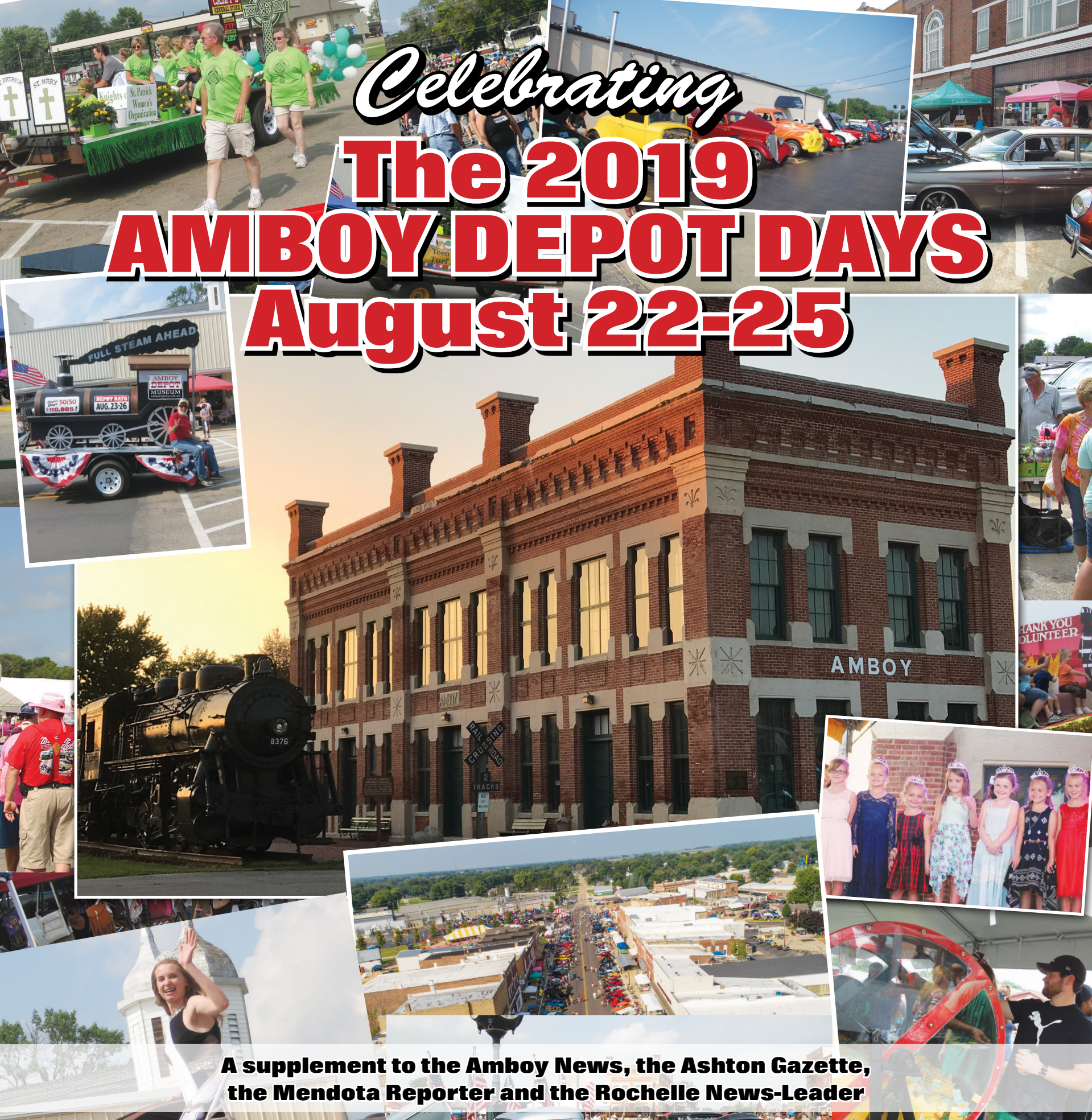


Celebrating **The 2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS August 22-25**



**A supplement to the Amboy News, the Ashton Gazette,
the Mendota Reporter and the Rochelle News-Leader**

Welcome to the 38th Annual Amboy Depot Days



**Amboy Mayor
John Schamberger**

It's that time of year again folks, welcome to the 38th Annual Depot Days.. This year's festivities will surely entertain all ages. The weekend will kick off on Thursday night downtown at the main stage for the Miss Amboy Contest, be sure to stick around for family night with all rides costing only \$2.

On Friday the community wide garage sales begin at 8 a.m. and the carnival will open at 6 p.m. The food stands will be open at 10 a.m. with a wide variety of choices. Saturday morning is off to an early start with the Depot Days Dash 5K. The Amboy Fire Department will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast

at the Fire Station starting at 7 a.m.

The Lion's Club Parade theme this year is "Service Is Golden" and will begin at 3 p.m. on Saturday afternoon followed by musical guest Jonathan Parker at 7 p.m. on the main stage.

As they say, "the best for last," Sunday we will be hosting one of the largest Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Shows in Northern Illinois! Have you got your 50/50 tickets yet? Last year's winner received \$99,530!

On behalf of the City Council I would like to thank all of our sponsors that make this weekend happen, without them it would not be possible.

This is one weekend you will definitely not want to miss in Amboy

~Mayor John Schamberger

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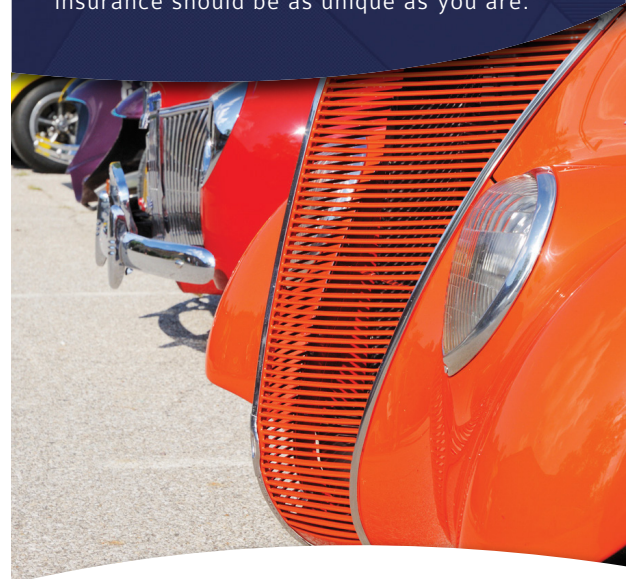
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Real winners of 50/50 raffle are local organizations

The story behind the story is the 50/50 drawing is the most exciting part of the Amboy Depot Days for many people. As part of the Depot Days celebration the car show started having a 50/50 drawing. In the early days, the ticket holder took home 50 percent of the drawing and the Amboy Depot was the recipient of the other cash. The Amboy Depot Museum is still a recipient of a cash donation, but the car show committee has had the opportunity to donate to many other community interests as well.

the recipient list has grown as well. Over the years, the lucky ticket holders have realized winnings of anywhere from \$8,400 in 2001 to \$149,333 in 2015. The 50/50 drawing grew at a rapid rate over the past few years. Last year's winner took home \$99,530. Again this year second - fifth place will also receive a cash prize of \$5,000.

But the real winners are the local organizations that benefit from a piece of the pot. Last year's recipients were Amboy, Sublette and Ashton fire departments, Amboy Depot Museum, local food pan-

tries, Lee County Fair Association, Ashton Lions Club, Lee County Shop with a Cop, Buddy Bags, Lee County Ag in the Classroom, Dixon PADS Shelter, Amboy's Central School Library, Pankhurst Memorial Library, Amboy FFA Chapter, Amboy Lions Club, BWB & the A-Team, Lee County Veterans Assistance Committee, Lee County Emergency Management Agency, City of Amboy, Amboy American Legion, Lee County Historical Society, Franklin Grove Fundraisers, Teen Turf, Special Olympics, and Sublette 365. In total, these organizations received about

\$66,000 through the 50/50 drawing this past year. Each year organizations are able to submit a request for a donation from the committee to assist with their needs. The letter needs to be clear on what the funds are being sought for and the amount they are requesting. After the car show is done, the committee meets to recap the recent show and to review the requests. The entire committee votes on which of the requests and decides on the amount to be rewarded.

See RAFFLE page 4



People are filling out their entry tickets for the annual 50/50 raffle last year. Here is one tip from the organizers on how to fill out your tickets easier - instead of writing out all of your information on each tickets, take address labels from home and adhere them to each ticket.

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| Amboy City Hall | Vaessen Bros. Chevrolet, Inc. | WALNUT: Walnut Hardware |
| Jones Berry Lumber | Shady Oaks Golf Course | Ticket sales will end on |
| The Long Branch Saloon | Country Village Meats | Saturday, Aug. 24 at noon, at |
| Two Sisters on Main | COMPTON: | the Compton, Dixon, Franklin |
| Depot Tap | Jerry's Tap | Grove and Sublette locations. |
| Shell Express Lane | FRANKLIN GROVE: | Amboy locations will sell until |
| The Bear's Den | Stenzel Insurance | noon on Sunday, Aug. 25. |
| DIXON: Shamrock Pub | | Depot Days Drum is located at |
| Drawing Sunday, August 25 after the Car Show | | Amboy Food and Liquor. |
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Another way that the committee gives back is by offering scholarships to students who will be attending a trade school.

Other sources of revenue for the car show is the sale of t-shirts and hats.

Tickets are available now at the following locations:

In Amboy at Mort's Tap, The Last Alarm, Amboy City Hall, Jones Berry Lumber, The Long Branch Saloon, Two Sisters on Main, Depot Tap, The Bear's Den and Shell Express Lane.

In Sublette, Bonnell's General Store and The Sublette Saloon, and Vaessen Bros. Chevrolet, Inc.

In Dixon at the Shamrock Pub.

In Compton at Jerry's Tap.

In Ashton at Ashton Auto Repair

In Walnut at Walnut Hardware

In Franklin Grove at Stenzel Insurance

The tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Ticket sales will end on Saturday, Aug. 24 at noon, at the Compton, Dixon, Ashton, Walnut, Franklin Grove and Sublette locations.

Amboy locations will sell until noon on Sunday, Aug. 25.

Depot Days Drum is located at Amboy Food and Liquor.

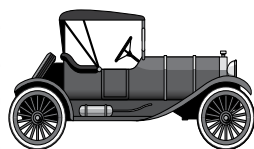
Typically, they are sold right up until time for the drawing, which is at 4 p.m. on the day of the car show. Winners need not be present to win. You can follow the drawing information on Facebook at Amboy Depot Days 50/50 Drawing.

Be sure and get a ticket, you just never know, it could be your lucky year.



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Amboy Lions Club parade "Service Is Golden"



The Amboy Lions Club is accepting parade entries for the 2019 Amboy Depot Days Parade. The parade takes place during Depot Days on Saturday, Aug. 24 at 3 p.m. This year's parade theme is "Service Is Golden."

nouncer will be Hank Gerdes.

As in the past, cash prizes are offered in the following categories: Best of Theme, Marching Units, Kids, Tractors, Trucks, Cars, Horses, Clowns, Commercial and Judge's Choice.

The parade line up will take place at Amboy City Park, E. Main Street, beginning at 1:30 p.m. with judging at 2:45 p.m.

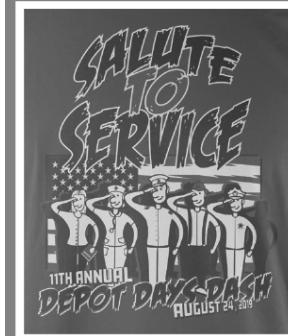
There is no entry fee to be in the Depot Days Parade. Registration is not required but appreciated, to register, call Ken Novak, parade chairman, at 815-440-8866 (cell) or 815-288-2760 (work), e-mail amboylionsclub@gmail.com or register online at amboylionsclub.com.

The parade will cross IL Route 52 heading west and continue down Main Street and wrap up at the Amboy Middle School.

The parade will be an-



11th Annual Amboy Education Foundation
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Saturday, August 24



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August 22, 23, 24, 25

Thursday, August 22

“Family Night”

5pm-10pm	Food Stands open
6pm-10pm	Carnival on Depot Museum Grounds
	“Family Night Special” All Rides \$2.00
6:30pm	Depot Days Little Dancers-on Main Stage
7pm	Miss Amboy Pageant & Little Miss Amboy
8:30pm	Announcement of Miss Amboy of 2019
8:35pm	Live Music by Eileen & Guests-Main Stage

Friday, August 23

8am-4pm	Community Wide Garage Sales
8am-5pm	Craft Booths - Downtown
10am-10pm	Food Stands open - Depot Museum Grounds
6pm-10pm	Carnival on Depot Museum Grounds. Arm bands \$20.00 for unlimited rides.
7:30p-9:30pm	Rick Lindy & The Wild Ones Band on Main Stage. FREE. Sponsored by Shell Oil
9:30pm – 1am	K.C.’s Beer Garden: Burn-N-Bush

Saturday, August 24

7am-11am	Pancake Breakfast: Amboy Fire Department at the Fire Station
8:00am	Adult 5K Run/Walk sponsored by Amboy Education Foundation. Contact: Joyce Schamberger, 815/857-2164 or register at www.amboy.net
8am-1pm	Amboy Farm Tractor. Downtown Amboy. John Pierce at 815/973-4676
8am-5pm	Community Wide Garage Sales
8am-5pm	Craft Booths - Downtown
10am-10pm	Food Stands open - Depot Museum Grounds
11am-1am	K.C. Beer Garden: South of Bandstand
11am-1pm	Kids Meet & Greet Captain Marvel, Batman, and Elsa at Pankhurst Memorial Library, 3 S. Jefferson Ave.
Noon-3pm	Carnival on Depot Museum Grounds
2pm-4pm	Arm bands \$20.00 for unlimited rides Balloon Expressions & Whimsy Face Painting. Free Kids Event (Depot Parking Lot)

Amboy’s Depot Days is presented to benefit the Amboy Depot Museum. Your support is greatly appreciated. The Depot Days Committee wishes to give a special thank you to the many people who volunteer their time, energy and funds to ensure the success of Depot Days.

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AMBOY DEPOT DAYS

August 22, 23, 24, 25

Saturday, August 24

- 3pm Depot Days Parade
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www.amboylionsclub.com to sign up
- 5pm Teen Turf Donkey Drop-Chance to win \$\$
857-4800 (located by Amboy Sporting Goods)
- 7pm-9pm Jonathan Parker on Main Stage. FREE
Sponsored by KSB
- 9pm-1am K.C. Beer Garden: Mortimer's Quest

Sunday, August 25

- 6am-3pm 29th Annual Depot Days Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show
— Downtown Amboy.
- 6:30-10am Pancake Breakfast: Knights of Columbus, at the Beer
Garden
- 8am-4pm Crafts - Downtown Streets
- 8am-4pm Community Wide Garage Sales
- 10am-4pm Food Stands Open
- 11:30am Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show Judging
Downtown Amboy
- Noon-5pm K.C. Beer Garden: South of the Bandstand
- Noon-4pm Carnival on Depot Museum Grounds.
Arm bands \$20.00 for unlimited rides.
- 3pm Depot Days Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show Awards
Presentation & 50/50 Drawing. Last
year's 50/50 winner received \$99,530. Main Stage by
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INFORMATION BOOTHS

Information Booth (50/50 tickets available).
On West Main St. in front of First Federal.

DAILY INFORMATION

FREE SHUTTLE on Sunday. Park at Amboy School, 11 E. Hawley St.
First Aid & Cooling Center at the Lee County Farm Bureau, 37 S. East Avenue.
Food Stands & Restrooms are open all weekend on Depot Grounds.
Community-Wide Garage Sales: Friday, Saturday and Sunday 8am-5pm. Garage sale maps available at
City Hall or the information booth.
Museums open for viewing. Stop in and enjoy a little of Amboy's history. The Gift Shop will be open.
Car Show Registration and information - Contact Garth Dallam 815/857-2946. www.amboycarshow.com

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Bill Burke named 2019 Depot Days Parade Grand Marshal

The Amboy Lions Club is proud to announce that Bill Burke has been named the 2019 Amboy Depot Days Parade Grand Marshal.

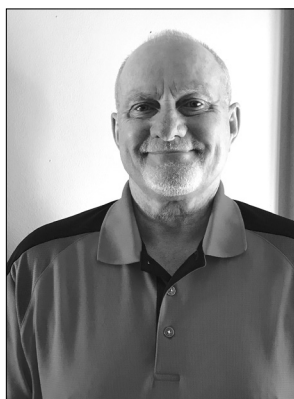
Bill was born in the Amboy Hospital and was raised near Franklin Grove. He attended a one-room school and a two-room school until high school. There were rarely any classmates in his grade level. Bill graduated from Franklin Center High School and went on to get his BS and MS degrees from Illinois State University.

Upon graduation he taught at East Aurora High School and started their Building Trades program. He was involved in the construction industry in the

Plano area until moving to Amboy in 1976 where he started Burke Builders. Bill built more than 50 homes in Amboy and 130 total.

Upon retiring he donated his time remodeling St. Anne's School into CCD classrooms and offices and was on the committee to remodel St. Patrick Church. He is a server at mass on Tuesday mornings. Another project he undertook one summer was fixing tombstones at St. Patrick Cemetery and painting the entrance sign.

He was asked to be the grounds keeper for the high school girls softball team—which he has done for the last 12 plus years. After a few years he designed a fence for the outfield that is put up each year, then taken



Bill Burke

down before football practice begins. Being involved with the girls softball program has led to following all the girls sports programs including attending volleyball, basketball and track events. All of these programs have been very successful over the last 10 years.

Bill is able to devote

time to his passion for woodworking. Bill jokes that he did not quit working—he just quit getting paid. He has made hundreds of pockets crosses that he enjoys giving away. He was able to donate his labor to build the dugouts and outfield fence at the baseball field next to the junior high school. Bill donates his time at the De-

pot Museum among other volunteer activities. He enjoys watching the Chicago White Sox and Chicago Bears and attending his grandchildren's activities.

Bill and his wife Pat (Sherrard) have been married nearly 52 years. Pat received her BS and MS degrees from Illinois State University and is retired from teaching. They

have three children: Brian (Danielle) Burke, Julie Burke and Brad (Janelle) Burke along with seven grandchildren—Tamara, Emma, Andrew, Kaden, Aubrey, Kellen and Kelleny with one on the way. They also have one great grandchild—Ze'heir.

Bill is honored to serve as this year's Amboy Depot Days Grand Marshal.

11th Annual Depot Dash to offer families, companies a little friendly competition

Have you started training for the 11th Annual Depot Days Dash? Don't do it alone, get your family to join in. This year the organization is holding a Corporate and a Family Challenge.

The 11th Annual Depot Days Dash 5K Run/Walk for Education will take place on Saturday, Aug. 24 at 8 a.m. sponsored by the Amboy Education Foundation. The starting line will be at the Amboy High School track, 11 East Hawley Street, in Amboy.

Last year, the Depot Days Dash committee began the Family Challenge. A team can be as few as five members and as many as 10 and

can be related through birth or marriage. A trophy will be awarded to the top finishing team, but personal satisfaction can be attained by just beating your brother's, sister's or cousin's team.

A Corporate Challenge category is also available. Teams must include at least five members who are current employees up to a maximum of 15 members. The place of the top five runners will be added together for the team total. The team with the lowest score will be the winner and receive a plaque and bragging rights for one year. Companies may enter more than one team. Running clubs are not eligible. Corporate teams must register in advance; no race day registration will be allowed.

Remember this is a 5K Run/Walk so not everyone needs to be a competitive runner. Decide on a Team Name and Captain before registering. After the Team Captain is registered other team members can join the team.

Pre-race packet pick up will take place from 4 –

6:30 p.m., on Friday, Aug. 23, at the Amboy High School cafeteria. Check-in on Saturday will be from 6:45-7:45 a.m. near the high school entrance. Walkers are welcome.

Awards will be given for first, second and third place overall (male and female) and also for the female and male winner in each of 14 age groups. A trophy will also be given to the first Amboy finisher (male and female). The awards ceremony will take place at 9:30 a.m., at the stage near the Depot Museum.

The race will feature splits at mile marker 1 and 2, aid station on course, traffic control, refreshments, T-shirts to participants (while they last), B-Bib timing provided by Accu-split, and is USATF certified.

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20th Annual Tractor Show held on Saturday downtown



The 20th Annual Amboy Depot Days Tractor Show will be held from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., on Saturday, Aug. 24, in downtown Amboy, at the Sensitive Parking Lot.

This year's featured tractor is the IH Farmall M.

Tractors will receive dash plaques and

door prizes.

The tractors will also take part in the annual Depot Days parade. Line-up for the parade starts at 1 p.m., with the parade beginning at 3 p.m.

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Donkey Drop set for Saturday

Want another chance to win money during the Amboy Depot Days? Stop by Teen Turf's Donkey Drop, which will be held on Main Street across from Sensient Flavors office, after the parade on Saturday, Aug. 24, at about 5 p.m.

Here's how it works, folks purchase a square for \$10, there are 100 squares to be

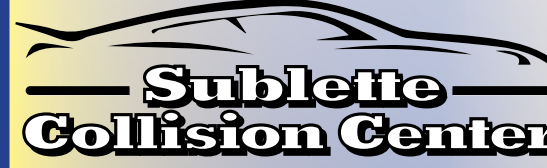
sold. When the donkey drops his load, if it lands on your square, you will receive \$500. It's as simple as that.

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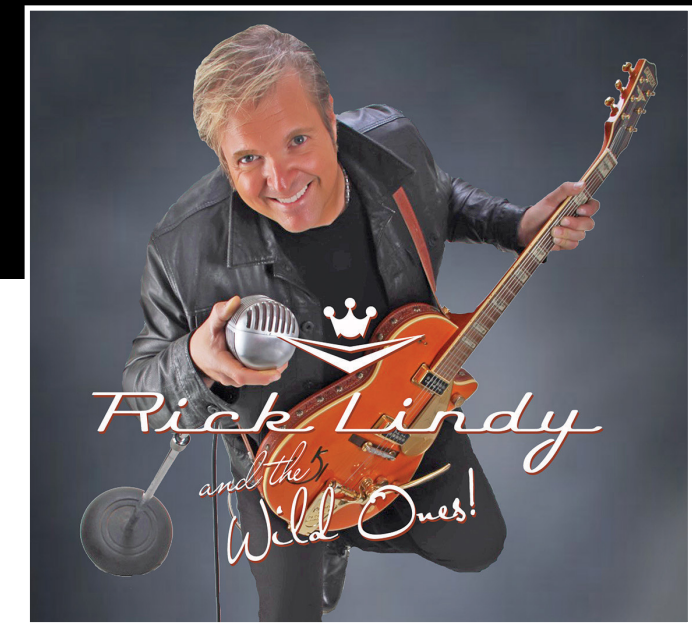
Welcome to Amboy Depot Days

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Friday, August 23

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Depot Days Craft Show & local merchants offer a variety of bargains

Crafters will start lining the streets of downtown Amboy on Friday morning, Aug. 23 and be open for business at 8 a.m. Various items will be available for sale until 5 p.m. on Friday, and 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 24, and 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug 25.

Be sure to browse through the colorful downtown booths and see all the unique handmade items offered by crafters this year. In addition, vendors with all types of new merchandise will line the streets of Amboy.

While shopping downtown, be sure to also stop in and visit Amboy's local merchants. The local shops will

have many great items to offer during Depot Days. See page 16 for a list of this year's vendors.



Have FUN at the 2019 Amboy Depot Days Festival!

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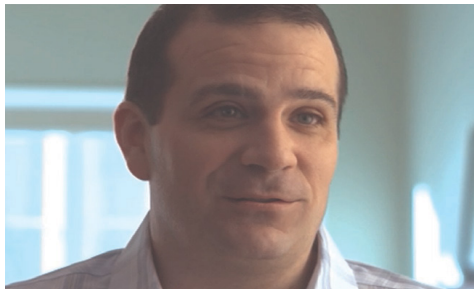
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Area's biggest and best car show returns to Amboy Sunday, Aug. 25

There is less than two weeks until the area's biggest and best car show returns this year bigger and better than ever. The 29th Annual Amboy Depot Days Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show will take place on Sunday, Aug. 25 (rain or shine) during Depot Days in Amboy. As in years past, the judged show will include an array of cars, trucks and motorcycles on display throughout the downtown area.

The 2019 Depot Days Car Show featured vehicles are Rick and Kathy Ket-

chum's Restorations, as a celebration of Rick's rides. Rick Ketchum was a founding member of the Amboy Depot Days Car Show, which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Amboy community over the last 28 years. Rick passed away on Feb. 7, 2019.

The Amboy Depot Days Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show was started in 1991 by a group of friends who not only had an interest in antique and classic vehicles but also desired a way to showcase their community.

Garth Dallam, one of the Depot Days Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show organizers said that the committee is looking for volunteers to join the committee that puts on the annual show.

Since its beginning, the show has grown not only in the number of vehicles on display but also in the quality of vehicles, which has continued getting better each year.

Help is also needed the day of the event to park cars and judge them. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact the show organizers.

The IASCA (International Auto Sound Challenge Association) will also be part of the show again this year.

These cars will be on display at the triangle at the Amboy Junior High School.

Registration of vehicles will be from 6-11 a.m. The gate promptly closes at 11 a.m. Sunday morning. Cars will be parked

on a first come, first serve basis, like last year.

Dash plaques will be given to the first 500 cars and first 65 motorcycles. Awards will be presented after 3 p.m. on the main stage near the Depot Museum.

Participant voting awards include Best Engine, Best Paint, Best Interior, Best GM, Best Ford, Best Mopar, Best of Show and Best of Show Motorcycle. Other awards include Mayor's Choice Award, Miss Amboy Award and a special prize to the longest distance traveled to the show.

A free shuttle service will again be available on Sunday.

Visitors may park at Amboy High School and be transported to the downtown area.

Proceeds from the Amboy Car Show benefit various projects within the community. More information is available online at www.depotdayscarshow.com.



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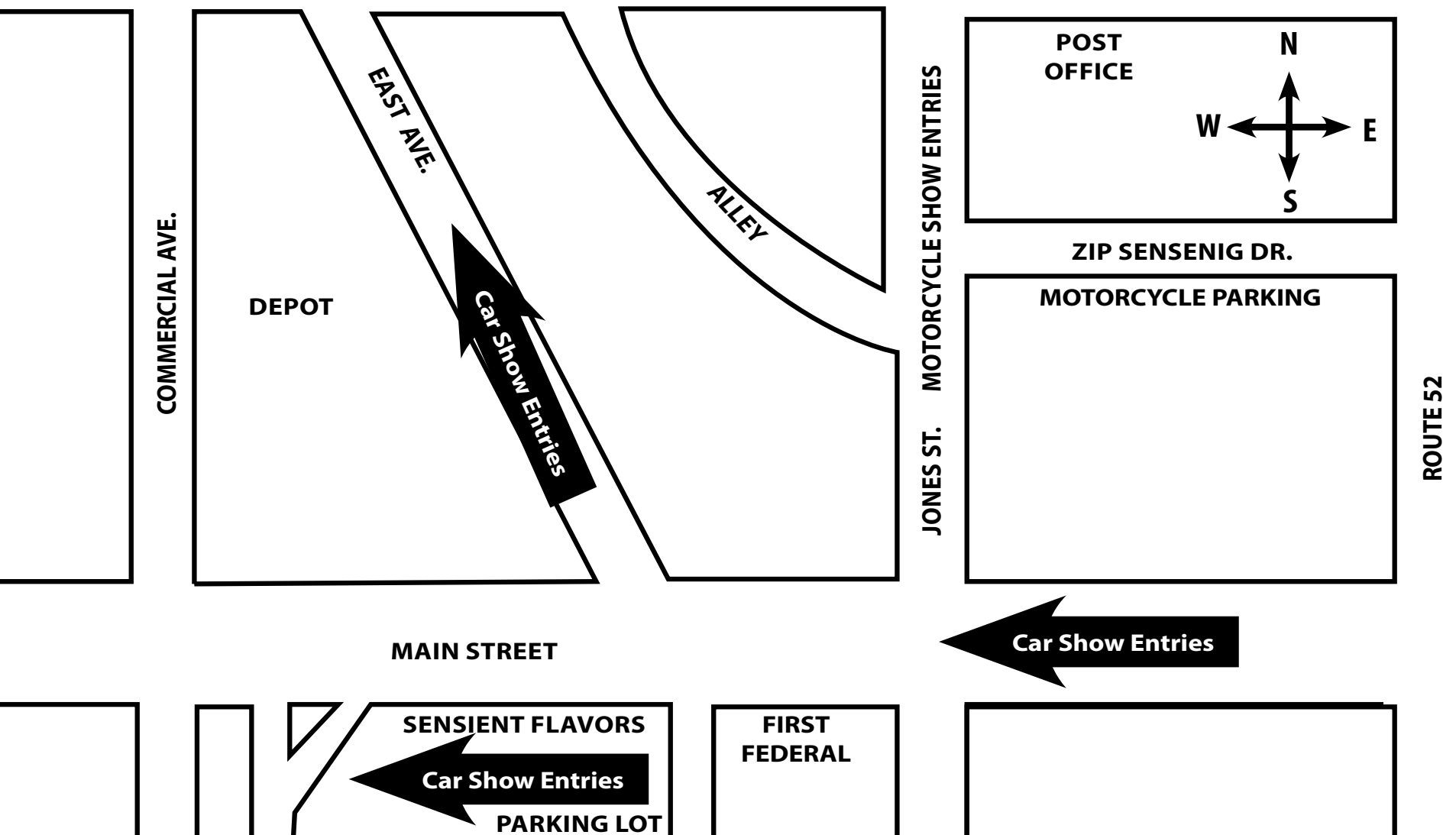
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2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS CAR SHOW MAP



CAR, TRUCK & MOTORCYCLE SHOW CLASSES

- A** Rest. - Orig. Models A - B - T
- B** Rest. - Orig. Antique Cars 1948 & Older
- C** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1949 - 1954
- D** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1955 - 1956 - 1957
- E** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1958 - 1963
- F** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1964 - 1965
- G** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1966 - 1967
- H** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1968 - 1969
- I** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1970 - 1972
- J** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1973 - 1986
- K** Rest. - Orig. Cars 1987 - 2005
- L** Rest. - Orig. Cars & Trucks 2006 - Present , Cleanest Vehicle Wins
- M** Street Rods - Steel Bodies 1934 & Older
- N** Street Rods - Steel Bodies 1935 - 1939
- O** Street Rods - Steel Bodies 1940 - 1948
- P** Street Rods - Glass Bodies
- Q** Corvettes 1953-1967

- R** Corvettes 1968 - 1982
- S** Corvettes 1984 - 1996
- T** Corvettes 1997- Present
- U** Customs (includes Low Riders)
- V** Street Machines 1949- 1957
- W** Street Machines 1958 - 1965
- X** Street Machines 1966-1967
- Y** Street Machines 1968 - 1969
- Z** Street Machines 1970 - 1975
- AA** Street Machines 1976- Present
- BB** Pro Street Cars & Trucks -Tubbed
- CC** Rest. - Orig. Trucks 1969 & Older
- DD** Rest. - Orig. Trucks 1970 -2005
- EE** 4X4 Trucks Modified
- FF** 4X2 Trucks Modified 1953 & Older
- GG** 4X2 Trucks Modified 1954 & Newer
- HH** Convertibles (top up for judging - no Corvettes)

- II** Special Interest - Cars Only, Unique Vehicles
- JJ** Special Interest- Other Than Cars
- KK** Cruiser Class - Non-Judged Class for Exhibition Only, Any Vehicle
- LL** Harley Davidson Stock Big Twin
- MM** Harley Davidson Custom Modified Big Twin
- NN** Harley Davidson Dressers
- OO** Vintage Chopper & Vintage Harley Davidson 00-1992 & older
- PP** Harley Davidson Sportsters
- QQ** Stock Trikes
- RR** Radical Baggers
- SS** Special Interest - Bobbers, Hillclimbers, Trikes, Rats, etc.
- TT** Metric Motorcycles & Indians
- UU** Antique Metric 1992 & Older
- VV** Rockets
- WW** Choppers
- XX** Non-Judged Exhibit Only All Models

Rick Lindy & The Wild One take Main Stage on Friday

Rick Lindy & The Wild Ones are bringing their musical act to Amboy Depot Days when they perform on the Main Stage from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 23.

Performing Rock 'N Roll hits of the 1950s, 60s and 70s as well as surf, rockabilly, and original songs, 'Rick Lindy & The Wild Ones' are sure to be a hit with people of all ages.

Rick Lindy

Rick got his first bit of Rockabilly fever at the age of 11 when his sister Caren bought him his first guitar. He began writing songs around that age, usually parody songs about his 7th grade teacher Gary Tate. Always a fan of 50's and 60's and country music, Rick began learning tunes of his favorites like Marty Robbins, Buddy Holly, Roy Orbison, Johnny Cash and the late great Hank Williams Sr.

His late Father Richard Sr. a WWII Veteran was an accomplished Saxophone and Clarinet Player and organist. Rick was encouraged by his parents to per-

form for relatives and guest while visiting the family home.

In and after high school, Rick was cast as the lead in many musicals such as Bye Bye Birdie, South Pacific, 1776, The Music man, The Sound of Music, Annie Get Your Gun, How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying and many more. A graduate of the American Academy of Art in Chicago, Rick studied Illustration and Advertising and design. After graduation, Rick's mom Dorothy saw an ad for an audition for a male singer in a travelling band. It turned out to be the Serendipity Singers, and Rick was hired for a two-year contract. He lived on a tour bus even in the dead of winter. With the "dips," Rick toured all over the USA and Canada.

Rick left the "dips" in 1992. He entertained at The Imperial Palace in Las Vegas and the Aladdin Hotel. He found the heat intolerable so he left Vegas and started Rick Lindy and The Cyclones with Wild Ones members Todd Menke and Butch Nelson.

In 1996, Rick and Butch joined Big Guitars from Memphis and began touring nationwide and abroad in Europe. He has had the pleasure of opening up for Johnny Cash in 1997, Robert Gordon in Norway 1998, and Hank Thompson in Sweden 1999. He is also personal friends with Sun Rockabilly legend Hayden Thompson who sang on the Wild Ones first album, Wild Side of Town.

Currently Rick is also working close at hand with Scott Mackay of true Oldies 94.7FM, planning various tribute shows. Rick also has been combining talents with Anthony Smith in Guitar Street band. He will be performing various solo shows and combining talents with other musicians in the very near future.

Rick's hobbies are collecting antiques, old movies, drawing and painting... and spending time with his beloved dogs Roxy, Petey and Yoda.

Todd Menke – Lead Guitar

The original lead guitarist of the band is Todd Menke. He began playing guitar

at age 12 and caught on so quickly that older teenagers were asking him to join their bands. Todd was told about Rick Lindy's talent in 1992 and approached Rick to come over to his house to play some music. The two hit it off and formed a band with Steve Dvorak on lead guitar, Todd jumped on the standup bass and Al Wagner on drums who was later replaced with Butch Wahx.

They formed a group called Rick Lindy and The Cyclones, a raw Rockabilly quartet, which was the launching pad for The Wild Ones.



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Jonathan Parker takes Main Stage on Saturday

Country singer Jonathan Parker will take the Main Stage for a free concert from 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24, during Amboy Depot Days.

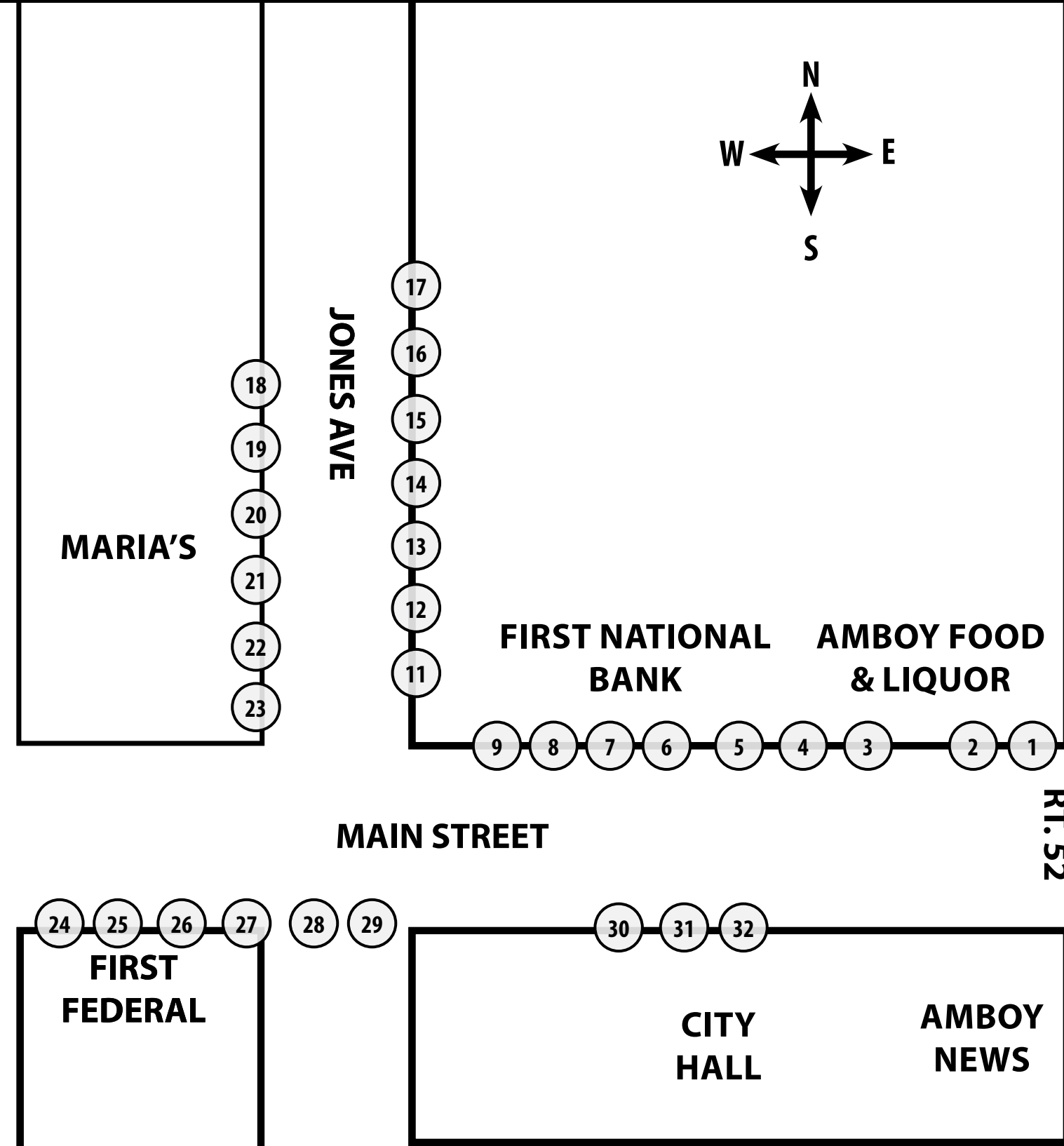


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- 19. Candles
- 20. Knives
- 21. Tupperware
- 22. Hair Bows
- 23. Quilts/Bears/ Kitchen Towels
- 24. T-shirts/hoodies
- 25. Local honey
- 26. Amish Preserves
- 27. Laser Artwork
- 28 Lotions/creams
- 29. Peaches
- 30. Perfectly Posh
- 31. Paparazzi

2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS VENDOR MAP



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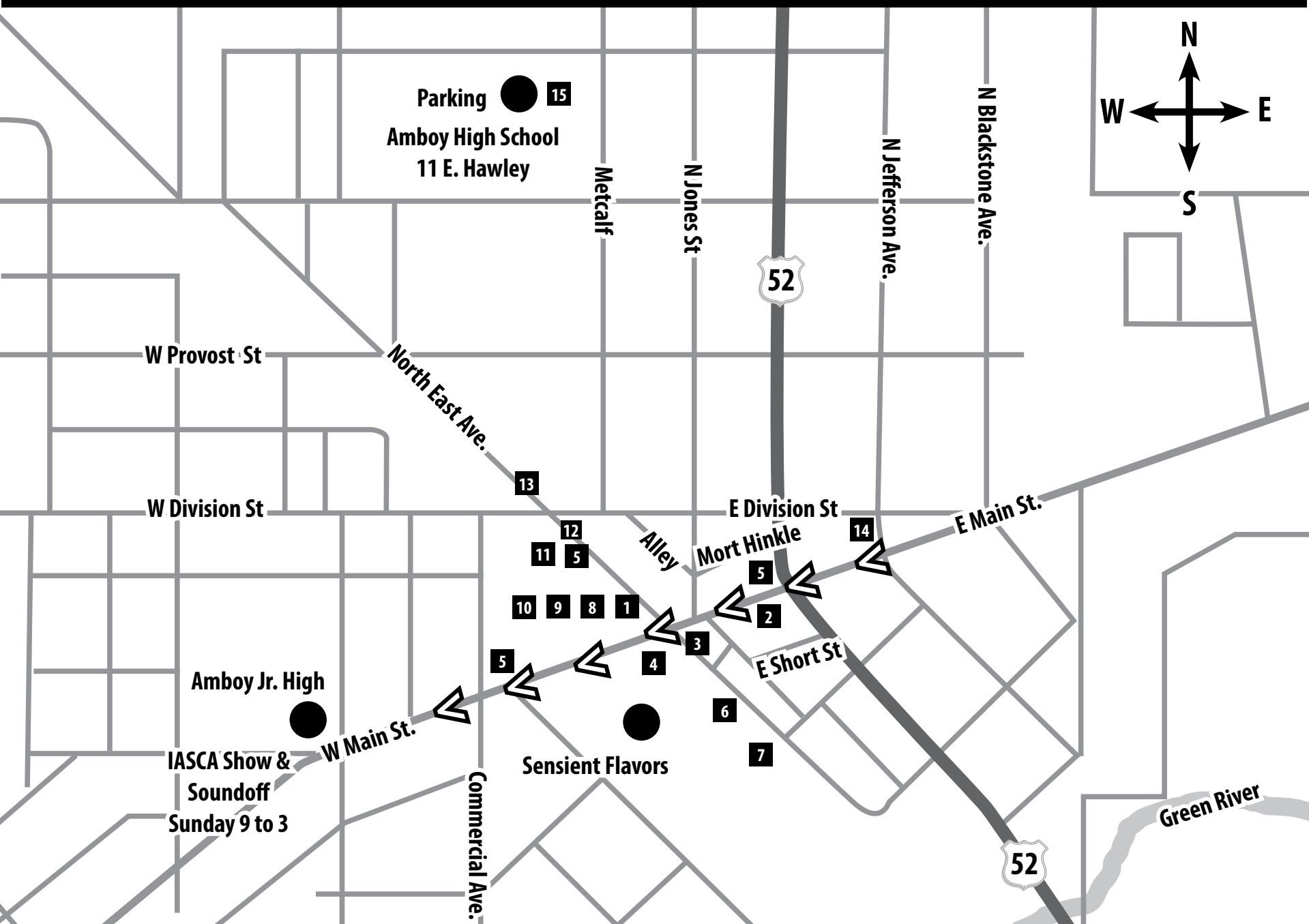
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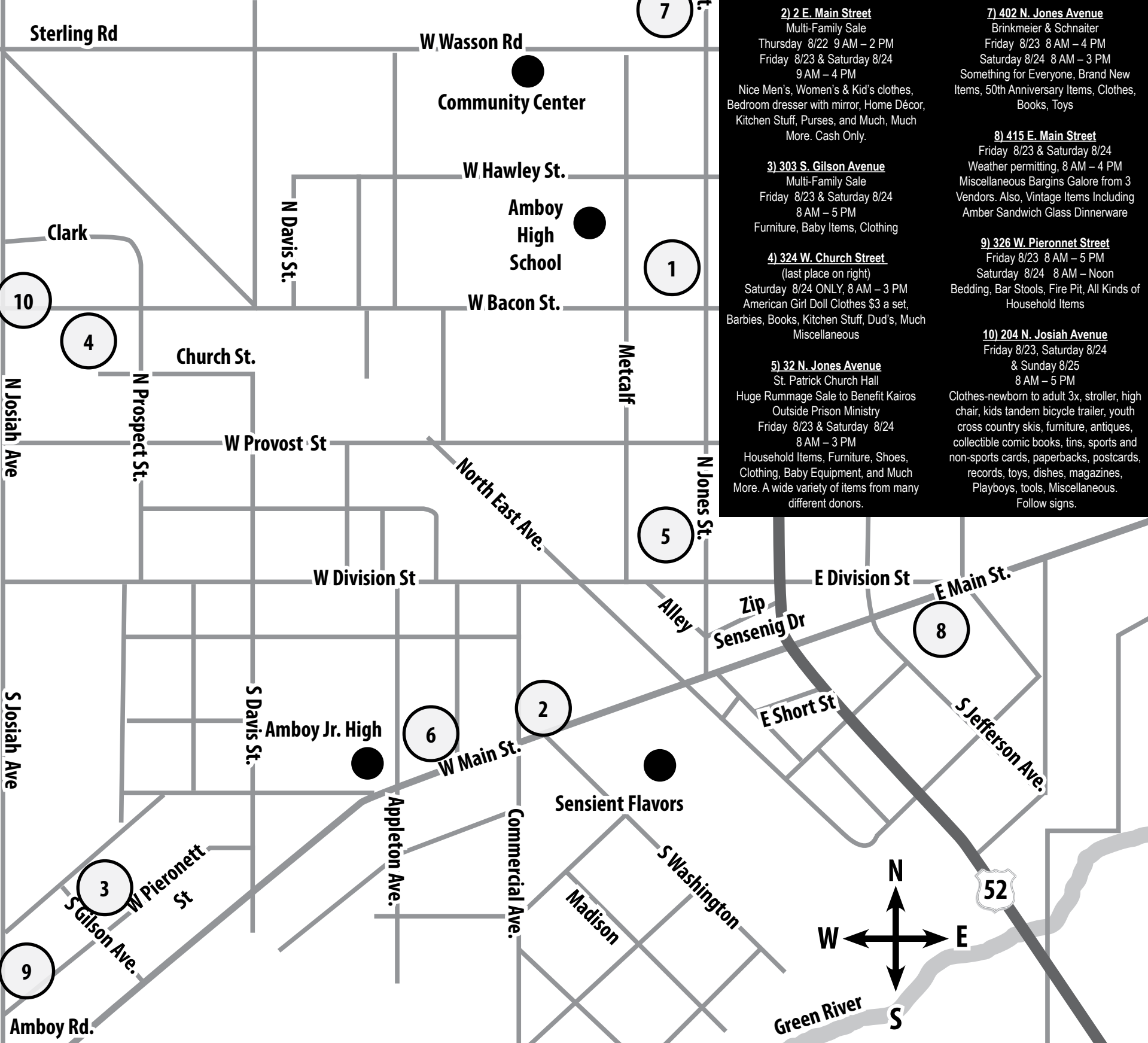
2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS MAP

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| 1 | Amboy Depot Museum | 9 | Carnival/Food Stands |
| 2 | City Hall/Police Department | 10 | Freight House |
| 3 | Information Booth | 11 | Palmer School |
| 4 | Car Show Registration/Bandstand | 12 | Veterans Park |
| 5 | First Aid Station | 13 | Fire Station |
| 6 | K.C. Beer Garden | 14 | First United Church |
| 7 | Rest Rooms | 15 | Parking and Free Shuttle to Downtown on Sunday |
| 8 | Rest Rooms | | |

< Parade Route



2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS GARAGE SALE MAP



- 1) 222 N. Jones in the Alley**
Thursday 8/22, Friday 8/23
& Saturday 8/24, 8 AM – 4 PM
Table & Chairs, TV stand, Nordic Track,
Stationary Bike, Bike, Battery Powered
Scooter, Odds & Ends
- 2) 2 E. Main Street**
Multi-Family Sale
Thursday 8/22 9 AM – 2 PM
Friday 8/23 & Saturday 8/24
9 AM – 4 PM
Nice Men's, Women's & Kid's clothes,
Bedroom dresser with mirror, Home Décor,
Kitchen Stuff, Purses, and Much, Much
More. Cash Only.
- 3) 303 S. Gilson Avenue**
Multi-Family Sale
Friday 8/23 & Saturday 8/24
8 AM – 5 PM
Furniture, Baby Items, Clothing
- 4) 324 W. Church Street**
(last place on right)
Saturday 8/24 ONLY, 8 AM – 3 PM
American Girl Doll Clothes \$3 a set,
Barbies, Books, Kitchen Stuff, Dud's, Much
Miscellaneous
- 5) 32 N. Jones Avenue**
St. Patrick Church Hall
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Outside Prison Ministry
Friday 8/23 & Saturday 8/24
8 AM – 3 PM
Household Items, Furniture, Shoes,
Clothing, Baby Equipment, and Much
More. A wide variety of items from many
different donors.
- 6) 145 S. Appleton Avenue**
Friday 8/23 8 AM – 4 PM
Saturday 8/24 8 AM - Noon
Mens, Womens and Childrens Clothes-
Under Armour, Nike and Justice, Toys,
Miscellaneous Household
- 7) 402 N. Jones Avenue**
Brinkmeier & Schnaiter
Friday 8/23 8 AM – 4 PM
Saturday 8/24 8 AM – 3 PM
Something for Everyone, Brand New
Items, 50th Anniversary Items, Clothes,
Books, Toys
- 8) 415 E. Main Street**
Friday 8/23 & Saturday 8/24
Weather permitting, 8 AM – 4 PM
Miscellaneous Bargains Galore from 3
Vendors. Also, Vintage Items Including
Amber Sandwich Glass Dinnerware
- 9) 326 W. Pieronnet Street**
Friday 8/23 8 AM – 5 PM
Saturday 8/24 8 AM – Noon
Bedding, Bar Stools, Fire Pit, All Kinds of
Household Items
- 10) 204 N. Josiah Avenue**
Friday 8/23, Saturday 8/24
& Sunday 8/25
8 AM – 5 PM
Clothes-newborn to adult 3x, stroller, high
chair, kids tandem bicycle trailer, youth
cross country skis, furniture, antiques,
collectible comic books, tins, sports and
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Playboys, tools, Miscellaneous.
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Depot Museum open during event

The Amboy Depot Museum is located in a former depot and division headquarters of the Illinois Central Railroad located in downtown Amboy. The structure is an architecturally unique two-story building built of brick and cut Joliet limestone and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Depot has been completely restored both inside and out and includes the original brick tarmac surrounding the depot and the grounds of the former rail-yard, which is now preserved as a city park. Also reconstructed were the distinctive chimney caps on the building's eight chimneys, fully restoring the building to its original exterior configuration. Within the museum are artifacts of both the history of Amboy and the Illinois Central Railroad.

The museum complex also includes a freight house with additional artifacts, a

fully restored one-room country schoolhouse, a retired steam engine and a caboose. Everyone is welcome to stop in and enjoy some local history at one of the best small-town depot museums to be found anywhere.

The Amboy Depot Museum and gift shop will be open to the public throughout Depot Days.

Their regular hours are from 1 – 4 p.m., Sunday and Thursday, and from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Friday and Saturday. They are closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The Depot closes for the season from Nov. 1 through March 31.

The museum is located on Main Street, two blocks west of US 52. There is no admission; donations are accepted. They may be reached by phone at 815-857-4700 or e-mail information@amboydepotmuseum.org.

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Safety a priority at Depot Days

The Amboy Fire Department will ramp up the safety procedures during the Amboy Depot Days again this year.

“Each year we try to build on the services that we were able to offer the year before,” said Amboy Fire Chief Jeff Bryant.

During the 2019 Depot Days there will once again be a cooling center housed inside the Lee County Farm Bureau Building from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. There will be an area for cooling off, an area to have your vitals checked, a first aid station, a triage area and a treatment area that will be staffed by EMTs and a physician from Mercy Health.

In addition to the cooling center, there will be five mobile ATVs with an EMT and a paramedic on them to assist visitors as needed.

There will also be four stations throughout the area, staffed by local churches and FFA, that will dispense free water. The water is donated by Republic Services and the Amboy Lions

Club. “One of the major issues we have seen over the years, is that people become dehydrated,” said Bryant. “So we hope to alleviate issues by having free water available to everyone. The water was donated by the Amboy Lions and Republic Service. Area churches and FFA will handle dispensing the water.”

“Every year we get better and are better prepared to handle emergencies,” said Bryant.

The attendance at the car show on Sunday averages about 100,000 people.

In addition, area departments who will assist this years event include fire-fighters and EMTs from Advanced EMS Dixon, Sublette Fire Department, Harmon Fire Department, Lee Fire Department, Freeport Fire Department and Compton Fire Department.

“The weather definitely dictates the day,” said Bryant. “If it is as hot, we will be busy.”

Handicap parking will be available at the Amboy Fire Department parking lot.

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