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The Amboy Lady Clippers and the Polo Lady Marcos joined together to host a Pink Out Night on Friday, Feb. 1, during their game.

#### Photo by Kirsten Donna Lady Clippers, Marcos join forces to win the battle against cancer

AMBOY — The Amboy Lady Clippers and Polo Lady Marcos Basketball squads teamed up to win the battle against cancer.

The two teams came together to host a Pink Out Night on Friday, Feb. 1, during their game. The girls held a 50/50 raffle, t-shirts sales and a silent auction. Together the teams raised over \$3,000 during the night and contributed the proceeds to the CGH Health Foundation Women's Health Program and Charity Stripe.

Women living in the Sauk Valley area, who are in need of health services, will be able to receive a mammogram, breast exam, Pap test and other diagnostic tests through the CGH Health Foundation also go to provide CGH Medical Center cancer patients with comfort bags. These totes contain gas, meal and phone cards along with other items which can assist in their cancer journey. Donations are accepted year-round by calling Amanda Blaine at 815-625-0400, ext. 5575 or making a gift online at www.cghmc. com/foundation. Blaine was on hand during the event with a display of what services the CGH Health Foundation Women's Health Program offers.

The Charity Stripe® is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for charitable recipients who are experiencing financial and/or emotional hardship due to military service, debilitating illness, natural disaster because of their generosity. Proceeds and/or other philanthropic conditions. Golf Club (Matt Henkel).

Frank Lachat Sr. won the 50/50 drawing and donated his winnings back to the cause.

The following people and businesses donated to the cause: Karen McCoy, Gaylene Noble, The Main Flower Shop, The Donna Family, CGH & CGH Health Foundation, The Blaine Family, Amboy District 272, Fresh-Soph Lady Clippers, Varsity Lady Clippers, Fresh-Soph Lady Marcos, Varsity Lady Marcos, AJH Lady Vikings and their families, Polo and AHS coaches and their families, Brandy Stern, Kaleel's Printing, Woodhaven Lakes (Tim O'Laughlin), Vivian O'Laughlin, Mary Bergfeld, Jeff Ref's, The Mc-Laughlin Family, The Daniels Family, Lisa Goy, Annette Larson, Prairie view

Community **Connections 2019 Progress Edition** 

AMBOY - It is that time again at The Amboy News to begin work on our annual Business Progress Edition. Because you and your business are the lifeblood of our community, and share in our area's economy and prospects, we found it appropriate to title the 2019 edition, 'Community Connections.'

There are many reasons to include your business in this section. First of all, this particular section is only done once a year by The Amboy News. An undertaking of this magnitude can only be done once a year, making it a truly unique publication to read and use throughout the entire year.

Secondly, this annual section, which will be published April 25, will be a showcase of the Amboy and Sublette area and its communities. The section will highlight the positive aspects of businesses, governments, schools and organizations, and will be retained and read by residents and newcomers throughout the year.

Thirdly, you will get maximum exposure for your investment. By purchasing a minimum size advertisement (3x5), you will receive, at no additional cost, an in-depth feature story or photo that focuses on your particular business. If you invest in a 1/4 page (3x10) ad or larger, you will receive the story and the photo at no cost. That is a powerful combination to send your message to the public.

The Amboy News' Business Progress Edition is a perfect way for you to highlight your improvements and growth from the previous year and touch on new things to come this year. It's a cost-effective way to enhance your company's image with the general public and potential customers, as well as providing an excellent venue to engender good employee relations while recognizing their contribution to your success. For more information or to be included in "Community Connections," call your ad representative today at (815) 857-2311.

## **Dallas to attend State of the Union** as Kinzinger guest



is a true hero and a role model to many, and he deserves to be recognized."



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**Amboy, Illinois** 

## Swanson receives Legislator of the Year Award from NIAFPD

WOODHULL-State Representative Dan Swanson (R-Alpha) was honored by the Northern Illinois Alliance of Fire Protection Districts (NIAFPD) with their Legislator of the Year Award at their annual ceremony on Saturday, Jan. 26.

"I am humbled to be honored by these hard-working fire protection professionals. I share in this award with the all of our outstanding fire fighters who are focused on saving lives and property as well as improving training, programming, and collaboration for fire fighters in Illinois," said Swanson.

Swanson was awarded the recognition for his work to ensure that fire departments have the necessary resources to protect and serve their local communities.

The Northern Illinois Alliance of Fire Protection Districts (NIAFPD) works to foster the exchange of ideas and information among and between Alliance members as well as encouraging and promoting the advancement of common interests of Fire Protection Districts and developing a regional resource bank of information available to members.

74th District residents can learn more about Rep. Swanson's work in Springfield at his legislative website at www. repswanson.com.



State Representative Dan Swanson

#### Durbin, Trump working to reduce drug prices

#### **BY GREG BISHOP**

Illinois News Network SPRINGFIELD — Illinois' senior U.S. Senator unveiled new legislation to lower drug prices during a visit to Springfield and said the effort could get support from the White House.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin said the pharmaceutical industry in the United States doesn't operate in a free-market system. He said the Food and Drug Administration gives drugmakers of new drugs five to twelve years of exclusivity.

"During this time FDA agrees not to review cheaper generic alternatives. That means the drug manufacturer can charge whatever they want without competition during this period," Durbin said.

Durbin said his Forcing Limits on Abusive and Tumultuous, or FLAT Drug Prices Act reduces the exclusivity term if a drugmaker increases the price more than 10 percent a year or similar increases over several years.

The measure requires self-reporting and gives the drugmaker the opportunity to explain the increase.

Durbin, D-Springfield, said he's hopeful to continue working with Trump administration on the issue of drug prices. President Donald Trump has pledged to lower drug prices and put pressure on the pharmaceutical industry.

Durbin also has other bills that will address drug pricing practices.

'On one of them, posting of drug prices on television, and another one saying that if the drug company offers a discount to any country they got to offer the same discount in the United States," Durbin said. "Actually, I'm working with the Trump administration on those two provisions."

Durbin said he's hopeful to get bipartisan support on the issue after "we get beyond the wall."

U.S. Rep. Rodney Davis, R-Taylorville, said there is bipartisan support to reduce drug prices.

"Just like I hope we have bipartisan support addressing our broken health care system that's still leaving upward to 60 million people in this country uninsured or having insurance that they can't afford to use," Davis said.

Davis said he's still waiting for the House majority Democrats to produce their plan on health insurance.

It's no secret that prices of prescription drugs are going up, said Davesurrance President Dave Castillo. How much depends on who you ask.

"Depending on who you read or who you listen to, anywhere from 250 to 1,000 different medications are going to go up around, on average, about six percent with inflation only about two percent," Castillo said.

Castillo said there are legitimate reasons the cost of a drug may go up.

"Their expenses that have to do with bringing the drug to market," Castillo said.

#### Adam Kinzinger

#### WASHINGTON, D.C.

Congressman Adam Kinzinger (IL-16) will welcome Officer Mark Dallas, the School Resource Officer at Dixon High School and of the Dixon Police Department, as his guest for the 2019 State of the Union Address on Tuesday, Feb. 5.

A true hero in the Dixon community, Officer Dallas thwarted a school shooting from happening at Dixon High School on May 16, 2018. Serving as the School Resource Officer on duty, Officer Dallas' quick, selfless actions to disarm the attacker kept the students and faculty safe from an armed student.

In October 2018, Officer Dallas was named the 2018 'Officer of the Year' by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and was recognized by President Trump for his heroism.

Kinzinger released the following statement on announcing his 2019 State of the Union guest:

"Officer Mark Dallas embodies the very best of who we are as a nation. We are a better, safer community for his dedication to serve and protect. His quick, fearless actions saved countless lives, and prevented a real tragedy from occurring. I'm grateful for his service, for the service of all our School Resource Officers, and for all those who wear the badge with honor in IL-16 and across the country.

"It's an honor to welcome Mark Dallas as my guest for the State of the Union this year, and to serve as his representative in Congress. Officer Dallas



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## **LOCAL NEWS** Illinois can follow other states' lead to \$15 minimum hourly wage

#### **BY GRANT MORGAN** Capitol News Illinois

**SPRINGFIELD** – As it considers raising its minimum wage to \$15 an hour, Illinois has a few examples to follow.

Last week, the Illinois Senate Labor Committee had a hearing on raising Illinois' minimum wage from \$8.25 to \$15. There is no agreement on how long the transition would take, or if it should be done uniformly statewide.

Legislation could be sent to the Senate floor as early as Feb 6.

#### Raising the minimum

This year began with 18 states having new, higher minimum wages.

Of those, eight wage increases were automatic cost-of-living adjustments. The other 10 were the result of specific legislation, according to the National Confederation of State Legislatures.

But only three states and Washington, D.C., have approved the significant jump to \$15 an hour. And each of those

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states has done it differently. Consider California, which was the first state to pass such legislation in 2016. There, it will take six years – by Jan. 1, 2022, for the statewide minimum hourly wage to reach \$15.

The nation's capital also passed legislation in 2016, with a slightly shorter timeline of four years.

New York, on the other hand, took a geographical approach. Passing its legislation in 2016, wages in New York City are already \$15 an hour for businesses with 11 or more employees. By the end of 2019, that rate will extend to all businesses in New York City, while Long Island and Westchester County will have a \$15 minimum wage by the end of 2021.

But in the rest of the state, the minimum wage will increase to only \$12.50 an hour by the end of 2020.

Massachusetts is the most recent state to pass a \$15-anhour minimum wage. It's plan, approved last year, takes five years to complete. The first increase – from 11 an hour to 12 – kicked in this year.

Andrew Farnitano helped lead the campaign to raise Massachusetts' minimum wage – twice. The first time was in 2014, when his organization, RaiseUp Massachusetts, found success in legislation that increased the wage from \$8 to \$11 within three years.

Immediately after, Farnitano's organization began campaigning for an increase to \$15 an hour, succeeding in June 2018.

Farnitano says what happened after the first round of raises was the opposite of what many people and groups, especially business associations, expected.

"As the minimum wage went up, we saw massive job growth, a stronger economy, and the biggest drops in unemployment in the communities where the most people, some 30 or 40 percent of workers, benefitted from the increase," Farnitano said.

Farnitano added that, rather than shutting down or downsizing, many employers had a hard time filling available positions.

"In Massachusetts, there's places where low-wage workers can't survive on \$11 an hour," Farnitano said, referencing 2017's minimum wage. "So they move somewhere else, and then those businesses can't find people to fill those jobs after."

Christopher Carlozzi, state director for the Massachusetts branch of the National Federation of Independent Businesses, had competing arguments about the effects of a higher wage.

"Even though we've only done the first increase to \$12 an hour, we're already starting to see the effects," Carlozzi said. "Directly after

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the new year, there was a string of restaurant closures in Boston itself [citing labor costs].

"We're especially concerned about the areas outside Boston where you can't charge \$15 for a sandwich at lunch," he said. "Businesses either have to raise their prices, start reducing workforce hours, or cut or not create new jobs."

Making comparisons

There are no exceptions in the Massachusetts minimum wage law: In a few years, it will be \$15 an hour for all employees, regardless of age, experience, or region.

Mark Grant, who heads the Illinois branch of NFIB and testified at last week's hearing, says Illinois cannot handle a universal minimum wage like Massachusetts.

"The Chicago region is a completely different kind of region than everything outside of it," Grant said. "Our main concern is the businesses that are outside it – would they be able to deal with a \$15 minimum?"

As such, Grant says Illinois would need a regional system like New York has, where different areas have different wage floors depending on many economic factors.

Grant also talked of keeping Illinois' "teen wage" – a lower wage for teenage workers – which could lighten the load on small businesses having to adjust to higher wages.

Farnitano, however, said that one of the best parts of Massachusetts' bill was not having a teen wage, so that "employers could not cycle through a new teen worker every six months."

Another variable is to make different minimum wage timelines for different-sized businesses, which happened in California. There, the threshold is on businesses with 25 employees. Those with fewer than 25 have an extra year until the \$15 rate kicks in, making a seven-year, which was a number floated during the Illinois Senate committee



Mitchell McLaughlin

## McLaughlin named February Student of the Month at AHS

**ASHTON** — Mitchell McLaughlin has been named the Amboy High School Student of the Month for February. He is the son of Jim and Stephanie McLaughlin.

GPA: 4.1/4.0

Memberships and Involvement: Baseball, Basketball, Football, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Leo's Club, Yearbook

Awards and Honors: Highest Honors, Illinois State Scholar, First Team All-Conference Baseball 2017 & 2018, Baseball Team MVP 2018, First Team All Conference Football 2018, Honorable Mention Basketball 2017

Best Memories of AHS: Playing in the Powder Buff Volleyball tournament every year, Freshman and Senior year football, Drama class performances

Future Plans: Study Agriculture Engineering and Technology at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville

#### Group again proposes removing lawmakers from redistricting

#### **BY REBECCA ANZEL** Capitol News Illinois

**SPRINGFIELD** – With the 2020 U.S. Census looming, time is short for a group of Illinois lawmakers and activists who want voters to support a new way of drawing the state's

political maps. One coalition of interest groups proposes no longer allowing politicians to decide the boundaries of districts. Instead, those decisions would be made by a commission that "demographically, politically and geographically" represents the prairie state.

Current law allows the General Assembly to draw, and the governor to approve, political districts that are "compact, contiguous and substantially equal in population." Getting there, however, is often a complicated process that invariably favors the party in power.

A constitutional amendment written by CHANGE Illinois — the Coalition for Honest and New Government Ethics would change that. The group has been working since 2012

# CONNECTIONS

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There are also concessions that can be made to the business community, particularly small businesses.

Carlozzi discussed these concessions as part of a "grand bargain" in Massachusetts, where businesses were provided some relief to help accommodate higher labor costs. They included a statewide sales tax holiday, and elimination of time-anda-half pay on Sundays.

Illinois isn't the only state considering a minimum wage increase. The New Jersey Legislature recently passed \$15-an-hour minimum-wage legislation, to be phased in over five years. New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy is expected to sign the bill. to get a redistricting measure on the ballot.

"I think politicians willingly changing the law so they give up authority on this issue would restore some public trust and integrity in this process, and show that they can be full-time legislators, as opposed to drawing maps to ensure a certain electoral outcome," said Jeff Raines, communications and engagement director for CHANGE Illinois.

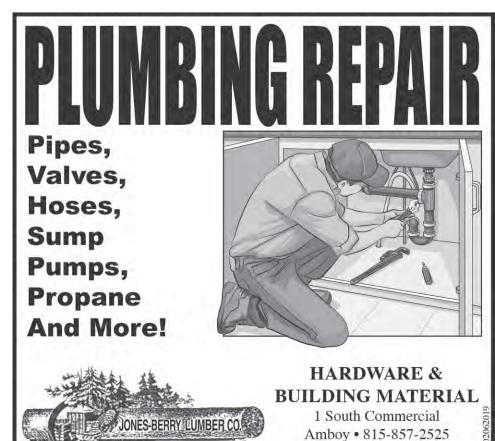
The group's twin measures instead place map-drawing under the purview of the state Supreme Court. The chief justice and most senior justice "who is not elected from the same political party" would together select 16 citizens to form a commission — seven Democrats, seven Republicans and two independents.

All the group's actions are meant to be transparent — documents, meetings and materials would be available to the public, and the proposal mandates at least 30 public hearings.

Once the commission produces a map, it must also publish a compliance report specifically explaining how the finished product adheres to federal and state law.

The proposal is sponsored by Julie Morrison, a Democrat from Deerfield, in the Senate and Ryan Spain, a Republican from Peoria, in the House. It's almost identical to one the same sponsors introduced in the previous legislative session.

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## Educational **Briefs**

#### **GROSS MAKES** DEAN'S LIST AT **MONMOUTH** COLLEGE

MONMOUTH—Joshua Gross, of LaMoille, made the Dean's List at Monmouth College for the Fall 2018 semester.

To make the Dean's List for a given semester, students must achieve at least a 3.5 GPA while taking at least three academic credits.

A member of the Class of 2020 and a physical education major, Gross is the child of Richard and Mary Gross of LaMoille.

Founded in 1853, Monmouth College is a nationally ranked liberal arts college. Affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the birthplace of the women's fraternity movement, the college offers 38 majors, 42 minors, 17 pre-professional tracks, and two innovative Triads in Global Food Security and Global Public Health.

#### HOSTO NAMED TO CORNELL **COLLEGE** DEAN'S LIST

MOUNT VERNON, lowa — Cornell College named 284 students to its Dean's List for the fall 2018 semester, including Erin Hosto, of La Moille, with Honors.

Twice each year - at the end of January and the end of May-the Dean of the College recognizes those students who have earned superior grades during the previous semester and enrolls them on the Dean's List based upon their semester grade point average. (Highest Honors: 4.000, High Honors: 3.8000-3.9999, Honors: 3.6000-3.7999)

Cornell College's picturesque campus is located in Mount Vernon, Iowa. One of the "Colleges That Change Lives," Cornell College is a national liberal arts college with a distinctive One Course At A Time curriculum. Students take one class for 18 days, which provides students the chance to dive into their studies and focus more intensely on the classes of their choice. Cornellians learn with the unique freedom to shed the confines of the traditional classroom-study-

ing off-campus, pursuing research, or accepting an internship-all without missing out on other classes.

With a student body from 47 states and 19 foreign countries, and renowned visiting speakers, faculty, and entertainers, Cornell offers the world from its hilltop campus.

#### VAESSEN NAMED TO **DEAN'S LIST AT OLIVET** NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

BOURBONNAIS-Reece Vaessen, of Amboy, was named to the dean's list at Olivet Nazarene University during the recently completed fall 2018 semester. To qualify for inclusion on the dean's list, a student must have been enrolled as a fulltime undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

Olivet Nazarene University is an accredited Christian, liberal arts university offering more than 140 areas of undergraduate and graduate study, including the Doctor of Education in ethical leadership. Olivet's 275-acre park-like main campus is in Bourbonnais, Illinois, 50 miles south of Chicago.

#### **UW-MADISON** ANNOUNCES FALL DEAN'S LIST

MADISON, Wis. -The University of Wisconsin-Madison has recognized students named to the Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2018-2019 academic year. Local students include:

#### Dixon

Zoey Colglazier, College of Letters and Science, Dean's List

Shana Drengenberg, College of Letters and Science, Dean's List

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**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. The third Wednesday of the month drive, Feb. 20, will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

**DIXON-**The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, on Feb. 7, 8, 14, 15, 19 and 21. 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 or the application process for medical cannabis.

**DIXON-**PFLAG Sauk Valley will host an inter-generational fun and games event at 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8, at the First Presbyterian Church, 410 Second Ave. For more information, visit our Facebook page, website pflagsaukvalley.org or call 815-408-0604.

AMBOY-A benefit for Tom Latta will be held from 3 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 9, at Green River Saddle Club, 1580 Morman Rd. Tickets at the door include a pulled pork dinner and music. A bake sale, silent auction and 50/50 drawing will also be held. Call Al Berkelyat 815-440-1784 for more information or to donate.

STERLING-The T\*I\*M\*E\* Grief Support Group will meet from 12 to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 11, at Rock River Hospice & Home, 2706 Avenue E. Feel free to bring your lunch with you. Call 815-625-3858 for

#### Ladies retreat planned

#### more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 11, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 11, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the Sublette Township Building.

EAST GROVE TWP-The East Grove Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the East Grove Township Hall.

AMBOY-The Board of Trustes of Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect.

AMBOY-Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US RT 52, will host Community Bingo at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14. A light lunch will follow Bingo. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy American Legion Post #453 will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 18, at the Amboy Family Restaurant community room, 211 E. Main St.

AMBOY-The City of Amboy Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 18, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

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, Feb. 20, 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, Feb. 20, by appointment only. Call the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to schedule an appointment.

STERLING-Rock River Hospice & Home, 2706

Avenue E, will host Hospice Volunteer Training from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 20. Call Stacey at 815-625-3858 or at her email staceynielsen@hospicerockriver.org for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD #272 Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 21, at Amboy High School, 11 E. Hawley.



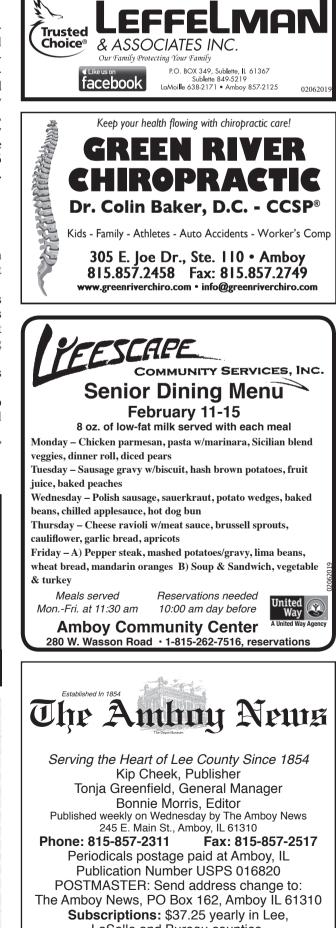
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both men & women, but preventing & controlling it is in our hands. Have a heart-to-heart check up with your doctor to make sure you are doing all you can to keep your heart healthy. After you've taken that step, be sure to ask us about

an insurance check-up to make sure all your insurance needs are also being taken care of.







Students who achieve at a high level academically are recognized by the dean at the close of each semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester. Each university school or college sets its own GPA requirements for students to be eligible to receive the distinction.

#### Recycle! Recycle! Recycle!



STARVED ROCK — Come be a part of this year's 30th "Retreat To The Rock" annual Christian Ladies Retreat at the beautiful Starved Rock State Park in Utica.

This year's Retreat will be March 29-30. Various plans and options are available. Our featured keynote speaker is Ginger Millermon. Millermon has been a featured guest on many national radio and television programs, including "Focus on the Family."

Millermon will share inspirational teaching and lead us in praise and worship music.

Roseann Rossi and Linda Parsons will lead a workshop entitled "When Life Disappoints." Suzanne Thompson will also lead a workshop entitled "Prayer isn't for Sissies."

Check out the retreat on Facebook: Retreat To The "Rock" and online at www.retreattotherock.com.



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## **OBITUARIES**

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#### George E. Schaible April 3, 1930 - Jan. 31, 2019

AMBOY — George E. Schaible, 88, of Amboy, went to be with his Lord and Savior Thursday Jan. 31, 2019 at his home.

He was born April 3, 1930 in Lombard, the son of Harold and Beatrice (Klusack) Schaible.

George was a truck driver and had driven for Elmhurst Chicago Stone, FS in Mendota and Consolidated Freightways in Peru. He served in the Illinois Air National Guard from 1951 to 1956.

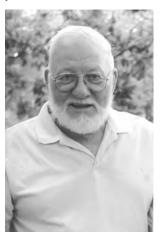
He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Oregon. George was a 4-H leader for 20 years, a scuba diving instructor for the YMCA, a CB enthusiast and was a life time member of the NRA.

George enjoyed life to the fullest, which included horses, tractors, raising and showing sheep, family campfires, coffee around the kitchen table and most of all, being surrounded by his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

George will be greatly missed by his family. However, he has left the beautiful legacy of unconditional love and the importance of always making time for those you love, with an open heart and a listening ear.

He married Lois Engelbrecht Oct. 27, 1951 in Wheaton, the love of his life for 67 years.

George is survived by his wife, Lois; children, Hal (Deb) Schaible, of Missoula, Mont., Gail (Doug) Kreiser, of Amboy, Linda (Jeff) Kagay, of Dixon, Dawn (Dan) Miller, of West Bend, Wis., and Kurt (Michelle) Schaible, of Oregon; grandchildren, Zach (Kelly) Schaible, Tanya (Tony) Aoyagi, Luke (Jenny) Schaible, Micah Schaible, Matthew (Vanessa) Schaible, George (Amy) Schaible, John Schaible, Brett (Ashley) Kreiser, Beth (Myles) Kukowski, Jill (Dan) Ofstie, Lane Kreiser, Clay Kreiser, Nellie (Mike) Zimmerman, Johnny (Britnae) Lewis, Jake (Courtney) Lewis, Ilka Lewis, Nate (Kellie) Miller, Josh Miller, Ben (Sarah) Miller, Nick Schaible, Jeremy Schaible. Julie Nichol, Autumn Schlafhauser and Jessica Hilliard; great-grandchildren, Daniel, Kylie, Eleanor, Jessica, Morgan, Addie, Landon, Ty, Delaney, Hud-



son, Carson, Trey, Brooklyn, Rielyn, Briggs, Melanie, Grant, Clint, Sam, Brayden, Kaleb, Anna, Toby, Kendall, Hannah, and expecting three more great-grandchildren; and expecting one greatgreat-grandchild in 2019.

Cremation rites have been accorded

A celebration of George's life was held at 11 a.m., on Monday, Feb. 4, 2019, at the First Baptist Church in Oregon. Fellowship followed at the church.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

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

#### **GRANNY ROSE - MILLIE**

Millie is 8 years young and is exuberantly friendly. She is a yellow Lab that weighs 80 pounds. Millie is spayed and fully vaccinated. Through no fault of hers, she is looking for a new home. We don't know if she has lived with children or other pets, but we think she would do fine with children. Her manners are pretty good and she is housebroke. Millie is a sweetheart looking for a comfortable home and people to love her in return for a few kisses. To see Millie, visit Granny Rose Animal Shelter, 613 River Lane, Dixon. Hours are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday and closed on Sunday. Call 815-288-PETS(7387) or visit www.grannyrose.org.

Photo contributed

#### Laura "Opal" Schaneberg June 23, 1926 - Feb. 2, 2019

of Franklin Grove and Phil

FRANKLINGROVE— Laura "Opal" Schaneberg, 92, of Franklin Grove, died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019, at KSB Hospital in Dixon.

Opal was born on June 23,1926 in Amboy to William H. and Laura (Rogers) Glenn. She attended Amboy schools. She married William C. Schaneberg on May 12,1951 in Rochelle. She has lived in the Franklin Grove area for over 50 years.

She was a wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandma, great-grandma, and a greatgreat grandma. She enjoyed playing her organ, sewing, cooking for family and friends, most of all she loved her family.

She is survived by her husband, William "Bill"; two sons, Calvin Schaneberg,

(Judy) Schaneberg, of Rochelle; four grandchildren, Willy (Heather) Schaneberg, Chrissy (Mark) Smardo, Devan (Frankie) Duncan, Brandon (Brittany) Schaneberg; seven great-grandchildren and three great-great grand babies; two brothers, Russell Glenn, of Dixon and Howard Glenn, of Amboy; one sister, Doris Ail, of Amboy. Opal was preceded in

death by her parents; her

son, Tony Schaneberg; four

brothers, Wilbur, Alvin, Gail,

and Ralph Glenn; and three

sisters, Letha Poulos, Bonnie

held at 11 a.m., on Wednes-

day, Feb. 6, 2019, in the

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home

Funeral services will be

Ruble, and Lola Ponto.

in Amboy with the Rev. Mark Glenn, officiating. Burial will follow in Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy.

Visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m., on Tuesday, Feb. 5, in the funeral home.

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

#### **House Democrats sole hold outs** on term limits for leaders

#### **BY GREG BISHOP**

Illinois News Network SPRINGFIELD—Law-

makers from both sides of the aisle are putting up bills that set term limits for House Speaker or Senate President in Illinois.

There are term limits for legislative leaders in the Illinois state Senate, and limits on how long someone can serve as a House GOP leader. But there are no limits on how long someone can serve in a leadership position for Illinois House Democrats. House Speaker Michael Madigan, D-Chicago, has been the speaker for all but two years since 1983.

He's the longest-serving state House speaker in the country.

That's one reason for state Rep. Tim Butler's move to limit how long someone can serve in that role.

"Speaker Madigan was elected when I was a sophomore in high school, I'm 51-years-old now, and I think that really shows us it's time to institute leadership term limits," Butler, R-Springfield, said.

Butler said term limits can be introduced through caucus rules, as both parties in the Senate and House Republicans have done.

The Senate in 2017 amended their rules to put limits on how many years someone can serve as Senate President or Senate Minority Leader. Those terms are ten years. Sen. President John Cullerton was elected another term as Senate President in January. He has eight more years left in that role.

Butler said House Republicans put term limits on their party's leaders in GOP caucus rules last November when they elected Jim Durkin to be House Minority Leaders. But that could change with different rules next term.

'Or you enshrine something like that in the constitution because then you can't change it very easy and that's total" Butler said of his plan. "So, you can be minority leader for four years, speaker for eight years and you can go to the Senate and so on. But it's eight in one position, 12 in total.'

State Rep. Kelly Cassidy, D-Chicago, has signed on to Butler's bill.

While Butler also supports term limits for all elected offices, and there are five amendments in the House to do that, Cassidy does not.

"Our election cycles for the last few terms have shown voters do a pretty good with making such decisions," Cassidy said. "But leaders aren't elected by the public."

Leaders for each chamber are elected by the representatives and senators at the beginning of a new term.

Criticism of Madigan's tenure as House Speaker has been compounded by his role as Democratic Party of Illinois chairman where he controls the party purse.

State Sen. Jennifer Bertino Tarrant, D-Shorewood, has filed a similar amendment to Butler's in the Senate, but that would limit anyone to ten years in such offices. Messages seeking comment from Madigan were not immediately returned Monday.



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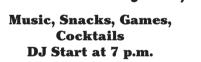
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the whole idea," Butler said.

"It would be eight years in any one position, so you could only be Speaker of the House for eight years, 12 years in

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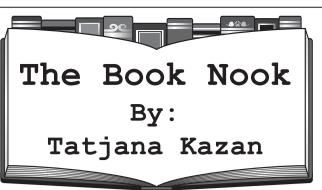
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#### The commonest little dog

n London, in the summer of 1938, children were fitted with gas masks and barrage balloons were raised to protect against aerial attack — "tiny silver torpedoes, some already thousands of feet high." War was on the horizon, even though no German planes could as yet reach London. After 750,000 men were killed and another million and a half were wounded in the Great War a mere twenty years ago, no one wished for peace more fervently than the British.

That is why British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain was hailed as a hero after he declared "Peace in our time" upon conceding large swaths of Czech territory to Hitler in the Munich Agreement. Munich, of course, became the symbol of abject appeasement of Hitler, the dictator, Chamberlain described as "the commonest little dog I have ever seen." In Robert Harris's thriller "Munich" (2017), Chamberlain comes off rather sympathetically as the man caught in the vise of history.

Harris vividly depicts the negotiations of the agreement, as witnessed by two young officials, one English, the other German, who had been friends at Oxford University. Hugh Legat, a junior Foreign Service officer, manages to get close to Chamberlain; Paul von Hartmann, a well-bred third secretary at the Foreign Ministry in Berlin, plots with a handful of diplomats and army officers to kill Hitler. (In fact, there was a plot, known as the Oster Conspiracy, to overthrow Hitler during the Munich negotiations.)

In the run-up to the final meeting of Hitler and Chamberlain in late September 1938, Legat receives an anonymous secret memorandum in which Hitler outlines his intention to conquer all of Europe as Lebensraum (living space) for the German people. (Hitler much admired America's conquest and near destruction of its native populations.) British Intelligence gets Legat onto the delegation headed for Munich. In Berlin, Hartmann meets with the conspirators who outfit him with a gun, and bravely stares down a vicious SS guard dogging him on the Fuhrer's train to Munich.

Harris scrupulously sticks to historical events – there is no mention of the monstrous war to come until a hint in the final sentence – and it is this fidelity that undercuts some of the tension of his thriller. The two friends secretly meet in Munich and work to alter the course of history. But, as we know, Chamberlain handed over to Hitler huge parts of the Czech border region, including their fortifications. Legat knows that in Munich, "all that's happened is that a tripwire has been laid down for the future, and Hitler will cross it, sooner than later." Hitler's army stormed into Czechoslovakia six months after Munich, and six months after that, it was Poland's turn, and five years and over 50 million dead after that, it was over.

## **OSF Saint Paul** welcomes oncologist

**MENDOTA** — OSF Saint Paul Medical Center is pleased to welcome Shylendra Sreenivasappa, MD to its staff.

Sreeni specializes in Hematology/Oncology, caring for patients with breast and lung cancer along with lymphoma and gastrointestinal oncology. Sreeni received his medical degree from Kempegowda Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore, India. He completed his residency and fellowship at John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County, Chicago. Sreeni also sees patients at OSF Saint Anthony–Center for Cancer Care in Rockford. Sreeni will see patients in the Community Health Services Department at OSF Saint Paul Medical Center, 1401 E. 12th Street, Men-

dota. Appointments can be made weekdays by calling 815-539-1422.





Pictured left, Sylvan Leffelman at the 2015 American Legion event and pictured right, at 1946 high school graduation

## Leffelman to celebrate 90th birthday

their five children in Amboy

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felman, of Amboy, Nancy

(Jim) Butler, of Bartlett and

Rita Leffelman, in heaven.

They are the grandparents, of

Rachel (Mike) White, Mitch

(Meg) McConville, Maggie

(Michael Daly) McConville,

Damon (Alyssa) Leffelman

and Lucas Leffelman. Their

precious great-grandchildren

include Kylie and Kaysen

Leffelman and Leo McCo-

They are the parents of

& Sons.

DIXON — Sylvan Leffelman will celebrate his 90th birthday on Feb. 19, 2019. He was born in 1929 to Walter and Esther (Burkardt) Leffelman in his Grandma Burkardt's farmhouse outside of Sublette.

Sylvan graduated from Amboy High School in 1946 and attended the University of Illinois.

He was drafted into the army in 1951 where he served two years during the Korean War. Sylvan married his beloved, Virginia Warner of Ashton on Nov. 14, 1953. They recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary.

Sylvan and Virginia raised

## Annual glass show planned in March

NORTHLAKE – The 47th Annual Glass Show and Sale, sponsored by the 20-30-40 Glass Society of Illinois, returns in March 2019.

Better than ever, the show will feature over 25 dealers from around the country who specialize in Depression, Elegant, Carnival, Patters, Art and Mid Century Modern, Glass, Pottery and Utensils. Also featured is a booth for Crystal Repair by Mary Lou, an extensive reference library helping with glass identification, hourly door prizes and a very special raffle. New this year, Gary Piattoni, professional appraiser, former Senior Vice President at Christie's International Auction House, appraiser on Antiques Roadshow since 1997, will be available on Saturday, March 9, offering one appraisal with each paid admission. (Sorry no coins, stamps or jewelry.) Whether you are looking to enhance your collections, have a favorite antique appraised, enjoy the beauty and allure of glass or have glass to be identified or repaired, then this show is not to be

missed.

nville.

The Glass Show and Sale will be held Saturday, March 9, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 10, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Concord Plaza Midwest Conference Center located at 401 West Lake Street, Northlake, IL 60164.

Admission is \$9 per person, parking is free and food is available for purchase.

Sylvan has been involved in many civic and religious organizations throughout his life. He was a founding member and remains a strong supporter of the Amboy Education Foundation. Sylvan also enjoyed lecturing, distributing communion and teaching CCD at St. Patrick's in Amboy. He has also served as a lector at St. Anne's in Dixon. Sylvan is a proud member of the Amboy American Legion Post 453.

Well wishes may be sent to 124 Liberty Court, Dixon. IL 61021 or e-mailed to vleffelman@yahoo.com. Sylvan would love to hear vour stories and memories.

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## **Buying Made in the USA** My daughter, Anna, was smitten. Me, not

other and said, "South Korea."

are you looking for?"

domestic-made unit.

made in Louisville, Ky.

The salesman shifted from one foot to an-

After a long pause, he asked, "What features

He was a bit flummoxed. It was obvious

We settled on a nice General Electric model

My wife asked, why that one? I replied, I

think I would be betraying my hometown if I

that not many people made that request. He

hurried down the row opening refrigerator door after refrigerator door to see if he could find a

I replied, "One made in the USA."

"I want a 'smart refrigerator,' Daddy." My 10-year-old Anna made that pronouncement as we stood in front of a row of 20 refrigerators last week at a Springfield appliance store. The salesman said, "Wouldn't you like to

see some of our Maytag models?" I gave him a look like I generally reserve for the dog when he soils the floor and said, "I'm from Galesburg. What do you think?"

Seventeen years ago, Maytag announced that it would close its refrigerator factory in my hometown and move the jobs to Mexico. Sixteen hundred men and women lost their jobs. Many of those hitting the streets were high school classmates of mine.

When I drive by that factory's empty parking lots, I still become angry.

The narrative you'll hear from many folks is that two things are to blame for the loss of those

jobs: The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and greedy corporate executives who put profit over people. Both may be true. But there is another party even more to

blame: U.S. consumers. As my family stood in the appliance store, the salesman walked us to a "smart refrigerator" with a computer tablet embedded in the door. He explained how we could write our shopping list on the tablet and email it to our cell phones. He showed us the cameras inside the icebox that would allow

shoppers to use their phones to look inside their fridge to see

if they're out of an item while they are still shopping.

Guest Column My da I asked, "Where is this made?"

By Scott Reeder

bought something made in another country. But, of course, just asking for American-made products isn't going to solve the manufacturing problem in this country.

President Donald Trump's "solution" has been to enter into a trade war with China, Canada, Europe, Mexico and smaller Asian countries.

We put tariffs on their goods and they put them on ours. Antagonizing our trading partners isn't a recipe for prosperity. So, what are the alternatives?

On Monday, I chatted with U.S. Rep. Cheri Bustos, D-Moline, about alternative strategies for developing more manufacturing jobs.

## **On This Day in History**

#### 100 Years Ago Feb. 7, 1919

Mrs. J. A. Vaupel entertained a number of young ladies at her home Friday evening with a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Genevieve Koesler. The occasion was a surprise to the young lady whose marriage to Mr. Orville Barlow will occur in the near future. Miss Koesler received many useful gifts. The evening was spent in games, music and readings, after which refreshments were served by Mrs. Vaupel.

Albert Rosier, who was recently discharged from the Army, is employed in his old place at the I. C. freight house. Miss Mayme Fee is the proud possessor of a German helmet received last Wednesday from Private Walter Taylor who is now in Luxemburg.

75 Years Ago

#### Feb. 3, 1944

Frank Searls reports that he saw a robin in his yard last Thursday. This is the first one to be reported.

Sgt. Alvin Glenn is enjoying a furlough here with his father, William Glenn.

#### 50 Years Ago Feb. 6, 1969

A new symbol is now appearing in the advertising of the First National Bank in Amboy, along with the bank's signature, G. R. Duitsman, president of the bank announced today.

Beggs' Certified Foods advertises Folger's coffee, 2-pound can for \$1.29,

Dubuque hot dogs, 59 cents per pound, Swift premium chuck steak, 59 cents per pound and Raggedy Ann sandwich spread, 49 cents per quart.

#### 25 Years Ago Feb. 10, 1994

As one of the worst winters in several years slowly drags along, Amboy City Council is still working on a snowmobile route. At Tuesday's meeting, aldermen voted to set up a committee to establish a route. A report is expected in March.

An informational meeting of the enhanced 911 emergency calling system for Lee County will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, in Amboy Fire Station.

Beth Hickey, in a fascinating account regarding doll collecting, began her presentation by informing Amboy Kiwanis member that dolls were first imported to the United States in the 1850s and were made in Europe, with the French as the leaders in the doll making industry with their bisque dolls.

Here are some of her common-sense solutions:

· Get high schools and community colleges to partner with local manufacturers to provide job-ready graduates in the communities where the factories are located.

 Help small and medium-size businesses by providing technical and legal resources enabling them to export their products.

· Improve roads, railroads, locks, dams and bridges to help manufacturers receive raw materials and ship finished products.

Some of the solutions are already in progress such as developing better career and technical education. And Bustos helped pass the Boosting America's Exports Act, which is helping small and medium-sized businesses. But more needs to be done.

Bipartisan solutions such as these will go a long toward developing more manufacturing jobs.

So, last week, I didn't buy a "smart refrigerator."

But here are some things I can buy: smart trade policies, smart education opportunities and smarter consumers.

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#### Appreciates work of the township road commissioner

Letters to the Editor

#### **Dear Editor**,

Plowing in brutal temps and maneuvering the obstacle course of disabled vehicles had to be challenging for road crews during the past couple of weeks. I appreciate the great

job our Lee Center Township Road Commissioner, Bruce Setchell, did of keeping our roads clear.

> Sandra Wittenauer Ambov

#### Feds drill to the core of Illinois power, politics

hicago's most powerful alderman Guest Column is out on bond. A yearslong federal investigation brought forth one count of attempted extortion for Ald. Ed Burke in January

But reports this week detailed how the investigation that ensnared Burke also extended to the most powerful state lawmaker in Illinois, if not the nation. Someone was wearing a wire in a meeting with House Speaker Mike Madigan at his law firm. And there may be news of more secretly recorded conversations to come.

What's important for Illinoisans to know now is not just whether politically powerful people such as Burke and Madigan broke the law, but how the law itself encourages indecent behavior.

Both men are borne of a structural problem in Chicago and Illinois government. The problem is concentrated power. It's on full display in Chicago City Council and it just reared its head in the Illinois House. Both bodies are national outliers in this respect. We're freakish.

In his 1976 book "Don't Make No Waves, Don't Back No Losers," Chicago political scientist Milton Rakove pointed to Burke and Madigan as two up-and-coming ward operatives in the Daley machine. No machine of that size and scope exists today. But the governance structure that fueled it remains largely intact.

One part of this structure that played a major role in Burke's and Madigan's brush with the federal government is the extraordinary privilege entrusted to Chicago aldermen.

If a Chicago small-business owner wants to put up a sign, fence off a sidewalk café, run valet parking, excavate or build, she needs the stamp of approval from a politician: the alderman. Aldermen are administrative chokepoints where policy, politics and private interest intersect. That's why so many have gone to jail over the years. Burke will be the 34th Chicago alderman since 1972 to go to prison for corruption if he is convicted, and he's not even the only council member currently facing a charge.

Burke's attempted extortion charge comes from allegedly using his broad aldermanic power to pressure a Burger King franchise owner in his ward to hire Burke's property tax law firm.

Madigan runs one of those firms, too. And according to an FBI affidavit obtained by the Chicago Sun-Times, another alderman, Danny Solis, directed a developer who wanted to build on his turf to hire Madigan's law firm. Solis was a chokepoint. Just as Burke was in his ward.

An FBI agent explained the reasoning behind the meeting

By Austin Berg



in the affidavit: "I understand Solis to mean that by hiring Madigan's private firm, [the developer] would ensure that Solis and Madigan would take official action benefitting [the developer] in their capacity as public officials."

The developer's associate recorded the meeting at Madigan's law office. "We're not interested in a quick killing here," Madigan said. "We're interested in a long-term relationship.'

Madigan is not an alderman. But there's a reason Solis felt the need to direct business his way. There is no other state that grants as much power to one state lawmaker as Illinois gives Madigan. In fact, on Jan. 29, House members

passed the rules that do just that.

Because of these rules, like an alderman in his ward, Madigan can effectively stop any legislative action dead in its tracks. In addition to other unusual administrative powers, Madigan is able to control whether a bill lives or dies by appointing the majority of the members on the House Rules Committee – the intake for every bill before it's assigned to a substantive committee. It is effectively impossible for a rank-and-file lawmaker to discharge a bill from Rules for debate or a vote if Madigan wants it to stay there.

He is a chokepoint. Just like Burke. Just like Solis.

Fixing this problem means Illinoisans must lift up their heads, look beyond the state border, observe best practices and fight for them relentlessly.

In every other major city in the nation, aldermen stopped being ombudsmen decades ago. Simple administrative duties such as business permitting are handled by bureaucrats, not politicians. In almost all big cities, a city charter clearly defines those responsibilities. Not Chicago.

Meanwhile, the Illinois House is one of only two legislative chambers in the nation to place such undemocratic restrictions on whether a bill can be discharged by rank-and-file members for a fair hearing

It's always easy to focus on personalities when news breaks of another federal investigation into Illinois politicians. Especially Madigan and Burke, who have constructed larger-than-life personas.

But to do so is to overlook the system that made them. When they leave office, however it may happen, Illinoisans must know what fixing the system looks like.

Austin Berg is the co-author of "The New Chicago Way: Lessons from Other Big Cities" and writer of the documentary film "Madigan: Power. Privilege. Politics." He wrote this column for the Illinois News Network.

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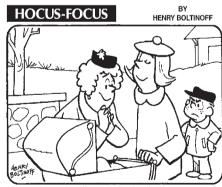
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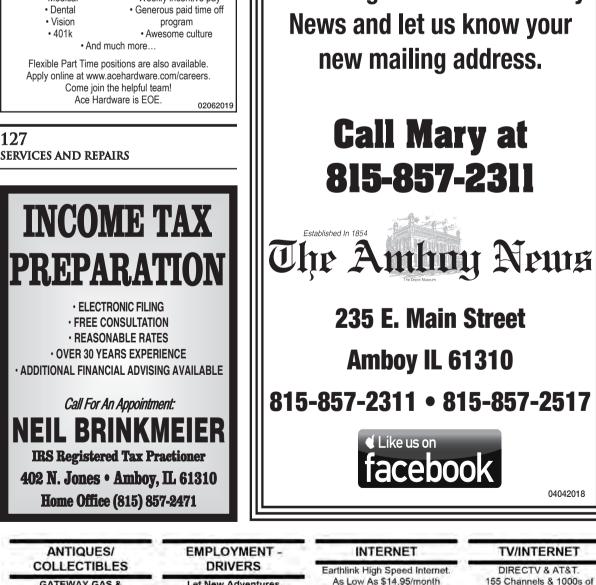
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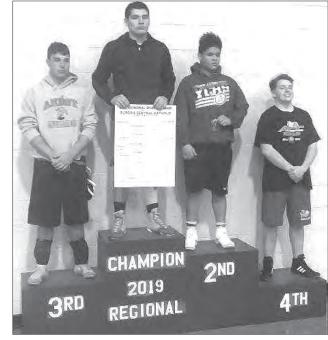
## SPORTS



Zack Wicaryus, pictured left, placed third in the 132-pound weight class. Photo submitted



Avery Shaw, pictured third, took second-place honors in the 195-pound weight class. Photo submitted



Dorian Barlow, pictured left, finished in third place in the 182-pound weight class.

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## Amboy wrestlers advance to sectional meet in Byron

AURORA – Three Amboy wrestlers extended their season by at least another week after success in the Aurora Central Catholic Class 1A Regional on Feb. 2.

Avery Shaw took second-place honors in the 195-pound weight class, while Zach Wicaryus (132) and Dorian Barlow (182) both finished in third place, which qualifies all three for the sectional round. The top three wrestlers in each weight class get to move on.

Shaw only wrestled in two matches, pinning Mendota's Aaron Garza in just one minute to reach the championship bout. There, Shaw was pinned in 1:03 by Angel Jaimes of Aurora Christian.

Wicaryus also had two matches. He

opened up with a 15-0 loss to Charles Korey of St. Bede before pinning Tyler Preston of Mendota at 1:42 of the third-place bout.

Barlow had three opponents on the day and he beat two to finish in third place. Barlow's first match was a narrow 9-6 loss to Julian Navarro of Yorkville Christian. But he rebounded with a pair of pins – getting Adam Matza of Ottawa Marquette at the 1:30 mark and finishing off Steven Stotler of Aurora Central Catholic in just 54 seconds.

Also wrestling for Amboy but not placing were Zack Ceretto (126), Brad Gazza (138), Hayden Montavon (145) and Austin Norman (170).

In the team standings, Aurora Christian won the title with 267.5 points, followed by

St. Bede (127.5), Aurora Central Catholic (87), Somonauk (85.5) and Ottawa Marquette (80). Mendota was sixth with 41.5 points, Mooseheart had 41, and Amboy and Yorkville Christian tied with 38.

Wicaryus, Barlow and Shaw will compete in the Byron Sectional on Saturday, Feb. 9. Feb. 2 – Aurora Central Catholic Re-

gional 126 – Wernsman (Somonauk) tech. fall

over Zack Ceretto (A), 21-4; Petre (Ottawa Marquette) pinned Ceretto (A), 0:18

132 – Korey (St. Bede) tech. fall over Zach Wicaryus (A), 15-0; Wicaryus (A) pinned Preston (Mendota), 1:42

138 – Drame (Mooseheart) pinned Brad Gazza (A), 3:10; Ciesielczyk (Somonauk) pinned Gazza (A), 1:32

145 – Hayden Montavon (A) dec. Nunez (Somonauk), 17-9; McAlpine (Ottawa Marquette) pinned Montavon (A), 3:13; Cartwright (Aurora Central Catholic) pinned Montavon (A), 1:40

170 – Lough (St. Bede) pinned Austin Norman (A), 5:20; Mitchell (Ottawa Marquette) pinned Norman (A), 2:42

182 – Navarro (Yorkville Christian) dec. Dorian Barlow (A), 9-6; Barlow (A) pinned Matza (Ottawa Marquette), 1:30; Barlow (A) pinned Stotler (Aurora Central Catholic), 0:54

195 – Avery Shaw (A) pinned Garza (Mendota), 1:00; Jaimes (Aurora Christian) pinned Shaw (A), 1:03

## Lady Clippers lose close one to Freeport Aquin for NUIC championship

**AMBOY** – The Amboy Lady Clippers defeated AFC on Jan. 17. Little did they know it was going to be 15 days before they had another game. The Eastland, Milledgeville and Orangeville games were canceled because of the snow and freezing temperatures.

Amboy got back to the hardwood when it hosted Polo on Feb. 1. The Lady Clippers got off to a fast start and cruised to a 52-25 victory. They led 18-8 after the opening stanza and 32-13 at intermission.

It was Senior Night at AHS and the five seniors – Breanna Fisher, Noelle Jones, Kelsey Stewart, Hope Sachs and Rachel Lachat – played all four years for the Lady Clippers and have contributed much to the girls' basketball program.

Jones led the seniors with 12 points, four rebounds and four steals. Fisher was next with six points and six boards, while Lachat (three points, five rebounds, two assists), Stewart (two points, three assists) and Sachs (two points, three rebounds) also added to the victory.

Six other players scored in the game. Abi Payne poured in 17 points and dished out five assists, Ashley Althaus had a team-high nine rebounds to go along with four steals and two points, and Kyleigh Donna added two points, four steals and four caroms. Also, Mallory Powers picked up two points and three assists, Gabby Jones collected two points and four rebounds, and Olivia Dinges chipped in with a pair of free throws.

Amboy entertained Freeport Aquin for the NUIC championship on Feb. 2. It was the first time that Aquin played on the AHS floor since Amboy joined the conference. The back-and-forth game came down to the wire and Aquin prevailed, 58-56.

The Lady Bulldogs didn't seem to mind being visitors as they caused many turnovers early in the game to help them open up a 22-11 lead after the first quarter. Amboy hit just seven of 32 shots in the first half, but the Lady Clippers settled down and played better defense in the second period, which led to a comeback that had them behind by just three (28-25) at the break.

Amboy's shooting heated up in the third frame as it canned 10 of 19 shots, enabling it to outscore Aquin, 23-16, to grab a four-point lead. But the Lady Bulldogs turned on more pressure and Amboy's fourth-quarter shooting (3 of 16) struggled again as Aquin went on for the hard-fought win.

Powers led the scoring chart with 18 points, while she added four assists and six rebounds. Payne dropped in 15 points and had five assists and three steals. Donna was right behind with 12 points and five rebounds, followed by Fisher with four points and eight rebounds and Althaus with three points and eight boards. Noelle Jones was plagued by foul trouble and scored two points and had three assists. Gabby Jones had a bucket for Amboy.

The Lady Clippers finished the regular season with a 23-2 record and will begin regional play at Annawan on Wednesday, Feb. 6 when they take on either Galva or LaMoille. The regional championship will be Thursday, Feb. 7 at 7 p.m.



## SPORTS

#### Lady Clippers head to Annawan for Regionals

ANNAWAN - The Amboy Lady Clippers are the top seed in the Annawan Class 1A Girls' Regional Basketball Tournament to be played Feb. 4, 6, 7.

Amboy will see its first regional action on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 6 p.m. when it takes on the winner of a first-round game between Galva and LaMoille. Annawan will battle the survivor of the Varna Midland vs. DePue game at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

The winners of the Wednesday tilts will meet for the regional championship at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7.

The champion of the Annawan Regional will advance to the Ottawa Marquette Sectional to play the winner of the Serena Regional at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 11. The other sectional game will pit the champions of the Arlington Heights (Christian Liberty Academy) and Dwight regionals at 6 p.m. Feb. 11. The two semifinal winners will play for the sectional crown at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14.

Annawan Class 1A Regional Monday, Feb. 4 1 – (9) Galva 54, (10) LaMoille [Coop] 23 2-(8) Varna (Midland) 59, (11) DePue 29. Wednesday, Feb. 6 3 - (1) Amboy vs. (9) Galva - 6 p.m.

4 - (4) Annawan vs. (8) Varna (Midland) - 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7

5 – Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 – 7 p.m.

## Tom Latta benefit set for this weekend

AMBOY - A benefit for Tom Latta will be held from 3 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Green River Saddle Club, 1580 Morman Rd. Proceeds from the evening will help with ongoing medical bills.

Tickets are \$10 per person (children under 12 are free) and may be purchased at the door. Included in the ticket price is a pulled pork dinner and music. Opportunities to help support Tom include a 50/50 drawing, Silent Auction and Bake Sale.

Anyone unable to attend but wanting to donate, or having any questions about the benefit, should call Al Berkely at 815-440-1784.





#### SENIOR NIGHT

It was Senior Night for the Lady Clippers on Feb 1 at AHS and the five seniors -Breanna Fisher, Noelle Jones, Kelsey Stewart, Hope Sachs and Rachel Lachat – played all four years for the Lady Clippers and have contributed much to the girls' basketbal program.

Photo by Kirsten Donna

## Lady Clippers raise more than \$1,000 for Team Kate

AMBOY --- The Amboy Lady Clippers basketball team held two bake sales recently. All funds from the sales are going to Kaitlyn (Kate) Marschang, 16, the daughter of Ray and Rebecca Marschang and the sister of Alissa. Kate is a junior from Polo Community High School. In late November Kate was diagnosed with Small Cell Ovarian Cancer, a rare and aggressive cancer that mainly affects young women. She and her family have a very long road ahead. The funds from the bake sales will help ease the financial strain so Ray and Rebecca can focus on

Kate and her recovery.

Thank you to everyone who donated to and purchased from our bake sale on Jan. 25 at Main Street Salon and the bake sale at the Pink Out Night on Feb. 1. The generosity of our community is truly amazing.

#### Basketball academy skills camp planned in Mendota

MENDOTA – An Illinois Ambush Youth Basketball Academy Skills Camp will be held on Sunday, Feb. 10 at Mendota High School. The camp is sponsored by Karl's Krusaders with all proceeds benefiting the Karl Soliman 501c3 Public Charity.

The camp is open to boys and girls from kindergarten through 12th grade. Ninththrough 12th-grade boys and girls will meet from noon-1:30 p.m. Seventh- and eighthgrade boys and girls will meet from 1:30-3 p.m. Fifth- and sixth-grade boys and girls will attend from 3-4:30 p.m. Third- and fourth-grade boys and girls will take the court from 4:30-6 p.m. Kindergarten through second-grade boys and girls will conclude the camp from 6-7:30 p.m.

The camp will be coached by Conlan and Brennan Callahan, and several former NCAA men's and women's basketball players. The skills camp will focus on several key basketball techniques such as footwork, two-ball

## Tri-County Opportunities **Council to offer scholarships**

**ROCK FALLS** – At least 12 scholarships will be awarded by Tri-County Opportunities Council to income eligible students residing in the agency's service area.

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To register for the camp, go to www. illinoisambush.com. Karl's Krusaders Ambush apparel is available at http://karlskrusaders-feb2019.itemorder.com/sale. Special

shirts will be available at the event.

Illinois Ambush is a prominent basketball academy and is on a mission to "help our youth develop basketball, people and life skills through positive coaching and unforgettable experiences that will last a lifetime.'

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| Thu | rs., Feb. 7            | AJHS Scholastic Bowl @ Dixon Reagan – 4:00<br>p.m.<br>AHS Boys Basketball @ Orangeville – 6:00 p.m.<br>School Board Finance/Building & Grounds<br>Committee Meeting –<br>AHS Room 105 – 7:00 p.m. |
|     | uary 8 & 9<br>, Feb. 9 | FFA 212 Conference @ Schaumburg<br>AJHS Girls Basketball Tournament (H-AHS) –   |

The scholarships are worth up to \$1,250 and have been made available by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Development (DCEO) through its Community Services Block Grant funds. All low-income students, racial or ethnic minorities and previous scholarship winners are encouraged to apply.

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TBA AHS Boys Basketball @ AFC – 5:30 p.m. Mon., Feb. 11 EARLY DISMISSAL - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAY Times: AJHS - 1:15; Central - 1:20; AHS - 1:25 AHS Scholastic Bowl (H) AFC - 4:00 p.m. Wed., Feb. 13 AJHS Girls Basketball @ Montmorency - 8th-5:00 p.m./7th-6:00 p.m. FFA Proficiency Awards @ Stillman Valley High School – 4:00 p.m. AHS Boys Basketball (H) Pecatonica – 6:00 p.m. Thurs., Feb. 14 AJHS Scholastic Bowl @ St. Mary's, Sterling -4:00 p.m. AJHS Girls Basketball (H) Oregon – 4:00 p.m.



#### **JR HIGH MENU** February 11 -15

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- Clipper Bowl-popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, gravy, cheese, roll/butter, fresh cut veggies/ranch, pears

- Pancakes & syrup or pick two from breakfast cart Wednesday - Lasagna bake, breadstick, cheese, peas, green beans, veggies/ranch, apricots, baked apples
- Thursday - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Chicken tenders, sweet potato fries, roll/butter, peas, carrots, veggies/ranch, peaches, cookies
- Friday - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Cheese stuffed crust pizza, broccoli & cheese, veggies/ranch, juice cup, dried fruit trail mix 02062019

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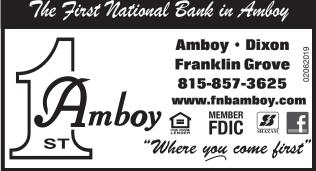
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"I believe our state is best served by an independent redistricting commission that sets aside partisan affiliation and the wishes of the incumbents to do what is best for the people of this state," Morrison said in a news release. "The voters who sent us to Springfield expect us to govern on their behalf, not adhere to partisan brinkmanship."

One of the concerns CHANGE Illinois addressed was the rate of pay for each commission member. In the former iteration, members would get \$300 per day, which one lawmaker said could stick the state with a large bill. Now, each member would be paid \$37.50 per hour of work.

A glaring hurdle created by this effort is that it would require state Supreme Court justices to have political affiliations.

Raines said CHANGE Illinois never approached representatives from the state's highest court about whether they would be interested in assuming the responsibility of overseeing Illinois' redistricting process every 10 years, but assigning the role to that branch of government makes the most sense.

"Typically, of the three branches of government, we in this country believe that the judicial branch is the least partisan, so that's why we're looking to them to do this," Raines said.

The redistricting revamp would require a constitutional amendment, which carries a high burden of approval to be successful. Both chambers of the General Assembly must give their support by a three-fifths majority before it can go to voters. Then, 60 percent approval by voters is needed.

When this proposal was introduced in the previous session, it had wide support from lawmakers in both chambers on both sides of the aisle. But it began making its way through the legislative process only about two weeks before the deadline to appear on the ballot. That gave legislators some measure of political cover.

And Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker plays no official role in the constitutional amendment process. Although his office did not respond to a request for comment about whether he would support CHANGE Illinois' proposal, he said that he would veto an unfairly-drawn map.

The Republican caucuses in both chambers favor a change in how Illinois draws political maps, although the House proposed its own plan. Because the party has a superminority — with 21 fewer seats than Democrats in the Senate and 30 fewer seats in the House — its members will not have much of a say in how the districts are drawn.

The constitutionally-set deadline for one of these proposals, often referred to in the Capitol as "Fair Maps" plans, to be successful is the beginning of May 2020. That would give the General Assembly six months to approve a redistricting amendment before it would go on the ballot in November 2020.

## **LOCAL NEWS** SVCC Art Gallery hosts visiting artist Janis Mars Wunderlich through March 21

**DIXON**—The Sauk Art Gallery proudly presents "Rocking the Boat," by visiting artist, Janis Mars Wunderlich, Jan. 22 through March 21 with a special reception and talk on March 21 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Wunderlich completed her B.A. at Brigham Young University with a dual emphasis in ceramics and printmaking and an M.A. in Fine Arts from the Ohio State University. Her ceramic sculptures have been in numerous national and international exhibitions.

She is also the recipient of several awards and grants, including multiple fellowships

from The Ohio Arts Council and The Greater Columbus Arts Council.

Wunderlich shares, "My work ultimately explores the intimate physical, emotional and spiritual connections we create on our complex journey through life. Though my experiences as a nurturer and partner are uniquely individual, they are part of a universal dialogue that transcends every culture, time, place and race to reveal the essence of humanity."

For questions about this exhibit or the Sauk Art Gallery, please contact Glenn Bodish, <u>glenn.s.bodish@svcc.edu</u>.

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