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Local fire departments work to keep the community safe during the holiday celebrations. For information about becoming a member of the Amboy Fire Department, please call Chief Jeff Bryant at 815-994-6184.

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## Fireworks and Fire Work

BY MARY MAYS

Staff Writer

AMBOY — The 4th of July, Independence Day, brings to mind fireworks and fun for many of us. What may not be at the forefront of our minds is who is working to keep the community safe during the holiday celebrations.

According to the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission, an average of 280 people have to go to the emergency room every day with fireworks-related injuries in the month around the July 4th holiday.

The National Fire Protection Association Research (NFPR) Data and Analytics Division states, "Fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires per year."

Who is there to provide emergency medical treatment before heading to an emergency room, and prevent an individual's error from becoming a community tragedy? It's your local fire department.

The NFPR statistics show that of the estimated 29,819 fire departments in the U.S., only 17 percent are career or mostly career. The other 83 percent are volunteer or mostly volunteer. So just who are these volunteers

and why do they do what they do?

Local emergency responders are our family, friends, neighbors and co-workers. They are men and women who recognize the need and feel the pull of community responsibility. What may not be known to us is that the fire work is being done by a very small percentage of us.

"We currently have no shortage in our EMS department since many women have stepped-up, but they aren't volunteering for firefighter duties," Amboy Fire Chief Jeff Bryant said.

Bryant says that the number of volunteers is down in many areas throughout the state. He contributes the decline in Amboy to a number of reasons. Some of the reasons he mentioned: many residents work outside the area and are too far away to return during their work hours, employer reluctance to let employees leave work for calls, the reduction in the number of young adults living in the area, and parents with young children at home that are unable to respond due to childcare responsibilities.

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## Fireworks: Leave them to the professionals

SPRINGFIELD — A big part of summer is the 4th of July and fireworks. It is important to remember fireworks are dangerous and should only be used by someone who has a permit and has the proper training.

Illinois State Fire Marshal Matt Perez says, "leave the fireworks to the professionals! We want all Illinoisans to have a safe and happy 4th of July free from fires or injuries caused by fireworks."

Fireworks are one of the leading causes of accidental fires and injuries. On average, there are over 16,000 fires caused by fireworks per year according to the National Fire Protection Association.

These fires are not only caused by commercial/consumer fireworks, but also by unregulated novelty fireworks that are sometimes purchased at local super markets.

Sparklers account for one-quarter of emergency room visits related to fireworks. A sparkler can burn at a temperature of 1,200° degrees Fahrenheit. To put this into perspective, glass melts at a temperature of

900° degrees Fahrenheit and wood burns at a temperature of 575° degrees Fahrenheit. Never allow children to use fireworks.

In Illinois during the 2018 seasonal reporting period of June 23 through July 20, there were 96 people who reported 134 injuries due to fireworks. Of those 134 injuries, 72 percent were males and more than half (56 percent) occurred to persons over the age of 22. Children under the age of 6 accounted for nearly 1 in 10 (9.3 percent) of all injuries.

Hands accounted for more than a third (39 percent) of injuries. Head/Face and legs each accounted for 13 percent and 8 percent of injuries were reported to the eyes.

OSFM is aware of additional injuries but are not part of the statistics since they were reported outside of the reporting period, and they weren't reported to OSFM by a healthcare provider.

There were 44 voluntary participating healthcare providers in 2018 compared to 60 in 2017. OSFM encourages healthcare providers to participate in reporting this information.

## Impaired driving has 'Life or Death' consequences

SPRINGFIELD — With Independence Day just around the corner, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois State Police and law enforcement agencies throughout the state are joining together to prevent alcohol and drug-related crashes and fatalities through a ramped-up enforcement period that runs through July 8.

"July Fourth is a great day to enjoy with family and friends," said Acting Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. "Unfortunately, summer holidays often mean more vehicles on the road and more opportunities for crashes. If your celebration will involve alcohol or drugs, please do your part to ensure the safety of our roads by making plans for a sober ride home before the fireworks end."

According to provisional IDOT data, four people died in motor vehicle crashes in Illinois last year from 6 p.m. July 3 through 11:59 p.m. July 4. Half of those fatalities involved a driver who tested positive for alcohol.

During the increased enforcement, ISP and local law enforcement will step up efforts to reduce the number of injuries and fatalities through roadside safety checks, impaired driving patrols and seat-belt enforcement zones.

"The Fourth of July holiday will be celebrated by many across the state and nation. Troopers will be patrolling the roadways during the holiday period with a focus on identifying the four major violations that lead to fatal crashes: speeding, driving under the influence, failing to wear a properly adjusted seat belt and distracted driving," said ISP Acting Director Brendan F. Kelly. "The ISP would like to remind motorists to celebrate responsibly. Our No. 1 goal is to save lives. With the public's cooperation, we are hopeful our efforts will result in fewer crashes and zero fatalities."

Remember these tips to help ensure a safer holiday:

- Before the festivities start, make a plan to get a sober ride home.
- Ask a sober friend or family member for a ride, call a cab, take public transportation, use a ride-sharing service or stay where you are until you're sober.
- Don't let others with you drive impaired.
- Promptly report impaired drivers to law enforcement by pulling over and dialing 911.
- Make sure everyone in your vehicle wears a seat belt. It is your best defense in a crash.

## Cigarette, gas taxes increased July 1 with Pritzker signature

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SPRINGFIELD — The first wave of tax increases that will pay for the state's \$45 billion capital infrastructure plan will take effect Monday, July 1, pending Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker's signing of a pair of bills.

Motor fuel, cigarettes and e-cigarettes will become more expensive should Pritzker sign Senate Bills 1939 and 690 as he is expected to do.

The most direct tax for consumers will be the 19-cent increase to the motor fuel tax which will help fund \$33 billion in spending on transportation projects such as road and bridge repairs and public transit.

The motor fuel tax on regular gasoline and diesel fuel would both increase to 38 cents, up from the current 19 cents. In addition, though, people who buy diesel fuel pay an additional tax, "for the privilege of operating motor vehicles which use diesel fuel." That additional fee would rise to 7.5 cents, up from the current 2.5 cents, bringing the total tax on diesel fuel to 45.5 cents per gallon.

Going forward, the motor fuel tax will increase annually by the consumer price index, which is usually close to 2 percent, but would be capped at a 1 cent per-year increase.

The gas tax increase and \$45 billion infrastructure plan drew bipartisan support in both houses, including from Republican state Rep. Margo McDermed of Mokena.

"The capital plan does contain additional sources of revenue, but it is necessary long-term sustainable funding that will help us avoid the peaks and valleys of intermittent funding, which leads to starts and stops on projects our communities are counting on," McDermed said in a news release. "Further, people who drive on our roads every day are paying for it, they just don't realize it."

An independent report by TRIP, a national transportation research group, said repair, safety and congestion caused by poor infrastructure was costing Illinois drivers anywhere from \$1,300 to \$2,600 annually depending on where they live.

Under the new law, where a driver lives could also affect their gas tax rate. Chicago will be given authority to raise its municipal gas tax by 3 cents per gallon, while Lake and Will counties are granted the authority to raise their local gas taxes by 4 to 8 cents per gallon on top of the state rate. They join McHenry, DuPage and Kane counties in having that authority.

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## Local educators complete summer ag institute

AMBOY — Fourteen local educators have completed a Summer Agricultural Institute, a weeklong course that is designed for preschool through high school educators who wish to expand their knowledge and curriculum to include topics related to agriculture.

The Lee, Bureau, and Whiteside County Farm Bureau joined together in partnership with Agriculture in the Classroom to host this week long event where educators were able to visit a variety of farms and agribusinesses and listened to classroom presentations from area farmers and agricultural industry leaders to learn more about the diversity of agriculture and ways to incorporate agriculture into their curriculums. Topics ranged from grain, livestock, pollinators, specialty crops, horticulture, aquaponics, and much more.

The Lee County Ag in the Classroom program offers bushels of agriculture knowledge through fun, interesting subject-based lessons by providing free classroom resources for the schools in Lee County. To learn more about Ag in the Classroom and its resources, contact



Tracy Livesay, Dietrick's Alpaca Farm, discusses their farm and the fiber it produces with area teachers participating in the Summer Agriculture Institute program.

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coordinator Katie Pratt, aite.leeafb@comcast.net or visit aginthe classroom.com.

## Some new laws taking effect July 1; others already in place

BY PETER HANCOCK

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SPRINGFIELD — Starting Monday, July 1, it will officially become illegal in Illinois for anyone to sell or provide tobacco cigarettes or other tobacco products to people under age 21.

The so-called "Tobacco 21" bill, House Bill 345, which Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed into law April 8, is one of several new laws that will take effect on July 1, the start of the new state fiscal year.

It prohibits anyone from selling or providing cigarettes, electronic cigarettes or any other "alternative" tobacco product to a person under age 21.

Both Illinois and Virginia passed Tobacco 21 laws this year, making them the seventh and eighth states to have such laws in effect, according to the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids. The others are Hawaii, California, New Jersey, Oregon, Maine and Massachusetts.

Eight more states — Delaware, Arkansas, Texas, Vermont, Connecticut, Maryland, Washington and Utah — have enacted similar laws that are set to take effect between now and July 1, 2021.

Illinois lawmakers passed 599 bills during the spring 2019 session. Of those, as of Wednesday, only 27 had been signed into law.

The Illinois Constitution provides that the governor has 60 days from the day he receives a bill from the General Assembly to either sign or veto it. Many of the 599 bills passed this session have not yet been delivered to the governor's office.

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**AMBOY MINUTE**



### FIREWORKS

Amboy's Fireworks display will be held on Saturday, July 6.

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# LOCAL NEWS

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“The doubling of the training hours required for firefighter certification is a hurdle for those wanting

to volunteer,” Bryant said, “and the rules for career firefighters working in larger departments regarding work

in their hometown volunteer departments are problematic.

“It is more important now than ever before that our local departments provide mutual aid to the surrounding departments. We are all in need of more help when providing emergency services to our communities,” said Bryant, “and all of us need larger numbers to best serve the need that currently exists.”

As we contemplate using fireworks this week, let’s keep in mind those that are doing fire work for us. Use precautions and follow all safety procedures when using any fireworks. Consider what you can do to help provide a safer community for all of us.

To be part of the staffing shortage solution, call Chief Bryant at 815-994-6184 to set-up an appointment to find our about volunteer opportunities.

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The motor fuel tax increase is expected to bring in about \$1.3 billion in added infrastructure funding, while other fee increases for licenses and registrations will not take effect until Jan. 1.

In Illinois, state and local sales taxes are also applied to gasoline purchases, and Senate Bill 1939 will shift 1 percent of the state’s proceeds from that tax to the road fund annually beginning July 1, 2021.

According to a study of the overall gas tax rates in each state conducted by the Tax Foundation, a non-profit research group, Illinois would move from 10th overall to second when compared to other states’ July 2018 numbers. Including state and local excise taxes, the state’s per-gallon rate would move

to 56.32 cents per gallon, according to the study, which would put Illinois behind only Pennsylvania, which sits at 58.7 cents per gallon.

Also starting July 1, the tax on a pack of cigarettes will increase to \$2.98, up from \$1.98, while a separate state law would prevent anybody under the age of 21 from purchasing cigarettes. The tax increase is expected to generate about \$159 million in revenue for the next fiscal year, all of which would go to the capital infrastructure plan.

Senate President John Cullerton, a Chicago Democrat who was one of the main supporters of the steep cigarette tax increase, said the tax hike was one supported by and beneficial to the public.

“Many of the bills that we

vote on in Springfield deal with money and in fact, I would say most of them do. Since I’ve been here, the bills that I’ve been most interested in working on are bills that you can vote on where you actually save lives,” he said when introducing the hike. “This is another example of that.”

Senate Bill 690, which laid out a massive state-wide gambling expansion, included the cigarette tax language and also defined electronic cigarettes such as e-cigs, vapes and hookahs as “tobacco products.” This will allow the state to charge a 15 percent wholesale tax on these products beginning July 1.

According to the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability, per-pack cigarette taxes in most neighboring states are lower than they are in Illinois: 99.5 cents in Indiana, \$1.10 in Kentucky, 17 cents in Missouri and \$1.36 in Iowa. The new tax will also put Illinois ahead of Wisconsin, which charges \$2.52 per pack.

The tax rate on other tobacco products such as cigars, chewing tobacco and snuff will remain the same at 36 percent wholesale.

While supportive lawmakers have touted the economic benefits of a robust capital infrastructure plan, opponents such as Bill Fleischli, executive vice president of the Illinois Petroleum Marketers Association-Illinois Alliance of C-Stores, said in a statement the tax increases could have far-reaching negative effects.

“Raising taxes on both gas and cigarettes at the same time is an enormous hit for consumers and will prove disastrous for businesses across Illinois, particularly those along our borders,” he said. “Over the past five years, Illinois has lost 700 gas stations and has seen a reduction of 9,000 employees in the industry. These increases will only result in more stores having to close, fewer employment opportunities, and less revenue for the state as a whole.”

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# LOCAL NEWS

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**DIXON**-The 55th Annual Dixon Petunia Festival will be held Tuesday, July 2, through Sunday, July 7, throughout Dixon. Visit [www.PetuniaFestival.org](http://www.PetuniaFestival.org) for complete details, or stop by the Amboy News for a schedule of events.

**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, July 3. The third Wednesday of the month drive, July 17, will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Call 800-733-2767 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) to make an appointment to donate.

**DIXON**-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, July 5, 8, 11, 12, 15, 17 and 18. 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**-Anderson's Pumpkin Patch, 670 US Hwy. 52, will have a Vendor Fair on Saturday, July 6, and Sunday, July 7, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy Fire Protection District Community Appreciation Event and City of Amboy Family Fireworks will be held on Saturday, July 6. At 4 p.m. carnival games, facepainting, a bouncy house, rock wall and Fire Truck rides will begin. The 2019 Amboy Summer Concert Series will continue at 7 p.m., at the Downtown Band Shelter, Main Street, with a performance by Eileen Quest. The Fireworks display will begin at dusk, then Abnormal will perform at the Fire Station, 25 N. East Ave. Bring a chair and a friend and enjoy this free event.

**STERLING**-Deadline to register for the Whiteside County Master Gardeners' Summer Night Paint Night is July 8. The class will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, at KIDZ Turn, RT 30 and Lawrence Rd., next to the UofI Extension Office. Space is limited. To register, call 815-632-3611 or [go.illinois.edu/paintnight](http://go.illinois.edu/paintnight).

**STERLING** - The T\*I\*M\*E\* (Together in Memories) Grief Support Group will meet from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, July 8, at Rock River Hospice & Home, 2706 Avenue E. Call 815-625-3858 for more information about the group.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 8, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**SUBLETTE**-The Sub-

lette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 8, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

**SUBLETTE**-The Sublette Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, at the Sublette Township Building.

**EAST GROVE TWP**-The East Grove Township Board Meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, at the East Grove Township Hall.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy American Legion and Legion Auxiliary will host their annual picnic at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, July 10, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Meat and lemonade will be provided.

**AMBOY**-The Board of Trustees of Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 10, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect.

**AMBOY**-Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 USRT 52, will host Community Bingo at 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 11. Bingo will be followed by a light lunch. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.

**LEE CENTER TWP**-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, at the Township building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy.

**AMBOY**-The 2019 Am-

boy Summer Concert Series will continue at 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, at the Downtown Band Shelter, Main Street, featuring DJ Lil'Bit and a Rock-a-Hula Beach Party. Bring a chair and a friend and enjoy this free concert.

**AMBOY**-The American Legion Auxiliary will host a dinner on Sunday, July 14, at 6 p.m. at the Long Branch Saloon, 55 S. East Ave., in honor of the veterans and guardians who flew on the April Honor Flight trip to Washington D.C.

**AMBOY**-The City of Amboy Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 15, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**AMBOY**-The Amboy CUSD #272 Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16, at the Central School Gym, 30 E. Provost.

**AMBOY**-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits for seniors or disabled citizens at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Road, on Wednesday, July 17, by appointment only. Call the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to schedule an appointment.

**SUBLETTE**-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits for seniors or disabled citizens at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Hall

on Wednesday, July 17, by appointment only. Call the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to schedule an appointment.

**STERLING**-A 4-H Woodworking Workshop will be held Wednesday, July

17, from 10 a.m. until noon at the Woodlawn Arts Academy Woodshop. Register online at [goillinois.edu/woodworking](http://goillinois.edu/woodworking) or call Allie at the Whiteside Extension office at 815-632-3611. Class space is limited.

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## West Nile virus confirmed in Ogle County

**OGLE COUNTY**—The Ogle County Health Department (OCHD) has confirmed the first positive mosquito pool for West Nile virus reported in Ogle County for 2019.

A pool of mosquitoes found near Polo tested positive for West Nile Virus (WNV). With this being the first positive sample, maintaining vigilance to prevent exposure is extremely important.

Monitoring for West Nile virus in Illinois includes laboratory tests for mosquito batches, dead crows, blue jays, robins and other perching birds, as well as testing humans with West Nile virus-like symptoms. People who observe a sick or dying crow, blue jay, robin or other perching bird should contact their local health department, which will determine if the bird will be picked up for testing.

West Nile virus is transmitted through the bite of a Culex mosquitoes, commonly called a house mosquito, which has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. Common symptoms include fever, nausea, headache and muscle aches. Symptoms may last from a few days to a few weeks. However, four out of five people infected with West Nile virus will not show any symptoms. In rare cases, severe illness including meningitis or encephalitis, or even death, can occur. People older than 50 and individuals with weakened immune systems are at higher risk for severe illness from West Nile virus.

Precautions include practicing the three "R's" – reduce, repel, and report.

Reduce – make sure doors and windows have tight-fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or other openings. Try to keep doors and windows shut. Eliminate, or refresh each week, all sources of standing water where mosquitoes can breed, including water in bird baths, ponds,

flowerpots, wading pools, old tires, and any other containers.

Repel – when outdoors, wear shoes and socks, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt, and apply insect repellent that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR 3535 according to label instructions. Consult a physician before using repellents on infants.

Report – report locations where you see water sitting stagnant for more than a week such as roadside ditches, flooded yards, and similar locations that may produce mosquitoes. The local health department or city government may be able to add larvicide to the water, which will kill any mosquito eggs.

To learn more about West Nile Virus and other mosquito-borne diseases and prevention methods you can consult the Illinois Department of Public Health website or contact the IDPH WNV hotline at 866-369-9710, Monday-Friday, 8a.m. - 5p.m.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## CGH Health Foundation kicks off 2019 Annual Appeal campaign

**STERLING** – Superheroes are wanted to boost the lives of area kids who receive physical, occupational and speech therapy services at the CGH Pediatric Rehab Center. The focus project for the CGH Health Foundation is to fund \$50,000 toward state-of-the-art therapy equipment for the Center. Organizers kicked off the “Kids Count...Superheroes Wanted” campaign this month, which features adult Division Chairs and their mini superhero partners, each of whom has received therapy services at the Center.

Mike and Angie Loos, Sterling, are leading the Community Division, along with their three children, Leo, 11, Johnny,

5 and Emme, 4. Other members of the campaign cabinet include: Patti Sword, Business Division, and her mini superhero, Harper Rosengren, 2; Dr. Jeff LeMay, Medical Division, and his mini superhero, Oliver Wadelton, 7 months; Amy Downs, Clubs Division, and her mini superhero, Jaxson Vervynck, 5; and Lindsey Fiorini and Geoff Wright, CGH Employee Division Co-Chairs, and their mini superhero, Jaziya Balfour, 4.

Contributions are being sought from individuals, businesses, and clubs from throughout the Sauk Valley to fund 16 projects in all, serving about 30,000 children and adults. Overall campaign goal is

\$400,000.

“We are serving as Community Division Co-Chairs for the CGH Health Foundation Annual Appeal because of our heartfelt gratitude for all that the Rehab Center staff members have done for our kiddos,” said Mike and Angie Loos. “The care, compassion and professionalism of the staff is at superhero status! We can’t say enough about how passionate they are about their work. We are blessed to have them and this wonderful program right here in Sterling. They are such an amazing team.”

An immersive sensory integration room, an interactive light bright wall, a dynamic full-color interactive projector/motion

capture system, and a portable unweighing gait trainer will be funded with the help of donors.

The new equipment will stimulate the imagination, allow innovative treatment capabilities, reduce fall risks, and promote interactive sensory experiences. Your contribution can help area children reach their greatest potential, according to Mike and Angie.

Won’t you be a superhero for area kids? To make a contribution, go to [www.cghmc.com/foundation](http://www.cghmc.com/foundation). For more information, contact Foundation Executive Director Joan Hermes, 815-625-0400, ext. 5672, or email [joan.hermes@cghmc.com](mailto:joan.hermes@cghmc.com).

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Lawmakers have the discretion to set the effective date of any new law on any date they choose. The constitution, however, says any bill passed after May 31 of a given year cannot take effect until June 1 of the following year, unless an earlier date is approved by three-fifths majorities in both the House and Senate.

Bills passed before June 1 that do not provide an effective date become law on Jan. 1 of the following year, or on the date the governor signs them, whichever is later.

Also starting July 1, a new law takes effect that will have an impact on public school students, although most of them won’t notice it until school resumes in the fall. Senate Bill 28 reinstates the “five clock-hour” rule, which requires a “school day” to include at least five clock hours of instruction. That had been the law for many years in Illinois, but it was inadvertently omitted when lawmakers overhauled the state school funding system, creating the evidence-based funding formula in 2017.

The new law allows some exceptions to the five-hour rule for time some students spend taking college classes for dual

credit, participating in a supervised career development program, participating in a youth apprenticeship, or participating in an approved “blended learning” program.

July 1 also marks the date when people who provide various kinds of services for children on behalf of the Department of Children and Family Services will get a 5 percent raise in their reimbursement rates. That was part of the budget implementation bill, Senate Bill 1814, and it represents the first such increase they have seen in several years.

Many of the bills Gov. Pritzker has signed have already gone into effect because the bills contained immediate effective dates.

For example, mayors can now perform marriages in Illinois. That was enacted in House Bill 2841, which also extends the same authority to presidents of cities, villages and incorporated towns. Pritzker signed that new law June 14.

Many local governments lost some authority, however, on April 19. That was the day Pritzker signed Senate Bill 2988, which strips townships of the authority to regulate the placement of wind farms outside of an incorporated city’s zoning area. That bill came in response to a dispute in Douglas County, in eastern Illinois, where two townships sought to block development of a large-scale wind farm.

Local governments also lost authority to enact local “right to work” laws under Senate Bill 1474, the “Collective Bargaining Freedom Act,” which Pritzker signed into law on April 12.

Right to work laws prohibit people from being required to join a union as a condition of employment. Senate Bill 1474 came in response to an ordinance passed by the village

of Lincolnshire, in northern Illinois, in 2015.

Another bill that has already taken effect expands the ability of workers, their families or their estates to file claims for damages that result from exposure to toxic substances. Previously, workers had a defined period of time in which to file those claims, known as a “period of repose.” That prevented many workers from filing claims for occupational diseases such as mesothelioma, a cancer that results from asbestos exposure, that don’t become known until long after the deadline had passed.

Senate Bill 1596, which Pritzker signed May 17, provides that those conditions are no longer subject to any repose provisions.

A number of other bills enacted this year do not take effect for some time.

For example, a tax amnesty program is set to begin Oct. 1 and run through Nov. 15. During that time, people who owe back taxes to the state can pay off those debts and avoid having to pay interest and penalties.

That was part of Senate Bill 689, which provides revenue to fund the upcoming fiscal year’s budget. The amnesty program is expected to generate about \$75 million.

And, most notably, there is the marijuana legalization bill, House Bill 1438, which Pritzker signed into law Tuesday.

Although the bill has an immediate effective date, that merely allows various state agencies to begin the process of drafting rules and regulations that will govern the licensing of marijuana growers, processors, transporters and retailers. The actual sale and possession of marijuana won’t become legal until Jan. 1, 2020.



### Senior Dining Menu

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**Wednesday** – A) Meatloaf, mashed potatoes/gravy, glazed carrots, dinner roll, peach cobbler B) Liver & onions

**Thursday** – Sloppy joe, wheat bun, tator tots, green beans, apricots

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# SOCIAL NEWS

## The Book Nook

By:  
Tatjana Kazan

### The Deep, Deep Snow

The first thing you should know about me is that I believe in signs. Omens. Premonitions. I grew up believing that things happen for a reason. That's the only way to explain why I'm alive." This is how Deputy Sheriff Shelby Lake introduces herself in Brian Freeman's thriller, "The Deep, Deep Snow." At the onset of winter in a small town ironically nicknamed "Everywhere," at the edge of a remote wilderness full of wolves, raccoons, bears, and wolverines, Shelby was a week-old baby when the sheriff of Middle County found her on his doorstep. That night he had been fishing on Shelby Lake some 40 miles from home, when a snowy owl swooped down to his boat and began an incessant squawking until he relented and drove home. Twenty-five years later, a snowy owl appears to Shelby, and she knows instantly she is being called to rescue a child. He is ten-year-old Jeremiah Sloan and the only clue to his whereabouts is an abandoned bike on the side

of a remote road in the forest. Everywhere is the sort of small town where everyone knows everyone, and places beyond the town are at least an hour's drive away. The townspeople mobilize, suspicious characters are interrogated, theories abound, secrets begin spilling out. The governor calls in the FBI and the media descends upon the town.

The characters of this novel, from a terrified little girl to a manly FBI agent, are well developed, complex enough to hold our attention, believable. Freeman is equally skillful in parceling out the clues to the mystery of Jeremiah's disappearance. A tantalizing clue finally presents itself which allows Shelby to fit the puzzle pieces together for a wholly unexpected and shocking resolution of the case. Shelby sums up: "The ripples that had changed so many lives finally faded away into the lake. I found myself thinking of all the 'if only' moments that might have changed what happened. ... But we all had to let it go."

## Lee County Historical Society to meet July 8

DIXON — The Lee County Historical and Genealogical Society will present a program by Sue Swanson on "The History of Quilts" at 7 p.m., on Monday, July 8, at the LCHGS office at 113 S. Hennepin Avenue in Dixon. Sue will be displaying many examples of quilts to illustrate her program. Come see this unique part of our history. The building is handicapped accessible and there

is ample parking across the street. The public is invited and there is no fee.

## Legion auxiliary to host annual picnic

AMBOY — The Amboy American Legion and Legion Auxiliary will host their annual picnic at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, July 10, at the Amboy Community Building. Bring a dish to share and your own table service. Meat and lemonade will be provided.

Also, the American Legion Auxiliary is hosting a dinner in honor of those veterans and guardians who flew on the April trip to Washington, D.C., at 6 p.m., on July 14, at the Long Branch Saloon.

## Remember to properly dispose of your U.S. Flags

AMBOY — The Amboy American Legion would like to remind community members that if they are replacing a worn U.S. flag, to properly dispose of their old flags.

Worn U.S. flags may be dropped at Amboy City Hall, during regular business hours, and the flags will be collected by the Legion for proper disposal.

Disposal is required only for actual flags and not any other item that may have a flag imprinted on it.



# THE PASTOR'S PEN

All you need to do it go - God will do the rest

BY PASTOR MARK GLENN

I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Luke 24:49

The fashion industry is one of the largest money makers in the world. From jeans to Cartier watches, your fashion is your statement. Your dress is your address.

Style is a statement about who you are and what you stand for, a form of visual and tangible identity that flags the viewer to a specific image you want to create, the way you want to be viewed and seen in the world.

What you wear on the outside is an indicator of the identity you claim on the inside. As actions reveal motives, so too does your fashion reveal your feelings, your motif, your intentions, your personality, your affiliations, your deeply-seeded values and even your faith.

Wearing clothing is an art, and art is a window into the soul. Your clothing can be the cross you wear, or a tattoo you bear, the jewelry and accessories you choose, the hairstyle you coif, the glasses you don. Even the absence of clothing or accessories makes a statement about who you are and what means something ... or not ... to you.

Your outward appearance, the "art" of imagining through clothing, is a direct

manifestation of your inner spirit. Your apparel you could say is the "image" of your spirit, the "fruit" of your roots. When you make a "fashion" statement, you also make a "spirit statement." Your spirit statement is your true statement of faith—in what or whom you put your faith.

Your clothing reveals how you live out your faith in the world "for real."

In the scripture above, Jesus tells his newly formed apostles that they should "stay in the city until they have been clothed with power from on high."

The disciples had gone up the mountain with Jesus. They had been commissioned into apostles, and given instructions on what to do. But they could not do any of it without the right clothing. They were told to wait until they could first be prepared—clothed—for this new mission, this new part of their lives, this change of spirit. This new raiment would permeate them from outside too deep within their hearts.

They needed to be clothed in light, colored with the love and power of the Holy Spirit, protected by the "armor" of the Lord, suited up for the task they were about to undertake.

Just as when you go into a hospital, you can tell a doctor by his or her white coat, the apostles needed to be uniformed up as those

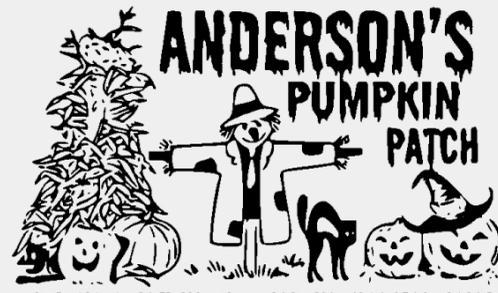
who would be teachers of the Way, spokespeople and witnesses for God, mouthpieces for Jesus. They would be a new community defined by their unique clothing.

The miracle of God-powered apostleship is that all you need to do is go. God will do the rest. God is the power of GO TO DO and Be.

God says go to be Jesus and do Jesus.

We only need to give God our hands and feet, our mouths and voices, our bodies and our submitting spirits, and God will clothe us in ways that will change the way people see us and change the way we do ministry.

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1480 AMBOY ROAD, AMBOY \$160,000  
Spacious ranch style home just outside of town with surrounding evergreens and open country setting. Features include 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen w/breakfast bar and stools, dining area that leads to back enclosed porch, 2 car attached garage shed and bun barrel. Also, included 1482 Amboy Rd. One story building with 1 bedroom, living room, kitchen, bath, LP gas heat, woodburner stove and 1 car garage, shared well but separate septic. Live in one home and rent out the other.



1898 RICHARDSON ROAD, AMBOY \$142,900  
If you are looking for land, look no further. This Nicely wooded property on 5.7 ac features a 1993 Liberty Mobile Home with 3 bdr, 2 baths, deck, sheds, workshop with air compressor, generator, and car lift. There is a gun range located on the property and a creek running through the back. Call for more information about this unique property.



803 W SANTEE ST., SUBLETTE \$131,500  
Beautiful ranch style home with brick front, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, cozy living room with patio doors to back deck 2 car attached garage and full basement for entertaining with a pool table and bar area.



501 W. MAIN STREET, SUBLETTE \$89,900  
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31 W DIVISION ST., AMBOY \$88,500  
Its bigger than it looks! Features: 3/4 bedrooms, 1 bath, main floor laundry, 2008 added thermal pane windows, doors & cedar siding, 2013 updated kitchen w/dishwasher & Pantry, stove frig, 2015 bathroom, dining & Laundry redone, C/A, A 20x24 garage w/ insulated sides and 4ft cement retaining walls, (11ft ceiling), 2018 beautiful back yard patio and deck with bench, seat and bar, and firepit.



6 S STROBLE AVE., AMBOY \$82,500  
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316 W. PIERONNET ST., AMBOY \$49,400  
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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

## The time is ripe for Illinois to end gerrymandering

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled Thursday that federal judges will not come to the rescue when it comes to partisan mapmaking. The two gerrymandering cases before the court, including one map drawn by Maryland Democrats and one by the North Carolina GOP, presented “political questions beyond the reach of the federal courts,” according to Chief Justice John Roberts.

**Guest Column**  
By Austin Berg



political capital pushing other campaign pledges through the Illinois General Assembly this year, such as a progressive income tax constitutional amendment, marijuana legalization and a major infrastructure plan with a large gas tax hike, he was mum on maps.

There’s still plenty of time to get a fair maps constitutional amendment on the statewide ballot before November 2020. And it is sorely needed. In the 2018 election, nearly half the races for the Illinois House of Representatives were uncontested. The Illinois Senate was even less competitive, with 20 of the 39 senators up for election facing no opponent. This is what happens when politicians pick their voters.

In other words, state lawmakers will need to step up to fix the problem.

With support for fair maps in the Illinois General Assembly, a hungry electorate and a national conversation on gerrymandering, is the Land of Lincoln finally ready to change its own backwards mapmaking?

That is the question sitting before Gov. J.B. Pritzker.

Dovetailing with the first Democratic presidential debates was a June poll conducted by the Wall Street Journal and NBC News that explored what kinds of electoral policy ideas are favored among Democratic Party voters nationwide. Among the most popular: ending gerrymandering. More than three-quarters of Democrats (77 percent) said this would improve democracy.

Pritzker has often counted himself among those Democrats. “We should amend the constitution to create an independent commission to draw legislative maps, and I have supported this effort for years,” he told the Chicago Tribune in 2018. According to the nonprofit CHANGE Illinois, Pritzker donated \$50,000 to a fair maps initiative in 2014.

But while the governor spent enormous personal and po-

In 2011, Illinois Democrats drew lines that forced incumbent Republicans into the same district – along with plenty of other tortured boundaries in Democrats’ favor. Illinois Republicans did the same thing to Democrats in 1991.

That’s why it’s so encouraging that a fair maps amendment is seeing huge bipartisan support in Springfield this year.

Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 4 would create an independent 16-member commission to draw legislative maps in Illinois. It has attracted 37 Democratic and Republican senators as sponsors. That’s more than the supermajority vote needed to pass the amendment out of the Senate.

But it has not moved out of the Senate. And Pritzker has not endorsed it.

Why? Ask House Speaker Mike Madigan, who also leads the Democratic Party of Illinois.

Madigan didn’t become the longest-serving legislative leader in U.S. history by letting someone else decide what’s “fair.”

Madigan first ascended to the speakership in 1983 on the back of a highly partisan map he helped draw. The power of the mapmaking pen has been key to maintaining his decade-long dominance in Springfield. While Republicans had the luck of the draw following the 1990 census, Madigan drew the map following the 1980, 2000 and 2010 censuses.

Following the 2020 census, a new map will come due under Pritzker’s watch.

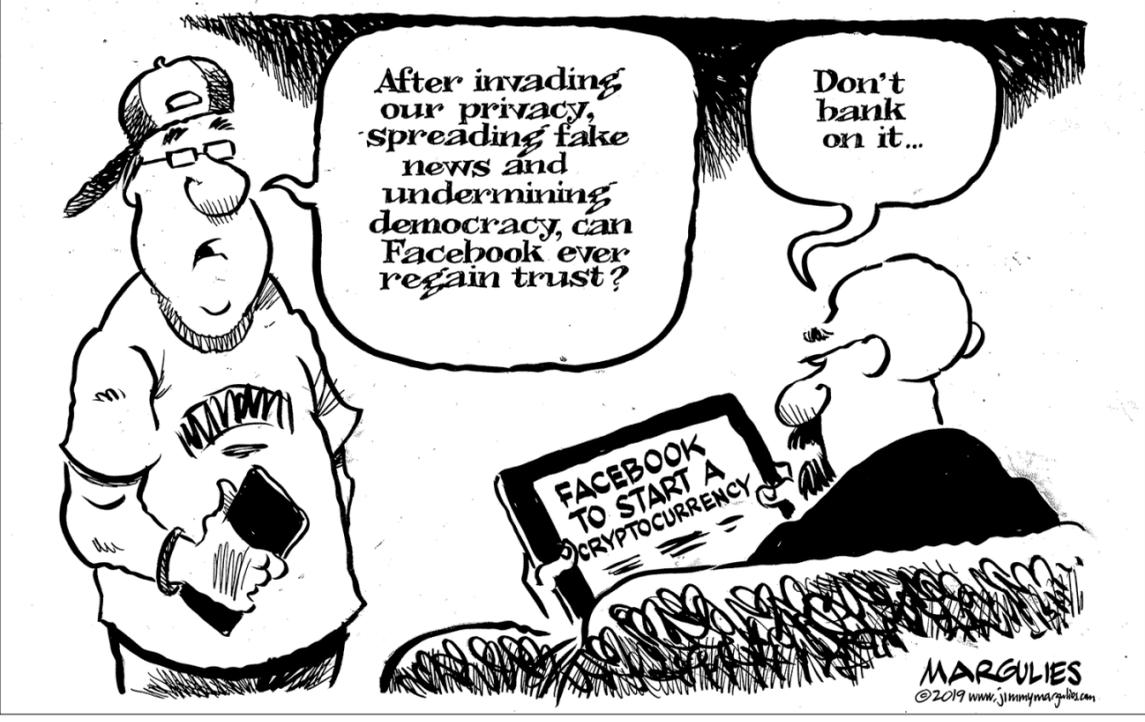
The speaker wants to maintain his power. But a national wave on this issue, strong support among rank-and-file lawmakers, and public pressure from Pritzker and Senate President John Cullerton could make constitutional reform a reality.

A March poll from the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University showed 67 percent of Illinoisans supported a constitutional amendment to allow an independent commission draw legislative maps, rather than state lawmakers. Republicans (63 percent support), Independents (70 percent) and Democrats (72 percent) were all on board.

More than a dozen states have independent redistricting commissions draw their legislative maps.

Illinoisans want the same. And Pritzker should speak for them.

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## On This Day in History

### 100 Years Ago July 4, 1919

Postmaster J.P. Harvey was notified Sunday that the Post Office Department had approved the selection of the Gunning building on Main Street to be rented for the post office. Mr. Harvey is in Chicago this week selecting equipment of the latest approved type and expects to move to the new quarters about the first of August.

The Sanitary Creamery Co. has voted to change its name to the Amboy Milk Products Company and increase its capital stock from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

The directors of The First National Bank unanimously voted to proceed with plans for the erection of a modern new bank building to occupy the site of the present building and that occupied by the Canavan dry goods store.

### 75 Years Ago June 29, 1944

Mrs. John F. Woods has received a beautiful English bracelet from her husband, Pvt. John. F. Woods, who is

stationed somewhere in England.

Rev. J. Frank Anderson, who has been pastor of the Amboy Methodist Church for the past five years, has been appointed as pastor of the churches of Tinley Park and Mokena. Rev. D.M. Ross will be the new pastor of the Amboy Methodist Church, coming here from Earlville.

Miss Viola Lupton began work at the Green River Ordnance Plant on Monday.

### 50 Years Ago July 3, 1969

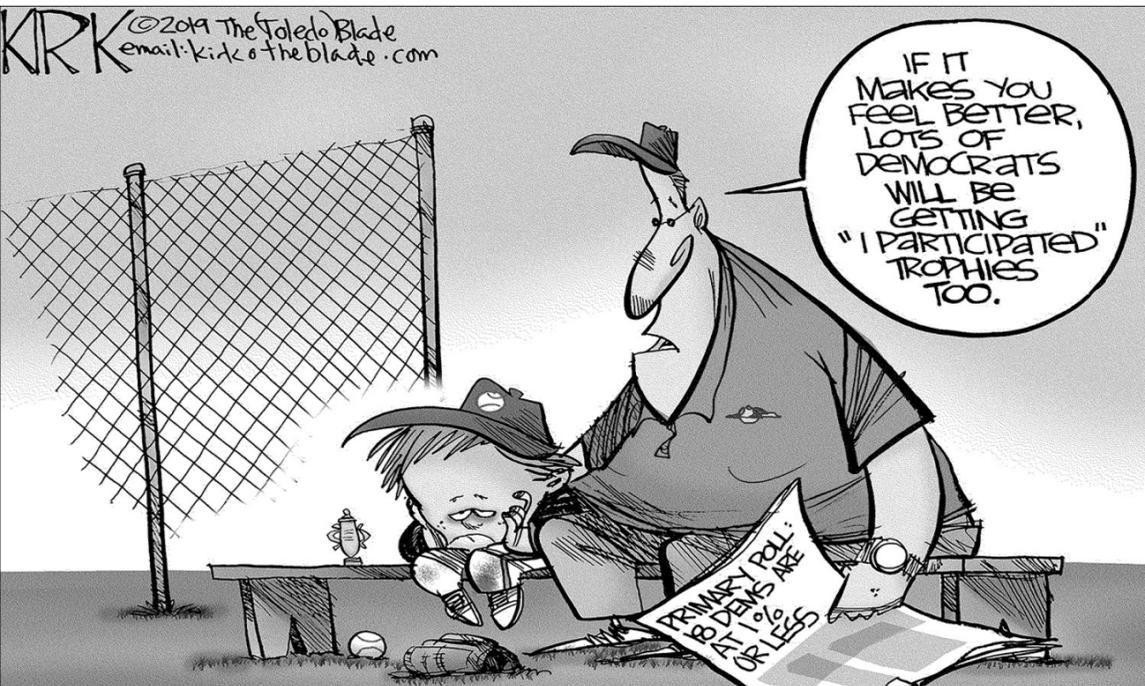
Amboy volunteer firemen saved the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Harold (Jake) Smith from total destruction last week Wednesday evening but the flames had gained such headway before their arrival that the entire downstairs was badly damaged by fire and smoke. The upstairs rooms suffered much smoke damage.

On June 22, 1969, the Bradford Mutual Fire Insurance Company celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> year of service with an open house at the Lee County 4-H Center. The company was chartered by a special act of the Illinois legislature on March 30, 1869.

### 25 Years Ago July 7, 1994

A recent book on the life of Augustus Dickens refutes the long-held local belief that the brother of the famous author was the first editor of the Amboy newspaper. The book, “Charles Dickens & His Chicago Relatives: A Documentary Narrative,” by Sidney P. Moss and Carolyn J. Moss, says that Augustus Dickens may not even have been in the United States at the time that Amboy’s first newspaper was published.

The City of Amboy took possession of the JC Community Building last Wednesday, but not before some last minute changes in the purchase agreement. The city council approved payment of \$114,000 to the Jaycees for the building and fixtures at a special meeting last week, but rejected a provision in the purchase agreement that would have required the city to secure permission from the JCs if the building were ever sold for any use other than as a community building.



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# LOCAL NEWS

## IDNR NEWS BITS

### Check Your Boat Registration

The IDNR reminds boat owners in Illinois to check their three-year boat registration/decals and renew their registration if it expires in 2019. Renewing watercraft registration can be done online through the IDNR website at [www.dnr.illinois.gov](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov) or by phone by calling 1-866-867-3542. To renew registration, have available the watercraft's Illinois registration number, the first six characters of the watercraft's hull ID number, the first three letters of the registered owner's last name, and a credit card. New or renewed three-year watercraft registrations will expire on Sept. 30 in the calendar year of expiration. Titling is now optional for all watercraft under 22 feet in length. Unpowered watercraft including canoes, kayaks, paddle boats, or paddle boards are not required to be registered in Illinois and are no longer required to have a Water Usage Stamp.

### Online Dove Permits

Online applications will be accepted from July 7-21 for the second lottery for Illinois Free Dove Hunting Permits for hunting at select state sites. Applications may be submitted for the second lottery by resident hunters who were unsuccessful in the first lottery, residents who did not apply in the first lottery, and non-resident hunters. After the second lottery permit application deadline on July 21, hunters may apply for remaining free dove permits on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 8 a.m. July 28 through Aug. 25. For more information on dove hunting permit areas and free dove permits, check the IDNR website at <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting/dove/Pages/OnlinePermitApplication.aspx>

### Rock Cut Traffic Update

Due to weather delays during April and May affecting the ongoing road improvement project at Rock

Cut State Park, visitors to the park are advised of planned traffic changes. Starting July 1, the main park road will be closed from the north side of the lake spillway bridge to the concession building area. For an updated site road closure map: <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/news/Documents/ROCKCUT-TRAFFIC07012019.pdf>

### Flex Your Mussels July 6

What do a rainbow, a monkeyface, and a washboard have in common? They are all mussels found in Illinois. Bring the kids to the Illinois State Museum on Saturday, July 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the Super Saturday event "Flex Your Mussels" to learn more. Families will learn to identify different mussel species, about their history in Illinois, and their different uses. Activities are recommended for children ages five and up, and parents and families are encouraged to participate. For additional information, call 217-782-6044. Super Saturdays at the ISM are sponsored by Bank of Springfield.

### Summer Pass at Illinois State Museum

The Illinois State Museum ISM Summer Pass allows visitors to the museum in Springfield unlimited admission for one adult through Labor Day for just \$10. The museum's Summer Pass can be purchased at the admission desk. Each Summer Pass is good for one adult admission during the museum's regular operating hours. The 2019 Summer Pass will expire Sept. 2, 2019. The

museum is located at 502 S. Spring St., Springfield.

### Art Show July 13-14 at Cahokia Mounds

Native American artists from tribal affiliations across the nation will display and sell fine art during the 24th annual Contemporary Indian Art Show on July 13 and 14 at the Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, Collinsville. Works will include paintings and prints, metalwork, sculptures in stone, antler, wood and clay, as well as pottery and jewelry. The show, inside the historic site's Interpretive Center, features free admission and will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

### Sandburg Songbag Concert July 14 in Galesburg

A master of Chicago, Mississippi Delta style and jump blues, David Berntson will perform Sunday, July 14 at the Carl Sandburg State Historic Site in Galesburg as part of the Sandburg Songbag Concert Series. The July 14 Songbag performance by David Berntson will be in the Sandburg site's barn at 313 E. Third Street in Galesburg. The show starts at 4 p.m. and ends at 6 p.m. with a break for refreshments around 5 p.m. A donation of \$5 per person is suggested. The 2019 Sandburg Songbag concerts are made possible thanks to a grant from the Mark and Celia Godsil Family Fund, a Donor Advised Fund of the Galesburg Community Foundation, and the Community Impact Fund at the Galesburg Community Foundation. The concert is presented by the

Carl Sandburg Historic Site Association and the IDNR.

### Science Day Out Field Trip July 25

Students entering grades seventh - ninth can register now for a "Science Day Out: Exploring Wetlands" field trip hosted by the Illinois State Museum Thursday, July 25 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On this free, hands-on science field trip, students will travel from the Illinois State Museum in Springfield to Dickson Mounds Museum and the Emiquon Preserve in Fulton County for a day filled with authentic science opportunities. Lunch will be provided. For registration, visit [bit.ly/scidayout2019](http://bit.ly/scidayout2019). The program is generously funded by Carrol C. Hall, longtime Springfield High School teacher and co-founder of Horace Mann Insurance Company. For more information, visit <http://www.illinoisstatemuseum.org/content/science-day-out-exploring-wetlands>

### Rough Fish Roundup July 13

Bowfishing enthusiasts are invited to the 5th annual Kaskaskia River Rough Fish Roundup bowfishing tournament Saturday, July 13 on the Kaskaskia River at Wood Duck Marina near Baldwin, Illinois. The tournament is hosted by the Kaskaskia River State Fish and Wildlife Area in coop-

eration with the Bowfishing Association of America. For registration and more information, contact Kaskaskia River SFWA by phone at 618-785-2555. For more details, find event information on the IDNR website: [https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/calendar/Documents/KaskaskiaRiverRoughFishRoundUp2019Flyer\\_.pdf](https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/calendar/Documents/KaskaskiaRiverRoughFishRoundUp2019Flyer_.pdf)

### Camping Reservations

Summer is a great time for camping in Illinois. Make campsite and shelter reservations for many IDNR sites online through the Reserve America website at [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com) using a credit card.

### Wingshooting Clinics

Wingshooting clinics will be conducted this summer and fall in Illinois at IDNR sites, cooperating gun clubs and hunting preserves. Most clinics are conducted on weekends. Wingshooting clinics for youth, ages 10-15, and women provide instruction on safely firing a shotgun at a moving target with reasonable reliability. Hunter wingshooting clinics are hands-on and include extensive live fire at a variety of clay target presentations on sporting clays courses specifically designed for teaching typical hunting situations. For the wingshooting clinic schedule and more information, check the IDNR website: <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/recreation/wing-shooting/Pages/default.aspx>

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### Illinois State Parks Guide

The 2019-2020 Illinois State Parks guide is available in print and online. The booklet is a useful guide to an eventful day in a state park picnic area, a weekend at a state park lodge or campground, a hike in a state forest, a ride on a state train or hunting and fishing trips to a state fish and wildlife area. The Illinois State Parks guide is posted on the IDNR website in PDF format at this link: <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/news/Documents/ILStatePark20192020.pdf>. Copies of the state parks guide can be ordered through the IDNR online publications page: <https://dnr2.illinois.gov/teachkids/>

### Visit Conservation World at the Illinois State Fair

Make plans to attend the 2019 Illinois State Fair in Springfield - and to spend some time at Conservation World Aug. 9 through 18. Conservation World is a 30-acre park on the state fairgrounds filled with family activities including fishing instruction, archery ranges, and expert information on habitat enhancement, state parks, wildlife, fish, and forestry. Conservation World will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. during the fair.

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(Case No. 2019-P-24 )  
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- Ole Hickory Road-Amboy Friday 7/5 8 AM - 3 PM Horse and Cowboy Gear, and much more!
- Neighbor Sales 1939 Ole Hickory-Amboy Friday 7/5 8 AM - Noon Namebrand clothing, Boys size 10-up to mens small-medium, Womens small & medium, Jewelry, Purses, Little Girls 9 month-4T, Miscellaneous household items
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# LOCAL NEWS

Posting Date July 1, 2019

## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Advertised heavily
- 6 Bilateral
- 12 South Dakota's capital
- 13 Colored ring
- 14 On the briny
- 15 Funhouse item
- 16 Use a sponge
- 17 Author Wister
- 19 D.C. fig.
- 20 Long skirt
- 22 Obtain
- 24 Suitable
- 27 Cacophonies
- 29 — parmigiana
- 32 5-ball desktop toy
- 35 Exchange premium
- 36 Former veep
- 37 Vast expanse
- 38 San Francisco's — Hill
- 40 One of the Three Bears
- 42 Sort
- 44 The same, in a bibliography
- 46 Approaching
- 50 Elegantly groomed
- 52 "Shoo!"
- 54 Mammoth occasion?
- 55 Room to maneuver
- 56 Nun
- 57 Brilliance

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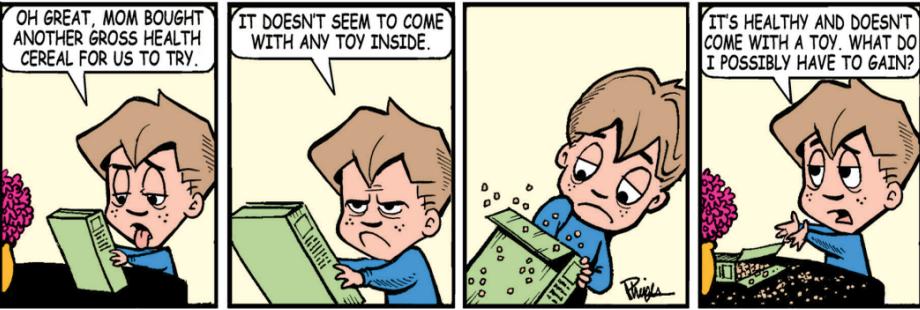
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- 2 Shriek bark
- 3 Opening comment
- 4 Historic period
- 5 Rehab goings-on
- 6 Domesticate
- 7 Squeeze
- 8 " — the ram-parts ..."
- 9 Carpeting fabrics
- 10 Medicinal plant
- 11 9-Down
- 12 Manhandle
- 18 Endearing
- 21 Big bother
- 23 Mendes or Longoria
- 24 Literary collection
- 25 Cribbage scorekeeper
- 26 Longtime
- 28 Mix up
- 30 Hearty brew
- 31 Michele of "Glee"
- 33 As well
- 34 Sleep phenomenon
- 39 Spree
- 41 Broadway backer
- 42 Cow-headed goddess
- 43 Places
- 45 Antelope's playmate
- 47 "The Music Man" setting
- 48 Buzzing pest
- 49 Attention getter
- 51 Roscoe
- 53 Common Mkt., once

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## Amber Waves

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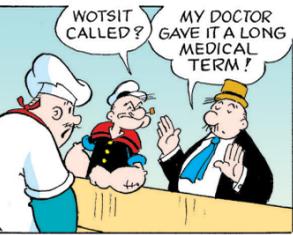
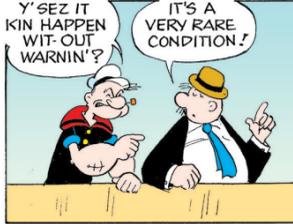
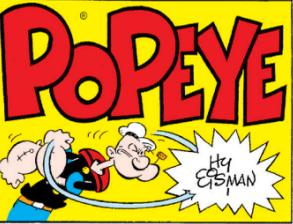
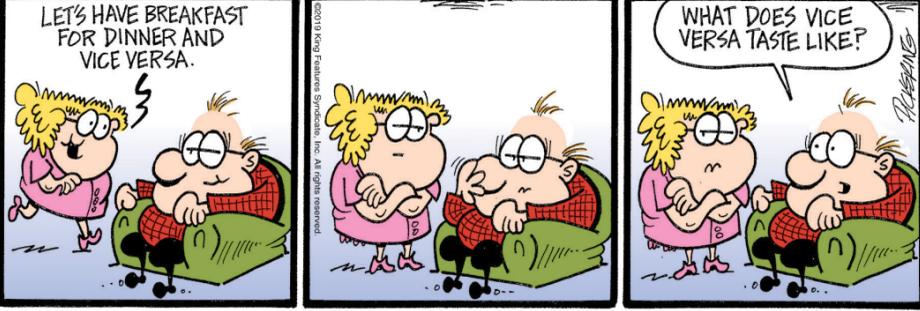
## R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



## The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

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## LAFF-A-DAY



## SCRAMBLERS

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

Clench

SPRAG

Highest

SMUTTO

Smirk

PRIMES

Pure

SCATHE

## TODAY'S WORD



## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	1			4			8
2	9			3			6
		5	7		1		3
	6		9		2		
5				7		3	
4	9		8				7
1			3	2	4		
	7		4			1	
		4		9			2

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦**

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## Trivia test

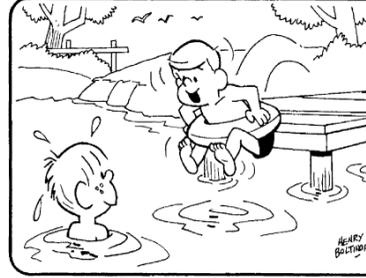
by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MUSIC: What was the last name of the three brothers who made up the pop music group The Bee Gees?
2. GEOGRAPHY: Where is Cape Flattery located?
3. LANGUAGE: Who is attributed the phrase "bread and circuses"?
4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many walking legs does a lobster have?
5. LITERATURE: Which Russian novel begins with the line, "All happy families are alike"?
6. COMICS: What does Pokemon mean in English?
7. HISTORY: What does the Mexican holiday Cinco de Mayo celebrate?
8. GEOGRAPHY: Which European country has the longest coastline?
9. GAMES: What is the meaning of the word "canasta" in the card game?
10. MOVIES: In which movie did a female monster first appear?

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Inner tube is different. 2. Fence is missing. 3. Bird has been added. 4. Boy's nose is on a store. 5. Tree has second limb. 6. Boy's busse is on a larger.

## CryptoQuip

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

Clue: K equals L

RD UDT YTIDYV FXV MGZFDHU  
 FXFG JGPTMGZFTHVY YKVVIEPW  
 IEKKY JEWXF AV RVYEWPGFVR  
 G YKTJAVH JEKK?

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## GREATEST

Today's Word

1. Grasp; 2. Utmost; 3. Simper; 4. Chaste

solution

## SCRAMBLERS

Solution time: 24 mins.

3	5	4	6	9	1	6	7	8	2
6	7	2	8	4	5	3	1	6	
1	8	6	3	7	2	4	9	5	
4	3	6	2	8	1	6	5	7	
5	2	1	4	6	7	8	3	9	
7	6	9	8	5	3	2	4	1	
8	4	5	7	6	9	1	2	3	
2	6	7	1	3	8	5	6	4	
6	1	3	5	2	4	9	7	8	

Answer

## Weekly SUDOKU

Do you suppose the factory that manufactures sleeping pills might be designated a slumber mill?

Answer

CryptoQuip

# LOCAL NEWS

## Clippers release fall football schedule

AMBOY – The Amboy-LaMoille Clippers will have four home football games during the 2019 season.

The Clippers will open the season on the road when they take on Pecatonica-Durand at Durand on Friday, Aug. 30.

The team's first home game will be the following week on Sept. 6 when it entertains Lena-Winslow. Amboy-LaMoille will also host West Carroll, Lanark Eastland and Milledgeville during the season.

The Clippers will be trying to improve on the 2018 season when they posted a 3-6 record.

The complete 2019 schedule is as follows:

Aug. 30 – at Pecatonica-Durand – 7 p.m.  
 Sept. 6 – Lena-Winslow – 7 p.m.  
 Sept. 13 – at Forreton – 7 p.m.  
 Sept. 20 – West Carroll – 7 p.m.  
 Sept. 27 – at Freeport Aquin – 7 p.m.  
 Oct. 4 – at Galena – 7 p.m.  
 Oct. 11 – Lanark Eastland – 7 p.m.  
 Oct. 18 – Milledgeville – 7 p.m.  
 Oct. 25 – at Ashton-Franklin Center – 7 p.m.

*Email news items to [tgreenfield@amboynews.com](mailto:tgreenfield@amboynews.com)*

## Lake DePue Championship boat races planned

DEPUE – The 2019 Lake DePue Pro National Championship Boat Races with the U.S. Title Series will be held July 26-28 on Lake DePue in DePue.

This is the 35th consecutive year for the races, which are sponsored by the DePue Men's Club. Approximately 200 boaters from 20 states and an estimated 20,000 fans made last year's races a successful event.

Activities during the week will begin on Saturday, July 20 with the DePue Men's Club food stand. Events resume with food stands, a beer garden and musical entertainment on

Wednesday, July 24. Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians with DePue native Al Pierson will perform from 6-8 p.m. Music by 'Last Call' can be enjoyed from 8-11 p.m. On Thursday, July 25, the highlights will be food stands, the beer garden and a teen dance, plus more music by 'Last Call' from 7-11 p.m.

Championship boat racing will kick off at noon on Friday, July 26, with many more activities planned during the day.

The final day of racing will be Sunday, July 28 beginning at 12:30 p.m. Admission to the races is \$5 per person. Nightly entertainment is free.

## From The Heart Calendar winners

### From The Heart June 2019 Cash Calendar Winners

June 1 - Rebecca Lavin, Dixon, \$25  
 June 2 - Sarah Mariani, Rockford, \$50  
 June 3 - Maggie Nye, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 4 - Ruth Ross, Dixon, \$25  
 June 5 - Dan Batsch, Dixon, \$25  
 June 6 - Dennis Neal, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 7 - Kevin Kudelka, Rochelle, \$25

June 8 - Mrs. Shawn Schabacker, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 9 - Zach Zuberski, CHS/Rochelle, \$50  
 June 10 - Red Warning, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 11 - Alexander Smith, Lindenwood, \$25  
 June 12 - Tom Becker, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 13 - FTH event purchase, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 14 - Kelly Kersten, Rochelle, \$2  
 June 15 - Kelley Doughty, Waukesha, Wisconsin, \$25  
 June 16 - Heather Tins-

man, Ashton, \$500  
 June 17 - Deborah Prough, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 18 - Susan LeMay, Ashton, \$25  
 June 19 - Ron Nunez, Byron, \$25  
 June 20 - Calvin Jacobs, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 21 - Diane Berg, Casselberry, Florida, \$25  
 June 22 - Dennis Neal, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 23 - Jo Morrow, Mackinaw, \$50  
 June 24 - Dr. Brander's office, DeKalb, \$25

June 25 - Jami Bruns, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 26 - Don Stebbins, Amboy, \$25  
 June 27 - Mindy Lange, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 28 - Teresa Probasco, Stillman Valley, \$25  
 June 29 - FTH event purchase, Rochelle, \$25  
 June 30 - Emily Schabacker, Rochelle, \$50

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

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# LOCAL NEWS

## Educational Briefs

### Koning earns Spring 2019 Dean's List honors at Iowa State University

AMES, Iowa — Cassidy Koning, from Amboy, was named to the Spring 2019 Dean's List in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Iowa State University. The Dean's List honors students who were enrolled in 12 credit hours and earned a 3.5 grade point average for the term.

About Iowa State  
At Iowa State University, students don't get just an average college experience. They get an adventure. After all, we offer students a challenging career-oriented academic setting paired with a welcoming campus environment. And above all else, we encourage our students to achieve - and we provide the support they need to do just that.

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Plus, Ames has been recognized as the second-best college town with a population under 250,000. And did we mention we've also been voted one of the top 10 best places to live in America? So it's no wonder why our students love it here.

### Local students graduates from Elmhurst College

ELMHURST—Elmhurst College announces its 2019 graduating class.

Local graduates include: Kelsey Farmer, of Amboy, Masters of Public Health

At its 148th Commencement on Saturday, June 1, 2019, 754 seniors were awarded Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Music or Bachelor of Liberal Studies degrees. During a separate ceremony on Thursday, May 30, 2019, 271 students received graduate degrees. Elmhurst College also presented certificates of completion to six students in the Elmhurst Learning and Success Academy, or ELSA,

a four-year program that offers a full-time, post-secondary educational experience to young adults with differing abilities. President Troy D. VanAken awarded the diplomas and certificates.

### St. Ambrose University students on Spring Dean's List

DAVENPORT, Iowa — The following full-time students, who achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale, have been named to the St. Ambrose University Dean's List for the Spring term.

Amboy  
Megan Grady, Kylie Highbarger, Hallie Nauman, Vivian O'Laughlin, Delaney Powers, and Madeline Prest-

egaard

### La Moille

Gillian Sutton  
Founded in 1882 by the Diocese of Davenport, St. Ambrose is a private, coeducational, comprehensive university with a firm grounding in the liberal arts, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association. For more information about St. Ambrose go to [www.sau.edu](http://www.sau.edu)

Local student graduating is Olivia Walter, of Dixon, Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude

The University Commencement Ceremony was held in Chlapaty Recreation and Wellness Center on campus. Nearly 400 undergraduate and graduate students were eligible to participate in the ceremony. Mark Ward, PhD, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty, delivered the commencement address, titled "It's Time."

STILLWATER, Okla.— Oklahoma State University awarded degrees to a total of 3,854 students this past spring, including 2,476 Oklahomans, according to the Office of the Registrar.

Locally, Grace Thompson, of Amboy, graduates with a Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Animal Science. She graduated Magna Cum Laude.

Thompson was also named to the 2019 President's Honor Roll for spring semester at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater. A total of 2,592 students were named to the President's Honor Roll for earning an "A" grade in all their courses.

Full-time undergraduate students who completed 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 4.00 were placed on the President's Honor Roll.

### University of Dubuque announces May 2019 graduates

DUBUQUE, Iowa - University of Dubuque celebrated the accomplishments of its undergraduate, graduate, and seminary students at its 167th commencement ceremony on May 18, 2019.

### Oklahoma State University announces spring 2019 graduates and honor rolls



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