

School board gives update on stalled building project

BY BONNIE MORRIS
Editor

AMBOY – “What’s going on with the junior high building project?” That was the question asked by two community members during the Sept. 12 Amboy Board of Education meeting. Both individuals said they wondered if the project was way under budget or over budget.

To answer their question, Superintendent Joshua Nichols explained that the district had to hit “pause” on construction in July when the second bid package came in \$2 million over budget.

When the first round of bids, which were for ground work, came in about \$50,000 under budget, everything seemed to be going according to plan. That came to an abrupt halt with the second bid package, which was larger and included a significant amount of work. “Most of the items didn’t receive any bids at all and we had a number that only received one bid,” Nichols said. “CTS began going out to find companies to bid and when those numbers started coming in, it pushed the project up to \$2 million over budget.”

At that point, the district was advised to pause the project temporarily and issue a rebid. In the meantime, they also began looking for ways to reduce costs. Nichols gave the example of floor tile. The plan was to use tile that does not have to be waxed. “It’s more expensive initially, but saves on maintenance over time,” he explained. “If we use less expensive tile that has to be waxed every year, it’s cheaper but adds to the cost of maintenance. One of our goals was to save money in the long run. You begin by making changes like that.”

Nichols said another example is HVAC components. The more expensive choice is more energy efficient and offers a feature that allows portions of the building to be shut off when they are not in use. “That all adds cost,” he pointed out. “You’re saving energy down the line but the initial cost is more, so we have to look at things like that.”

For now, the board has to wait until after the rebid opening on Sept. 18 to consider their next step. Once the bids have been checked to make sure the specs are all covered, the board will know if, and how much, has to be cut from the project. Board president Nicole Jones said the Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, Sept. 26 to discuss the bids and hopefully make some decisions about moving forward.

Nichols noted that there was one bit of good news to report. “The first time we held a pre-bid meeting, we had three contractors show up. When we held a pre-bid meeting for this round, we had 13 there,” he said. “Once we see the bids, we’ll know where we have to cut and how much so we can bring it back into budget.”

Nichols emphasized that they want to get moving again as quickly as possible. Jones agreed, saying, “I hope all the bids have a reasonable number and we can get started again but will that happen, I don’t know.”

Central School Principal Joyce Schamberger, Nichols and the board all expressed their appreciation to those who took the time to come to the meeting and ask questions rather than listening to rumors on the street.

“And please, you can always come to meetings and ask questions during open forum,” Jones said. “As you can see, not many members of the public come to meetings. What you’re hearing on the street is probably not the truth. It’s better to come and get answers from us.”

Nichols emphasized that he welcomes anyone who has questions about the project to come to his office or call him at (815) 857-2164.

Jones reminded everyone that meetings now take place at Central School and are all open to the public. “The Sept. 26 meeting will start at 7 p.m. and hopefully, we’ll have some good news,” she said.

PRINCIPALS’ REPORTS

Amboy High School Principal Janet Crownhart congratulated September Student of the Month Ashley Althaus.

Curriculum and School Improvement

- The first round of informal classroom walk-throughs has been completed and evaluations are starting.
- The Building Leadership Team met on Sept 4 and discussed Xello data (college and career readiness) and the connection between PSAT scores and the ability to practice that on Khan Academy.

School Activities

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Amboy High School Homecoming 2019 this week

AMBOY — Be our guest, at Amboy High School for Homecoming 2019 week, which is Sept. 15-21. The AHS Student Council is pleased to announce this year’s theme, which is based on popular Disney/Pixar movies.

The Freshman Class has been assigned the movie “Toy Story” and the class color of yellow. Sophomores have been assigned “Cars” and the class color of orange. Juniors have been assigned “Finding Nemo” with the class color of blue, and Seniors have been assigned “Monsters Inc.” and the class color of green.

The Student Council would also like to invite the Junior High School and Central School to join in on the fun and come up with

movies and colors as well (Lion King, Aladdin, Jungle Book, etc). The student council would also like to encourage a float from each school to join in the parade.

Homecoming week kicked off with the powderpuff football tournament, held on Sunday, Sept. 15.

Voting for the high school Homecoming court members began the week of Sept. 2 at the high school. Skit Night will be held on Thursday, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m. in the AHS auditorium. Classes and organizations will perform skits, and the 2019 Homecoming Court will be presented. The King and Queen will be crowned following the skits.

The homecoming parade will be held on Friday, Sept 20, with

a start time of 2:15 p.m. and lineup beginning at 1:45 p.m. at the high school. The parade will be following a different route this year and will end back at the high school parking lot after going past Central Elementary School, and the Amboy Junior High School.

As always, the Homecoming planning committees are looking for entries to join in the parade and also to enter skits to perform on Skit Night.

The Homecoming game will be Friday, Sept 20 against the West Carroll Thunder at 7 p.m. The Amboy High School Music Department will have concessions at the game. Members of the 25 and 50 year reunion classes will be announced prior to the varsity

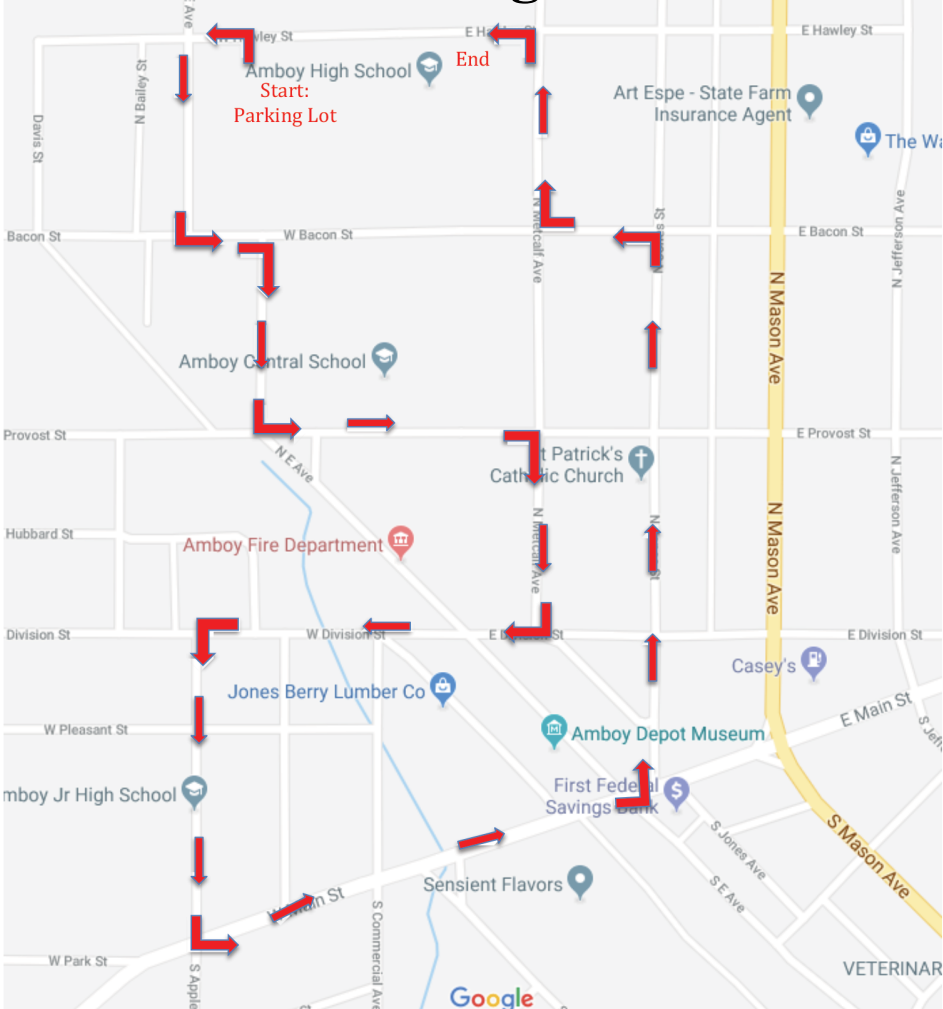
game, and the 2019 LaMoille High School and Amboy High School Homecoming Courts will also be presented prior to the game.

The high school Homecoming Dance will be Saturday, Sept 21 from 8-10:30 pm. at the high school. Tickets are pre-sold and also available at the door for a slightly higher cost. Doors will open at 7:45 p.m. for pictures, and no one will be allowed in after 8:30 p.m. As always, out of school guests must have pre-approval of the high school principal, and no guests age 21 or over are allowed.

There will be a Grand March of the Homecoming Courts at 9 p.m. Parents may attend at that time for pictures, but must leave immediately after the Grand March.



AHS Homecoming Parade Route



The AHS Homecoming Parade will leave Amboy High School parking lot at 2:20 pm and travel south on East Ave, east on Provost St past Central School, south on Metcalf Ave, west on Division St, south on Appleton Ave past the Junior High School, west on Main St, north on Jones Ave, and will end back at the high school. Parade lineup begins at 1:45 pm and all units must enter at the WEST end of the high school parking lot to be positioned in the lineup.

Illinois Terrorism Task Force distributes STOP the Bleed kits to every Illinois school

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Terrorism Task Force announced significant steps to improving trauma management training at schools in Illinois.

Following the recommendations of the School Safety Working Group, more than 7,000 STOP the Bleed kits have been distributed to schools in Illinois ahead of the 2019-2020 school year.

STOP the Bleed is a national campaign intended to train, equip and empower bystanders to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives. A STOP the Bleed kit contains a C-A-T tourniquet, QuikClot Bleeding Control Dressing, Emergency Trauma Dressing, MicroShield Mask, Nitrile gloves, Trauma shears, Permanent marker and Instruction card.

“Our top priority will always be preventing violence from occurring, but we must also be prepared for worst case scenarios,” said Acting IEMA Director Alicia Tate-Nadeau. “STOP the Bleed kits and the training that comes along with them can save lives and I applaud the Illinois Terrorism Task Force for implementing this program statewide.”

This summer, the Regional Offices of Education distributed one STOP the Bleed kit to each school in Illinois. Each school district is being asked to train a minimum of five teachers/staff in each building where children attend school.

Upon completion of this training, the Illinois Terrorism Task Force, via the Regional Offices of Education, will distribute an additional five kits to the school.

“STOP the Bleed kits provide the tools to help the public save lives, but the knowledge and confidence to save a life comes with proper training,” said Mary Connelly RN, Director of the Illinois Medical Emergency Response Team (IMERT). “With more certified trainers, the mission of helping and protecting our communities can grow.”

The Illinois Terrorism Task Force is calling on those in our medical community, volunteer organizations and police and fire community to join this mission. In order to meet the demand of the more than 5,000 public and private schools in Illinois, more trainers are needed to provide this invaluable hands-on training. IMERT, in collaboration with the Illinois Department of Public Health Division of Women’s Health, has pledged to train one thousand school nurses by February 2020. Yet, even more help is needed.

The 90-minute STOP the Bleed training was developed by the American College of Surgeons specifically for the public and is offered by trained healthcare and public safety volunteers at no associated cost to the school.

To find a training course, or learn more about how your organization can help provide training, visit www.Ready.Illinois.gov.

State increases video gaming machines from five to six machines

BY TONJA GREENFIELD
General Manager

AMBOY — The State of Illinois increased its market on gambling with the passage of Senate Bill 690. The new law was signed by Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker at the end of June. SB 690 increases the number of casinos in Illinois, makes sports betting legal, and allows video slot and poker machines at airports.

SB 690 also increases the number of video gaming machines per licensed establishment from five to six. The maximum bets placed on each machine will also increase from \$2 to \$4, and increases the maximum cash award from \$500 to \$1,199.

Locally, Barbara Harrison from The Last Alarm, asked the Amboy City Council on Monday night, if the local gaming facilities are going to be able to get a sixth machine.

Amboy City Attorney Mat Keegan said that the Amboy City Code didn’t put a limit on number of gaming terminals at each establishment. He said, per code, the establishments must do another application to the city for the additional machine, with the cost being \$25.

Harrison said the state is taking more tax revenue from businesses with gaming machines. SB 690 raises the video gaming terminals tax from 30 percent to 33 percent in the first year, and to 34 percent in the second year and beyond.

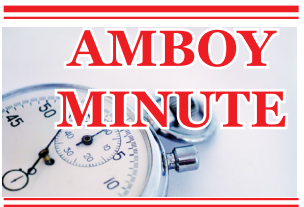
Harrison asked the council if there were any laws in town, or any limits on the amount of gaming parlors allowed.

Keegan said the only way to stop new gaming parlor establishments from coming into the city is by not having specific consumption liquor licenses available. He added the city would have to amend the ordinance of the number of liquor licenses available to allow another gaming parlor.

There are two Class D liquor licenses still available in the city. The two available are the Class D license, which is issued for the sale at retail of beer and wine for consumption on premises only at restaurants, clubs and or dance halls.

In other board news:

- The board approved the purchase of two used snow plows from the Lee County Highway Department in the amount of \$7,000.
- The board approved the appointment of Reed Akre to the Amboy Park Board.
- Amboy Mayor John Schamberger said the next Business After Hours will be held on Wednesday at Amboy Food and Liquor celebrating the new deli. He also said that the date of the Amboy Christmas Walk has been set for Saturday, Dec. 14.



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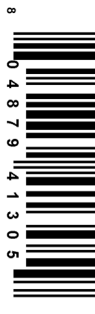
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LOCAL NEWS

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• Mrs. Cleary held tryouts for the fall play, "Clue," and rehearsals have started. Performances are scheduled for Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Nov. 16, 17 and 18.

• The Spanish Honor Society and Leo's Club sponsored a blood drive on Sept. 6 and collected over 30 units.

• Mrs. Crownhart and Mr. Schwamberger attended a NUIC (Northwest Upstate Illini Conference) meeting on Sept. 11.

• This year, AHS is having a theme for each volleyball and football game. Crownhart said students were excited about the idea when it was initially announced. She also noted the high school now gives students free admission to games with their student ID. "We have seen an increase in student participation at games - and a lot of positive comments from parents - since we began allowing students to come to the games for free," Crownhart said.

Building Activities
The first fire drill was held Sept. 13.

Principal Andrew Full, Amboy Junior High Curriculum and School Improvement

• A faculty meeting was held Aug. 26 to discuss students with 504s, Parent Square, Student Council, and the grant received from the state.

• Department meetings were held on Aug. 29 for ELA, math, social studies, science and P.E.

• The School Improve-

ment team met on Sept. 3 to discuss RtI, next steps and resources.

• Mr. Full attended the IESA Athletic Directors Workshop in Bloomington on Sept. 6.

• Math for All training was held on Sept. 9 for math teachers.

• On Sept. 11, the 5th grade team members met in the morning and 6th grade team members met in the afternoon to discuss grade level plans, RtI, and to look over data.

PBIS

• The first PBIS monthly assembly was held on Sept. 9. Several awards were handed out including Students of the Month, Clipper P.R.I.D.E., and Teacher Recognition, and a friendly game between classes was held.

• PBIS field trip forms were handed in for approval.

School Activities
• Volleyball contests have started.

• School and volleyball pictures were taken on Aug. 27.

• Student Council is underway with the assistance of Mr. Delimata and Mrs. Schabacker, who are helping Mrs. Bulfer until she returns from maternity leave.

• The PTC meeting was changed to Wednesday, Sept. 18.

Principal Joyce Schamberger, Central Elementary introduced third grade students, Anthony Sus, Owen Dallam, Sydney Noble and Landen Jackson and their teacher Mrs. Rodriguez. "They have a special project

they're helping me out with - helping the entire school - and I'm real proud of them," Schamberger said.

Rodriguez explained that as part of PBIS, Central students can earn Clipper Cash for doing positive things. Students are able to spend their Clipper Cash on items such as pencils, crayons, T-shirts, bracelets and stickers that are in the Clipper Cart. "For teachers, sometimes the Clipper Cart can be a pain because it can take a long time for students to decide on an item," she said. "I came up with an idea to have students in the math WIN group incorporate their math skills by being in charge of the Clipper Cart."

The third graders explained that students will be able to choose the items they want on their Chromebooks - similar to ordering on Amazon. The teachers will hand in the order forms and the WIN group will fill the orders.

Rodriguez said the WIN students will add the total on the orders, fill the orders and double check the math to see how much Clipper Cash each teacher should give them. In addition, the WIN group students will get paid for their work with Clipper Cash.

School Improvement/Professional Development

• Teachers and paraprofessionals worked with the ROE on Guided Reading Best Practices and the math teachers were updated on the Math for All grant requirements. "That day, we had 82 sack lunches taken by students," Schamberger said. "We were happy to serve them with sack lunches on School Improvement day, which was an early dismissal day for students."

PBIS

• The Prize Closet, where Central School students make purchases using Clipper Cash, is being stocked by suggestions from students and teachers. The Central School PTC supports the PBIS program.

• Central's Students of the Month were recognized during the SIP assembly.

Preschool

• On Sept. 4, the University of Illinois Extension presented a program titled, "Better Brains: Play," which emphasized that play is an important part of brain development for young children. The program also showed parents how to support play at home.

School Activities

• Second Step presentations began on Sept. 11 with Edie Peterson and Liz Spaulding from the YWCA of the Sauk Valley giving the program. Second Step gives programs on Social Emotional Learning and includes discussion on self-regulation skills, emotion management, problem solving skills and bullying prevention.

• On Sept. 5, Central School hosted the first Parent University for parents of students in grades kindergarten-12. "It was kind of a low turnout but those that came were happy with the information they received," Schamberger said. "We had sandwiches from the deli and we provided child care. The people who came enjoyed it. We plan to do another one maybe next semester."

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Nichols discussed changes to the meal charging policy, due to state requirements. Formerly, when students had

five meals charged, they were given an alternate meal of peanut butter, milk and fruit. "That is no longer okay," he said. "The state has changed it so we have to allow up to \$500 in charges before we can even talk to the family about it and give a secondary meal."

The district is now archiving its Facebook pages. Because Facebook is a public record, Nichols said the district has to be able to show proof of any post that was ever deleted, edited or changed. They also have to show they are being consistent and fair with the reasons for editing. "As a school district, we're supposed to be able to produce those," he said.

OTHER BUSINESS

The board approved a pair of two-year coop agreements with nearby school districts. In the first, Amboy will coop with Ashton Franklin Center, LaMoille and Ohio for wrestling for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years. Nichols said all practices and

home meets will be held in Amboy and the other school districts will be responsible for transporting their wrestlers to and from Amboy.

The second agreement is with Ohio to consolidate baseball and softball for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years. Crownhart said as of now, Ohio does not have any baseball players and they do not expect any in the next couple years but they do expect to have two softball players this year.

PERSONNEL

Following closed session, the board approved the employment of Ashley Kreiser as a paraprofessional at Central School, effective Aug. 19, and Jaclynn Koch as a health aide at Amboy High School, effective Aug. 23.

The next regular board meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 22 at Central School. The Finance Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26, also at Central School. All meetings are open to the public.

Amboy Police

Improper Backing

On Sept. 13, at 6:26 p.m., Craig A. Ulrich, 54, of Franklin Grove, was issued a citation for improper backing. He was issued a traffic citation and released after posting bond.

Driving while license suspended

On Sept. 7, at 9:12 p.m., Kattlyn F. Azevedo, 23, of Amboy, was arrested for driving while license suspended and driving uninsured motor vehicle. She was taken to the Lee County Jail.

A.C.O. to host drive at Amboy library

AMBOY — The A.C.O. will be hosting a "Memorialize A Loved One With A Book In Their Memory" through the Pankhurst Memorial Library. We are excited to be hosting this drive to help the library expand their collection. Emily Goff and her staff at the library are ordering books they feel will be of interest to the community or you can pick a book you would like to see on our library shelves. Stop in and see what's new.

SUBLETTE NEWS

SUBLETTE CAR SHOW A BIG HIT

Beautiful weather helped make the recent Sublette Country Car Show another big success. Over 150 cars, trucks and tractors were on display with visitors from six Midwestern states. There were 44 Kaiser-Frazer and Willys-Overland vehicles, more than at the National Kaiser-Frazer convention. There was also a large number of Hudsons since the Chicago-Milwaukee Hudson Club held a meet in conjunction with the show. The Chevrolet area across from Vaessen Brothers Chevrolet was filled with many Chevys.

3-D Sound provided announcements and music during the show. Everyone is already anticipating next year's show, which will be held on the Saturday following Labor Day.

Dixon Tractor Supply company store to host animal swap

DIXON — Got goats? How about chickens, rabbits or birds? If so, mark your calendars for Sep 21, 2019 because the Tractor Supply

Company store in Dixon will be hosting an animal swap event and everyone is invited.

From 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., members of the public are invited to stop by the store and engage with other animal lovers while swapping, trading or selling their small animals or livestock.

"As a leading retailer of livestock, animal and pet products, this is an event that speaks directly to the interests and lifestyle of our customers," said Montana Cooney, manager of the Dixon Tractor Supply. "We invite guests to bring everything from goats, chickens, rabbits and ducks to guineas, quail, sheep and more. Even if attendees just want to learn more about owning animals, this event is a great place to start."

In addition to the animal swap, customers will have the opportunity to enjoy the 4health Resource Center, a pet adoption, pet care 101 and a cookout. The animal swap will take place on Sept. 21, at 1810 South Galena Ave., in Dixon. Please contact the Dixon Tractor Supply store at 815-284-0422 for more details.

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LOCAL NEWS

Senator Stewart to host community events

SPRINGFIELD—State Sen. Brian Stewart (R-Freeport) will host three free community events in September and October to help constituents learn more about the local property tax system and the federal Medicare program.

On Sept. 24, Stewart will host a Property Tax Seminar, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Freeport Public Library, 100 E. Douglas St. in Freeport. Ron Kane, Stephenson County Supervisor of Assessments, will be the guest speaker. Information will be available about how tax exemptions work, and how to file an appeal regarding tax assessments.

On Oct. 9, Stewart will host a Medicare Informational Seminar from 9:30 - 11 a.m. at Carroll County Farm Bureau, Naaman Diehl Auditorium in Mount Carroll.

On Oct. 10, Stewart will host a Medicare Informational Seminar from 9:30 - 11 a.m. at Rochelle City Hall, Council Chambers, 420 N. 6th St. in Rochelle.

Facilitated by the Illinois Department on Aging, the Medicare seminars include information about who is eligible, coverage details, and how to get help with out-of-pocket expenses.

For more information, call Stewart's office at 815-284-0045.

Kish and DeKalb Illinois workNet to host Fall Job Fair on Sept. 25

MALTA—Kishwaukee College and the Illinois workNet Center in DeKalb are hosting a Fall Job Fair from 2-4 p.m., on Sept. 25, at DeKalb Rehab and Nursing Center, 2600 N. Annie Glidden Road in DeKalb. Job seekers should come prepared to fill in applications and make in-person connections with employers.

Employers that will be on site include: 4-C: Community Coordinated Child Care, Aerotek, Autism Home Support Services, Castor Home Nursing, Comfort Keepers, DeKalb County Rehab and Nursing Center, FedEx Freight, Inc., Fox Valley Community Services, FurstStaffing, Hand & Stone Massage and Facial Spa of South Elgin, Manpower of DeKalb, Menards Distribution Center in Plano, Menards of Sycamore, Milestone, Inc., MoreWithUs - Everyday Jobs, Northern Illinois University, Rochelle Foods, SonocoAlloyd, Sprint and Weber.

The staff at the DeKalb Illinois workNet Center, 6500 N. Peace Road Suite B in DeKalb, are also offering a Job Fair Preparation Workshop from 2-3 p.m., on Sept. 18. The workshop is designed to help job seekers get their specific questions answered prior to attending the fair.

The Illinois workNet Center can assist community members with soft skills training such as dressing for success, how to make a positive first impression and fair logistics. Job search assistance, pre-employment assessments in math and reading, and on-site recruitment, interviews and orientations are also services provided. All programs are free to community members.

Job seekers wanting more information on the Fall Job Fair or other programs offered by the DeKalb Illinois workNet Center should contact Linda Kocjan, employer services specialist at the DeKalb Workforce Development Office, at lkocjan@kish.edu or 815-901-0177 ext. 225.

Group to sponsor tour of Heritage Canyon

FRANKLIN GROVE—The Franklin Grove Area Historical Society is sponsoring a tour of Heritage Canyon, in Fulton, Illinois on Saturday, Oct. 12. Heritage Canyon is a 12-acre wooded structure and nature walk dotted with buildings that take the visitor back to the 1800's.

Interested persons are welcome to assemble at the Franklin Grove Library at 8:45 a.m. A car pool caravan will depart Franklin Grove at 9 a.m. There is no fee, but registration by Oct. 5 is required. Contact Karen Vlasaty 815-627-9736 to register or for more information.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AMBOY-Business After Hours will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at Amboy Food & Liquor. This after business hours mixer is open to the public, not just business owners.

AMBOY-The Amboy-Lee Center Multi-Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect Ave.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, Sept. 19, 24, 25 and 26. 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 19th Annual Clipper Kiddies All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast fundraiser will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 21, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US RT 52. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Farmers Market will be open from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, Sept. 21, at the Lions Shelter in the Amboy Depot parking lot, 30 E. Main St. The market will be held each Saturday. Call Alice Dukes at 815-857-4015 for more information.

ROCK FALLS-The American Red Cross will have a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 21, at the Rock Falls Whiteside County Airport, 10950 Hoover Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

MORRISON-The Fulton Saddle Club will have trail

rides at Morrison Rockwood State Park on Saturday, Sept. 21, at 2 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 22 at 10 a.m. Call Larry Greenwood at 815-499-4680 or Susie Patton at 815-772-7593 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 23, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

STERLING-The U of I Extension will host monthly Wits Fitness classes, interactive activities designed to exercise your brain, on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at the Sterling Public Library, 102 W. Third St. To register, call 815-632-3611 or online at go.illinois.edu/witsfitness.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department will have Glucose and Cholesterol Screenings on Thursday, Sept. 26. Call 815-284-3371 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will have a Blood Drive from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26, the Illinois Department of Transportation, 819 Depot. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

STERLING-Rock River Hospice & Home will host the Memorial Garden Dedication Ceremony and an Open House at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 29 (rain date Oct. 6), at 2706 Avenue E. Call 815-625-3858 for more information.

STERLING-"Drones in Agriculture" will be presented by the Illinois Extension Office at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 30, at the Jordan Township Building. Register by Sept. 27. Call Mary Nelson at 815-632-3611 for more information and to register.

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Memorial Library Book Club will meet at 4:30 on Monday, Sept. 30, at the Library, 3 S. Jefferson. The Club meets the last Monday of each month. Call the library at 815-857-3925 for more information.

DIXON-The Goodfells of Lee County will host a Stroganoff Dinner Fundraiser from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at the Lee County Council on

Aging, 100 W. Second St. The public is encouraged to attend.

STERLING-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 3, at Sterling Bethel Reformed Church, 230 E. 23rd St. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

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Janice L. Hanson

May 25, 1944 - Sept. 14, 2019

DIXON — Janice L. Hanson, 75, of Dixon, died Saturday Sept. 14, 2019 at KSB Hospital in Dixon.

She was born May 25, 1944, in Kewanee, the daughter of Lawrence and Lucille (Bumphrey) Foltz. She had been a homemaker for Laurence Clayton for many years. Janice enjoyed crafts, crocheting and games.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son and daughter in law, Ron and Traci Hanson; one sister, Judith Housh; former husband, Ron Hanson Sr.; and friend, Laurence Clayton.

Janice is survived by her children, Mike (Darla

Wright, of Eyota, Minn., Betty Hanson, of Dixon, Eric (Rachel) Hanson, of Amboy; 17 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sisters, Patricia Rosenow, of Wyanet, Loretta (Franklin) Brown, of Dixon, Sherry Vaughn, of Sandoval; several nieces and nephews; and special friend Larry Wright, of Toulon.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m., on Wednesday Sept. 18, 2019, in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy with the Rev. Rocky Fritz officiating. Burial will follow in Prairie



Repose Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be from 1 – 3 p.m., on Wednesday at the funeral home. A memorial has been established.

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

Josephine F. Wilson

July 15, 1934 - Sept. 15, 2019

AMBOY — Josephine F. "Dodie" Wilson, 85, of Amboy, died Sept. 15, 2019, at the home of her daughter surrounded by her family.

She was born July 15, 1934 in Amboy the daughter of Jacob and Lily (Wagner) Bach.

Dodie had worked at the Amboy Rug Factory, Amboy Sterile Pac, Don's Super Valu, Beggs Foods and the Depot Tap prior to retirement.

She was a member of St Patrick Catholic Church and the church's prayer group and Ladies Organization. She had also volunteered at the Amboy Depot Museum.

Dodie married Lester E. Wilson on Aug. 9, 1952 in Dixon. He preceded her in death on July 5, 1995.

She was also preceded in death by one grand-

son, Joseph Ketchum; one great-grandson, Coleman Ketchum; and five brothers, Joseph, Adolph, Theodore, John and William; and five sisters, Florence, Anna, Emma, Isabel and Agnes.

Dodie is survived by two daughters, Beverly (Terry) Halsey and Margie (Larry) Becker, both of Amboy, one son Lester E. (Ann) Wilson, of Prophetstown; seven grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She lived her life first and foremost for God and then totally for her family and friends.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2019, in St Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. Burial



will follow in St Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be held from 4 – 7 p.m., on Tuesday, Sept. 17, with a scripture service at 3:30 p.m., at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy, and also on Wednesday, from 9 – 9:45 a.m. in the church.

A memorial has been established for Saint Vincent De Paul.

Raymond H. Braggo

Aug. 28, 1918 - Sept. 13, 2019

STERLING — Raymond H. Braggo, 101, formerly of Amboy, died Friday, Sept. 13, 2019 at Avonlea Cottage in Sterling.

Raymond was born on Aug. 28, 1918 in Oglesby, the son of Charles and Rose C. (Foltynewicz) Braggo. He was united in marriage to Geraldine L. Lee on Dec. 19, 1941 in Kahoka, Mo. She preceded him in death on Jan. 20, 2010. They farmed in the Prophetstown and Amboy area until retiring.

He was a lifetime member of the Green River Saddle Club, a member of the Sterling Moose and enjoyed fishing and spending time with family.

He is survived by three daughters, Rita (Howard) Wilson, of Mineral Point, Wis., Nancy (Greg) Forward, of Tampico and Cathy Schul-

tz, of Amboy; 10 grandchildren, Jeff (Dawn) Wilson, of Amboy, Doug (Shannon) Wilson, of Cobb, Wis., Amy (Troy) Feuss, of DeWitt, Iowa, Lori (Bill) Althaus, of Sublette, Paul Forward, of Tampico, Gary (Jody) Forward, of Prophetstown, Karin (Kevin) Quest, of LaMoille, Gillian Schultz, of Kings, Holly (Mark) Oprin, of Dixon and Noelle (Dustin) Brown, of Sycamore; granddaughter –in-law, Mandi Forward, of Tampico; many great-grandchildren; many great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Florence Rosander, of Amboy and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one grandson, Scott Forward; one granddaughter, Angela Bulfer; two brothers, Leo and William Braggo and one nephew.



Cremation rites will be accorded.

Private memorial services will be held at a later date at St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery in Amboy.

Arrangements were completed by the McDonald Funeral Home, Rock Falls.

Online condolences may be sent to www.mcdonald-funeralhomes.com.

Gerald A. Hornung

Aug. 30, 1936 - Sept. 13, 2019

WEST BROOKLYN - Gerald Albert Hornung, 83, of West Brooklyn passed away Sept. 13, 2019 at Heritage Health, Mendota.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at St. Mary's Church, West Brooklyn with Rev. Randy Fronck officiating. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, West Brooklyn. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at the Schwarz Funeral Home, Mendota, and for one hour prior to services on Wednesday at the church.

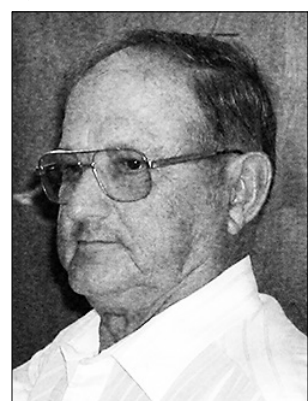
Jerry was born Aug. 30, 1936 in Spearville, Kan. to Clements and Helen (Highland) Hornung. He married Janet Gehant on Feb. 6, 1958 and they were able to celebrate 60 wonderful years together before she passed on May 6, 2018.

Survivors include four

children, Richard Hornung of West Brooklyn, Robert (Ann) Hornung of Kearney, Mo., LuAnn (Bob) Kromm of West Brooklyn, and Connie (Dan) Retzer of Rockford; 19 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; one brother, Fred Hornung of Dodge City, Kan.; and three sisters, Maryann Johnson of Dodge City, Kan., Sherrie (Don) Nau of Dodge City, Kan., and Theresa Barnett of Spearville, Kan.

He was preceded in death by his wife; one sister, Reva Jean; and his parents.

Jerry came to work for Mayrath in Compton and held a job with the highway division of Illinois. In 1966, he started his own very successful business, Hornung Tiling Service, which he developed and ran well into his 70s. He will be forever remembered for taking care of his family,



and spending his years of retirement giving his love, support and time to his wife, Janet who he respected and adored. He was active in his community and was involved for many years as a volunteer fireman with the West Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Department, was a 3rd Degree Knights of Columbus, and was a member of the Land Improvement Contractors of America and St. Mary's Catholic Church. He never met a stranger and you knew when you got a phone call he would first say, "Yeah, what you doin'?"

Memorials may be directed to Mendota Area Senior Services, Heritage Health in Mendota or St. Mary's Church West Brooklyn. Condolences may be left at schwarzfuneral.com.

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The Amboy News will print DEATH NOTICES (approximately 50 words including name, age, date of death, time/date of services) free of charge. OBITUARIES will be printed at a cost of \$25 to be billed to the arranging funeral home or prepaid with cash, check or credit card. Please submit obituaries or death notices to tgreenfield@amboynews.com.

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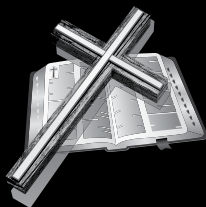
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SOCIAL NEWS



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Rededicate ourselves to the mission of sharing the Gospel

BY FATHER TIMOTHY DRAPER

This past Sunday, the Catholic Church celebrated Catechetical Sunday. The Greek word “catechesis” means instruction. Each year, Catechetical Sunday gives us the opportunity to reflect on the role each of us plays, by virtue of our Baptism, in instructing others in the Catholic faith and witnessing to the Gospel of Jesus Christ by our words and actions. Catechetical Sunday encourages us to rededicate ourselves to the mission of sharing the Gospel with others. The catechetical theme for this year’s Catechetical Sunday is “Stay With Us.” The words “stay with us” were spoken on Easter Sunday by the disheartened

disciples who encountered the Risen Lord on the road to Emmaus (cf. Lk 24:13-35). After Christ’s words set their hearts afire, they asked him to stay with them. That evening Christ stayed with them and revealed to them his Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, thus reviving their hope. With renewed strength, these disciples then returned to Jerusalem to share their experience of the Risen Lord with the Apostles.

Pope Francis has emphasized “the foundational experience of encounter with God through Christ’s death and resurrection” and our need to bear witness to this experience through “fraternal love, community life and service.” The Holy Father says that: “All Christian

formation consists of entering more deeply into [this encounter with God] and incarnating it ever more fully in our lives.”

Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we encounter Jesus in his words and in his sacraments, most especially in the Holy Eucharist. And as we ask Jesus to “stay with us,” our faith assures us that he desires even more that we stay with him. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: “God calls man first. Man may forget his Creator or hide far from his face; he may run after idols or accuse the deity of having abandoned him; yet the living and true God tirelessly calls each person to that mysterious encounter known as prayer” (CCC, 2567).

The Book Nook By: Tatjana Kazan

High adventure

Diana Gabaldon said of her novel “Outlander” that it was a practice book and though it takes place in the Scottish Highlands, she had never been to Scotland. Eight books later and a ninth on the way, after several trips to Scotland, 25 million copies sold, and an addictive television adaptation, “Outlander” has become one of the most successful book series of all time.

In 1946, after serving as a Royal Army nurse in World War II, Claire Randall is enjoying a second honeymoon in Scotland with husband Frank, an ex-MI6 officer looking forward to a new career as an Oxford historian. They stay at Mrs. Baird’s Highland Bed and Breakfast in Inverness, the largest city and the cultural capital of the Scottish Highlands. Frank, indulging his passion for genealogy, comes upon a Jonathan Randall, a British army officer, his six-times-great-grandfather of some two centuries ago. Claire, in the meantime, occupies herself with studying local herbs. Frank takes her to a place called Craigh na Dun, a group of standing stones on a hill (such circles are in fact common all over northern Britain), where local witches gather for a midnight ritual. Claire returns to the hill on one of her outings, when suddenly she hears a buzzing roar, and promptly disappears into the rock.

Claire reappears sick and dizzy, and meets a man in an 18th-century army officer’s uniform. He must be from a film crew, she thinks, but he looks uncannily like Frank and it dawns on her that he must be Jonathan Randall. Unfortunately, he turns out to be a sadistic bisexual pervert, “Black Jack” Randall, the great villain of the novels. While trying to escape from him, Claire is captured by a gang of Highland Scots, also fleeing Black Jack Randall. Claire is told it is 1743. The Scots do not treat her kindly since she is an Englishwoman, a “Sassenach” or “Outlander,” entirely ignorant of Gaelic culture. They take her to Castle Leoch of the MacKenzie clan, where she is held captive as the castle’s new healer.

Claire’s life is continually threatened by Black Jack Randall. To keep her from being handed over to him, the Scottish chieftain Dougal MacKenzie marries her to Jamie Fraser, a charming, broad-shouldered young warrior. A passionate love affair ensues and their adventures go into high gear. Book 1 of “Outlander” is 630 pages long, and includes the Scottish (Jacobite) Rebellion against the English, an intense witch trial of Claire and her friend Geillis Duncan, a prison break involving a herd of cattle, whippings and stabbings, mostly of poor Jaimie, and Black Jack Randall’s extreme, sexual torture of Jaimie; and of course, the love affair of Claire and Jaimie, described in prodigious, tumescent detail. A good yarn that seems to go on forever.

Our Book Club will be discussing “Outlander Book 1” from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., on Monday, Sept. 30. Everyone is most welcome.

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BY EMILY GOFF

Head Librarian

New books for the month of September will be ready soon. If you see a book, or DVD that you would like to check out, but it is already checked out, just ask us to put it on the wait list and we will call you when it is available.

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“Art of Dancing In the Rain,” by Garth Stein
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New Books for the Children’s Library are:
“Attack Of the 50-Foot Fly Guy!,” by Tedd Arnold
“Attack Of the Furball,” by Jarrett Krosoczka
“Baby Bear, Baby Bear, What Do You See?,” by Bill Martin
“Dr. Seuss’s Horse Meseum,” by Dr. Seuss
“The Girl In the Locked Room,” by Mary Downing
“The Hallo-Wiener,” by Dav Pilkey
“How To Catch A Dino-saur,” by Adam Wallace
“I Am Marie Curie,” by Brad Meltzer
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“Mighty Jack and the Goblin King (Graphic Novel),” by Ben Hatke
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Local 4-H volunteers inducted into Hall of Fame

SPRINGFIELD—The Illinois 4-H Foundation annually recognizes 4-H volunteers for exemplary service. This year, 80 new members were inducted into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame during a celebration Tuesday, Aug. 13 at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield.

“These volunteers fully embody what 4-H strives to instill in youth,” said Angie Barnard, Illinois 4-H Foundation executive director. “They are caring,

dedicated, generous leaders, and the Illinois 4-H Foundation is extremely proud to be able to provide this honor to thank them for their service to this wonderful organization.”

The Illinois 4-H Foundation established the statewide Hall of Fame in 2004 to honor and celebrate extraordinary 4-H alumni, volunteers, and former 4-H staff. Each inductee receives a commemorative Hall of Fame medallion.

Those honored locally included Jim Ruter, Carroll County; the late Allan Esgar, Lee County and Darren Mosher, Whiteside County.

“The Foundation provides avenues to support the work of Illinois 4-H by accepting financial gifts specifically directed to the program you wish to support,” Barnard said. “Estate planning services are available to those wishing to continue their 4-H legacy.”

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Opinion

Ordinance has little to do with punishing criminals

No good deed goes unpunished. As least that's how Jessica Barron feels these days.

She lives with her partner of 18 years, Kenny Wylie, and their three children on a quiet residential street in Granite City, a blue-collar Illinois community not far from St. Louis.

In July, they heard a pounding on the door and someone shouting, "Police. Open up."

When Jessica answered her door, she found a group of police officers on her porch with an eviction notice.

But here's the rub: neither Jessica nor her family have broken any laws and their landlord wants them to remain tenants. But the city says they must go.

Why? Because of a friend of her son's, who had been their houseguest for a few nights the previous winter.

"He told me his mother was dead and his father was in prison," Jessica Barron said. "He was 19 years old and it was below zero outside. I told him he could sleep on our sofa that night. I also told him our door was always open to him."

Jessica said she was raised to help others.

Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



"I may only have three biological children. But lots of kids call me, 'Mom.'"

The friend of their son stayed in their home occasionally until Jessica learned that his mother was very much alive and then her family experienced a theft. She told him he was no longer welcome.

The erstwhile houseguest was later convicted of burglarizing a neighborhood tavern.

Like about 50 other Illinois communities, Granite City has a compulsory-eviction ordinance, which allows police to force landlords to evict an entire household after anyone who has stayed in the house—even a house guest—commits a crime.

It's the sort of "mother knows best" mindset that's all too common in government.

"No one should be punished for a crime someone else committed," said Robert Mc-

Namara, a senior attorney at the Institute for Justice, which is representing Jessica's family. "That simple notion is at the heart of our criminal justice system—that we are all innocent until proven guilty. And yet Granite City is punishing an innocent family for a crime committed by someone they barely knew."

Under Granite City's "crime-free housing" ordinance, private landlords are required (on pain of fines or revocation of their rental license) to evict an entire household of tenants if police believe any member—even a house guest—committed a crime. There is no requirement that the tenants participated in or even knew about the crime. If one member of the household is a criminal, the whole household can automatically be punished for their crime.

"We want to stay in this house," Jessica said. "Buying a home isn't an option for us, and with an eviction on our record, it'll be nearly impossible to find another place to rent. I cannot believe we could end up homeless because we choose to open our home to someone in need—someone we trusted, but who was not the person he claimed to be."

At the end of the day, ordinances like the one in Granite City have little to do with punishing criminals and everything to do with punishing renters who happen to be friends, family or just roommates with a person who commits a crime.

Institute for Justice attorney Sam Gedge said he is seeking a federal court order to block the city from evicting the family.

"What Granite City is doing is not just wrong, it is plainly unconstitutional. The Constitution does not allow the government to punish people for who their roommates are or for crimes other people have committed. The government cannot take away your home—whether you own it or rent it—because of something someone else did somewhere else," he said.

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 Sept. 19, 1919

Joe McIntyre left Saturday for St. Louis, en route for St. Vincent's college, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Miss Geraldine Hegert will leave Saturday for Champaign to begin study at Illinois University.

Underwear – Everybody wears underwear and we have it, about \$10,000 just in underwear bought last spring. Also blankets, ladies' fine serge dresses, floor coverings. Also our Meat Market is open. We give H. & S. Stamps – Berry's Boston Store, Amboy.

Mrs. C.A. Ullrich of Lee Center is entertaining her cousin Miss Yost of Sublette.

75 Years Ago Sept. 14, 1944

Sylvia Saeger is attending high school in Rockford this year, having gone there to live with her mother, Mrs. Hattie Saeger, who is employed in that city. Arthur Rose of Chicago spent last

week here visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Rose.

Sgt. John J. Hinkle arrived here Sunday evening from Fort Jackson, S.C., to enjoy a 15-day furlough.

50 Years Ago Sept. 18, 1969

Mr. and Mrs. John Steder, of Selby, S.D., motored here, arriving last Thursday evening and visited until Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Steder and with other relatives in the area.

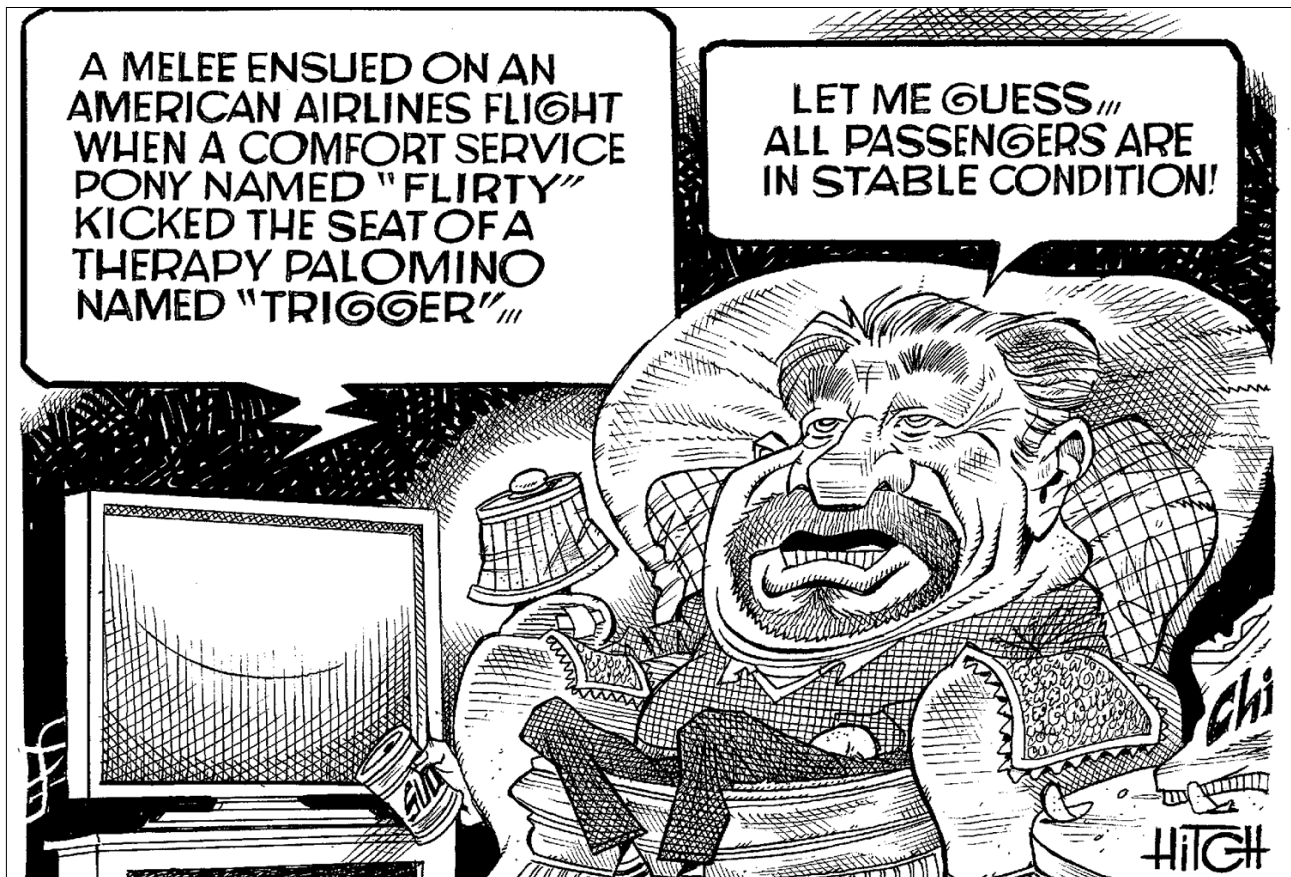
Mrs. Loraine Curtis and Tillie Full spent the day Friday in Dixon with their sister, Mrs. Carrie Vickery.

Reserved tickets will be available for the UCLA-Northwestern game at Evanston on Oct. 4. Amboy's Marching Clippers will be a part of the half-time show. The band is one of 100 attending the Big 10 game and performing as part of the 14th High School Band Day.

25 Years Ago Sept. 22, 1994

Darlene Hinkle holds a plaque she received after donating her bone marrow to save the life of a small boy she has never met. Mrs. Hinkle recently donated a little of her time and a little of her healthy bone marrow to an anonymous 2 or 3-year-old child who suffers from juvenile chronic leukemia. Without the transplant, the child was facing a death sentence. Now, his chances of survival have improved to 40 to 50 percent. An article in Reader's Digest several years ago prompted her to join a Red Cross registry of people who are willing to become donors. She almost became a donor in 1989 for a 35-year-old male, but her blood did not match his.

Hollie Schultz has been chosen to model Guess? clothing in an advertisement to be used by Bergner's department stores. Ms. Schultz was chosen from thousands of entries who similarly thought they had the Guess? look during a special promotion that took place at 52 Carson Pirie Scott & Co. stores throughout the Midwest this past August.



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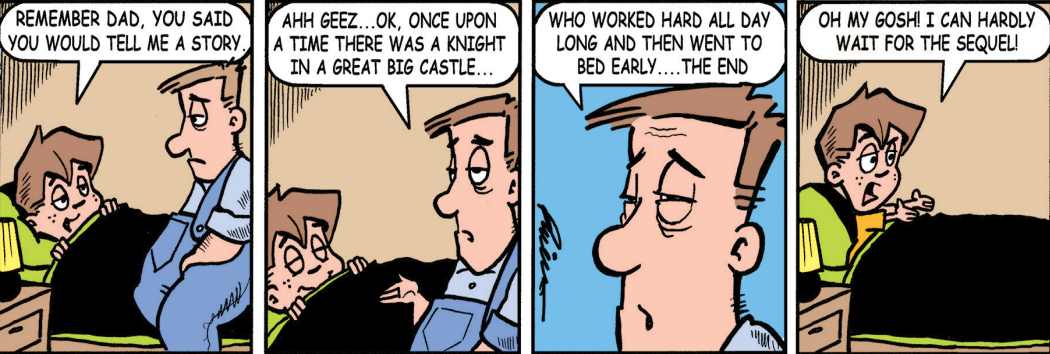
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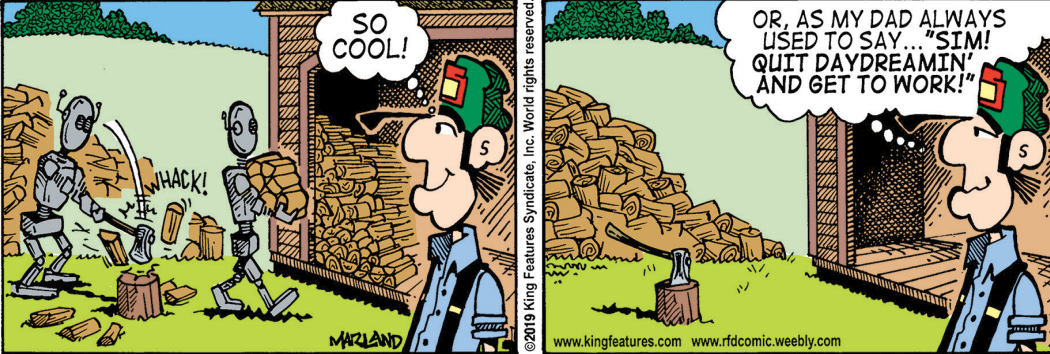
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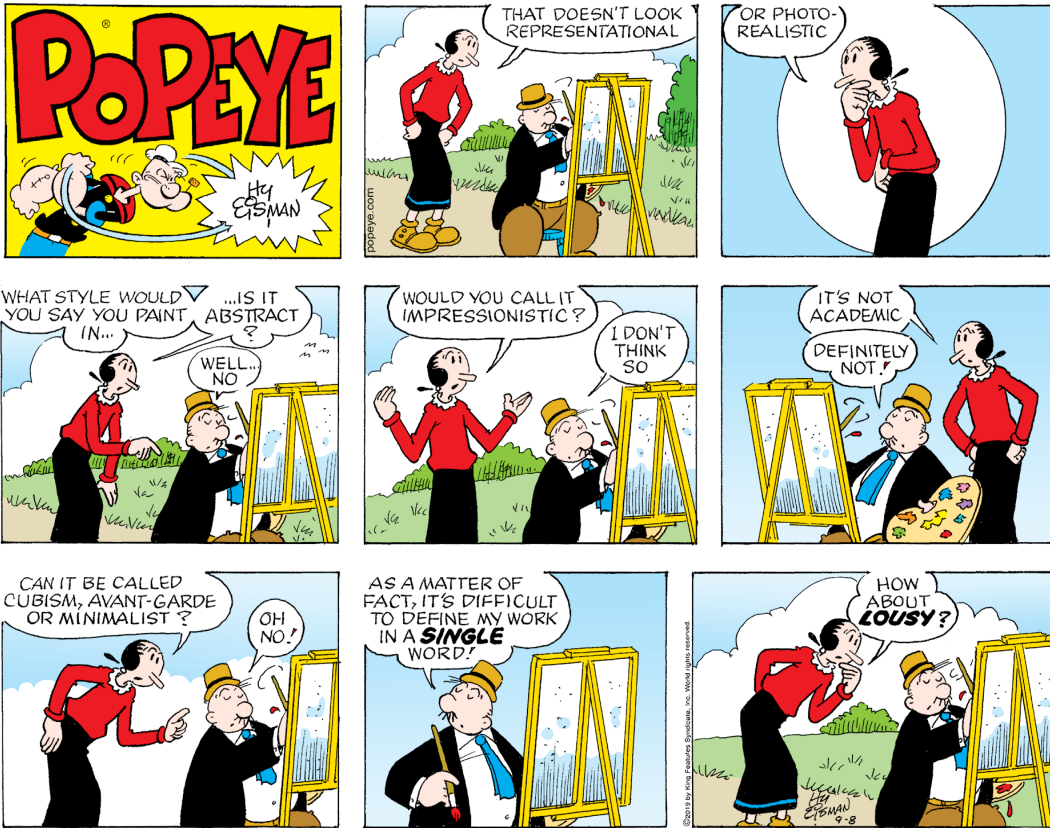
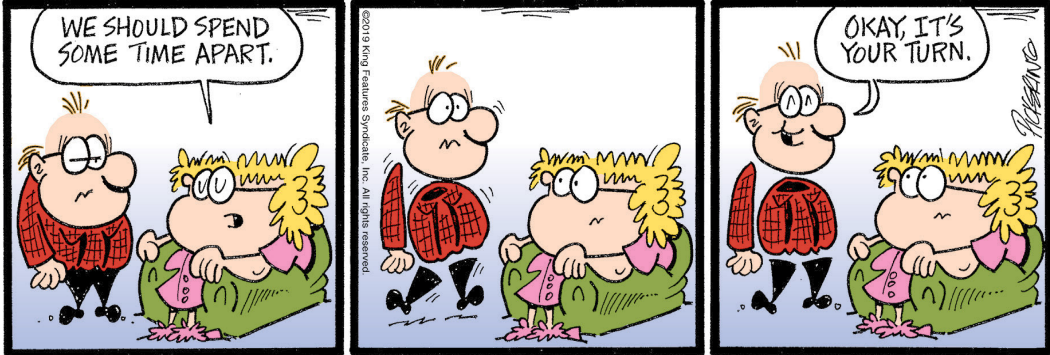
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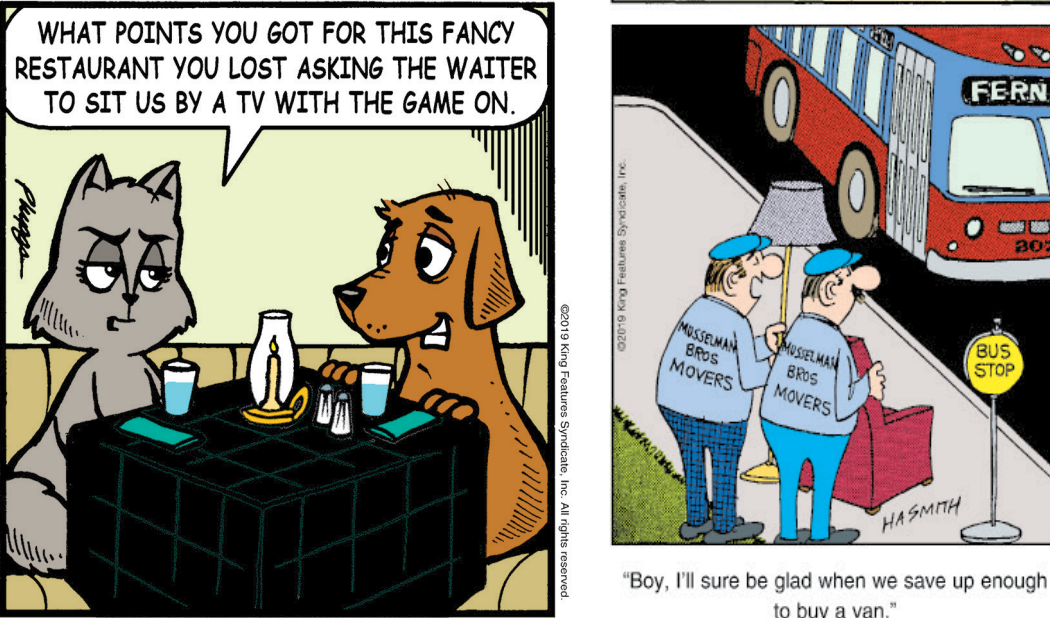
The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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!

Hitch

RECUSE

Braid

WITTS

Origin

COURSE

Berate

CLODS

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Salary

4 Homer's out-cry

7 Duck

12 Position

13 Exist

14 Eye surgery device

15 Grecian vessel

16 Syrian capital-ist?

18 Encountered

19 Step

20 Boast

22 Compass pt.

23 Distort

27 Paul Newman movie

29 Crooner Vic

31 Dope

34 Steer

35 Maiden

37 Needlefish

38 Bat a gnat

39 Praise in verse

41 Young horse

45 Good, in Guadalajara

47 To and —

48 Sinner's fate

52 Vat

53 Hunter in the sky

54 Prime meridian hrs.

55 Recede

56 Madrid mother

57 Ultramodern-ist

58 Aye undoer

DOWN

1 Downright

2 Drying rack

3 Busybody

4 Root beer brand

5 Gave a talk

6 Macho type

7 Otherwise

8 Fond du —

9 Work with

10 Lair

11 Preceding

17 On in years

21 Specter

23 Blue cartoon character

24 Japanese pond carp

25 Conclude

26 Teensy

28 Multipurpose truck

30 Khan title

31 Egos' counterparts

32 Margery of rhyme

33 "— Little Teapot"

36 LummoX

37 Human — Project

40 Condescend

42 Frequently

43 Caribbean resort island

44 Theater vestibule

45 Poison

46 Aware of

48 Comical DeLuise

49 Coach Parseghian

50 Central

51 Neither mate

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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. ANATOMY: What is a common name for the condition known as "caries"?

2. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "ad astra" mean?

3. GAMES: How long is a bowling alley lane?

4. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the Gulf of Tonkin?

5. MOVIES: Which Disney animated movie featured the song "Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo"?

6. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century author often featured the fictitious Yoknapatawpha County in his stories?

7. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which 19th-century playwright and poet once wrote of September, "And all at once, summer collapsed into fall"?

8. U.S. STATES: Which is the only U.S. state to border four of the five Great Lakes?

9. COMICS: Which 1980s comic strip featured the characters of Milo, Steve and Opus?

10. FOOD & DRINK: What process gets rid of bacteria in milk?

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLITNOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Eight ball is black. 2. Boy's shirt stripe is black. 3. Boy's cue stick is shorter. 4. Ball #2 and #7 have moved. 5. Window is missing. 6. Boy standing has moved.

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: I equals L

DGAR VEO QCENN Y BEOC-

IAYB QIEKAC DWPG LEWNER

WKV, W CAQFER VEO'II ART OL

GYKWRU Y CYNG EB UEET IOQF.

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CryptoQuip

When you cross a four-leaf clover with poison ivy, I reckon you'll end up having a rash of good luck.

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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MARKETPLACE

101 LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN RE THE)
ESTATE OF)
MARK S.)
BRUCKNER,)
Deceased.)
2019 P 47

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of MARK S. BRUCKNER, of 707 6th Avenue, Dixon, Lee County, Illinois on July 6, 2019. Letters of Office were issued on August 22, 2019 by the 15th Judicial Circuit Court of Lee County to the representative and Independent Administrator, SHAR-ENE BRUCKNER, 115 Cairnwell Pass, Goose Creek, SC 29445. The attorney for the representative of the estate is Robert J. Thompson, 119 West First Street, Ste. 200, P.O. Box 1016, Dixon, Illinois 61021.

Copies of claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Lee County Services Building, 309 South Galena Avenue, Dixon, Illinois 61021, or with the representative, SHAR-ENE BRUCKNER, 115 Cairnwell Pass, Goose Creek, SC 29445, within six (6) months from the first publication of this Claim Notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of specific notice to known creditors, whichever is later. Any claim not filed within that time period is barred.

Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed.
BY: SHARENE BRUCKNER, Representative/Independent Administrator
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Sept. 4, 11, 18, 2019

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AREA GARAGE SALES

PAW PAW TOWN- WIDE GARAGE SALES

Sept. 21, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Some Sales on Friday
Over 30 Homes
Maps Available
Balloons
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ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

I, Brian Blaine, Supervisor of East Grove Township, Lee County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019.

East Grove Township	
Town Fund	
Beginning Balance 4/1/2018	\$101328.26
REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$55561.94
Replacement Tax	\$737.09
Interest	\$575.62
Miscellaneous Income	\$310.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$57184.65
EXPENDITURES	
IRS	\$2557.02
Casey Johnson	\$22200.00
Brian Blaine	\$4500.00
Charles Gonigam	\$3800.00
John Cruise	\$900.00
Edward Reglin	\$825.00
Zachary Ross	\$750.00
Eric Henkel	\$825.00
All under \$2500	\$9049.79
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$45406.81
Ending Balance 3/31/2019	\$113106.10
General Assistance Fund	
Beginning Balance 4/1/2018	\$32589.66
REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$1703.60
Interest Income	\$295.52
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1999.12
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$0.00
Ending Balance 3/31/2019	\$34588.78
Bridge Fund (Joint with County)	
Beginning Balance 4/1/2018	\$64550.75
REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$7230.30
Interest Income	\$573.62
TOTAL REVENUES	\$7803.92
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$0.00
Ending Balance 3/31/2019	\$72354.67
Permanent Road Fund	
Beginning Balance 4/1/2018	\$35482.62
REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$21422.61
Interest Income	\$96.23
TOTAL REVENUES	\$21518.84
EXPENDITURES	
Dietz Drainage	\$3380.00
All under \$2500	\$600.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3980.00
Ending Balance 3/31/2019	\$53021.46
General Road Fund	
Beginning Balance 4/1/2018	\$114131.82
REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$83772.21
Replacement Tax	\$1112.23
Interest Income	\$264.34
Miscellaneous Income	\$1322.93
GR Wind farm road use fee	\$155000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$241471.71
EXPENDITURES	
Altorfer Inc.	\$11346.09
Northern Partners	\$10000.99
Quality Spot Repair	\$7250.00
Bonnell Industries	\$4893.29
Toirma	\$3471.00
Richard McCullough	\$4850.00
Joe Donnelly	\$13630.00
All under \$2500	\$14593.74
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$70035.11
Ending Balance 3/31/2019	\$285568.42
No. 0902	
Sept. 18, 2019	

127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

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203 HELP WANTED

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

issued a permit. Your Hometown Newspaper strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in its care.

203 HELP WANTED

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305 GARAGE/RUMMAGE SALES

ROCHELLE: 921 N 7th St. Thursday September 19th, Friday September 20th 8am-5pm & Saturday September 21st 9am-Noon. Four Family Sale. Children's Clothes, Jewelry, Miscellaneous Hand Tools, Miscellaneous Household Items. & Adult Clothes.

ROCHELLE: 913 N 12th St. Huge Garage Sale. Thursday September 19th 8am-3:30pm, Friday September 20th 8am-4pm & Saturday September 21st 8am-5pm. Furniture (Couch, Recliner, Loveseat, Dresser, Fireplace, and End Tables) Household Items, Dishes, Knick Knacks, Clothes, Shoes, Purses, Pictures, CDs, and Much More. (09-18-19)

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405 HOUSES FOR SALE

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2019 GMC Acadia AWD SLT White.....\$33,900	2016 Chevy 2500 Crew Cab LTZ, 4x4, Gas, Z71, Red \$42,500
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2017 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab 4x4, Z71, LT, Silver\$33,900	2016 Chevy Equinox AWD LTZ, V6, Sunroof, Nav White.....\$17,700
2017 Chevy Crew Cab LT 4x4, Z71, Pepperdust..\$32,900	2015 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab 4x4, 2LT, Z71, Red\$30,900

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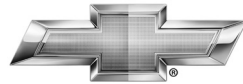
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2016 Chevy 1500 Double Cab LT, 4x4, Z71, Gray\$26,900	2010 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab 4x4, LTZ, White\$19,900
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LOCAL NEWS

4-H growing in Lee County

LEE COUNTY — University of Illinois Extension in Lee County is excited to announce two brand new 4-H Clubs.

In the Ashton Area, AFC Aggies 4-H Club is now joining the list of 4-H Clubs in Lee County. AFC Aggies will meet on the second Sunday of the month at 6 p.m in Ashton.

In the Dixon Area, Lucky Clovers 4-H Club is also joining the list of 4-H Clubs in Lee County. Lucky Clovers 4-H Club is an inclusive place for kids of all kinds and will be learning about different topics throughout the 4-H year. A few of those topics include Archeology, Snacking Fun, and Crime and Spy Science. The club will meet on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. starting Oct. 16 in Dixon. Lucky Clovers 4-H Club is supported in part by Florissa.

4-H is open to all youth ages five to 18, as of Sept. 1, 2019. Other Clubs in Lee County include; Dixon: Dixon Wonder Workers, Palmyra Hillbillies, Amboy; Young Seekers, Ashton/Franklin Grove Area; Grove-Go-Getters, AFC Aggies, Maytown Area; Maytown Comets, Sublette Area; Sub-Let Indians, Steward Area; Soaring Eagles, Paw Paw Area; Wyoming Indians.

For more information about joining one of our many 4-H clubs, call Kathy at 815-857-3525 or email kbook@illinois.edu.

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HONORED

The Lee County Board of Health recently recognized Dr. Joe Welty for his 32 years as Medical Director for the Lee County Health Department. He had also served as a board of health member for 24 years before stepping down in 2009. Pictured are Dr. Welty and Cathy Ferguson-Allen, LCHD Administrator.

Photo submitted

Tales from beyond the grave program presented at Dixon cemetery

DIXON — “Tales From Beyond the Grave” sounds pretty creepy, doesn’t it? But it isn’t. It’s a tour of historic Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon featuring local actors dressed in period costumes and presenting stories of the lives of historical Dixonites who are buried there.

The cemetery is located at 416 South Dement Avenue in Dixon and the hours are from 1 - 3:30 p.m., on Sunday, Sept. 29. The program is being presented by the Lee County Historical and Genealogical Society. There is on-street parking and pickup at your car for those with handicaps. Do not enter off Route 38 as traffic there presents a hazard.

Adults are a \$5 donation and those 12 and under are free. If you have any questions, please call 815-284-1134 or e-mail LCHGS at leecountyhgs@gmail.com. The proceeds go to maintaining the LCHGS library at 113 S. Hennepin Avenue in Dixon.

All invited for a family fun day in Franklin Grove

FRANKLIN GROVE — University of Illinois and Franklin Creek Conservation Association are teaming up to bring you a Family Fun Day on Saturday, Oct. 12. Area 4-H Clubs, Master Gardeners, and the Franklin Creek Conservation Association volunteers will have fun and educational activities for kids to experience. This event is free and open to the public. Family Fun Day will take place at the Grist Mill, 1893 Twist Road, Franklin Grove from 1-3 p.m.

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Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News

Clippers still looking for first win after loss to Forreston

FORRESTON – The Amboy-LaMoille Clippers are still searching for their first win of the season after suffering a 40-7 setback at Forreston in a Northwest Upstate Illini Conference South contest on Sept. 13.

The Clippers will return to the AHS field for their Homecoming game against Savanna (West Carroll) on Friday, Sept. 20. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.

West Carroll enters the contest with a 2-1 record.

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This Week's Student of the Week is:
Dilynn Whitney

Student's Favorites:
Favorite Color – Blue
Favorite Animal – Zebra
Favorite Food – Spaghetti
Favorite Book – A Fox Jumped Up One Winter Night
Favorite Game – Match Game
Favorite Song – Moana Soundtrack

Clippers compete at four matches

Results from Amboy Clipper golf matches are as follows:

Sept. 4 @ Shady Oaks

Indian Creek 214, Amboy 259

Amboy scores: Austin Bogle 59, Brett Buhrow 71, Jay Long 62, Hayden Wittenauer 67, Ethan Pratt 75, Nathan McBride 72

Sept. 10 @ West Carroll

West Carroll 185, Galena 196, Amboy 246

Amboy scores: Wes Wilson 60, Mike Zaller 68, Wittenauer 60, Pratt 69, Dan Hoffman 72, Connor Hummel 58

Sept. 11 @ Rochelle

(varsity)

Mendota 163, Rochelle 185, Amboy 227

Amboy scores: Wilson 49, Wittenauer 57, Hummel 64, Garrett Ringenberg 57, McBride 68

(junior varsity)

Mendota 198, Amboy 250, Rochelle 265

Amboy scores: Bogle 48, Jared Warner 66, Nathan Ramirez 65, Bryce Chandler 71

Sept. 12 @ Eastland

(varsity)

Eastland-Pearl City 183, River Ridge 222, Amboy 240

Amboy scores: Wilson 58, Wittenauer 64, Long 59, Pratt 59

(junior varsity)

No team scores

Amboy scores: McBride 84, Hoffman 71, Buhrow 61, Warner 61

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CLIPPER KIDDIE 2

This Week's Student of the Week is:
Tessa Thomas

Student's Favorites:
Favorite Color – Purple
Favorite Animal – Flamingos
Favorite Food – Mac & Cheese
Favorite Book – Elmo
Favorite Game – Tag
Favorite Song – Boomerang by JoJo Siwa

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Fri., Sept. 20	AHS Varsity Football (H-Homecoming) West Carroll - 7:00 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 21	AHS Golf @ Riverdale Invite - 8:30 a.m. AHS Cross Country @ Bureau Valley North JH - 9:30 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 23	AJHS Volleyball (H) AFC - 4:00 p.m. AHS Golf (H) Dakota - 4:00 p.m. AHS Varsity Volleyball @ Bureau Valley - TBA AJHS Volleyball @ St. Mary's, Dixon - 8th-5:00 p.m./7th-6:00 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 24	AHS Cross Country @ Mendota - 4:00 p.m. AHS Varsity Volleyball @ Forreston - 6:00 p.m. AHS Golf @ Edgebrook, Sandwich - 4:00 p.m.
Thur., Sept. 26	AHS Varsity Volleyball (H) AFC - 6:00 p.m. School Board Finance/Building & Grounds Meeting - Central School - 7:00 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 27	AHS Varsity Football @ Freeport Aquin - 7:00 p.m.

CENTRAL SCHOOL MENU

September 23 – 27

Fat-free chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk are served at Breakfast and Lunch.
Choice of five 100% real fruit juice cups are served at Breakfast.
Warm breakfast choice on Wednesdays.

Monday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Chicken breast on a bun, lettuce, onion, tomato, peas, carrots, sweet potato fries, juice cup
Tuesday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Ham, au gratin potatoes, fresh cut veggies/ranch, broccoli, dinner roll/butter, pears
Wednesday	- Apple frudels or pick two from breakfast cart - Cheeseburger on a bun, pickle, lettuce, tomato, pretzels, cowboy beans, baked apple
Thursday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - Pancakes & sausage, syrup, juice box, mandarin oranges, graham snack, dried fruit trail mix
Friday	- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart - 2 cheesy breadsticks w/dipping sauce, fresh cut veggies/ranch, mixed fruit

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JR HIGH MENU

September 23 – 27

Low-fat chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk served at each meal.
Choice of breakfast items from cart with juice and fruit.
Warm breakfast choice on Wednesdays.
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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

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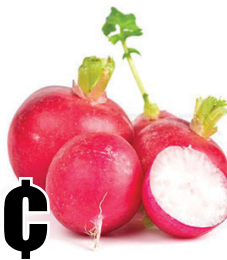


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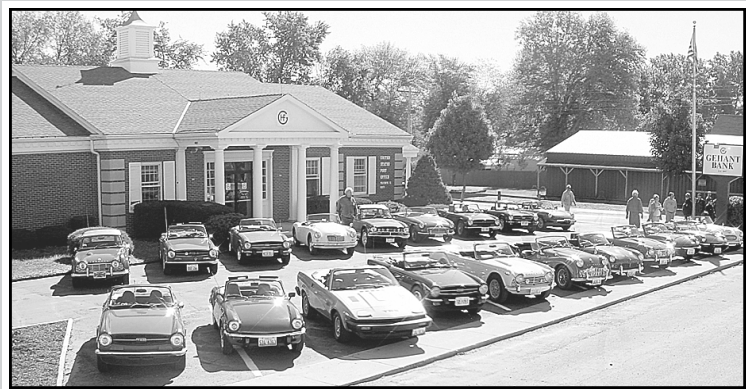
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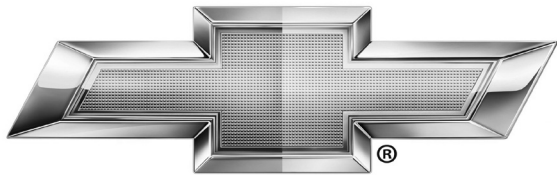
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Pictured left to right: Nancy (Welty) Willahan and Sherry (Welty) Koch



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