

# Amboy High School Class of 2019



Graduation ceremony for the Amboy High School Class of 2019 was held in the AHS gymnasium on Sunday.

Photos courtesy of Jordan Tidmore



# Amboy, Sublette communities honor the fallen on Memorial Day



The annual Amboy Memorial Day ceremony was held at Veterans Park and began a little before 10 a.m. due to a storm heading toward town from the west. The Amboy High School choir, pictured above, sang a medley of patriotic songs. Lower left, Amboy Mayor and National Guardsman John Schamberger gave the featured address, reminding those attending to think about the meaning of Memorial Day. Lower right, Alison O'Rourke, pictured and Avery Shaw, not pictured, performed Taps to end the ceremony.

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In Sublette, the Memorial Day ceremony was held indoors at the Ellice Dinges Center due the rain storm. Master Sergeant Phil Harth, of Mendota, delivered the Memorial Day address. Harth is a 20 year veteran retired from the United States Air Force. He is Adjutant and Commander of the Mendota American Legion Post 540. Harth spoke about the many who have overlooked the purpose of Memorial Day. He said this day is for those who came before and fell before us and quoting George S. Patton, we thank God that such men lived.

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**“ZIP” SENSENIG DRIVE**

Every year, A.C.O. – Friends of the Library have offered families a chance to honor someone by naming the street to the north of Main Street for one year. The amount raised from this bidding event goes directly to the Pankhurst Memorial Library. This year’s dedication is to Zip Sensenig. Pictured above are Zip’s parents and brother, Red and Mary, and Tim Sensenig.

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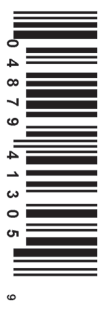
# County board approves permit for solar farm

**BY MONETTA YOUNG**  
Special to the Amboy News  
**LEE COUNTY** — The Lee County Board approved the recommendation for a special use permit from the zoning board to allow a solar farm on property owned by

Larry and Julie Gittleson in Alto and Reynolds Townships.  
This could be one of the largest solar farms in the state, about 760 acres.  
The board sent two petitions to the zoning board, for variances for

property setbacks.  
The board also approved the appointment of Lori Erbes and Tom Mead to serve on the Board of Review of Lee County and James Burke to serve on the Farmland Assessment Review Committee of Lee County.

In other business the board approved revisions and additions to the Lee County Code book regarding food and food establishments.  
They also approved a resolution to allow the county to purchase overstock property from the state.





# LOCAL NEWS

## Amboy High School Top Students

The top 15 students of the Amboy High School Class of 2019 are Emma Bickett, Kelynn Boyle, Breanna Fisher, Bailee Highbarger, Savannah Ikens, Noelle Jones, Clayton Kemp, Rachel Lachat, Shannon Lytle, Mitchell McLaughlin, Kaitlyn Ortgiesen, Mackenzie Payne, Cameron Simpson, Mary Thompson, Hunter Zimmerly.

**Emma Bickett**  
Emma Bickett is the daughter of Scott and Lisa Bickett of Sublette.

She is a member of the National Honor Society (secretary) and Spanish Honor Society. For the past four years, she has been involved in FFA, backstage crew for the musical and plays, Student Council, Leo's Lions Club, and AYSO soccer. She has also been a member of the Maytown Comets 4-H club for the past eight years, holding secretary and vice president positions. Throughout FFA she has attended National and State conventions, the Women Changing the Face of Ag Conference and many other agriculture events as well as teaching Ag in the Classroom to 8th graders at Amboy Junior High School.

She plans to attend Illinois State University in Normal and major in Elementary Education with an endorsement in math. In the future, she plans to teach 3rd or 4th graders.

### Kelynn Boyle

Kelynn Boyle is the daughter of Jim and Tracy Boyle of Amboy.

She participated in track, cross country, National Honor Society, Outdoor Club, Leo's Club and musical.

She received January Student of the Month, was accepted into National Honor Society, and went to state for cross country two years in a row.

She plans to get an Associate's Degree at Sauk Valley Community College and also run track and cross country and then transfer to Carl Sandburg to become a dental hygienist.

### Breanna Fisher

Breanna Fisher is the daughter of Chad and Nicole Fisher of Amboy.

She participated in basketball, track and FFA. She received the Letters About Literature Award, scholarship for Health Occupations Class at Whiteside Career Center, scholarship to play women's basketball at Sauk Valley Community college, Country Companies Award for basketball, Most Improved Player Award for basketball, selected to play in the Sauk Valley Media All-Star Basketball Classic and honor roll.

She plans to attend Sauk Valley Community College in Dixon as a nursing major



The top 15 students are, front row left to right, Noelle Jones, Kelynn Boyle, Bailee Highbarger, Mary Thompson, Rachel Lachat, Emma Bickett; back row, Cameron Simpson, Mitchell McLaughlin, Savannah Ikens, Shannon Lytle, Kaitlyn Ortgiesen, Mackenzie Payne, Breanna Fisher, Hunter Zimmerly and Clayton Kemp.

Bonnie Morris/Amboy News

to pursue a career as a registered nurse.

### Bailee Highbarger

Bailee Highbarger is the daughter of Randy and Becky Highbarger of Amboy.

She participated in FFA (3 years), National Honor Society (2 years), Spanish Honor Society (3 years), Student Council (4 years), Leo's Club (2 years) and Class Officer (4 years). She played varsity softball all four years of high school. As a freshman, she received academic all-conference and honorable mention; sophomore year was awarded academic all-conference and second team all-conference; junior year awarded team MVP, academic all-conference, 1st team all-conference, and honorable mention; and senior year, she received Athlete of the Week for the week of March 31-April 6.

She plans to attend Quincy University in Quincy and double major in Forensic Psychology and Spanish with a double minor in Arabic and Criminology. She will also join the Hawk softball team this fall. Her intended career is in the FBI as a detective for the Behavioral Analysis Unit.

### Savannah Ikens

Savannah Ikens is the daughter of Shane and Toni Ikens of Amboy.

She participated in volleyball (freshman-senior year) and received Most Determined Player Award (sophomore volleyball), Team Leader Award (freshmen volleyball), Best Serve (junior volleyball), soft-

ball (freshman-senior year) and received Second Team All-Conference (junior softball), National Honor Society (sophomore-senior year), Spanish Honor Society (sophomore-senior year, vice president senior year), Leos Club (junior-senior year), Academic All-Conference and High Honor Roll (freshman-senior year).

She plans to attend the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa in the fall, where she will be a pre-med major in the college of Liberal Arts and Sciences to pursue a future career in orthopedic surgery.

### Noelle Jones

Noelle Jones is the daughter of Betsy Jones and Willie Jones of Amboy.

She participated in volleyball, basketball, softball (all 4 years), received Golden Glove for Softball, was captain for the varsity basketball team (2 years), captain for the varsity volleyball team, MVP for varsity basketball (2 years), Athlete of the Week Sauk Valley News, Honorable Mention Sauk Valley, played in the All-Star Rock Valley Game, December Student of the Month-AHS, nominee for Young Women in Leadership-YWCA, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society (president), and Leo's Club.

She plans to attend Sauk Valley Community College to further her academic and athletic career. She signed to play basketball at SVCC in early December and she plans to get an Associates in Business and then transfer to the University of Wisconsin Madison to major in Business Administration (Real Estate Finance).

### Clayton Kemp

Clayton Kemp is the son of David and Kathy Kemp of Dixon.

He was a class officer 4 years (president freshman and junior, treasurer sophomore and senior), National Honor Society (3 years, vice president senior), Spanish Honor Society (3 years), Leos Club (2 years, vice president junior, president senior), Band (4 years, vice president junior), Outdoors Club (1 year, secretary), golf (varsity team 4 years, sectionals junior and senior, State, All-Conference Team, Low Stroke Male senior), and baseball (varsity 3 years sophomore-senior, Golden Glove senior, Honorable Mention junior). He is an Illinois State Scholar and on Highest Honor Role throughout high school.

He plans to attend Augustana College in Rock Island to study biology and health sciences. His future goal is to become a pediatrician.

### Rachel Lachat

Rachel Lachat is the daughter of Frank and Keri Lachat of Amboy.

She has been involved in basketball, volleyball, softball, track, FFA, school plays, school musicals, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Outdoors Club, and Leo's Club. She received high honors on the honor roll, the All Academic Award, and the Triple Crown Award.

She plans to attend Benedictine University in Lisle to major in Health Science. After graduating from Benedictine, she plans to continue her education and become a certified Physician Assistant.

### Shannon Lytle

Shannon Lytle is the daughter of Bruce and Christa Lytle of Dixon.

She has been involved in volleyball (4 years) MVP and 2nd team/academic all-conference, softball (4 years) 2nd team/academic all-conference, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Leo's Club. She plans to attend Sauk Valley Community College in Dixon to study nursing and continue her volleyball career.

### Mitchell McLaughlin

Mitchell McLaughlin is the son of Jim and Stephanie McLaughlin of Amboy.

He participated in baseball (2016 and 2017 first team all-conference, 2017 team MVP and silver slugger), basketball (2017-18 and 2018-19 honorable mention all-conference), football (2018 first team all-conference), National Honor Society (2016-2019), Spanish Honor Society (2016-2019), Leo's Club (2017-2019), and is an Illinois State Scholar.

He plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-Platteville to study Ag Engineering and Technology.

### Kaitlyn Ortgiesen

Kaitlyn Ortgiesen is the daughter of James and Kathy Ortgiesen of Dixon.

She participated in cross country (four years), track and field (four years), Leo Club (junior and senior), Student Council (treasurer), National Honor Society (president), Spanish Honor Society, Outdoor Club (2019), and Academic Team. She is an Illinois All-State Scholar, IMEA Illinois All-State Band Participant (2017), IMEA District Band Participant (2015-2018), and Amboy High School Septem-

ber Student of the Month.

She plans to attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and major in biochemistry. She intends to become a biomedical scientist and research various diseases. She hopes to one day work for the Centers for Disease Control.

### Mackenzie Payne

Mackenzie Payne is the daughter of Crystal O'Malley and Timothy O'Malley of Amboy.

She participated in National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Leo's Club, softball, Outdoor Club, Academic All-Conference, and is an Illinois State Scholar.

### Cameron Simpson

Cameron Simpson is the son of Dale and Melissa Simpson of Amboy.

He participated in National Honor Society, was Student of the Month, Whiteside Area Career Center Student of the Month for Computer Tech, TestOut PC Pro Certification Theater, Chorus: ILMEA All District Senior Chorus (3 years; 2 years with honors), ILMEA All State Chorus, and received the National School Choral Award.

He plans to earn Computer Technology certificates through TestOut. He will move to Las Vegas, Nev. and go into Computer Technology with a goal of becoming a network or system administrator.

### Mary Thompson

Mary Thompson is the daughter of Brad and Jen Thompson of Amboy.

She is a member of the Illinois High School Rodeo Association, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, FFA, 4-H, and Highest Honor Roll.

She plans to attend Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Okla. and major in animal science. She then plans to continue on to veterinary school.

### Hunter Zimmerly

Hunter Zimmerly is the son of Cory Zimmerly and Joanie Zimmerly of Amboy.

He participated in baseball, football and basketball all four years. He is a member of National Honor Society (treasurer) and Spanish Honor Society.

He plans to attend Waubesa Community College in Sugar Grove, where he will play baseball. His future goal is to work in the architectural field.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## The Book Nook

By:  
Tatjana Kazan

### A Perfect Hero

That a novel about a brash, sarcastic teenager from a disparaged ethnic minority became a runaway success in Japan is testament to the popular and critical appeal of Kazuki Kaneshiro's novel "GO," which appeared in Japan in 2000, but was not translated into English until 2018. The boy's name is Sugihara and he is third generation Korean-Japanese, known in Japan as "Zainichi."

Zainichi are ethnic Koreans, including fourth and fifth generations born in Japan, who are designated as residents of Japan but not citizens. There are about 700,000 Zainichi in Japan, though their number was as high as two million in 1944. In an article about the discrimination the Zainichi have endured, I was struck by this account: "When she entered junior high school, a teacher ordered her to adopt a Japanese name. Other Zainichi in her class, who used Japanese names and hid their real ethnic backgrounds, faced anguish at graduation ceremonies when certificates were handed out in their Korean names."

"GO" is Sugihara's interior monologue about his family, the constant bullying he faces down, his friends, and his love for a Japanese girl. Sugihara's father is a North Korean ex-Communist and ex-boxer, who made his money with six Pachinko (vertical pinball machines) parlors, but has lost all but one parlor. He taught Sugihara to box early on; the boy brags that his record against bullies is 25-0, but when he faces down his father, his record drops to 25-1. The bullying also comes from other Zainichi. When Sugihara gets into the Japanese high school he is called a traitor and a sellout.

At the beginning of the novel, Sugihara assures us that his story is not about violence, but a radiant love story a la Romeo and Juliet. At a friend's party, Sugihara falls for Sakurai, a beautiful Japanese girl. They are inseparable: "The girl and I walked in silence, but there wasn't any awkwardness between us. Every so often, she would peer into my eyes, which made me crack an embarrassed grin, and she'd playfully ram her shoulder against me, like a hockey player, with all her might." But Sugihara fails to tell Sakurai he is Zainichi, and when he does, she is stunned. Heartbroken, he runs away. Despite his bravado, he is as vulnerable as a lost kitten.

Notwithstanding its success, "GO" is somewhat flawed. It's a short novel, a mere 178 pages. But in these, Kaneshiro inserts far too many lists of books and movies and music Sugihara and Sakurai share, as if to reassure us of Sugihara's high intelligence and exquisite taste. Also, Sugihara is universally beloved of all the right people. Their admiration is fulsome, they relish recounting his exploits back to him, unabashedly erecting a verbal monument to the young hero. It's all a bit much.



### FRIEND OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The Lee County Health Department (LCHD) recently presented its 2019 Friend of Public Health award to the Whiteside County Community Health Clinic in Rock Falls. Each year, in conjunction with National Public Health Week, LCHD employees nominate individuals or organizations that have demonstrated outstanding and consistent partnership with LCHD; and assisted the department in working towards its mission of promoting & protecting the health of Lee County residents. The Whiteside County Community Health Clinic was nominated and selected because of all it does for Lee County residents. LCHD refers clients on a regular basis to the clinic for primary, dental and behavioral health services. Pictured from left is, Melissa Feit and Cathy Ferguson-Allen from LCHD; Beth Fiorini from Whiteside County Community Health Clinic; and Cindy Gabany (nominator) from LCHD.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**DEER GROVE**-The deadline to order tickets for the 6th Annual JFK Dinner, in honor of President John F. Kennedy, to be held on Thursday, June 6, at Deer Valley Country Club, 3298 Hoover Rd., is Wednesday, May 29. Contact Kasey Considine, Lee County Democratic Central Committee, at 815-440-5749 for ticket information.

**AMBOY**-The Pankhurst Memorial Library Book Club will meet at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, at the Library, 3 S. Jefferson. Call the Library at 815-857-3925 for more information.

**DIXON**-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, May 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, free radon test kits or the application process for medical cannabis.

**AMBOY**-The 2019 Summer Concert Series will kick-off the season with DKT, an

80s and 90s variety band, from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, at the Downtown Band Shelter, Main Street. Bring a chair and a friend and enjoy this free concert.

**AMBOY**-The City of Amboy committee meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 3, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**SUBLETTE**-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Hall, 202 S. Locust St. Call 800-733-2767 or Carol Vaessen at 815-849-5533 to schedule an appointment to donate.

**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, June 5.

June 4, 11, 18, 25 from 1 - 2 p.m.

Kindergarten-First Grade- Wednesdays June 5, 12, 18, 26 from 1 - 2 p.m.  
Second-Fourth Grade- Thursdays June 6, 13, 18, 27 from 1 - 2 p.m.

We also have special guest Mr. Steve coming at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, June 25, open to everyone.

You do not need a library card to attend Summer Reading, but, if you would like to check out any materials from the library you must have a valid library card.

Any questions please call the library at 815-857-3925. Follow us on Facebook.

**Pankhurst Memorial Library**  
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BY Emily Goff  
Head Librarian

It's Showtime at Your Library. Summer Reading is right around the corner and there is still time to sign up. We have a lot of fun and exciting things happening this year, and we would love you for to join us. The schedule is as follows:

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**STERLING**-The Rock River Hospice & Home, 2706 Avenue E, will host T\*I\*M\*E\* (Together In Memories) Grief Support Group from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, June 10. Feel free to bring your lunch to the meeting. Call 815-625-3858 for more information.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 10, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**SUBLETTE**-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 10, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

**SUBLETTE**-The Sublette Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, at the Sublette Township Building.

**EAST GROVE TWP**-The East Grove Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, at the East Grove Township Hall.

**AMBOY**-The Board of

Trustees of Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12, 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, June 13. A light lunch will follow Bingo. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy CUSD #272 Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, at the Central School Gym, 30 E. Provost.

**LEE CENTER TWP**-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, at the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy.

**OREGON**-The deadline to register for Camp Dream, for children and teens with diabetes, is Friday, June 14. Registration instructions/forms for Camp Dream, held Saturday, July 13, at Stronghold Camp & Retreat Center, can be found at [www.lchd.com](http://www.lchd.com) and forms sent to Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave, Dixon, 61021. Call Jill at 815-284-3371 for more information.

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# OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

## OBITUARIES

### Rosella Elaine Flessner Oct. 22, 1930 - May 21, 2019

**AMBOY** — Rosella Elaine Flessner, 88, of Amboy, died Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at St. Margaret's Hospital in Spring Valley.

She was born in May Township, Lee County, on Oct. 22, 1930, the daughter of Ross and Rose (Kelly) Schultz.

She was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy.

Elaine married Robert C. Flessner May 2, 1953, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Mendota. He preceded her in death on Nov. 23, 2012.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, John and Jim Schultz; and two sisters, Mary

"Mixie" Schimmer and Rita Hageman.

Elaine is survived by sons, Joe (Marcia) Flessner, of Amboy and Tim (Tami) Flessner, of Sublette; four grandchildren, Kimberly (Nick) Mumm, Kayla (BJ) Payne, Kelly (Gage) Borchelt, and Derek (Katie) Flessner; and four great-grandchildren, Gage, Blake and Abel Mumm and Teddy Flessner.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m., on Saturday May 25, 2019 at St Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy with the Rev. Timothy Draper officiating. Burial followed in St Patrick Cemetery. Visitation was held on Saturday from 9 to 10:15 a.m.



at the church. A memorial has been established.

Funeral arrangements by Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Condolences may be sent online at [www.thejonesfh.com](http://www.thejonesfh.com).

### Constance Rose Pankhurst Jan. 25, 1925 - May 24, 2019

**DIXON** — Constance Rose Pankhurst joined her Heavenly Father on May 24, 2019 at her home in Dixon.

Constance was born Jan. 25, 1925, the daughter of Elwin and Lydia (Rose) Bunnell and was one of four children. She joined James W. Pankhurst in marriage on Dec. 12, 1943, in Hannibal, Mo., and were married for 72 years prior to his passing on July 10, 2016.

In her earlier years Ronald Reagan had taught Constance and her siblings how to swim in the Rock River. She was a true farmer and active in the farming community. Constance wasn't afraid of hard physical work.

When she wasn't working in the fields, she was working side by side with her husband caring for the farm animals. Constance had a special touch tending to her beautiful flower garden and raising chickens.

She was tenacious in her

beliefs and enjoyed lively discussions. Constance was a successful businesswoman operating Foreign Affairs for several years in downtown Dixon.

In Constance's retirement years she enjoyed traveling with Jim and continued to enjoy car rides to the farm in her later years and continued to be a true farmer at heart.

She is survived by her children James III, of Dixon, Courtney (Joy), of Mt. Morris, Patricia Lohse, of Dixon, Marshall Pankhurst, of Loves Park, Tammy (Brett) Conley, of Portage, Wis., and Constance (Dennis) Beeson, of Roscoe, S.D.; and 18 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

Constance was preceded in death by her parents; son, Harry H. Pankhurst; two brothers Elwin and Marshall Bunnell; one sister Elsie Mae and one daughter-in-law and one son-in-law.

Visitation will be at 10



a.m., on Friday, May 31, 2019 at St. Paul Lutheran Church followed by funeral service at 11 a.m. with reception at noon. Rev. Joseph O'Donnell, pastor will be officiating. Cremation rites will be accorded. Burial of cremains in Temperance Hill Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established to Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon.

Arrangements were completed by Preston-Schilling Funeral Home in Dixon.

Condolences may be sent to [www.prestonschilling.com](http://www.prestonschilling.com).

## Season ends in state preliminaries

**CHARLESTON** — Three Amboy-LaMoille boys' track state qualifiers had their season end in the preliminaries of the IHSA Class 1A State Track Meet held May 23-25 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Thomas Stamberger competed in the 800-meter run and was clocked in 2:00.54. The state champion in the event was Boston Stewart of Decatur St. Teresa in a time of 1:54.93.

Austin Norman participated in the 110-meter high hurdles and had a preliminary time of 17.3. Mason Barr of Colfax Ridgeview claimed the state title with a time of 13.94.

Brock Loftus ran in the 3200-meter run and finished in a time of 11:18.99. Christopher Collett of Seneca took home the state crown with a time of 9:36.99.

Catlin Salt Fork was the team state champion.

## Girls basketball camp scheduled in June at Amboy High School

**AMBOY** — The 2019 Amboy Girls' Basketball Camp will be held the weeks of June 3-7 and June 10-14 at Amboy High School.

The camp will be divided into two sessions. Fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders will meet from 1-2:30 p.m. each day and seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders will meet from 2:30-4 p.m. each day. All grades are based on August 2019.

Any incoming third-grader is welcome to attend if they can get the ball to the basket. You are asked to call camp instructor Mike McCracken at (815) 857-2149 if you are

interested.

The cost of the camp is \$40, which includes a T-shirt, lots of instruction, lots of awards, games, contests, campers of the day and guest speakers. There is a family rate of two campers enrolled for \$60 and three campers enrolled for \$70 total. Anyone with financial problems but want their daughter to attend the camp can contact McCracken.

Awards will be handed out for MVP, Best Rebounder, Best Free Thrower, Best Defense, Hot Spots Shooter, Most Improved, Best Passer and Hustle Award.

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## Lee County Historical Society to host meeting on June 10

**DIXON** — The Lee County Historical and Genealogical Society will present a program on "Coca Cola History" at 7 p.m. at the LCHGS office at 113 S. Hennepin Avenue in Dixon on Monday, June 10.

Dick Volker will present a history of the world's most famous soft drink. Learn

about this special formula that was originally concocted by a pharmacist for baby colic. Come join us for an evening of nostalgia while learning about the history of America's favorite beverage.

There is ample parking across the street. There is no fee and the public is welcome.

## End of year ACO outing planned for June 4

**AMBOY** — The end of the year ACO outing will be at 6 p.m., on Tuesday, June 4 at That Place On Palmyra.

The group will be meeting at the Depot Museum by 5:30 p.m. to carpool. The program will be on the Orphan Train presented by Carol Chandler, well known speaker on

this child welfare movement originating in New York and stopping at various locations in the Midwest that included Amboy.

The public is welcome to hear this fascinating story.

Please make your reservation with Darlene by June 2 by calling 815-857-3864.

## Early registration deadline June 5

**OREGON** — The 8th Annual KB Tough Run has been scheduled for Saturday, June 29, and will be held at the White Pines Ranch in Oregon. The KB Tough Run is the major fundraising event for the KB Fund. This fund has been established to help those in our community that are burdened by a medical crisis. More than 70 families have been helped by the KB Fund.

Early registration for the event ends on June 5. Registration forms are available online at [www.KBToughRun.com](http://www.KBToughRun.com). This year they

are once again offering online registration. The 5K Tough Run, Hike and Kid Sprint participants can all sign up online by visiting the website and following the 'Register Now' link. Early registration guarantees Tough Run and Hike participants receive an event t-shirt and drink token. The Tough Run and Hike registration is \$30 while the Kid Sprint is \$10.

Questions can be directed to [info@KBToughRun.com](mailto:info@KBToughRun.com). To learn more about the event and the fund visit [www.KBToughRun.com](http://www.KBToughRun.com).

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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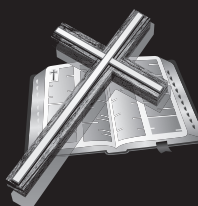
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# LOCAL NEWS

## Teachers retiring from the Amboy School District

**AMBOY** — Four teachers will be retiring from the Amboy School District this month.

### Terry Weber

Music teacher at Central School  
21 years teaching in the district  
Experience and memories you would like to share about your time with the school district:

Of course my memories would be mostly about the many programs I have done with the students. Each year, I would worry myself crazy over how the students were doing on the songs. And they always shined!

There were the occasional singers that just took off with the song – especially “Jingle Bells.” The Kindergarten through Second grade concerts were always unpredictable. By Third and Fourth grade, I could count on the students to do a good job. I liked the Spring Concerts because I didn’t have a theme that always had to be like the Christmas concert was Santa, reindeer and snowmen.

### Linda Klein

Kindergarten Teacher  
21 years in Amboy Community School District

Experience and memories you would like to share about your time with the school district:

As a child, I was blessed to have many wonderful teachers throughout my own education which influenced my career path to become a teacher. My quest has always been to help the students find a love for learning.

As I reflect on the past 21 years, I hope my time with my students has left a positive impact on their lives, because they have definitely left a wonderful impact on mine.

One of my fondest memories is my interview with Mr. Dennis Weidman for my first teaching job with the Amboy School District. In the fall of 1997, Mr. Weidman suggested I apply for the preschool teaching position funded by a new state grant. I was very nervous; however, after the first few questions, the jitters had gone away. I loved that the students were going to have the opportunity to attend preschool to get a head start on kindergarten. I was hired to begin the first Smart Start Preschool for the Amboy Community School District in Sublette, and my journey as an educator began.

A couple years later, a third grade position became available, which I gladly accepted (this dates back to the portable trailer days). The staff was very welcoming, and I’m thankful for the wonderful friendships that developed over the years.

I have so many memories of my tenure as a teacher, but some of my favorites have been watching a child the first time they’re able to read a word or work an Incredible Equation, trying to locate the gingerbread girl or boy during the holidays, presentations at the Wax Museum, and enjoying the Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast.

Another memorable perk of teaching in Amboy, is the opportunity to chaperone multiple trips abroad; Mexico-2002,

France-2003, Italy and Greece-2018. Experiencing new cultures with some of Amboy’s students and faculty was not only exhilarating, but it also allowed me to indulge my quest for life-long learning.

My involvement with District 272 did not end with teaching. I have been an assistant coach for the Amboy Lady Clippers Softball team for the last 16 years. Our trip to state in 2014 was unforgettable.

As a coach and a teacher, nothing is more rewarding than seeing my former students grow and experience success in not only academics and athletics but beyond school into their careers and family life. The beauty of being an educator is that I will constantly be reminded of my love for my career and students as I watch my students flourish in their own lives.

Thank you to all of my students, the faculty and the community for your support over the years. I’m grateful for the opportunities I’ve had and will be forever grateful for the time I was able to spend as a part of the Amboy School District.

### Linda Grady

Fourth Grade Teacher

29 Years Teaching in the District

One summer day almost 30 years ago, Linda Piper walked into Amboy Central School for a job interview. She walked in, dressed in a suit, only to see then Principal Denny Weidman wearing shorts and a t-shirt. Sensing that relaxed atmosphere, she immediately felt right at home. On

that hot summer day, Linda left with both a job and relaxed outlook into her future in District #272.

A graduate of Sauk Valley Community College, St. Ambrose University, and Illinois State University, Linda started her teaching career in Ohio, Illinois, before accepting a job in Arizona, intending only to stay for a year, but ending up staying 5.

She then went on to teach 29 years at Amboy Central School, starting out at kindergarten, moving up to first grade, and ending at fourth grade. Along with teaching, she also helped coach junior high volleyball and basketball for a number of years.

However, a job isn’t the only thing that Linda found in Amboy. She was able to meet and marry Amboy native Jim Grady. They have twin daughters, Hannah and Megan. Although Linda has been able to build her family in Amboy, she has also found that the surrounding community has also formed into part of her family.

Teaching at Central has given her the chance to form a strong connection with the community. She will always remember fondly the staff parties and the kindness of colleagues and parents. She is thankful for all her years of teaching had to offer her, but she especially relishes her time in Amboy. Not only did she find a place to teach, but she also found a place to call home.

### Bob Halberg

Fifth Grade Teacher

14 Years Teaching in the District

## LaMoille High School Class of 2019



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Luke Beattie



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Lillian Blackburn



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Brianna Lipe



Luke Lovgren



Kyle Pinter



Mariah Quest



Nya Ranel



Thomas Stamberger



Rebecca Taylor



Hunter Walzer



Hannah Weeks



Alexis Wittenauer



## Educational Briefs

### Schielein named to dean's list

**DE PERE, Wis.** – Joelle Schielein, of Dixon, has been named to the 2019 spring semester dean’s list at St. Norbert College. A minimum 3.5 grade point average is required for academic eligibility.

The only Norbertine college in the world, St. Norbert is a four-year, Catholic liberal arts institution nestled beside the Fox River in De Pere, Wis., neighboring Green Bay. Founded in 1898, the college became coeducational in 1952. Today the residential campus serves approximately 2,200 undergraduate and graduate students, hailing from throughout the United States and nearly 20 countries.

Recent years have seen record enrollments and unprecedented investments in the St. Norbert campus. The academic excellence of the college is nationally recognized by U.S. News & World Report, Forbes, Princeton Review and others. [www.snc.edu/about/](http://www.snc.edu/about/).

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# Opinion

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances ~ The First Amendment

## No protection offered to the middle class in tax plan

*"Let me tell you about the very rich. They are different from you and me. They possess and enjoy early, and it does something to them, makes them soft where we are hard, and cynical where we are trustful, in a way that, unless you were born rich, it is very difficult to understand."*

----F. Scott Fitzgerald

Gov. J.B. Pritzker is a man who was born rich and will die rich. The heir to Hyatt hotel fortune would have us believe he wants to rewrite the state constitution to raise income taxes just on swells like himself – and nobody else. It's a cynical argument. What Gov. Pritzker and his legislative supporters really are trying to do is eliminate a constitutional protection.

If you are like me, you've heard the "Fair Tax" commercials many times by now. But we all know you have to take advertising, particularly political advertising, with a grain of salt. But that doesn't mean we always do. Just last week, I installed two toilets in my house that are advertised by Koehler to be "clog free." Within a week, my three daughters managed to stop up both, twice. Unfortunately, when we are misled by political advertising, there isn't a plunger to make the mess go away. If the progressive tax passes, it will be stinking up the state for a long time. While I've spent most of my career in Illinois, I've also been a reporter in Iowa, Ohio, Texas and Nevada. Two of those states have progressive income taxes and two have no income tax at all. In itself, a progressive income tax is not unworkable, but in the context of Illinois it would be devastating.

### Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



Before anyone's income tax is raised, Illinois needs meaningful and permanent property tax relief.

Illinois already has the highest property taxes in the nation and there is no serious proposal in Springfield to reduce them. Add on an increase in income taxes and the overall tax burden for middle class families would be overwhelming.

But aren't the commercials saying only rich people will have to pay more under this plan?

Yes. Politicians are asking you to trust them.

But can you think of anything Springfield politicians have done during the past 30 years that gives you reason to trust them?

I can't think of anything either. And I've spent many years covering them.

Just taxing wealthy people won't generate enough money to fund the programs that Pritzker and his cronies in the legislature want.

That means tax hikes will inevitably metastasize deep into the middle class.

As F. Scott Fitzgerald noted 93 years ago, "The very rich are different than you and me." It doesn't matter if they call themselves "liberal" or "conservative," they all embrace tax-avoidance strategies.

Earlier this month, our billionaire president called gaming the tax system "sport." As we all know, Pritzker sloughed off \$330,000 he owed in property taxes onto other people by removing toilets from one of his mansions and calling it "uninhabitable."

Despite his current rhetoric that only rich folks should have their taxes hiked, he hasn't been reticent to engage in a bit of chicanery of his own to make taxpayers earning a lot less than he pay more.

He ought to practice what he preaches. And tax avoidance goes well beyond toilets.

A few years back, I worked for a man who had five homes scattered from California to Paris. How hard do you think it would be for a rich fellow like that to simply change his official state of residence to someplace else and not pay a dime to the state? Not hard at all.

And for others, the answer to higher taxes will be to move. After all, when the tax burden exceeds the cost of moving, little incentive remains to stay.

When either of these things happen, someone will have to make up the difference and the way the proposed constitutional amendment is written, it offers no protection to the middle class. Our taxes will go up too.

If Pritzker really didn't want to tax middle-class people, his constitutional amendment would say just that. But it doesn't.

For decades, our Springfield lawmakers have exhibited little financial restraint, making Illinois the fiscal basket case of the nation. Now the political power brokers are looking for a way out of the mess they have made.

The Illinois Senate already has endorsed putting the amendment on the 2020 ballot and the House is expected to vote on it this month. Since House Speaker Mike Madigan wants it to pass, it will.

And then, it will be the voters who decide.

Don't be misled by slick commercials; the so-called "fair tax" opens the door for middle class tax hikes.

Scott Reeder is a veteran statehouse journalist and a freelance reporter. He can be reached by email at [ScottReeder1965@gmail.com](mailto:ScottReeder1965@gmail.com).

## On This Day in History

### 100 Years Ago May 30, 1919

End of School Report. Neither absent nor tardy during school year – Helen Finch, Bessie Dewey, Addie Jones. Not absent – Edith Estey, Russell MacKinnon, Leila Barlow, Josephine Brady, Ruth Searls, Marie Bushman.

Thursday evening while Herman Clayton and a cow were having an argument, Herman received a sprained ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ersfelt were entertained at dinner Sunday in the O.S. Skinner home in Binghamton.

### 75 Years Ago May 25, 1944

Mrs. A.W. Sperling and twins, Karen and Kevin, are visiting her aunt, Miss Madge Wolcott.

Mrs. Charlotte Merrow is moving this week to her new home in Dixon.

Miss Regina Burke of Maytown was a Monday overnight guest of Mary

Eisenrich.

### 50 Years Ago May 29, 1969

The Amboy Men's Garden Club Lawn of the Month Awards have been made for the month of May. On the east side of town the R.W. Ruckman lawn won first place, the James Marchesi lawn being chosen for second place. The west side winners were Frank Fassler, first and Gerald North, second.

Mrs. Lyman Rambo and Mrs. James Morrissey, Sr., who are retiring from teaching this year, were honored at a reception held Wednesday evening of last week in conjunction with the Central School Parents and Teachers Club meeting.

Mrs. Neita J. Vaughan, chairman of the Poppy Day Sales, announces that the American Legion Auxiliary is grateful for the support given the fund drive held Friday and Saturday in Amboy. A total of \$239.11 was contributed in the area.

### 25 Years Ago June 2, 1994

While there is still moisture in the ground, this area has seen two very dry months this spring. According to the Amboy News rain gauge, only 1.15 inches of rain was recorded last month, over 2.5 inches below normal. Since April 1, only 2.95 inches has fallen in this vicinity. Normal for the last two months is 7.65 inches.

Amboy Girl Scouts announced the top sellers in their recent cookie sales. In Brownie Troop 39, Holly Dinges was second, Tonya Rhodes was third and Amanda Schnaiter took first place. In Cadet Troop 44, Mary Jenner and Jamie Jenner tied for first and Amanda Albee was second. In Junior Troop 23, Jennifer Albee was first and Andrea Bark was second. Third place went to Kelly Alletto.

## Has trump driven Democrats sane?

The Joe Biden polling surge has raised the frightful specter of Democratic rationality.

What if Donald Trump hasn't driven Democrats insane, sending them into a spiral of self-defeating radicalism, but instead made them shockingly pragmatic?

Biden's early strength suggests it may be the latter, that the reaction to Trump is so intense that it has crossed some sort of event horizon from fevered fantasy of his leaving office early via resignation or impeachment to a cold-eyed, win-at-any-cost practicality.

If this is true, one of the exogenous factors that could appreciably increase Trump's odds of reelection -- a zany Democratic nomination contest leading to a nominee much too far left for the American electorate -- may not materialize.

The commonsense play for the Democrats has always been to nominate a nonsocialist with appeal to Obama-to-Trump voters in former Blue Wall states -- if not necessarily Biden, then someone with a similar, relatively moderate profile.

If hardly dispositive, Biden's robust numbers at least suggest that this play is more likely than it seemed in the very early going, when candidates were stumbling over one another apologizing for sundry alleged offenses in the Woke Olympics.

I'm as surprised as anyone. What's extraordinary,

### Guest Column

By Rich Lowry



though, is that almost every Democratic candidate might have been misreading it as well, and chasing the wrong rabbit down the track.

Certainly, Bernie Sanders dominated the intellectual and policy debate in the wake of his 2016 run, driving other presidential candidates to embrace his signature proposals. And Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez is a genuine political star.

It's only because the center of gravity of the party has clearly moved left that Biden, always a standard

liberal, now sounds like a centrist when he calls himself an Obama-Biden Democrat.

Electability is usually a wan, uninspiring rationale for lackluster establishment campaigns, but Trump may have transformed into something more urgent and exciting for Democrats in 2020.

In this scenario, fear and loathing of Trump doesn't drive Democrats into a politically risky dead end-like impeachment -- although that's still possible -- but a sensible appraisal of how to beat him at the ballot box.

In a recent CNN poll, about half of Democrats said it's "extremely important" that a candidate have a good chance of beating Trump, much higher than any other candidate quality. Journalists on the trail have reported hearing the same thing from Democratic voters.

Of course, if we learned anything from 2016, it's that pundits know much less about electability than we

think. Biden's paper strength may dissipate.

How often in American politics has the old candidate promising a restoration won? History shows that Democrats have had better electoral luck when they fall in love with a youthful candidate promising a fresh start. Think Bill Clinton, not Walter Mondale; Barack Obama, not Hillary Clinton.

Biden's electability will have to be proven not just in general election polling matchups with Trump, but day-by-day campaigning during the primaries with more incoming than he's experienced to date.

All that said, Biden's level of support out of the gate has already changed the narrative of the race. It may be that he's understood how Trump is shaping the 2020 landscape better than his more with-it Democratic competitors.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Notice is hereby given that the grain dealer license of M & R Farms, Inc., 1684 Nachusa Road, Dixon, IL 61021 has been voluntarily surrendered. This company has given formal notice to the Illinois Department of Agriculture of their election to voluntarily cease purchasing grain from producers. Under the requirements of this voluntary election, grain cannot be received, picked up, or contracted for purchase after April 1, 2019.  
If you have any questions, please notify the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Warehouses, State Fairgrounds, P.O. Box 19281, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9281 on or before June 30, 2019.  
John Sullivan  
Director  
Illinois Department of Agriculture  
No. 0508  
May 22, 29, June 5, 2019

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The Residents of the Lee Community Fire Protection District, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Lee Community Fire Protection District of Dekalb and Lee County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2019 and ending April 30, 2020 has been prepared and the public notice has been posted in five places within the Fire District, and also printed in the Dekalb Chronicle and Amboy News. YOU ARE FUR-

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## 105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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OTHER NOTIFIED that a public hearing shall be held as to such Budget and Appropriation Ordinance at the Lee Community Fire Department, Lee, Illinois on July 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.  
Cass Larson, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Lee Community Fire Protection District  
No. 0509  
May 29, 2019

**ZONING HEARING**  
A hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 12th 2019. A variance will be discussed. Property location is Lot 12- Timbercreek for a new garage addition variance. The hearing will be held at city hall located at 227 E. Main St. at 6:00p.m. Questions call city hall 857-3814.  
No. 0510  
May 29, June 5, 2019

**ZONING HEARING**  
A hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 12th 2019. A variance will be discussed. Property location is 11 W. Hawley for a 15 foot setback variance. The hearing will be held at city hall located at 227 E. Main St. at 6:00p.m. Questions call city hall 857-3814.  
No. 0511  
May 29, June 5, 2019

**ZONING HEARING**  
A hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 12th 2019. A variance will be discussed. Property location is 311 N. Mason for a garage setback variance. The hearing will be held at city hall located at 227 E. Main St. at 6:00p.m. Questions call city hall 857-3814.  
No. 0512  
May 29, June 5, 2019

## 113 FINANCIAL

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

## 119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## 127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

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NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a child care service. A childcare facility that is licensed or operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services may publish advertisements of the services for which it is specifically licensed or issued a permit. Your Hometown Newspaper strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in it's care.

## 203 HELP WANTED

**ASHTON - AFC Jr/Sr High School** is Looking for the Following Middle School Coaches for the 2019-2020 School Year: 7/8th Grade Football; 6th Grade Volleyball; 7th Grade Volleyball; 6th Grade Boys' Basketball; 7th Grade Boys' Basketball; 8th Grade Boys' Basketball. Applicants Should Have Knowledge in the Sport Applied for and Love Working with Kids. If Interested, Please Apply online at afcschools.net. (06-05-19)

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## 301 ANTIQUES

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## 307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

**BUNDLED Newspaper** -\$3 per Bundle. End Roll- Cost Depends on Weight of Roll. Available Monday-Friday 8AM-NOON ONLY. SEE RECEPTIONIST AT FRONT COUNTER Rochelle News-Leader.

## 305 GARAGE/RUMMAGE SALES

**ROCHELLE:** 5 Miles West on Hwy 38. 5-Family Sale. Lots of Items. Thursday May 30th Friday May 31st & Saturday June 1st 9am-4pm. Also Thursday June 6th & Friday June 7th, 9am-4pm. (06-05-19)

**DEKALB:** Fairway Oaks Subdivision. 16-Home. Friday May 31st & Saturday June 1st, 8am-? Located off Bethany 2-Blocks West of YMCA. Sales on Country Club Lane & Wedgewood Dr. (05-29-19)

**ROCHELLE:** 728 N 2nd St. Yard Sale. Thursday May 30th & Friday May 31st, 8:30am-5pm. George Foreman Grill, Mixer, Travel Refrigerator, Bookcase, Storage Chest, Baskets, Toys and Miscellaneous. (05-29-19)

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## 305 GARAGE/RUMMAGE SALES

**ROCHELLE:** 1207 & 1215 Sunrise Court & 1205 Clifton Terrace. Thursday May 30th 5pm-8pm. Friday May 31st 8am-5pm & Saturday June 1st, 8am-Noon. Huge 4-Family Sale. Baby, Toddler, Girls, Boys, Adult Clothes, Teen Girls' Name Brands, Educational Materials, White Bedroom Furniture, NASCAR Collectibles, Tools, Lawn Mower, Ventless Gas Fireplace, Canvas & String Art, New Awing, New Creative Memories, Hamster Cage/Supplies, & Golf Bag. You Won't be Disappointed! (05-29-19)

**ROCHELLE:** 1031 Parkview Drive. Friday May 31st 9am-5pm & Saturday June 1st 9am-4pm. Downsizing Attic to Basement. Linens, Toys, Drapes, Housewares, Golf Clubs, Men/Women's Clothes, & Seasonal Items. (05-29-19)

**ROCHELLE:** 110 Shirley Ave. Thursday May 30th, Friday May 31st, Saturday June 1st, 9am-5pm. Multi Family Sale. Kids & Adult Clothing, Brand Name Purses, Furniture, Household Items, Books & Toys. (05-29-19)

**VILLAGE of HILLCREST & Windover Park** Thursday May 30th to Saturday June 1st. Times Vary and Maps Available at Each Sale. Lots of Assorted Household and Miscellaneous Items. (05-29-19)

## 309 PETS AND SUPPLIES

**PUPPIES For Sale:** Mini Dachshunds. Ready to go. Call 815-757-0473. (06-09-19)

## 315 WANTED TO BUY

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## 405 HOUSES FOR SALE

**ALL REAL ESTATE** advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitation or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real

## 405 HOUSES FOR SALE

estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

## 501 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

**ROCHELLE:** North-Side, 2nd Floor Efficiency. \$450/Month. Utilities Included. No-Pets. 815-978-1341. (06-16-19)

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2017 Chevy 1500 DBL Cab LTZ, 4x4, Z71, Silver..\$33,900

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2016 Chevy 3500 Crew Cab LTZ, 4x4, Z71, Diesel White.....\$46,900

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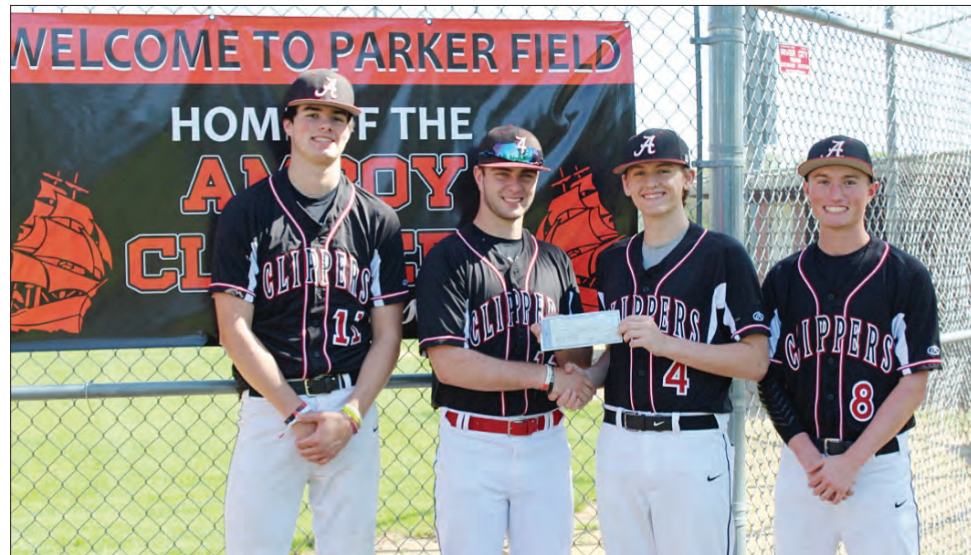


## ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

Mitchell McLaughlin and Noelle Jones are the 2019 Amboy News Athlete of the Year winners. The award was presented at the annual awards night on May 23. The winners must be a member of the graduating class, have a 2.5 or higher grade point average, letter in two or more sports and be voted on by the head coaches and administration.

Courtesy photo

The results of the Amboy High School awards night will be published in the June 5th edition of the Amboy News.



## DONATION

The Amboy High School baseball team recently accepted a donation from the Amboy Breakers. Pictured left to right, Hunter Zimmerly, Mitchell McLaughlin, Jairon Hochstatter (presenting the check on behalf of Joel Hochstatter), and Clayton Kemp.

Photo courtesy of Jordan Tidmore

Amboy Community Unit  
School District #272

Wed., May 29 EARLY DISMISSAL

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

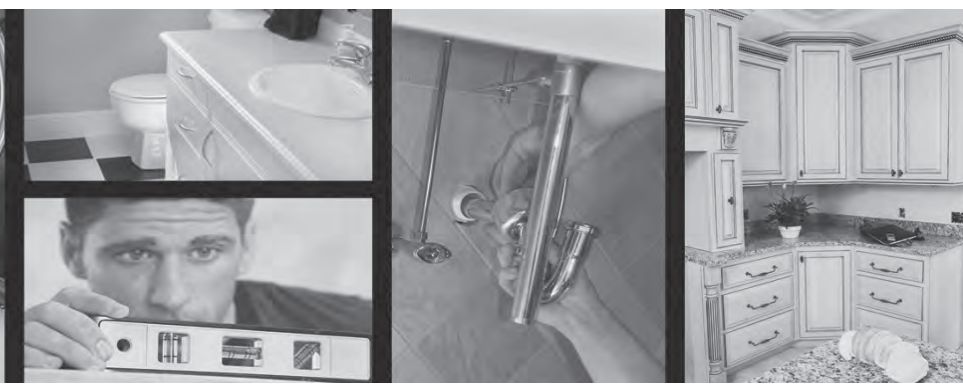
Fri., May 31 LAST DAY

OF STUDENT  
ATTENDANCE

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Mon., June 3 TEACHER INSTITUTE

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**Sale Prices Valid May 29 – June 4, 2019 – Limited Quantities – While Supplies Last**

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## HOT BUYS

### General Mills Cereals

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### Nabisco Town House, Ritz Crackers and Cheez-Its

12.5-14 oz



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Assorted 24.8 oz



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### Gatorade

8 Pack



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### Johnsonville Brats or Sausage Fresh or Frozen

Assorted 16-19 oz



\$3.99 ea.

Reg. Price \$4.19-5.89 ea.

### Gino's Pizza

Assorted



2/ \$6

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## WEEKLY SPECIALS

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Assorted 52 oz



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### Nestle Coffee-mate Creamer Liquid

Assorted 16 oz



\$2.29 ea.

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### Shurfine Pickles

16 oz



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Reg. Price \$2.39 ea.

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Assorted Bar 8 oz



\$1.69 ea.

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5-9 oz



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