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Lee County Board welcomes new maintenance supervisor

BY MONETTA YOUNG
Reporter

LEE COUNTY — The Lee County Board welcomed Dean McCoy as the new maintenance supervisor who will replace Chris Henkel.

Cathy Ferguson introduced two public health interns that will be working with her in the coming months. The girls are Marissa Sanford, a graduate of AFC High School and a senior at Eastern Illinois University and Anisa Muhsin, a graduate of Dixon High School and a senior at Northern Illinois University.

Sheriff John Simonton gave an update on the progress at the Lee County Law Enforcement Center, the project is ahead of schedule and under budget. The project is expected to be finished about 3 months ahead of schedule and come in about 4 or 5 percent under budget.

Bill Palen reported that the Lee County Tourism Council is expecting its new Fun Guide in the near future. There have been 20,000 copies of the 56-page book ordered. Watch for your copy soon.

The board approved a petition from the Village of Compton for a variance to setback requirements for a water tower.

Local banks sponsoring Agricultural Business Conference in Mendota

MENDOTA – First State Bank, Mendota, Pioneer State Bank, Earlville, and H.F. Gehant Banking Company of West Brooklyn announce a special conference for area farmers. The 20th Annual Community Bank Ag Conference is scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 at the Mendota Civic Center.

Starting the program will be Kanlaya Barr, Senior Economist with John Deere & Company. Barr received her BA in Economics from Thammasat University, Thailand, Master of Economics and Master of Accounting from Iowa State University and her Ph. D. Economics from Iowa State University. Her presentation topic will be an economy perspective of today: Where are we? Where to next? She will cover progress in eradicating extreme poverty, key observations on current and agricultural economic conditions and where to go from here.

Following Barr will be Mark Schweitzer. Schweitzer is VP Economic Research for Archer Daniels Midland. He works with ADM business leaders to provide economic and market intelligence, and tools that enable better business and risk-management decision-making. With a bachelor's degree

from The Ohio State University and an MBA from Indiana Wesleyan University, his passion is helping develop the next generation of leaders through the FFA. His conference topic will be AG: The New Frontier. Schweitzer will also speak about the current supply and demand, and the future of agriculture.

The keynote speaker, back by popular demand, will be David Kohl, PH.D. Dr. Kohl received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Agricultural Economics from Cornell University. For 25 years, Kohl was Professor of Agricultural and Finance and Small Business Management and Entrepreneurship in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va. Kohl has addressed the American Bankers Agricultural Conference for 35 consecutive years, and has appeared before numerous state bankers' schools and conferences in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, and throughout the world. He has also been one of the top-rated instructors at the LSU and Colorado Graduate Schools of Banking, and is Chancellor of Farm Credit University, which has trained over 700 lenders using an online and face-to-face educational approach.

Area farmers are encouraged to

contact any of the listed financial institutions prior to Saturday, Feb. 2, to confirm reservations for the event. ADM Grain Company, Mendota, and Holland & Sons, Inc., John Deere will serve as major co-sponsors of this event and will provide lunch for all those in attendance. First State Insurance will be sponsoring the morning coffee and donuts. Door prizes are being provided by several area businesses including Earlville Farmers Coop; Sublette Farmers Elevator Company; West Brooklyn Farmers Coop; Troy Grove Coop; Meriden Grain - Pioneer Seed Sales; Seedlink, LLC; Mendota Mutual Ins. Co.; Crop Production Services - Compton; Leffelman and Associates, Inc.; Peter Vaessen - Vaessen Implement and Repair, Inc.; Michael Vaessen - Sublette Mechanical; Wipfli; First State Insurance; Rodney Rod - Pioneer Seed Sales; Northern Partners Coop; Maplehurst Farms; Beck Oil Company; R-Equipment Co.; Sublette Toy Show; IL Fire Store; Norton Appraisals; Guilfoyle Law Firm; Vaessen Bros. Chevrolet; Cantlin Law Firm; Hornung Tiling, Inc.; Country Village Meats; Illinois Valley Cellular and Prescott Bros Inc. Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep & Ram.



Pictured is Eleanor Zimmerlein, left, and Lee County Farm Bureau president, Don Meyer.

Photo submitted

Zimmerlein awarded LCFB Distinguished Service Award

AMBOY — The Lee County Farm Bureau is honored to award Eleanor Zimmerlein, LaMoille, with the Distinguished Service Award in recognition for her years of service and contributions to the Lee County Farm Bureau and to agriculture. The Distinguished Service Award was established to honor and recognize an individual or couple who has shown exemplary leadership and service to Farm Bureau, agriculture and farmers in Lee County and beyond.

Over the years, Zimmerlein has served the Farm Bureau in a number of capacities, including service on the Board of Directors, Governmental Affairs Committee, an Illinois Farm Bureau ACTIVATOR Trustee, and has volunteered with several programs and projects over the years. We are honored to name Eleanor Zimmerlein the recipient of the 2019 Lee County Farm Bureau Distinguished Service Award.

Amboy City Council accepts resignation of Alderman from Ward 1

BY TONJA GREENFIELD
General Manager

AMBOY — There is an Alderman for Ward 1 position open on the Amboy City Council.

The Amboy City Council met on Monday night in the Amboy Community Building. Amboy Mayor John Schamberger told the council that he had received a letter of resignation from Ward 1 Alderman Eric McLaughlin. He said McLaughlin is resigning from

the board because he has moved out of the city limits.

A couple of the projects for the city that McLaughlin spearheaded during his time on the council were the new flooring of the Amboy Community Building and the resurfacing Main Street.

Schamberger will appoint someone to McLaughlin's position and the Amboy City Council will take a vote on the appointment. McLaughlin's term was

to end following the spring election. Due to no one applying to run for the open seat in Ward 1, the person who is appointed to replace McLaughlin will serve for two years.

Also up for election this spring are Dennis Weidman from Ward 2 and Daryl Stuckenmeyer from Ward 3.

The next Amboy City Council meeting will be held at 7 p.m., on Monday, Feb. 18, in the Amboy Community Center.

Demmer sworn in to 101st General Assembly

SPRINGFIELD — State Representative Tom Demmer (R-Dixon) was sworn into a fourth term in the Illinois House of Representatives at a ceremony held at the University of Illinois at Springfield's Sangamon Auditorium.

The House of Representatives of the new 101st General Assembly includes 74 Democrats and 44 Republicans, and Demmer will represent approximately 110,000 residents from northwestern Illinois' Ogle, Lee, DeKalb and LaSalle Counties. During the inauguration ceremony, Representative Michael J. Madigan (D-Chicago) was re-elected Speaker of the House and Representative Jim Durkin (R-Western Springs) was re-elected House Minority Leader.

"As we enter this new General Assembly, I look forward to many opportunities for bipartisanship that can lead Illinois down a better path toward economic prosperity," said Demmer. "We face many challenges, but our best work takes place when we set partisanship aside and work collaboratively."

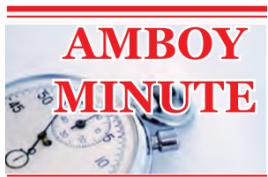
Demmer pointed to several bills from the previous General Assembly that were approved with bipartisan support and are now

law, and said, "We came together on several instances to enact meaningful reforms to health care delivery systems and to approve measures that addressed public safety. I am hopeful that same spirit of cooperation can be used to address other pressing issues, such as pension debt and the need for term limits and fair maps."

Within the House Republican Caucus, Demmer serves on the nine-member leadership team as Deputy Republican Leader. As the second-highest-ranking Republican in the House of Representatives, Demmer will have a key voice in setting the House Republican agenda for the next two years. He was elevated to the position of Deputy Leader in July of 2018 after previously serving as the House Republican Caucus Chair.

As the 118 members of the General Assembly begin their work, Demmer is finalizing a comprehensive 2019 legislative agenda that focuses on improving access a delivery of health care services, protects taxpayers, eases consolidation processes and improves government operations.

Residents of the 90th District can learn more about Demmer at www.tomdemmer.org.



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Nicor Gas offers tips to help keep you warm and stay safe during winter weather

NAPERVILLE — As many areas of the country are facing extreme winter weather Nicor Gas wants to offer customers some tips to keep their families safe and save on their winter heating costs.

The safety of every family we serve is our highest priority; we strongly advise customers to adhere to the following guidelines associated with natural gas meter and appliance venting safety:

Heavy snow and ice may weigh down power lines and tree limbs, causing them to fall. If a natural gas meter is damaged or underground gas line is exposed, immediately leave the area and call 911 or Nicor Gas' 24-hour emergency response line 888.Nicor4U (642.6748) from a safe location.

Exercise caution removing snow or ice from your natural gas meter assembly. Use your hands or a broom, not a shovel, to brush away snow or ice from your meter and regulator.

Never kick or hit your gas meter or its piping with a hammer or any hard object to break away built-up snow or ice.

Detecting Gas Leaks

If you smell the rotten egg odor that is often associated with natural gas or suspect carbon monoxide is present, immediately leave the affected area and call 9-1-1 or the 24-hour emergency response line 888.Nicor4U (642.6748) from a safe location.

Never try to identify the source of a leak yourself.

If the odor of natural gas is present, do not use a telephone or cellphone in the area of the odor. Do not turn light switches on or off. Do not operate any appliance or do anything that might cause a spark, such as lighting a match.

Appliance Safety

Never use natural gas appliances, such as ovens or the burners on a stove, to heat your homes or businesses.

Make sure your heating system, water heater and any other natural gas appliances are serviced and inspected annually by a qualified licensed professional.

Do not use any defective natural gas appliance until it has been inspected, serviced and determined to be safe by a qualified plumber or heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) professional.

Carbon Monoxide Safety

To ensure the safe, proper operation of natural gas appliances, such as a furnace or water heater, and to prevent the potentially hazardous buildup of carbon monoxide within your home or business, ensure that outdoor vent openings and air intakes are not obstructed by snow or ice.

Seek medical attention immediately if anyone in your home or business experiences possible symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning, which include headache, dizziness, fatigue, nausea and vomiting.

Being efficient

Energy efficiency tools and resources give customers more control over their energy consumption and bill. Some of those efficiencies can start in the home – little changes can add up to big savings with these weatherization tips:

Regularly replace air and furnace filters; most filters should be cleaned or replaced every 60-90 days. A clean filter will allow the system to run more efficiently.

Open window coverings during the day to allow sunlight to heat your home naturally, and close curtains at night to reduce the chill from cold windows.

Keep furniture, drapes, stuffed animals and other objects away from heating sources.

Adjust timer controls and programmable thermostats. Some older thermostats may not have an internal clock and need to be adjusted manually.

LOCAL NEWS



SUPPORTING MISSION OF KREIDER SERVICES

Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 8277 recently donated \$1,000 to Kreider Services to help support their mission. Pictured, from left to right, are Grand Knight Frank Lachat, Sr., Secretary/Treasurer of Kreider Services Jeff Stauter, and President of the Board at Kreider Services Mike Hickey. The Amboy Knights of Columbus raised the money donation during their annual Intellectual Disability Drive program.

Photo submitted



SUPPORTING OGLE COUNTY EDUCATION

Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 8277 recently donated \$1,000 to Ogle County Education Cooperative in Byron to help them in support of their Education Programs. Pictured, from left to right, are Grand Knight Frank Lachat, Sr., and Director of Ogle County Education Cooperative Matt Zilm. The Amboy Knights of Columbus raised the money donation during their annual Intellectual Disability Drive program.

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LOCAL NEWS

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Kelynn Boyle

January Student of the Month named

AMBOY — Kelynn Boyle, daughter of Jim and Tracy Boyle, has been named Amboy High School's Student of the Month for January.

GPA: 4.0

Memberships and Involvement: I am involved in Leo's Club and some Outdoor Club activities

Awards and Honors: Highest honor roll, I have gone to state two years in a row for Cross Country.

Best Memories of AHS: Having Prom on a boat.

Future Plans: I plan to go to Sauk Valley for two years to get Gen-Eds then transfer to Carl Sandburg to become a Dental Hygienist.

AMBOY-Business After Hours will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd. The City of Amboy will host local business owners and any members of the public that wish to attend this mix n' mingle event.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, on Jan. 24, 25, 29, 30 and 31. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or to find out about other services offered, like Flu and other Adult Vaccines.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department will hold Glucose & Cholesterol Screenings, by appointment, on Thursday, Jan. 24. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment.

AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD #272 Board of Edu-

cation will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24., at Amboy High School, 11 E. Hawley.

AMBOY-The Pankhurst Memorial Library Book Club will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 28, at the Library, 3 S. Jefferson. Call the library at 815-857-3925 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 28, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

AMBOY-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at Amboy High School, 11 E. Hawley. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Elk's Lodge, 1279 Franklin Grove Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or

visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

AMBOY-The Amboy Fire Protection District will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 4, at the Fire Station, 25 N. East Ave.

ROCK FALLS-The American Red Cross, in coordination with Mayor William B. Wescott of Rock

Falls and Bethany Bland, President/CEO of Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce, will hold two monthly Blood Drives on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Rock Falls Community Building, 601 W. 10th St. The first Wednesday of the month drive will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.



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Educational Briefs

Wilhelm earns Semester honors at Edgewood College

MADISON — Delaney Wilhelm, of Amboy, has earned Semester Honors for the Fall 2018 semester at Edgewood College. Fulltime students who achieve a 3.5 grade point average for the semester are eligible for this honor.

Wilhelm Makes Dean's List at Edgewood College

Delaney Wilhelm, of Amboy, has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2018 Semester at Edgewood College.

Fulltime undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students who earn a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher are eligible for the Dean's List after completing 24 credit hours of study at Edgewood College.

a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Students listed below are from your area.

Dixon
Clay Wilson Jungerman, 4, Mechanical Engineering
Olivia Frances Pultorak, 2, Kinesiology and Health
Erika L. Smith, 3, Mechanical Engineering

Paw Paw
John Jeffrey Hoelzer, 4, Mechanical Engineering

NIU announces fall 2018 Dean's List

DEKALB — Northern Illinois University announces its fall 2018 Dean's List stu-

dents. To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts.

Students from your area who achieved this honor include:

Compton
Alessandro Caruso, Economics - B.A., Mendota Township High School

Dixon
Elizabeth Ortgiesen, Electrical and Computer Engr, Amboy High School

Franklin Grove
Samantha Heaton, History - B.S., Elmwood High School

Laura Lafrentz, Economics - B.A., Ashton Franklin Center HS

Laura Lafrentz, Spanish Translation & Busin, Ashton Franklin Center HS

Mark Lafrentz, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Ashton Franklin Center HS

Lee
Scott Dabbs, Nursing, Aurora East High School
Emerson Witte, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Indian Creek High School

Paw Paw
Jonathan Essex, Kinesiology, Paw Paw High School
Julia Hoelzer, Undeclared Business, Paw Paw High School
Matthew Swed, Applied Mathematics, Paw Paw High School

Iowa State University announces fall 2018 Dean's List

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Students named to the Dean's List must have earned

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The Amboy Education Foundations Board of Directors is grateful to the people and businesses of Amboy and the surrounding area. All proceeds will directly benefit the students of Amboy Community Unit School District #272.

Please join us at our next event, The Bowl a Thon, Plum Hollow, Dixon, IL, February 24, 2019, contact us at aef@amboy.net if interested.

Thank You Neighbor

This weekly feature recognizes small acts of kindness done for others. This week's nominee can pick up a rose from The Main Flower Shop. Send your nomination in a signed note to

Thank You Neighbor,
c/o The Amboy News.

One Nomination Per Person Per Month

Limit 40 Words Per Nomination

I would like to recognize our good neighbor Bill Bontz for the Good Neighbor Thank You Rose. He always came right over when we called and needed his help in the few months past. Thank you Bill.

The Braida Family

OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

OBITUARIES

Diane K. Goerlitz

Dec. 27, 1951 - Jan. 14, 2019

NORMAL — Diane K. Goerlitz, 61, of Normal, died Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, at Advocate BroMenn Regional Medical Center in Normal. She was born on Dec. 27, 1951, in Richland Center, Wis., the daughter of John and Velma (Spencer) Goerlitz. Diane had been a teacher at Bloomington High School

for the past 25 years. She was preceded in death by her paternal and maternal grandparents. Survivors include her parents of Amboy; her brother, David (Cindy) Goerlitz of Attica, Mich.; her sister, Linda (Mark) Ross, of Amboy; two nephews, Christopher and Lucas Ross; one niece,

Morgan Ross; and one great-niece, Jillian Marie. Cremation rites have been accorded. At Diane's request there will be no services or visitation. Funeral arrangements by Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Condolences may be sent online at www.thejonesfh.com.

Amboy High School announces its first semester honor roll

AMBOY—Amboy High School announces its first semester honor roll.

Highest Honors Seniors

Kelynn Boyle, Breanna Fisher, Noelle Jones, Clayton Kemp, Mitchell McLaughlin, Kaitlyn Ortgiesen, Nevaeh Sheaves, and Cameron Simpson

Juniors

Rachel Ackert, Brittany Barlow, Bailey Bickett, Abigail Ely, Arian Fekolli, Nathan Friel, James Popovich, Kenzie Scudder, Joshua Yocum, and Jade Zimmerly

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Cooking and Booking Club available to local youth

DIXON — Where can you try new foods, make lasagna, and toss water balloons? At Cooking and Booking of course. 4-H, KSB, Dixon YMCA, and Oliver's Corner Market invite youth to this year's Cooking and Booking Club. Youth ages eight through 12, as of Sept 1, 2018, will learn all about

good nutrition, food safety, basic cooking skills, new foods, exercise, and sports. The club meets on the second Thursday of each month from March 14 through Aug. 8 at 4:30 p.m. in the KSB Hospital Private Dining Room. Pre-registration is required and can be done at go.illinois.edu/CookinBookin. The cost

of the club is \$50. They can't wait to see you. One may contact Kathy Book at 815-857-3525 for more information. Pre-registration is required at go.illinois.edu/leeArchery or by calling 815-632-3611. Club is expected to fill quickly.

Lee County 4-H Project Pool planned Feb. 16

AMBOY — University of Illinois Extension, Lee County is holding 4-H Project Pool for kids ages five to 18 on Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Lee County Fair Grounds.

The morning will start at 9 a.m. and end at noon. It is a short, educational

fun filled opportunity for kids in 4-H and out of 4-H. The extension is excited to have many different classes available including; arts, food decorating, food science, vegetables, dogs, weather, catapult engineering, forestry and more. Each participant will be able to choose

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half of Telegraph building, at 113 S. Peoria Ave., Dixon. Enter west parking lot off of Highland. Items available are: Clothing for entire family; books; foot wear; Christmas

décor; household items; and some used toys, etc. For more information, please call Clara Harris at 815 973-5135.

Amboy soldier promoted to Sergeant Major

SPRINGFIELD—Johnny J. O'Brien, of Amboy, was promoted to the rank of sergeant major during a promotion ceremony at Camp Lincoln in Springfield, on Jan. 17.

O'Brien enlisted in the

Illinois Army National Guard in August 1995 as a stinger missile gunner in Battery C, 1st Battalion, 202nd Air Defense Artillery in Dixon. In August 2001, he was selected for a full-time Illinois Army National Guard

position as a recruiter in Kewanee, Illinois. O'Brien deployed to Afghanistan in 2013 with the Bilateral Embedded Staff Team 11 as a force protection noncommissioned officer. O'Brien previously served

as the Recruiting and Retention Battalion first sergeant for Golf Company based in Marseilles, Illinois, and is now assigned as the Enlisted Strength Management noncommissioned officer in charge in Springfield.

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SOCIAL NEWS

The Book Nook

By:
Tatjana Kazan

Heart of Darkness

For more than a century after its publication, Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness" is still one of the most controversial classics in Western literature. It is deeply racist, yet its critique of rapacious Western imperialism is unequalled in literature. Its influence has been wide-ranging. By the 1960s, it was taught in many college and high school English courses. The most famous adaptation of the novel is Coppola's "Apocalypse Now," which moves the story from the Congo to Vietnam during the Vietnam War.

The story opens on a riverboat on a becalmed River Thames where Charlie Marlow tells a group of friends the story of his adventure up the Congo River. He had been hired to bring home Kurtz, a station agent in the Congo Free State. On arrival, Marlow enters a narrow ravine to stroll in the shade, and finds himself in "the gloomy circle of some Inferno." The place is full of diseased Africans who worked on the railroad and now await their deaths. "Black shadows of disease and starvation... free as air and nearly as thin." (Ten million people perished during the brutal exploitation of people and land by King Leopold of Belgium.)

Marlow's description of the journey up-river is both thrilling and utterly appalling: "as we struggled round a bend there would be a glimpse of rush walls, of peaked grass-roofs, a burst of yells, a whirl of black limbs, a mass of hands clapping, of feet stamping, of bodies swaying, of eyes rolling under the droop of heavy and motionless foliage. The steamer toiled along slowly on the edge of a black and incomprehensible frenzy. The prehistoric man was cursing us, praying to us, welcoming us - who could tell? We were cut off from the comprehension of our surroundings; we glided past like phantoms... We could not understand because we were too far and could not remember, because we were traveling in the night of first ages, of those ages that are gone, leaving hardly a sign - and no memories."

Marlow continues: "No they were not inhuman. Well, you know that was the worst of it - this suspicion of their not being inhuman. It would come slowly to one. They howled and leaped and spun and made horrid faces, but what thrilled you, was just the thought of their humanity - like yours - the thought of your remote kinship with this wild and passionate uproar."

Marlow meets the Company's impeccably dressed chief accountant who calls Kurtz "a prodigy" and "an emissary of pity, and science, and progress," and feels Kurtz represents the "higher intelligence, wide sympathies, a singleness of purpose" needed for the cause Europe entrusts the Company. Alas, Marlow discovers the darker side of this paragon of virtue when he comes upon a fence on whose posts are arrayed human skulls all turned toward Kurtz's front door.

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THE PASTOR'S PEN

Happy and Blessed

BY PASTOR JACK M. BRIGGS

You have to give the Romans credit for at least covering all the bases. In their mythology, there was a god or goddess for everything, including the kitchen sink. That would be Vesta, virgin goddess of the home and hearth. This time of year, one particular god come to mind: Janus, the god of beginnings and transitions. His image on a Roman coin depicts him as "two faced," literally one face looking forward and one looking back, making him hard to sneak up on, but that's not the point.

With the new year only a couple weeks old as you read this, we may find ourselves still in Janus mode, looking back on the year that was and looking forward with anticipation of what the new year may bring. For many, the past year is blessedly over and best viewed in the rear-view mirror because of disappointments or loss we endured. On the plus side, we may look at past year and realize where we experienced personal growth that set the stage for even better things to come.

Lots of folks have New Year's traditions, from banging on pots and pans at the stroke of midnight (seriously) to the southern tradition of eating black-eyed peas and greens - preferably collard - and to bring about good luck and prosperity. Many of us make New Year resolutions, literally to "resolve" to do some things differently, and hopefully better, than in the past. Some common resolutions are to learn a new skill or develop a hobby, quit smoking, shed a pound or two or

twenty, or exercise more or at least regularly. Sound familiar?

So, I offer a few suggestions to consider as you look ahead with resolve. First, make resolutions and set goals that are realistic and attainable. This includes being satisfied with incremental progress. If you want to lose 20 pounds, it's not going to happen in the first week, or even month. But if you keep at it, you'll get there eventually. Likewise, if you are learning a new skill, mastery won't happen right away. But with practice over time you will improve. So, give yourself credit for the progress you do make.

There's something else that our self-centered culture often overlooks: it is not just about you. Philippians 2:4 reminds us "Let each of you look not only to his (or her) own interests, but also to the interests of others."

As you work on your own self-improvement goals, resolve also to try each day to do something for someone other than yourself. It could be as simple as offering gentle words of encouragement or a gesture of compassion toward someone in need. Even the simplest things can mean more than you may ever know to someone who is lonely, hurting, or heavy of heart for whatever reason.

In Jesus' familiar Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 3:5-10) the word translated as "blessed" in some versions of the Bible is read as "happy" in others. So, may you truly have a Happy New Year, and be blessed to be a blessing to others.

Thanks be to God, day by day.

WHAT THEY HAD
Written and Directed by Elizabeth Chacko

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BY EMILY GOFF
Head Librarian

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Pritzker promising a lot on taxpayers' backs, but we don't know details

It didn't take long for Gov. J.B. Pritzker to up the ante on state spending.

At his first official news conference Tuesday, Illinois' new governor announced he was reinstating raises for state employees, called step increases, that his predecessor froze in 2015 during an ongoing contract dispute with the AFSCME union.

Pritzker, who also on Tuesday signed an executive order to improve transparency within state government, wouldn't answer questions about how much the pay raises would cost taxpayers, who would be included in receiving them, and how the state would pay for them.

We might have some idea, though.

In response to a Freedom of Information Act request last year from Illinois News Network, the administration of former Gov. Bruce Rauner estimated the cost of implementing the step increases in Fiscal 2019 at more than \$170 million.

We're a little more than halfway through the fiscal year so, assuming back pay raises aren't included, that puts the cost at about \$85 million over the next six months, much more in future fiscal years.

Maybe, anyway.

We won't know for sure until the Pritzker administration tells us.

Guest Column

By Dan McCaleb



Whatever the number is, it's unbudgeted. And the state already has a budget deficit of more than \$1 billion and a backlog of unpaid bills of \$7.5 billion.

"Today, my administration is taking the first steps to move our state forward to have workers' backs," Pritzker said in announcing the raises.

I'm all for having workers' backs. But let's be clear: This is a small subset of workers we're talking about, maybe 20,000 or so. Again, we don't know for sure because Pritzker wouldn't tell us.

So who's going to pay for these raises and the other growing expenses we can't afford?

The state's much larger group of private sector workers – according to U.S. Census data, there were more than 5.5 million Illinoisans in the workforce in 2016 – who already pay among the highest taxes in the country.

Who has their backs?

And get this: Even without the pay increases since 2015, Illinois state government workers are the second-highest paid in the country when adjusted for cost of living, according to financial watchdog Wirepoints.com.

Back to the transparency executive order:

"Our state's hardworking residents deserve to know how taxpayer money is being spent, and I will ensure that

transparency is a core value of my administration," Pritzker said. "By shining a light on how the state is and isn't living up to its responsibility to our citizens, we can start making real improvements in the lives of families across Illinois."

Those are good, strong words that I wholeheartedly support. But, of course, actions speak louder than words.

Pritzker is promising pay raises for state workers but not telling us how much they'll cost or how he will pay for them.

One of the new governor's primary campaign promises was to work to change the state constitution to allow for a graduated income tax, one in which higher earners pay more. But he wouldn't then and he still won't tell us what rates he'd seek and at what income brackets.

Are Middle Class Illinoisans see income tax increases to pay for Pritzker's increased spending? We don't know because he's not saying.

That's not transparency.

Pritzker is still in his first week on the job. I want to give him the benefit of the doubt.

But he can't tax-and-spend Illinois out of its fiscal woes, and he needs to be more open with all of us.

Dan McCaleb is editor of Illinois News Network and the digital hub ILNews.org. He welcomes your comments. Contact Dan at dmccaleb@ilnews.org.

On This Day in History

100 Years Ago Jan. 24, 1919

Smallpox assumed threatening proportions toward the close of December, the disease begin present in 21 counties in Illinois.

Mrs. S. L. Shaw of Lee Center gave a candy pulling party to her Sunday School class of boys last Saturday.

Mrs. Maude Brierton is now regularly employed as window clerk in the Amboy post office.

75 Years Ago Jan. 20, 1944

Mrs. Howard Shaw, Mrs. John Schauer and Miss Lorraine Fowler began work last Monday at the Green River Ordinance Plant.

Lt. Urban Halbmeier left Wednesday to resume his duties as chaplain in the U. S. Nave at San Diego, Calif. after spending a week with his mother at West Brooklyn.

The Sunshine Club held an all-day

meeting with Mrs. Herman Wasmund of Dixon last Thursday. The club elected officers with the following results: Mrs. Walter Ortgiesen, President; Mrs. Fred Bybee, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. Avery Levan, reporter.

50 Years Ago Jan. 23, 1969

Miss Ruth Welty, who recently graduated from Midstate College of Commerce at Peoria, left by jet from O'Hare Field Tuesday for San Diego, Calif., where she has accepted an executive secretary position with Micro-Reproducing Service at San Diego.

Harold Shaeffer, Palmyra Township was selected Conservation Farmer of the Year and presented a plaque by Goodyear Company of Rockford at the annual meeting of the Lee County Soil and Water Conservation District and Agronomy Day held Monday in the Farm Bureau auditorium.

Mrs. Carl Shearer and Mrs. Mel Koppien of the Shearer Gamble Store Sunday attended the Gamble spring

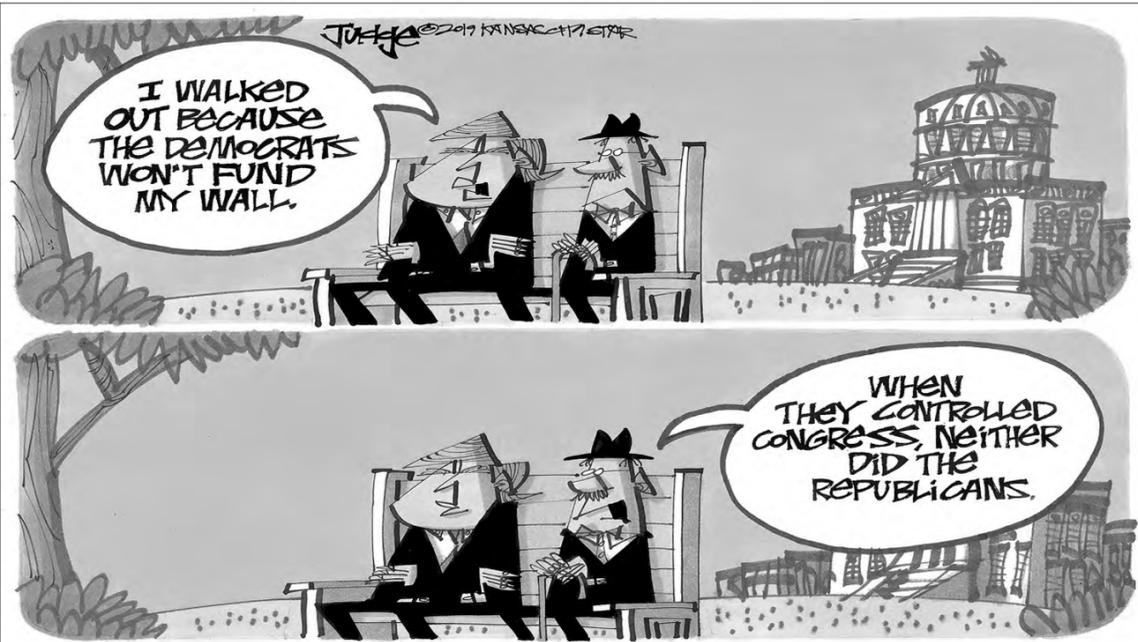
and summer merchandise show at the Sherman House in Chicago.

25 Years Ago Jan. 27, 1994

City workmen and a host of volunteers averted a potentially dangerous situation last week as they battled life-threatening weather to repair a broken water main that left nearly all of the city without water for about 10 hours.

Larry Hawes, member of the KSB Hospital Board of Directors and KSB CEO Darryl Vandervort, attended a meeting of the Illinois Hospital Association Trustee Network Jan. 17 in Princeton.

The Ladies Auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign War met Jan. 10 at Dixon Post 540 to present the annual Voice of Democracy Essay Contest awards in Lee Count. Jon Benson, a senior at Amboy high School was first place winner, Kendra Nicholson of Franklin Center High School was second and Kathy Boward of Dixon High School was third.



Common practice in Illinois

In case you haven't figured it out, some politicians hold the people who elected them in contempt.

Skeptical?

Well, look no further than what state Rep. Lou Lang did a few weeks ago. Lang, who has served in the General Assembly since 1987 was re-elected Nov. 6 and then resigned before his new term would begin.

So why would the Skokie Democrat do this? Well, the voters won't get to decide who will serve in his seat for the next two years, a party boss will decide. What party boss? Well, that would be the Niles Township Democratic Chairman – Lou Lang.

Yep, he gets to choose his replacement.

And guess who may be among those seeking the job? Becky Lang.

That's right, his daughter. The Chicago Sun-Times reported this possibility recently. Becky Lang wouldn't tell the paper what her plans were. Lou Lang said he would encourage her to apply.

And after 32 years in the General Assembly, what are Lou Lang's plans? Well, he is joining a lobbying firm.

So, think about this, folks. He is not only picking his replacement – who could be his daughter – but he's picking a person he will be paid to lobby.

That stinks.

Former State Rep. Jeanne Ives, R-Wheaton, posted on social media, "He ran for office and before even being sworn in to begin to serve his term of office he has resigned. It is shameful. He should be remembered for this self-serving act. Now, his party will pick a replacement to serve for a full

Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



two-year term that the voters did not select. And that new state representative will most likely run again with the power of incumbency. Democrats should be ashamed of themselves."

Sorry, Jeanne. It's not just a Democrat problem. Or a Cook County problem. It's an Illinois problem.

For example, back in November 2010 state Sen. Gary Dahl, R-Granville, won reelection and less than a month later he called it quits allowing Republican bosses to appoint his replacement.

Or there is the case of Sen. Denny Jacobs. The East Moline Democrat who resigned in 2005 after 18 years in the General Assembly. He successfully lobbied Democrat party bosses to appoint his son, Mike.

But those are just two examples of what is a common practice in Illinois.

The Illinois Constitution requires that the person who fills a vacancy be of the same party as the departing lawmaker. But it leaves it up to the legislature to determine the process for filling the vacancy.

Not surprisingly, lawmakers decades ago chose to empower party bosses with this task.

That's unfortunate.

In a democracy, power should rest with the people, not the politicians.

A constitutional amendment requiring special elections rather than appointments for legislative vacancies ought to be considered.

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LOCAL NEWS

Posting Date January 21, 2019

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Nickelodeon's explorer
- 5 Phonograph stat
- 8 — podrida
- 12 Acknowledge
- 13 "Born in the —"
- 14 Tide type
- 15 Korea-based sitcom
- 16 Laterally
- 18 Tartan patterns
- 20 Go by
- 21 "Star Wars" princess
- 23 Saute
- 24 Motorcycle attachments
- 28 Consider
- 31 Historic period
- 32 Prepare to pray
- 34 Chicken-king link
- 35 Weaver's filling thread
- 37 Revolvers, e.g.
- 39 Air safety org.
- 41 Soon to come
- 42 Coral rings
- 45 Money, slangly
- 49 Secondary job
- 51 Anger
- 52 Infamous ldi
- 53 Enjoyment

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- 54 At a snail's pace
- 55 Hide
- 56 Explosive stick
- 57 Spud's buds
- DOWN
- 1 Moist
- 2 Elliptical
- 3 Parks of civil rights fame
- 4 For some time
- 5 Muscovites et al.
- 6 Omega pre-ceder
- 7 Put together
- 8 Ahead
- 9 2012, but not 2013
- 10 Potato chip brand
- 11 Church section
- 17 Sprite
- 19 Pack of cards
- 22 "The results —"
- 24 Stitch
- 25 Anger
- 26 Jonquil's cousin
- 27 Dregs
- 29 Shady tree
- 30 More, to Manuel
- 33 Toy block name
- 36 Skill
- 38 Richard III's cry
- 40 The whole enchilada
- 42 Pronto, on a memo
- 43 Fourth dimension
- 44 Winnow
- 46 Easter emblem
- 47 Lotion additive
- 48 Chops
- 50 Convent denizen

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



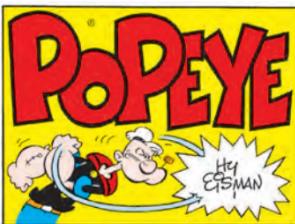
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by Mike Marland



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by Jeff Pickering



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LAFF-A-DAY



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

Alarm

BURRPET

Feint

GEDDO

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CREATIN

Hidden

DEVILE

TODAY'S WORD

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY:** What is the number of the U.S. highway that runs along the West Coast?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is the fastest bird in the world?
- LITERATURE:** What is the name of the wood carver in "The Adventures of Pinocchio"?
- MOVIES:** Which 1980s movie featured the tagline, "One man's struggle to take it easy"?
- ASTRONOMY:** How long is a year on the planet Mercury?
- BUSINESS:** Which automaker sold a line of cars called the Fairlane?
- ANATOMY:** How many times does the average human heart beat each day?
- TELEVISION:** Which 1960s television drama featured the catchphrase, "Book 'em, Danno!"?
- ARCHITECTURE:** Who designed the famous home called "Fallingwater"?
- COMICS:** What is the name of the dog in the "Dennis the Menace" comic strip?

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Palamas are different. 2. Moon is higher. 3. Hair is different. 4. No picture is missing. 5. Headboard is lower. 6. No. 7 is missing from picture.

Trivia Test Answers

1. U.S. Route 101
2. The peregrine falcon, which can exceed 200 mph in a dive.
3. Gepetto
4. "Fertis Bueller's Day Off"
5. 88 days
6. Ford Motor Co.
7. More than 100,000 times
8. "Hawaii 5-0"
9. Frank Lloyd Wright
10. Ruff

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: D equals T

QCD BARSHW RAJCS BAVBSKVCVF

UARS JSKW HMVFSKANU UNXSK-

XADSVD YKSPU:

"DQS YMH VSPU YSSKU."

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SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word

DEBATING

1. Perturb; 2. Dodge; 3. Certain; 4. Veiled

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

Hit comedy movie concerning some very dangerous super-potent brews: "The Bad News Beers."

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2018 P 86

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P.O. Box 1016
Dixon, IL 61021
(815) 284-7705 phone
(815) 284-7707 facsimile
bobthompsonlaw@gmail.com email
No. 0102
Jan. 9, 16, 23, 2019

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INVITATION TO BID BIDDING & CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

Amboy C.U.S.D. 272 will receive sealed bids for Asbestos Abatement for 2019 Steam Leak Repair at Amboy Jr. High School, 140 South Appleton Avenue in Amboy, Illinois 61310. The work is clean up major fiber release and remove insulation from piping systems throughout south tunnel and nonfriable removal of floor tile and mastics from the coach's office in the girls' locker. The Date of Commencement is March 25, 2019. The Date of Substantial Completion is March 29, 2019. The Mandatory Prebid Meeting is on Wednesday, February 6, 2019, 10:00 a.m. at Amboy Jr. High School. The deadline to reserve a project manual and confirm prebid attendance is 3:30 p.m. on February 4, 2019, call Dawn at 309-828-4259. \$75 per manual if ordered by deadline, \$100 if not ordered by deadline but ordered before prebid, \$125 if requested at or after prebid. Costs are non-refundable. Pay by cash, credit card or check payable to IDEAL. Manual may be viewed at Owner or Engineer offices. The Bid Opening will be on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. at the Amboy C.U.S.D. 272, 11 East Hawley Street in Amboy, Illinois 61310. No.0103 (Jan. 23, 2019)

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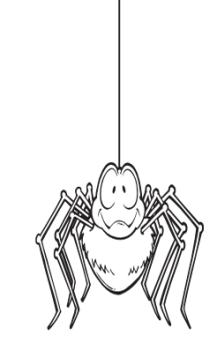


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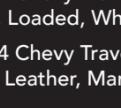
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SPORTS

Lady Clippers win rematch against AFC

AMBOY — The Amboy Lady Clippers continued on their winning ways with two more victories last week, including avenging the only loss they have incurred this season. AHS improved to a sparkling 22-1 overall and 8-1 in conference games.

Amboy hosted Durand on Jan. 14 and pulled away for a convincing 60-33 victory at the AHS gym. The Lady Clippers held a comfortable 36-17 halftime lead.

Abi Payne led all scorers with 18 points and she also topped the team with seven assists.

Mallory Powers dropped in 10 points and dished out six assists, while Noelle Jones collected eight points and eight rebounds. Also

contributing to the win were Breanna Fisher (six points, eight rebounds), Kyleigh Donna (six points, six rebounds), Ashley Althaus (six points), Gabby Jones (four points), Rachel Lachat (two points) and Olivia Dinges (five rebounds).

Amboy traveled to Ashton for a rematch with the AFC Lady Raiders, which handed the Lady Clippers their only loss of the season in December.

The nip-and-tuck game saw each team hold several leads before Amboy finally prevailed, 49-48, on Jan. 17.

AHS trailed most of the first half and went

into the halftime locker room staring up at a 28-20 deficit. The Lady Clippers closed the gap to three (40-37) after three periods to set the stage for a wild fourth frame. Once Amboy got a one-point lead, AFC countered with a basket of its own and the lead changed hands several times.

With the Lady Clippers in front 49-48, Fisher had her biggest blocked shot of her career that allowed Amboy to escape with the thrilling victory.

Payne led all scorers with 18 points as she provided two big baskets in the final two minutes of the game. Payne also handed out six assists, including to Donna for the final

basket of the contest.

Donna tallied 10 points, pulled down 10 rebounds and had six blocked shots. Powers contributed 11 points and had eight of them in the third-quarter comeback. Fisher also scored four of her six points in the third.

Noelle Jones added a big fourth-quarter basket, had five rebounds and three assists, while Powers also dished out three assists. Althaus connected on the other huge basket in the final minute of the game and made major contributions on the defensive end of the floor.

AFC's best guard had 14 points at the half and Althaus guarded her much of the second half and held her scoreless.

Clippers earn win over LaMoille Jan. 18

AMBOY—A balanced scoring attack lifted the Amboy Clippers to a 59-55 win over LaMoille in varsity boys' basketball action on Jan. 18 at the AHS gym.

Three Clippers tallied in double figures, while two others came up one point short of that mark.

Hunter Zimmerly led the attack

with 15 points, while Logan Whelchel and Preston Henkel supplied 10 points apiece. Mitchell McLaughlin and Trevor Vaessen each chipped in with nine markers.

Amboy hit eight field goals from beyond the three-point arc, with Whelchel, Henkel and Vaessen getting two treys

apiece. Brady Becker poured in 19 points for LaMoille to lead all scorers.

The Lions held a 17-16 lead after the opening stanza, but Amboy fought back to take a 29-28 halftime margin. The Clippers were in front 45-42 heading to the fourth.

Clippers F/S team struggles against opponents

AMBOY — Amboy's freshman-sophomore boys' basketball team has struggled on the hardwood in recent games, winning only one of its last four outings.

The Clippers fell at Milledgeville, 48-26, on Jan. 10.

Amboy scored just one basket in the opening quarter and trailed 16-2 at the buzzer. Milledgeville took a 27-9 lead to the break.

Brady Jones paced the Clippers with 10 points, while Ian Eller supplied six

points. ***
First-quarter woes continued for Amboy in a 35-22 setback at Forreton on Jan. 12.

The Clippers found themselves down 12-5 after the first session and scoring points continued over the remainder of the game. Forreton was in front 23-10 at intermission and 30-16 heading to the fourth.

Andrew Jones pumped in eight points to top the AHS scoring chart. Eller, Caden Wittenauer and Jordan Gul-

ley all had three points apiece.

Amboy was on the short end of a 69-17 score to Polo on Jan. 16 at the AHS gym.

The Marcos bolted to a 22-5 first-quarter lead and never looked back. Polo's offense kept churning throughout the remainder of the game as it held leads of 38-9 at halftime and 50-15 after three periods.

Lane Boehle's five points led Amboy scoring, while Eller and Brady Jones each contributed four points.

The Clippers snapped their losing skid with a 47-30 triumph over LaMoille on Jan. 18 at the AHS gym.

Amboy took off from a 10-8 first-quarter lead to a 23-15 halftime cushion. The Clippers held a 35-25 margin going into the fourth quarter, where they outscored LaMoille, 12-5.

Brady Jones exploded for 20 points to lead the attack. Eighteen of his tallies came in the first half. Boehle also hit double digits with 12 points.

Snowmobile safety course for youth offered online

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois winters are very unpredictable and when we receive enough snow for snowmobiling everyone is anxious to ride. Courses should be taken before the snow arrives. Besides teaching basic safety principles, the course attempts to develop the proper attitude of respect for the student's fellow person and the environment.

The Illinois Snowmobile Education Course consists of a minimum eight hours of instruction. These courses cover the basics in maintenance and repair of snowmobiles, proper and safe operation, history of snowmobiling, first aid, protection of the environment and the state laws.

No person under 10 years of age may operate a snowmobile. Age 10 years and less than 12 years of age may operate under a parent or guardian's direct control.

The program is primarily designed to train young people between the ages of 12 and 16. The educational material is based on a sixth-grade reading level. Students under the age of 11 may not participate in the exam to receive certification.

Persons 12 and over completing the minimum eight hours of instruction and successfully completing the final examination will receive a State of Illinois Certificate of Competency.

Students between the age of 11-12 years old will receive their certificate upon their 12th birthday.

Who Must Take the Course?

On Oct. 2, 1975, a State law was passed that requires persons at least 12 years of age and less than 16 years of age may operate a snowmobile only if: 1. they have in possession a valid Snowmobile Safety Education Certificate of Competency issued by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Safety Education Section; or 2. they are accompanied on the snowmobile by a parent or guardian or person at least 16 years of age designated by a parent or guardian.

Two Ways to Take the Course

Instructor-led Classes — The traditional class method is through an 8-hour instructor-led class structure. Classes may be taught in one day or over a couple of different days. The class will end with a test to pass the class. Interested individuals may call 1-800-832-2599 or check the List of Education Courses by County.

Online Self-Study Course — Students may study the course material at their own pace, completing chapter reviews along the way. At the end of the course material the student will be required to pass an exam. Student certification will be mailed by the course provider.

Two Providers — On-line Snowmobile Safety Course and Certification:

<http://www.snowmobile-course.com/usa/illinois/>

<http://www.snowmobile-ed.com/illinois/>

Important Safety Tips

• Choose to be 100 percent alcohol-free until after your ride is over and you're safely home.

• Commit to riding only with other snowmobilers who are alcohol-free.

• Slow down. Speed is a contributing factor in nearly all fatal snowmobiling accidents. Drivers should proceed at a pace that will allow ample reaction time for any situation. Drive at moderate speeds, and drive defensively, especially after sunset.

• Carry a first-aid kit and dress appropriately. Your first-aid kit should include a flashlight, knife, compass, map, and waterproof matches. Always wear a helmet with goggles or a face shield to prevent injuries from twigs and flying debris. Wear layers of water-repellent clothing and make sure you have no loose ends that might catch in the machine or tangle in equipment.

• Avoid traveling across bodies of water when uncertain of ice thickness or water currents. Rapidly changing weather and moving water in streams and lake inlets also affect the thickness and strength of ice on lakes and

ponds. Snow cover can act as a blanket and prevents thick strong ice from forming.

• Stay on marked trails or, where allowed, on the right shoulder of the road. Be alert

for fences, tree stumps and stretched wire that may be concealed by snow.

• Never travel alone. Most snowmobile accidents result in personal injury. The most

dangerous situations occur when a person is injured and alone. If you must travel alone, tell someone your destination, planned route, and when you will return.

Amboy Community Unit School District #272

Thurs., Jan. 24

AJHS Girls Basketball (H) Oregon — 4:00 p.m.
AHS Wrestling @ Kewanee w/Riverdale — 5:30 p.m.
AHS Boys Basketball @ Serena — 5:30 p.m.
School Board Meeting — AHS — 7:00 p.m.

Fri., Jan. 25
Sat., Jan. 26

AHS Girls Basketball @ Milledgeville — 6:00 p.m.
AHS Varsity Scholastic Bowl @ Durand — 9:00 a.m.
AHS Wrestling @ Hall (Super Dual) — TBA
AHS Boys Basketball (H) Oregon — 5:00 p.m.
EARLY DISMISSAL — SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAY

Mon., Jan. 28

AJHS — 1:15; Central — 1:20; AHS — 1:25
AHS Scholastic Bowl (H) West Carroll — 4:00 p.m.
Freshman Boys game @ Milledgeville 5:30 pm
FFA Blood Drive — AHS Gym — 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
AJHS Girls Basketball @ Franklin Grove — 4:00 p.m.
AHS Wrestling (H) Dakota/Du-Pec — 5:30 p.m.
AHS Girls Basketball @ Orangeville — 6:00 p.m.
AJHS Girls Basketball @ St. Mary's, Sterling — 8th-5:00/7th-6:00 p.m.

Tues., Jan. 29

AHS Boys Basketball (H) Milledgeville — 6:00 p.m.
AJHS Scholastic Bowl @ St. Mary's, Dixon — 4:00 p.m.
AHS Girls Basketball (H) Freeport Aquin — 6:00 p.m.

Wed., Jan. 30

Thurs., Jan. 31



JR HIGH MENU January 28 - February 1

Low-fat chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk served at each meal. Choice of breakfast items from cart with juice and fruit. Warm breakfast choice on Wednesdays. Lunch option each day of the featured item or salad bar or yogurt with whole grain crackers or peanut butter & jelly or Grab&Go smoothie.

Monday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Cheeseburger on a bun, pickles, onion, tomato, salad, fresh cut veggies/ranch, corn chips, strawberry cup - Early Dismissal 1:25 p.m.
Tuesday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Clipper Bowl-popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, cheese, roll/butter, fresh cut veggies/ranch, pears
Wednesday	- Egg & cheese biscuit or pick two from breakfast cart - Ham, cheesy au gratin potatoes, peas, carrots, green beans, roll/butter, pineapple, jello cup
Thursday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Chicken soup, biscuit & jelly, green beans, salad, veggies/ranch, apricots, frosted cupcake
Friday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Grilled chicken fillet on a bun, lettuce, tomato, onion, sweet potato fries, broccoli & cheese, applesauce



CENTRAL SCHOOL MENU January 28 - February 1

Fat-free chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk are served at Breakfast and Lunch. Choice of five 100% real fruit juice cups are served at Breakfast. Warm breakfast choice on Wednesdays.

Monday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Cheeseburger on a bun, pickles, onion, tomato, salad, fresh cut veggies/ranch, corn chips, strawberry cup - Early Dismissal 1:20 p.m.
Tuesday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Clipper Bowl-popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, cheese, roll/butter, fresh cut veggies/ranch, pears
Wednesday	- Egg & cheese biscuit or pick two from breakfast cart - Ham, cheesy au gratin potatoes, peas, carrots, green beans, roll/butter, pineapple, jello cup
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PRODUCE

<p>Asparagus</p>  <p>\$2.99 lb.</p>	<p>Red or Green Grapes</p>  <p>\$2.99 lb.</p>	<p>Cucumbers</p>  <p>69¢ ea.</p>	<p>Bananas</p>  <p>59¢ lb.</p>
<p>Shurfine Salad Dressing</p> <p>Assorted 16 oz</p>  <p>\$1.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg Price \$2.39 ea.</p>	<p>Doritos Chips</p> <p>9-10 oz excludes Party Size</p>  <p>2/\$6</p> <p>Reg Price \$4.29 ea.</p>	<p>Nestlea Coffeemate Creamer Liquid</p> <p>Assorted 32 oz</p>  <p>\$3.49 ea.</p> <p>Reg Price \$4.29 ea.</p>	<p>Heinz Ketchup</p> <p>38 oz</p>  <p>\$3.29 ea.</p> <p>Reg Price \$3.79 ea.</p>

HOT BUYS

<p>Sugardale Bacon</p> <p>Assorted 16 oz</p>  <p>\$4.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$6.49 ea.</p>	<p>Tropicana Orange Juice</p> <p>Assorted 52 oz</p>  <p>\$3.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$5.39 ea.</p>	<p>Kemp's Ice Cream or Frozen Yogurt</p> <p>Assorted 48 oz</p>  <p>\$3.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$5.29 ea.</p>
<p>Gorton's Fish Fillets</p> <p>Assorted 6.3-11.4 oz</p>  <p>\$4.29 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$5.39 ea.</p>	<p>General Mills Cereals</p> <p>Assorted</p>  <p>\$2.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$3.49-4.99 ea.</p>	<p>7-Up Products</p> <p>2 Liter Bottles</p>  <p>2/\$2.50</p> <p>Reg. Price \$1.69 ea.</p>

WEEKLY SPECIALS

<p>Coke Products</p> <p>12 pack cans</p>  <p>\$4.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$5.99 ea.</p>	<p>Shurfine Pasta</p> <p>Assorted 16 oz</p>  <p>99¢ ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$1.29 ea.</p>	<p>Sugardale Hot Dogs</p> <p>12 oz</p>  <p>\$1.29 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$1.69 ea.</p>	
<p>Knorr Pasta or Rice Sides</p> <p>Assorted 4-5.7 oz</p>  <p>2/\$2.50</p> <p>Reg. Price \$1.59 ea.</p>	<p>Juicy Juice</p> <p>Assorted 8 pack or 64 oz bottles</p>  <p>\$2.99</p> <p>Reg. Price \$3.99 ea.</p>	<p>Bush's Best Chili Beans</p> <p>Assorted 15-16 oz</p>  <p>2/\$2.50</p> <p>Reg. Price \$1.59 ea.</p>	<p>Crisco Oil</p> <p>Assorted 48 oz</p>  <p>\$3.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$4.89 ea.</p>
<p>Pillsbury Grands</p> <p>Assorted 16.3 oz</p>  <p>\$1.79 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$2.19 ea.</p>	<p>Folger's Coffee</p> <p>Assorted 22-25 oz</p>  <p>\$7.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$9.59 ea.</p>	<p>Shurfine Syrup</p> <p>Assorted 24 oz</p>  <p>\$1.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$2.89 ea.</p>	<p>V-8 Splash or Fusion Juice</p> <p>Assorted 48-64 oz</p>  <p>\$1.99 ea.</p> <p>Reg. Price \$2.69 ea.</p>

Sale goes through Jan. 29, 2019