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Rosalie Koldan of Amboy Arts & Antiques, pictured left, poses with PADS Women and Children's Homeless Shelter Executive Director Terra Lorenzen with the more than 300 items that were donated by the community.

Community donates to PADS

DIXON — For the second consecutive year, Rosalie Koldan and Shirley Guay, owners of Amboy Arts & Antiques located at 231 E. Main Street, Amboy, started a collection for the PADS Women and Children's Homeless Shelter in Dixon, which ran from Thanksgiving weekend to the Amboy Christmas Walk on Dec. 14.

Working with PADS Executive Director Terra Lorenzen a wish list was generated for cleaning supplies and personal care

Guay and Koldan could not be more thankful to the generosity of their community with this immediate response and willingness to help others. It's nice to know the shelves at the shelter will



be replenished. More than 300 items were collected.

"We are very fortunate to live in a place where when you say help is needed, everybody steps up," Koldan said.

The PADS Shelter is located at 203 W. Everett Street. in Dixon. The organization

provides temporary housing for individuals, food and services to those in need.

For more information on PADS and how you can help, visit their Facebook page, or call 815-288-6818 or by emailing dixonpads@

Dispensaries report smooth rollout of legalized pot

BY PETER HANCOCK

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SPRINGFIELD – The first day of legal sales of recreational marijuana in Illinois went "extraordinarily well," according to one industry representative, with total sales on Jan. 1 of nearly \$3.2 million.

"I just cannot express the gratitude from the dispensary operators to our customers about their courtesy and civility and patience. It was really a lovely, very successful rollout, I think, on the first day," Pamela Althoff, executive director of the Cannabis Business Association of Illinois, said in an interview Thursday.

On New Year's Day, Illinois became the 11th state to allow legal sales of recreational marijuana to adults. As the clock ticked down to midnight on New Year's Eve, many dispensaries were reporting long lines outside their stores, in some cases stretching around their block

The much-anticipated event was made possible by passage of a new law during the 2019 legislative session, the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, which legalized the sale, possession and use of marijuana for people

Former state Sen. Toi Hutchinson, an architect of that law who now serves as Gov. J.B. Pritzker's senior advisor for cannabis control, reported during a news conference Thursday that dispensaries across the state conducted 77,128 transactions on Jan. 1, with

sales totaling more than \$3.1 million. That happened despite a few snags on the

opening day of sales, Althoff said. First, she said, there were glitches in the software that dispensaries use at the point of sale, which contributed to long wait times.

Previously, dispensaries were allowed to sell only to qualified medical patients, but now they must keep close track of both medical and recreational sales, which are taxed differently.

Adjustments made by the software company to address that change, Althoff said, caused a few problems.

There were a few glitches, not everywhere, but in a few of the dispensaries," she said. "... But my understanding is that they were rapidly corrected. But it did add to some of the wait times that people experienced."

In addition, she said, many dispensary operators had made design changes to their stores to accommodate a larger retail clientele, but state officials had not yet inspected all of those changes and some dispensaries were unable to open for recreational sales on Jan. 1.

And then there were issues of supply. Under the new law, Althoff said, medical dispensaries, which were the first to receive licenses for recreational sales, are required to keep a 30-day supply of marijuana products for their medical customers, leaving only a limited amount of inventory available for recreational customers.

She said supply shortages are expected to continue until April or May, when cultivation centers that have been licensed to grow

recreational marijuana reap their first crop. Meanwhile, state officials remain busy implementing other parts of the bill. On Tuesday, Dec. 31, Pritzker issued 11,017 pardons that

will lead to the expungement of records for people with low-level marijuana convictions. Eventually, Pritzker's office said, more than 700,000 criminal records will be expunged under the new law.

New minimum wage rates in effect for 2020

SPRINGFIELD - Illinoisans rang in the New Year with a new, higher minimum wage, and the Department of Labor is encouraging employees to watch their paychecks to ensure that time worked in 2020 is paid at the new rate.

Governor JB Pritzker signed the new minimum wage law last February providing a path to a \$15 minimum wage by 2025. Minimum wage earners received an increase of \$1 to \$9.25 an hour on Jan. 1, which will be followed by an increase to \$10 an hour on July 1. The minimum wage will then increase an additional \$1 an hour each Jan. 1 until it reaches \$15 an hour in 2025.

'While we expect compliance by all employers regarding the new minimum wage, it is important that workers earning minimum wage are aware that the \$1 increase should be reflected in their pay checks for any time they work after the first of the year," said Michael Kleinik, director of the Illinois

The last time Illinois increased its minimum wage was a decade ago in 2010 when it was raised to \$8.25. Since that time, Cook County has put in place a \$12 per hour minimum wage and Chicago's minimum wage is now \$13 an hour.

More than 1.4 million adult hourly workers in Illinois currently make less than \$15 per hour, according to the Illinois Economic Policy Institute at the University of Illinois.

The new law maintains provisions for employers to count gratuities to offset wages for workers such as food servers who regularly earn tips. Tipped employees may be paid 60 percent of the hourly minimum wage. These workers must still earn the minimum wage after receiving tips.

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IDOR reminds Illinois businesses of minimum wage tax credit

Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) is reminding small businesses they can utilize the Minimum Wage Credit starting Jan. 1. The new tax credit is designed to help small businesses offset the state's minimum wage rate that will gradually increase to \$15 an hour over the next six years. Businesses can claim now the credit on their quarterly Illinois Withholding Income Tax Returns.

"Illinois small businesses should take advantage of this tax credit," said acting Director David Harris. "Raising the wage for hardworking Illinois families was one of Governor Pritzker's top priorities and he worked to ensure that small businesses and nonprofits remain competitive during the transition period. Along with a new capital bill and tax credits for apprenticeship programs and research investments, this measure will help fulfill this administration's goal of fostering an environment that will grow jobs and reward hardworking families."

Beginning this year, businesses and nonprofits with 50 full-time equivalent employees or less are eligible to offset a portion of the minimum wage increase cost from their withholding income taxes. The maximum credit amount allowed is 25 percent of the difference between the new minimum wage and what

What Regional Health Departments want the public to know about marijuana use

ILLINOIS - With marijuana becoming legal in the State of Illinois on January 1, 2020, the nine local health departments that comprise the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) Northern Illinois Rockford Region want to remind residents that there are health and mental health impacts associated with marijuana use. While marijuana is legal in Illinois, that does not mean it is safe and without health risks.

Pregnancy And Breastfeeding

Don't use marijuana if pregnant or breastfeeding. Using marijuana can affect the health of your baby. Marijuana use during pregnancy is linked to low birth weight babies and may harm the growth and development of your baby's brain. Because of the way marijuana is stored and released in the body, your baby could be exposed through breastmilk even after you stop using marijuana.

Youth And The Developing Brain

Marijuana use can cause problems with short term memory, learning, and even intelligence. Your brain continues to develop until age 25 and studies have shown that marijuana use in young people can impair development. The purchase and use of marijuana is illegal for those under 21.

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Resolve to be prepared in 2020

SPRINGFIELD – Each year, millions of people around the world welcome the start of a new year by making personal resolutions. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), Illinois Department of Insurance (IDOI), Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) and local emergency management agencies throughout Illinois are encouraging people to 'Resolve to be Ready' for emergencies in 2020. The National Weather Service suggests that abnormally

moist ground conditions and unseasonably higher river levels in the upper Midwest could lead to a considerable risk for repeat flooding this spring. With this in mind, state officials are encouraging Illinois residents to consider flood insurance before the next flood occurs.

'Anywhere it rains, it can flood. You do not have to live in a river community to experience the devastating effects of flooding," said Acting IEMA Director Alicia Tate-Nadeau. "What is important to remember about flood insurance is that this policy takes 30 days to take effect. That is why it is important to purchase and review your plan today in order

to protect your family for the future." Looking back at 2019, the biggest disaster to impact our state was the devastating river flooding that occurred in more

than 33 counties, impacting 2.1 million residents.

each employee was paid previously. The percentage allowed each proceeding year will decrease before sunsetting in 2026 for most small businesses. Eligible businesses can claim this credit by filing Form IL-941, Illinois Withholding Income Tax Return, and a

new schedule. Illinois' minimum wage was last raised in 2010 (to \$8.25). Raising the wage to \$15 an hour is estimated to impact 1.4 million Illinoisans, according to the Illinois **Economic Policy Institute at** the University of Illinois.

Visit IDOR's website tax. illinois.gov for information on how to calculate this credit, as well as additional resources, including IDOR's withholding income tax Information Bulletin FY2020-13 and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).



Depot Days Car Show Committee continues to donate proceeds to local

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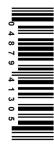
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DEPOT DAYS DONATION - ASHTON LIONS CLUB

Amboy Depot Days Car Show Committee Treasurer Jim Phelps, right, presents a check for \$2,000 to Gary Mason, President of the Ashton Lions Club.

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Workers who are under 18 years old and work fewer than 650 hours in a year earn a minimum wage of \$8 per hour beginning January 1, up from the old youth minimum wage

of \$7.75. The youth minimum wage rate will gradually rise to \$13 an hour by Jan. 1, 2025. New Minimum Wage

1-1-2023 \$13.00 1-1-2024 \$14.00 1-1-2020 \$9.25 1-1-2025 \$15.00 LEGAL continued from page A1

Thursday, Jan. 2, marked the deadline

for people to submit applications for the next wave of dispensary licenses. As many as 75 new licenses will be issued May 1, with priority being given to "social equity" applicants – people with previous marijuana convictions, their families and people from areas of the state with high crime or child poverty rates.

A share of the revenue the state receives

from recreational marijuana sales is earmarked for the new "Restore, Reinvest, and Renew Program" to fund community projects in neighborhoods that, in Hutchinson's words, "have been hardest hit by the war on drugs."

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Other revenue is earmarked for a Cannabis Business Development Fund that will provide grants and low-interest loans to social equity applicants to help pay part of the startup cost of launching a marijuana-related business.

Thank You Neighbor If someone has done something kind for you, let them

know by nominating them for the "Thank You Neighbor Rose. Send a brief description of their act of kindness to: The Amboy News, P.O. Box 162, Amboy, IL 61310





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DEPOT DAYS DONATION - AMBOY LIONS CLUB

Amboy Depot Days Car Show Committee Treasurer Jim Phelps, center, presents a check for \$2,000 to Roger Wittenauer and Jim Travi, of the Amboy Lions Club. The funds will be used toward purchasing AED's for community sites including local churches, pumpkin carving contest, and to help offset the cost of publicity and refreshments for the Community Health Fair.

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While the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) denied the State's request for Individual Assistance to help residents get back on their feet following this historic disaster, the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) has provided more than \$19.7 million to Illinois homeowners who submitted flood insurance claims. "The Illinois Depart-

ment of Natural Resources administers the NFIP in Illinois, working with river communities to keep new development out of flood risk areas, protect existing development from flooding and encourage residents and business to insure property," said IDNR Director Colleen Callahan. "The program not only protect homes and businesses in the event of a flood, but also helps mitigate perennially flooded areas, reducing the risk of flooding in the future. It really is a winwin for both the community and policy holders."

Managed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the NFIP enables homeowners, business owners and renters in communities that participate in the program and adopt local floodplain regulations to purchase federally backed flood insurance.

Although nearly 90 percent of communities in Illinois participate in the NFIP, a few communities in Illinois have not adopted local floodplain regulations and have not enrolled in NFIP.

In these communities, private flood insurance is available through licensed insurance agents. The agent who writes your homeowners or property insurance should be able to assist you in determining your eligibility and coverage options.

"Flooding is the most frequent and costly disaster in the U.S. with average flood insurance claim payments that can surpass \$100,000 depending on the disaster. So, private flood insurance can help fill the gap for those without NFIP coverage and offer higher amounts of coverage," said IDOI Director Robert Muriel. "However, we recommend that consumers first check their eligibility for NFIP coverage because even if you do not live in a floodplain, you may still be

able to purchase a preferred risk policy through NFIP. IDOI insurance analysts are available to answer consumers' questions and give tips on purchasing private flood insurance."

Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) can help you determine whether your property is located in a high-risk or a moderate- to low-risk area. These maps can be found online at http:// msc.fema.gov. Additional questions can be directed to a FEMA mapping specialist toll free at 1-877-336-2627. To find out if your community is enrolled in NFIP, visit https://www.fema.gov/ cis/IL.html. For additional information about flood insurance, visit https://www. insureuonline.org/insureu_ special_flood.htm.

A.C.O. blood drive

AMBOY — Blood is urgently needed in our area. Therefore an appeal is going out to everyone 17 years of age and over in good health to give blood. Won't you roll up your sleeve and answer the plea? Amboy A.C.O. members are hosting a Red Cross Blood drive on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the Amboy Community Building from noon to 6 p.m. Please call 815-857-3864 for an appointment. Then join us for lunch afterwards where you will receive the VIP service you will most certainly deserve.



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LOCAL NEWS

2020 Illinois conservation cropping seminars scheduled

SPRINGFIELD—Illinois annual Conservation Cropping Seminars will be held Jan. 21, 22 and 23 in three locations statewide. Each one-day seminar will feature guest speakers focused on sustainable and regenerative agricultural practices.

Speakers and special guests include: Hans Kok, Indiana Soil Health Consultant; Bryan Young, Purdue University Weed and Chemistry professor; and Rick and Aaron Clark, Illinois farmers using cutting edge conservation methods. "This is the 7th year for the Conservation Cropping Sem-

inars which bring together tried and tested farm authorities and research driven industry professionals to discuss the successes and failures of transforming to a more sustainable operation," said IDOA Director John Sullivan. Registration is open online at www.ccswcd.com or by

calling the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) at (217) 352-3536. Each one-day seminar is \$20 including lunch. Seminars are held from 8 a.m. – 4

Jan. 21, 2020, The Double Tree Hotel, Mt. Vernon Jan. 22, 2020, The Double Tree Hotel, Bloomington Jan. 23, 2020, Hickory Grove Conf. Ctr., Rochelle

"I believe more farmers are ready to take steps to make small improvements on their farm that make sense environmentally and economically," said USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service State Conservationist Ivan Dozier. "These seminars are the perfect place to begin having those conversations and start making those changes.'

Primary sponsors and organizers of seminars include Illinois Department of Agriculture, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, American Farmland Trust, Illinois Stewardship Alliance, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and local Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Additional sponsorship and exhibitor information is available by contacting the Champaign County SWCD.

Kreider Alliance scholarship applications now available

LEE COUNTY — Kreider Alliance, the parent organization of Kreider Services announces to Lee County college or college bound students that scholarship applications for the 2020-21 school year are now available for submission. The deadline to apply is March 15, 2020.

Kreider Alliance will award up to five scholarships \$1000 each to students going into the human services fields of but not limited to the following: Special Education, Therapeutic Recreation, Psychology, Social Work, Occupational, Speech and Physical Therapies, Nursing or Early Childhood Development. These are all fields that align with working with people with developmental or intellectual disabilities.

The applications are available at the guidance offices at Lee County High Schools, Newman Central Catholic, Sauk Valley Community College, Florissa or Kreider Services. Applications can also be printed off from www.kreiderservices.org. This year's winners will be announced before graduation and will be awarded at the June 1st Kreider Alliance Annual Meeting.

Kreider Alliance (formerly the Arc of Lee County) has awarded \$64,000 in scholarships since they started the program in 2005. Our goal is to support students going into these degree programs. Some of our applicants are often workers or older adults that are going back to school to get a degree. They might have worked at Kreider Services or similar programs, and decided to advance their positions with additional schooling.

Kreider Alliance is a 501c3 organization that was started in 1952. The mission is simple: to provide Advocacy, Education and Support to people with disabilities, their families and professionals. For more information on the scholarship program, please contact Becky Reilly at 815-288-6691.

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Mental Health Impacts Marijuana can be an addictive drug. One (1) in 10 users will become addicted. THC is the chemical in marijuana that makes you feel "high." Higher THC concentrations have been linked to increased risk for addiction. Regular use of marijuana increases your risk for anxiety, depression, and schizophrenia.

Impacts On The Lung and Heart

Smoking marijuana can harm lung tissue and cause damage to small blood vessels. Smoke from marijuana contains many of the same toxins and carcinogens as tobacco smoke.

Know The Facts & Keep Others Safe

Before using marijuana, know the facts and keep others safe. Using marijuana or other THC products, can impair your judgement. Do not drive or perform other tasks that could be a risk if you have used marijuana.

Just because it is legal, does not mean it is allowed by your employer. Using marijuana could cost you your job. Make sure that children and pets do not have access to marijuana. Protect kids from secondhand smoke. Think about those around you before you use and avoid exposing others without their knowledge and consent.

For more information on the health risks, go to https://www.prevention.org/ lets-talk-cannabis

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAY TOWNSHIP-The May Township meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the Township Maintenance Building.

AMBOY-The Board of Trustees of Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, on Jan. 9, 10, 14, 16, 22 and 23. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or to find out about other services offered, like Flu and other Adult Vaccines, free radon test kits, the application process for medical canabis, Glucose and Cholesterol screenings, tick kits, or mammogram and Pap test programs.

AMBOY-Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US RT 52, will host Commuity Bingo at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 9. Bingo will be followed by a light lunch. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.

LEE CENTER TWP-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 9, at the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd.

DIXON=The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 10 at Dixon Hope Bible Fellowship. Call 800-733-2767 or visit www. RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate.

SUBLETTE-Blue Christmas Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 202 Locust St. The Sacrament of Annointing will be given at this Mass. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

STERLING-The T*I*M*E(Together in Memories) Grief Support Group 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 13, at Rock River Hospice & Home, 2706 Avenue E. Call 815-625-3858 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 13, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 13, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at the Sublette Township Building.

EAST GROVE TWP-

The East Grove Township meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at the East Grove Township

AMBOY-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits for seniors or disabled citizens at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Road, on Wednesday, Jan. 15, by appointment only. Call the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to schedule an appointment.

SUBLETTE-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits for seniors or disabled citizens at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 15, by appointment only. Call the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to schedule an appointment.

AMBOY-The Crochet and Knitting Club will meet from noon to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 15, at Pankhurst Memorial Library, 3 S. Jefferson. Everyone is invited. Call 815-994-1536 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy-Lee Center Multi-Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 15, at Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect.

ASFCME January meeting set for Jan. 15

FRANKLIN GROVE — AFSCME Council 31 Sub Chapter 72 will meet on Jan. 15, at The Meadows in Franklin Grove located at 510 N. State Street.

Come for lunch at 11:15 a.m. if you wish. Bring a dish to pass. Meat and dinnerware and drinks provided. Meadows dining staff will prepare a special treat, a baked potato bar.

Program will begin at noon. Area resident, Natalie Andrews will tell her story about her Humanitarian Trip to Matamoras, Mexico. Meeting will follow at 1:15 p.m.

Amboy Police

Warrant – failure to appear

On Dec. 29, 2019, at 4:20 p.m., Thomas Leach, Jr., 49, of Amboy, was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail.

Email calendar items to mmays@ amboynews.com



January 13 - 17

8 oz. of low-fat milk served with each meal Monday - Chicken parmesan, pasta w/marinara, Sicilian blend

veggies, dinner roll, diced pears Tuesday - Sausage gravy w/biscuit, hash brown potatoes, fruit

juice, two sausage patties, baked peaches

Wednesday - Polish sausage, sauerkraut, potato wedges, baked beans, chilled applesauce, hot dog bun

Thursday - Cheese ravioli w/meat sauce, brussell sprouts, cauliflower, garlic bread, apricots

Friday - A) Pepper steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, lima beans, wheat bread, mandarin oranges B) Soup & Sandwich, vegetable Meals served Reservations needed

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Mon.-Fri. at 11:30 am

STERLING-Rock River Hospice & Home will hold Hospice Volunteer Training from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, January 18 and 19. Call or email Stacey at 15-625-3858 or staceynielsen@hospicerockriver.org.

AMBOY-The City of Amboy Council will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

AMBOY-The Amboy

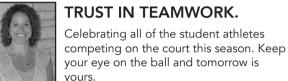
American Legion will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20, at the Old NAPA Building, 399 N. Metcalf.

AMBOY-The Amboy Civic Organization will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive from noon to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the Amboy Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd. Call Darlene at 815-857-3864 to schedule an appointment.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, in conjunction with KSB Hospital, will have a Glucose & Cholesterol Screening on Thursday, Jan. 23. Fasting is required for 12 hours. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD #272 Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 23, at Central School Gym, 30 E. Provost.





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OBITUARIES

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Beverly Ruth Beams April 29, 1932 - Dec. 30, 2019

TISKILWA — The soul of Beverly Ruth (Underhile) Beams, 87, of Tiskilwa, entered heaven on Dec. 30, 2019.

A Celebration of her soul in heaven and her life will be held in the Tiskilwa Community Church at a later date. Her ashes will be laid to rest in the Beams Family Cemetery on her son's property in "Old Mac" Campbellsville, Ky. Arrangements are through the Fiocchi-Jensen Funeral Home, Princeton. Private online condolences may be left for Beverly's family at www. FiocchiFuneralHomes.com.

Beverly was born on April 29, 1932, in Amboy, to Elmer and Ruth (Reid) Underhile. She was a class of 1950 graduate of Amboy High School, where her mother and siblings had also attended. She married Chester "Chet" Beams on May 24, 1951.

She had worked at Harper Wyman in Princeton for over 40 years, where she worked for several years in repairs,

and made gas valves samples for the salesmen in her final years, retiring when the plant closed.

Beverly was baptized by faith. She was a member of the Tiskilwa Community Church. Three times she rode mules to the bottom on the Grand Canyon, stayed overnight at Phantom Ranch, and rode back-up the next day, the first time with her sisters, the second time with her husband for their 40th anniversary and the third time with her two grandsons.

She and her husband had a true love of horses, horse riding and dancing to Country and Western music. She rode the National Scenic Trail Ride in Missouri with her husband for over 25 years. She walked many miles on the Tiskilwa Rock Island Line – Iowa Interstate railroad tracks in Tiskilwa with her grandkids.

Many times the grandkids would tire out and she would carry them on her back. She



enjoyed doing things with her entire family for all of her life.

She is survived by her son, Mark (Cindy) Beams, of Campbellsville, Ky.; her grandsons, Alexander (Caitlin) Beams of Marshall, Wis. and Chance (Jennifer) Beams of Campbellsville, Ky.; two great-grandchildren of Campbellsville, Ky.; two sisters, Jane Miles, of Oregon, Illinois and Joyce Gibson, of Dixon; brother-in-law, Wendell Snell, of Dixon; and her sister-in-law, Laura Underhile, of Dixon.

Otis B. "O.B." Horner March 21, 1935 - Jan. 1, 2020

AMBOY — Otis B. "O.B." Horner, 84, of Amboy died Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020 at his home.

He was born March 21, 1935 in Jefferson County, Tenn., the son of Johnnie and Edith (Talbott) Horner.

He was a partsman for IDOT for over 15 years prior to his retirement, O.B. was also a Veteran of the U.S. Army.

O.B. married Dorothy

Berogan on Dec. 10, 1956 in Greenville, S.C. She preceded him in death Dec. 22, 2018.

He was also preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Louise Hartle.

O.B. is survived by his children, Rob (Liz) Horner, of Bastrop, Texas, Greg Horner, of Ohio, IL., and Pam Horner, of Tonica; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren; and a

sister, Peggy Brushaber, of Rock Falls.

Visitation was held from 10-11 a.m., on Monday, Jan. 6, at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

A graveside service with military honors by the Amboy American Legion Post followed at Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy.

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

Tiffany Marie Schrock May 22, 1988 - Dec. 28, 2019

AMBOY — Tiffany Marie Schrock, 31, of Amboy died suddenly Saturday, Dec. 28, 2019 at OSF St Paul Medical Center in Mendota. She was born May 22,

1988 in Dixon.

She attended schools in Amboy and Mendota and worked at various jobs.

Tiffany is survived by a son, Alex, of Mendota and a daughter, Amiyah, of Amboy. Survivors also include her mother, Susan Swartz Bodmer, of Mendota; father, Richard (Carol Moncrief) Schrock, of Amboy; her sisters, April (Tim Marsh) Schrock, of Amboy, Mariah (Mike Deere) Vickrey, of Mendota; her two nephews,

T.J. and Jeremy; and her grandparents, Carol and Ron Wittenauer, of Amboy, Melvin and Gloria Swartz, of Florida and Linda Schrock, of Dixon. She is also survived by her aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Douglas Schrock, Sr.

Visitation was held on Friday, Jan. 3, 2020 from 4 – 8 p.m., and from 10 to 11 a.m., on Saturday at the Immanuel Lutheran Church US RT. 52 Amboy.

The funeral service was held at 11 a.m., on Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church. Officiates were Pastor Barbara Otten



and Pastor Tom Schrock. Cremation followed. Arrangements were made by Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made for her children's care. Condolences may be sent online at www. thejonesfh.com.

William Bruce Oberschelp Aug. 8, 1940 - Dec. 30, 2019

LA SALLE - William Bruce Oberschelp, 79, of LaSalle, formerly of Mendota, died Dec. 30, 2019 at his residence.

There will be no services. Cremation rites were accorded. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota assisted the family.

Bruce was born Aug. 8, 1940 in Princeton to Harold and Bernice (Warkins) Oberschelp. He married Betty Schultz on April 24, 1965 in Maytown. She preceded him in death in 2015.

Survivors include one daughter, Amanda (Robert) Lemmer of Amboy; eight grandchildren, Andrea Bialas, Mitchel Bialis, Alison (Michael) O'Brien, Jackson Lemmer, Amy (James) Coleman, Jessica (Chris) Lemmer, Jacob (Lindsay) Lemmer and Samantha (Abby) Lemmer; and 11 great-grandchildren, Layla, Jeffrey, Elsa, Brianna, Gabriel, Jessica, Lillian, Braylen, Cayden, Kaylee and Landon.

He was preceded in death

by his parents; his wife; two brothers, Harry and David; and an infant granddaughter, Audra.

Bruce was a 1958 gradu-

Bruce was a 1958 graduate of Amboy High School. He served in the U.S. Army reserves from 1962-1968. He



engaged in dairy farming all his life.

Memorials may be directed to the family.



Lee County Farm Bureau President, Don Meyer, accepts a recognition certificate awarded to their county for its achievements during 2019. The award was presented during the Illinois Farm Bureau Annual Meeting and calls attention to the comprehensive nature of county Farm Bureau programs. Pictured: (left) Lee County Farm Bureau President, Don Meyer, (right) Illinois Farm Bureau Vice President, Brian Duncan.

Photo submitted

The Rat Pack is back in DeKalb on Feb. 1 at Egyptian Theatre

DEKALB – The Egyptian Theatre will present The Rat Pack is Back on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 2 p.m.

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year with over 6000 performances in over 40 states, 4 foreign countries and over two million tickets sold.

Tickets are on sale now. Tickets start at \$25. Egyptian Theatre is located at 135 North 2nd St. in DeKalb. Box Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3-6 p.m.; phone (815) 758-1225.

For more information visit online at www. egyptiantheatre.org.

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Paw Paw UMC host annual cantata

PAW PAW – The annual Paw Paw Cantata was presented on Sunday, Dec. 15 at the Paw Paw United Methodist

Participants include area people of various faiths from Compton, Paw Paw, Earlville, West Brooklyn and Waterman, all coming together to joyfully celebrate Christmas.

The organizer/director for over thirty years is Neva Ikeler.

Participants included Marianne Gilmore, Lois Ross, Gayle Kern, Donna Challand, Faith Timmerman, Barb Schoenholz, Lori Safranek, Lynda LeMat, Megan Shaddick, Deb Gilmore, Fran Sellers, Shari DeLong, Brooke Schoenholz, Kate Fabiszak, Erin Odle, Jan Schoenholz, Randy Ikeler, Ron Kern, Vern Thompson, Floyd Dewey, Matt Busse, Chris Fritz, and Mitch May.

Dec. 17 - Dave Louis

Dec. 18 - L.O.T.S., Dix-

Dec. 19 - Jake Meyers,

Dec. 20 - Sue Messer,

Dec. 21 - Mrs. Shawn

Dec. 22 - Megan Jacobs,

Dec. 23 - Richard Hamas,

Dec. 24 - Sam Johnson,

Dec. 25 - Bret Johnson,

Dec. 26 - Mindy Lange,

Dec. 27 - Nick Eul, Ro-

Dec. 28 - Joe Suarez,

Dec. 29 - Nancy Kaiser,

Dec. 30 - Dylan Etes,

Schabacker, Rochelle, \$25

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From The Heart Calendar winners

From The Heart November 2019 Cash Calendar Winners.

Nov. 1 - Larry Hageman, Rochelle, \$25 Nov. 2 - Larry Cich, Cres-

ton, \$25 Nov. 3 - Savannah Ikens,

Amboy, \$50

Nov. 4 - Bud Norcross, Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 5 - Dore Cevene, Caledonia, \$25

Nov. 6 - Steve Eckhardt, Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 7 - Lester Miller, Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 8 - Sharon Booth, St. Charles, \$25

Nov. 9 - Adrian Garcia, Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 10 - Wanda Weishaar, Ashton, \$50

Nov. 11 - Terry Ufsiu, Rochelle, \$250

Nov. 12 - Lydia Roberts,

Rochelle, \$25 Nov. 13 - Mary Ellen Berg,

Casselberry, Fla., \$25

Nov. 14-Debbie O'Brien,

Rochelle, \$25

Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 15 - Jackie Hill,

Nov. 16 - The Rack Bar & Grill, Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 17 - Mike Ross, Rochelle, \$50

Nov. 18 - Laura & Vince

Kerkett, Sycamore, \$25 Nov. 19 - Devon Gugerty,

Dixon, \$25 Nov. 20 - Iron Skillet,

Rochelle, \$25 Nov. 21 - Darrell Richard-

son, Rochelle, \$25 Nov. 22 - Pam Kelley,

DeKalb, \$25 Nov. 23 - Diane McBride,

Rochelle, \$25 Nov. 24 - Lynn Jordal,

Rochelle, \$50 Nov. 25 - Tessa Sturgeon,

New Albany, New York, \$25 Nov. 26 - Harper Speakes, Byron, \$25

Nov. 27 - Robert Danekas, Rochelle, \$25

Nov. 28 - Dr. Lonn Brander, DeKalb, \$500

Nov. 29 - Sue Platner, Chicago, \$25

Nov. 30 - Carl Brune, Rochelle, \$25

From The Heart **December 2019 Cash** Calendar Winners.

Dec. 1 - Phil Nye Jr., Rochelle, \$50

Dec. 2 - Cody Dale, Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 3 - Ann Marie Green,

Rochelle, \$25 Dec. 4 - John Dobbs, Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 5 - Dore Cevene, Caledonia, \$25

Dec. 6 - Steve Eckhardt, Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 7 - Lester Miller, Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 8 - Matt Hussey, Rochelle, \$50

Dec. 9 - Dorothy Vargen, Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 10 - Dennis Neal, Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 11 - Ashlynn Tinsley, Johnson Tractor/Rochelle,

Dec. 12 - Joni Spartz,

Rochelle, \$25 Dec. 13 - Shane Huber,

Rochelle, \$25

Dec. 15 - John Greenfield,

Dec. 16 - Betsy Adams, Dixon, \$25

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Dec. 31 - Valerie Mortenson, Rochelle, \$25 Rochelle, \$50

Checks to winners will be mailed out at the end of each month.

Avon

Book Nook By: Tatjana Kazan

True Crime

on't let the blandly generic title - "The Dark Heart" - of Swedish author Joakim Palmkvist's true crime story keep you from picking up the book. It's a highly entertaining tale, as suggested by its subtitle: "A True Story of Greed, Murder, and an Unlikely Investigator." The crime itself is quite ordinary: a missing persons case, in this instance, a multimillionaire farmer, turns into a murder case that takes two years to solve. It's notoriety in Sweden naturally had to do with the money. The unlikely investigator who cracks the case is Therese Tang who runs a branch of Missing People Sweden.

What makes the story compelling is Palmkvist's focus on the victim and those who most likely did him in, as well as the highly opinionated people of the tiny town of Norra Forlosa. The police were not exactly incompetent, but they mostly sat on the sideline. Goran Lundblad, the multimillionaire farmer, was reported missing in September 2012. He's in his sixties, a man of few words, miserly and hardworking. His grandfather Knut laid the foundation of the family fortune in the Alaska gold rush. Back home "he was the talk of the town. It was said about him that he cast his own gold ingots and hid them." Goran's father Gustav added to the family fortune when he invented the Dollar Pipe. Tightfisted Goran made his wives work in the pipe factory for their keep.

Goran's oldest daughter Sara worked side by side with her father until she took up with Martin Tornblad from a neighboring farm. By turns vicious and wheedling, Martin was the most colorful character in the story. Convinced that Martin was after Sara's fortune, Goran threatened to disown her if she did not dump Martin. She refused. They had a violent argument shortly before his disappearance. In no time at all, Sara and Martin became the prime suspects. But the case went cold when there was no hope of finding Goran's body.

Enter Therese Tang. As the head of the Kalmar branch of Missing People Sweden, she set out to find Goran's body. In her early thirties, Therese, mother of three, former model, hairdresser, stylist, and nuclear power plant worker, was a security officer when the Lundblad case resurfaced in 2014. It was her chance to put Missing People Sweden on the map. In Sweden, evidence not gathered by the police is admissible in court, and Palmkvist's depiction of how Therese trapped a suspect into confessing is masterful. "But how the case was solved – thanks to a private investigator who put herself in harm's way to find the truth and convict the perpetrators – really raised the interest from mere curiosity to public frenzy."

Goodfellows of Lee County to host giveaway

FRANKLIN GROVE—The Goodfellows of Lee County will host a giveaway from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., on Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Franklin Grove Church of the Brethren, 121 W. North Street, Franklin Grove. This a free giveaway event. Everyone is welcome. For questions, please contact 815 973-5135.

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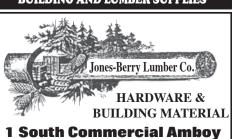


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Tax hikes are business as usual for Illinois

to trade in a car and this has auto dealers, particularly in border areas, bracing for lost business.

"Maybe a tax like this would make sense in someplace like Hawaii, where there aren't any neighboring states. But for a state like Illinois in the middle of the country it makes no sense at all," said Jamie Auffenberg, who owns auto dealerships in Belleville and O'Fallon.

Here's how the new tax works.

\$20,000 to buy a new vehicle for \$35,000. Right now, you'd pay sales tax on the difference between the trade-in and the new car: \$15,000. Applying Illinois' average state and local sales tax rate of 8.74%, the sales tax on this deal is \$1,311.

Let's say you're trading in a car valued at

The sales tax bill on that same transaction will go up nearly \$900 next year.

Under the new law, a maximum of \$10,000 in trade-in value will be exempt from the sales tax. So, in our example, instead of paying sales tax on \$15,000, you'd have to pay sales tax on \$25,000.

eginning New Year's Day it became Guest Column It's a basic law of economics that the something becomes more expensive, demand for it goes down. By Scott Reeder

So, under this new tax regime, fewer cars will likely be sold. This means auto dealers will earn less, employ fewer people and pay less in income taxes.

"The most frustrating thing about this is that Illinois keeps raising taxes and it doesn't solve anything," Auffenberg said. "The state keeps raising taxes and raising taxes and the state is in worse financial shape today than it was 10 years. It's time for state government to look for places to cut.'

The new tax is expected to raise \$60 million for Gov. J.B. Pritzker's infrastructure plan. But one thing that projection doesn't take into account is how innovative car buyers may be in avoiding the tax.

Illinois once taxed car leases at a much higher rate than neighboring states, Auffenberg noted.

In our area, 30 to 40 percent of the people work in Missouri. What we witnessed was people registering their cars under their business address in Missouri to avoid paying the tax in Illinois. People will do all sorts of things to avoid paying an extra \$1,000 or \$2,000 in taxes. I expect the same thing will happen with this tax. It may not happen as much in someplace like Springfield but in border areas, it will take place."

Joe McMahon. director of government affairs of the Illinois Car Dealers Association, said the tax is fundamentally unfair.

"You already paid sales tax when you bought the vehicle the first time around," he said. "And now they want to tax you for it again. That's not right.'

The trade-in tax is coupled with several other vehicle-oriented taxes that also were approved by the Legislature.

Residents won't just pay more to sell their car. They'll also pay more to drive it, park it and get a license plate renewal sticker.

The registration fee for regular passenger vehicles jumped to \$151 from \$101 on Jan. 1. The Illinois motor fuel tax rose from 19 cents to 38 cents per gallon on July 1, making the Land of Lincoln's gasoline tax No. 3 in the nation.

And lawmakers also imposed a new tax on private parking that also went into effect this week. Legislative leaders agreed on the tax hikes behind closed doors and presented them to the General Assembly a day and one half before adjournment. Neither businesses nor ordinary citizens had much opportunity to weigh in on the proposal.

That's not how democracy is supposed to work. But its business as usual in Illinois.

And that's unfortunate.

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



On This Day in History

100 Years Ago Jan. 9, 1920

O.N. Eckburg has bought out the Amboy Pressing Works, formerly managed by J.P. Bass. Mr. Eckburg is a straight-forward industrious young man and deserves a good patronage.

Frank Brady has purchased from the Pat Fogarty Estate, the old homestead on Main Street, also 27 acres adjoining of pasture land.

Drs. Saxman & Angstrom have opened their office in Ambov for the practice of Chiropractic. They are located in the Fenten building over the Fenten meat market.

75 Years Ago Jan. 4, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. George Steder called on Mrs. Walter Steder and baby son Christmas Day.

Miss Mary Clayton recently began Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James work at the switchboard of the local Malach and family. telephone company.

New Year's eve guests at the Allison Blake home were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Yocum and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Isenberg and daughter, Susan.

50 Years Ago Jan. 8, 1970

Amboy High School's varsity Clipper cagers, after leading the Oregon Hawks by 14 points at one time in the game, lost the tilt 45-43. The game was played last Friday night in Oregon.

Mrs. Florence Lally and John were entertained for dinner and supper on Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burke of Franklin Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Garland and family of Sublette, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Rapp and family of Dixon, and Mr. and

25 Years Ago Jan. 12, 1995

Construction continues on the new home of First Federal Savings Bank in Amboy. According to John Roark, vice president in charge of operations, the building will be partially modular and partially stick-built with a brick exterior and two drive-up lanes. Weather permitting the facility is expected to be open

by late March or early April. Seventh and eighth grade student council members at Amboy Junior High School are Brandy Harris, Kaylie Schier, Megan McCoy, Secretary Lisa O'Brien, Gina Stevenson, President Jill Shaw, Cammie Cook, Trese Wells, Chris Dickinson, Joey Hume, Josh Thier, Vice President Brandon Schlesinger, Treasurer Jason Bonnell, Adam Grennan, Brandy Crouse and Brent Montavon.

Mrs. Kenneth Scudder and children of at Glidden's Hospital in DeKalb on Amboy were dinner guests on Christmas I THOUGHT IT WAS EXCELLENT! IMPEACHMENT? NO, THE

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- 35 Long story

1. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What are

2. GENÊRAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the oldest brewery in the United

3. MOVIES: To which destination is the McCallister family traveling in the

4. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states are named after a president? 5. MUSIC: In the song, what did Frosty the Snowman do after a magic hat was

6. ANATOMY: Where is the glabella

7. LANGUAGE: What did the Russian

8. LITERATURE: What are the names of the young bunnies in "The Tale of

9. HISTORY: In what year was the sound barrier broken by a jet aircraft?

10. LANDMARKS: Which presidents

are depicted in the Mount Rushmore

National Memorial in South Dakota?

Space Station "Mir" mean in English?

female elephants called?

movie "Home Alone"?

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located in the human body?

States?

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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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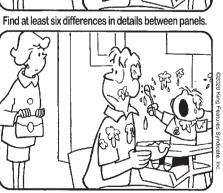
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF **HOCUS-FOCUS**



Differences: 1. Button is missing. 2. Skirt is different. 3. Food splat is missing. 4. Chair back is lower. 5. Nose is smaller. 6. Hair is different.

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

CryptoQuip

for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error. Clue: B equals R

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DESSERT

Today's Word

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1. Cows

Trivia Test Answers

Solution time: 25 mins. Answers

- **King** Crossword

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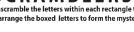
Answer

Meekiy SUDOKU

Married "Star Wars" buffs have split up. Pals proclaim "may CryptoQuip



on this for a second."



Point

REESIS GAMITS

SCRAMBLERS Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then

DOPIER Docile TENGLE

TODAY'S WORD

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IN THE CIRCUIT **COURT OF** FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LEE COUNTY, **ILLINOIS ESTATE OF**

Robert E. Meinhardt. deceased Case No. 2019-P-73 **CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is given of the death of Robert E. Meinhardt of Mendota, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on December 12, 2019 to Nancv A. Mathieu of 2164 Shaw Road, Ambov. IL 61310 and Kristine M. Woodhouse of 210 Batavia Lane, Hoffman Estates. IL 60169 as Independent Executors whose attorney is Guilfoyle & Stevenson, LLP, 1316 Meriden Street, Mendota, IL 61342 Claims against the

estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Lee County Courthouse, 309 S. Galena Avenue, Dixon, IL 61021, or with the representative or both on or before July 10, 2020 and any claim not filed within that period is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the Attorney within ten davs after it has been filed. No. 0102

January 1, 8, 15, 2020

IN THE CIRCUIT **COURT OF** FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LEE COUNTY. **ILLINOIS** ESTATE OF

Lucille E. Nicholson deceased Case No. 2019-P-69 **CLAIM NOTICE**

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January 1, 8, 15, 2020

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January 1, 8, 15 2020

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113 FINANCIAL

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SPORTS

Lady Clippers win Holiday Tournament

AMBOY – The Amboy Lady Clippers outgunned four opponents by wide margins to capture first-place honors in the Amboy Holiday Tournament. The four wins upped Amboy's season record to 15-0.

The Lady Clippers opened tournament action with a 59-30 rout of Indian Creek on

Four players scored over eight points for AHS, led by Mallory Powers with 24 tallies. Powers tied with a teamhigh eight rebounds and dished out six assists. Gabby Jones added 10 points and seven rebounds, while Abi Payne provided nine points, a team-leading 11 assists and four steals. Also aiding the cause were Olivia Dinges with eight points, Kyleigh Donna with four points and eight caroms, Ashley Althaus with two points, six boards and three assists, and Brianna Blaine with two points and five rebounds.

Amboy sprinted out to a gigantic first-quarter lead and took down Roanoke-Benson, 69-30, on Dec. 27. AHS exploded for 34 first-quarter points and held its opponent to just six.

Payne topped the team



Tournament.

Photo courtesy of Kirsten Donna

tributing to the victory were Dinges with eight points, Blaine with six points and four boards, Althaus with four points and four caroms, Jones and Tori Daniels each with two tallies, and Haidyn Zimmerly with three re-

Ottawa Marquette had a size advantage on Amboy in round three, but it didn't matter as the Lady Clippers



Amboy wrapped up the tournament title for the second straight year with a 51-36 verdict over Lena-Winslow on Dec. 30.

Photo courtesy of Kirsten Donna

coasted to a 64-23 triumph on Dec. 28. Amboy led 22-4 after the opening stanza and held a 43-10 halftime advantage.

Powers (20 points, eight assists, four steals) and Payne (16 points, six assists, six steals) provided plenty of punch for the victors. Jones chipped in with seven points, 11 rebounds and six assists, while Donna, Blaine and Eden Lindenmeyer added four points apiece. Also getting in on the fun were

Dinges with three points and four rebounds, and Althaus, Daniels and Hannah Blanton each with a bucket.

Amboy wrapped up the tournament title for the second straight year with a 51-36 verdict over Lena-Winslow on Dec. 30. The Lady Clippers held a narrow 24-20 halftime lead, but came out of the locker room on fire by outscoring Le-Win, 23-3, in the third frame to take control.

Powers paced the team

with 16 points and five steals, followed by Payne with eight points, five assists and five steals. Jones pumped in eight points, grabbed eight rebounds and handed out four assists, Donna dropped in six points and snared seven caroms, Althaus contributed six points, four steals and four assists, and Dinges had five points and six rebounds.

Powers and Payne were named to the all-tournament

Lady Clippers to compete at Northwest Basketball Shootout

in three categories with 19

points, seven assists and four

steals. She connected on eight

of nine field goal attempts

including draining all three

with 17 points, five assists

and three steals, while Donna

hit double-digits in scoring

with 11 markers. She also

collected seven rebounds and

blocked two shots. Also con-

Powers was right behind

of her three-point tries.

EASTLAND — The Amboy Lady Clippers will compete in the 3rd annual Northwest Illinois Girls' Basketball Shootout, hosted by Eastland High School, on Saturday, Jan. 11.

The organizers tried to match up teams to get the best competition and not have teams play opponents they have already played.

Noon – Eastland JV vs Byron JV 1:30 p.m. – Le-Win vs Orion 3 p.m. – Stockton vs Byron 4:30 p.m. – Winnebago vs Riverdale 6 p.m. – Dakota vs Amboy

7:30 p.m. – Eastland vs Aurora Christian

Illinois Farm Bureau to host series of farm legacy seminars

BLOOMINGTON—Seventy percent of U.S. farmland will likely change hands during the next two decades. With estimates as high as half of American farmers operating without an estate plan, Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB) and COUNTRY Financial are set to provide valuable Farm Legacy Seminars to aid them as plans are made for the next generation.

The two organizations will host three farm legacy information meetings in February of 2020. The seminars will provide current and prospective IFB members and COUNTRY Financial clients with tools, protection and ongoing support essential to legacy planning, in order to allow them to keep their farm in the family amid today's financial challenges.

"Illinois farm families face a series of issues, including rising costs in agriculture and surviving financial stress year to year, that may pull their focus away from planning for the future of the farm," said IFB President Richard Guebert Jr. "This meeting series will realign that focus in sharing the resources and knowledge they need to have those conversations and preserve their farm legacy."

Each meeting will include a keynote presentation by Dr. Ron Hanson, Harlan agribusiness professor emeritus at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and professional speaker on farm legacy planning.

"It is never too early for farm family

members to begin a legacy planning process for their farm," said Dr. Hanson. "Most often, farm families make the mistake of waiting until it is too late or after something unexpected happens. That is never the best time to make good objective decisions. It's important to develop and implement a business succession plan now to continue a family farming legacy for future generations."

Hanson has been a recipient of 31 university and national awards throughout his 46-year agribusiness teaching and advising career. Following Dr. Hanson's talk, farm legacy planning support will be explained and offered by COUNTRY Financial Specialists and Planning Support Manager, Joe

Meetings are set to take place in northern, central and southern Illinois. The 2-hour seminars will each begin at 5 p.m. with dinner. Dates and locations are as follows:

• Feb. 25 — Hickory Grove Banquet and Conference Center, Rochelle

• Feb. 26—I-Hotel and Conference Center, Champaign

• Feb. 27 — Kokopelli Golf Club, Marion Registration for the events is now open to current and prospective IFB members and COUNTRY Financial clients.

To register, visit www.ilfb.org/farmplan-

Thursday

Friday



The JV Lady Clippers also took first place at the Amboy Holiday

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Amboy Community Unit School District #272

Wed., Jan. 8

Thurs., Jan. 9 Fri., Jan. 10 Sat., Jan. 11

Mon., Jan. 13

Tues., Jan. 14

Wed., Jan. 15

Thurs., Jan. 16

Parent Learning Session "Being Mindful in a Busy World" - Central

Cafeteria - 1:30-2:30 p.m.

AHS Boys Basketball @ Kirkland - 5:30 p.m. AHS Girls Basketball @ Rock Falls - 5:30 p.m. AHS Boys Basketball (H) AFC - 6:00 p.m. AHS JV Wrestling (H) Tournament - 9:00 a.m. AHS Varsity Girls Basketball @ Eastland Shootout - TBA

EARLY DISMISSAL – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAY

AJHS – 11:20; Central – 11:25; AHS – 11:30

AHS Scholastic Bowl (H) Fulton Unity - 4:00 p.m. AHS Girls Basketball (H) Polo - 6:00 p.m. AHS Girls Basketball (H) Forreston - 6:00 p.m.

AHS Boys Basketball @ Polo - 6:00 p.m. AJHS 7th Grade Girls Basketball @ Waterman -

AJHS Girls Basketball (H) Montmorency - 4:00

AHS Fresh/Soph Scholastic Bowl @ Pecatonica -

AHS Wrestling @ Fulton w/Polo - 5:30 p.m. AHS Boys Basketball (H) Eastland - 6:00 p.m.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Girls Basketball

Gabby Jones

Boys Basketball

Wrestling

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JR HIGH MENU January 13 – 17

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Monday - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Early Dismissal - Pick & Pack Lunch-choice of sandwich, chips, fruit, grahams, juice

box & milk in carry home bag Tuesday

peas, roll/butter, strawberry cup

- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Fried chicken legs, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots,

Wednesday - Biscuit & gravy or pick two from breakfast cart - Grilled cheese, tomato soup, salad, goldfish crackers,

> fresh cut veggies, applesauce cup - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart

- Chicken soft taco, cheese, jalapenos, salad, onion, tomato, salsa, rice, beans, pears - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart

- Pizza dunkers (breadsticks & meaty sauce), broccoli, cheese, salad, fresh veggies,

CENTRAL SCHOOL MENU January 13 – 17

Fat-free chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk are served at Breakfast and Lunch.

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- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart Monday

- Early Dismissal - Pick & Pack Lunch-choice of

sandwich, chips, fruit, grahams, juice

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peas, roll/butter, strawberry cup Wednesday

- Biscuit & gravy or pick two from breakfast cart - Grilled cheese, tomato soup, salad, goldfish crackers,

fresh cut veggies, applesauce cup

- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart

- Chicken soft taco, cheese, jalapenos, salad, onion,

tomato, salsa, rice, beans, pears - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart

- Pizza dunkers (breadsticks & meaty sauce), broccoli,

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