State Library through the Office of the Secretary of State Jesse White and provides a number of different programs and services for Illinois libraries and library users.

Oregon Public Library now offers Explore More Illinois, a cultural pass program that provides discounts and other offerings from museums, historical societies, performing and visual arts centers, and other attractions across the state of Illinois. The program is free for adults 18 years and older who have a library card from a participating library. Offerings differ by attraction and include free or reduced admission, free parking, discounts at attraction shops, and more.

Explore More Illinois is available 24/7 from any computer, tablet, or smartphone. Visit <https://exploremore.quipugroup.net/?Oregon> and log in using a valid library card number and password to review and reserve offerings by attraction and specific dates. Current attractions include the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (Springfield), Chicago Children's Museum, and Discovery Center Museum (Rockford). Visit exploremoreillinois.org to see a complete list. New attractions are added on a regular basis so be sure to check back frequently. Contact library staff for more information at 815-732-2724 or email us at oregonlibrary@yahoo.com

New releases

Pheasant, Quail, Cottontail: Upland Birds And Small Game From Field To Feast by Hank Shaw (Non-Fiction 641.5 SHA)

Deceased by Tom Taylor (Non-Fiction Graphic Novel 741.5 TAY)

Middlewest-Book 2 by Skottie Young (Non-Fiction Graphic Novel 741.5 YOU)

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Tangled Up In Christmas by Lisa Renee Jones (Paperback Romance)

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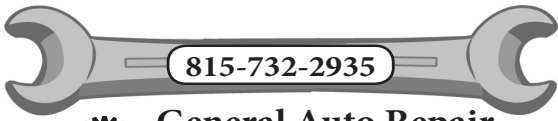

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Mount Morris Senior Center sets upcoming activities

Russian International Meal
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National Granola Bar Day
We will be learning how to make granola together in celebration of National Granola Bar Day! Please join us on Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 11 a.m. for our Granola Class. It is important to keep learning

new things, and this granola is going to be delicious! Call 815-734-6335 to join this class.

Jam Session
Come to the Mount Morris Senior Center to enjoy some fantastic music by local musicians at 10:30 am on Wednesday, Jan. 22. We will enjoy a \$3 lunch together afterwards at noon. Please call 815-734-6335 if you plan to attend.

Beat the Blues Class
On National Compliment Day Friday, Jan. 24 at 1 p.m. the

Mount Morris Senior Center will be presenting a "Beat the Blues" Class. If you are feeling a little blue this winter or just want an opportunity to learn some positivity for your life we would love for you to join us. There is no cost for this class, but please call 815-734-6335 if you plan to attend, so we are sure to have enough supplies for everyone.

Chocolate Cake Day
Monday, Jan. 27 is National Chocolate Cake Day and Polo Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center will be celebrating with us by

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Bingo in Byron
Each month we have a blast traveling to Byron together to enjoy a \$5 lunch and FREE Bingo at Neighbors Nursing Home. The food is delicious, the prizes are fun, and the fellowship can't be beat. The carpool leaves from the Mount Morris Senior Center at 1 p.m., and all are welcome to join us. To reserve your seat in a car, please call 815-734-6335.

C.A.S.T. Hygge
If you have not heard of C.A.S.T. or Hygge you are in for a treat this month. C.A.S.T. is a collaboration between the Seniors at the Mount Morris Senior Center and the students at the Chana Education Center. These two groups have an amazing time together each month. This month we will be at the Village Bakery for hygge (board games, snacks, and fellowship) on Tuesday, Jan. 28 beginning at noon. If you would like to join us or just get more information please call 815-734-6335 or simply stop by during this activity.



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Protect your vehicle in winter

Winter can be an unforgiving season. Freezing temperatures coupled with snow and ice can take its toll on people who live in climates where cold weather is a fact of winter life.

While winter can test people's patience, it also can be harsh on cars and trucks. Understanding what components of a vehicle can be compromised by dropping temperatures and snowy roads can help drivers take action to safeguard their automotive investments.

While the Canadian Automobile Association notes that winter can wreak havoc on just about every part of a vehicle, there are some parts that seem to bear the brunt of Old Man Winter's abuse. Properly servicing and caring for a car or truck can help.

Drivers should take their vehicles for a tuneup and

inspection before wintry weather arrives. A mechanic will examine the car battery and check antifreeze levels and make sure that the thermostat, defroster, brakes, and even wiper blades are working effectively. Have the tires inspected for adequate tread, which can make navigating roads safer. If the treads are worn, replace the tires.

In addition to visiting their mechanics, drivers can perform some inspections and fixes themselves.

- Check that all of the vehicle's lights are operational so your car can be easily seen during inclement weather. Exchange your existing windshield washer fluid with one that will not freeze in cold conditions. Check the nozzles on the windshield-washer system routinely and clear out any blockages of ice or debris. While addressing windshield washer fluid, also replace worn out windshield wiper blades with ones that can withstand snow and icy weather.

- A new coating of wax can serve as a shield against road salt, snow, sleet, and rain. Try a polymer wax to protect the paint. Whenever possible, rinse off salt and grime so it does not dry on the car and gradually wear

away at the paint. Some drivers mistakenly believe that salt stops being a problem once it dries simply because moisture is the active ingredient for a corrosive reaction. But humidity in the air is enough to keep the salt eating away at the car's paint, and that can contribute to rust. Be sure to rinse off the undercarriage of the vehicle as well.

- Have your tires' alignment checked toward the end of winter or early spring. A season of traveling over pothole-ridden roads or hitting curbs buried under snow drifts can affect the alignment. Get everything back on track. Similarly, inspect tires routinely, as weather changes can affect tire pressure and strength.

- Use a soft snow brush or a foam brush to clear snow off of the car. Avoid hard plastic scrapers you might use on your windshield, as they can scratch painted surfaces.

- Try to park the vehicle in a garage or under a carport, each of which can protect cars and trucks from the often harsh elements of winter.

Vehicles can be affected by the cold weather. Keep them running efficiently to prevent damage this winter.

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It is probably time to upgrade your headlights

With the exception of certain luxury and sports car manufacturers, many of today's automakers equip their vehicles with standard halogen headlights. While such headlights are effective in the short-term, within two or three years the bulbs used in halogen headlights start to break down due to aging, exposure to the elements and everyday usage. Such a breakdown can compromise their light output by as much as 40 percent, dramatically reducing visibility as a result.

The reduced visibility associated with older halogen headlights is a legitimate safety concern, especially for the multitude of motorists who are already uncomfortable driving at night, when the visual acuity of the human eye is reduced by up to 70 percent. While drivers might not be able to do much about the makeup of their eyes, they can take steps to enhance their nighttime

visibility.

• Don't wait for nightfall. According to the National Safety Council®, traffic death rates are three times greater at night than during the day, despite the fact that roads tend to be less congested after sundown than they are in broad daylight. Many drivers feel their vision is most compromised during the twilight hours, when the sun is gradually setting and day is transitioning into night. To combat such difficulties, make a conscious effort to turn your headlights on earlier. Make it a rule to turn lights on when leaving the office at the end of a workday or set a daily alarm on your smartphone so you're reminded to turn your headlights on at the time you feel your vision typically starts to suffer.

• Upgrade your headlights. A recent study from the AAA motor club found that

the halogen headlights used in more than 80 percent of the vehicles on the road today fail to safely illuminate unlit roadways, even when vehicles are traveling at speeds as low as 40 miles per hour. But drivers and their passengers need not be at the mercy of their manufacturer-issued headlights. Philips Upgrade Headlight Bulbs, such as the X-tremeVision Bulbs, employ advanced technology that can deliver up to 100 percent more light on the road than standard halogen bulbs. Compatible with various makes and models, each Upgrade Headlight Bulb produces a longer beam pattern than standard halogen headlights, vastly improving nighttime visibility on even the darkest roadways.

• Take care of your lights. Drivers know to heed "check engine" warnings and schedule regular tuneups and oil changes, but

vehicle maintenance entails more than just taking care of what's under the hood. Properly maintained headlights can go a long way toward helping motorists feel safer when driving at night. When headlights are ignored, the resultant clouding can reduce their light output, thus compromising drivers' visibility. And thanks to sunlight, ozone, pollution and other factors, the plastic headlamp lenses found on many vehicles can become hazy and yellow over time, making it more difficult for drivers to see. Utilizing a protective UV coating to produce longer lens clarity and prevent clouding for up to two years, the Philips Headlight Restoration Kit quickly and effectively combats clouding on headlights as well as taillights, turn signals and reflective lens covers, making it easier for drivers to see the road and for others drivers to see them.



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Maintaining tires keeps drivers safe

Maintaining tires is an important component of safe driving. Tires are some of the hardest working parts on a car or truck and are subjected to wear and tear every time rubber meets the road.

Tires affect many components of driving, including handling, braking and the comfort of the ride. Maintaining tires makes driving safe not only for drivers and their passengers, but also for fellow motorists.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says that, in 2017, 738 fatalities occurred because of tire-related crashes. Many of those crashes were no doubt preventable, and that only highlights the importance of maintaining tires and monitoring their performance.

Poor tire maintenance can lead to premature wear and potentially result in a blowout. The automotive group AAA notes it is important to visually inspect tires as often as possible. Drivers should look for overall tread wear. Pay special attention to tread wear on one edge of the tires, which could indicate poor alignment. Erratic tread wear may mean tires are out of balance.

Drivers also should pay attention to how their cars drive and sounds. Unusual vibration or thumping noises suggest issues with the tires. A car that pulls in one direction also may be experiencing tire problems.

Vehicle owners should be aware of the routine maintenance steps that can keep them safe and improve the life expectancy of tires.

- **Tire pressure:** The NHTSA says only 19 percent of consumers properly check and inflate their tires. Keeping tires properly inflated is one of the most important steps to maintaining them. Tires lose around 1 psi per month, and underinflated or overinflated tires can contribute to unusual wear, blowouts and even excessive fuel consumption.

- **Rotation:** Check the owner's manual or recommendations from the tire manufacturer, but know that most mechanics advise having tires rotated every 5,000 to 8,000 miles. Rotation helps distribute wear more evenly on tires.

- **Balancing:** AAA says balancing also helps minimize uneven wear and tear. Balanced tires are achieved by using small weights attached to the wheels to limit vibration of the tire and wheels as they turn. New tires should be balanced, and tires also should be balanced after one or more is removed to repair a puncture.

- **Alignment:** Vehicles have wheel alignment measurements that pertain to manufacturers' specifications. Alignment that falls outside of the range can impact handling, fuel economy and tread wear. A drift or pull suggests alignment problems and should be addressed.

Vehicle owners should keep tire inspection and maintenance in mind as part of their overall car care plan.


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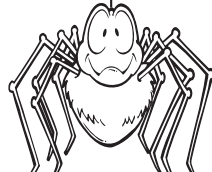


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Here are some safety measures for winter drivers

Winter weather causes many people to retreat indoors until the spring thaw. However, for those who embrace the cooler temperatures or find that life must go on despite snow and ice, taking inventory of their vehicles is a must before the first snowflakes start to fall.

Tire care is an especially important area of vehicle maintenance. The tire experts at Michelin say that regular tires may be ineffective for winter driving. Summer tires are made from materials that are optimized for warm conditions. When the mercury drops, these same materials can harden, reducing their ability to grip the road. That lack of traction can be compounded by the presence of snow or ice. Even all-season tires, which are designed to be driven year-round, can be insufficient in severe weather conditions. Winter tires can help drivers safely navigate winter

roadways.

Bridgestone Tires says that having the right snow tires matters when driving in winter weather conditions. It's important to look for tires that can disperse water sufficiently and also grip the road. Snow tires are designed to remain softer and more flexible to conform to the road better in cold conditions. Some winter tires are even studied to provide better traction.

Unfortunately, even the best winter tires cannot provide perfect traction on slippery roadways. That is why it is essential — in conjunction with the use of winter tires or snow chains — to modify driving techniques to navigate safely.

- Drive slowly. Slow down on winter roads. Allow a greater distance for stopping than for dry conditions. Slippery conditions can make it more challenging to stop, and excessive speeds can make the situation worse.



- Shift into low gear. On hills, rely on low gears to maximize traction to travel up and down hills. This can minimize skids or sliding.

- Get the vehicle a tune-up. In addition to tires, be sure the braking system, battery and other major

components of the vehicle are in good working order.

- Replace windshield wipers. Reduced visibility can compromise the safety of drivers and their passengers. Replace windshield wiper blades before winter arrives. Consider purchas-

ing winter-rated windshield blades.

- Know how to recover from a skid. When skids occur on black ice or slush, drivers should take their feet off of the pedals and steer gently in the direction they want to go. As the ve-

hicle regains traction, only then should the brakes or accelerator be applied.

Winter weather requires making some vehicle modifications, and drivers may want to alter the way they drive to be more safe on the road.

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Julia Hull Library News



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2020 Winter Reading Challenge

Read a book, complete a review form, and enter to win prizes! Yep, it's that easy. Now through Feb. 29. Drawings held weekly. Pick up a flier for more details. Adults only.

Fun Day Monday: Winter Diorama

School's out for the day, so stop by the library for creative play! From snowmen, to snow covered trees, participants will each create a unique 3D winter wonderland using cardboard boxes, paper, cotton batting and more. Monday, Jan. 20 at 1 p.m. Grades K-5. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Young Critics Book Club (YCBC)

Pick up a copy of Jonah Winter *Elvis Is King*, then join fellow young critics on Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. to discuss and rate the book, and do an activity that goes along with the story! Ages 7-10. Registration required.

Storytime With Elephant & Piggie!

Join us for a hysterically good time featuring the popular books and characters from the *Elephant & Piggie* series by Mo Willems. On Saturday, Jan. 25 at 10 a.m., we'll read books, sing songs, and make a craft even indecisive Gerald would approve of! Both costumed characters, Gerald & Piggie, will join us for fun and photos. Bring a camera! All ages. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Travel Tips: TSA Precheck, Global Entry & Real ID

Do you dread airport security? There are 3 specific ways to help manage the stress: TSA Precheck, Global Entry and Real ID. Frequent fliers, Joanna & Wayne, will give you the ins and outs of each, then review all the information you need to know before you apply. Monday, Jan. 27 at 6 p.m. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Teen Photo Contest: Shades of Winter

Show off your artistic skills by taking part in our first ever Teen Photo Contest. Take and submit a digital photo that interprets our theme "Shades of Winter" – Feb. 3 through Feb. 24. Ages 13-18. See any librarian for full contest rules and submission requirements.

Tween Scene: The Great Library Bake-Off

Tween amateur bakers are invited to the library on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at 6 p.m. to compete in a mug cake challenge! Will your recipe impress the judges? After receiving a brief baking lesson, tweens will be free to create their own delicious flavor from a variety of ingredients provided. Who will take home the win? Ages 10-12. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

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Macrame Feather Jewelry

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Your relationship with Christ is a daily, lifelong journey, and along the way God will give you dreams, desires, and hope for change in your life. Maybe you want to see a change in your family relationships, friendships, work situation, or finances. Or you may be hoping and praying for changes to happen in your loved ones' lives.

Whatever your hopes and dreams may be, God wants to help you fulfill His purposes in your life. But He usually won't tell you when those things will come to pass because you have to go through a season of preparation to be ready for them.

My Crazy Dream

I remember when God put His dream in my heart in 1976 to teach the Bible to people all over the world. It seemed crazy because I was nobody from nowhere with a twelfth-grade education who almost failed English, and I hadn't been to Bible college or seminary. But I knew in my heart that God wanted to use me to preach the Gospel.

When God speaks something to your heart, as crazy as it may seem, you can believe it! You have a passion to do it, it's on your mind a lot, and you will sacrifice anything to get it. From the day God revealed His call on my life, I have wanted to teach His Word more than anything else in the world.

But it didn't happen overnight. There were years of preparation I had to go through to get to the point where I could do what I'm doing today. It wasn't easy because I wanted my ministry to grow so badly and I couldn't understand why it was taking so long. But during these years, I learned what it means to really trust God and know that He will do the best thing for me at the right time.

There are examples in the Bible of people who had to wait for God to fulfill their dreams: Moses wanted to deliver his people from slavery in Egypt and he spent 40 years in the desert before he was ready.

Joseph spent 13 years in prison for something he didn't do before God gave him favor with Pharaoh, who gave him a position of authority over all the land of Egypt.

David was anointed to be king 20 years before he sat on the throne.

God wants to give us favor and the ability to fulfill our destinies, and He will do so as we learn to trust His timing with a good attitude.

You Can't Rush God

People are often in a hurry to reach their goals, but God is not. I've discovered that being frustrated about how long I have to wait will never make God hurry. God knows what we need to go through to prepare us to walk in His plans. The best thing we can do during these times is learn to wait patiently, trusting God's timing.

Waiting patiently is not just waiting; it's how we act while we're waiting. The training, or preparation, we go through in the process of reaching our dream teaches us how to trust God and wait on His timing with a good attitude.

Psalm 31:14-15 (NIV) says, "I trust in you, Lord; I say, 'You are my God.' My times are in your hands." And Habakkuk 2:3 (AMP) says, "For the vision is yet for the appointed [future] time.... Even though it delays, wait [patiently] for it, because it will certainly come; it will not delay."

These verses encourage us to be determined to trust God and wait on Him for His perfect timing. When it seems the dream He's put in your heart is delayed, you can stir up your hope in Christ for change to happen because God is faithful.

Your Destiny Is Beautiful in God's Time

We will be tempted to try and make things happen in our own effort sometimes, but when we give in to it, we put off God's answer even longer. Your journey may be long, but you can enjoy it if you'll make up your mind to trust God. Don't be moved emotionally and try to give birth to your dream prematurely.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV) tells us, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." And verse 11 says, "He has made everything beautiful in its time...." The changes and breakthroughs we are praying for will certainly come as we wait on God. And they will be beautiful in the right time, but not outside of God's timing.

Choose to live in the rest of God... peaceful in the midst of the storms of life and the seasons of waiting for change. Enjoy the freedom of not having to know everything or have everything figured out. Instead, replace frustration with trust that God is good. He knows what He's doing, and He will do the best thing for you at the right time!

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A Member Church of the United Church of Christ
 701 W. Second Street ~ PO Box 927, Byron IL 61010-0927, 815-234-8777
 Email: ucb@comcast.net Website: unitedchurchofbyron.org
 Interim Minister: Rev. Tyler Spelious
 Youth Ministry Coordinator: Richard Simpson
 Adult Sunday School 9:00am-10:00am, Kids Sunday School (ages 3 thru high
 school) 10:00am-10:40am, Coffee & fellowship time: 10:00am-10:25am
 Sunday Schedule and Worship Opportunities:
 Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am
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 please call 298-2310. AA meets Wednesdays at 5:30pm and Saturdays at 9am.
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402 2nd Avenue, Forreston, IL 61030, Phone 815-938-3203 Pastor Scott
 Ralston
 Sunday Worship 9:00 am; Sunday School 10:00 am

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 Pastor Sung-Eun Kim
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 Worship at 9:00 a.m. (childcare provided) with coffee and fellowship
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 AA meets Mondays, 8:00 AM. Monthly United Methodist Women's meetings.
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 Services: Sunday School 9:00 am, Worship Service 10:15 am
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Pastor Billy Hardy
 9:30 Church Service. Nursery available, 11:00 Sunday school for all ages.
 Nursery available
 6941 N Mt Morris Rd, Leaf River, IL 61047
 815-738-2205 leafriverbc@gmail.com

LINDENWOOD

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – LCMS

immanuel-lindenwood.org (for sermons, events, etc.)
 16060 E. Lindenwood Road, Lindenwood, IL 61049
 815-393-4500 • office@immanuel-lindenwood.org
 Sunday Mornings: Divine Service @ 9am; Food & Fellowship @ 10am;
 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study @ 10:30am
 Food Bank: First 4 Saturdays of Each Month, 9-11am
 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Rosebrock
pastor@immanuel-lindenwood.org

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140 S. Church Road, Kings, IL 61068 • Rev. Cary Winn
 Phone 815-562-6811 E-mail: office@goelimchurch.org
 Website: www.goelimchurch.org
 Sunday morning worship 10:00 am • Sunday School 9:00 am

MOUNT MORRIS

DISCIPLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

102 N. Maple Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 815-734-4853 Rev. Julie Bunt 1st &
 3rd Sun: 9:30 am Traditional Worship, Nursery provided, 10:40 Coffee Hour
 2nd & 4th Sun: 9:30 am Praise Worship, Nursery provided, 10:40 Coffee
 Hour SEP-MAY: Sun. 10:45 am Sunday School; Mon. 5:30 pm chimes; 6:45
 pm Choir Monthly Groups: Youth, 2nd Sun., 6 pm; Men, 3rd Sun., 7:30 am;
 Women, 3rd Tues., 9 am

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

102 S. Seminary Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054 815-734-4942 www.efcmm.org
 Senior Pastor: Bruce McKanna. Sunday Schedule: 8:30 a.m. Sunday School
 for all ages. 9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship. 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship with
 Childcare and Children's Church.

MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris, IL Phone 734-4573
 Pastor-Ginny Haney. 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship (nursery provided)
 Fellowship time Following worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School-Nursery
 through adult.

MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

308 E. Brayton Rd. Mt. Morris, IL Phone: 734-6354 Rev. Josh Ehrler
Worship Services: Saturday 5:30 PM; Worship Sunday 9:30 AM .
 Sunday Church School 10:45 AM; (Sept. 10, 2017 Thru May 2018) Sept.-May
 Chime Choir Wednesday 6:00 PM; Chancel Choir Wednesday 7:00 PM.

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 a.m.; Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.; Men's Bible Study, Kids' Club

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 Pastor Andrew Kayes • "Sharing God's Love" Service 9 AM • Sunday School
 10:15, Bell Choir Tues 6:30 PM Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays • Women's
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Pastor Karyn Kost • (815) 661-6315
 Website: <http://www.freedomlutheran.org>
 Sunday Evening Worship at 5:45 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 200 5th St.,
 Oregon. Coffee and Fellowship following the service.

OREGON CHURCH OF GOD

860 W. Oregon Trail Road Oregon, IL Phone: 732-6847 or 732-2604 Pastor
 Michael Hoffman; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.;
 Wednesday activities: Adult, Children, and Youth Groups 7 p.m. At the church.

OREGON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

505 Hill St. Oregon, IL 61061 Phone: 732-2642
 Pastor: David Snow "A Christ-centered, Bible-believing, family-oriented
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 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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200 S. 4th St, Oregon, IL 61061 • 815/732-2994
www.oregonumc.org • Pastor Rev. Megan Smick
 9:00am Fellowship/Sunday School; 10:00am Worship with music, meditation
 & Fellowship; 10:15am Announcements begin.

RIVERSTONE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

609 S. 10th St., Oregon, IL 812-236-1213 • riverstonecc.com
 Sunday 10:45 a.m.

ST. BRIDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1000 Highway 64, West (Hwy 64 W & Mongan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon
 • 732-7211 - Office Rev. Eldred George
 Website: saintbrides.org • E-mail: saintbridechurch@gmail.com •
Worship Services: Sunday 10 am Holy Communion with Hymns
 Christian Education Available

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

301 N. Fourth St., Oregon Office: 881 N. Mongan Dr., Oregon, IL • www.st-mary-parish.com • Fr. Joseph P. Nail • Office Phone: 815-732-7383
 Office Fax: 815-732-4742
Masses: Saturday 4:30pm; Sunday 8:30am, Tuesday-Friday 8:00am; 3rd
 Wednesday of the month 3:00pm at Pinecrest
Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:15-4:00 or any time by appointment
Baptisms: by appointment, **Wedding Arrangements:** 6 months in
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114 S. 5th St. Oregon, IL Phone: (815) 732-2367
 Pastor: Rick Tomlinsom
 Website: www.stpaul13.com Email: stpaul13@frontier.com
 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
 and Women's Groups, Confirmation Class, School Youth Group, For more
 information, call the church office.

POLO

ST. MARY CHURCH

Rectory/Office: 211 North Franklin Ave., Polo, IL 61064

PHONE: 815-946-2535 • Rev. Joseph P. Nail

Masses: Sun 10:30am, Tuesday Mass 8 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after
 10:30 mass

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

www.stmarypolo.org CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE

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 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. We are an independent non-
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702 E. Dixon Street, Polo, IL 61064 • Tel:815-946-3212
 Sunday School for all ages 9am followed by Worship at 10am
 Pastor Brian LeBaron
 Website: www.faithumcpolo.com • [facebook.com/Faithumcpolo](https://www.facebook.com/Faithumcpolo)

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Pastor: Rev. Dr. Chris Brauns • Associate Pastor: Tim Michalek
 207 W. Roosevelt (Route 72), Stillman Valley • Phone: 815-645-2526
 Email: ccoffice1@comcast.net • Website: www.theredbrickchurch.org
 Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 am; Sunday School (for all ages)
 at 9:00 am; AWANA (through school calendar) on Wednesday
 from 6 - 7:30 pm. Men, women, and youth bible studies
 throughout the year. See website for all activities or call
 church office for more information.

KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8195 Kishwaukee Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084 / 815-965-1940
 Pastor Eric Tonjes, www.kishchurch.org
 Sunday Schedule: Discipleship Hour 9:00 AM, Coffee Fellowship 9:50 AM
 Gathered Worship 10:00 AM
 For complete ministry schedule check out our website or call the church
 office.

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

Rt. 72 & Maple St., in Stillman Valley • Phone 815-645-8872
 Pastor: Rev. Rick Lindholtz • www.valleycov.org
 Chuck Potts, Pastor to Students, Children and Families
 Sunday Mornings: Worship at 10:15 a.m. (Nursery and Children's Church
 Provided). Communion is served the first Sunday of the month. Coffee and
 fellowship time follows the Worship Service. Please call our Church office
 or visit our website for details about Bible study groups. Youth groups
 and Bread of Life compassion ministry. Also the home of Valley Covenant
 Preschool 815-645-8882.

WINNEBAGO

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Connect with People, Connect with Christ
 12473 Montague Road, Winnebago, IL 61088
 Located near the intersection of Montague and Tower roads; Phone: 815-335-
 2609; e-mail: middlecreekchurch@gmail.com
 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Anita Stuart-Steva
Sunday mornings: Family Communion Worship 8:30 a.m.; Blended
 Worship 10:20 a.m. (Sept. - May) and 10 a.m. (June - Aug.); Sunday School
 Sept - May 9:15 a.m.
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Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

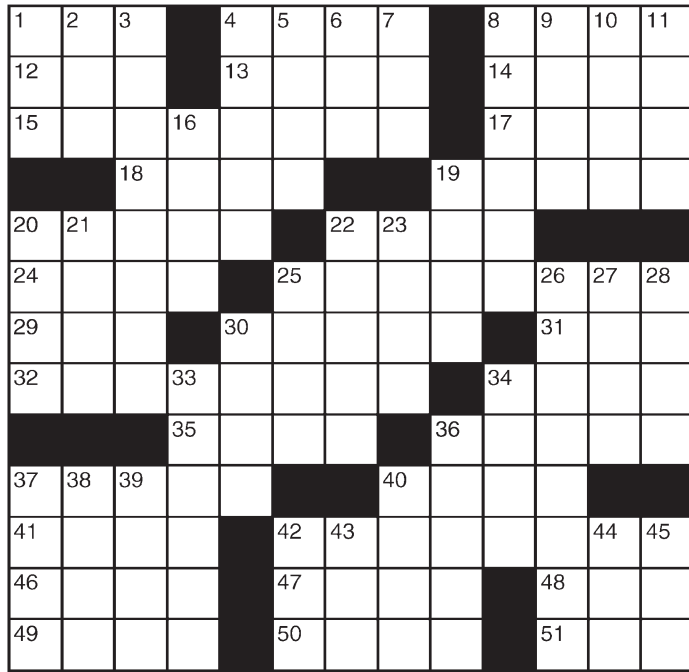
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MAGIC MAZE

H L I F C M Z W T Q N K I F C
Y Z W U R P A M J H E C Z X U
S D Q **R O B E R T S** Y N L J G
E C A Z X C H A S E E V T R P
N L J R H N F E I H N C A Y W
V T R P B T O W U G A N R L L
K I G W E U H S Q U T L E C B
Z X W U A I R S N H R Z L P O
M L J I T I G G H I A E L D B
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S Q P O N L N E R R A W F K J

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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| Brady | Hazel | Roberts | Waite |
| Burger | Hughes | Stone | Warren |
| Chase | Marshall | Taney | White |
| Fuller | Rehnquist | Vinson | |



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|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 24 Hard to find | 25 Almond confection | 29 "— Got a Secret" | 30 Left-hand page | 31 Ostrich's cousin | 32 Union | 34 Valhalla VIP | 35 Loathe | 36 Loses traction | 37 Drive away | 40 "Wozzeck" composer | 41 Summertime treats | 42 — Thatcher | 46 Command- |
| ment starter | 47 Birthright barterer | 48 Historic period | 49 Huge amount of 50-Across | 50 See 49-Across | 51 Tarzan's creator's monogram | | | | | | | | |
| 6 "— Abner" | 7 Right angle | 8 Sandwich | 9 Burden | 10 Place to buy 8-Down | 11 Piercing tools | 16 Slightly | 19 Ricelike pasta | 20 — and proper | 21 Volcanic spillage | 22 Cleopatra's boat | 23 Gaelic | 25 Vegan's no-no | 26 Distinguished ancestry |
| 27 In the thick of | 28 Sisters | 30 Test tube | 33 Variety of macaque | 34 Gumbo base | 36 Music transition | 37 Ceremony | 38 Canyon phenomenon | 39 Lowly worker | 40 Author Stoker | 42 Encountered | 43 "— was saying ..." | 44 Mess up | 45 Bill |

DOWN

- 1 \$ dispenser
2 Vast expense
3 Storyteller in court
4 Detox center
5 Terrible guy?

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

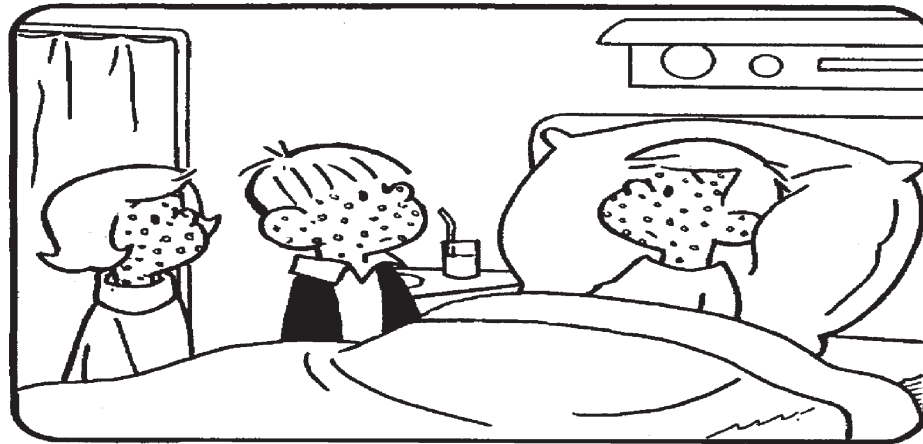
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

- ◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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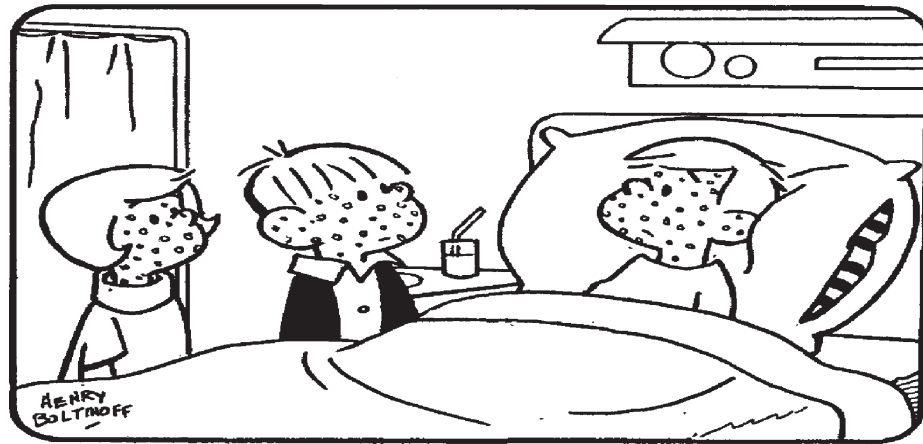
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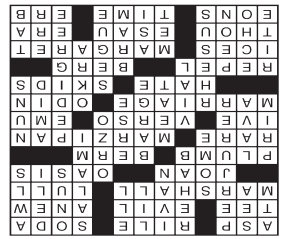
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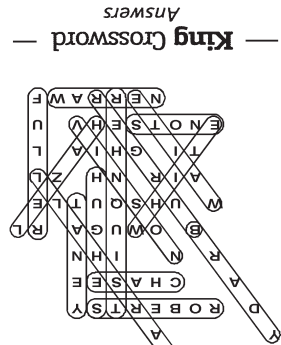
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Button is added. 2. Straw is moved. 3. Pillow is different. 4. Hair is different. 5. Knob is moved. 6. Sleeve is shorter.



Solution time: 27 mins.



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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

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

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

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIBU CPPL XPVME ZPV VTF UP

GJOE XPSET UIBU BSF OPU USVF?

B GJDUJPO-BSZ.

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

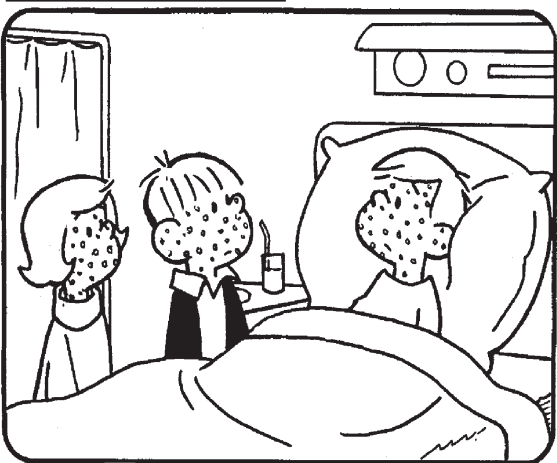
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| 1. Georgia's crop | ___ A ___ | Sit like a bird | ___ R ___ |
| 2. Narcissism | V ___ | Mental health | S ___ |
| 3. City official | ___ Y ___ | Frank Burns' rank | ___ J ___ |
| 4. Football maneuver | ___ A ___ | What we do to Elmo | ___ I ___ |
| 5. Rosie's target | ___ T | Danube or Nile | ___ R |
| 6. Forest clearing | ___ D | Dirty look | ___ R |
| 7. Crime fighters | ___ C | Mannerly | ___ T |
| 8. Sheindlin or Mathis | J ___ | Poke with the elbow | N ___ |
| 9. Petrify | ___ A ___ | Get a touchdown | ___ O ___ |
| 10. Be of importance | ___ A ___ | Grumble quietly | ___ U ___ |

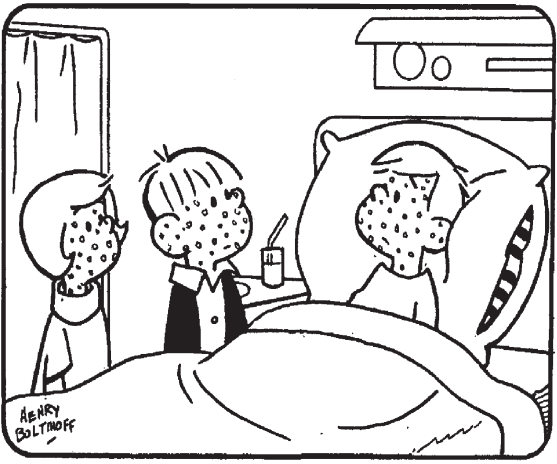
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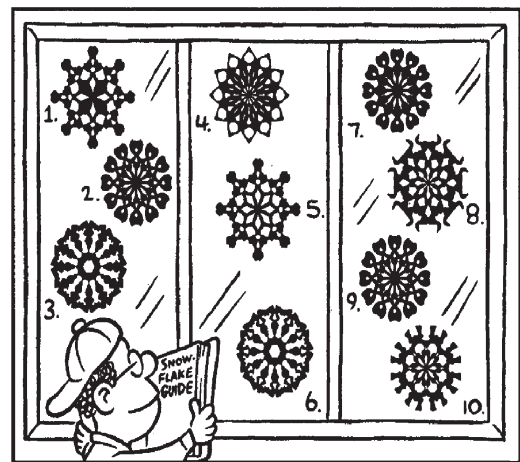
BY HENRY BOLTNOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Button is added. 2. Straw is moved. 3. Pillow is different. 4. Hair is different. 5. Knob is shorter. 6. Sleeve is shorter. 7. Anteroom. 8. Brakeman. 9. Pastrami. 10. Complaint. 11. Rummaged. 12. Mantilla. 13. Imperial.



A FLAKY PROBLEM! Unlike nature, two of the snowflakes hanging in this school window are exactly alike. Can you spot them in less than a minute? Don't melt under this time pressure.
Answer: 2 and 9

BRAIN TEASER! One night, two fathers and two sons played poker. When the game was over, there were three dollars in chips to be split up. Each player received exactly one dollar. How was this possible?
There were only three players: grandfather, father and son.

IT'S MAGIC! Use the numbers three through 18 to fill in this Magic Number Square. The numbers in each horizontal row and vertical column should total 42. We've filled in the numbers 15 through 18. The rest is up to you. Use trial and error -- and a good eraser!

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|----|----|----|----|
| | | 16 | |
| 15 | | | |
| | 18 | | |
| | | | 17 |

First row: 10, 13, 16, 3. Second row: 15, 4, 9, 14. Third row: 5, 18, 11, 8. Fourth row: 12, 7, 6, 17.

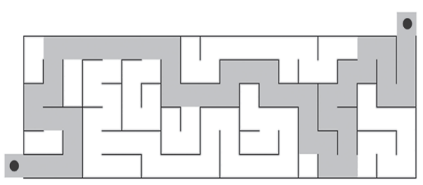
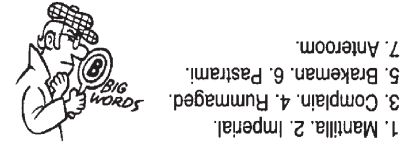
Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

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| 1. | M | | | | | A |
| 2. | | M | | | | A |
| 3. | | | M | | A | |
| 4. | | | | M | A | |
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| 7. | A | | | | | M |

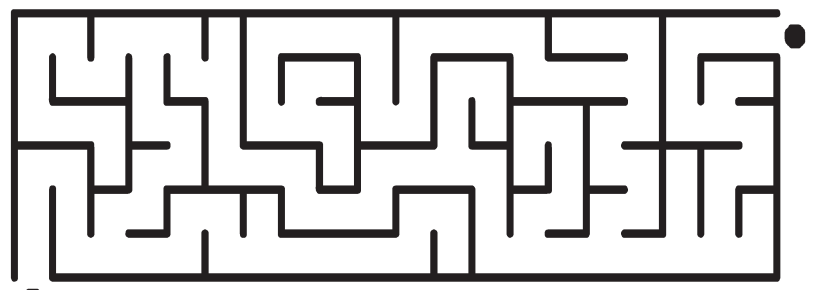
FIND THE BIG WORDS!
Using the clues below, find the seven eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. The letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

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|------------------------|------------------|
| Definitions: | Anagrams: |
| 1. Spanish scarf | malt + nail |
| 2. Of an empire | amir + pile |
| 3. Express resentment | lamp + coin |
| 4. Searched thoroughly | game + drum |
| 5. Railroad worker | mane + bark |
| 6. New York sandwich | mast + pair |
| 7. Waiting area | tome + roan |



Kids' Maze Solution

Kids' Maze



- Even Exchange** answers
- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Peach, Perch | 6. Glade, Clare |
| 2. Vanity, Sanity | 7. Police, Polite |
| 3. Mayor, Major | 8. Judge, Nudge |
| 4. Tackle, Tickle | 9. Scare, Score |
| 5. Rivet, River | 10. Matter, Mutter |

What book would you use to find words that are not true? A fiction-ary.

Super Crossword

**CONTINUING
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Shred
 - 6 To another country
 - 12 Buster Brown's dog
 - 16 Mexican article
 - 19 University of Maine's city
 - 20 News anchor Katie
 - 21 Arduous task
 - 22 Not be idle
 - 23 Discoverer of Uranus ... and "The Office" co-star
 - 26 Spoil
 - 27 "Orinoco Flow" singer
 - 28 Sea, to Luc
 - 29 Buenos —
 - 30 Commanded
 - 31 PCs on planes, often
 - 33 Long-range German gun of WWI ... and "Apollo 13" Oscar nominee
 - 37 Letter #3
 - 38 Bern's river
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Soap Opera Update

By Dana Jackson

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Hope broke down in front of Brooke about what she witnessed between Steffy and Liam. She also informed her that Douglas was her hero. Steffy tried telling Liam that Thomas pulled some strings to get what he wanted. Steffy and Ridge were worried about the outcome of the upcoming Forrester fashion showdown after seeing Sally's designs. Sally panicked that she would be fired. Shauna encouraged Flo to go after Wyatt even though he was engaged to Sally. Ridge confessed to Brooke about his shared kisses with Shauna. Wyatt conveyed to Flo that he and his family thought she did a remarkable thing by donating her kidney to Katie. Quinn eavesdropped on a private conversation between Eric and Brooke. Shauna told Ridge that she would always be there for him. Katie made a plea for forgiveness to her family. Brooke and Quinn declared war upon each other. **Wait to See:** Quinn receives some bad news from Eric.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Clyde suggested to Ben that they break

out of prison. Hattie caused complications for Kate. "Steve" revealed his true identity to Kristen. Ciara was blown away when Xander and Victor's secret was revealed. Abigail was surprised to find "Steve" with Kristen. Chad grew suspicious of Kate. Eli proposed to Gabi. Gina and Stefano devised a new plot to break up John and Marlena. Abe was stunned when Eli filled him in on Lani. Armed with a hidden agenda, JJ paid Gabi a visit. Julie had some bold advice for Kayla. "Steve" persuaded John to leave town with him to hunt down Stefano. JJ attempted to disable Gabi's pacemaker app. Lani enlisted Kristen's help. Kayla and Rafe compared notes on Hope. Xander demanded to know what Ciara was going to do now that she knew the truth. Sonny visited Will in prison. Eric and Sarah received more bad news about Mickey. **Wait to See:** Sonny has a surprising proposal for Will.

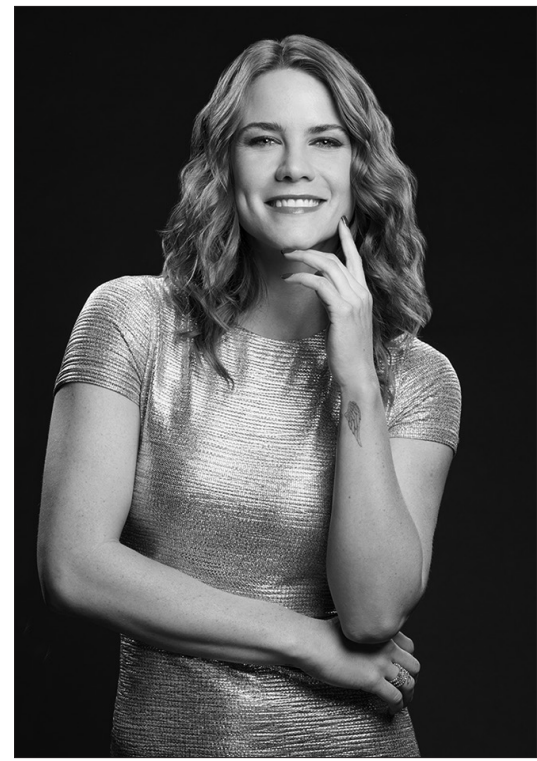
GENERAL HOSPITAL

Jason became very suspicious. Spinelli reunited with Maxie. Alexis learned the whole story. Brook Lynn had a big surprise. Dustin's past created an obstacle. Tracy reminded Ned of what was impor-

tant. Chase was called to break up a fight. Lulu fished for information. Nelle made a shocking confession. Tracy tried to bury the hatchet with Olivia. Lulu wanted to know more. Sonny planned a road trip. Carly saw through Nelle. Ava got ready for an adventure. Tracy blamed Michael. Julian visited Brad. Gladys supported Sonny's decision. Carly had a change of heart. Lulu ran out of patience. Sonny felt on edge. Brad had a rude awakening. **Wait to See:** Willow is concerned for Wiley's safety.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Nikki gave Victoria some sound advice. Devon stood firm. Sharon opened up to Rey. Nick grilled Chance about his past. Billy sought advice from an old friend. Phyllis turned on the charm with Chance. Victor set the record straight with Adam. Nikki questioned Chelsea's motives. Tensions rose between Summer and Lola. Nikki made a surprise announcement. Adam conspired with Chance. **Wait to See:** Phyllis suffers a setback.



Courtney Hope is "Sally" on "The Bold and the Beautiful." Photo credit: Cliff Lipson/CBS

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Senior News Line

By Matilda Charles

Deciding Where to Retire

Bankrate's study of the best and worst states for retirement pegs Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota and Florida as the top five. It's easy to just take a list such as this and call the movers, but it's the details that matter.

All 50 states in the study were ranked in terms of affordability, crime, culture, weather and wellness.

Nebraska, at the top of the list, had a rating of only 14 for affordability but did well on the other criteria.

Missouri, third on the list, was No. 1 for affordability, but only average or below average ratings on the other benchmarks.

Kentucky, at No. 6, came in at a respectable 9 for both affordability and crime. Its downfall was culture, which rated only a 46.

At the bottom of the list, while New York scored very high for culture, it had the worst affordability rating.

So, how to decide where to retire? Not with a list like this. To pinpoint a location where you'll be happy in retirement, you need to get to know the area in person.

Go there. Stay as long as you can, at least through a vacation. Make contacts. Call real estate agents and tour homes to see what you can get in your price range. Contact the medical center and see if they have what you need. (Check Hospital Compare on medicare.gov.) Read the local newspaper.

Visit the police department and ask

about crime, as opposed to believing a study. Check the nearest college for senior classes. Drive around and look for depressed areas. Is there a senior center with interesting activities?

Do the math. Can you afford your new location? Are there part-time work options if you need more money?

Deciding where to retire really does mean visiting the location and doing your homework.

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To Your Good Health

By Keith Roach, M.D.

Is Overexercise Cause of 'Knots in the Back'?

DEAR DR. ROACH: My wife is 69 and in very good health, exercising at least two hours a day. She has suffered from "knots in the back" for over 10 years. It is extremely painful, often bringing her to tears. It comes on suddenly at any time of the day or night, and lasts hours, days and occasionally weeks. She has been to several physicians, whose recommendations are to "live with it." She has tried chiropractic, massage therapy, prescription and OTC painkillers, stretching and home massage, all to no avail. I cannot see the knots, but I can feel a tightness when I attempt to rub them out, which usually does nothing. A glass of wine is the only reliable relief, and it lasts only a few hours. Is there any recourse to this condition? -- J.P.

ANSWER: I am sure you and your wife must be frustrated.

The fact that it comes on suddenly, can be felt as tightness and gets a bit better with alcohol makes me strongly suspect she is having muscle spasms. These

most often come on in the legs and feet, but they can affect the back too.

Two hours a day of exercising sounds like a lot, and she may be overexercising some muscles, while possibly not exercising others. This can lead to imbalances in muscle strength.

Another common problem stemming from exercising is inadequate stretching. Stretching is the first place to start for many people with muscle cramps. A physical therapist or physiatrist may be of immense benefit, and your wife should explain in detail what her exercise regimen is. We are taught to think carefully of the mechanism of injury, and I am concerned the exercise may be that injury.

Abnormalities in electrolytes (blood salts, especially potassium, sodium, magnesium and phosphate) are only rarely the cause, although many people write me that they have been helped by taking one or more of these. Primary muscle diseases, side effects from medications and inadequate hydration are possible, but also unlikely.

In absence of detailed knowledge about her exercise regimen, I'd recommend she try backing off a bit, maybe using ice after exercise, stretching the back under supervision and trying a hot

bath or shower before bed.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a 78-year-old who runs 15-20 miles per week, with prostate gland enlargement and reduced urinary frequency with occasional use of Advil. As a runner, I have been reluctant to make ibuprofen a daily regimen because I have read that inflammation is part of the body's response to tissue damage, which is crucial to the healing process and is important for muscle growth. When ibuprofen's anti-inflammatory effect reduces symptoms, does it affect the healing process also? Can you comment on the pros and cons for runners? -- B.M.

ANSWER: High-dose ibuprofen was shown to inhibit muscle protein synthesis following weightlifting exercise. This led to a suspicion that it might impair the gains in muscle strength that are made with exercise. However, a Canadian study showed that moderate doses of ibuprofen (400 mg after exercise) did not impair muscle growth or gains in strength. It should not adversely affect your performance in running.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN this 15th DAY of January, 2020
The City of Byron's Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing Meeting to consider the following:
A request from Tim Hayden, JTH Storage, LLC to do a re-subdivision of 1360 Kysor Dr., PIN #05-33-101-006, in the city of Byron, Ogle County Illinois. The split will result in two separate parcels, lot #7 & #8. The resultant parcels will need variances for setbacks and an access easement to accommodate turning movements.
Lot #7- south side bldg setback : currently 8.4 feet, 25' feet by ordinance.
Lot #8 - north side bldg setback : 7.9' feet , 25'

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Rear bldg.. setback: 18'
feet, 25' by ordinance.
South bldg. setback : 18'
feet, 25' by ordinance
Those requesting additional information may contact the City of Byron Building and Zoning Department
All persons in attendance at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. The proposed Zoning Code is on file and available for examination at the Byron City Hall, 232 W. Second St., Byron, Illinois.
The public hearing shall be held on the 13th day of February, A.D., 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Byron City Council Chambers, 232 W. 2nd Street, Byron, IL 61010.
CITY OF BYRON, A Municipal Corporation
John Rickard, Mayor
No. 0120 (Jan. 20)

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Section 8 Program
Project Based Assistance Program

The Ogle County Housing Authority seeks competitive proposals from qualified applicants (owners, developers and/or project sponsors) to offer and expand affordable housing opportunities for low and moderately low income families. Twenty-Five vouchers are available to the community under Section 8 Project Based Voucher Program.
All Interested parties may obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal by contacting the following:
Ogle County Housing Authority
200 W. Washington St.
Suite 100
Oregon, IL 61061
Attn: David Ditzler, Executive Director
815-732-1301
dditzler@oglecounty-housing.org
RFP guidelines will be available beginning Monday, January 20, 2020.
Proposals are due on Friday February 28, 2020 at 1:00 pm CST to the above address.
No. 0117 (Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ogle County Housing Authority has developed paperwork related to its Five-Year and Annual Agency Plan "Process" and Five-year Capital Fund Program budgets for Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 in compliance with current HUD regulations. They are available for review at the Authority's Office located at 200 Washington Street, Suite 100, Oregon, IL. The office is open Monday through Friday between 8:00AM and 4:30PM. A public hearing will be held on March 11, 2020 at the Authority's office at 12:00 PM.
No. 0116 (Jan. 20, 27)

PUBLIC NOTICE
2020
NOTICE OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

To All Owners And Occupiers Of Lands Lying Within The Boundaries Of The Ogle County Soil And Water Conservation District:
Notice is hereby given that an Election will be held on the 20th day of February, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the USDA Service Center, 1213 W. Pines Road, Suite 3, Oregon, IL. Three (3) Directors will be elected to serve the Ogle County Soil and Water Conservation District of the State of Illinois.
All persons, firms or corporations who hold legal title or are in legal possession of any land lying within the boundaries of the said district are eligible to vote at said election, whether as lessee, renter, tenant or otherwise.
Only such persons, firms or corporations are eligible to vote.
Marcia Heuer, Chairperson

Ogle County Soil and Water Conservation District
DATE: 15th day of January, 2020.
No. 0115 (Jan. 20, Feb. 3)

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Byron Fire Protection District is accepting bids for Station Lighting Energy Savings Upgrade at both our Main Station and Training Site. The detailed specifications must be obtained by contacting Michele Trzcinski-Ramos at mjtrzcinski@es-il.org or by calling 815-234-4911, ext. 4470 and asking for them to be faxed or e-mailed. Prevailing wage must be followed. You can view the current Prevailing Wage Schedule for Ogle County, prepared by the Illinois Department of Labor, by visiting www2.illinois.gov and search for Prevailing Wage Rates. Bids must be received in a sealed envelope, prominently marked "SEALED BID FOR Station Lighting Energy Savings Upgrade" with the Name and Address of the Bidder. Sealed Bids MUST be

received on or before Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the office of the Fire Chief Phil De Mik, 123 N Franklin Street, Byron, IL 61010. Bid opening: Sealed bids will be publicly opened at the Byron Fire Protection District Headquarters, 123 N Franklin Street, Byron, IL 61010, on January 29, at 3:00 pm. The bids will be read aloud and recorded.
The Byron Fire Protection District Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject in part or in whole any bid submitted and to make award(s) in the best interest of the Byron Fire Protection District.
No. 0114 (Jan. 20)

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Byron Fire Protection District is accepting bids for a Station Surveillance System at both our Main Station and Training Site. The detailed specifications must be obtained by contacting Michele Trzcinski-Ramos at mjtrzcinski@es-il.org or by calling

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No. 0113 (Jan. 20)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Sealed bids will be received for the following sections by the Ogle County Highway Department, Oregon, Illinois, until 2:00 P.M. February 7, 2020 for:
1. 20-XX000-00-GM Furnish and Spread 2020 Township MFT Aggregate
2. 20-XX000-00-GM Furnish and Apply 2020 Township MFT Calcium Chloride
3. 20-XX000-00-GM Furnish and deliver 2020 Township MFT Pipe Supply
4. 2020 County Pipe
5. 20-00000-04-GM County Crack Sealing
Proposals are available at the Ogle County Highway

Department, 1989 South IL Rt 2, Oregon, IL between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. Monday - Friday.
The Road and Bridge Committee reserves the right to accept or reject all or all bids.
No. 0111 (Jan. 20, 27)

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT) STATE OF ILLINOIS CIRCUIT COURT OGLE COUNTY
Request of: Amy Lynn Henkel
Case No. 2020 MR7
There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: Amy Lynn Henkel to the new name of: Amy Lynn Zbinden Henkel. The court date will be held on Mar. 6, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at 106 S. 5th Street, Oregon, IL in Courtroom #304.
/s/ Amy L. Henkel

103 AUCTIONS

LAND AUCTION
330 Acres MOL
Ogle County Farm Land

Thursday February 6th, 2020
10:00 AM

Land Location: , 5922 E Holcomb Rd., Oregon IL These parcels are all located in the same area and are adjacent. **For more information, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-562-5113 or 815-739-9150.**

Auction Location: For your comfort & convenience this auction will be held offsite, indoors at the **Bearrows Auction Center, 10786 E Fowler Rd., Rochelle IL 61068** Watch for Bearrows Real Estate & Auction signs off Rt. #251 & Flagg Blacktop just North of Rochelle IL **Visit our web site at www.bearrows.com for further information & full color pictures, or Contact Auctioneer John Bearrows for more information.**

Auctioneers Note: This property will be offered in several parcels from 6.5 to 195 acres. Parcels will be tillable, some pastureland, and a home site with cattle facility, and an impeccably maintained 50's ranch home. All announcements made day of the auction take precedence over any and all prior statements and or advertising.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS:

Parcel 1: Approx. 6.5 acre homesite with cattle feeding set-up, 3 silos, loafing shed and a 1900 Sq Ft Story and 1/2 home, Very well Kept.; **Parcel 2:** Approx. 195 Acres, without any improvements, and a PI# 125 **Parcel 3:** Approx. 20 acre recreational site with Creek, some tillable land, and access from Holcomb Rd. **Parcel 4:** 37 Acres+- with access on the North edge across Tract 5 onto Stillman Blacktop. This parcel is located West of parcel 5 and has a PI# 135 **Parcel 5:** 37+- Acres with access on Stillman Blacktop. This parcel is located East of parcel 4 and has a PI# 134

TERMS AND CONDITION OF SALE: A minimum deposit of 10% of the purchase price in the form of cash, certified check, bank draft or personal check shall be made by the successful Bidder(s) on the day of sale for parcels 2,3,4 & 5 or any combination of them. The homesite, parcel 1, will be \$5,000.00 down. At such time, the successful Bidder(s) shall enter into purchase contract. On or before **March 18th, 2020**, the Buyer(s) shall pay the balance of the purchase price in full. A copy of the purchase contract will be available for inspection at the closing desk on the day of the auction, or by contacting the auctioneer. **POSSESSION:** Buyer(s) to receive full possession of all parcels upon closing. The current tenant has interest in renting this property back for 2020 season, should the buyer need someone to operate it. **TAXES:** Seller(s) pays all 2019 Taxes due in 2020, in the form of credit at closing based upon the latest available information. No further pro-rations will be made after closing. **SURVEY & DEED:** Seller(s) will provide survey, commitment letter of title insurance in the amount of the purchase price and stamped Trustee's deed to Buyer(s) at time of closing **SALE ORDER: Sale Order:** We will offer all Parcels separately, followed by the combination of 1&2, and the combination of 4 & 5

Owner: John & Jennifer Kruse
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103 AUCTIONS

LAND AUCTION
155 Acres MOL
(Offered in Two Parcels)
Ogle County Farm Land

Thursday February 20th, 2020
10:00 AM

Land Location: This Farm is located at 4756 & 4780 S Center Rd., Rochelle IL 61068 - These parcels are located adjacent to the addresses above. No Building sites included with this auction. This auction will be held indoors off site. **For more information, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-562-5113 or 815-739-9150.**

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Auctioneers Note: This property will be offered in two parcels, both approx. 77.5 Acres without any buildings. These two parcels are in a great location and have very good productivity. All announcements made day of the auction take precedence over any and all prior statements and or advertising.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS: Parcel 1: Approx. 77 Acres, all tillable, with a PI# 126; **Parcel 2:** Approx 77Acres, all tillable, with a PI# 123 **Sale Order:** We will offer parcel 1, followed by parcel 2, followed by the combination of 1 & 2 totaling approx. 155 Acres.

TERMS: A minimum deposit of 10% of the purchase price in the form of cash, certified check, bank draft or personal check shall be made by the successful Bidder(s) on the day of sale for parcels 1, 2 or the combination of them. At such time, the successful Bidder(s) shall enter into purchase contract. On or before **April 1, 2020**, the Buyer(s) shall pay the balance of the purchase price in full. A copy of the purchase contract will be available for inspection at the closing desk on the day of the auction, or by contacting the auctioneer. **POSSESSION:** Buyer(s) to receive full possession of both parcels upon closing. The current tenant has interest in renting this property back for 2020 season, should the buyer need someone to operate it. **TAXES:** Seller(s) pays all 2019 Taxes due in 2020, in the form of credit at closing based upon the latest available information. No further pro-rations will be made after closing. **NOTE:** All announcements given on the day of sale shall take precedence over any, and/or all previous advertising or descriptions. The method, order of sale and bidding increments shall be at the sole discretion of the auctioneer. This auction will be recorded.

SURVEY & DEED: Seller(s) will provide certified survey, commitment letter of title insurance in the amount of the purchase price and stamped Trustee's deed to Buyer(s) at time of closing. **BIDDING:** Bidding on both parcels will be on a per acre basis, with the final sale price based upon surveyed acres. **BIDDERS:** Bidder(s) should rely upon their own inspections and not upon any description or nomenclature of the auctioneer. Seller(s) assume no liability for errors or omissions in this or any other property listing, advertising, promotion or publicity statements and material. Although information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable, the aforementioned Seller(s) make no guarantee as to accuracy of the information herein contained or in any other property listing or advertising.

Owner: Dutcher Trust - Rochelle IL
Attorney For The Seller:

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305 GARAGE SALES

Household goods Sale:
Proceeds go to
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Jan 23rd & 24th
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Saturday Jan 25th,
9-noon.
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Mt. Morris

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Applications may be picked up at and returned to: The Byron Police Department, 232 W. Second Street. Applications will be accepted until February 28, 2020.

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Applicants must be able to pass the State of Illinois P.O.W.E.R. Test.

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No. 0110 (Jan. 13, 20 27)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Public Notice is hereby given that on January 2, 2020, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Magnolia Sweets & Co., 113 N. 4th Street, Oregon, IL 61061. Dated: January 2, 2020
 Laura J. Cook,
 Ogle County Clerk
 No. 0108 (Jan. 13, 20, 27)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE)
 MATTER)
 OF THE)No.
 ESTATE)2019
 OF:)P 101
 RALPH F.)
 COFFMAN,)
 deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE
 NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of RALPH F. COFFMAN of German Valley, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on December 27, 2019, to

JULIA E. COFFMAN, whose attorney is David A. Smith, of Smith, Birkholz & O'Brien, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P.O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010. CLAIMS against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Oregon, Illinois, 61061, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication of this Notice, or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed within that 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 10 days after the claim has been filed.
 JULIA E. COFFMAN
 Independent Administrator
 No. 0107 (Jan. 13, 20, 27)

101 LEGAL NOTICE

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105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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113 FINANCIAL

NOTICE Advance Fee Loans or Credit Offers Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit before you get it. For more information, call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP. A public service message from

203 HELP WANTED




Byron Forest Preserve District

Byron Forest Preserve District

JOB NOTICE

Full-Time Golf Course Mechanic/Asst. Superintendent at PrairieView Golf Club

The Byron Forest Preserve District is accepting applications for the position of Golf Course Mechanic/Assistant Superintendent for Prairie View Golf Club. The ideal candidate will have experience as a full-time golf course mechanic, be a well-organized and self-motivated team individual, and have a desire to learn. Must be able to prioritize and repair all turf equipment, and have a working knowledge of gasoline, diesel, electric and hydraulic systems, as well as reel cutting units. The position will also be responsible for general golf course mowing, course set up and irrigation repair. Must obtain Illinois Pesticide License. This is a year-round, full-time salaried position. Total compensation offered is between \$50,000 - \$65,000. The Byron Forest Preserve District offers a competitive benefits package, which includes excellent health and pension plans. To see the full job description and/or to apply for this position, please go to www.byronforestpreserve.com, click the "About" section then click the "Employment" section to print an employment application. Please send a cover letter, completed application, and resume to Mike Brown, Asst. Superintendent at PrairieView Golf Club, P.O. Box 1075, Byron, IL 61010 or by email to mikeb@prairieview-golf.com.

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119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

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201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

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WINTER SPORTS

Byron High School



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First row from left: Chandler Binkley, Aydin Lambert, Nate Dyck, Ryer Christian
 Second row from left: Josiah Fetherston, Alex Murphy, Riley Brace, Oliver Jones, Will White
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Boys JV Basketball

First row from left: Chandler Binkley, Ethan Palzkill, Nick Kesler, Jordan Croegaert
 Second row from left: Head Ray McCracken, Isiah Gooden, Caleb McNeal, Jack Lorenz, Evan Potter



Boys Freshman Basketball

First row from left: Brayden King, Hayden Swartz, Charley Mershon, Cole Salisbury
 2nd Row - Head Coach Ryan Fiorucci, Jordan Croegaert, Nick Kesler, Brayden Baker, Logan Green

Byron High School



Girls Varsity Basketball

Front Row from left: Morgan Salisbury, Paige Bukoski
 Middle Row from left: Alan Julian, Kate Mumma, Grace Kultgen, Kya Logston
 Top Row from left: Coach McMullen, Ashley Dunham, Izzie McKinley, Ella Grundtrom, Ava Kultgen, Abbie McKinley, Coach Yerly
 Back: Coach Suess



Girls JV Basketball

Front Row from left: Mikaleh Freedlund, Prezely Eisele, Sydney Smith
 Middle Row from left: Anika Rousch, Alana Julian, Maia Carlson, Brittyn Bielskis, Sydney Criddle
 Top Row from left: Coach Suess, Lauren Carlson, Addyson Meyers, Whitney Shank, Ava Kultgen, Estelle Jones

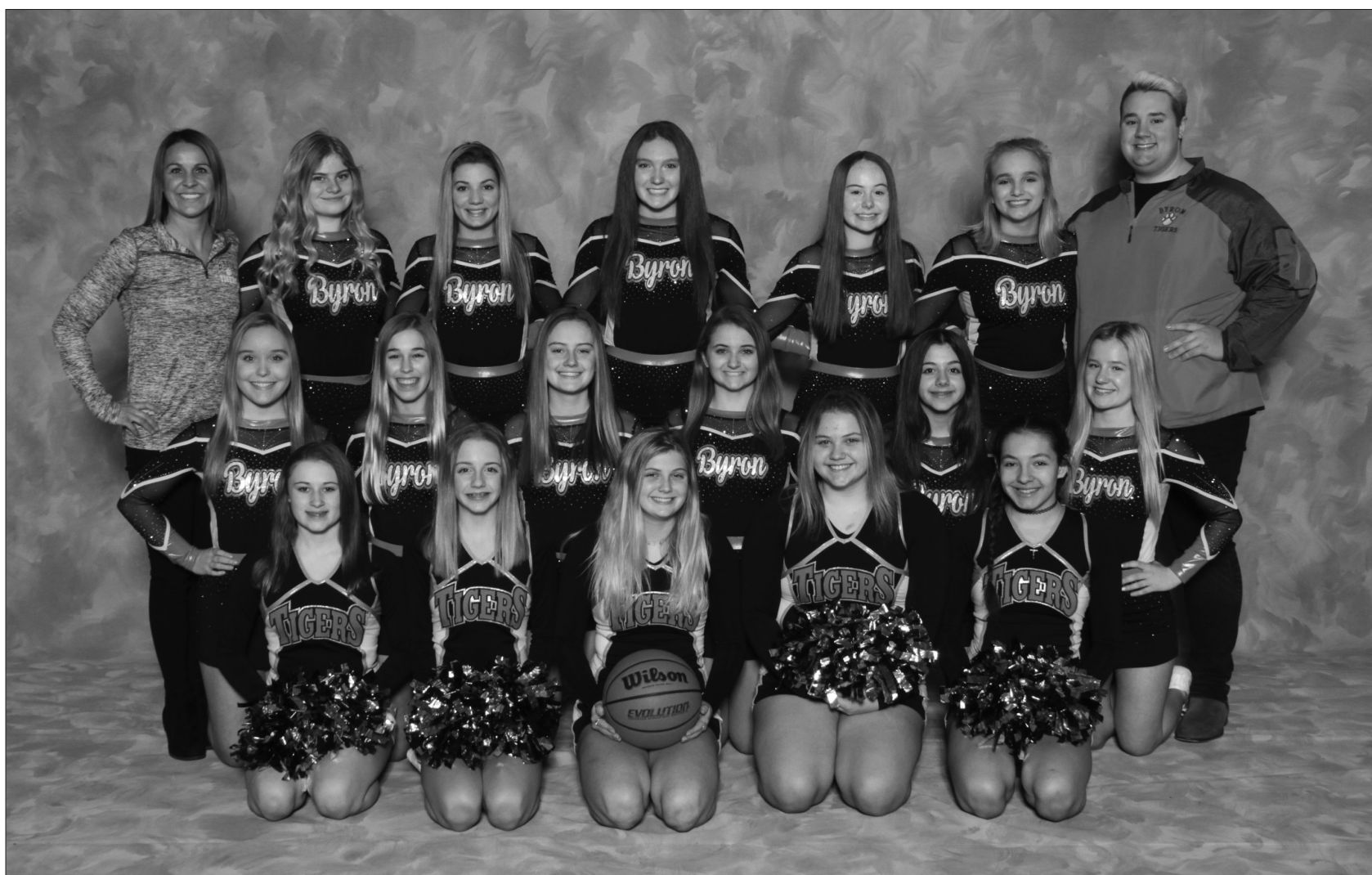
Byron High School



Boys Swim Team

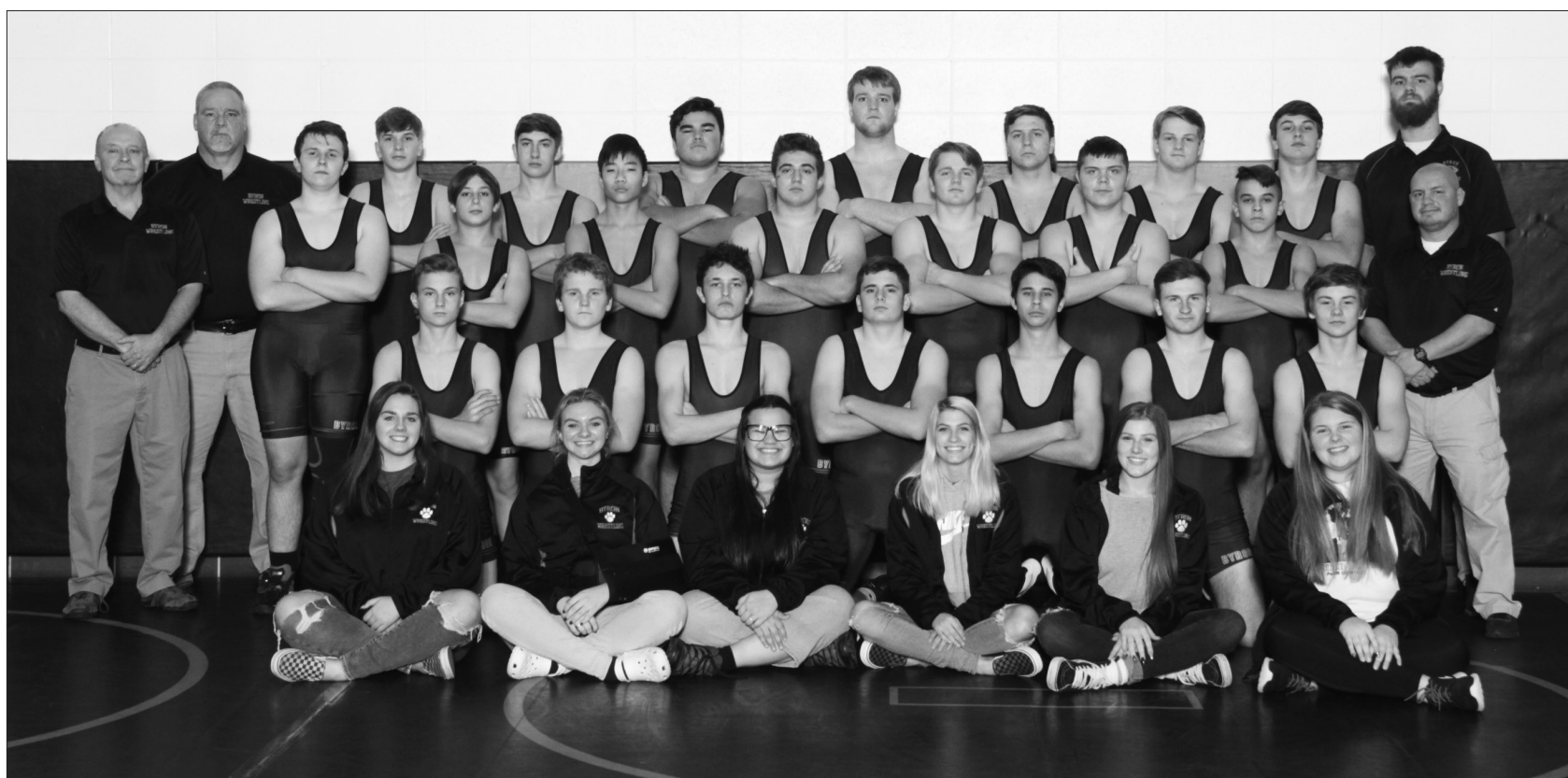
Front Row from left: Carson Faley, Caleb Weekly, Andrew Juric, Levi Schamper
Second Row from left: Nolan Stoll, Adam Goelitz, Tyson Politsch
Third Row from left: Coach Stewart, Coach Kilmer

Byron High School



Cheerleading

First Row from left: Madison Moser, Madison Lindquist, Sami Bitz, Malayna Morgan, Jada Rico
Second Row from left: Addie Ebersohl, Chloe Scullion, Ella Fleeger, Luci Satti, Keslee Hawthorne, Grace Abrahams
Third Row from left: Coach Emily Hoppe, Courtney Stonecipher, Josslyn Laurence, Kylee Klein, Emmalyn Rehberg, Kacy White and Coach Nick Peterson



Wrestling

Front Row from left: Riley Jarrett, Natalie Ketter, Madeleine Brass, Kathryn Wombacher, Ryann Wombacher, Alex Cassens
Second Row from left: James Cone, Colton Wieck, Gabe Bauer, Jacob Kann, Yon Zirk, Ethan Bonnell, Jacob McQueary
Third Row from left: Coach Jeff Billeter, Collin Hardy, Callum Abbasi, Devin Reed, Louie Crestsinger, Andrew Claunch, Michael McClelland, Jeremiah Poulsen, Coach David Norris
Back Row from left: Head Coach Mike Elsbury, Coy Lind, Joey Saviano, Nick Brass, Tyler Elsbury, Peyton Lind, Josh Johnson, Eli Ingram, Coach Nick Elsbury

Polo High School



Boys Varsity Basketball

Back Row from left: Coach Matt Messer, Logan Kindle, Scott Prerost, Kahlil Sankey, Tucker Mumford, Jace Coffey, Jesse Powell, Cooper Blake, Jakob Kindle
Front Row from left: Brody Glawe, Parker Wolber, Colton Gunder, Bennett Soltow, Gavin Zell, Tyler Merdian, and Joey Bardell.



Girls Varsity Basketball

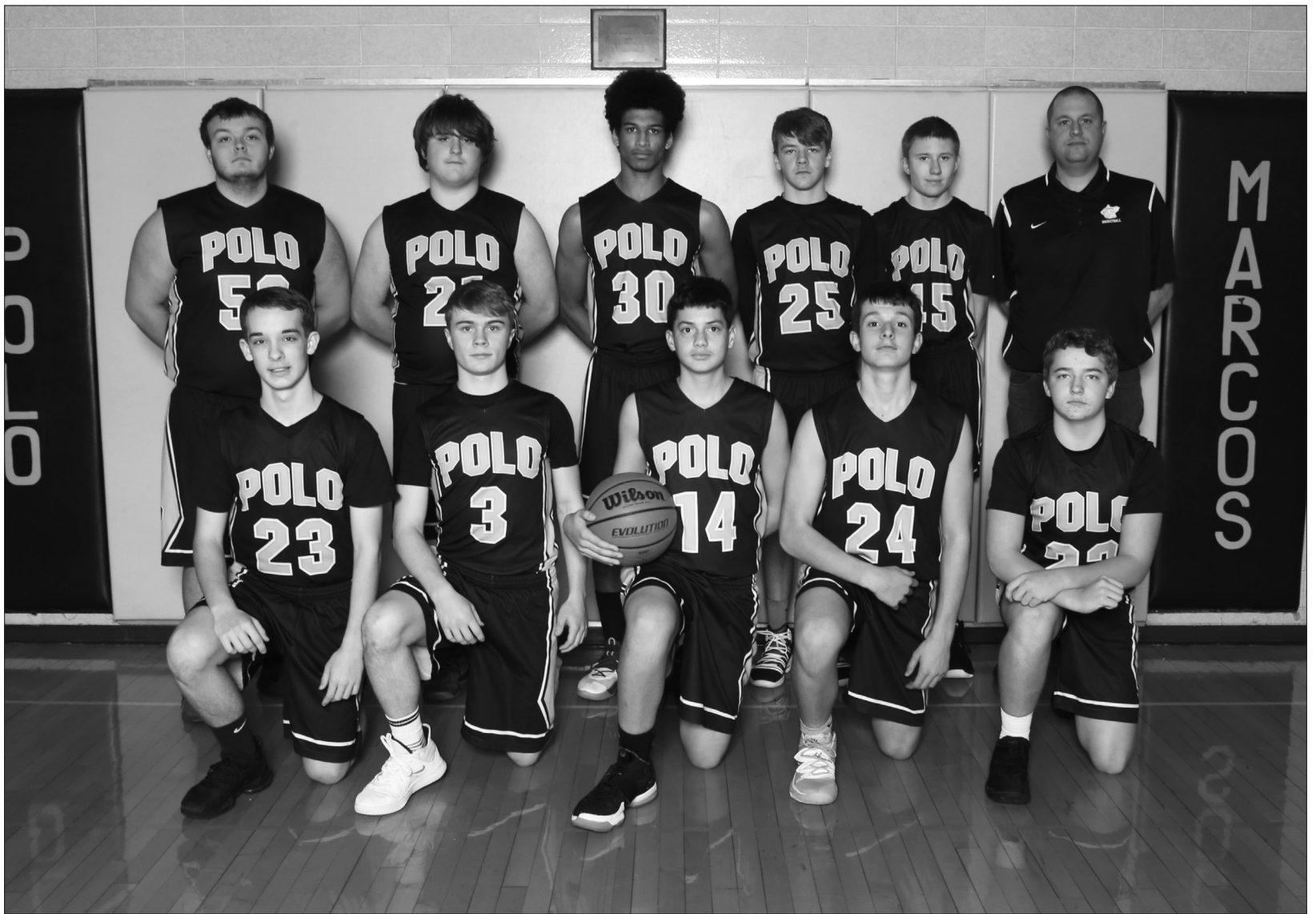
Back Row from left: Harper Clark, Marah Blake, Natalie Nelson, Lindee Poper, Becca Wagner, Addy Grobe, Alex Dusing, Coach Jeff Grobe.
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Front Row from left: Cayden Webster, Spencer Scott, Quintin Blunt, Tyler Merdian, Brady Wolber.



Girls Fresh/Soph Basketball

Back Row from left: Teah Almasy, Jasmyn Ludewig, Breanne Cox, Lindee Poper, Maddi Jones, Bekah Zeigler, Coach Kyle Knutti
Front Row from left: Anna Faivre, Annalise Stamm, Emileigh Williams, Kadence Sheaffer, Courtney Bushman, Laura Wright

Polo High School



Cheerleading

Fifth Row from left: Assistant Coach Lauren Rhodes, Ashia Maginnis, Katie Cavanaugh, Brooke Florin, Coach Betsy Scott
 Fourth Row from left: Natalie McDuffy, Braelyn Velez, Jasmine Badon, Morgan McBride, Kealie Wilcox.
 Third Row from left: Emma Mooney-McCawley, Katy Hess, Hallee Boehle, Adrianna Wiggins, Kaylee Lowry,
 Second Row from left: Grace Gabaldon, Chelsey Weems, Emily Witmer, Amber Henson, Marta Vigo-Martinez, Coley Zeigler, Cynthia Calderon.
 First Row: Sadie Baumann



Wrestling

Third Row from left: Coach Ben Faivre, Coach Shawn Rucker, Daniel Engel, Lane Lindquist, Joel Ludewig, Devonte King-Black, Micheal Taylor, Coach Mason McKenna, Coach Jesse Culbertson.
 Second Row from left: Wyatt Queckboerner, Cole Faivre, Alex Davies, Marcus McKenna, Avery Grenoble, Blake Diehl, Nicholas Cain, Logan Lower.
 First Row from left: Devin Rucker, Connor Eubanks, Dimetri Garza, Noah Lindquist, Noah Johnson, McKeon Crase, Waylon Harris.

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Boys Varsity Basketball

First Row from left: Nathaniel Schone, Keshon Reed, Noah Campos, Jarrett Dietrich
 Second Row from left: Owen Ketter, Joshua Sitze, Trey Woolsey, Ryker Finch, Riley Birnbaum, Eli Rufer



Girls Varsity Basketball

First Row from left: Ryanne DeHaan, Megan Buttens
 Second Row from left: Olivia Lambrigtsen, Ashlyn Kitzmiller, Ella Martin, Breanna DeHaan, Samantha Bowers
 Third Row from left: Coach Wendy Lambrigtsen, Jadyne Bothe, Lauren Montavon, Kara Hodson, Jenae Bothe, Coach Seger Larson

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Boys JV Basketball

First Row from left: James King, Orion Gallentine, Isaac Nelson, Matthew Troha
Second Row from left: Kaden Wendt, Liam Dickson-Harriett, Alvaro Soler, Terrance Harris, Arnau Fastenrath
Third Row from left: Coach Adam Albrecht, Joey Gelandar, Issac Reber, Ryan Harkness, Jacob Vegliando, Hunter Buchanan



Girls JV Basketball

First Row from left:
Lena Trampel, Lorena Nava-Moyotl
Second Row from left:
Katlyn Ramirez, Deborah Smice, Madisyn Byerley, Samantha Bowers, Lily Gillingham
Third Row from left:
Coach Nordman, Kelsi Morris, Hadley Lutz, Liz Mois, Jadyne Bothe, Ashlyn Kitzmiller, Coach Rand

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Girls Fresh/Soph Basketball

First Row from left: Lena Trampel, Mia Trampel

Second Row from left: Mariah Drake, Kelsi Morris,
Avery Sellers, Katelyn Bowers, Mya Hernandez

Third Row from left: Coach Nordman, Hadley Lutz,
Ava Hackman, Emily Marshall, Taylar Rufer, Liz Mois,
Coach Rand

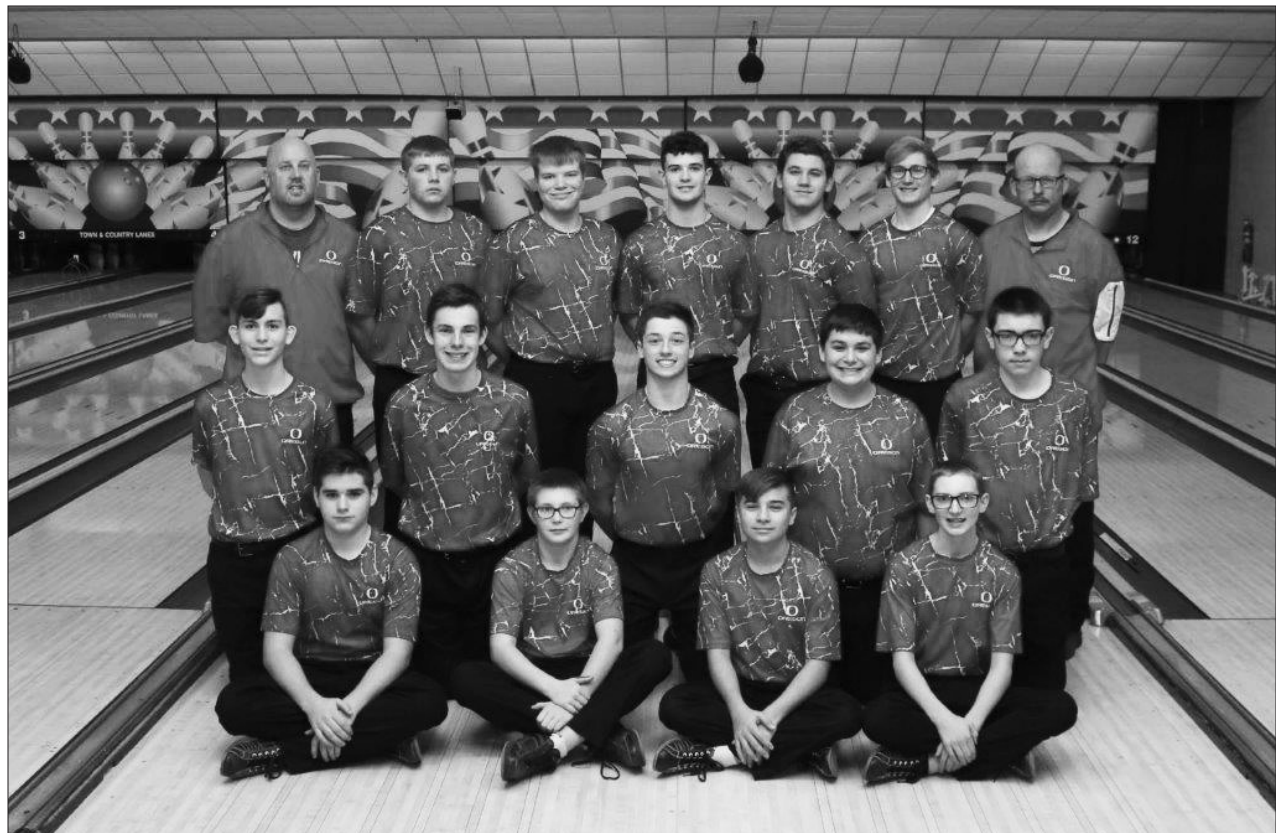
Boys Bowling

First Row from left: Alexander Hinshaw, Isaac
Kaltenbrun, Roberto Hernandez, Styler Klapp

Second Row from left: Brandon Rowe, Jackson Wer-
ren, Edwin Buttens, Barret Gruenberg, Bryan Immel

Third Row from left: Coach Eric Carlson, Kyle Strite,
Charlie Bachman, Jacob Smith, Tanner Clayton, Nico
Giuffre, Asst Coach Jeremy Meyers

Missing from photo: Jacob Davis



Girls Bowling

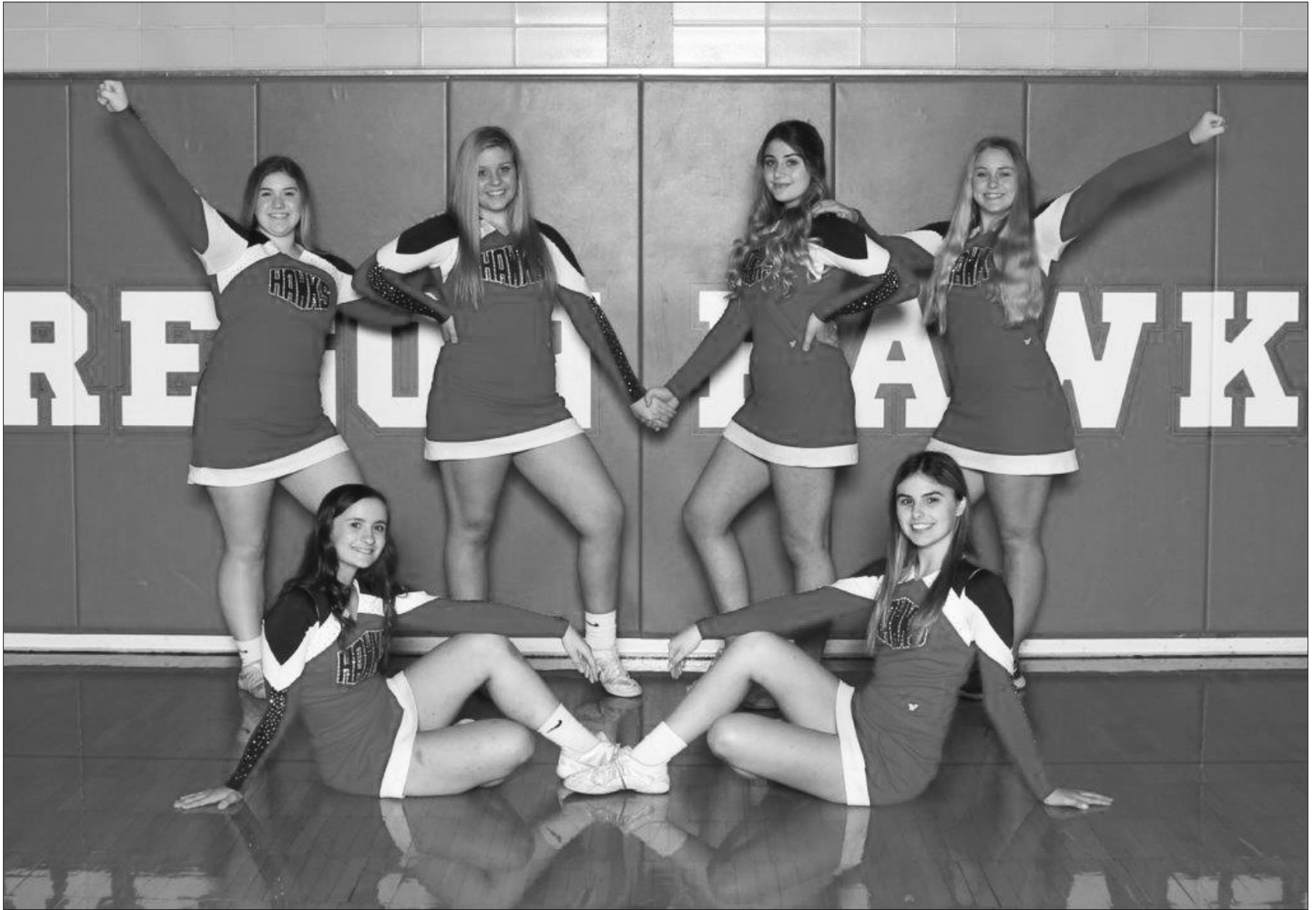
First Row from left: Sammantha Meyers, Elizabeth
Villarreal, Hannah Kaltenbrun, Ava Wight

Second Row from left: Coach Eric Carlson, Alysa
Conley, Rebecca Meyers, Mackenzie Brodkowicz, Asst
Coach Jeremy Meyers

Missing from photo: Paige Beauchem



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Competitive Cheer

First Row from left: Maya Key, AlexaLin Moses
Second Row from left: Ashley McCormick, Alexis Point, Claire Labash, Jessica Rowe
Missing from photo: Adam Hoskins



Wrestling

First Row from left: Elizabeth Ruter, Britta Schneider, Abigail Duke, Reilee Suter, Avery Salsbury, Laila Anderson, Emily Millan, Mandy Ferrari, Anna Withers, Megan Thompson, Elizza Easley
Second Row from left: Nicholas Beitel, Isaac Brooks, Seth Stevens, Miguel Vazquez, Sam Minnis, Andrew Herbst, Braydon Altherr, Sebastian Cardenas, Lane Halverson, Edwin Estrada, Grant Stender, Emmett Peterson, Gabe Eckerd
Third Row from left: Coach Steve Stender, Coach Dan Gale, Wayde Reimer, Ethan George, Jared Glendenning, Evan Flaharty, Brandon Hyde-Jones, Adam Glendenning, Daniel Dominguez, Joshua Batt, Jonathon Alaniz, Jokiah Sewell, Coach Lahman

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Boys Varsity Basketball

First Row from left: Griffin Britnell, David Wilhite, Daniel Goodman

Second Row from left: Evan Davidson, Kaden Viverito, Chad Gerig, Mason Jenings

Third Row from left: Coach John Noyes, Julian Benedict, Grant Ogden, Justin Fisher, Jacob Gaudreau, Micah Johnson, Coach Corey Jenkins.

Boys JV Basketball

First Row from left: Braden Shaw, Madix Barrett

Second Row from left: Nathan Lones, Griffin Britnell, David Wilhite, Payton Voltz

Third Row from left: Chris Seper, Evan Davidson, Coach Todd Henry, Ryan Nicklaus, Luke Zitkus

Not pictured: Philip Broski and Alex Rahn



Boys Freshman Basketball

First Row from left: Tony Martinez, Drake Stewart, Gage Eaton, Caleb Johnson, Brett Pierce, Harvey Pollock

Second Row from left: Lucas Meyer, Brady Connors, Kale Rauman, Blake Gutierrez, Nick Giddings, Jackson Snider

Third Row from left: Zach Keller, Philip Broski, Owen Dunseth, Coach Gavyn Nelson, Alex Rahn, Logan McKee, Brenin Hendricks



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Girls Varsity Basketball

First Row from left: Riley Rudis, Madison McCammond, Payton Barger, Alysa Morrison
Second Row from left; Georgia Ballard, Jenna Shelburne, Megan Gale
Third Row from left: Lexi Lichty, Faith Fowler, Coach Bob Mellon, Sr., Coach Bobby Mellon, Colleen Roberts, Kayla Boyd.
Not Pictured: Paige Broski



Girls JV Basketball

First Row from left: Riley Rudis, Madison McCammond, Sejah Bergeron
Second Row from left: Megan Gale, Allison Boyd, Cera Denton, Jenna Shelburne
Third Row from left: Cayla Purvis, Lyndsey McNeilly, Colleen Roberts, Taylor Davis, Coach Madison Fowler



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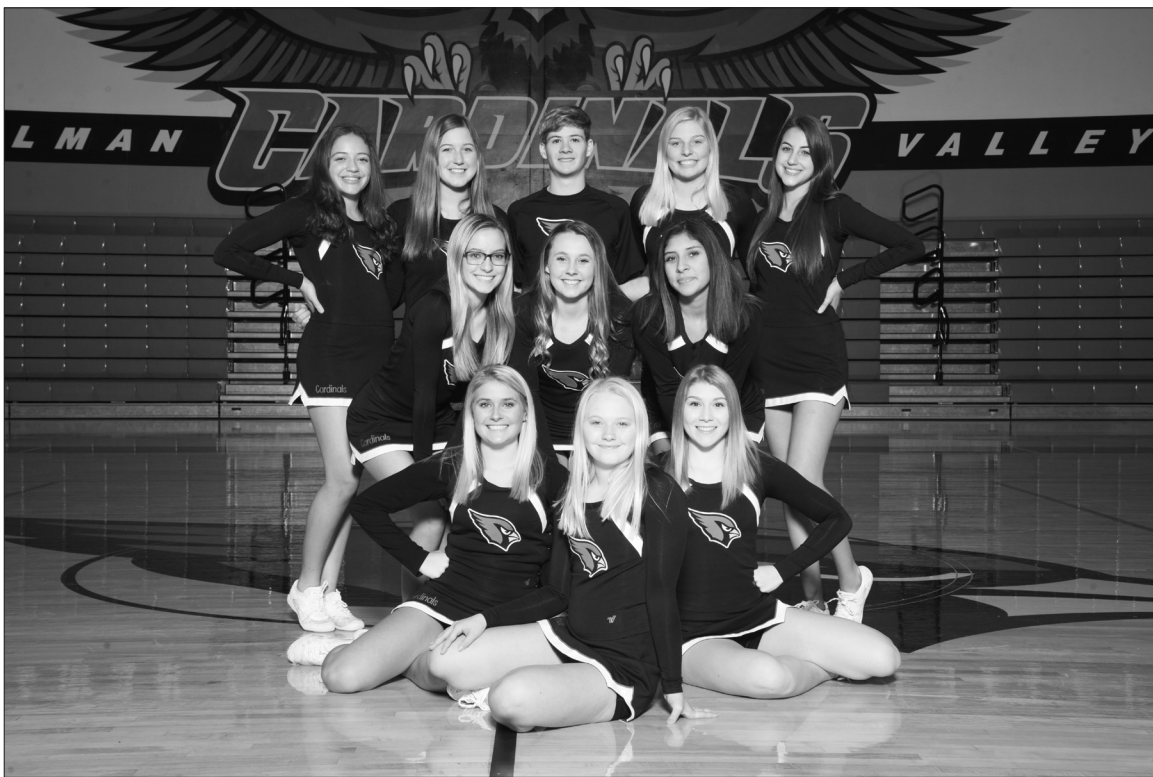


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Competitive Cheer

First Row from left: Juliana Halbreiter, Madison Revera, Hope Wallin, Myah Gorzynski
Second Row from left: Alayna Hanners, Hannah Batty, Brinly Montgomery, Sophia Morrison, McKenzie Hendrickson, Faith Chavers
Third Row from left: Madison Collier, Logan Knouse, Alivia Johnson, Mattie Graceffa, Tori Wurster
Fourth Row: Deston Montgomery

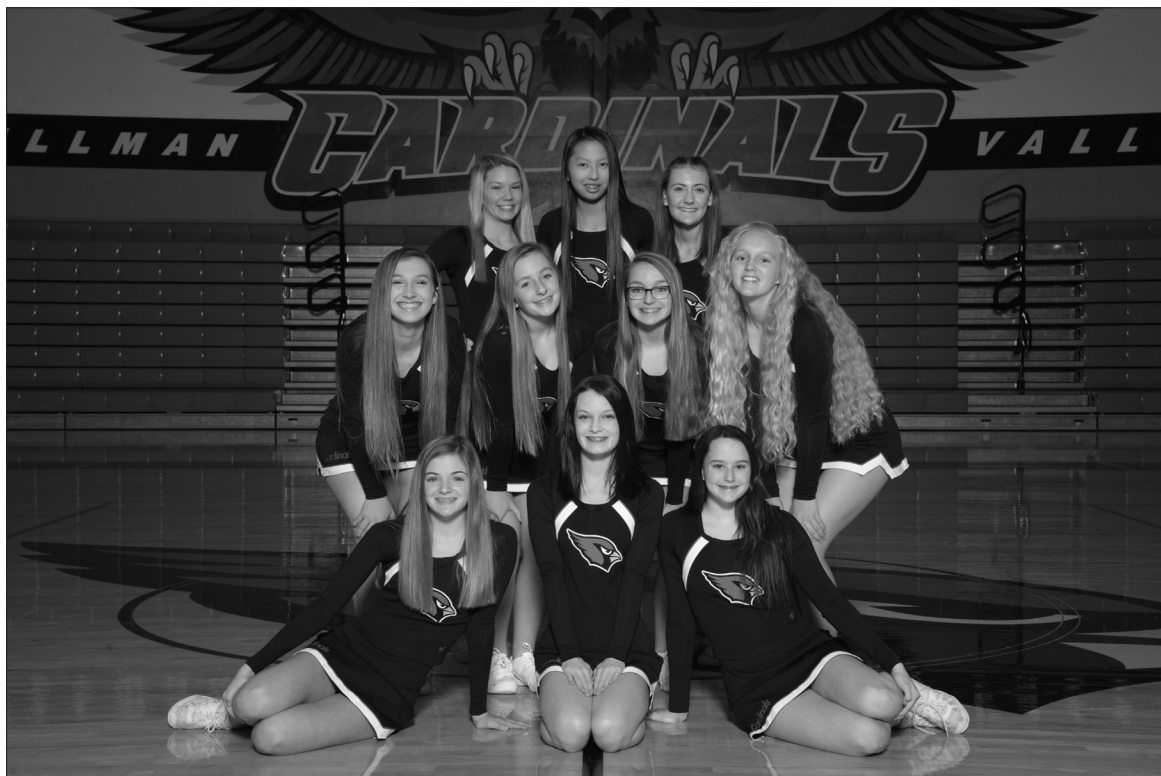


Varsity Basketball Cheer

First Row from left: Logan Knouse, Myah Gorzynski, Mattie Graceffa,
Second row from left: Emma Davis, Juliana Halbreiter, Desiree Garcia
Third Row from left: Faith Chavers, Madison Collier, Deston Montgomery, Alayna Hanners, Tori Wurster

JV Basketball Cheer

First Row from left: Brinly Montgomery, Madison Revera, McKenzie Hendrickson
Second Row from left: Hope Wallin, Brooke Hannebaum, Hannah Batty, Sophia Morrison
Third Row from left: Alivia Johnson, Faith VanBriesen, Kylie McClendon



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Dance

First Row from left: Juliana Kann

Second Row from left: Christina Jobe, Jazmine Fioroni,

Third Row from left: Arielle Palmer, Ashley Wubben, Aryanna Lewis

Fourth Row from left: Maggie Eden, Sierra Williams, Abby Keller, Ava Loeffelholz

Chess

First row from left: Casey Madeen, Tyler Denton, Hunter Peterson

Second row from left: Coach Carol Conderman, Nick Youman, Sawyer Winstead, Ryan McNielly, Nate Youman, Barrett Roger

Not pictured: Johnathan Michigan, Genesis Myers, Luna Taylor



Wrestling

First Row from left: Addison Hendricks, Logan Jennings, Logan Lagerhausen

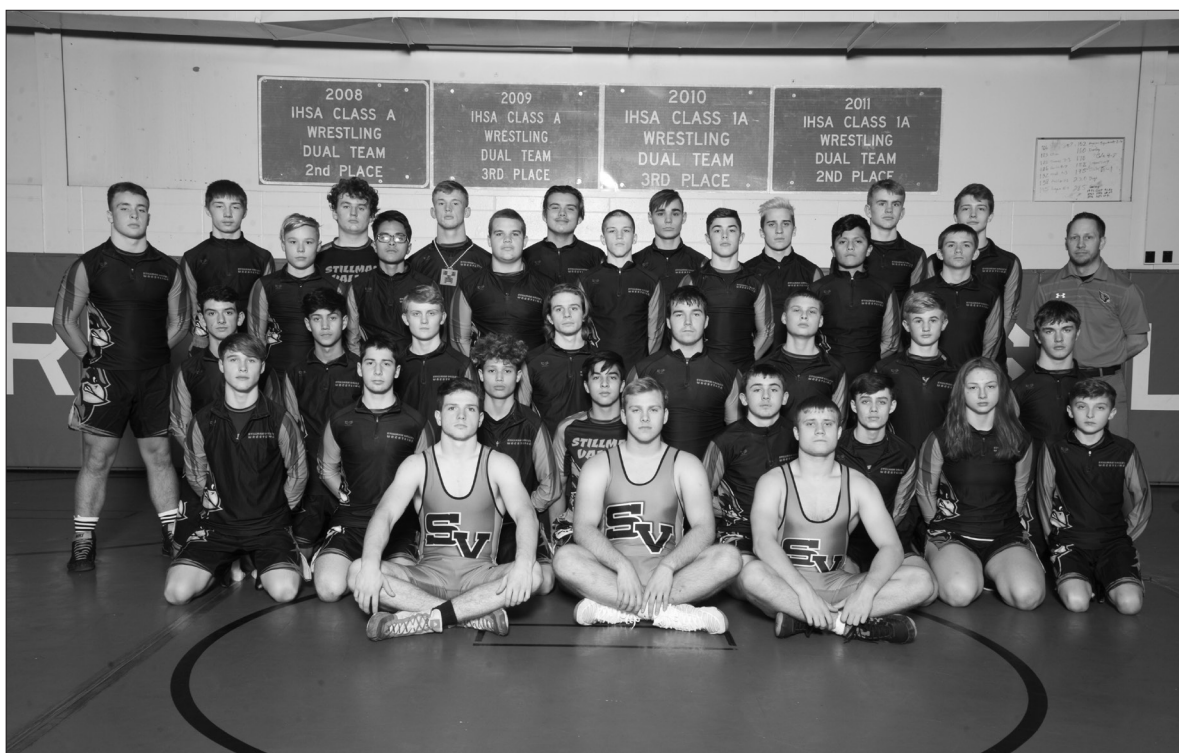
Second Row from left: Owen Zitkus, Doga Ozkaya, Chandler Vestal, Tony Nunez, Alex Hinkle, Portr Needs, Sydney Manos, Jaydon Lesak

Third Row from left: Mark Miller, Roberto Ramos, Lane Jones, Jonathon Hodges, Nolan Swenson, Skylar Wright, Ethan Engelkens, Cullen White

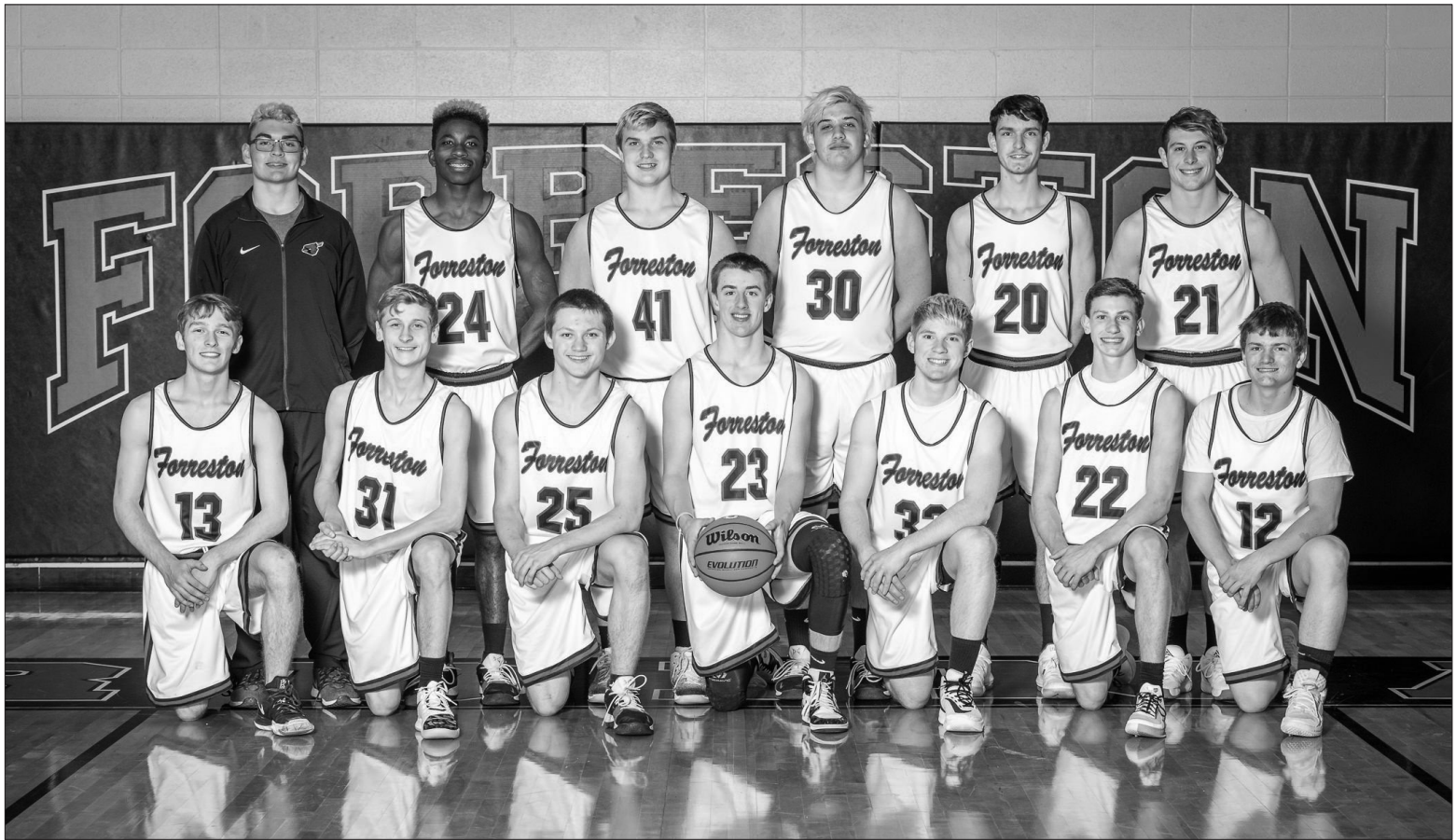
Fourth Row from left: Jacob Sigwards, Rylen Hildreth, Louis Avendano, Andrew Forcier, Donovan Crumpacker, Aiden Livingston, Jony Avendano, Dylan Hawes, Coach Jamie McCarty

Fifth Row from left: Randy Manos, Dax Williams, Mason Engelkens, Omar Gallardo, Elijah Hildreth, Hunter Ilkow, Andrew Latham, Bryan Hart.

Not Pictured: Max Dugan and Genesis Myers



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Boys Varsity Basketball

Front Row from left: Jaxon Shuey, Anthony Josephitis, Ethan Cain, Chase Greenfield, Braden Politsch, Ethan Greenfield, Riley Cornelius
Back Row from left: Manager Seth Nelson, Jordan Neuschwander, Derek DeVries, Jakob Boomgarden, Kolten Dorty, Dominic Christensen



Girls Varsity Basketball

Front Row from left: Brycelynn Smith, Alexis Houston
Back Row from left: Paityn Broshous, Megan Hagemann, Taylor Greenfield, Kaylee Kloster, Kylee Curry

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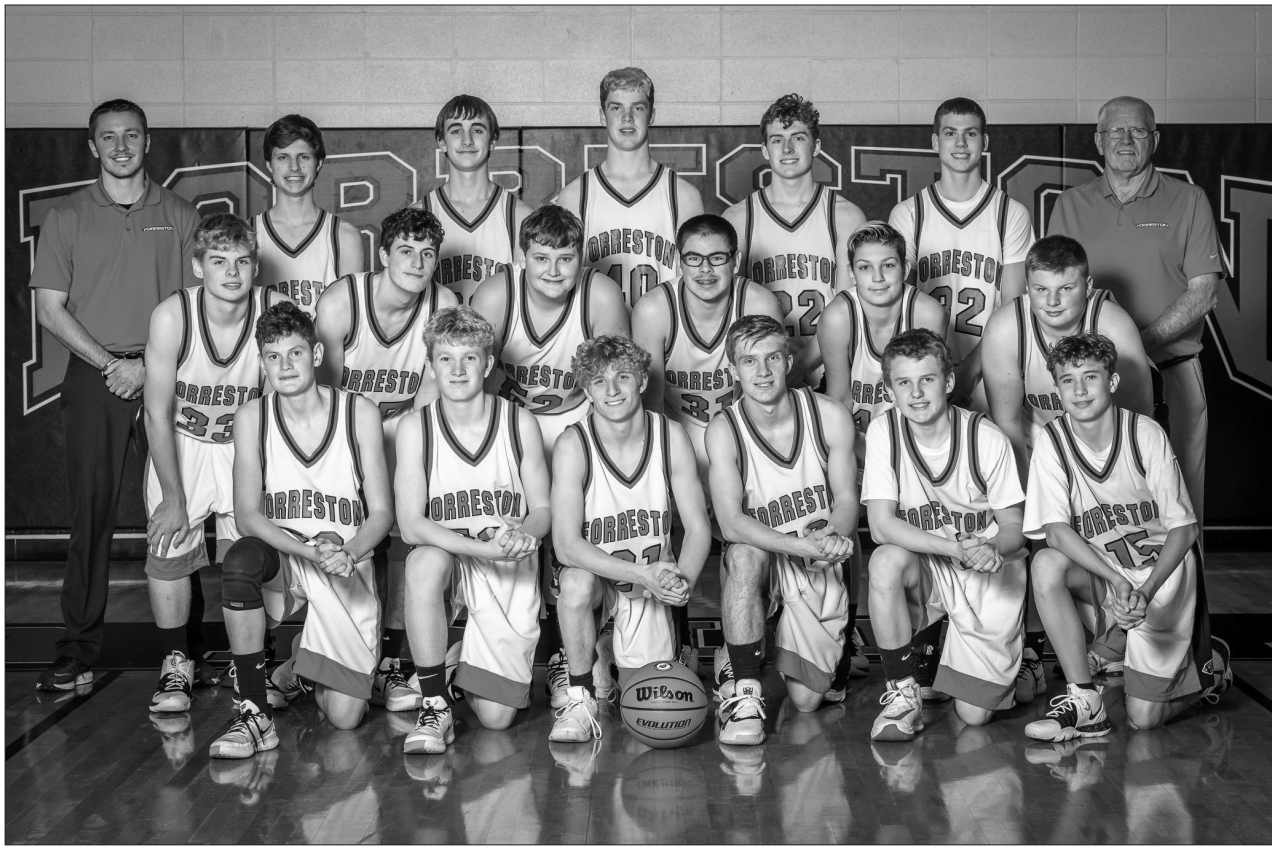
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Boys Fresh/Soph Basketball

Front Row from left: Brock Smith, Quinten Frederick, Logan Dyson, Thomas Appel, Daemyn Heslop, Jace Engbert

Second Row from left: Colin Kuhn, Payton Encheff, Jack Metzger, Johnathen Kobler, Alexander Milnes, Drew Dieterman

Back Row from left: Fresh-Soph Coach Jake Groom, Dylan Greenfield, Cole Becker, Mason Fox, Joseph Snyder, Owen Greenfield, Assistant Coach Randy Schneiderman, Not pictured Manager Kyler Ganz

Girls Fresh/Soph Basketball

Front Row from left: Manager Bryonna Harson, Mikayla Brown, Kayla Denler, Alaina Miller, Brooke Boettner, Manager Marisa Vogt

Back Row from left: Coach Tyler Vogt, Sydney Regez, Rylee Broshous, Kailey Sanders, Breanna Kloster, Hailey Greenfield



Dance

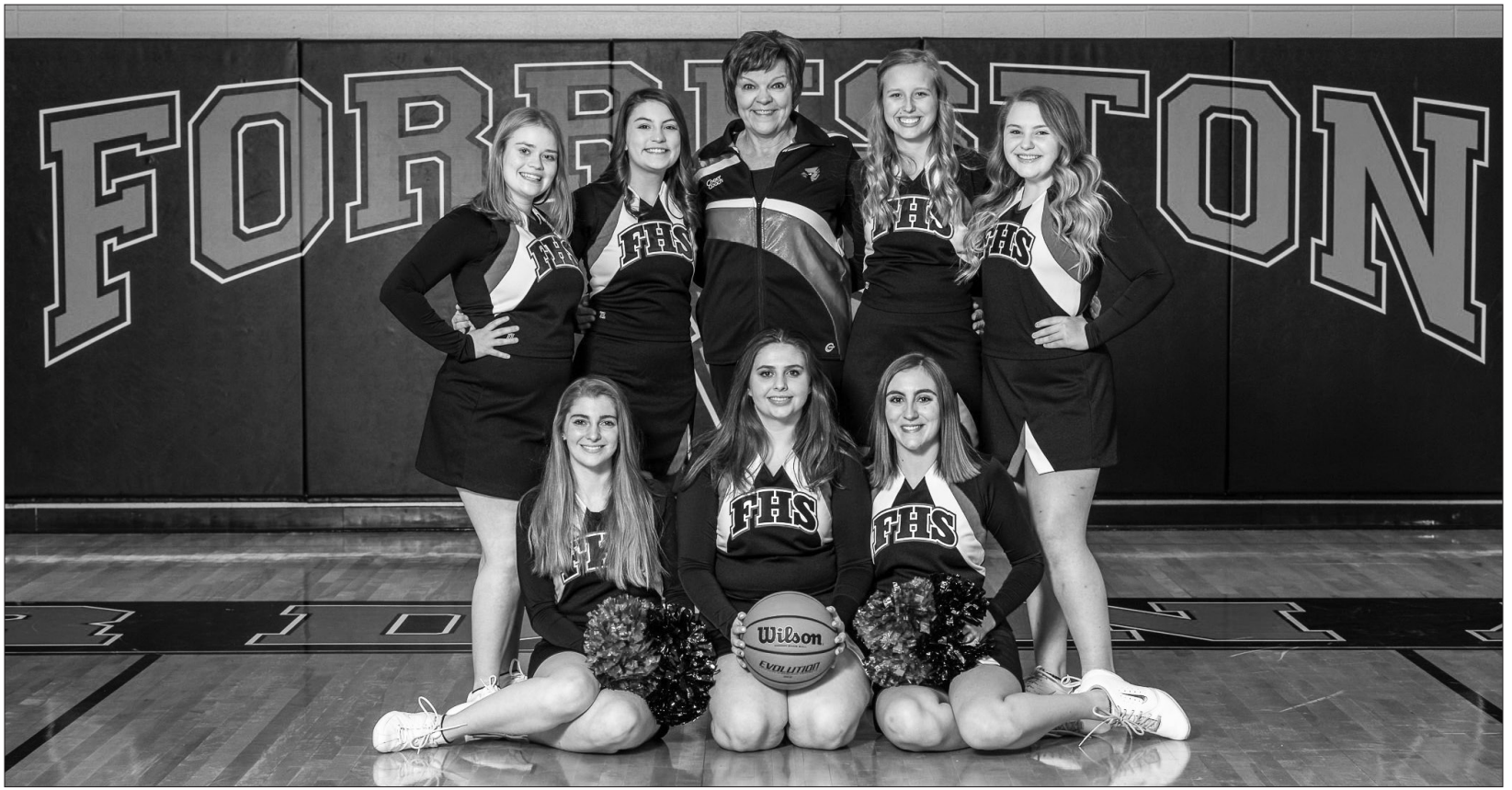
Front Row from left: Nicole Fox

Second Row from left: McKenna Dorty, Emma Stevens

Third Row from left: Hannah Schmierla, Alayna Crase, Alexia Derrer, Alivia Chamberlin

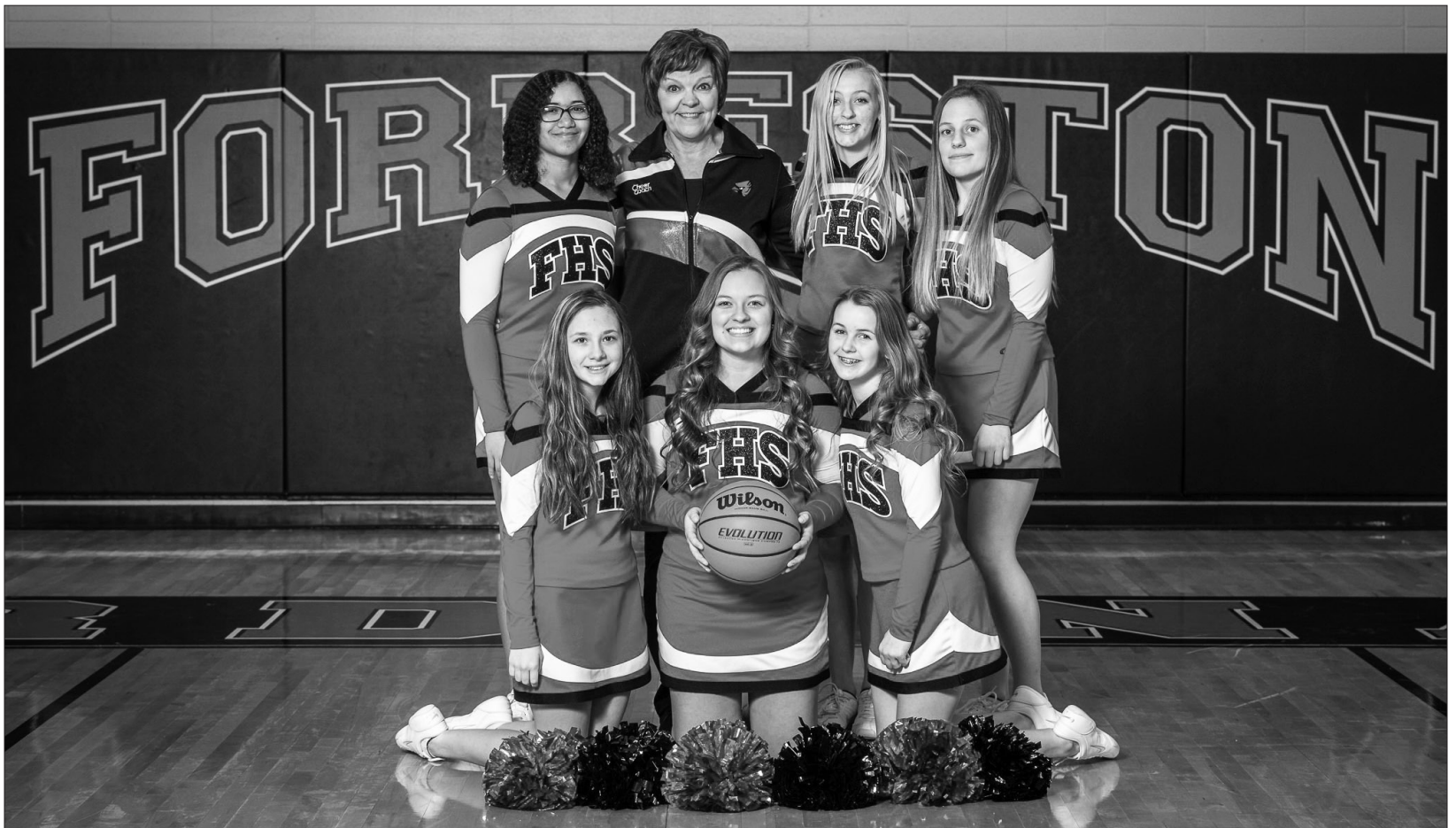
Back Row from left: Kaia Stralow, Madison Sketo, Hailey Schultz

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Varsity Cheer

Front Row from left: Jennifer Raum, Shelby Dean, Olivia Dillavou
Back Row from left: Mya Greenfield, Malia Lower, Coach Lucia Heitter, Kaitlyn Harson, Ashlee Newell



Fresh/Soph Cheer

Front Row from left: Alexis Kuelling, Holly Plock, Klynn Anderson
Back Row from left: Natalie Mealing, Coach Lucia Heitter, Naomi Mansell, Alexis Koehl

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