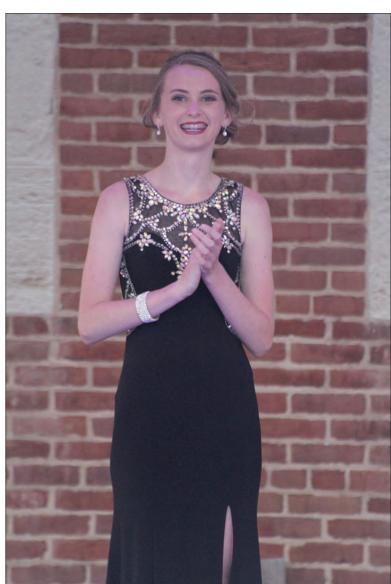
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Vaessen named 2018 Miss Amboy during Depot Days



Margaret Vaessen, right and top, centered in the back row, was crowned 2018 Miss Amboy on Thursday night. Pictured to Vaessen's left and right are the two other contestants for Miss Amboy, Hope Sachs and Emma Weber. Pictured in the front is 2018 Junior Miss Amboy Kayla Oury, 2018 Little Miss Amboy Adelynn Kreiser and 2018 Little Mr. Amboy Charlie Schoenholz.



Weather doesn't stop attendance at annual car show

BY MONETTA YOUNG

Reporter

AMBOY — Despite the foggy morning and two other car shows in the area, the Amboy Depot Days Car Show was very successful.

"Guys that came from Rockford told me they nearly didn't come because it was so foggy in the morning," said Garth Dallam, one of the Amboy Depot Days Car Show organizers. "They said they missed their turn off and everything."

Once the fog lifted, the heat turned up. But the hot humid, oppressive humidity, didn't keep the car guys down.

"We had approximately 400 entries," said Dallam. 'Which is about average."

This year, organizers lined vehicles up first come, first serve. Vehicles were still judged by classes.

"We were very pleased with how things went with the changes this year," Dallam said. "We parked and judged

the cars differently and aside from a few hiccups, it went pretty good."



Bonnie Morris/Amboy News



Organizers were pleased with the turnout of this year's car show.

Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News

Scenes from 2018 Amboy Depot Days



Amboy Fire Department served up their annual pancake breakfast on Saturday morning during Depot Days.

Mary Mays/Amboy News



The Knights of Columbus served up a pancake breakfast in downtown Amboy on Sunday morning.

More 2018 Depot Days pictures appear on B6.



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Amboy CUDS welcomes its new teachers



Jessica Arellano - High School Math



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Thomas Frank -Junior High P. E. & Health



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Travis Kemmerer - High School **Band & Chorus**



Avery Kerley - Junior High **Band & Chorus**



Sarah Land -Junior High Rotation



Emily Majewski -2nd Grade



Benjamin Schott - Junior High P. E. & **Technology**



Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation president Larry Hummel (left) presents the check to the

Farm Bureau Foundation hosts

Lee County tax bills due Sept. 7

LEE COUNTY — John F. Fritts, Lee County Treasurer, announced that his office has mailed more than 29,000 real estate tax bills to Lee County property owners.

Taxes paid from the bills will bring in more than \$63,500,000 to finance Lee County governmental agencies, according to Fritts. The second due date for county taxes is Sept. 7.

The county treasurer asked that anyone not

receiving a bill to please contact the treasurer's office at 815-288-4477. Failure to receive a bill does not exempt liability for payment.

Payments may be made at any banks in Amboy, Ashton, Dixon, Franklin Grove, Paw Paw, Sublette and West Brooklyn.

Payments may be made by mail or at the county treasurer's office in the Old Lee County Courthouse with office hours of 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Lee County Historical Society to meet

DIXON — The Lee County Historical and Genealogical Society will present a program on Wednesday, Sept. 12, in the lower level of the Loveland Community House, 513 W. Second Street in Dixon.

The program is at 7 p.m., and entitled "Bloody Gulch Revisited.'

John Thiel, nephew of a bible salesman who

was murdered near what is known as Bloody Gulch Road in Dixon, is writing a book in memory of this horrible incident.

Please come join us to learn more about one of the dark sides of our history. There is no fee and the public is welcome.

The building is handicapped accessible. For further information, please call 815-284-1134.

25th Anniversary Cash Bash AMBOY – The Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation celebrated 25 years with a 25th Anniversary Cash Bash Celebration at the Post House in Dixon on Aug. 16. The Cash Bash Celebration honored the history of the Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation, celebrated its accomplishments, gave the foundation an opportunity to thank its supporters and to look to the future and the many years of success that is to come. Lee County

25th Anniversary Cash Bash Grand Prize winner Rick Branter (right).

scholarship program. The evening concluded with the Cash Bash Raffle drawing with the \$5,000 Grand Prize

Farm Bureau Foundation scholarship recipients Lexi Meurer and Zachary Becker spoke to the

crowd and thanked them for their support of the

winning ticket being awarded to Rick Brantner. Larry Hummel also won \$500 for selling the Grand Prize ticket. The \$1,500 second prize was awarded to Scott Brinkmeier of Dixon; \$1,000 third prize went to Jim McCabe of Utica; \$500 fourth prize went to Rex Meyer of Amboy, and the \$250 fifth prize went to Gunnar Ortgiesen

The mission of the Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation is to encourage and fund ag related educational opportunities for the youth of Lee County. For more information about the Lee County Farm Bureau Foundation and how you can support its programs, visit www.lcfbfounda-

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Amboy Community Unit School District #272

Thur., Aug. 30 AJHS Volleyball @ St. Mary's, Sterling -8th-5 p.m.; 7th-6 p.m.

> AHS Golf (H) Aquin & Stockton – 4 p.m. AHS Cross Country @ Rockridge HS – 4:30 p.m. AHS Volleyball (H) Riverdale – 5 p.m.

Fri., Aug. 31 AHS Football (H) Eastland-Pearl City – 5:30 p.m.

AHS Cross Country @ Oregon Park West – 9 a.m. Sat., Sept. 1

Mon., Sept. 3 NO SCHOOL – LABOR DAY

Tues., **Sept. 4** AJHS Volleyball (H) Bureau Valley North – 4 p.m. AHS Golf @ Hanover (Storybrook) – 4 p.m.

AHS Golf @ Rochelle (Fairways) – 4 p.m. Wed., Sept. 5 AHS Cross Country @ Oregon Park West -4:15 p.m.

Thur., Sept. 6 AHS Picture Day AJHS Volleyball (H) East Coloma – 4 p.m. AHS Golf (H) West Carroll – 4 p.m. AHS Volleyball (H) AFC – 5 p.m.

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Thank You Neighbor

If someone has done something kind for you, let them know by nominating them for the "Thank You Neighbor" Rose. Send a brief description of their act of kindness to: The Amboy News, P.O. Box 162, Amboy, IL 61310

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DEADLINES for our issue on Sept. 5 due to

Labor Day. The advertising deadline will be Thursday, Aug. 30 at 5 p.m.

The editorial deadline will be

Friday, Aug. 31 at 10 a.m. The office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3rd to celebrate Labor Day. Open again on

Tuesday, Sept. 4 at 8 a.m.

Pictured, left to right, are Lisa James (Whiteside County) and Carol Vaessen (Lee County). Not pictured is Terry Bocker (Carroll County).

Photo submitted

Illinois 4-H Foundation honors 67 volunteers including three local volunteers

LEE COUNTY — The Illinois 4-H Foundation annually recognizes 4-H volunteers for exemplary service to the Illinois 4-H program. This year, 67 new members including three from Carroll, Lee and Whiteside counties were inducted into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame during a celebration Tuesday, Aug. 14 at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield.

This year celebrated the 14-year anniversary of the award, said Angie Barnard, Illinois 4-H Foundation executive director.

"These long-time volunteers fully embody what 4-H strives to instill in youth," Barnard said. "They are caring, dedicated, generous leaders, and the Illinois 4-H Foundation is extremely proud to be able to provide this honor to each and every one of them to thank them for their service to this wonderful organization.'

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

"As a result of these volunteers' years of service and leadership to Illinois 4-H," Barnard said, "the program they love will continue to create wonderful opportunities for the young people whose lives it touches."

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

Those honored included local volunteers: Lisa James, Whiteside County; Carol Vaessen, Lee County; and Terry Bocker,

The Illinois 4-H Foundation raises private funds that are invested in Illinois 4-H programs that provide meaningful, positive development experiences for Illinois youth to develop leadership, citizenship, and life skills. To learn more, visit: www.4hfoundation.illinois.edu.

Amboy Police

Warrant, Possession of Cannabis

On Aug. 26, at 2:45 a.m., Ranada M. Schopp, 26, of Ashton, was arrested for a warrant and possession of cannabis. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and also issued an ordinance violation.

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DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only, on Aug. 30 and 31. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or to find out about other services offered, like Adult Vaccines.

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FRANKLIN CREEK-The deadline to register in advance for the Franklin Creek BioBlitz II is Aug. 31. Register for the Sept. 8 event at stewardship@ franklincreekconservation.org or by calling the Mill at 815-456-2718.

DIXON-International Overdose Awareness Day will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 31, at the Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave. The public is invited to learn about available resources, overdose prevention and receive training for Naloxone. Call 815-284-3371 for more information.

MAYTOWN-There will be a Labor Day Mass at St. Michael's Cemetery, Sandy Hill- off Sublette Rd. and Rockyford Rds., on Monday, Sept. 3, at 10 a.m.

AMBOY-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at Amboy High School, 11 E. Hawley. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

DIXON-Lee County Council on Aging, 100 W. Second St., will host a Grief Support Group with Ken Lawson of Unity Hospice at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4. Call 815-288-9236 for more information.

AMBOY-The City of Amboy committee meetings will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

AMBOY-The Amboy Civic Organization will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at Maria's. Memberships dues will be col-

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, Sept. 5. The third Wednesday of the month drive, Sept. 19, 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-Pulling for Ryon will be held at the Lee County Fairgrounds, 1196 Franklin Rd., from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8. This is a benefit for Ryon Richardson and will include various events.

SUBLETTE-The annual SubletteFest will not be held in 2018, so that area residents can attend the Pulling for Ryon event listed above. The Sublette Car Show will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. and the Pullin in the Park will be held on Sunday, Sept. 9, beginning at 11 a.m.; check-in begins at 8 a.m.

DIXON-Porky's, 1315 E. River Rd., will hold their Annual Parking Lot Party to Benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children on Saturday, Sept. 8. The day begins with the Car Wash at 10 a.m., a DJ and Karaoke will begin at 1 p.m., Live Music at 5 p.m. and a costume contest at 8 p.m. Activities will end with the 50/50 drawing at 9 p.m.

AMBOY-The Amboy Fire Protection District will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 10, at the Fire Stateion, 25 N. East Ave.

AMBOY-The Amboy American Legion Post #453 will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Amboy Family Restaurant community room.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions

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SUBLETTE-The Sublette

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Township meeting will be held

at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at

the Sublette Township Building.

Grove Township Board Meet-

S. West St.

Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

Tuesday, Sept. 11, at the East day, Sept. 10, at the Community Grove Township Hall.

Prospect.

AMBOY-The Board of Trustees of Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S.

AMBOY-Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US RT 52, will host Community Bingo at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 13. Bingo will be followed by a light lunch. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.





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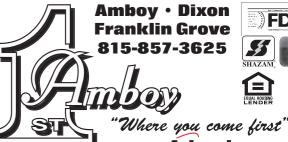




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August 31: Final 2018 Musical Fridays ON THE RIVERFRONT IN DIXON

Sept 1: Blues, Brews, BBQ & Bags for the Brave DOWNTOWN DIXON

Sept 2-3: Paw Paw Lions Club Labor Day Celebration (Car Show September 3) VILLAGE PARK, SCHOOL & DOWNTOWN PAW PAW

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Sublette News



Car Show Set Sept. 8

The annual Sublette County Car show will be held on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The annual SubletteFest will not be held in 2018, so that area residents can attend the Pulling

The show will be held along Route 52 across from Country Village Meats. Kaiser, Frazer, Hudson and Nash will be the featured makes, however, all makes of cars, truck and motorcycles are welcome. There will even be a display of tractors. There will be a special area for Chevrolets across from Vaessen Brothers Chevrolet.

The Chicago-Milwaukee Hudson club will

hold a meet in conjunction with the show.

The registration fee \$5 per car. There is no judging, just a day of tire kicking and car talk. Donations will be accepted for the Salvation Army and there will be a 50/50 drawing. Food will be available on the grounds.

For more information, contact Don Dinges at (815) 849-5582 or visit the Village of Sublette website.

New Railings At Community Building New wrought iron railings have recently been

installed along the ramp of the Sublette Community Building. They are much like the railings



which are along Main Street in the business district. The new railings add safety to the entrance and also add to the aesthetics of the building.

OSF to do

Testing

OSF HealthCare will be doing blood pressure and blood sugar screenings at Pioneer State Bank in Sublette on Wednesday, Sept. 5 from 8:30-10 a.m.

Mt. Morris Jamboree to welcome classic rock and roll band on Aug. 31

MT. MORRIS — The Mt Morris Jamboree is pleased to welcome Classic Rock and Roll Band, Strata to our Band Shell for their debut in town on Aug. 31, for a free two-hour concert starting at 7 pm. This Chicago based band has been wowing audiences for seven years with their faithful renditions of Rock and Roll favorites from the 50s through today.

Fronted by lead vocalist Bud Carlson, with Tony Carlson on bass, George Lisle on vocals and guitar, Tony Heredia on drums and vocals, and newest member, Alex Falls on keyboards and vocals, Strata digs through layers of Rock, played the way you remember it. Come sing, dance and enjoy the final concert of our season in style.

Generous donors to the Jamboree, Mt. Morris Moose Lodge #1551 will be providing concessions for the evening starting at 6 p.m.

Some of the items they'll be serving at this concert include:

their famous cheeseburgers and pulled pork, chips, soda and

The campus will be extra festive that evening as several sculptures from the Third Annual National Straw Sculpting Competition are likely to still

The Artful Threads Fiber Art Show continues at the Encore Dietrich Ranch will have beef Old Sandstone Gallery next door for its final night, open Brewwilllikely bethere to serve from 6 - 9:30 p.m., featuring original fiber art of all kinds, from weaving and quilts to lace

and thread sculpture and more by local artists.

Several other local food and craft vendors will likely be on site as well, including Jen's Artisan Breads, featuring many different varieties of delicious fresh baked bread and Pecatonica River Honey, with raw, natural, locally sourced honey, sticks and beef jerky and Barker a variety of iced coffees, too.

Please come to town early and have a look at all the good locally grown produce and other foods and crafts available at the Mt. Morris Community Farmers Market held in the bank parking lot at the corner of Wesley Ave. and IL Route 64 from 4-7 p.m., every Friday through October. Come join the fun on our beautiful, historic campus in the center of Mt. Morris, two blocks south of IL Route 64 on Wesley Ave.

The rain location for the concert and concessions is the Mt. Morris Moose Lodge, at 101 Moose Drive, just off of E. Hitt Street, at the same times.

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Order forms and payment may also be dropped off to Tonja Greenfield at the Amboy News no later than noon, on Friday, Aug. 31. Please make checks payable to the KB Fund.

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pick up from 9 a.m. – noon, on Friday, Sept. 21 and 9 a.m. noon, on Saturday, Sept. 22, at 600 S. 5th Street in Oregon, southwest corner of Fifth and Clay Street.

Mums will also be delivered by Tonja Greenfield to the Amboy News office on the afternoon of Friday, Sept. 21 for pick-up for those who turned in orders to the Amboy News.

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> > Mass: Sunday, 7:30 am

United First Church of Amboy Pastor Mark Glenn East Main & Jefferson 815-440-0745 Sunday Worship - 9:00 a.m.

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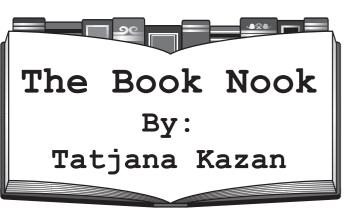
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he is arguably the most famous woman of all time. The Virgin Mary, the symbol of female docility and devotion, of endless patience, kindness, and mercy. The Mother of God, who is believed by the Catholic and Orthodox Churches to have bodily ascended into heaven upon her death. In Colm Toibin's brilliant novella, "The Testament of Mary," she is none

In Toibin's story, Mary is an old woman living out her days in Ephesus. She is visited periodically by two men, her guardians. Arrogant and contemptuous, they interrogate her about the events she has witnessed. They need her account for the story they are fashioning of her son's life and death. She can't stand them. To her, the young men who had followed her son were misfits: "I have no time for foolishness, but if you put two of you together, you will get not only foolishness and the usual cruelty, but you will also get a desperate need for something else."

Her son was a grateful, well-mannered, intelligent boy, but now "he was all displayed manliness." She hears talk of power and miracles, of crowds of malcontents and crazed soothsayers roaming the countryside in search of afflictions. After she hears the story of Lazarus's horrific agony upon his resurrection, she is warned by a relative that her son will be crucified. Desperate, she travels to Cana for her niece's wedding to warn him. Appalled by the frenzy of the arriving horde to see Lazarus at the wedding and by her son's cold indifference to her, she flees.

She travels with Lazarus's sister Mary to Jerusalem to be at her son's execution. "I knew that I was facing into something ferocious and exact." It was "the vast public display of his defeat." The crowd quickly turned into a mob: "Everybody's blood was filled with venom, a venom which came in the guise of energy, activity, shouting, laughing, roaring instructions as they paved the way for a grim procession to a hill beyond."

As the hours pass on that hill, she notices that several men on horseback were waiting to arrest them. Her guardian leads them quietly away before the end comes. They wove patterns and meanings later, she says of her two visitors, but it was all random and uncertain. When her visitors tell her that her son had died to redeem the world, that he was the son of God come to save us, she marvels at the enormity of their ambition and the innocence of their belief. "'I was there,' I said, 'I fled before it was over, but if you want witnesses, then I am one. And I tell you now, that when you say he redeemed the world, I will say that it was not worth it."

Senior Fair to be held in Dixon on Sept. 7

DIXON — Illinois State Representative Tom Demmer (R-Dixon) will be holding his annual Senior Citizens' Health Fair from 10 a.m. to noon, on Sept. 7, at the Lee County Council on Aging-Post House Ballroom, located at 100 West Second Street in Dixon. The fair is free and open to the public.

Demmer stated, "I always enjoy meeting with constituents to discuss the services that state and local agencies provide. The Senior Citizens' Health Fair will feature non-profit organizations and businesses in the area who offer services that help to improve the lives of seniors."

All attendees will be encouraged to sign in for a chance to win a door prize and also help themselves to free refreshments as they

SVCC Project VITAL to offer free tutoring training

DIXON — Project VITAL of Sauk Valley Community College is offering FREE tutor training sessions in September to those interested in becoming volunteer Adult Literacy

Training sessions are Sept. 10, 17, 24, and Oct. 1, 4-7 p.m. (online training available with a variety of training options). Don't have past tutoring experience? No problem. Sauk will provide training with a free light dinner to participants, 18 years or older, who have a GED or high school diploma.

To sign up for training, or for questions, please contact Laura Moreno, laura.m.moreno@ svcc.edu, 815-835-6241 or Sarah McFarlane, sarah.a.mcfarlane@svcc.edu, 815-835-6312.

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In this time of need, draw closer to God

BY FATHER TIMOTHY DRAPER

or the past five Sundays, we have been hearing from chapter six of St. John's Gospel, which contains Jesus'famous Bread of Life Discourse-one of the biblical foundations for the Catholic Church's belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. There Jesus says: "I am the living bread

that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world" (Jn 6:51). St. John tells us that the "Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" (Jn 6:52) In response, Christ declared all the more strongly and solemnly: "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink" (Jn 6:53-55). Tragically, however, many did not believe. "Many of his disciples, when they heard it, said, 'This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" (Jn 6:60)

The Gospel goes on to say: "After this many of his disciples drew back and no longer went about with him" (Jn 6:66). After these disciples left him, "Jesus then said to the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?'Simon Peter answered him, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God" (Jn 6:67-69). Peter believed in Jesus' words, because they came from "the Holy One of God," who said "I am the way and the truth and the life" (Jn 14:6). And, as St. Thomas Aquinas wrote: "Truth himself speaks truly, or there's nothing true."

Immediately after Peter's confession of faith, Jesus responded: "Did I not choose you twelve? Yet is not one of you a devil?' He was referring to Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot; it was he who would betray him, one of the Twelve" (Jn 6:69-71)

In recent days, the Catholic Church in America has experienced scandal from within with allegations of grave sins involving Archbishop Theodore McCarrick, and through a Grand Jury Report (from six dioceses in the State of Pennsylvania) of grievous crimes and moral failures dating back some 70 years. I share with you my personal horror and profound sadness over these scandals. As St. Paul states (and as

Pope Francis last week echoed in his Aug. 20th Letter to the People of God): "If one member suffers, all suffer together with it" (1 Cor 12:26).

As a Roman Catholic priest and as the pastor of St. Patrick Catholic Church (Amboy), St. Mary Catholic Church (Walton), and St. Flannen Catholic Church (Harmon), I sincerely apologize to any and all who have ever suffered abuse from Catholic clergy or from anyone within the Catholic Church. Such abuse is evil and intolerable. I am painfully aware of the deep hurt, sadness, anger, and bewilderment that both Catholics and non-Catholics feel in the face of these scandals.

I assure you of my own commitment to providing a safe environment at our parishes, especially for our young people. And I invite you to join me in praying and doing penance for the authentic holiness of our clergy and religious, the conversion of all who have caused abuse, and the healing of all those who have suffered from it.

At this time of crisis, like Peter, let us not draw back from Our Eucharistic Lord and his Church, but draw more closely to him, saying: "'[Lord] to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (Jn 6:68)

Annual Friends of the Poor Walk set for Sept. 15

AMBOY - The Tenth Annual Friends of the Poor Walk to benefit the needy and those living in poverty in the Amboy area will be held at 9 a.m., on Saturday, Sept. 15, at St. Patrick Catholic Church Hall, 23 N. Jones in Amboy. Participants are asked to get pledges and walk a 5K course through the city of Amboy.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the walk starting at 9 a.m. T-shirts are given out to those participating. Water and refreshments will be provided for the walkers. Pledge money and donations should be turned in the day of the walk. You can also register and make donations on line at www.fopwalk.org

The St. Patrick-Amboy Conference of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) is hosting this event. SVdP is a Catholic lay organization of more than 800,00 men and women throughout the world who voluntarily join together to grow spiritually and offer person-to-person aid to the needy and those living in poverty in 142 countries on six continents.

The walk brings awareness to those in need among us. There are no administrative fees, and all proceeds will directly benefit the people in Amboy and the surrounding area. Some of the ways SVdP helps those in need is with housing expenses, utility costs, medication, transportation, household, car and educational expenses.







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A more perfect union

ou know these words, but how often do you stop to think about them?

"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity..."

They belong, of course, to the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution. That remarkable document is not just the blueprint for our political system. Its Preamble is also a profoundly aspirational call to arms. Because when you read it, it's hard not to ask yourself how we're doing — at establishing justice, promoting the general welfare, securing the blessings of liberty, and, in sum, creating a more perfect union.

It's especially hard to avoid asking this question now, when the warnings of democracy in retreat are all around us. For many, the creeping authoritarianism that has taken hold in any number of countries — Russia, China, Bolivia, Turkey, the Philippines, and Hungary, among others — seems alarmingly on the ascendant

You can also look around and find developments that make you wonder whether the world's democracies have much cause for complacency. Worrisome environmental trends, population growth, climate change, the ills that go along with rising consumption—like mountains of trash and depletion of natural resources—all suggest a world unable to rein in its appetites.

Guest Column

By Lee Hamilton



in this country and in other democracies, expanding women's rights and the rights of minorities, ending child labor, banning nuclear testing, improving literacy, building strong economies. The world's most vibrant economies and most nimble military forces remain mostly in the hands of democratic nations: the U.S., France, Great Britain, Germany, Japan, and Australia.

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Yet it's undeniable that we've come a long way

I don't believe that people around the world favor authoritarianism. They prefer a voice in government. But most of all, they want decent lives for themselves and their children. They are not so wedded to a democratic system that if they see no improvement in their lives, they'll reject authoritarianism. So democratic governments have to perform. They have to meet the expectations of their people and

improve the quality of their citizens' lives.

In the U.S., many Americans, worried about the direction of their country, wonder whether it is making progress toward the

their country, wonder whether it is making progress toward the ideals of the Preamble. We seem to advance, fall back, and then move forward again, all in incremental steps.

What do we mean when we talk about "a more perfect Union"? I suppose we think of material progress. But more fundamentally, I hope, we think about the expansion of human freedom and progress toward the goals set out simply and eloquently in the Preamble. There's a sense that we're all in this American experience together: it brings us together and connects us with our past,

present and future.

The American experiment in representative democracy is always a work in progress. The results are always in doubt. Lincoln's words at Gettysburg — "whether a nation so conceived and so dedicated can long endure" — will probably resonate for as long as we're a nation.

We face immense systemic problems at the moment: racial discrimination, wage stagnation, staggering income inequality, political polarization, the pernicious effects of too much money washing around in the system, the degradation of civil discourse. It is not a given that we'll be able to resolve them, and we always have to be alert to the fact that our freedoms and rights can be eroded. Which means that to prevent this erosion we have to step up to the task of responsible citizenship.

This is a challenge for every generation. We've stepped up to it in the past, through world wars, the Civil War, economic recessions and depressions. As Americans we believe in a set of democratic ideals, basic rights, fundamental freedoms, and the notion that all people are created equal and all are entitled to dignity. These are ideas that give us cohesiveness and identify us.

But we cannot take our ability to deliver on them for granted. Without a renewal of energy and commitment to the democratic values of the Constitution, without acting on the call issued by the Preamble, we could lose them.

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On This Day in History

100 Years Ago Aug. 20, 1918

Wanted 100 girls and 25 boys for government work. Above 16 years old for day and night work, 58 hours weekly, days, 50 hours weekly nights. Minimum wage for beginners, \$12 weekly. After two weeks experience, can make \$13 to \$16 weekly.

Bert Lyons exhibited a cat fish on Main Street Monday afternoon which measured 39 inches in length. The fish was caught at White Rock on the Rock River near Grand Detour. This is one true fish story

J.C. Clendon of Dixon sang for the Union Church services Sunday morning. Modestly and without affection he gave two very acceptable tenor solos. For purity of tone and intelligent interpretation of the song writers thought he is seldom excelled.

75 Years Ago Aug. 26, 1943

Miss Ada Crane of Sullivan arrived in Amboy Saturday to take up her work as Home Economics instructor at A. T. H. S. Miss Edna Hoffman has again been hired to teach in the Sublette public school. She has recently finished a summer school course at Northern Illinois State Teachers' College in DeKalb.

The large garage and warehouse which for years has stood at the rear of the William E. Clark grocery was sold last week by Mr. Clark to Oscar Berga and Orville H. Barlow. Wednesday the building was moved to the Barlow farm southwest of Amboy.

50 Years Ago Aug. 29, 1968

Nearly 100 children entered the annual Kiddies' Parade held here Saturday morning under sponsorship of the Amboy Chamber of Commerce. Amboy Volunteer Firemen assisted Mrs. Karl Steder, chairman, in handling the parade which was led by Firemen's rescue vehicle and included one of the fire trucks.

Selection of Amboy's Miss Flame of 1968 will follow a grand parade here Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. Contestants include Pat Boyle, Julie Duitsman, Sonia Schaefer, Patsy Shaw, Debra Shapiro, Catherine Noble, Janice Koch, Nancy Stahr, Cheri Sondgeroth, Regina Koehler,

Cris Jeanblanc and Sharon Becker.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned M. Cater, of Lee Center will celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary at an open house Sept. 1 from 2-5 p.m. in the social room of the new bank building in Ashton.

25 Years Ago Sept. 2, 1993

Depot Days '93 was marked by some weather extremes, but many reported that this was the best year ever. A hot, humid Friday held down some sales on the downtown sidewalks, but a cooler Saturday brought out large crowds. A brief shower just before the parade didn't hamper that event, which featured almost 100 units.

Members of Amboy Area Chamber of Commerce tested the waters of the new wading pool during a chamber After Hours gathering recently at Woodhaven Lakes. They were hosted by Jeff Hickey, Karen Roche and Ed Cox.

Now showing at Plaza Cinemas in Dixon: "Sleepless in Seattle," Connery Snipes "Rising Sun" and "Needful Things."

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Who gets Madigan money and what it means for November

ith election season upon us, one man's face will fill the mailboxes of Illinoisans more than any other. His visage will flash across screens constantly. Low voices will utter his name over radio waves.

Of course, I'm talking about the longest-serving state House speaker in American history, Mike Madigan.

The man is widely despised, yet he retains extraordinary power. That puts quite a few Democratic representatives in a trick bag.

The candidates facing the toughest races need cash to keep the lights on. But with the most unpopular politician in the state holding the purse strings for the party, that money isn't "clean." There is a price to pay.

Madigan is the chairman of the Democratic Party of Illinois and controls its campaign spending. He is the only legislative leader in the country who is also a state party chairman. He's also chairman of three other active committees: Friends of Michael J. Madigan, the 13th Ward Democratic Association and Democratic Majority.

More than 60 sitting state representatives have received money from one or more of those committees over the course of their careers, totaling around \$15 million. And many of the top recipients find themselves in tough races this fall.

Incumbent state Rep. Sam Yingling, D-Grayslake, tops the table among those running for a seat. He's received nearly \$1.5 million in donations and in-kind contributions from Madigan's committees. State Rep. Carol Sente, D-Vernon Hills, is the only sitting lawmaker who has received more, but she's not

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By Austin Berg



seeking re-election.

The following state representatives running for re-election have received more than half a million dollars from Madigan's committees:

Deb Conroy, D-Villa Park (\$1,313,932)

Marty Moylan, D-Des Plaines (\$981,242)

Fred Crespo, D-Hoffman Estate (\$895,336)

Sue Scherer, D-Decatur (\$892,609) Katie Stuart, D-Edwardsville

(\$869,501) Michelle Mussman, D-Schaumburg (\$869,089)

umburg (\$869,089) Stephanie Kifowit, D-Oswego (\$732,852)

Kathleen Willis, D-Addison (\$588,821) Natalie Manley, D-Joliet

(\$535,940)

Two things to note about these dollar amounts: First, they are only up to date as of June, when candidates filed their most recent campaign finance reports with the Illinois State Board of Elections. Madigan's spent plenty more since then.

Second, they don't capture the dollars funneled to candidates by other organizations at Madigan's behest. The speaker has directly funded 10 members of his caucus with over half a

million dollars each, but that

by no means is the only way he provides support to candidates. In districts where his name is particularly toxic, he can direct loyal lieutenants – most commonly labor unions – to fund

candidates directly.

Madigan's money itself might not be a problem for some state lawmakers. Of course, on the other side of the aisle, Gov. Bruce Rauner heavily funds the Republican Party, which then backs candidates in tough races. He is also unpopular at the moment. But there is a key difference.

No other state gives its House speaker so much power over the legislative process. And Madigan just needs one vote every two years to retain that iron grip: the vote for speaker.

Each lawmaker who has received more than half a million dollars from Madigan has, in exchange, dutifully given him that key vote. Collectively, they've cast 36 speaker votes for the man who's held the gavel for 34 years.

Madigan gives money to lawmaker. Lawmaker gives ultimate power to Madigan. The campaign mailers write themselves.

Some lawmakers have yet to feel the pressure that comes with an influx of Madigan cash. Take Natalie Phelps Finnie, for example, who was appointed to her cousin's Democratic House seat in southern Illinois last year and has received less than \$1,000 from Madigan committees. As the Democratic Party tries to hold on to that seat in a district that overwhelmingly supported Donald Trump in 2016, one can expect money from the speaker to flow into the district one way or another.

As that happens, calls for independence from the speaker's money will surely only grow louder within her district – as they will throughout the state.

Will she, or others, give in to that pressure? Not if history is any indicator. After all, the Democratic state representatives who do usually add "former" to their job title soon after.

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BY CHUCK SWEENY

Of the Rockford Register Star

¬irst, let's get his name straight. It was Ma-katai-me-she-kia-kiak. In English, he was Black Hawk, war chief of the Sac and Fox tribe who lived most of his life in the Rock River Valley in northern Illinois.

Black Hawk was born in 1767 in Saukenuk, a Sac and Fox village on the Rock River in northwestern Illinois. He built his reputation as a war fighter leading his tribe in skirmishes against the Osage tribe.

In the late 1700s and early 1800s, a new enemy appeared Americans, relentlessly moving west from the Eastern states, claiming the land for themselves as they went, building homes and villages and fencing off the fields.

The U.S. Army and state militias accompanied the settlers and protected them against the people who had been there for thousands of years. Treaty after treaty was made between the native people and the U.S. government, and they were regularly broken.

One of those documents was the Treaty of 1804, signed in St. Louis by representatives of the Sac and Fox tribe and U.S. officials. Black Hawk, who had not been at the signing, thought the treaty merely ceded some of the tribe's ancestral hunting grounds to the American

But the Sac and Fox had been snookered. Actually, the treaty required the Sac and Fox to vanish forever from 50 million acres, their entire homeland east of the Mississippi River.

Black Hawk was so angered that he allied with the great Shawnee Chief Tecumseh to fight alongside the British in the War of 1812, which the Americans started in an attempt

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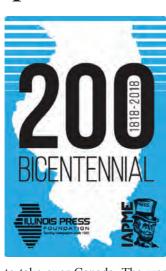
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to take over Canada. The war ended in a draw in 1815. Black Hawk became increasingly agitated as white settlers streamed into his northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin homeland, protected as always by militia and U.S. troops. However, he wasn't popular among all of his tribe's men and women.

Most Sac and Fox had resettled in Iowa by 1830 under the leadership of the moderate Chief Keokuk, who was more of a politician than a warrior. He favored negotiating with the U.S. rather than fighting what he knew was a superior force.

In early 1832, Black Hawk decided to return to Illinois to resettle in the Sac and Fox homeland once again. Because about 160,000 whites now lived there, skirmishes broke out, prompting calls by the fearful Americans to rid the area of "Indians."

In April 1832, Black Hawk "led some 1,000 Sac and Fox and Kickapoo men, women and children, including about 500 warriors, across the Mississippi River to reclaim land in Illinois that tribal spokesmen had surrendered to the U.S. in 1804," according to Encyclopedia

They weren't seeking war. In fact, Black Hawk, now 65, hoped to enjoy a peaceful



retirement in Illinois. After the cold, hard winter of 1831-1832 they wanted to come back to their old grounds and plant corn where they knew it would yield

Only about one-fifth of the Sac and Fox returned; most stayed in Iowa.

a bountiful harvest.

Illinois Gov. John Reynolds requested U.S. troops and called up the state militia, eventually assembly a force of 7,000 soldiers, both regulars and militia members, to fight the Sac and Fox. Meanwhile, throughout the spring and summer of 1832, Americans burned or otherwise destroyed Sac and Fox fields.

One of the sorriest battles in the war took place near what today is Stillman Valley, Illinois. Maj. Isaac Stillman and 275 men were pursuing Black Hawk's warriors. Black Hawk could not persuade other tribes to join him, so he sent emissaries to Stillman to surrender. But the militiamen were drunk; they fired on the delegation and killed two warriors. Black Hawk planned an ambush in return. In the Battle of Stillman's Run, 40 Sac and Fox warriors routed Stillman and his 275 men.

The battles of the Black Hawk War claimed about 70 U.S. troops and militiamen as well as settlers. An estimated 500 Sac and Fox were killed.

Among the Americans who took part in the battles were Abraham Lincoln, the future president of the U.S., and Jefferson Davis, the future president of the confederation of rebellious states that seceded from the U.S. in 1861.

As the war proceeded into the summer of 1832, the Americans pursued Black Hawk and his warriors into southern Wisconsin, defeating them finally in August at Bad Axe on the Mississippi River.

On Sept. 2, 1832, the Black Hawk War ended when U.S. Gen. Winfield Scott and Sac and Fox leaders signed a treaty forcing the tribe to cede 6 million acres of land west of the Mississippi River and 50 miles west of the river.

Black Hawk lived out the rest of his life in Iowa, dying near Des Moines in 1838. He was 72.

In his autobiography, Black Hawk addressed his conquerors, saying: "May the Great Spirit shed light on your path, so that you may never experience the humility that the power of the American government has reduced me to. This is the wish of a man who, in his native forests,

was once as proud and bold as

yourself." The chief is honored in a 40foot statue by Lorado Taft, above the bluffs of the Rock River at Oregon, Illinois. Although he didn't specifically call the statue "Black Hawk," that's what it's commonly called.

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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 29, 2018



Cross Country

Front row, left to right, Kelynn Boyle, Ian Eller, Margaret Vaessen, Brock Loftus, Andruw Jones, Rachel Rieker. Back row, Mateo Ramis, Thomas Stamberger, Calvin Deering, Kaitlyn Ortgiesen, Bailey Bickett, coach Bob Halberg.

Amboy News photo

Cross country team opens season at Rocket Run

ROCK FALLS – Amboy-LaMoille cross country runners opened the 2018 season by competing in the Rocket Run on Aug. 21 at Rock Falls.

In the girls' race, Margaret Vaessen finished in eighth place with a time of 21:00.

Also competing for the Lady Clippers were Kaitlyn Ortgiesen (23rd, 22:33) and Kelynn Boyle (25th, 22:48).

In the boys' competition, Tom Stamberger

took 10th place in a time of 16:51.

Amboy-LaMoille occupied the top three positions in the open race. Ian Eller grabbed first-place honors with a time of 18:57, while Mateo Ramis finished second with a time of 19:08 and Brock Loftus was third in 19:20.

Other competitors were Calvin Deering (11th, 20:23), Andruw Jones (22nd, 22:31), Bailey Bickett (55th, 27:18) and Rachel Rieker (67th, 29:37).

Clippers open season on the road with loss to Milledgeville

away in the second half and rolled to a 36-7 win over Amboy-LaMoille in the opening night of the

 $2018\,football\,seas on\,on\,Aug.\,24\,at\,Milledge ville.$ The Clippers fell behind 14-0 midway through the second quarter before they cut the deficit in half on a 48-yard touchdown strike from quarterback Mitchell McLaughlin to Marcus Winn with

MILLEDGEVILLE – Milledgeville pulled 1:54 left in the half. Mario Carvahol booted the extra-point kick.

Amboy-LaMoille held firm on defense and

got the ball back with another chance to score before intermission.

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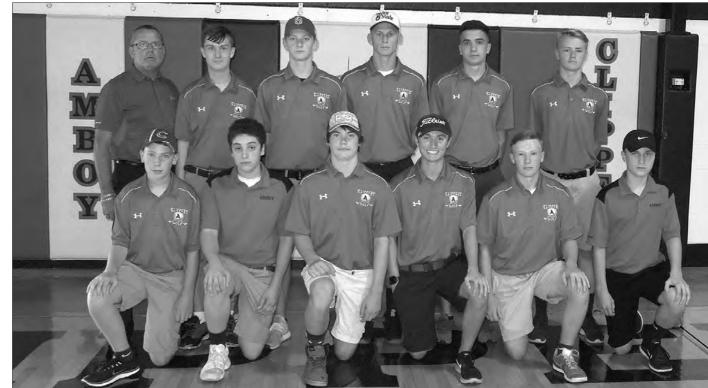
Front row, left to right, Lauren Althaus, Mariah Hoffman, Tori Daniels, Natalia Soto, Macy Mershon, Darla Appleman. Back row, Haley Sus, Dana Merriman, Brooklyn Whelchel, Angel Warner, Emma Weber, coach Selena Rapp, Brittany Barlow, Emma Lewis, Lexi Morgan, Gracie Esquivel.

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Golf

Front row, left to right, Jared Warner, Nathaniel Ramirez, Garrett Ringenberg, Clayton Kemp, Luke Warner, Austin Bogle. Back row, coach Zach Ross, Gavin Gross, Michael Zaller, Henry Rod, Jay Long, Brett Buhrow.

Amboy News photo





Sophomore Volleyball

Front row, left to right, Eden Lindenmeyer, Brooklyn Whelchel, coach Betsy Jones, Lauren Tarr, Brianna Blaine, Madelyn McLaughlin, Zoey Bulfer.

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CLIPPERS continued from page A1

The Clippers advanced the but a pass from McLaughlin in-hill for the Clippers once the geville and the Missiles' Carson ball to the Missile 5-yard line tended for Winn fell incomplete. Things quickly went down-

second half began. Amboy- Boyer ran it back 80 yards for a more scores over the remainder

Milledgeville tacked on two of the game on touchdown runs

of 16 and 35 by Nathan Rahn, who ended the night with 150 vards on 14 carries.

The Clippers picked up 252 total yards. Only 45 came on the ground, while McLaughlin completed 12 passes for 207 yards. Winn had four catches for 118 yards and Hunter Zimmerly gathered in six passes

for 65 yards. Amboy-LaMoille will open up its home season on Friday, Aug. 31 when it entertains Eastland-Pearl City. The sophomore kickoff is at 5:30 p.m.

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Monday Tuesday

- Labor Day Holiday No School
- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart
- Hot dog on a bun, relish, onion, salad, goldfish crackers, fresh cut veggies, cowboy
- beans, applesauce Wednesday

breakfast cart

- Panckes & syrup or pick two from breakfast cart
 - Chicken breast on french roll, lettuce, tomato, sweet potato fries, fresh cut veggies, peaches, cake
- Thursday - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from
 - breakfast cart - Ham & cheese stuffed potato, peas, carrots,
 - green beans, roll, pineapple, fruit cobbler - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from
 - Pizza slice, corn, salad, fresh cut veggies, bread/ butter, juice cup, dried fruit mix

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September 3 - 7

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Tuesday

Friday

- Labor Day Holiday No School
- Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from

 - Hot dog on a bun, relish, onion, salad, goldfish crackers, fresh cut veggies, cowboy beans, applesauce
- Wednesday - Panckes & syrup or pick two from
 - breakfast cart
 - Chicken breast on french roll, lettuce, tomato, sweet potato fries, fresh cut veggies, peaches,
- cake Thursday
 - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from breakfast cart
 - Ham & cheese stuffed potato, peas, carrots, green beans, roll, pineapple, fruit cobbler - Choice of fresh pastry or pick two from
 - breakfast cart - Pizza slice, corn, salad, fresh cut veggies, bread/
 - butter, juice cup, dried fruit mix

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Local News

Amber Waves I'M AFRAID THIS HAS TOO MANY PRESERVATIVES. WE ALSO LEARNED IN HEALTH CLASS THAT GLUCOSE IS BAD



WOW, MOM SAYS I CAN SKIP A DAY OF SCHOOL

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R.F.D.

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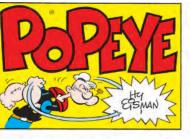
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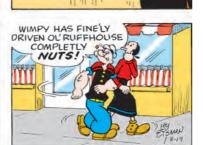
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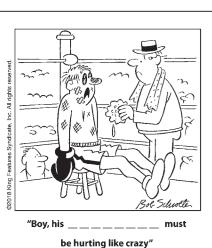
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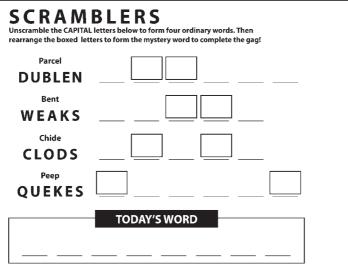
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- 54 Curved line 34 Hockey venue 55 Rams' mates
- 35 Author Fleming
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- 40 Sea eagle
- 41 Humans 45 Short skirt
- 47 Trawler need 49 Sailor's jail
- 50 Probability

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way

that each row across, each column down and

each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging

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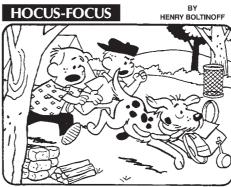
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1. ANATOMY: What is the normal human body temperature in Celsius?

- del appears in what literary work?
- 3. MATH: What is the least common multiple of 3 and 7?
- 4. TELEVISION: Who was the first guest of the television news show "Face
- 5. FOOD & DRINK: What is "tafel-
- does the name of the martial art taekwondo mean in Korean?
- 7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the
- 8. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital
- European explorer credited with discov-
- 10. MOVIES: Who voiced the charac-
- ter of John Smith in Disney's animated "Pocahontas"?



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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: J equals P

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Today's Word

3. Scold; 4. Squeek 1. Bundle; 2. Askew; uoitulos

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2. LITERATURE: The monster Gren-

- the Nation" when it debuted in 1954?
- wein" in German? 6. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What
- first graduate of West Point to serve as president?
- of Morocco? 9. EXPLORERS: Who was the first
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Trivia Test Answers

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Answers

— **King** Crossword —

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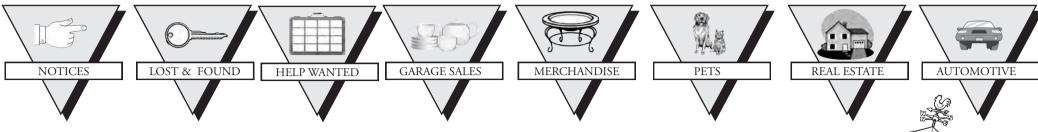
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Scenes from 2018 Amboy Depot Days



Drone photo of Main Street in downtown Amboy during the early hours of the annual car show on Sunday.

Photo courtesy of Kole Kellen



People were lined up to toss their entries into the 50/50 barrel on Sunday. Tonja Greenfield/Amboy News



Amboy Mayor John Schamberger Amboy City Clerk Melissa Eisenberg, and Amboy City Council members Eric McLaughlin, Brett Dewey, Dave Shaw and Dennis Weidman, rode the Amboy City Council float during the parade on Saturday throwing candy to the crowd.

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Parade Marshal Jean Travi gives a wave from the backseat during the Amboy Lions' Depot Days parade on Saturday.

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2018 Miss Amboy Margaret Vaessen waves from the top of an Amboy Fire Truck during the Depot Days parade.

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Above, Teen Turf pedals along the parade route. Below, Teen Turf's Donkey Drop was held on Saturday after the parade. Mary Mays/Amboy News





Above, Green River Oaks presented a colorful display during the parade on Saturday afternoon.



Amboy cheerleaders showed team spirit during the parade on Saturday afternoon.

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