

## Asylum Circus to debut this weekend

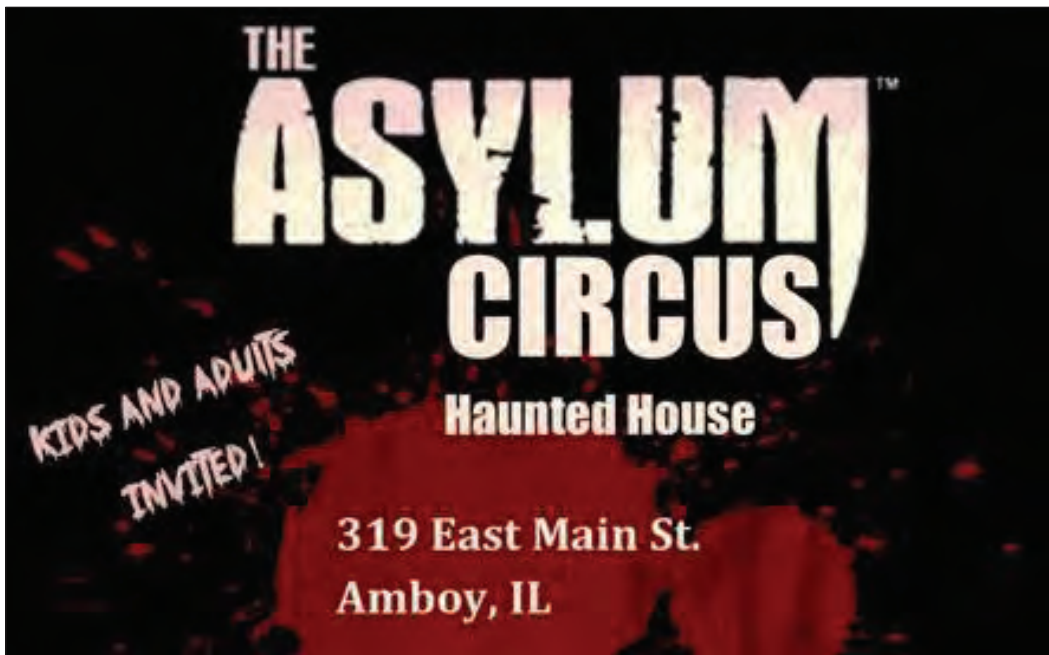
BY MONETTA YOUNG  
Reporter

AMBOY — It is time once again for everyone to get into the spirit of Halloween. Pat Riley and a group of volunteers have put together a Haunted House, entitled “The Asylum Circus” at 319 East Main St., in Amboy.

All ages are welcome and encouraged to visit the free event. Donations are always welcome, but not necessary.

The Asylum Circus will be open three consecutive weekends: Saturday, Oct. 20 from 7 – 11 p.m., Friday, Oct. 26 from 7 – 10 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 27 from 7 – 11 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 28, during Amboy trick or treat hours, from 4 – 6 p.m. (Sunday will be more kid friendly), Friday, Nov. 2 from 7 – 10 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 3, from 7 – 11 p.m.

Riley said that after a successful first year they were asked to do it again this year.



Visitors from all over have come out to enjoy the creation last year and they are hoping to repeat that this year.

When asked what the visitors

could expect inside The Asylum Circus, Riley said “That is classified.”

So, if you want to know, you will have to stop by and find out

for yourself.

There is a Facebook page that you can check out for more information at ASYLUM CIRCUS.

## IDPH reports 10 suspected cases of AFM in northern Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has received information of another individual who has been clinically diagnosed with acute flaccid myelitis (AFM), bringing the total number of suspected cases in Illinois to 10. All 10 suspected cases are among children in northern Illinois. IDPH continues to work with health care providers to collect necessary information to send to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC will review the information to confirm if the case will be classified as AFM.

The underlying cause(s) of AMF is not known. CDC has been actively investigating AFM and continues to receive information about suspected AFM cases.

More information about AFM, its causes, signs and symptoms, and treatment can be found on the IDPH website under diseases and conditions. Additional information on AFM can be found on the CDC website. Any further updates on the number of suspected cases will be posted on the IDPH website.

## Council approves bid for tree removal

BY TONJA GREENFIELD  
General Manager

AMBOY — The City of Amboy approved a bid for tree removal during its regular monthly meeting on Monday night in the Amboy Community Building.

The city received four bids to remove 27 trees in total. The work in the bids ranged from just removing the trees, to removing the trees and clean-up, to removing the trees, and stumps, and clean-up. The price tag of the bids ranged from \$10,450 to \$27,225.

The council approved a motion to accept the lowest bid from Timber Industries for \$10,450.

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## Social Security announces 2.8 percent benefit increase for 2019

SPRINGFIELD — Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for more than 67 million Americans will increase 2.8 percent in 2019, the Social Security Administration announced.

The 2.8 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits payable to more than 62 million Social Security beneficiaries in January 2019. Increased payments to more than 8 million SSI beneficiaries will begin on December 31, 2018. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits). The Social Security Act ties the annual COLA to the increase in the Consumer Price Index as determined by the Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Some other adjustments that take effect in January of each year are based on the increase in average wages. Based on that increase, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax (taxable maximum) will increase to

\$132,900 from \$128,400.

Social Security and SSI beneficiaries are normally notified by mail in early December about their new benefit amount. This year, for the first time, most people who receive Social Security payments will be able to view their COLA notice online through their my Social Security account. People may create or access their my Social Security account online at [www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount).

Information about Medicare changes for 2019, when announced, will be available at [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov). For Social Security beneficiaries receiving Medicare, Social Security will not be able to compute their new benefit amount until after the Medicare premium amounts for 2019 are announced. Final 2019 benefit amounts will be communicated to beneficiaries in December through the mailed COLA notice and my Social Security’s Message Center.

## Schnell to celebrate 55th year as organist

BY MONETTA YOUNG  
Reporter

LEE CENTER - On Sunday, Oct. 7, the Lee Center Congregational Church celebrated Sharon Schnell’s 55th year serving as the church as organist. Pastor Jack was out of state for weekend officiating his nephew’s wedding, so Hazel Lovgren organized a musical themed service in his absence. It was indeed a great day. Many thanks to everyone who attended the service. Schnell really had a great day celebrating with her church family.

To give you a little history, Mrs. Ullrich played the organ at the church for more than 40 years. After Sharon and Roger were married on Sept. 1, 1963, Sharon began helping Mrs. Ullrich by playing in church once in a while as needed.

Then on Sunday, Oct. 6, 1968, Sharon officially took over as head organist replacing Mrs. Ullrich. This day was documented in Grandpa Vernon Schnell’s daily diary. Since then, she has volunteered her time and talents almost every Sunday. She has been a good and faithful servant.

Sharon thanks her extended family and husband for tending to her three girls while they were small, that allowed her to be in the balcony playing the organ.

“The Lord has been good to us,” said Sharon.

There’s a lot of things that Sharon has done throughout all those years sitting on her organ bench in the balcony, she has watched many kids ring the bell (and pull that rope up and down), she has received communion numerous times from the corner of the organ, waved at friendly curious kids during the children’s sermons, played different hymns on quick request from pastors during services, memorized several Bible school songs, smiled while playing for weddings, cried while playing for friends’ funerals, and probably noticed all that went on in the pews during services.

Sharon continues to take piano lessons from Bill Hertel at Grace Notes Music Studio in Dixon. Sharon passed her love of music to her daughter Amy and her family, who are involved in music at their church and school. Amy’s daughter will graduate with a degree in Music Education from the University of Illinois soon.

Sharon doesn’t remember exactly how many pastors she has served under over the years and she can’t narrow down a favorite hymn, “there are just too many that she loves.”

Indeed, it takes a special person to be a church organist. Congratulations on your 55 years of service.

## 272 KIDS invite community for dinner and discussion

AMBOY — Members of the 272KIDS committee are opening the doors of Amboy Junior High to the community from 4 – 7 p.m., on Oct. 24, for dinner, tours and discussion of the \$15.8 million General Obligation Bond question that will be on the Nov. 6 ballot.

Dinner includes bbq, cheesy potatoes, sides, desserts and drink. Service will continue until food is gone.

Committee members and school officials will be available to discuss the plans for a new junior high addition to the current high school as well as improvement plans for the high school and elementary school building. Representatives from the Lee County Treasurer’s Office will also be available to answer questions about the referendum’s impact to individual tax bills.

Tours through the current junior high will be offered to highlight the challenges facing teachers and students each day.

More information about the bond question can be found at Amboy272KIDS on Facebook or at <https://amboy272kids.wixsite.com/272kids>. A recently posted video highlights the reasoning behind the bond question and features Amboy School District administrators and teachers talking about how they navigate teaching in an almost 100-year old building.

One more open house is scheduled from 3-5 p.m., on Nov. 4, at the Amboy Junior High.

272KIDS (Knowledge, Infrastructure & Development for Students) provides information and engages the community in discussion about the \$15.8 million General Obligation Bond question on the Nov. 6, 2018 ballot.



Sharon Schnell

## Illinois Department of Insurance releases ACA Exchange health care insurance rates for 2019

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Department of Insurance (DOI) released its on-Exchange health care rate and plan analysis for Plan Year 2019, showing that rates have stabilized for the first time in recent years.

Average rates for the 2019 lowest cost silver plans decreased four percent and the lowest cost gold plans decreased by six percent from last year. Overall, rates for the lowest cost bronze plans modestly increased approximately six percent, far less than the 20 percent increase reported for 2018 rates.

“Illinois consumers will finally have some relief after facing years of on average double-digit increases in health insurance premium rates,” DOI Director Jennifer Hammer said. “We are starting to see signs that the Exchange is stabilizing given this year’s rates, a new insurer entering the on-Exchange market in 2019, and no insurers from last year exiting.”

Illinois consumers in all counties will have options to purchase health insurance coverage on the Exchange.

Get Covered Illinois (GCI) is

the official health marketplace or “exchange” for health insurance for all Illinoisans. Individuals and small businesses can purchase their health insurance on the GCI website. Because GCI facilitates the federal subsidies, consumers are able to see their monthly premium at the discounted price.

“As steadfast supporters and opponents of the Affordable Care Act continue to drive division, I am proud of our Administration’s efforts,” Gov. Rauner said.

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# Thompson named October Student of the Month

AMBOY — Mary Thompson has been named the Amboy High School October Student of the Month. She is the daughter of Brad and Jen Thompson. GPA: 4.0 /4.0

Memberships and Involvement: “I am a member of FFA, National Honor Society, and Spanish Honor Society. I am also currently vice president of the school’s Outdoor Club and Illinois High School Rodeo.”

Awards and Honors: “I was fifth overall in pole bending at the 2018 National High School Finals Rodeo. I have also been on Highest Honor Roll every semester.”

Best Memories of AHS: “Some of my best memories of AHS are making pancakes in the ag shop with Kenzie and Rachel, my junior prom on the boat, and dancing on stage at skit night.”

Future Plans: “After high school, I plan on attending a four-year university and then going on veterinary or medical school.”



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## COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

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# Illinois beefing up election security, upgrades will be in place by 2020

BY BENJAMIN YOUNT

Illinois News Network

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois State Board of Elections is doing all it can to make sure the November election is secure.

But most of the new security efforts won't fully be in place till the 2020 election, State Board of Election's spokesman Matt Dietrich said. Right now, only about half of the state's cyber navigators are on-board. The cyber navigators will be assessing vulnerabilities in the 108 different local election jurisdictions across Illinois.

"We have \$13.9 million to hand out," Dietrich said. "Half of that has to go to us to create the cyber navigator program, which we are in the process of doing now. Some of those navigators,

there will be nine of them, some of them have been hired."

Dietrich said the State Board is also helping local election authorities.

"We released \$2.9 million to any local jurisdiction that has already spent money," Dietrich said. "If they spent after July 1st for cyber security, they can get reimbursed for it. Or if they have projects that they know they have to do to improve their cyber security, they can go ahead and send us a grant request and then we'll release the money to them."

Dietrich said all of the state's cyber navigators and local upgrades should be in place by 2020.

An ISBE voter database was hacked in 2016, exposing data on more than 70,000 voters.

## Illinois Top 200 list focuses on groundbreaking women

BY BENJAMIN YOUNT

Illinois News Network

SPRINGFIELD — It's another list of big names and big legacies over at IllinoisTop200.com this week.

Three first ladies, Illinois' first African American U.S. Senator, one of the largest fe-

male conservative voices in the country, and of course Oprah are all on the list of Illinois' most groundbreaking women.

Chris Wills with the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library said this week's list could be one of the toughest for voters. It was one of the toughest for

bicentennial planners.

"We normally trim it down to 20 nominees. In this case we just threw up our hands and went with 25 I think it is, because there are just so many interesting stories," Wills said.

Mary Todd Lincoln, Hillary Clinton and Michelle Obama are on the list. As are Jane Byrne, Betty Friedan and Jane Addams.

"Some of the people are famous, some of them you know from history books or from recent politics, others you may never have heard of. But they are just fascinating people."

Voting closes midday Friday.

Wills said bicentennial best of voters will have three more lists after the list of groundbreaking women.

Minority trailblazers, top leaders and finally Illinois' most unforgettable moments.

Then the state will truly have a Top 200 list in time for the state's 200th birthday celebration in December.

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## Do You Know An AMERICAN HERO?

The Amboy News is once again doing a section featuring Veterans and military personnel and would like you to send or bring us a military picture of yourself or favorite military hero along with a short biography of their service history, present or past.

**Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard, Reserves or Merchant Marines.**

Our special section featuring your own local heroes will be published on **November 7th.**  
Deadline for submitting Photos/Information is Wed., Oct. 31, 5 pm.

Lester C. Underhill, Dixon  
U.S. Army Specialist 4<sup>th</sup> Class  
Trained: Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.  
1953-1954 Vietnam  
Amboy High School Class of 1966  
Retired letter carrier, USPS  
Wife Laura, 3 children, 5 grandchildren.

Donald H. Schamberger, Amboy  
Army Signal Corps-Corporal  
Trained: Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.  
May 27, 1953 to May 27, 1955  
Served duty with the fixed  
division of the Army Signal  
School as a ballistic meteorologist and air traffic controller.  
He received Good Conduct Medal and National Defense Service Medal.

Donald C. Wittenauer, Amboy  
Air Force Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class  
Trained: George AFB, TX  
1953-1955

If you submitted a photo last year, there is no need to resubmit. We have it on file! Just tell us to honor your hero again this year.

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Photos may be picked up at The Amboy News office after November 7th, or send us a self-addressed stamped envelope and your photo will be returned.



# Sublette News

**SUBLETTE BUSINESS MEETING OCT. 23**  
Sublette business owners are invited to attend a regular Meet and Greet business meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Activity Center at Mendota Hills Campground. You are invited to share new a business in the area that continue to help our community grow.

**TRICK OR TREAT ON OCT. 28**  
Trick or Treat hours for Sublette have been set for 4-6 p.m. on Sunday, October 28. This will be followed by the annual Halloween party from 6-7 p.m. hosted by the Sub-Let Indians 4-H Club.

## Amboy A.C.O. to start its new year

**AMBOY** — The Amboy Civic Organization (A.C.O.) is beginning its new year. Officers elected were Darlene Hinkle, president; Christine Noble, vice-president; Jane Lovgren, secretary; Carol Schnaiter, treasurer.

The meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, with the exception of July and August, and members and their guests enjoy a Christmas party and end of the year party in June.

The purpose of the group is the library and its needs. Everyone is encouraged to join to support our library.

Those joining for the 2018-19 year are: Marilyn Braid, Bill and Pat Burke, Judy Carlson, Peg Duffy, Sue Duffy, Mary Dickinson, G.G. and Shelia Garcia, Patricia Hauenstein, Darlene Hinkle, Nancy Hochstatter, Jane Lovgren, Lavina Marschang, Kathy McLaughlin, Christine Noble, Maureen and Tim Oester, Colleen Robison, Carol and Jeff Schnaiter and Donna Wellman.

### Correction:

In the Lee County Delinquent Taxes legal notice that ran on Oct. 10, the incorrect date was listed. The legal should have read, that John Frittz, as County Collector of the County of Lee, shall on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2018 apply to the Circuit Court of the County of Lee for judgement against the lands and lots described herewith against which there are unpaid and delinquent taxes due severally thereon and for judgement fixing the correct amount of such taxes as have been paid under protest and shall, at the time and of said Circuit Court ask for an order to sell such Lands and Lots for the satisfaction of unpaid and delinquent taxes.

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# Community Calendar

**AMBOY-Business** After Hours will be at Jones-Berry Lumber Co. from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

**DIXON-The Lee County Health Department**, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, on Oct. 19, 23 and 24. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or to find out about other services offered, like Adult Vaccines.

**DIXON-The Lee County Health Department** will have a Flu Clinic from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18, at Lee County Council on Aging, 100 W. Second St. Call 815-284-3371 for more information.

**ASHTON-The Ashton United Methodist Church**, 906 Richardson Ave., will hold the 22nd Annual Fall Bazaar from 8:30 until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20. Kuchen will be available from 8:30 until it is gone. For more information, call the church at 815-453-2328.

**AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club** will host a Community Health Fair from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd. A variety of services providers from different fields will be available to speak with attendees. Sight, hearing and

blood pressure screenings will be available at no charge.

**DIXON-The American Red Cross** will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at Sauk Valley Community College, 173 IL RT 2, on Monday, Oct. 22. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment to donate.

**AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club** will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 22, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

**DIXON-The American Red Cross** will hold a Blood Drive from 7 a.m. until 12 p.m. at Do It Best Corporation, 816 W. Progress Dr., on Tuesday, Oct. 23. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment to donate.

**AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD#272 Board of Education** will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 23, at Amboy High School, 11 E. Hawley.

**PAW PAW-The Lee County Health Department** will have a Flu Clinic from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the Paw Paw Community Center. Call 815-284-3371 for more information.

**AMBOY-The Lee County**

Homemakers Education Association will hold an International Luncheon, featuring Israel, at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 25, at the Lee County Extension Office, 280 W. Wasson Rd. Please RSVP for this free event by calling 815-857-7153 before Oct. 20.

**OHIO-The 34th Annual Immaculate Conception Church Fall Luncheon** will be held at the Ohio Catholic Church Hall from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 26.

**AMBOY-The Children's Halloween Parade** will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 28. Amboy Depot Museum, 50 S. East Ave., will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. as part of the City of Amboy Halloween Celebration. On 3 Photo will be available for pictures.

**AMBOY-The Pankhurst Memorial Library Book Club** will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 29, at the Library, 3 S. Jefferson. Call the library at 815-857-3925 for more information.

**AMBOY-The Lee County**

Health Department will have a Flu Clinic from 9 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US RT 52. Call 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 first Wednesday of the month drive will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7. The third Wednesday of the month drive, Nov. 21, will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

**AMBOY-The American Red Cross** will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 9, at Amboy High School, 11 E. Hawley. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment to donate.

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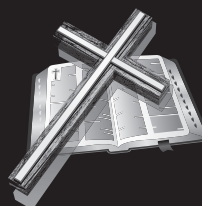
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The Book Nook

By:

Tatjana Kazan

Listening In

Let them flourish within a walled garden from which they cannot escape and spread their evil seed.” The speaker is an MI5 handler by the very English name of Peregrine Gibbons (“call me Perry”) explaining to his new recruit, the 18-year-old Juliet Armstrong, the purpose of their mission. The objective is to control England’s Fifth Column at the onset of World War II. The Fifth Column is made up of subversives, “our homegrown evil,” bent on furthering the Nazi cause in England. They are old, upper-class fascists fighting to save Britain from “Judeo-Bolshevism.”

Thus begins Kate Atkinson’s witty and sharply clever new thriller, “Transcription.” It is early 1940, before Dunkirk, before the Blitz, a “phony” war rife with tension and paranoia. Godfrey Toby, a dour MI5 agent, poses as a Gestapo agent in London society in order to penetrate the Fifth Columnists, who turn out to be rather eccentric matrons cheerfully at the ready to spew vile invectives against the Jews. Juliet, who works in MI5’s secretarial pool, does well enough to be chosen for this special operation. It is a 1940’s version of high-tech surveillance in which Godfrey Toby is set up in a flat where he meets his Fifth Columnists. MI5 people are secretly installed in the flat next door. Microphones are implanted behind the plaster of the common wall, and the conversations they capture are engraved onto a wax record, and these records are transcribed by Juliet.

Juliet is also set up as an agent, Iris Carter-Jenkins, the naive fiancee of a navy lieutenant on H.M.S. Hood, to fell one of Toby’s ladies, the acutely obnoxious Mrs. Scaife, “who possessed a large vocabulary of sighs.” Ever the instructor, Perry tells Juliet, “The mark of a good agent is when you have no idea which side they’re on.” A particularly consequential remark ten years later (the novel skips over the war), when Juliet receives a note: “You will pay for what you did.”

By 1950 Juliet is a producer of a children’s program called “Past Lives” for BBC radio, and occasionally runs a half-way house for defectors for MI5. She mildly worries about the note: “The war was a clumsily stitched wound, and it felt as if it was being opened by something or someone.” But when she receives a second note, she decides to become the hunter rather than the hunted, and in the process descends into ever more enveloping paranoia. She has absolutely no idea whose side anyone has been on. Nor do we, which makes for a truly astonishing ending.

Ultimate tailgate cook-off set for Oct. 21

**DIXON** — The Ultimate Tailgate Cook-off is set for 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., on Sunday, Oct. 21, at the Beanblossom Parking Lot in Downtown Dixon. This is the 11th annual cook-off event that features a tailgate cook-off, along with a bags tournament hosted by Dixon Chamber and Main Street.

Admission to the Ultimate Tailgate is \$5 per person with 12 and under free. This includes entry includes tasting tickets and one ticket to cast your vote for People’s Choice Award. The event is open to all ages.

The day also features the annual Bags Tourney, with

registration for the tournament starting at 10:30 a.m., play will start at noon. Cost is \$20 per team and cash prizes will be awarded.

The registration form to enter for the best tailgate dish can be found online at DiscoverDixon.com Please drop off, mail, or email the completed form to the Dixon Chamber and Main Street office at 87 S Hennepin Ave or info@dixonnow.com.

Winners will be chosen by secret judges. Cash prizes will be awarded for First, Second, Third Place, as well as People’s Choice and Best Showmanship. Set-up for the event will begin at 6:30 a.m.

THE PASTOR’S PEN

When Storm Clouds Gather

**BY PASTOR JACK M. BRIGGS**  
We have all seen the images in the wake of a tornado---an entire swath of homes is wiped out, while the next block over remains virtually untouched. Invariably footage on the news features someone who faces the camera and thanks God for keeping him/her and their family safe. And that is a good thing, to be sure. But I suggest that it is risky to presume that God favors some, but not others who lost everything, and who likely were praying just as hard. It’s risky to presume that some are rewarded, while others are punished... in this world. I can’t explain why.

When we say grace at the supper table in thanksgiving for the food in front of us, we should also pray for those who may not know where their next meal will come from. We are grateful for the blessings in our lives, but should also pray for those who have endured untold misfortune in their lives.

There are things that happen in life that are mysteries and defy rational explanation. And we struggle with that notion because

we like things to fit neatly in a box, easily explained with an equation or a formula or a computer program. So, if we cannot explain in human terms, what can we rely on? Faith, “...the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” (Hebrews 11:1) In other words, the answers to some of the most vexing questions may not be revealed this side of heaven.

Those who do Christ’s work in the world can expect to face persecution. For example, even today in some parts of the world, Christians regularly face imprisonment, threats, harassment, beatings, and even death on account of their faith. We here in what we like to call “the developed world” may not face these extreme consequences, but we still face the prospect of rejection, ridicule, or discrimination on account of our faith.

Jimmy Buffet recorded a song in 1979, “Volcano,” in which he ponders “I don’t know where I’m a gonna’ go When the volcano blow.” I suggest that it is less a matter of “where we gonna go, than to whom we gonna turn when our own volcanoes blow,

when storm clouds gather in our lives. Thankfully, in times of trial, we can turn to God for strength, hope and support to face adversity. The Good News is not protection against bad things that happen in our lives. Rather, the Good News is the invitation to find the life and hope that will endure, even when our life is in turmoil and our world is crashing down around us, we find ourselves falling, falling... into God’s loving hands.

Finally, to have lived any length of years reminds us that to be human is to experience more than a few of life’s struggles. We struggle with health, with career, with family, with relationships, with money, and yes, even with our faith. The question is not whether we will have struggles, but rather how we will live through our struggles when we face them as men and women, boys and girls of faith, hope, and love following Jesus Christ our Lord, who tells us “lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” (Matthew 28:20)

Thanks be to God.



**BY EMILY GOFF**  
Head Librarian

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“When We Were Young,” by Karen Kingsbury  
“Alaskan Holiday,” by Debbie Macomber  
“Not Quite Over You,” by Susan Mallery  
“Killing SS,” by Bill O’Reilly  
“Ambush,” by James Patterson  
“A Map Of Days,” by Ran-

som Riggs  
“Holy Ghost,” by John Sandford  
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“Desperate Measures,” by Stuart Woods

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“Dark Shadows,” by Erin Hunter  
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10/17/2018

NOTICE OF VOTE BY MAIL AND EARLY VOTING

Cathy Myers, Lee County Clerk and Recorder would like to announce that beginning THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018, VOTE BY MAIL and EARLY VOTING will be conducted in the Election Department of her office, first floor of the Old Lee County Courthouse, 112 E. Second St., Dixon.

**VOTE BY MAIL**~ signed applications will be accepted through Thursday, November 1, 2018 and is available for properly registered Lee County voters. Applications are available on the website or by contacting the Election Department of her office.

**EARLY VOTING**~ must be conducted in person Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. and Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Lee County Courthouse will be closed October 8, 2018.

The votes cast during this time will not be counted until Election Day. Once a ballot has been cast it cannot be rescinded.

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# Opinion

## A dribble in the bowl

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

—F. Scott Fitzgerald

I was thinking about that quote this past week. I couldn’t help but contemplate why a man would spend \$150 million of his own money to run for governor, but then engage in a scheme to short the taxpayers of Cook County out of \$300,000 by having the toilets removed from one of his mansions? It doesn’t make much sense.

But J.B. Pritzker did it and he got whacked on the knuckles by the Cook County inspector general last week. And the feds may

be nosing around.

If J.B. isn’t careful, the only toilet he will have to worry about is one he’d share with a fellow named Bruno in a 6-foot by 8-foot cell.

The inspector general’s report concluded an assessed valuation of a mansion owned by Pritzker was reduced from \$6.25 million to just under \$1.1 million because the residence was “vacant and uninhabitable” with no working toilets.

The toilets had been removed from the mansion ten days before the tax assessor came to look things over.

Think this is a dumb thing to get in trouble for? Well, former U.S. Rep. Daniel Rostenkowski went to prison for stealing stamps from the House post office. Oh, and former U.S. Rep. Aaron Schock is

### Guest Column

By Scott Reeder



in hot water with the Feds for allegedly taking tax dollars and campaign funds to decorate his campaign office with pheasant feathers and a coat of red paint.

Yeah, Illinois politicians have gone to prison for dumber things.

Now, J.B. has announced he is in the process of giving the \$300,000 he saved on property taxes back to Cook County.

Sorry, JB, life doesn’t work like that.

We ordinary folks couldn’t burglarize a house, get caught two years later and expect there not to be any consequences if we just returned what we stole.

And I’m sure Rostenkowski would have paid the post office back for the \$55,000 in stamps he swiped to avoid going to prison. And, Schock, well

who knows what he’d be willing to do to get the Feds off his tail.

But you can’t put the toothpaste back in the tube.

J.B. Pritzker is worth \$3.4 billion. To put that in perspective, if all his wealth were put in one-dollar bills and stacked it would tower 20.2 miles above the earth.

On the other hand, if the amount Pritzker didn’t pay in taxes were stacked, it would be 107 feet high.

So, for most of us, \$300,000 is a fortune. But for J.B. Pritzker \$300,000 is, well, a dribble in the bowl.

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## On This Day in History

### 100 Years Ago Oct. 18, 1918

The regular meeting of the Amboy Women’s Club has been postponed indefinitely on account of the influenza epidemic.

A blackboard was placed on the west side of the Temperance Hill School Saturday, low enough for the children of the primary class to use.

Haircuts, 40 cents, shaves, 20 cents. This announcement by three barber shops in Dixon threatens to cause an uprising. The rest of the barbers want to remain at the old price and declare there will be no compromise.

### 75 Years Ago Oct. 14, 1943

Mrs. B. L. Hewitt has recently been appointed an instructor in Red Cross surgical dressing work.

The Amboy servicemen and women really get around and sometimes run into

eat other a good many miles from home. Recently WAVE Betty Grennan walked by a New Your store and as she glanced in, thought she recognized a soldier in the shop. Returning to the store entrance she met the soldier, Bill McCaffrey.

E. R. Simcox, who fell last week, sustained a serious hip injury and is confined to his home on east Main Street.

### 50 Years Ago Oct. 17, 1968

Amboy’s own miss Sharon Becker, 18, was crowned Miss Blackhawk for 1968 Saturday afternoon in Sterling. Finals of the Miss Flame Contest, held throughout the area protected by the Blackhawk Fire Fighters Association, were staged in Crandon Civic Center Saturday afternoon with miss Becker, Amboy’s Miss Flame, being declared the winner of the Miss Flames of the other Blackhawk area cities.

The Misses Bonnie and Joy Kerchner and Miss Jean Arsenty, students at NIU,

DeKalb, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kerchner and Joan.

Amboy Volunteer Firemen were called at 1 p.m. Monday afternoon to extinguish a grass fire along the CB & Q tracks on the Mrs. Catherine McCoy farm, three miles west of town.

### 25 Years Ago Oct. 21, 1993

Accidents between deer and vehicles are likely to reach their highest level of the year within the next several weeks, according to Conservation Director Brent Manning.

Amboy Board of Education and Amboy Education Association have ratified a three-year pay contract that provides for salary and benefit increases during the first and third years. There is no pay increase from the first year to the second year.

“Bushels For Our Future” campaign, a cooperative effort between Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation and local elevator is a hedge on the future of children and the family farm.

## Letters to the Editor

### Different options to the situation

Dear Editor,

It is time again to discuss the school situation. I was in an Amboy business and got thanked again for my letter last spring concerning the school design. Then two past Amboy students started talking about when they were school there was about 500 kids there and they didn’t seem crowded. So, if the junior high and senior highs have less than 500 in them, why couldn’t one school do both? We also added onto Central and enrollment has dropped so shouldn’t there be some room there also?

You may say you don’t want seventh and eighth grade girls around the senior boys. A good principal can make sure that doesn’t happen. Yes, you will need another gym. You can’t have that many sporting practices for boys and girls in one gym, I’ll give you that.

Or what if you were to bring kindergarten through second or third grade to the high school? When Kindergarten was there 20 years ago, there was less discipline problems with the little kids in the school. Then Central would be third or fourth grade through eighth grade, and yes, we would need a gym there instead.

I have talked to a past maintenance man from the district. He knows the junior high inside and out. He said it has a full basement so if it needs more outlets, just run a conduit in the basement and pop-up with outlets. But, I think it is about the same age Mendota High School was, so there is a time you quit pitching good money after bad. Maybe it has run its course and another long-term option

needs to be looked at.

In the mid-50s, they tried to build a new high school for District 271. If they would have, they would have been ahead of their time. Nobody could agree where to build as everyone wants it in their hometown. Brooklyn, Compton, Steward and Ashton pulled out. That is why 271 looked like a dumbbell, large at each end, with Paw Paw and Franklin Grove, until Franklin Grove went with Ashton.

A merger of Amboy, AFC and Paw Paw would go from Whiteside County to DeKalb, and from Bureau into Ogle. Just about a county school, except for where Dixon, Steward, Brooklyn and Compton have some of the area in their districts. Where to build a new school? The center of the county is Lee Center. So, IL Route 30 and Pine Hill Road, or east of Highway Body Builder, Inlet Road runs at an angle and a back drive would be put in. That way the kids have two exits out – either Route 30 and Pine Hill or Route 30 and Inlet Road. Don’t do what Mendota did and only front on one road. Yes, a school zone traffic speed would need to be put in place on IL Route 30.

Paw Paw is already looking at options and is considering working with Shabbona. This would be a lot more dollars but we would have a larger tax base paying on it and you would have something when you were done.

Pete Rood  
Amboy

### Encourages residents to vote yes on ballot

Dear Editor,

In a few short weeks voters living in District #272 will have to make a decision on whether or not to vote in favor of adding on to the high school or putting millions of dollars in to a 96 year old decaying building.

Before you make up your mind I ask you to do two things.

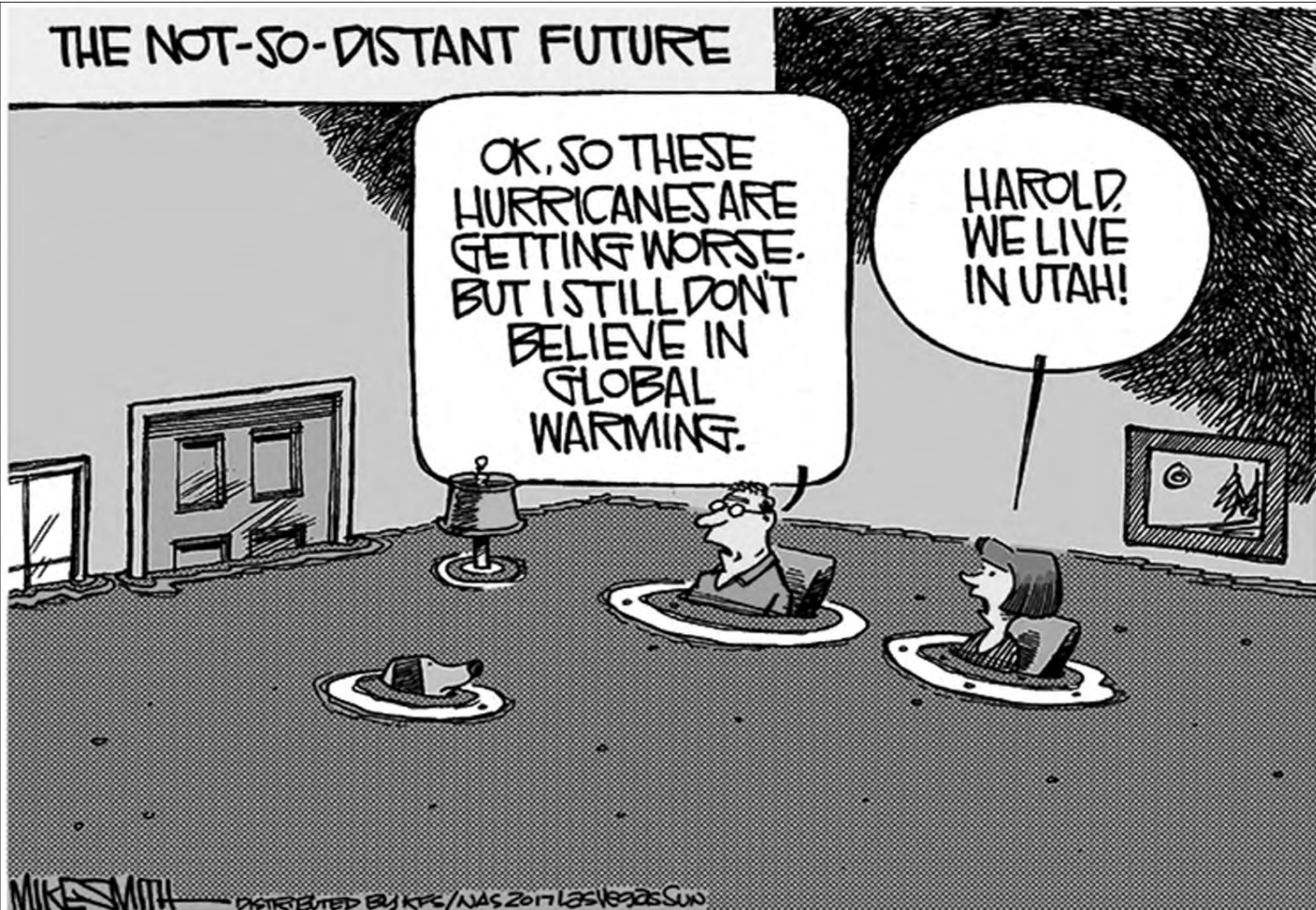
1) Call the Lee County Treasurer’s office, 815-288-4477, and ask them what the increase in your taxes would be based on your assessed valuation.

Would it be more for the year than you pay for the Internet/Cable a month?

2) Come to one of the Open Houses planned for Oct. 24, where a meal will be provided or Sunday, Nov. 4, and see for yourself what the needs are. Then ask yourself if you would be able to study under the conditions our students are being asked too.

Vote Tuesday, Nov. 6 for the safety and wellbeing of our kids.

Darlene Hinkle  
Amboy



## SOMETHING TO SAY?

The Amboy News encourages responsible letters to the editor on subjects of interest to our readers. Editing may be necessary for space, clarity or to avoid obscenity or libel, but ideas will not be altered.

The limit is 300 words. Letters exceeding this will either be edited to fit or not published. The deadline for letters is noon on Friday.

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# SVCC adds College Resource Officer to campus security team

DIXON — Sauk Valley Community College has partnered with the Lee County Sheriff's Department (LCSD) to add a College Resource Officer to the college's security staff. After several months of evaluation and consultation with law enforcement professionals, the College moved forward with the hire of Deputy Kyle Kellen.

Dean of Information and Security, Eric Epps, helped oversee the process and shared that, "Over the summer, we sat down with LCSD and it very quickly became apparent that this arrangement would provide a tremendous benefit both to Sauk and LCSD."

Deputy Kyle Kellen has been a patrol deputy with the LCSD since December 2006. Some of his specialties include:

- Field training officer (train all new patrol officers after they return from police Academy)
- CPR and AED instructor
- Narcan instructor
- Spike strip instructor
- LCSD department honor guard
- Search and rescue management

In addition to his duties, Deputy Kellen's professional development includes completion of a large variety of courses to help him better serve as a college resource officer at SVCC. Courses range from Mental Health First Aid and Safe Schools and Healthy Students, to Active shooter/Extreme School Violence.

Additionally, Kellen has a combined total of over 30 years of experience as a volunteer firefighter, emergency medical



Deputy Kyle Kellen

technician, and 911-dispatcher. His wide array of training and experience will be invaluable assets to SVCC's security efforts.

"I feel one of my best qualities is being able to talk to anybody. As a college resource officer, I want people to feel comfortable speaking with law-enforcement about issues," said Kellen. "One of my goals is to increase training opportunities with other local law-enforcement agencies. I want to include the surrounding agencies that would respond to the College in case of an emergency including law

enforcement, fire departments, SVCC security, EMS and 911 dispatchers."

Deputy Kellen will officially begin at Sauk on Dec. 1.

In addition to being a physical presence on campus, Kellen will work with SVCC Security and Administration to develop training opportunities and emergency response procedures for students, faculty, staff, and community members.

Epps also shared that, "I look forward to working with Deputy Kellen and the Lee County Sheriff's Department to make sure Sauk continues to be a safe place to learn."

# Household hazardous material collection announced

SPRINGFIELD—Fall can be an excellent time for cleaning up your chemical storage area. Now is the time to get rid of any old or unwanted pesticides while this growing season's use is still fresh in your mind. The household hazardous material collection schedule has been released to the public.

More information can be found below.

Here are a few options you have for disposing of your old or unwanted pesticides:

Use them up. You can usually apply them to a labeled-use site regardless of whether or not pests are present. Be sure to read and follow all label directions. Sometimes pesticides are taken off the market, or certain uses are removed from the label. In those cases, existing stocks can typically still be used. Rarely does US-EPA order a stop-use on the product. However, it is illegal to apply old stocks of chlordane or 2,4,5-T. To learn about the registration status of your product in question, you can contact the manufacturer or the Illinois Department of Agriculture, 217-785-2427.

Give them away. Fellow neighboring gardeners may be

interested in your castoffs. It's not recommended that you sell unwanted pesticides. To sell a pesticide legally, it must still be in the original packaging with the complete label. If the pesticide is restricted use, you must be licensed in order to sell it. If the product registration has been cancelled, selling is illegal.

Take them to a hazardous waste collection event. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has scheduled a few household hazardous waste (HHW) collection events to be held across Illinois this fall.

There are special hazardous material collection events for other non-household types of pesticides:

Agricultural pesticides are collected at various scheduled "Agricultural Pesticide Clean Sweep" events. Contact the Illinois Department of Agriculture, 217-785-2427, for more information.

Structural pesticides (those used by professional applicators to control pests in and around structures) are collected at "Structural Pesticide Clean Sweep" sites. Contact the Illinois Department of Public Health, 217-782-4674, for more

information.

Locally the nearest Household Hazardous Waste Site is: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
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# Hypnotist, Lizzy the Dream Girl, returns to SVCC Oct. 25

DIXON — Sauk Valley Community College invites the public to a free performance by Hypnotist, Lizzy the Dream Girl at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 25 in the Mathis Theatre. Volunteers from the audience become stars of the show, giving

people something to laugh and talk about long after the show is done. Lizzy's show is appropriate for all ages.

Lizzy grew up in a family of entertainers and spent her summers learning about and watching stage hypnosis shows

across the county.

The power and hilarity of hypnosis inspired her to pursue a Master's degree in Psychology, and she chose to continue the family tradition in entertainment and pursue a career as a stage hypnotist.

She uses her knowledge and expertise to create a hypnosis show that is unique, funky, and fresh. When she is not performing, Lizzy works in the field of psychology. She believes that the more we smile and laugh together, the better our lives will be.

For more information on this free program, contact Ana Salgado, student activities coordinator, at 815-835-6432.

## Thank You Neighbor

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# Lincoln turns tide in debates against Douglas in Galesburg

BY OWEN W. MUELDER  
*For the Register-Mail of Galesburg*

The Lincoln-Douglas Debates are among the most important events in the United State’s history.

The seven debates were conducted throughout Illinois in the summer and fall of 1858. Not only significant in their own time, the debates have since been recognized as an ultimate example of our political process – which has continued throughout the centuries as most office seekers nationwide debate each other every campaign season.

Stephen A. Douglas and Abraham Lincoln were respectively the Democratic and Republican party candidates for the U.S. Senate. The primary question these men discussed was whether slavery should be extended into the nation’s territories.

Lincoln was not an abolitionist, but he loathed slavery and looked forward to a time when it would disappear. He also maintained that it should be forbidden from being established in new states that desired to join the Union. Douglas defended the concept of “Popular Sovereignty,” whereby the people who resided in western territories should have the right to decide if slavery would be allowed.

The slavery question was so important then that no other political issue was raised by either candidate during the debates.

Public oratory was popular in the 19th century; both candidates often used harsh language and outspoken mud-slinging to characterize each other. People attending these contests also shouted out derogatory comments and catcalls toward both men. Spectators came from every part of Illinois to hear



the speakers and newspapers throughout the country published detailed accounts.

The first debate, in Ottawa, was held on a blisteringly hot day in the third week of August. Most historians agree Douglas put Lincoln on the defensive; consequently, the “Little Giant” appeared to be the winner.

However, at the second contest in Freeport, Douglas was put on the defensive. Lincoln asked Douglas how he could reconcile his “Popular Sovereignty” stance with the Supreme Court’s Dred Scott decision, which ruled that slaveholders had the right to introduce slavery into the territories. If Douglas responded that he supported the Dred Scott decision he would please Southerners, but if he stood by his “Popular Sovereignty” position, most Southerners would never forgive him.

His reply that day has since been dubbed the “Freeport Doctrine.” Douglas responded to Lincoln’s query by saying the people who settled a territory would determine whether or not slavery could exist there. Put back on his heels, he hoped his answer would satisfy all parties, but it failed.

The third debate, in mid-September in downstate Jones-



Tablets of Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas adorn the east entrance of Old Main on the Knox College campus in Galesburg. The tablets were hung during a celebration honoring the 100th anniversary of the Oct. 7, 1858, debate in Galesburg.

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boro, was poorly attended. In southern Illinois, slavery was popular with many citizens. Lincoln finally came out more forcefully in Jonesboro, but he faced a hostile crowd and was characterized by Douglas as a radical. This debate is considered by most scholars a somewhat inglorious affair. The fourth debate, in Charleston, was on neutral ground for both men and is remembered as a stalemate.

On a chilly day at Knox College’s Old Main in Galesburg, the fifth debate on Oct. 7 drew more spectators than any of the other six contests. Lincoln scholars are nearly unanimous in describing this debate as the one where Lincoln found his legs, displaying a confidence

he had not shown before.

Lincoln knew Galesburg was an abolitionist town, known for harboring fugitives on the Underground Railroad. Standing erect and self-assured on a stage above the crowd, Lincoln spoke for the first time at length about the immorality of slavery.

“I confess myself as belonging to that class in the country that contemplates slavery as a moral, social and political evil,” he said. Paraphrasing Henry Clay, he accused Douglas of “blowing out the moral lights around us.”

Lincoln biographer Benjamin Thomas described the Galesburg contest as the turning point for Lincoln. One Boston newspaper reporter described Lincoln as “eloquent and bold.”

Lincoln was so successful emphasizing this moral theme in Galesburg that he repeated it at the sixth debate in Quincy.

Douglas, often a heavy drinker, was described as “tight” and spoke slowly, hammering home his contention that decisions about slavery should be left to local and state governments. In the final debate, at Alton, which was a rehashing of the previous points, Douglas, his voice fraying, seemed worn down. An energetic Lincoln said the Declaration of Independence applied to all men, not just some, and the slavery question was between right and wrong.

In November, the state Legislature re-elected Douglas by 54 to 46, but the debates catapulted

Lincoln’s name and reputation across the nation; the Republican Party nominated him for the presidency two years later. His election victory proved to be a significant watershed in American history.

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 Mom/Baby Group 9 a.m., Friday, Oct. 26  
 Haunted Hayride, Friday, Oct. 26  
**HAYRIDE/DANCE**  
 Dennis and Nanette Gillian of Green River Oaks has generously invited the Teen Turf kids on a hayride out to their campground. There will be a bonfire, hot dog, drink, and games from 6-9 p.m., on Thursday, Oct. 18. There is no need to get up early as there is no school on Friday (Parent/Teacher Conferences). Everyone will leave Teen Turf by 6:15 p.m. and be back by 8:30 p.m.  
 Please parents, grandparents and community help us by chaperoning. We need help providing our youth with a safe place to be with their friends.  
 Everyone must have a current permission form filled out in order to ride on the hayride.  
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**MOM/BABY GROUP**  
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 To Green River Oaks for the food and pumpkins. To Donna Wellman for all the homemade goodies and handing them out. To Kelsie Kant of LSSI, Janet Shaw, Kathy Gardner, Fran Kessel, and Megan Cheatham for helping out at our After School Homework program. It is our volunteers that have helped many of our students improve their reading skills. They help with spelling words and vocabulary words. To Pete Rood for elevating the cans almost daily.  
 Our community is what makes Teen Turf work. It is the whole community that has made Teen Turf stay alive and able to help so many.  
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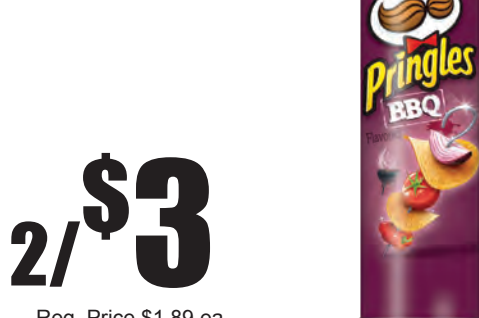


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## Autumn is a prime time to tend lawns and gardens

Autumn is gardening season. That statement may not seem right to those who think of the spring as the peak time to care for lawns and gardens. However, autumn is an ideal time to get into the garden and ensure that flowers, trees and garden beds will over-winter successfully.

A number of things make autumn a prime gardening season. The cooler days of fall enable gardeners to spend ample time outdoors without the threat of blazing heat. In addition, soil harbors a lot of residual warmth in autumn. Also, the colder temperatures haven't yet arrived in autumn, nor have the leaves completely fallen, making fall a prime time to assess what's already in the landscape, what needs pruning back and where to address planting for next year.

Gardening enthusiasts can focus their attention on these areas this fall.

- Pamper perennials. As annuals and perennials start to fall back, mark the spots where perennials are located so they can be easily identified later on. This way, when planning spots for spring bulbs or other spring layouts for next year, perennials won't be overlooked or covered over.

- Prune shrubs. Look at shrubs and trees and cut out dead or diseased wood.

- Clean up borders. Weed and tidy up borders and lawn edging.

- Install pavers or rock wall. Embrace the cooler temperatures to work on labor-intensive projects, such as putting in a garden bed, retaining wall or walkway.

- Remove spent summer veggies. Take out vegetable garden plants that have already bloomed and borne fruit. Tidy up vegetable gardens and start to sow cooler weather plants, such as onions, garlic, beans, and sweet peas.

- Rake and compost. Rake the leaves and gather grass clippings to add to the compost pile.

- Plant spring bulbs. Get tulips and other spring bulbs ready for planting so they'll burst with color next year.

- Dig up herbs. Relocate herbs like parsley or basil to indoor gardens. Otherwise, strip all leaves and freeze for storage during winter.

- Consider mums. Chrysanthemum plants are perennials. While they look beautiful in pots, if planted, maintained and winterized, they can bloom every fall.

- Fertilize the lawn. Fertilizing in autumn helps ensure grass will stay healthy throughout the winter.

- Add mulch and compost to the garden. Replenish spent soil with mulch and compost so garden beds will be revitalized for spring planting.

- Prune hedges. Tidy up hedges, as they won't be growing much more this year.

- Clean and store equipment. Clean, sharpen and oil all equipment, storing lawn and garden tools properly so they are ready for spring and not lying out all winter.

Autumn may not seem like gardening season, but there are plenty of lawn and garden tasks to tend to during this time of year.



Mums are perennials. When properly planted and cared for, they can bloom every autumn.



Certain structural and other issues should be addressed prior to a basement remodel.

## Basement remodeling tips

A basement remodeling project can add valuable and usable space to a home. For many years, homeowners overlooked the potential of a basement remodel, perhaps thinking it would not be a smart return on investment. But that's no longer the case.

The latest "Cost vs. Value" report from Remodeling magazine says the average basement remodel can cost around \$61,000 with a 70.3 percent recoup rate.

In addition, HGTV says architects and contractors indicate the cost of redoing a basement is roughly one-third to one-half less than the price of putting an addition on a home.

Before remodeling a basement, homeowners should think about how they want to use the space. Homeowners also must focus on some potential obstacles in a basement that will need to be addressed so that the area can be as functional as possible.

Basements can be chilly and damp. That means moisture issues and heating and cooling needs must be addressed prior to any construction. Homeowners may have to consider the installation of a dehumidifier and run venting through the basement to allow for proper climate control. If a basement takes on water, either through the walls or a concrete slab, a professional waterproofing company can come in and fix these issues so they will not damage drywall and flooring afterwards.

The presence of insects and pests also must be addressed. Exterminators can help homeowners figure out which insects are in their basements and how to make the space less hospitable to these unwelcome guests so that the room will become comfortable

for human occupants.

Space is often at a premium in basements, which may contain HVAC units, water heaters, filtration devices, ductwork, pipes, and the other appliances. Qualified contractors can suggest solutions for cordoning off appliances and camouflaging pipes and wires so they won't detract from the finished product. However, building access panels into the design will make it easier to service or repair features as necessary. Homeowners also may want to wrap pipes before drywall is installed to quiet noisy drainage pipes.

Uneven basement flooring will need to be smoothed out and flattened before carpeting or tile can be laid down. A self-leveling underlayment can be applied to fill in gullies, while larger cracks and holes will need to be patched.

Once the structure of the basement is addressed, then the design work can begin. Many professionals advise against drop ceilings, which can take away from ceiling height and look cheap. Basements can be dark, so the addition of plenty of lighting can help brighten the room. Small basement windows can be replaced with larger ones to add more light as well.

Homeowners can mimic built-ins and architectural details from elsewhere in the home so the basement is aesthetically cohesive and doesn't seem like an addition. Bookcases and shelving can add valuable storage space as well. Decorate the basement with bright, neutral colors so they make the space feel more inviting.

With some effort and financial investment, basements can be as beautiful and functional as other rooms in a home.

## Seven uses for fallen leaves

By the time autumn hits full swing, many trees will have shed their leaves for the season, and the last vestiges of red, yellow and orange magic will have faded to brown. Raking, blowing and collecting leaves becomes the primary chores of lawn and yard maintenance, and presents most homeowners with large piles of gathered leaves to tend to.

It is impossible to count just how many leaves fall to the ground each year, or just how many pounds of leaves get collected curbside, but the numbers are substantial. Cleaning up leaves is considerable work, but not all of those leaves need to be carted away. In fact, there are several different uses of leaves that can be beneficial.

1. Spread leaves as a protective mulch to cover tender perennials or root crops/bulbs in the ground. The leaves will form a natural insulating cover that keeps the soil and the plants within a bit warmer over winter.

2. Create a pile of leaves that will break down and form a crumbly, compost-like material called leaf mold. Even though leaf mold may sound like a blight, it's actually a good amendment to garden soil, improving its structure and ability to hold

water. Leaf mold also attracts beneficial organisms that are vital in healthy soil.

3. Brown leaves can be added to green materials in compost piles to improve the health of the compost being formed. According to the healthy living resource Care2, the ideal ratio is 75 percent brown to 25 percent green materials in compost. Turn compost piles regularly to aerate them.

4. Store dried, mulched leaves in a dry spot so they can be used in the spring as a weed barrier for spring plantings. They will keep weeds at bay and help retain soil moisture to ensure small sprouts have the resources to grow.

5. Use shredded leaves as a lawn supplement. Pass a lawn mower over leaves left on the lawn to break them down into pieces too small to rake. This will help keep the lawn healthy throughout the winter without blocking out needed sunlight.

6. Bag dried leaves and pack them tightly together in cold areas of the home, such as basements or garages. They can act as added insulation. Bags of leaves also can be placed around planting containers to protect them from frost.

7. Gather a few of the best-looking leaves and preserve them. Use an iron on a low setting and press leaves between two pieces of waxed paper until the waxed paper seals together. Or use clear contact paper to achieve the same effect.

Fallen leaves can be used in many different ways throughout the year.



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# Defining hardscape and how to use it

Curb appeal is beneficial in various ways. Curb appeal can make a home more attractive to prospective buyers and give existing homeowners a place they want to come home to. In its study of the worth of outdoor remodeling projects, the National Association of Realtors found standard lawn care and overall landscape upgrades were most appealing to buyers, as well as the most likely to add value to a home.

Although plants, grass and other items can improve curb appeal, homeowners should not overlook hardscaping.

Hardscaping is an industry term that refers to the non-living features of a landscape. These features can include everything from decks to walkways to ornamental boulders. Introducing paths or paver walls to a property helps develop that home’s hardscape. Hardscape and soft elements often work in concert to create inspiring landscape designs.

DIY landscape designers can heed certain tips to make the most of hardscape features on their properties.

## Choose materials.

As with many landscaping projects, homeowners must first determine what types of additions they would like on their properties. Common hardscape features include patios, decks, walkways of pavers or bricks, and retaining walls. Hardscape elements can be functional or simply decorative features that add whimsy to the yard.

## Choose a theme.

The right style allows hardscaping and softscaping materials to work together. For example, homeowners may want to give their yards an eastern feel, complete with a koi pond and decorative bridge or trellis. A formal English garden, however, may include manicured paths with stepping stones and ornate topiaries. Mixing too many styles together can take away from the overall appeal.

The pros suggest looking at the overall plan of the design, even if all of the work can’t be completed at once. This way the eventual finished project will be cohesive.

Think about the purpose.

Hardscaping can look good but also serve key purposes. Pebbles



*Hardscaping refers to the elements in a landscape that aren’t living, such as paths, walls and fences.*

or gravel can mitigate trouble areas that don’t grow grass or plant life well. Retaining walls hold back soil in yards with sharply inclined hills. Mulch can set perimeters around trees and shrubs, as well as planting beds. Fencing, another form of hardscaping, is essential for establishing property boundaries and adding privacy. Consult a professional.

While many hardscaping additions can be handled by novices,

large-scale projects, such as patios and decking, can change the grading of the yard. Professionals can map out how to handle drainage issues and meet building codes. In addition, professional installation can ensure hardscaping features last for years to come.

Hardscaping should blend with the nature around it and take its cues from the surrounding environment. This can help softscaping and hardscaping work as one.

# Caring for kitchen countertops

Kitchen remodels are a popular home improvement project that help homeowners recoup large percentages of their initial investments at resale. A kitchen remodel can invigorate a home and make the most popular room in the house more functional.

According to HomeAdvisor, a home-improvement informational guide, homeowners spend an average of \$22,000 on kitchen remodels. However, lavish projects can cost more than \$50,000. Protecting such investments is important and requires that homeowners understand how to properly maintain kitchen features so they have the longest life possible. This includes the new countertops that make the kitchen look complete.

Countertops come in various materials, not all of which should be treated the same way. Quartz, granite, marble, laminate, and tile countertops require different types of maintenance.

## Quartz

Engineered quartz countertops are popular. Quartz countertops are nearly maintenance-free and resistant to stains, scratches and even heat. Quartz will not need to be sealed like natural stone and can be cleaned using just a damp cloth with a mild, nonabrasive soap.

## Granite

Polished or honed granite countertops offer a high-end look that adds instant value to a kitchen. Natural variations in granite give each kitchen a custom look. To keep granite countertops clean, avoid abrasive cleansers that can scratch, and opt for warm, soapy water instead. Stains are possible, but can be remedied with a baking soda paste left to sit for a couple of hours, advises Angie’s List. Wipe up oils, acids and soda promptly to avoid stains, and follow advised sealing routines.

## Marble

Marble is a natural stone that is porous and will need to be re-sealed periodically. Because marble has high levels of the mineral calcite, it can be reactive when acids come in contact with it, and etch marks may appear. Promptly wipe away tomato juice, lemon juice, perfume, or toothpaste. Marble is softer than granite and will wear at a faster rate. Avoid scratching and exercise caution when using knives or sharp objects around marble.

## Laminate

One of the more budget-friendly materials, laminate countertops can be fabricated to mimic the look of natural stone, wood or even quartz. Laminate is less resistant to damage than other



cleanser in a discreet area first.

## Tile

Cleaning tile countertops requires getting into crevices along the grout lines. A toothbrush and a mildew-fighting cleaner or bleach diluted with water is advised. Also, unglazed tiles need to be sealed yearly. Some soap may leave residue, which can be removed with a solution of vinegar and water.

Check with the manufacturer or installer of the countertops to learn more about the ways to clean and maintain new counters.

# Design a more functional pantry

Many homeowners wish they had more storage space, and kitchens are one area where people seemingly can always use more storage.

Despite a desire for more kitchen space, until recently, kitchen pantries fell out of favor. Builders and architects may have thought that close proximity to supermarkets as well as multi-use cabinets in kitchens would offset the need for pantries. But according to a recent survey from the National Association of Home Builders, a kitchen pantry is the most desirable kitchen feature for buyers in the market for a new home.

According to a 2016 survey from ReportLinker, 98 percent of Americans say cooking at home is their preferred way to prepare a meal. And despite the wide array of restaurants, prepared meals and fast food options nearby, more than one-third of people cook at home daily, with nearly 50 percent cooking between three and six days a week.

In order to accommodate for spending more time in the kitchen, homeowners are directing additional attention to kitchen preparation and storage features. In fact, one recent trend in kitchen renovations is creating custom-designed pantries.

## Locate the appropriate space

Ideally, pantries should be in or adjacent to the kitchen. But not every home layout



allows for this setup. Some homeowners need to move storage pantries into the garage, the basement or a mud/laundry room.

Various factors should be considered before placing a pantry outside a kitchen. What is the climate? Will food spoil? Is there a possibility that vermin or insects can infiltrate the room and access food? These factors will dictate whether to have closed cabinets, air-tight bins or open shelves or if other modifications must be made to the room prior to building.

## Choose the type of pantry

Accessibility is essential in a pantry. Everything should be easily reached and grabbed as needed without having to move too many things. Ideally, foods should be arranged in a single layer so that all items can be

viewed at a glance. Shelves of various depths and heights can accommodate items of different sizes. Adjustable shelves are ideal because they can be modified as foods change. Sliding drawers can improve reach in cabinets.

In smaller spaces, French door-style reach-in cabinets are convenient and flexible. In complete kitchen remodels or new constructions, walk-in pantries offer the most space and flexibility.

## Must-have features

Pantries serve different functions in different homes. For the bulk shopper, a pantry with plenty of room for large items will be needed.

Lighting can be beneficial in all pantries. Lights can improve visibility when trying to locate items. Others prefer an outlet for

charging hand-held vacuums or other small appliances. Counter space in the pantry enables homeowners to unload groceries directly onto pantry shelves.

For pantries located outside of the kitchen, built-in freezers can maximize storage possibilities, especially for those who freeze-and-eat after bulk shopping ventures.

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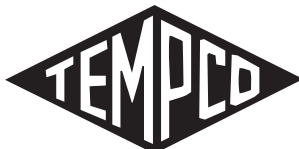


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## Protect your home (and more) from winter's freeze

Freezing temperatures may be good for ice skating or building snowmen, but sub-freezing temperatures can be dangerous for the average person and his or her home.

Cold weather often leaves people scurrying to do whatever is necessary to safeguard themselves from the big chill. But it's important homeowners also protect their homes in cold weather.

### Plumbing

Plumbing and pipes may be vulnerable to cold weather. Frozen pipes may burst and cause substantial damage to a home, potentially causing flooding and structural damage.

Homeowners should disconnect and drain garden hoses before winter arrives. Water to outdoor hose bibs should be turned off, though the valves on these outdoor faucets should be left open to drain.

Also, outdoor faucets can be covered with insulating foam covers.

The Red Cross says pipes that freeze most frequently include pipes in unheated areas, such as basements, attics, garages, and crawl spaces. Close vents to the outside in areas like attics and basements to limit the amount of cold air that

gets indoors. Think about insulating unheated areas, as well as using pipe sleeves, heat tape or wraps on exposed pipes.

By opening kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors, homeowners can allow warm air from a home to reach pipes under the sink. During extreme freezes, keep cold water dripping from a sink to prevent pipes from freezing.

### Service HVAC systems

It's important to ensure that heating systems are working properly prior to the cold-weather season. It may only take hours for the interior of a home to reach dangerously low temperatures without adequate heat. Homeowners should schedule annual checkups of furnaces and hot water heaters. Inspect the heat exchanger for cracks, install a clean air filter and make sure all thermostats are working properly.

### Have fuel ready

Homeowners who heat their homes with oil, wood or coal should make sure they have plenty of fuel on hand in advance of winter. Shortages can occur, and it may take some time for new fuel to arrive in the midst of a cold snap.

As a precaution, homeowners can rely on portable space heaters to fill in the heating gaps



during freezing temperatures.

Exercise extreme caution with these devices, turning them off when leaving the room and remembering to avoid overloading outlets.

### Protect outside

Drain birdbaths, clean out downspouts and remove water from other items where water can freeze and cause damage. Inspect roofing prior

to the snowy season, but stay off roofs during freezing weather.

Remove snow shovels and other winter gear from storage and make sure the items are easily accessible during snowstorms.

Winter's bite can be severe.

Homeowners can protect themselves and their properties when the freeze sets in.

## Make the most of your home improvement dollars

Home improvement projects provide homeowners with a chance to put their own stamp on their homes. In addition, many such projects make homes safer and, in some instances, more eco-friendly.

The opportunity to make a home more comfortable, safer and/or more eco-friendly entices many homeowners to open their wallets. In fact, the Home Improvement Research Institute estimates that the home improvement products market will grow by more than 5 percent in 2018.

Homeowners might experience some sticker shock when researching home improvement projects or receiving estimates from contractors. But there are ways for budget-conscious homeowners to transform their homes and still make the most of their home improvement dollars.

- Do your homework. Each year, Remodeling magazine publishes its "Cost vs. Value Report," a comprehensive study of 21 popular remodeling projects in 149 United States markets. The report notes the value each project retains at resale in 100 markets across the country. Homeowners who want to get the strongest return on investment can access the "Cost vs. Value Report" (www.remodeling.how.net) to see which home improvement projects are best suited for them.

- Do some of the labor yourself. Homeowners willing to swing a hammer also can stretch their home improvement dollars. For example, the home improvement resource This Old House® notes that homeowners willing to do their own demolition before the contractors arrive can save substantial amounts of money. A professional contractor may charge \$1,000 to demo a 200-square-foot deck, but This Old House estimates that homeowners who demo their own decks may spend only \$450 (for the dumpster rental and parking permit).

- Hire a consultant. The DIY movement is incredibly popular, no doubt thanks to television channels such as HGTV and the DIY Network. Homeowners with DIY experience may be able to complete projects on their own with little consultation from professional contractors. Some contractors may not offer consulting services, however.

The consultation route, which typically requires paying licensed contractors hourly fees to offer guidance, should only be considered



by homeowners with legitimate DIY skills, for whom this option can be a great way to save money.

- Schedule renovations during homeowner-friendly times of year. Summer and fall tend to be contractors' busy seasons, and homeowners will likely pay more for projects during this time of year. If possible, delay starting projects until right after the new year, when contractors aren't so busy and might be more flexible with pricing.

Budget-conscious homeowners can employ various strategies to make the most of their home improvement dollars without sacrificing quality.

## Beat cabin fever with winter renovations

When the weather outside is frightful, homeowners and renters can turn their interior spaces into something delightful. Residents can banish feelings of cabin fever by using time spent inside to make subtle or even substantial improvements to their living areas.

Individuals may find that winter is a great time to tackle delayed or unfinished projects or to put plans for major renovations in motion. Homeowners may find that they have some extra time on their hands when weather and early evening darkness reduces how much time they can spend outdoors. The following projects can help homeowners make the most of their time indoors.

- Start painting. One of the easiest ways to transform the look of a room is with a fresh coat of paint. Painting a room or rooms is

an inexpensive project that can be completed over the course of a single weekend. Painting in lighter colors can help illuminate dark spaces and make a home feel more vivid and inviting, especially during the winter. And painting need not be reserved for walls only. Homeowners may want to sand and paint furniture to give items a trendy arts-and-crafts feel.

- Reimagine flooring. Thanks to the bevy of laminate, composite materials and vinyl flooring options, homeowners can engage in do-it-yourself flooring projects to perk up tired interior spaces.

Many "floating" flooring systems are user-friendly and can instantly update spaces. Some systems may not even require adhesives or nails to complete.

- Redress the furniture. New furniture can

be expensive. For those who are happy with the lines and scale of their current furniture, a facelift may be all that's needed to give rooms a new look.

Slipcovers can make sofas, love seats and chairs look like new or blend with an entirely new color scheme. Slipcovers come in fitted and loose varieties and in many different materials. Other pieces can be updated with throws, new linens or a coat of paint or stain.

- Address drafts and other inefficiencies. Colder temperatures alert homeowners to drafts, leaks and even insect or rodent infiltration. Homeowners can scout out rooms and remedy situations.

- Organize the home. Rainy or snowy days are great moments to address organizational issues, such as messy mudrooms or cluttered kitchen cabinets.

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Clayton Kemp headed to state Oct. 13 and 14 to represent Amboy High School. Kemp shot a 9 over par 81 at Silver Ridge Golf Course which secured a tie at eighth. The individuals in the top 10 moved on to the state tournament. Good luck Clayton - You have had a successful senior year

Photo submitted

## Kemp competes at state golf tournament

BLOOMINGTON – Amboy-LaMoille’s Clayton Kemp concluded his golf season by participating in the IHSA Class 1A State Golf Tournament on Oct. 13 at Prairie Vista Golf Course in Bloomington. Friday’s opening round was cancelled, so one round was played on Saturday.

Kemp shot an 18-hole round of 93, which put him in a tie for 77<sup>th</sup> place.

Marcus Smith of Winnebago was the individual state champion with a 71.

The team title went to Effingham (St. Anthony) with a 318.

## Lady Clippers to compete in Sterling regional

STERLING – The Amboy Lady Clippers have been assigned to the Sterling (Newman Central Catholic) Class 1A Regional Volleyball Tournament to be played Oct. 22, 23, 25. Amboy is the fifth seed.

The tournament will begin on Monday, Oct. 22 with Polo taking on Milledgeville.

The winner of that match will play top-seeded Sterling Newman at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23. The other Tuesday contest will pit LaMoille against Amboy.

The two winners will battle for the regional championship at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25.

The champion of the Sterling Newman Regional will advance to the Polo Sectional to take

on the survivor of the Hebron (Alden-H.) Regional at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29. The other sectional teams will come from the Durand and Ashton (A.-Franklin Center) regionals.

**Sterling (Newman Central Catholic) Class 1A Volleyball Regional**  
**Monday, Oct. 22**  
1 – (7) Polo vs. (8) Milledgeville – 6 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 23**  
2 – (1) Sterling (Newman Central Catholic) vs. Winner Match 1 – 5:30 p.m.  
3 – (4) LaMoille [Coop] vs. (5) Amboy – 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Oct. 25**  
4 – Winner Match 2 vs. Winner Match 3 – 6 p.m.

## Clippers score twice in fourth quarter to secure win against Galena

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Amboy-LaMoille put up a pair of 14-point quarters and romped over Galena, 35-14, in a NUIC Northwest varsity football game on Oct. 13 in Dubuque, Iowa. The contest was moved to Saturday and also to Dubuque because of unplayable conditions at Galena’s field.

The Clippers tallied 14 points in the second period and also had a 14-point fourth frame in posting the easy victory.

Clipper quarterback Mitchell McLaughlin torched the Galena defense for 209 yards and three touchdowns as he completed

17 of 30 passes. Marcus Winn was the recipient of those three TD strikes that went for 11, 30 and 16 yards. Winn had 10 total receptions for 100 yards.

McLaughlin also did damage with his legs as he ran for a touchdown. Austin Norman added a 33-yard rushing TD for

Amboy-LaMoille. He finished the contest with 70 yards on the ground.

The Clippers (3-5 overall, 2-5 conference) will conclude the season when they host Forreton (6-2 overall, 5-2 conference) on Friday, Oct. 19 at the AHS field.

## Amboy runners finish regular season at Patriot Invitational

PEORIA – The Amboy-LaMoille cross country runners concluded the regular season by competing in the Patriot Invitational on Oct. 13 at Detweiller Park in Peoria. There were 50 teams in attendance.

In the varsity girls’ race, Margaret Vaessen turned in a 26<sup>th</sup>-place performance for the Lady Clippers with a time of

19:33. Next in for A-L was Kaitlyn Ortgiesen in 73<sup>rd</sup> place with a time of 21:05. Kelynn Boyle (129<sup>th</sup>, 22:24) and Bailey Bickett (206<sup>th</sup>, 25:25) also completed for the Lady Clippers.

Tom Stamberger was the lone A-L runner in the varsity boys’ race and he finished 38<sup>th</sup> in a time of 16:28.

Five Clipper boys partici-

pated in the junior varsity event. Brock Loftus was the first A-L runner to cross the finish line in sixth place overall with a time of 17:02. Ian Eller (17:43) and Mateo Ramis (17:45) took 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> place, respectively, while Calvin Deering (37<sup>th</sup>, 19:05) and Andruw Jones (66<sup>th</sup>, 20:25) also raced.

“We had strong efforts by

everyone,” said A-L coach Bob Halberg. “Had they scored team points in the JV race, we would have placed fourth, which is great for a meet of this size.”

A-L harriers will compete in the Rock Falls Class 1A Regional Cross Country Meet on Saturday, Oct. 20 at Centennial Park. Start time is 10 a.m. for the girls and 10:45 a.m. for the boys.

## Clippers to compete in Rock Falls regional

ROCK FALLS – The Amboy-LaMoille cross country runners will participate in the Rock Falls Class 1A Regional Cross Country Meet on Saturday, Oct. 20 at Centennial Park. Start time is 10 a.m. for the girls and 10:45 a.m. for the boys.

Other participating schools include Aledo (Mercer County), Cambridge, Galva [Coop], Kewanee (H.S.), Kewanee (Wethersfield) [Coop], Lanark (Eastland), Manlius (Bureau Valley), Morrison, Orion, Prophetstown [Coop], Rock Falls, Rock Island (Alleman), Savanna (West Carroll), Sherard, Sterling (Newman Central

Catholic) and Taylor Ridge (Rockridge).

The first seven placing teams and the first five runners who are not members of the advancing teams in each regional will ad-

vance to sectional competition.

In addition, in the event the sixth, seventh or eighth place overall individual finisher in the regional is not on a qualifying team, they will also advance to

the sectional meet.

The sectional will be held at Oregon Park West in Oregon on Saturday, Oct. 27 with the girls racing at 10 a.m. followed by the boys at 11 a.m.

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Sat., Oct. 20	AHS Varsity Volleyball @ AFC Tournament, Ashton – 8 a.m.
Oct. 22 – 26	AHS Volleyball Regionals @ TBA
Oct. 23 – 26	National FFA Convention
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**October 22 - 26**

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.  
Lunch option each day of the featured item or salad bar or yogurt with whole grain crackers or peanut butter & jelly or Grab&Go smoothie.

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**ATHLETES OF THE WEEK**

**Golf**  
Clayton Kemp

**Football**  
Maverick Lindenmeyer

**Volleyball**  
Dani Hochstatter

**Cross Country**  
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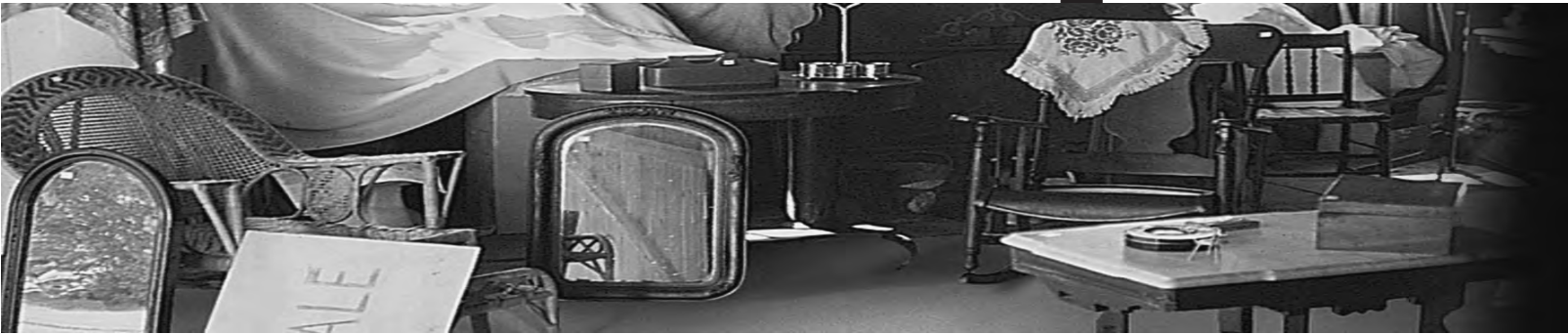
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- AUTOMOTIVE

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### HELP WANTED MISCELLANEOUS

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WANTED TO BUY: Antique corner cupboard and dry sink. Also, stained glass windows and oak bookcase. Call 815-562-2928 or email - dickharms@hotmail.com

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ROCHELLE: 130 Shirley Ave. One Day Only Moving Sale. Friday October 19th, 10am-4pm. 5-Piece Patio Set, Riding Lawn Mower, Oak TV Cabinet, 8-Piece Dining Room Set, Miscellaneous Dishes & Glassware, Oak Sofa Table, Large Pre-Lit Christmas Tree, Christmas Decorations, Books, and Puzzles. (10-18-18)

ROCHELLE: 923 16TH St. One Day Only!! Saturday October 20th 10am-5pm. Estate Sale. Lift Chair, Sofa, Bedroom Set, Outdoor Shed, Circular Saw, and More!! (10-18-18)

FRANKLIN GROVE: Presbyterian Church Basement, 106 S Walnut. Thursday October 25th, Friday October 26th 8am-4pm & Saturday October 27th 8am-1pm. Fall and Winter Men's and Women's Clothing, (8+ Racks Name Brands, Some With Tags) Quilting Kits, Material, Crafts, Yarn, Household, Books, Medium Dog Crate, Arm Chair, TV Table, Dresser, Exercise Bike and Much More. We Opened Another Room for the Sale. Bake Sale and Refreshments Available. (10-25-18)

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY**  
**Bids shall be accepted until November 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of West Brooklyn, P.O. Box 117, West Brooklyn, IL 61378 for the purchase of a building and real estate pursuant to the attached Resolution to Sell Municipal Real Estate**

### RESOLUTION TO SELL MUNICIPAL REAL ESTATE

Whereas, the Village of West Brooklyn owns surplus real estate which is presently being used as vacant land located at 2531 Johnson Street, West Brooklyn, Illinois; Whereas, the Village of West Brooklyn believes it to be in the best interest of the municipality to sell said surplus real estate.

Whereas, The Village is authorized to sell surplus real estate pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-76-4.1. NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:  
1. The Village shall sell the following property:  
Remaining vacant lots surrounded by Woods, Johnson, 3rd and 4th Streets of the Town of West Brooklyn, Lee County, Illinois.  
2. The present use of the real estate is commercial and vacant land.  
3. The zoning is Business/Industrial.  
4. The Village of West Brooklyn may accept any offers acceptable to the Village of West Brooklyn.  
5. The sale shall be

by private sale by the Village and shall be at a price not less than 80% of the appraised value of said property as determined by certified appraisal, copy of which is on file at the Village Clerk's Office of the Village of West Brooklyn.  
6. The Village may accept any contract proposal determined to be in the best interest of the Village.  
This resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication.

The foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the Village of West Brooklyn, Lee County, Illinois this 2 day of October, 2018.  
Shaun Bullock, President  
Thomas Ness, Village Clerk  
No. 1002  
Oct. 10, 17, 24, 2018


**INVITATION TO BID**  
Amboy Community Unit School District #272 will accept sealed bids, in envelopes marked "Snow Removal Bid", by mail or in person, for a one-year bid to begin in November 2018 and end April 2019.  
Bid form may be obtained from Joshua Nichols, Superintendent, at the District Office, 11 E. Hawley Street, Amboy, IL 61310, telephone (815) 857-2164, Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.  
Bids will be received at the District Office until 2:00 P.M. on Friday, October 26, 2018. No. 1005  
Oct 17, 2018

**Public Auction**

**Wednesday, October 31, 2018**  
**10:30 a.m. at Mendota Civic Center**  
1901 Tom Merwin Drive, Mendota, IL - Registration begins 9:45 a.m.

**336.73± total ac., 305.73± FSA cropland ac.**  
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Tract 3: 221.05± total ac., 197.04± FSA cropland ac., Corn Crib, Soil PI 116, 5-yr Avg. Yields: Corn - 152 bu., Soybeans - 56 bu.  
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2018 Chevy Equinox AWD Premier, White.....	\$29,500	2016 Chevy Cruze LT Sunroof, Blue.....	\$17,500
2018 Chevy Malibu LT Silver.....	\$22,900	2015 Chevy 1500 Crew Cab 4x4 LT White.....	\$30,500
2018 Chevy Malibu LT Silver.....	\$19,900	2015 Chevy Colorado 4x4 Crew Cab, Z71, Red ..	\$27,900
2017 Chevy Colorado 4x4 Ext. Cab, Z71, Gray...	\$27,500	2015 GMC Acadia SLT Gray.....	\$24,500
2017 GMC Terrain SLE 2 AWD, Gray.....	\$23,900	2015 Chevy Equinox, LTZ, AWD, Maroon.....	\$20,900
2017 GMC Terrain FWD SLE 2, Blue.....	\$22,900	2015 GMC Terrain SLE 2 FWD, Silver.....	\$19,900
2017 Chevy Cruze, Premier, Silver.....	\$17,500	2015 Buick Verano Gray.....	\$16,500
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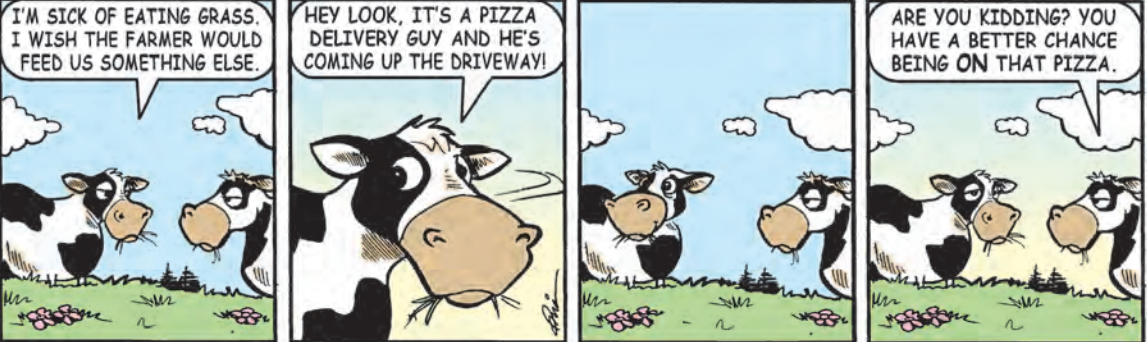
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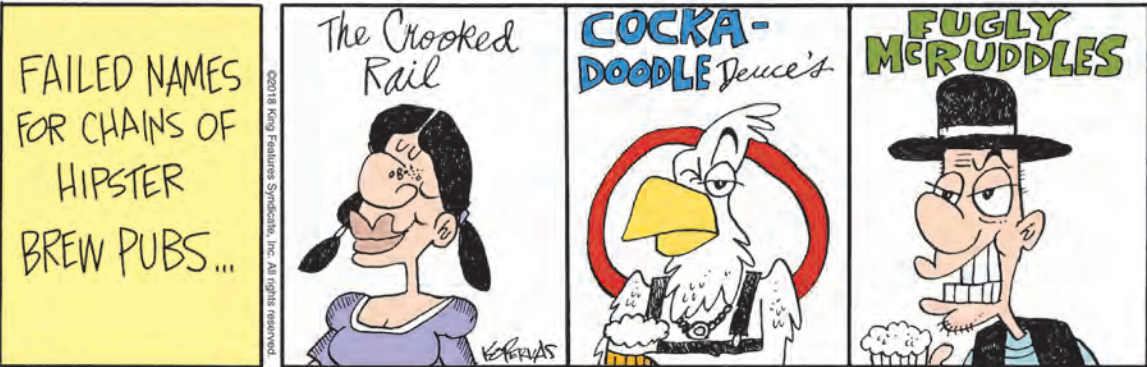


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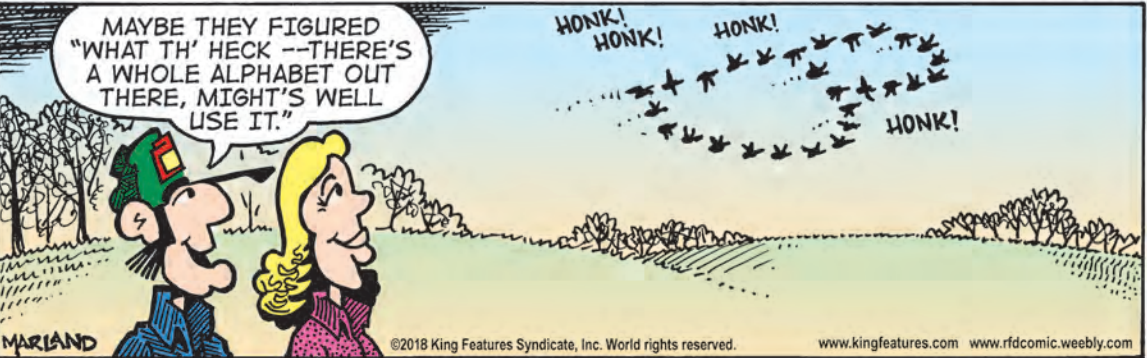
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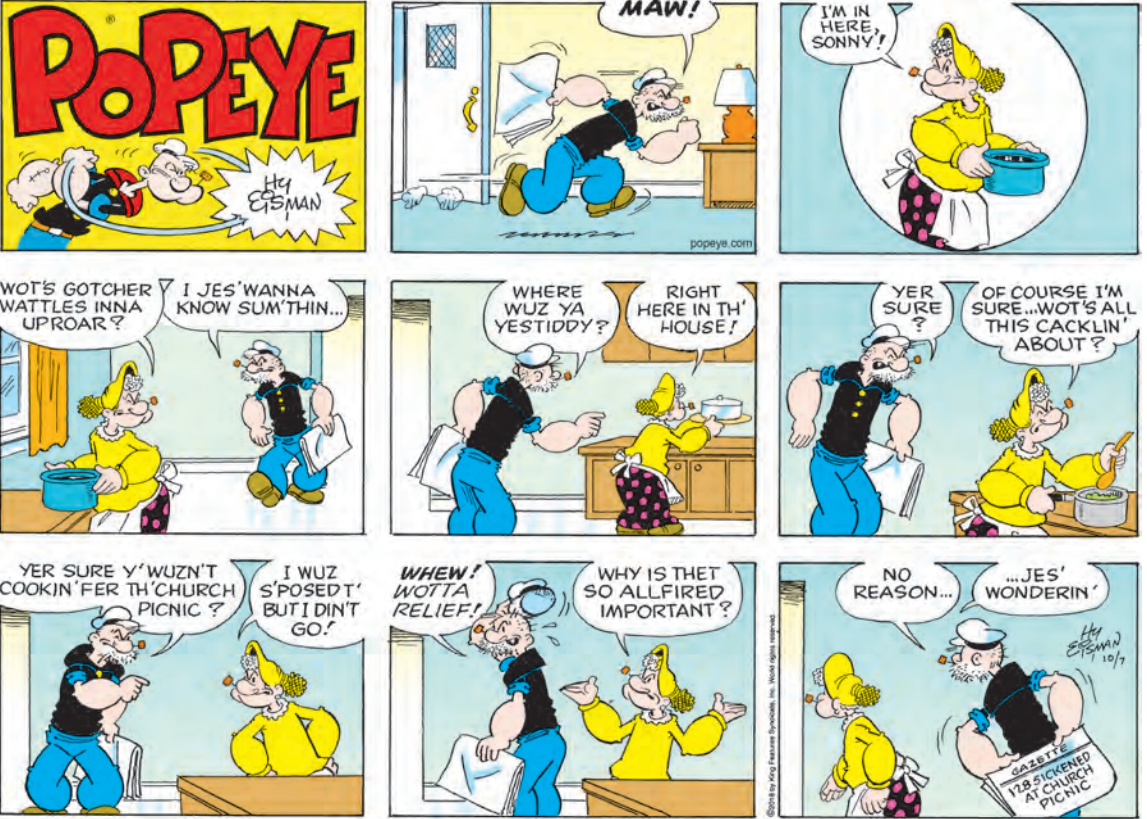


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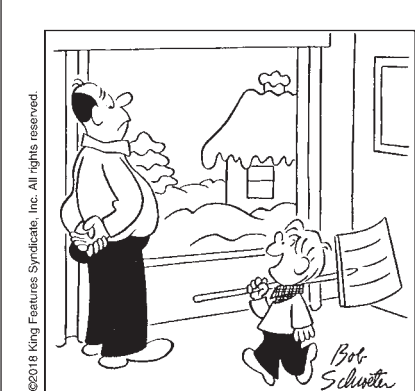


Just Like Cats & Dogs



by Dave T. Phipps

LAFF-A-DAY



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the CAPITAL letters below to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word to complete the gag!

Cunning  
EIGUL

Spare  
PRUSSUL

Tender  
INDAYT

Impede  
RHINDE

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12			13			14				
15			16			17				
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53						54			55	
56						57			58	

- ACROSS
- 1 Cleo's slayer  
4 — de deux  
7 Ornamental loop  
12 Neither mate  
13 Performance  
14 Wahine's greeting  
15 Excessively  
16 Intercom speaker  
18 "— Impossible"  
19 African capital  
20 At the home of (Fr.)  
22 "— be an honor"  
23 Maja painter  
27 Table scrap  
29 Luxury stadium seating  
31 Italian isle  
34 Put one's two cents in  
35 Fridge  
37 Insult (Sl.)  
38 Ten (Pref.)  
39 Anger  
41 Vacillate  
45 Foolish  
47 Chaps  
48 Chest for money  
52 Type measures  
53 Minimum  
54 Corroded  
55 "Gosh!"

- eh?"  
32 Expert  
33 Chest muscle, for short  
36 Intersection, on signs  
37 Indicate  
40 Moroccan city  
42 Last letter  
43 Mideastern land  
44 Beginning  
45 Division word  
46 CEO, e.g.  
48 Crafty  
49 Earl Grey, e.g.  
50 "Go, team!"  
51 Bear, in Barcelona
- DOWN
- 1 Caper  
2 Start for "sayer"  
3 Regular writing  
4 History  
5 Find not guilty  
6 Action-film sequence  
7 Fido's feet  
8 Sort  
9 Corn castoff  
10 "So that's it,"

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

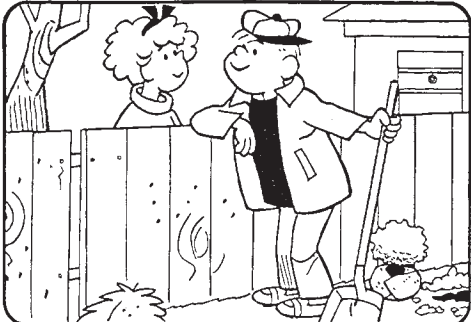
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

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

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Fence opening is wider. 2. Hair is different. 3. Neckline is different. 4. Arm is moved. 5. Window shade is missing. 6. Shirt is missing.

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: A equals T

ERYJPN YJQFM RDJPA R

VMHNJX GWJ RTGRKN TMRVN

MLSFAMCTK FXAJ SRDN

WMRCEFHNA: "ARLF CFQMH."

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GREEN

Today's Word

1. Guile; 2. Surplus;  
3. Dainty; 4. Hinder

SCRAMBLERS

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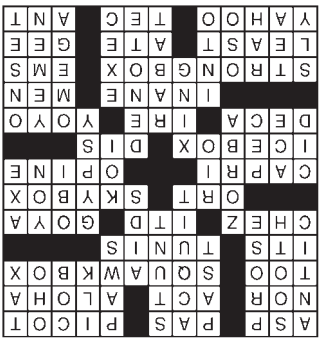
Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president was the only one to serve on the Supreme Court after his term as president?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature is a fer-de-lance?
- LANGUAGE: What is the study of the form, meaning and use of words called?
- TELEVISION: What 1960s sci-fi drama began with the line, "There is nothing wrong with your television set"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How long is the racetrack where the Kentucky Derby takes place?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What is a fear of birds called?
- MUSIC: The song "Waltzing Matilda" originated in which country?
- MEASUREMENTS: What is the quantity of a gross?
- MOVIES: In "The Wizard of Oz," what did the Wizard tell Dorothy to take from the wicked witch?
- ANCIENT WORLD: In what modern country is the Temple of Artemis at Ephesus located?

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1. William Howard Taft  
2. Very venomous snake  
3. Toxicology  
4. "The Outer Limits"  
5. 1 mile  
6. Oenophobia  
7. Australia  
8. 144  
9. Her broomstick  
10. Turkey

Trivia Test Answers



Solution time: 27 mins.

Answers

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

headfirst: "Taxi Diver."

person who always leaps excitedly into cabs

Famous movie about a

answer

Cryptoquip