

Amboy Fire among recipients of Public Safety Grants

AMBOY – To enhance public safety and quality of life in communities across northern Illinois, ComEd and the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus today announced grants of up to \$10,000 each to 25 public agencies through the ComEd Powering Safe Communities Program. From digital messaging and speed notification signage to cameras that help locate victims in danger, the projects address critical safety needs in the communities ComEd serves.

“The safety of the public and our employees is our highest priority,” said Melissa Washington, vice president of governmental and external affairs at ComEd. “That’s why we

partner with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus each year through the ComEd Powering Safe Communities Program to promote a culture of safety and wellness in our communities. By providing local agencies with the resources required to help address public safety needs, we’re powering a brighter, more resilient future for the residents they serve.”

Locally, the Amboy Fire Protection District received a grant that will support the purchase of two thermal imaging cameras to help locate victims and firefighters trapped in a fire.

Since 2015, ComEd has supported critical safety needs of local municipalities through Powering Safe Communities, bringing es-

sential public safety programs and services to people and populations throughout the energy company’s service territory.

For the past four grant cycles, ComEd has collaborated with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, a council for Chicagoland’s chief elected officials, on public policy issues and to fund \$670,000 worth of public safety projects throughout northern Illinois. Through this collaboration, ComEd provides the program funding, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus administers the grants to local communities, and grant recipients match ComEd’s contribution with their own funding of equal or greater value.

“For the past four years, we have been able to leverage over \$1.8 million for 95 local public safety projects,” said Joseph Tamburino, Mayor of Hillside, Ill., and Chairman of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus. “Our partnership with ComEd has put our shared public safety commitment into action and increased community resiliency. We are grateful for ComEd’s generosity.”

Earlier this year, public agencies from across communities that ComEd serves submitted grant applications, which were then reviewed by an advisory committee comprised of public safety, local government, and allied professionals.



Depot Days annual Car, Truck, Motorcycle Show less two weeks away, volunteers needed

AMBOY — 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 Ketchum’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.

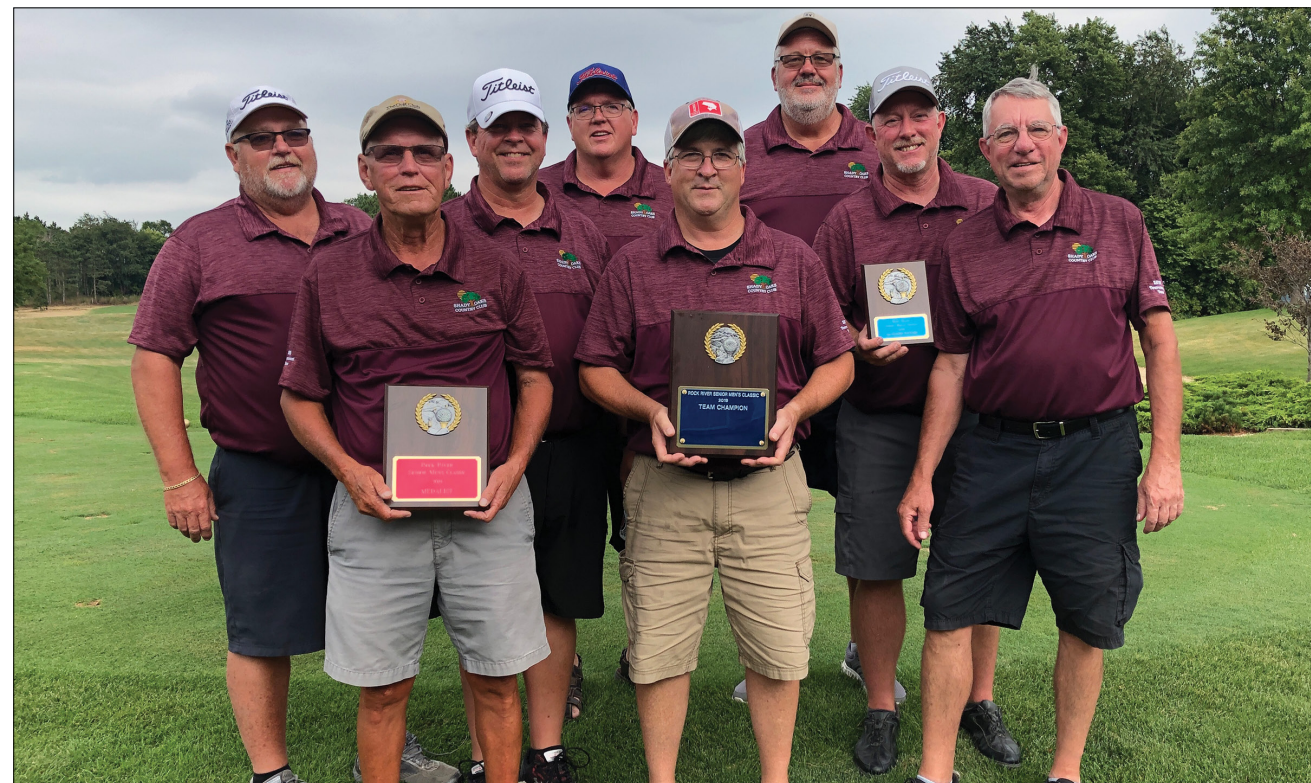


Shady Oaks team wins Senior Men’s Rock River Classic

AMBOY — It was a team effort for Shady Oaks who won the 2019 annual Senior Men’s Rock River Classic golf tournament hosted by Lake Erie and Deer Valley.

Paced by Medalist and Best Against Bogey James “Spark” Larkin 2nd Flight +37, Flight winner Dave Kemp 1st Flight +32 and Flight winner Steve Jacobs 7th flight +17, followed by John Klausen 4th flight +22, Greg Ohlendorf 3rd flight +16, Mark Summers 6th flight +13, Jeff Lovgren 5th flight +12 and Bob Smith 8th flight +3.

The format is best against bogey, plus (+2 Birdie), (+1 par), zero(0 bogey) or minus(-1 over bogey), plus being good. Up to eight clubs in the Rock River area field a team of their best eight players to compete for the Team Trophy. This year eight clubs where involved. Shady Oaks, Sunset, Emerald Hill, Deer Valley, Prophet Hills, Lake Erie, SandBurr Run and Story Brook. The tournament also recognizes the overall medalist (low score to par) and Flight



Picture above, from left to right, John Klausen, James “Spark” Larkin, Greg Ohlendorf, Mark Summers, Steve Jacobs, Jeff Lovgren, Dave Kemp, and Bob Smith.

winner using the best against bogey format. The last time Shady Oaks held the title was just two years ago in 2017.

“Spark led us to the Cham-

pionship this year, shooting 68 Saturday 1 stroke less than his age,” said Kemp. “Not many golfers have ever accomplished that. He was

a true leader for our Team and has done so for many years. Shooting a combined score of 1 under par for the 36 hole event is outstanding.

Photo submitted

Congratulations to Spark and our Shady Oaks Senior Rock River Champions, Shady Oaks is alive and vibrant with young and older talent.”

Sublette board approves two donations

BY TONJA GREENFIELD
General Manager

SUBLETTE — The Village of Sublette board approved two donations during its monthly meeting on Monday night.

The board met for its monthly meeting on Monday night in the Ellice Dinges Center. All board members were present.

Under new business was a request from Sublette 365 for a \$5,000 donation to go toward the upcoming Hops and Harmony event on Sept. 14.

The village has appropriated \$5,500 toward donations in this fiscal year, but the next item on the agenda after the Sublette 365 donation was a donation request for repairs to the walking path at Sublette Centennial Park.

Sublette Village Board Trustee Laura Jackson said Sublette 365 has donated back to the community. Sublette Village Board Trustee Scott Hanson agreed saying Sublette 365 paid about \$5,000 toward the Sublette Business Association sign and electric usage. He added that was one example of the group giving back to the community.

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Public forum schedule on plan to reduce storm damage

DIXON — The Lee County All Hazards Mitigation Plan outlining projects and activities to prevent injuries, deaths and property damage from severe storms and other types of severe weather will be available for review at a public forum on Thursday, Aug. 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Dixon Public Safety Building, 220 South Hennepin Avenue in Dixon. Members from the Lee County All Hazards Mitigation Planning Committee will be available to discuss this Plan.

“Individuals can come and go at their convenience to review and comment on the Plan. If someone only has a few minutes to review the Plan, ask a question, or comment, they can do so at any time during the forum. This forum is designed to accommodate busy schedules. Unlike some conventional meetings, there are no formal presentations forcing attendees to wait before they can speak,” according to

Kevin Lalley, Lee County Emergency Management Agency Director.

Over 90 projects and activities were identified to protect Lee County residents and property from storms and other natural disasters. This Plan, unlike other emergency plans, is aimed at identifying projects and activities that can be taken before a natural disaster occurs.

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Celebrating The 2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS August 22-25

DEPOT DAYS

A special section devoted to the annual Depot Days event.

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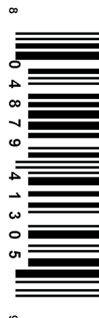
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LOCAL NEWS

Fall Mum Sale to benefit the KB Fund

OREGON — The annual KB Fall Mum Sale has started. Beautiful fall mums are available in a variety of colors for \$8 each. Orders will be taken through Friday, Sept. 6. These plants are grown in Northern Illinois and will arrive just in time for fall decorating. Mums are field grown in natural conditions, leading to a more hardy robust plant. Plants arrive in a number 2 pot (that's about a 2 gallon pot) and are measuring approximately 16-18" wide by 14-16" tall with buds ready to bloom throughout the season.

Order forms are available online at www.KBToughRun.com and www.Facebook.com/KBToughRun.

Order forms are also available in the Amboy Newspaper office.

Please return order forms and payment to the KB Fund, PO Box 374, Oregon, IL 61061 no later than Friday, Sept. 6. Mums will be available for pick up from 3 – 6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 27 and 9 a.m. – noon Saturday, Sept. 28 at 284 Cultra Drive in Oregon, (just north of the Blackhawk Steak Pit). Note the new pick up time and location this year.

Please contact Julie Cain with any questions that you may have or to place an order 815-519-2593 or email cainjl@comcast.net.

All proceeds from the sale will support the KB Fund. The fund has been established to support those in our community that have been burdened by a medical crisis. To learn more about the KB Fund and our fundraising efforts visit our website; www.KBToughRun.com. Thank you for your continued support.



AHS CLASS OF 1961

The Amboy High School Class of 1961 met at the Walton Tap for their 58th class reunion on Aug. 3. A total of 19 classmates were present along with eight spouses. The furthestmost traveled classmate was Doris Vincent Moore who came from Florida. After a wonderful meal provided by the Walton Tap, the attendees did a trivia quiz which made them all recall TV shows and sayings of the 1950 & 60 era. In the picture from front row, left to right are Peggy (Rapp) Scudder, Pat (Becker) Schmidt, Carolyn (Masters) Olson, Jackie (Lambert) Smith, Doris (Vincent) Moore, Sharon (Cradly) Harrison. Back Row- Nancy Anderson, Jack King, Florence (Reuter) Hichborn, Lyle Butler, Carolyn (Murphy) Herwig, Jim Scully, Jack Gascoigne, Don McCoy, Sherry (Welty) Koch, Gordy Koch, Ruth (Severson) Contreras and Larry Reinhold. The next reunion is planned for Aug. 1, 2020 at the same time and place.

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CGH Medical receives baby-friendly designation

STERLING — Baby-Friendly USA recently announced that CGH Medical Center has received the prestigious designation as a Baby-Friendly birth facility as part of the Baby Friendly Hospitals Initiative. Based on the Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding, this international award is only given after a rigorous on-site survey, and recognizes birthing facilities that offer breastfeeding mothers the information, confidence, and skills needed to successfully initiate breastfeeding (within one hour of birth) and continue to breastfeed upon discharge from the hospital. CGH Medical Center has been working towards this designation since 2013, when the hospital and clinic staff began to make major practice changes that collectively support pregnant and breastfeeding mothers.

"We are very proud to have achieved this Baby-Friendly Designation," said Jennifer Behrens, RN, CGH Birthing Center Assistant Manager. "Achieving the designation was a difficult process. It required education not only for anyone who cares for newborns, but also for those that care for pregnant or breastfeeding women. This included all hospital OB nurses, clinic nurses and medical assistants in OB, Pediatrics, and Family Practice. We also set up a program to educate patients prenatally on the benefits of breastfeeding, rooming in, and skin-to-skin contact after delivery, and we partnered with WIC in both Whiteside and Lee counties during the process to help ensure everyone is communicating the same message."

As part of this designation, CGH Medical Center will

need to adhere to the Baby-Friendly USA's Ten Steps and will report on its quality processes annually. The aim is to improve – through optimal feeding – the nutritional status, growth and development as well as the survival of infants and young children.

"Breast milk is the natural first food for babies, providing just the right amount of calories, fat content, sugar, antibodies and immune protection that infants need for the first months of life," continued Behrens. "This commitment to breastfeeding moms has required the support of everyone from hospital leadership to our staff." Baby-Friendly USA, Inc. is the U.S. authority for the implementation of the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative, a global program sponsored by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

The initiative holds hospitals and birthing centers accountable to the highest standards for mother/baby care practices related to infant feeding. There are more than 20,000 designated Baby-Friendly hospitals and birth centers worldwide. Currently there are 574 active Baby-Friendly hospitals and birth centers in the United States. The CGH Birthing Center welcomes approximately 550 babies into the world every year. Special services provided by the CGH Birthing Center include free prenatal and breastfeeding classes, free weekly support meetings and 24-hour epidural anesthesia. For more information please call the CGH Birthing Center at 815-625-0400, ext. 5504, or visit www.babyfriendlyusa.org.

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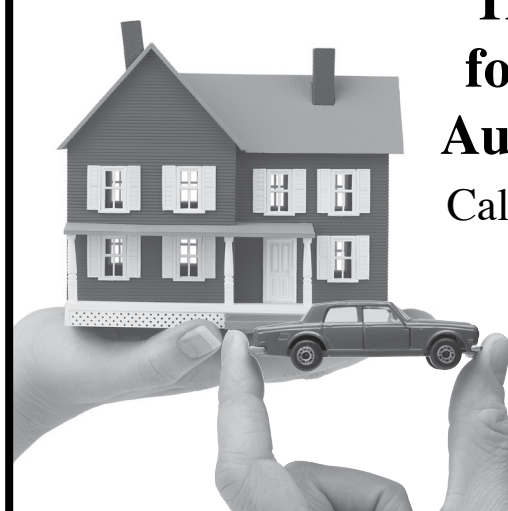
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Sunday, August 18th

7:15 am Confessions

8:00 am Sacrifice of the Mass

9:00 am Fellowship in the Hall with donuts, coffee, and milk

10:00 am Confessions

10:30 am Sacrifice of the Mass

11:30 am Fellowship in the Hall with donuts, coffee, and milk

Note: No Masses in Sublette or Maytown this weekend

LOCAL NEWS

Number of hospitalizations potentially tied to vaping increases

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has received reports of six young people experiencing severe breathing problems after vaping, and is investigating five more individuals. These individuals experienced respiratory symptoms including cough, shortness of breath, and fatigue. Some also experienced vomiting and diarrhea. Symptoms worsened over a period of days or weeks before admission to the hospital.

"IDPH is working with local health departments and hospitals to investigate reported cases of hospitalized individuals with unexplained respiratory illness and a history of vaping," said IDPH Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike. "The short- and long-term effects of vaping are still being researched, but these recent hospitalizations have shown that there is the potential for immediate health consequences."

IDPH is also working with local health departments, other states, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Food and Drug Administration to investigate the names and types of vaping products, as well as where they were obtained. Without this information, we have been unable to conclusively determine which chemicals the individuals may have been exposed to.

The cases live in the northeastern part of the state, as well as in the St. Louis Metro East area. In order to protect the identity of the affected individuals, additional information is not being provided.

People who experience any type of chest pain or difficulty breathing after vaping in the weeks or months prior to these symptoms should seek immediate medical attention. Health care providers caring for patients with unexpected serious respiratory illness should ask about a history of vaping.

More information about e-cigarettes, vapes, and JUULs can be found on the IDPH website at <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/prevention-wellness/tobacco/e-cigarettes-and-vapes>.

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This Committee has been conducting working meetings open to the public since June 2018.

The municipalities of Amboy, Ashton, Dixon, Franklin Grove, Harmon, Steward, and Sublette are participating in the planning process.

"Committee members helped identify projects that reflect the specific needs of each participating municipality. Storm damage information was used to develop specific suggestions for potential projects that can reduce harm to people and property within the County," added Lalley.

The public comment period will remain open until Friday, Sept. 13. Comments can be directed to the Lee County Emergency Management Agency. Following the public comment period, any revisions that are needed will be made before the Plan is submitted to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for approval.

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Jackson made a motion that the village donate \$4,000 to Sublette 365 for Hops and Harmony. Hanson seconded the motion. The motion failed 4-2 with Sublette Village Trustees John Stenzel, Brian Wilson, Julie Kessel and Jeff Myers voting no.

Jackson then made a motion that the village donation \$3,500 to Sublette 365 for Hops and Harmony. Hanson seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-2 with Wilson and Kessel voting no.

Next up was the request for \$4,400 for the Sublette Centennial Park walking path. Sublette Park Board President Chris Leffelman said it shouldn't cost more than \$4,400. He said the plan is to grate the path out about 6-10 inches deep, and then fill it with rock. He said the plan is to let the rock sit for about a year, and then the path will be chipped and tarred.

Discussion was had about the budgeted appropriations and that the village can move money in the budget so that this donation could be made as well.

Hanson made a motion to approve the \$4,400 donation with Jackson offering a second to the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee resignation

Jackson turned in her resignation from the village board effective at the end of the meeting on Monday night. Jackson relocated outside of the village limits. Stenzel said he created a questionnaire for anyone who is interested in the open board seat. If anyone is interested, please contact Stenzel. He told the board he would like all of the questionnaires back by Sept. 4.

In other board news:

- Stenzel thanked the City of Amboy for use of their street sweeper. He said they came down and swept the streets with curbs. He added that Amboy has always been a very good about coming, that they are good neighbors.

- The board approved a temporary liquor license for Sublette 365 for the Hops and Harmony event on Sept. 14.

- The board took no action on the request for new liquor license. Stenzel said the person requesting the license is interested in opening a video gaming business in the location of the beauty shop. Per Illinois rules, to open the video gaming business, the establishment must have an on-premise liquor license, which means the establishment serves alcohol for consumption on premises. Stenzel said the village has four liquor licenses and all are being used. He added the board would have to create a new liquor license for this request to be approved. Stenzel said he doesn't see Sublette as a big draw for gamblers. Jackson said she thinks four liquor licenses is enough for what they have for the small village. Other board members expressed agreement with Jackson. No action on the matter was taken.

- The board approved the appointment of Dana Considine as new village attorney, with Kessel and Jackson voting no. Stenzel said the attorney will cost \$200 per hour, and that she will not be able to make every meeting because she is also the attorney for the Village of Franklin Grove, which meets at the same time as Village of Sublette.

- Stenzel said that removal of the old maintenance building should be starting and that the project will hopefully be completed by next week.

- The board approved the purchase of two new garbage containers for Main Street at a cost of \$1,087. The new containers are 30-gallon containers.

- Upcoming events are: Car Show on along US Route 52 on Sept. 7; Pullin in the Park on Sept. 8; and Hops and Harmony on Sept. 14.

The next Sublette Village Board meeting will be held at 7 p.m., on Monday, Sept. 9, in the Ellice Dinges Center.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AMBOY-Business After Hours will be held at Maria's Pizza at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 14. Everyone is invited to meet area business owners in a casual setting.

MAYTOWN-St. Patrick Church will have the Vigil Mass for the Holy Day of Obligation of the Assumption of Mary at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 14. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 14, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect.

WEST BROOKLYN-Masses for the Holy Day of Obligation of the Assumption of Mary will be held at 7:00 a.m. and 7 p.m. at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 2520 Johnson St., on Thursday, Aug. 15. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

SUBLETTE-A Mass for the Holy Day of Obligation of the Assumption of Mary will be held at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 15, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 202 Locust, with Holy Hour and Confessions to follow. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, Aug. 15, 22, 27, 28 and 29. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or to find out about other services offered, like Flu and other Adult Vaccines, free radon test kits or the application process for medical cannabis.

AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD #272 Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 15, at the Central School Gym, 30 E. Provost.

AMBOY-The Amboy Farmers Market will be open from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, Aug. 17, at the Lions Shelter in the Amboy Depot parking lot, 30 E. Main St. The market will be held each Saturday except for Depot Days weekend. Call Alice

Dukes at 815-857-4015 for more information.

WEST BROOKLYN-Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 2520 Johnson St. On Saturday, Aug. 17, Confessions will be heard at 3:25 p.m., Sacrifice of the Holy Mass at 4 p.m. and a Reception in the Hall with cake, coffee and milk at 5 p.m. No masses will be held in Maytown or Sublette this weekend. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

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AMBOY-The City of Amboy Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 19, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

AMBOY-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits for seniors or disabled citizens at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Road, on Wednesday, Aug. 21, 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, Aug. 21, by appointment only. Call the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to schedule an appointment.

AMBOY-The Lee County Health Department will hold a Blood Pressure Clinic at the Amboy Food Pantry, 37 N. Jones, from 8 to 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 21. Call LCHD at 815-284-3371 for

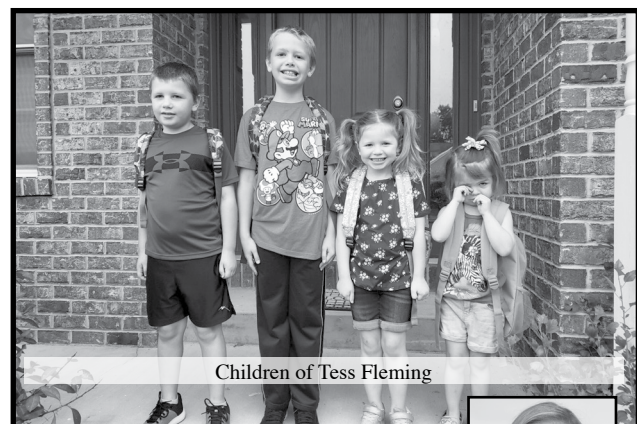
more information.

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 third Wednesday of the month drive, Aug. 21, will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The first Wednesday of the month drive will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 4. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

AMBOY-A Crochet/Knitting Club will be held from 12 to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 21, and every 3rd Wednesday of the month, at Pankhurst Memorial Library, 3 S. Jefferson. There is no charge and all levels are encouraged to attend. Call 815-994-1536 for more information.

AMBOY-Depot Days will be held Thursday, Aug. 22, through Sunday, Aug. 25. See our special Depot Days section in today's edition.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 26, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.



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Aviation scholarship available for SVCC students

DIXON—Applications for the new scholarship are being accepted for the Dixon Municipal Airport-SVCC Aviation Scholarship for students who complete their certification through SVCC Community Education at the Dixon Municipal Airport. Applicants may be eligible to receive a reimbursement award of \$500 to \$1,000.

Please direct scholarship questions to the Sauk Valley College Foundation by calling 815-835-6329. Scholarship applications are available at svcc.edu/scholarships. Students interested in the Aviation Private Pilot Ground Training course may contact Brenda Helms at 815-835-6212, AVA Private Pilot Ground 80077, T, 5:30-8 p.m., Sept. 9-Dec. 3, 2019.

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Richard Earl (Dick) Dewey Sept. 20, 1932 - Aug. 7, 2019

MENDOTA — On Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2019 Richard Earl (Dick) Dewey, of Mendota, died suddenly in his home at the age of 86.

Dick was born Sept. 20, 1932 in Amboy, to Earl and Alice (Andrews) Dewey. In 1949 Dick joined the army and served as a military driver in Tokyo, Japan for high ranking officers and served in battle in South Korea as a tank driver during the Korean War.

In 1953 Dick married Shirley Hubbell, remaining married 37 years. In the 50's Dick operated a milk route in the Amboy area. In 1958 Dick sold the milk route and attended barber school. Dick was a longtime barber at the former Dixon State School from 1964 – 1982. He was a practicing barber for 60 years having just sold Dick's Lakeside Barbershop, in Mendota, earlier this year.

Since childhood Dick has been an active member of the First Baptist Church in Amboy. Dick was married in the church. For decades Dick has generously volunteered his time at the church as Deacon, Sunday school teacher and choir singer. This summer Dick joined in and helped with the church's youth camp and vacation bible school. Dick was a

member of Mendota's VFW Post 4079. He loved to travel, including annual family Canadian fishing trips. Dick also loved driving whether it be an army tank, a milk truck, a boat an Oldsmobile or an Escalade – all sorts of tanks. Dick greatly enjoyed his weekends spending time with his family, helping with projects and enjoying meals together.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, sister Elverta, brother Clarence, sister Betty Thompson, grandson Corey Dewey, and son-in-law Michael Draper.

Dick is survived by his children, Sandra Draper, of Amboy, Rich (Monica) Dewey, of Mendota, Brian Dewey (Michael Tighe), of New York, N.Y., Brett (Sheila) Dewey, of Amboy; three grandchildren, Jonathan Draper, Matthew (Katie) Draper, Annette (Greg) Cyrocki; three step grandchildren, Ashley (Johnny) Bulfer, Josh (Bree) Shepard, Chelsea White; granddaughter in law Heather (Nicholas) Schmidt; nine great-grandchildren, Curtis and Madison Draper, Ashton, Logan, Meghan Dewey, and Ellyn Schmidt, Anna and Blake Cyrocki and Alyxandria Shepard.

He is also survived by his



brother Robert Dewey, of Amboy, aunt Elverta (Vertie) Eller, of Amboy and ex-wife Shirley Okland.

Dick will always be remembered as a generous, patient and loving person, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

Visitation was held from 4 – 8 p.m., on Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2019, at the First Baptist Church in Amboy with the Rev. Rocky Fritz officiating.

Burial with military honors by the Amboy American Legion will follow at Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy.

A memorial has been established. Condolences may be sent to www.thejonesfh.com.

Ansteth to celebrate 95th birthday

AMBOY – Clara Mae Ansteth is celebrating her 95th birthday. Join her in celebration at the Community Building in Amboy on Sunday, Aug. 25 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The omission of gifts is requested. Birthday wishes may be sent to her at 323 West Pieronnet St., Amboy, IL 61310.



Kish nursing program accepting applications Sept. 1 to Sept. 15 for Spring admission

MALTA — The Kishwaukee College nursing program is accepting applications from Sept. 1 – Sept. 15 for Spring 2020. Applications may be mailed or placed in the Health & Education Division locked box outside room B1222.

Up to 40 students will be accepted into the program for the upcoming semester.

An additional 10 students may apply for an evening cohort that will also be offered. Students will take nursing classes Tuesday and Thursday evenings and on Saturdays.

Kish offers a 2-year degree in Regis-

tered Nursing and a Registered Nursing to Bachelor of Science dual enrollment program with Northern Illinois University for students interested in earning a 4-year degree. The nursing program is accredited through the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). The last two graduating cohorts of the program achieved a 100 percent first-time pass rate on their national nursing exam.

For more information, visit www.kish.edu/nursing or contact Mindy Finch, dean of instruction and director of nursing, at mfinch1@kish.edu or 815-825-9439.

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July 29 - Jennifer Staley, Sycamore, \$25

July 30 - Jan Hansen, Overland Park, Kansas, \$25

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I would like to nominate Ashley Noble for the thank you neighbor rose. She came and got kids for the day on Wednesday. They had lunch, went swimming and played together. She was then so kind to take to Dairy Delite for ice cream.

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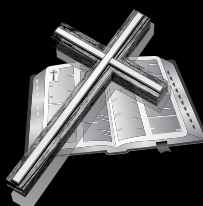
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THE PASTOR'S PEN

Celebrating Mary, Immaculate Mother of God

BY FATHER TIMOTHY DRAPER

On Thursday, Aug. 15, the Catholic Church will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this Solemnity, Catholics celebrate the mystery that "Mary, Immaculate Mother of God ever Virgin, after finishing the course of her life on earth, was taken up in body and soul to heavenly glory" (Pope Pius XII, *Munificentissimus Deus*, Nov. 1, 1950).

Mary's bodily assumption into heaven is a dogma of the Catholic faith, that is, a truth contained in divine revelation. Pope Pius XII wrote that Mary "was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death" (Ibid.).

As Mary uniquely shared in her Son's mission on earth, so too she shares uniquely in his glory in heaven. Her "yes" to the archangel Gabriel ushered in the Incarnation, the Son of God becoming man (cf. Lk 1:26-38). Without losing her virginal integrity, she gave birth to Jesus in Bethlehem, wrapping him in swaddling clothes and lying him in a manger (cf. Lk 2:1-7). She nursed him, cared for him, and presented him to God in the Temple (cf. Lk 2:22-38). She brought him to the Temple in Jerusalem to worship his Heavenly Father (cf. Lk 2:41-52).

During his public ministry, she followed him as his most faithful disciple, hearing the word of God and keeping it with all her heart (cf. Lk 2:19; Mt 12:46-50; Lk 11:27-28). When

he was crucified, she stood at the foot of his cross, embracing the Beloved Disciple, St. John, as her own son (cf. Jn 19:25-27). Having felt the sword of suffering pierce her own heart at her Son's death and burial (cf. Lk 2:34-35), how fitting it is that she should uniquely share in his Resurrection from the dead and Ascension into heaven! Mary's Assumption "is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 966). Mary "already shares in the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of his Body" (Ibid., 974). This mystery foreshadows our own destiny of being body and soul in heaven with God. As Mary exercised her spiritual motherhood over the early Church, gathered with and around her in prayer, so Mary "continues in heaven to exercise her maternal role on behalf of the members of Christ" (Pope St. Paul VI, *Credo of the People of God*, 15; cf. Acts 1:13-14).

The Solemnity of the Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation – a day when good Catholics attend Mass just as they do on Sundays. The Mass times for the Solemnity of the Assumption are: Wednesday, Aug. 14 – 5:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Church in Amboy and 7 p.m. at St. Flannen Church in Harmon; Thursday, Aug. 15 – 7 a.m. at St. Patrick Church in Amboy and 6 p.m. at St. Mary Church in Walton. What a great way to begin the new school year by entrusting ourselves and our students to the prayers and maternal protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

2019 Singing Bird Chautauqua at Franklin Creek State Natural Area

FRANKLIN GROVE – The Franklin Creek Conservation Association has revived a long-standing tradition by hosting the Singing Bird Chautauqua at Franklin Creek State Natural Area. The 5th Annual Chautauqua will be held on Sunday, Sept. 29.

Pronounced shuh-TAW-kwuh, this traditional form of entertainment is a celebration of American Life. Historic and contemporary topics are presented at the Chautauqua by speakers and performers with a variety of perspectives on culture, art, history, innovation, philosophy and nature. The Chautauqua experience is both thought provoking and entertaining at the same time.

This modern Chautauqua is a family-oriented event where you can hear important voices from yesterday and today with inspiring storytelling,

exciting new ideas and engaging musical performances. Hear the true tales of what shaped us as a nation from the people who lived them as well as presenters with exciting ideas that will shape our lives and communities in the years to come.

This year, the theme at the Singing Bird Chautauqua is "The Forest, the Trees and the Autumn Leaves." History, nature, music, art and good food will abound. The community is invited to join us as we celebrate Native Americans, with the help of Kim Sigafus an internationally-published award-winning Ojibwa author and speaker, and co-owner of McIver Publishing.

There will be a live Eagle presentation by Hoo Haven, a wildlife rehabilitation and education center from Durand. Learn more about the

usefulness of Bison during a presentation by the FCCA about how the Bison sustained Native American life and culture. A woodland nature walk, tours of the historic Franklin Creek Grist Mill, crafts, horse decorating, live music, and Bison burgers will add to the edutainment value of the festival. Sigafus will have the final presentation of the day, Celebration of Native American Culture through Music and Dance.

This is a free program brought to you by the Franklin Creek Conservation Association. Bison burgers and other delicious food will be available for purchase from noon to 5:30 p.m. along with items from the gift store.

All programs will be held at the Franklin Creek State Natural Area in the big tent at the Franklin Creek Grist Mill, 1893 Twist Road, Franklin Grove.

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The Book Nook

By:
Tatjana Kazan

With Friends Like These

Audrey Hepburn once quipped that all she needed to know about a character was the clothes she had to wear for the part. In British author Claire McGowan's "What You Did," the emotional depth of her characters never strays beyond the clothes they wear. A tedious and rather lazy stratagem – why, for goodness' sake, should the reader care – yet it does manage to convey the comprehensive superficiality of her narrator. Ali is a suburban housewife who is given to talking about her life in self-satisfied clichés: "These days, now that everything is over, I often find myself thinking of the moment it all changed. The small slice of time when my life went from perfect, or, OK, not perfect but pretty good at least, to utterly ruined."

The moment Ali is describing is when late one night after a drunken party, Karen, Ali's best friend of 25 years, staggers into her kitchen, bruised, a trickle of blood running down her thigh, sobbing that she has been raped. Falling dramatically to her knees, Karen accuses Ali's husband Mike of raping her. Karen is one of a group of friends who has gathered at Ali and Mike's for a reunion. Though they were inseparable during their time at Oxford University, most have not seen each other in over two decades.

Ali, who is proud to volunteer at a women's shelter, knows all too well about violent rapes, but without hesitation, she takes her husband's side against her best friend. In their college days, Mike, a rich, spoiled fellow, was the big catch, and Ali snagged him when she gave Mike an alibi in an unsolved murder case. Ali was richly rewarded with a good marriage, two children, a posh mansion in the Kent countryside, and the respectability of the English upper class.

Ali sets about defending her husband, as well as solving the mystery of the old murder. McGowan is not shy about piling on – she tosses multiple adulteries, two attempted murders, cyber bullying, and additional treacheries and betrayals into the mix. Quite a bit for a suburban housewife to handle. But she does, even though only two characters, Ali's young son Benji and Bill, a saintly and ruggedly handsome member of the group, are moderately likeable. The rest, including Ali, are liars and manipulators, but she at least wears stylish clothes.

Educational Briefs

UW-Madison announces spring graduates

MADISON, Wis. – Nearly 7,000 students received degrees during the University of Wisconsin-Madison's spring commencement ceremonies, May 10-11, 2019.

Locally, Maggie Bushman, of Dixon, graduates from the College of Letters and Science, Bachelor of Arts-Journalism, Journalism.

The ceremony for doctoral, MFA and Medical Degree graduates was May 10 at the Kohl Center, bachelor's, master's and law graduates received their degrees May 11 at Camp Randall.

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Opinion

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Mental health treatment a good place to start in reducing mass shootings

Last week, I sat in this small Texas town and listened to a mother tell me how a gunman killed her son as he hunkered in a classroom closet.

Her boy was one of 10 people killed in the May 18, 2018, shooting at Santa Fe High School.

In the wake of the tragedy, she works in a counseling center that is helping the community heal.

I'm glad psychiatric care is available for the victims, but there might not be any victims if the shooter had received such care.

After all, what mentally well person would shoot-up a mall, a store or a school?

In recent years, our alternatives for dealing with the dangerously mentally ill have diminished.

According to an Ohio State University Study, there were 400,000 patients in American mental hospitals in 1950, a time when the population of the United States was half what it is today.

Today, that number is about 30,000.

The de-institutionalization of the mentally ill began in the

Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



1970s with the best of intentions. The idea was to transition these troubled souls into community-based out-patient care. Instead, millions ended up homeless on American streets.

Communities such as East Moline, Galesburg, Kankakee, Jacksonville and Peoria once housed large state facilities dedicated not only to caring for the afflicted but protecting society from the potentially dangerous.

And the story is the same in other states. Closing mental institutions, after all, was a national phenomenon.

If the rate of hospitalization had kept pace with population growth, about one million Americans would be receiving in-patient care for mental health issues, Dr. E. Fuller Torrey, founder of the Treatment Advocacy Center, said in a recent Wall Street Journal column.

Perhaps not surprisingly, the frequency of mass shootings has increased steadily since the 1980s, when the closing of state mental hospitals reached its peak.

Torrey noted that multiple studies have reported that, at any given time, between 40% and 50% of those who in an

earlier era would have received hospital care are receiving no treatment for their mental illness.

America emptied its public psychiatric hospitals without ensuring that the released patients would receive the necessary treatment to control their symptoms. We should not be surprised by these outbreaks of violence.

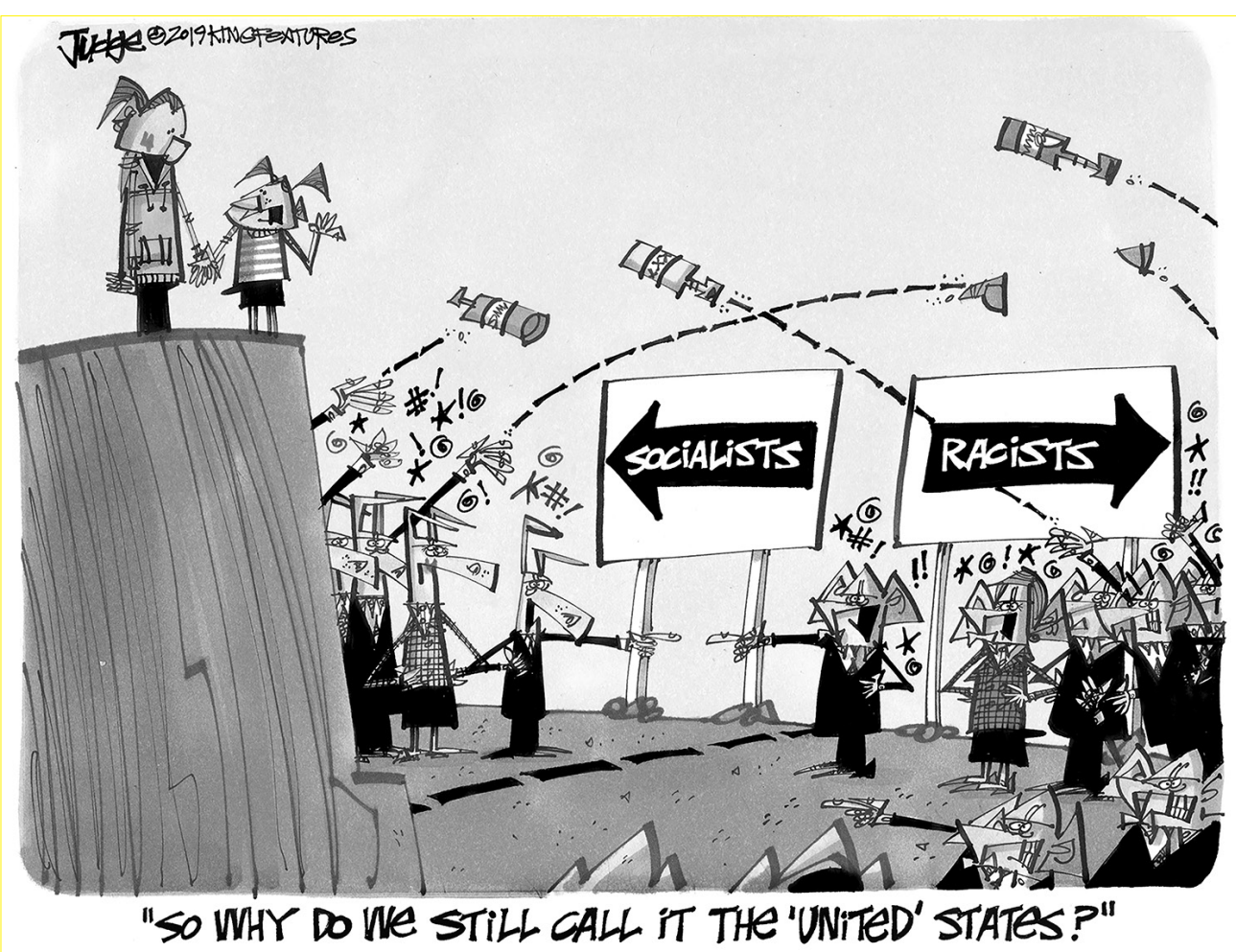
Torrey notes, multiple studies done between 2000 and 2015 suggest that about a third of mass killers have an untreated severe mental illness. If mental illness is defined more broadly, the percentage is higher. In 2018 the FBI released a report that found that 40% of the shooters had received a psychiatric diagnosis, and 70% had "mental health stressors" or "mental health concerning behaviors" before the attack.

But thinking in a broader since, what rational person would commit a mass murder?

Mandatory injectable antipsychotic medication, which can be effective for as long as three months, may be something we should consider for individuals who refuse to take their medication. And, yes, we may need to consider expanding in-patient treatment options as well.

Is mental health treatment the only factor in reducing mass shootings? No. But it's a good place to start.

Scott Reeder is a veteran statehouse journalist and a freelance reporter. He can be reached by email at ScottReeder1965@gmail.com.



On This Day in History

100 Years Ago Aug. 15, 1919

Mrs. Henry Smith and daughter and sister Miss Helen Graf departed Monday on a trip for Beatrice, Neb.

Miss Maud Theiss expects to leave the latter part of this week for Mendota to take charge of the hospital during the absence of Dr. Harris.

A special train from Freeport will leave Amboy at 6:11 a.m., Aug. 20 for the Illinois State Fair. Returning will leave Springfield at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 21.

75 Years Ago Aug. 10, 1944

An order has been entered by Lee County Judge Grover W. Gehant declaring the Amboy Fire Protection District organized.

Peter Poulos, formerly of Dixon, announces that his Amboy Neighborhood

Grocery on North Mason Avenue is open for business. Mr. Poulos recently purchased the Spencer service station and has completely remodeled the building for his grocery and market.

Miss Erna Hoffman and Miss Marjorie Conibear were graduated Aug. 4 with the degree of Science and Education from Northern Illinois State Teachers College in DeKalb.

50 Years Ago Aug. 14, 1969

A total of \$1,068.09 went to the Lee County 4-H members who exhibited animals in the Quality Meat Division of their 1969 4-H Fair.

Congratulations are in order for the Eldena Wonder Workers 4-H Club, the County Softball Champions. They will represent us at the State Sport Festival at Springfield on Aug. 19.

25 Years Ago Aug. 18, 1994

Stefanie Garder, of Amboy, always wanted to go abroad and her wish was granted this summer by participating in Rotary Youth Exchange. The 17-year-old daughter of Steve and Kathy Gardner recently returned from a month in the Netherlands, living with a Dutch family and comparing and contrasting the life of a teenager in that European nation.

Two Amboy residents, Jeff Schnaiter and Scott Wittenauer, were on the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Safety Team for the Inaugural NASCAR race Aug. 6. Wittenauer was assigned to gate 10, which checked in the campers during the night, while Schnaiter worked at Gate 7, the infield parking entrance. Both men enjoyed working there and meeting many new people and a few of the drivers.

Letters to the Editor

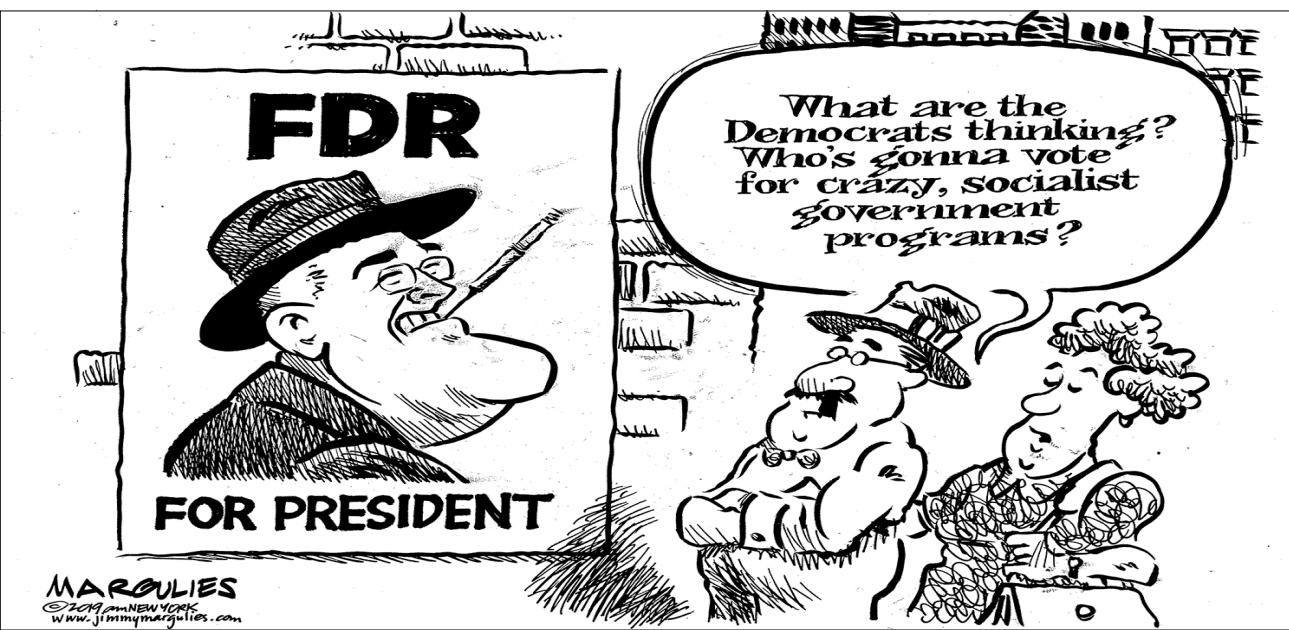
Residents applaud business owners for improvements

Dear Editor,

A big shout out to Steve Selmani for the improvements he recently made to the outside of his building, the Amboy Family Restaurant. It really helps the look of the downtown

business district.

Lavina Marschang and Darlene Hinkle
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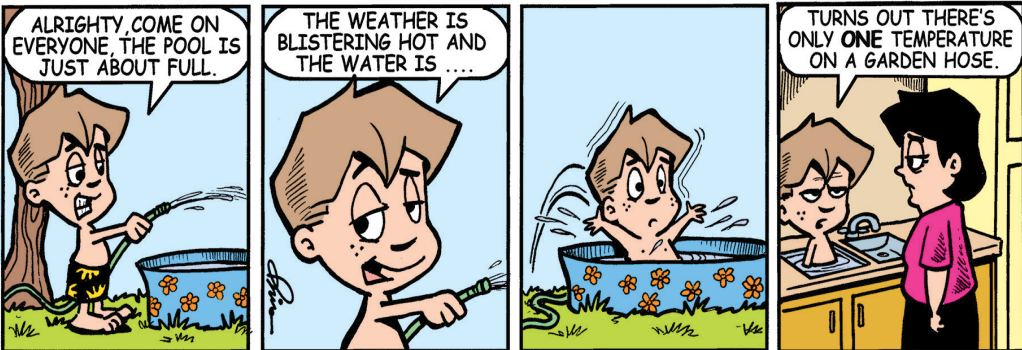
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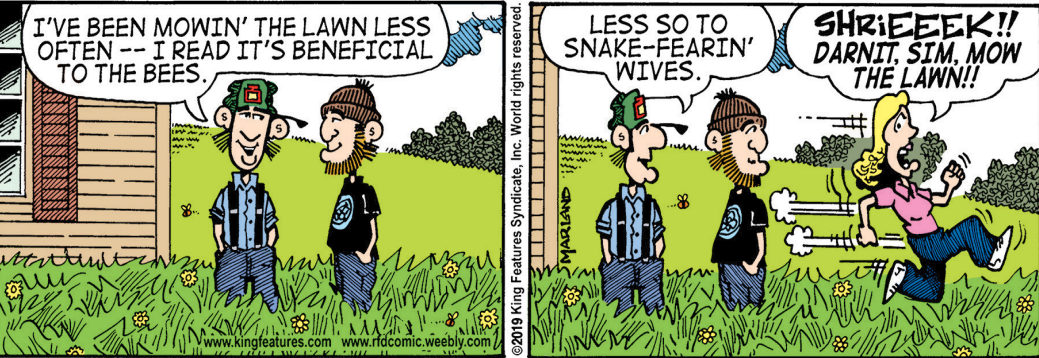
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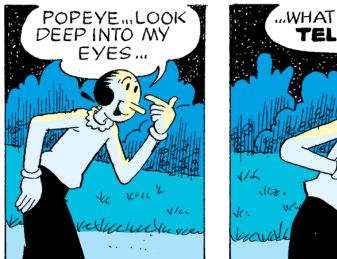
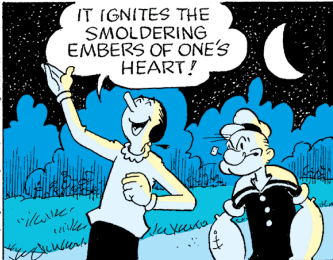
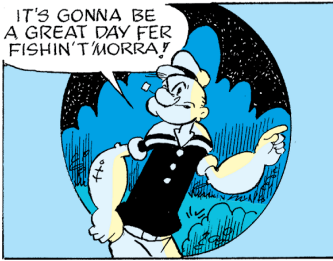
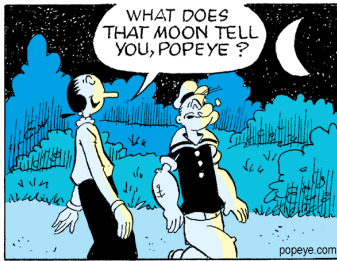
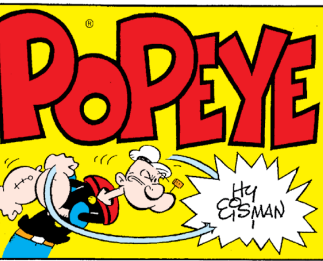
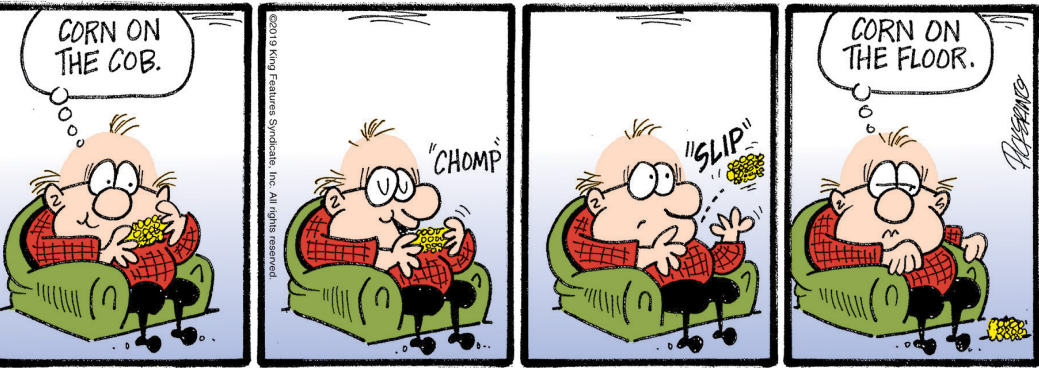
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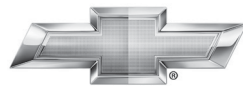
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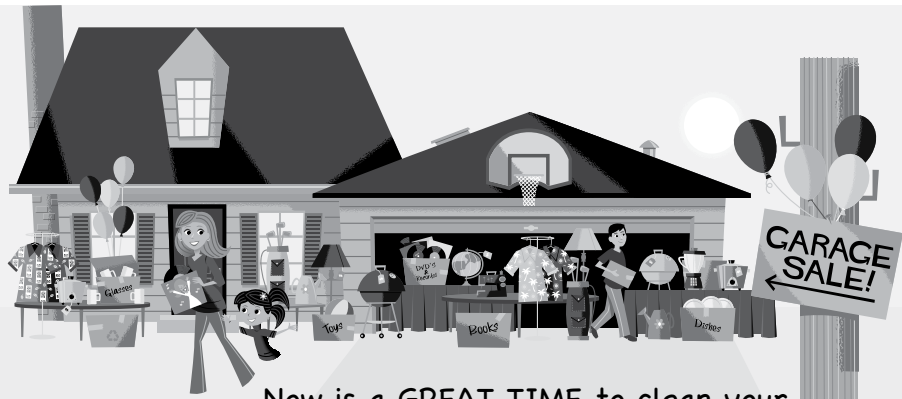
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Illinois high schools can now offer hunter safety courses for credit

SPRINGFIELD – A bipartisan-backed law passed last month gives Illinois public schools the option of offering hunter safety education for course credit.

Currently, anyone born after Jan. 1, 1980, must take a class and get a certificate in order to qualify for a valid hunting license. Classes are offered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, are affordable, and generally take place over the course of two days.

Jeff Hopkins, the department's safety education administrator, says that allowing

students to take the classes in high school makes it more convenient for them and exposes more people to the idea of hunter safety.

Before the law was passed, some schools offered hunter safety as part of a larger curriculum, such as natural resource management, he said. Now they can offer it for credit. And the Illinois Department of Natural Resources is happy to help.

"It (the law) is a wonderful thing," he said. "If more teachers want to become certified, we'll put them through the process, make

them certified instructors, and they can offer and can teach the program in the schools. We already have the standardized materials and manuals for the students."

The department's course meets international standards, Hopkins said, and Illinois hunters who have state certification can hunt in all 50 states, which is not the case for older hunters who might have just purchased licenses.

Hopkins stressed that hunting safety is about much more than handling firearms.

"Hunter safety features how to be safe in the

field, and that incorporates everything from hunter responsibilities, hunter ethics, wildlife conservation, wildlife management," he said. "We talk about state regulations and laws."

"Archery, bow hunting – that's a big thing now, and then we definitely have to cover tree-stand safety, because individuals now are doing a lot of hunting out of the trees. Actually, the majority of hunting incidents that we have now are tree-stand falls."

So, the new law, he said, "is definitely a plus for the students."

New graduation requirement for Illinois high school students: File a FAFSA

BY JIM MORAN

The Center Square

SPRINGFIELD – High school seniors in Illinois will soon be required to fill out a federal financial aid request before getting a diploma.

A new law that takes effect starting in the 2020-2021 school year requires students to apply for financial aid, regardless of their post-high school plans.

Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker said he signed the bill into law to help encourage more students to seek additional education after high school.

"We want Illinois' young people and anybody that wants to go to school, community college or university, to be able to do so," the governor said.

The new law requires graduating seniors to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA form. Students can opt-out by signing a document indicating they understand the FAFSA forms and choose not to take part.

FAFSA funding can be used for four-year universities, community colleges or trade schools.

There's a direct correlation between the number of students who complete the FAFSA application and the percentage of students who attend college, according to the National College Access Network. Some 90 percent of high school seniors who complete a FAFSA form attend college directly from high school. That number drops to 55 percent for those who do not complete a FAFSA form, according to the National College Access Network website.

Fish for pond stocking and restocking

ROCHELLE – On Sept. 21, the Rochelle Wildlife Conservation Club, alone with Pete Reiff and the Logan Hollow Fish Farm, will be providing fish for pond stocking and restocking.

Challen catfish, hybrid sunfish, fathead minnow, sterile grass-eating carp, hybrid redear, redear sunfish, largemouth bass, bluegill and black crappie will be available in a variety of sizes.

The deadline for ordering grass carp is Sept. 9. The deadline for ordering all other fish is Sept. 16.

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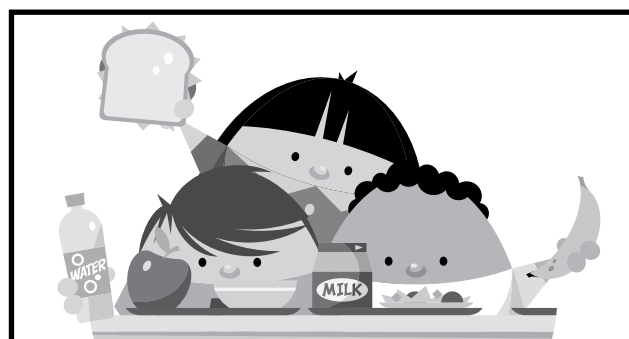
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Wednesday	- Waffles & syrup or pick two from breakfast cart - Walking taco (beef), salad, salsa, refried beans, rice, fresh cut veggies/ranch, pineapple
Thursday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Chicken bacon flatbread, salad, onion, tomato, chips, fresh cut veggies/ranch, juice cup
Friday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Breakfast for Lunch-Yogurt, eggs and cheese sticks w/ assorted cereals & grahams, juice box, dried fruit mix

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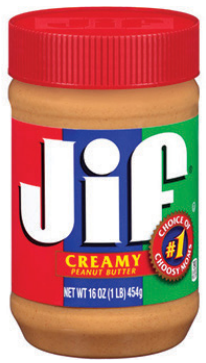
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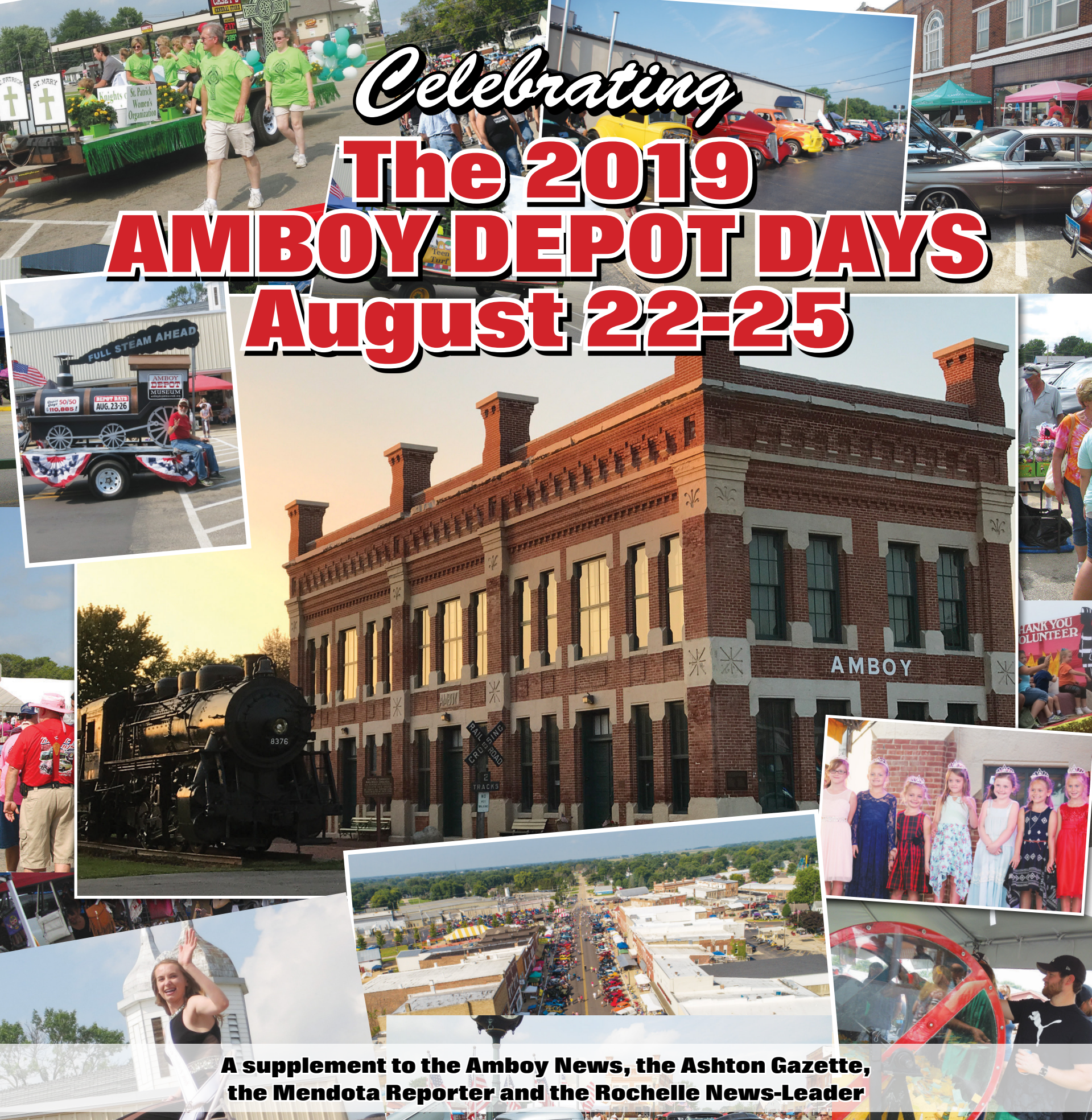
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**Amboy Mayor
John Schamberger**

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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.

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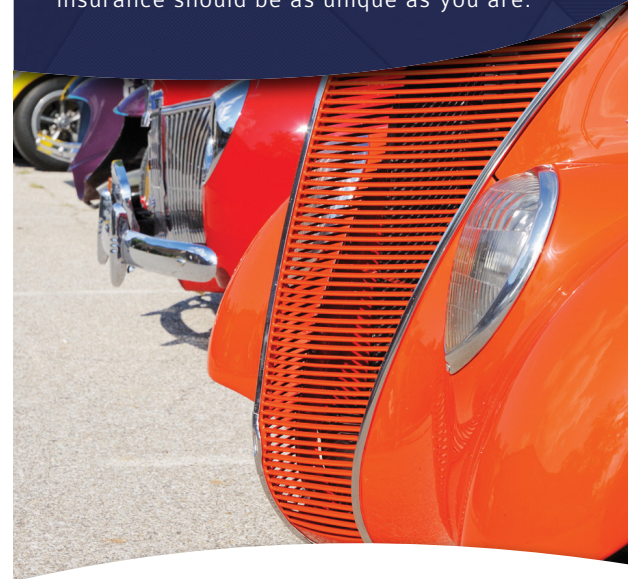
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The story behind the story is the 50/50 drawing is the most exciting part of the Amboy Depot Days for many people. As part of the Depot Days celebration the car show started having a 50/50 drawing. In the early days, the ticket holder took home 50 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 drawing grew over the years and

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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COMPTON:

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Ticket sales will end on Saturday, Aug. 24 at noon, at the Compton, Dixon, 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.

DIXON: Shamrock Pub

Drawing Sunday, August 25 after the Car Show

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RAFFLE continued from page 3

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

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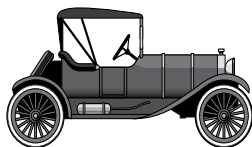
Typically, they are sold right up until time for the drawing, which is at 4 p.m. on the day of the car show. Winners need not be present to win. You can follow the drawing information on Facebook at Amboy Depot Days 50/50 Drawing.

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."

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.

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-

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.

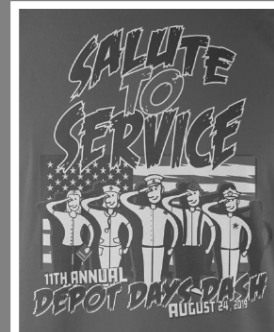
There is no entry fee to be in the Depot Days Parade. Registration is not required but appreciated, to register, call Ken Novak, parade chairman, at 815-440-8866 (cell) or 815-288-2760 (work), e-mail amboyionsclub@gmail.com or register online at amboyionsclub.com.



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Saturday, August 24



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AMBOY DEPOT DAYS

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
Depot Museum

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.

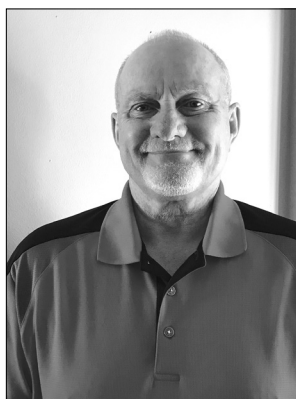
Bill was born in the Amboy Hospital and was raised near Franklin Grove. He attended a one-room school and a two-room school until high school. There were rarely any classmates in his grade level. Bill graduated from Franklin Center High School and went on to get his BS and MS degrees from Illinois State 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 Kenley 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), Bib timing provided by Accu-split, and is USATF certified.

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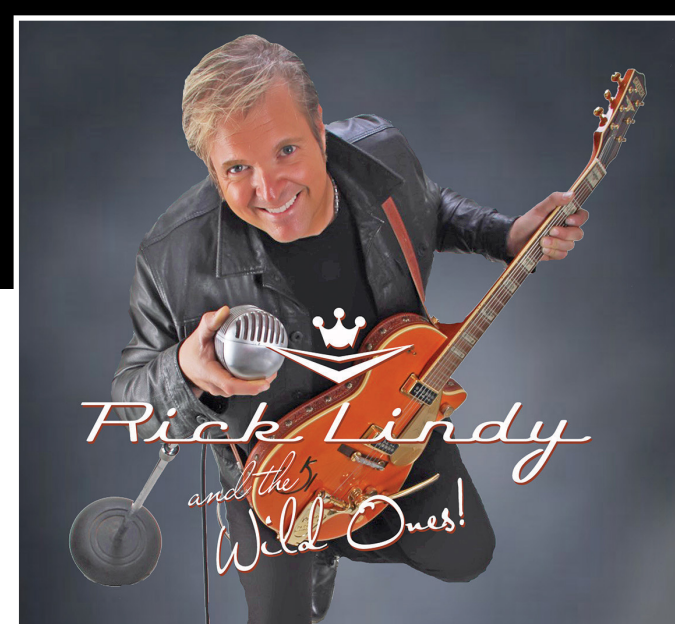
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Be sure to browse through the colorful downtown booths and see all the unique handmade items offered by crafters this year. In addition, vendors with all types of new merchandise will line the streets of Amboy.

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.



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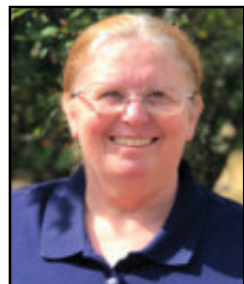
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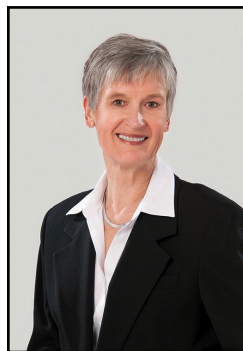
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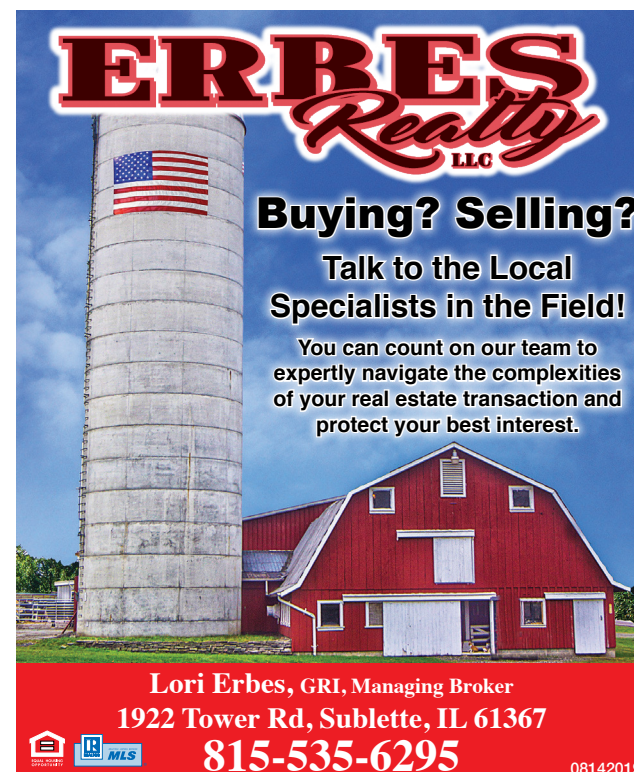
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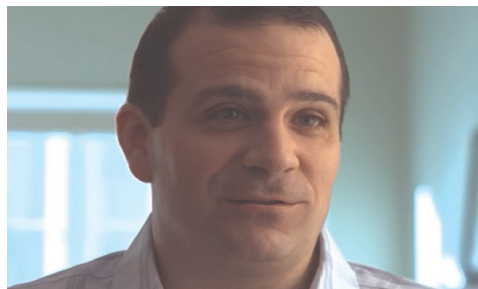
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Area's biggest and best car show returns to Amboy Sunday, Aug. 25

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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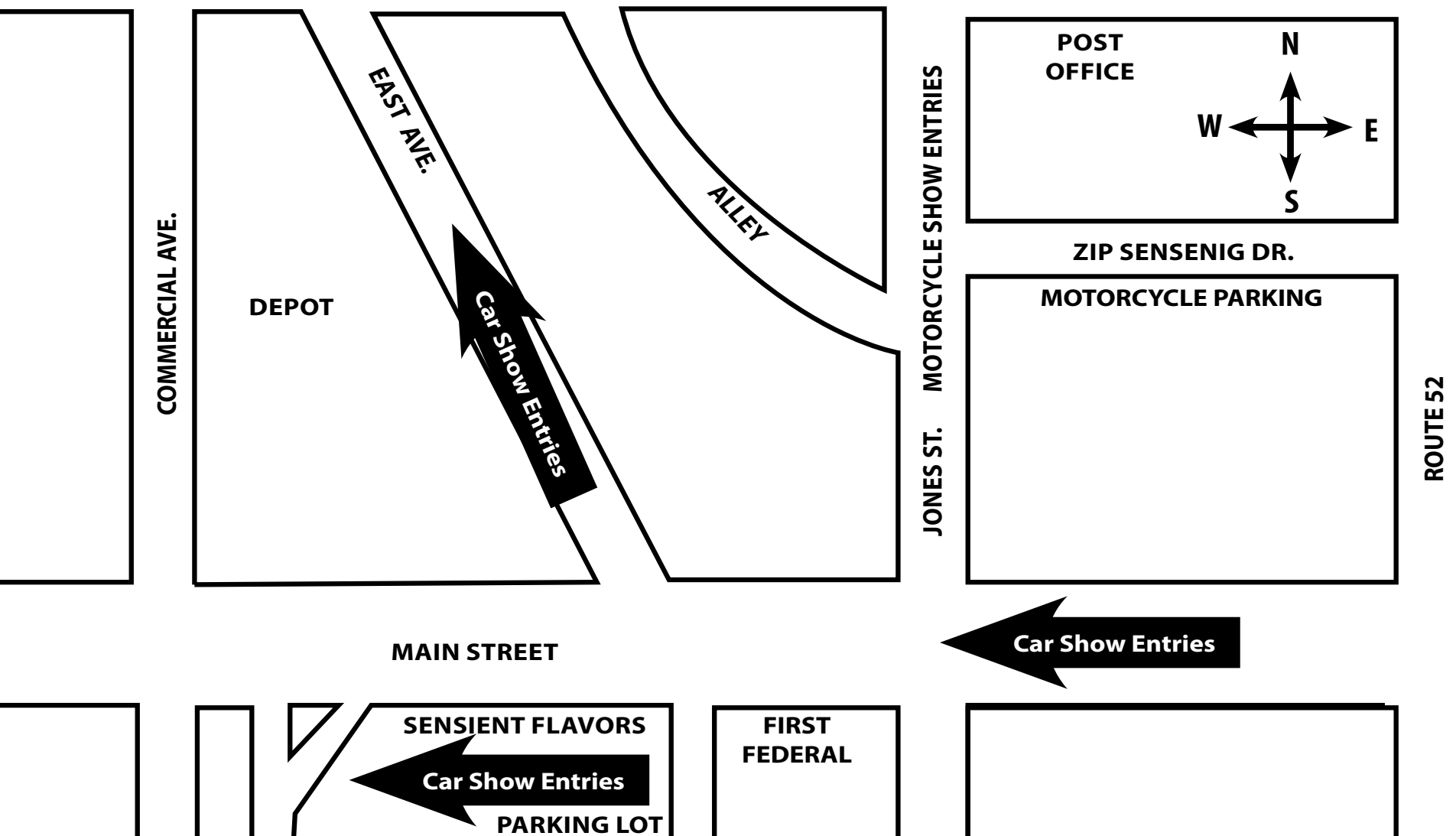
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2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS CAR SHOW MAP



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.

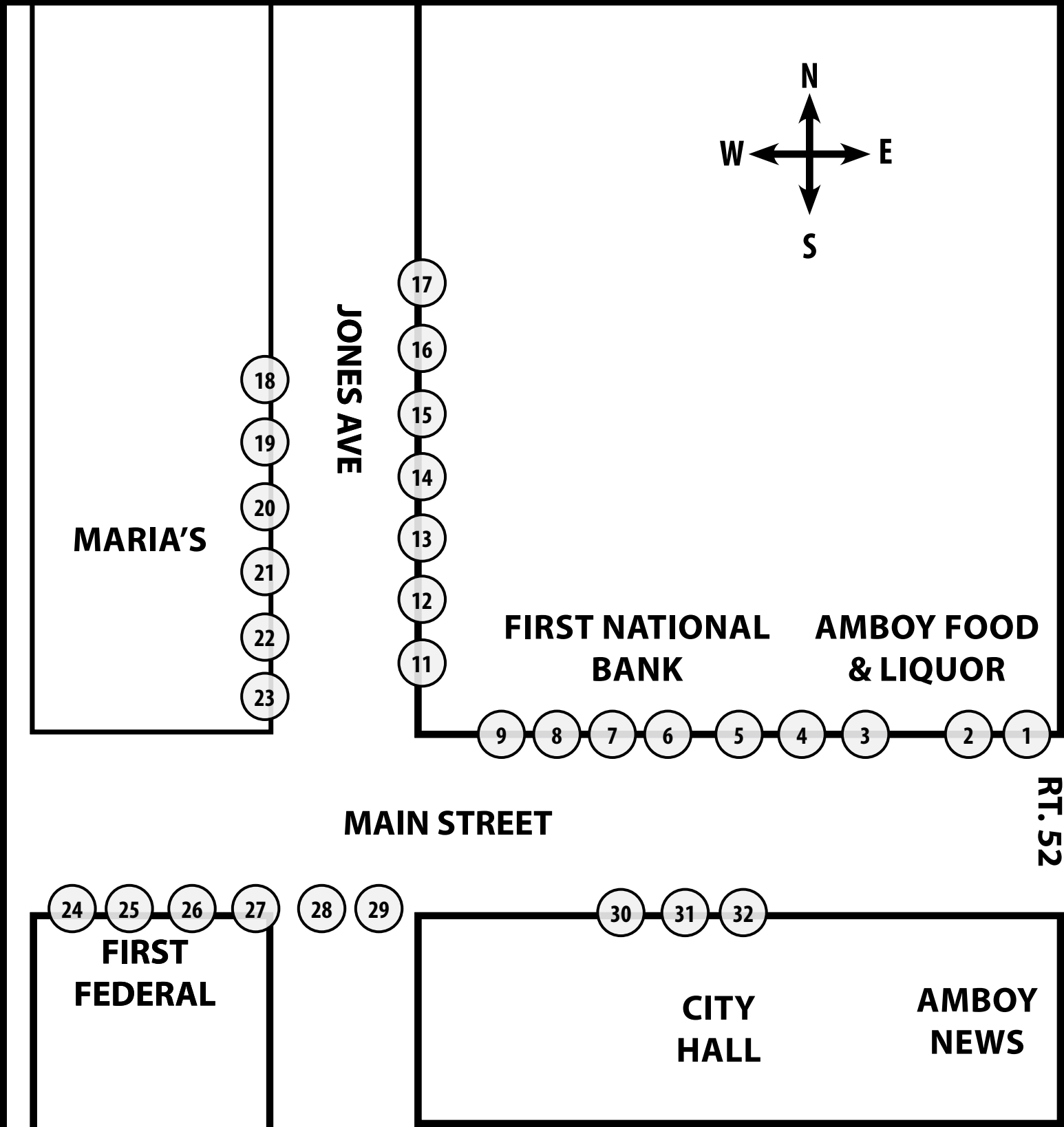


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22. Hair Bows
23. Quilts/Bears/ Kitchen Towels
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28. Lotions/creams
29. Peaches
30. Perfectly Posh
31. Paparazzi

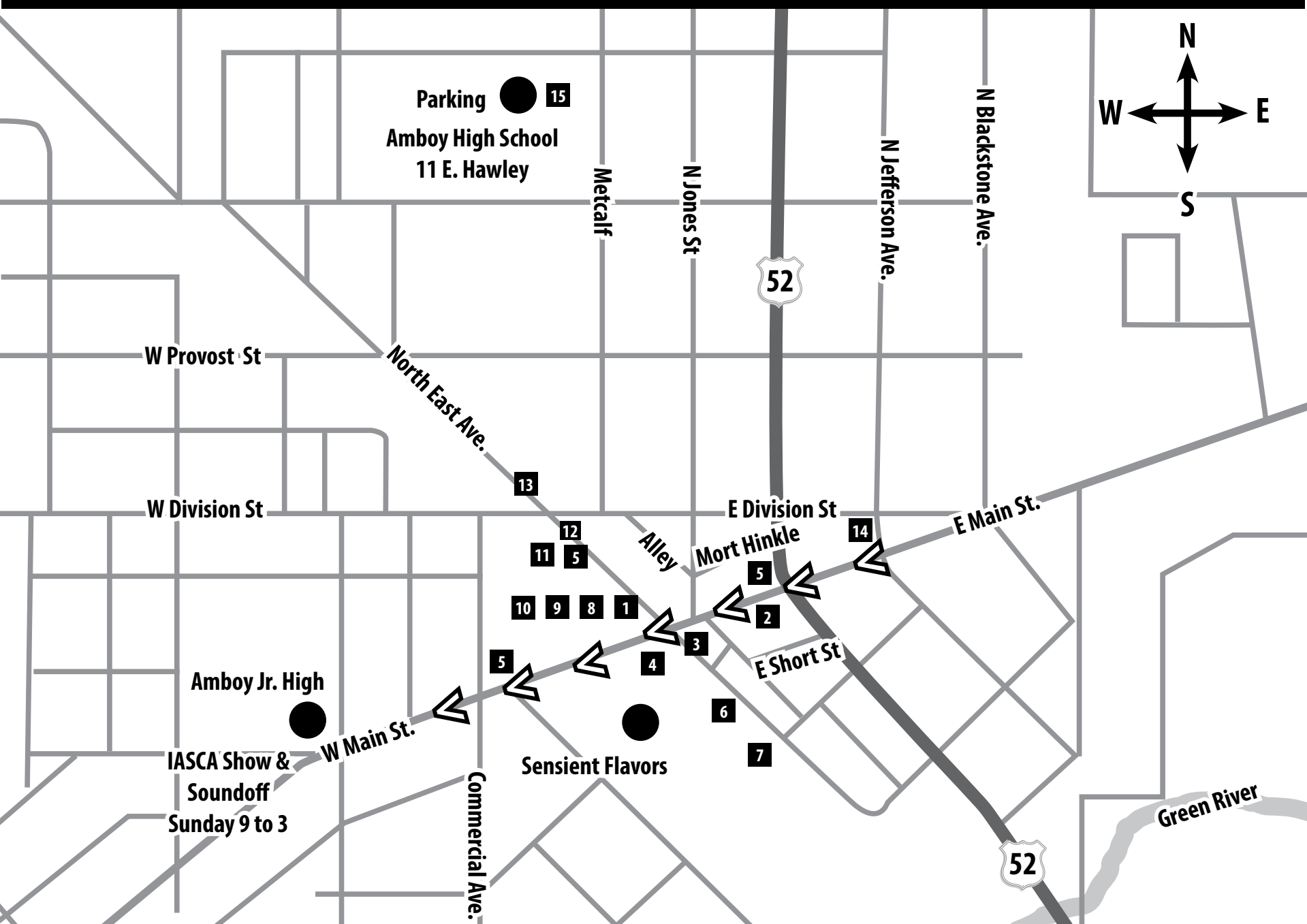
2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS VENDOR MAP



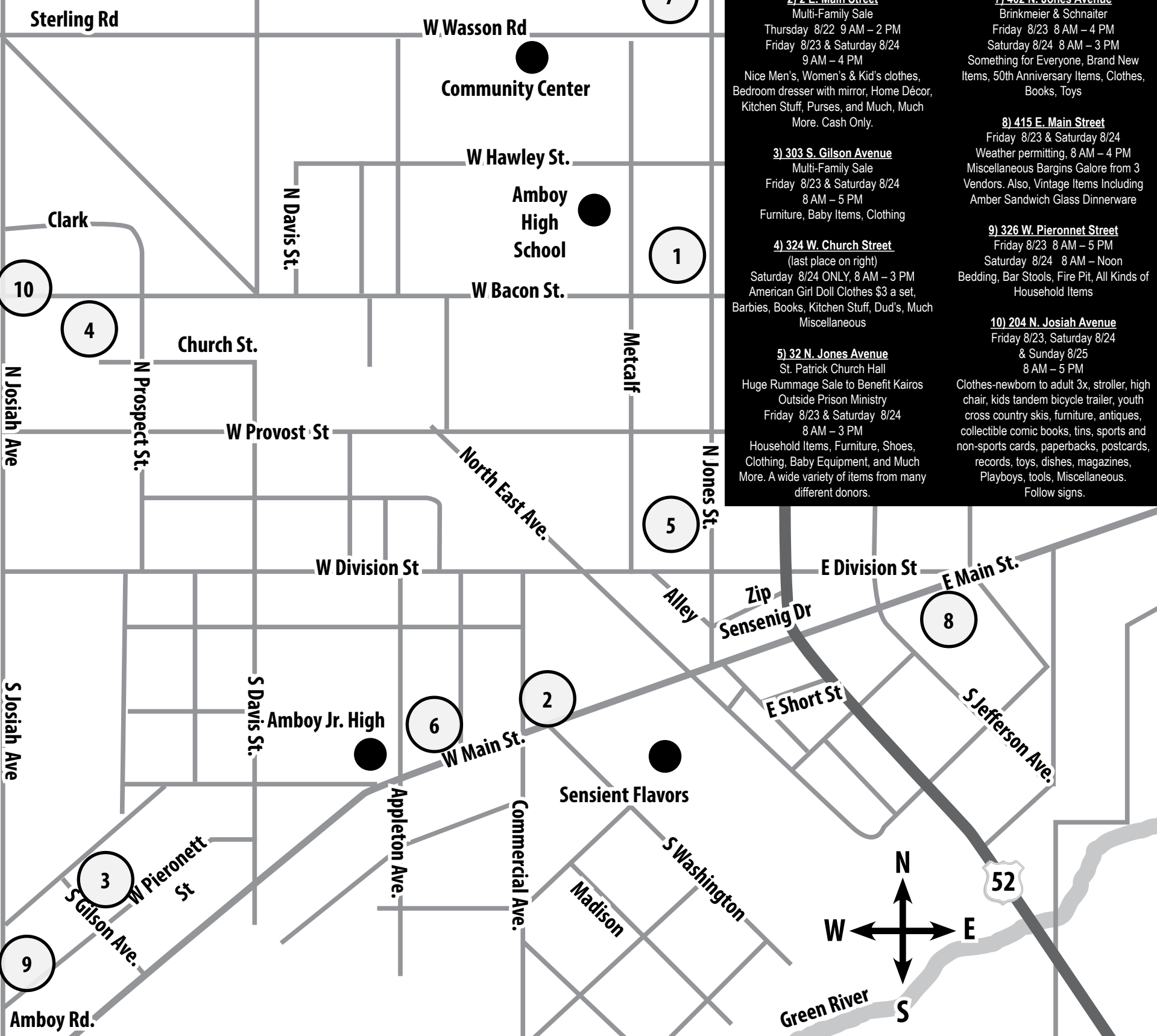
2019 AMBOY DEPOT DAYS MAP

- 1 Amboy Depot Museum
- 2 City Hall/Police Department
- 3 Information Booth
- 4 Car Show Registration/Bandstand
- 5 First Aid Station
- 6 K.C. Beer Garden
- 7 Rest Rooms
- 8 Rest Rooms

- 9 Carnival/Food Stands
 - 10 Freight House
 - 11 Palmer School
 - 12 Veterans Park
 - 13 Fire Station
 - 14 First United Church
 - 15 Parking and Free Shuttle to Downtown on Sunday
- < 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
Huge Rummage Sale to Benefit Kairos
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
non-sports cards, paperbacks, postcards,
records, toys, dishes, magazines,
Playboys, tools, Miscellaneous.
Follow signs.

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 ATV 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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