

2018 LEE COUNTY 4-H FAIR



Brother and sister, Jake and Emma Dinges of the Sub-Let Indians 4-H Club, with their Reserve Grand Champion, Ronda, and Grand Champion, Posey, in the Dry Yearling Showmanship Division.

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ICC reminds resident to call JULIE

SPRINGFIELD—The Illinois Commerce Commission(ICC) reminds all Illinoisans who are planning a digging project, regardless of how small, that State law requires you to contact the One-Call Notice system known as JULIE or 8-1-1 Chicago (formerly known as DIGGER) before starting your excavating project. Doing so will result in having all underground utility lines located and marked on the property to avoid damage or injury.

This urgent reminder comes after the Safety and Reliability Division of the ICC issued a notice of violation on July 10 regarding an incident that resulted in the death of two farmers, and the injury of two other people, in northern Illinois late last year.

The notice indicates that on the morning of December 5, 2017, employees of M&R Farms in Lee County ruptured a 20-inch steel natural gas transmission pipeline with a tilling machine while excavating to place drainage tile in a field near the intersection of IL Route 38 and Nachusa Road, resulting in an explosion. The notice concluded that M&R Farms did not submit a locate request for this project to JULIE in order to locate and mark underground utility lines.

The Illinois Underground Utility Facilities Damage Prevention Act requires all excavators to make a locate request notice not more than 14 days nor less than 48 hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, in advance of the digging project, which includes demolition projects.

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Lee County Sheriff's Department investigates crash in rural Harmon

LEE COUNTY — On July 24, at 8:43 p.m., the Lee County Sheriff's Department responded to a motorcycle crash at the intersection of U.S. Route 30 and Harmon Road, in rural Harmon.

A motorcycle driven by Benjamin Spotts, 39, of Rock Falls, was northbound on Harmon Road, just south of U.S. Route 30, when the motorcycle left the roadway and crashed.

Spotts was transported to KSB Hospital for medical treatment. Spotts was later flown to Mercyhealth Hospital in Rockford.

The Lee County Sheriff's Department was assisted at the scene by the Dixon Rural Fire Department and the Dixon City Fire Department.

Ashton man injured in motorcycle accident

LEE COUNTY — On July 22, at 3:16 p.m., Lee County Sheriff's Department responded to Reynolds Road, south of the Interstate 88 overpass regarding a motorcycle crash.

Kenneth W. Thomas, 57, of Ashton, was southbound on Reynolds Road when he entered the right ditch during a curve in the roadway. The motorcycle rolled onto the side and Thomas was ejected from the motorcycle.

Thomas was treated by Franklin Grove EMS, and transported from the scene by REACT Helicopter to Mercy Hospital in Rockford.

The Lee County Sheriff's Department was assisted at the scene by the Franklin Grove Fire Department, Dixon City Fire Department and REACT Helicopter.

The incident remains under investigation.



Scholarship winner Molly Ackert, pictured standing, was one of the students recognized recently by the Amboy Lions Club.

Photo submitted

Amboy Lions honor scholarship winners

AMBOY — On July 23, the Amboy Lions Club honored the 2018 Lions Scholarship recipients at the Amboy Community Center.

The Club put on a dinner for the recipients, their parents and families. More than 70 members and guests were in attendance.

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Kyler McNinch, Maytown Comets 4-H Club, discusses his "Far World" diorama in the Exploratory Reading Division with Judge Hazel Lovgren.

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Michael Vaessen judges the "Drone Technology" entry of Logan Crawford, Soaring Eagles 4-H Club, in the Mechanical Sciences Division.

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Audree Walter (right) was keeping her friend Brooke Ewald (left-with Shetland sheep, Simon) company in the barn between Jr. Show sheep classes.

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Brooke Ewald, Tower Vewe Farm, Byron, poses her Dorper Sheep in the All Other Breeds Class at the Jr. Show held in conjunction with the 4-H Show.

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Teen Turf hosted the Pancake and Sausage breakfast during the 4-H Fair. They had the largest amount of guests served this year since starting this event.

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Storied high school football rivalry continues this year

BY DAVID PORTER
Of the Arcola Record-Herald and the Tuscola Review

At the end of 2016-17 school year, there were only four schools in Illinois that had won more than 700 football games in their team’s history. And two of them are small-school rivals just eight miles apart.

Tuscola, population 4,391, and Arcola, population 2,864, have been battling it out on the gridiron since the 1890s. At times, including present day, their conferences have kept them apart, but the “Cola Wars” are set to resume Aug. 31, 2018, during the Illinois’ Bicentennial.

They narrowly missed facing off in 2017, as both teams climbed the brackets in the state Class 1A playoffs. Arcola, which has four championship titles, was eliminated in the first round while Tuscola was runner-up in the Final.

The Arcola Purple Riders have title bragging rights with four championships — the most recent was 2015. They also won the state title in 1978, 1985 and 1988. The Tuscola Warriors won in 2006 and 2009.

Their rivalry extends beyond athletics. Retired Circuit Judge Mike Carroll, a 1964 graduate of Tuscola High School, said the rub between the two Douglas County farm communities is as

old as the county itself, which was formed in 1859 from Coles County. Local history books confirm the first election for county seat saw 10 times as many ballots cast as there were residents. A second election resulted in Tuscola winning.

“Arcola was bitter over the county seat vote,” Carroll said. “They never got over it.”

Both towns’ high schools started playing football in the mid-1890s. The rivalry extended to football but wasn’t created by it.

Tuscola leads the cumulative wins title, but Arcola was ahead by one at the end of the 2015-16 season. Tuscola led by one at the end of the 2016-17 season. But a couple of game scores remain in question.

In 1961, Tuscola beat Arcola 13-9 and “the jubilant Tuscola players ran into the locker room,” according to Carroll. But a referee had thrown a flag on the last play for a roughing-the-passer penalty.

“The referees had to go into the dressing rooms and inform the teams about the penalty.”

The teams came back onto the field and continued the game with few fans left to watch. Arcola scored on a passing play and was declared the winner.

In another game in the 1920s, both towns believe the other forfeited.

“Arcola thinks they won it,



and Tuscola thinks it won,” said Randy Rothrock, a former Arcola coach, alumnus and football historian. “Each claimed the other walked off the field first.”

The 1961 game is etched in lore as a vengeful victory for Arcola. The story is told that prior to the game, Tuscola students fed laxative to several chickens and then placed them inside the Arcola school. Other pranks over the years include graffiti written on the Tuscola press box and a large “T” burned into the Arcola field with weed killer.

The hijinks were nothing compared to the earlier years, according to Rothrock. The early 1900s were “pretty rough,” he said. Headlines in the local papers would explain whether fisticuffs had broken

out. “Very little slugging,” an 1897 headline read. In 1910: “No fistic exhibitions.”

The rival match was traditionally played on Thanksgiving Day. Duff Hoel, a banker and a 1983 graduate of Tuscola High School, said: “St. Teresa (in Decatur) was a bigger rival for us,” he said while still cringing at the color purple — Arcola’s school color.

Arcola and Tuscola had resumed playing each other in 1982 after a five-year hiatus. Arcola won that year 43-6. Then, with Hoel as quarterback, Tuscola won 33-0. Arcola would go on to win the next seven contests.

Tuscola leads the series against Arcola 54 games to 44, with six ties. But Hoel and Carroll agreed that the achievement is greater for Arcola because the school population is considerably smaller.

Local legends

Tuscola and Arcola teams have given rise to dozens of local legends. Many of the last names over the past 100 years are the same, too, in each community.

Each town has sent one player to the National Football League. Terry Miller, Arcola Class of 1964, was the first. The former high school guard, quarterback and running back, played for University of Illinois and was drafted by the Detroit Lions in 1968. He was signed by

the St. Louis Cardinals in 1970. A knee injury ended his football career a few years later.

Fred Wakefield, a 1996 Tuscola graduate, also played for U of I, one of five Tuscolians to earn a football scholarship there. He played for the Arizona Cardinals and the Oakland Raiders.

As good as Miller and Wakefield were, Carroll and Rothrock agreed that the greatest athlete to come out of Douglas County was probably Arcola’s Robert “Popeye” Pullen. In the four years that Pullen played football for the Purple Riders, the Tuscola Warriors didn’t score a point. He was a four-year standout in a club that posted a 32-1-1 record from 1934-37. Pullen scored 34 touchdowns and 20 extra points.

“I asked my mom who the best football player was in the history of Tuscola and Arcola, thinking she’d say me. She said ‘Popeye Pullen.’ She didn’t even hesitate,” Carroll said.

“She said, ‘When some people hit you, you get hurt. When Popeye hit you, you got brain damage.’ I said, ‘Didn’t Dad play against Popeye?’ She said, ‘Your father was a smart man. When he saw Popeye coming, he just laid down.’”

Pullen didn’t get the chance to play college or pro ball. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1940 and was aboard the USS Houston when it was sunk in

1942. Nearly 700 sailors were killed. Pullen was one of 368 who managed to swim to shore. He was sent to a POW camp in Burma, where he reportedly refused medication for a minor leg injury because he thought other prisoners needed it more. He died in the camp on Aug. 31, 1943, of blood poisoning.

A hand in the NFL
Arcola lays claim to helping the NFL get started — through a game that was never played.

It was common in the early 1900s for communities to have adult football teams. In 1919, Arcola’s community team had been defeated by the Decatur Staleys, which was sponsored by A.E. Staley Manufacturing, now Staley Continental, which processes corn and soybeans.

The Arcola team plotted its revenge by hiring Dutch Sternaman, a star quarterback for U of I, who recruited top college players throughout the Midwest. Staley learned of the plan and bowed out of the game. He then asked Sternaman and his pal George Halas to recruit players for the Decatur team.

Halas bought the Staleys and moved the team to Chicago. A year later, he changed the name to the Chicago Bears, which was instrumental in the formation of the NFL.

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According to Marianne Manko of the ICC, “The Illinois Commerce Commission, at its investigation, determined that there was a violation of the law on the part of M&R Farms. In a case as serious as this one, the ICC would normally impose a substantial penalty. However, in light of the tragic circumstances of this case, we determined that penalty will be waived.”

“This tragic event underscores the importance of anyone engaged in excavation making absolutely certain they make a locate request, and allow time for utilities to mark underground lines,” said

Eric Lounsberry, Director of the ICC’s Safety and Reliability Division. “A good rule of thumb is never to use a shovel or any other excavating equipment without looking for colored flags or paint marking the location of buried utility lines. Assuming someone else has made the locate request simply isn’t safe and, as we have seen, can be a matter of life or death.”

Making a locate request is as simple as dialing 8-1-1. Call center agents are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Locate requests, which can be made at no cost, can also be completed

by visiting the websites of either 8-1-1 Chicago (within Chicago city limits) or JULIE (elsewhere in Illinois). Once a request is made, each utility will send a trained technician to your property to mark the location of underground utility lines using flags or paint with the appropriate color codes.

“An underground utility line is damaged once every nine minutes nationwide because a homeowner or professional excavator began a digging project without first calling 8-1-1,” added Bill Riley, Assistant Director of the ICC’s Safety and Reliability Division. “Underground utility lines can be found at almost any depth, so household tasks as simple as planting a tree or installing a swing set can result in striking an underground utility line.”

Please visit the Illinois Commerce Commission website to learn more about our Gas Pipeline Safety Program and our Illinois One-Call

Enforcement Efforts.

About the Illinois Commerce Commission

The Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) is a quasi-judicial body made up of five Commissioners. Through its Public Utility Program, the Commission oversees the provision of adequate, reliable, efficient and safe utility services at the least possible cost to Illinois citizens served by electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water and sewer public utility companies.

To learn more about the commission, its offices and bureaus, click here. If you are a consumer who needs help resolving a utility dispute call 800-524-0795 or file an online complaint here. For a complaint related to transportation, call 217-782-6448.

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Ticket sales will end on Saturday at noon, at the Ashton, Dixon, Ohio, and Sublette locations.

Amboy locations will sell tickets until noon on Sunday.

Tickets may also be purchased at two locations on Main Street during Depot Days festivities each evening & all day on Sunday.

Drawing Sunday, August 26 after the Car Show

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Gospel music recording artists The Chosen Ones will present a free concert in the park

Saturday, Aug. 11, 6 p.m.

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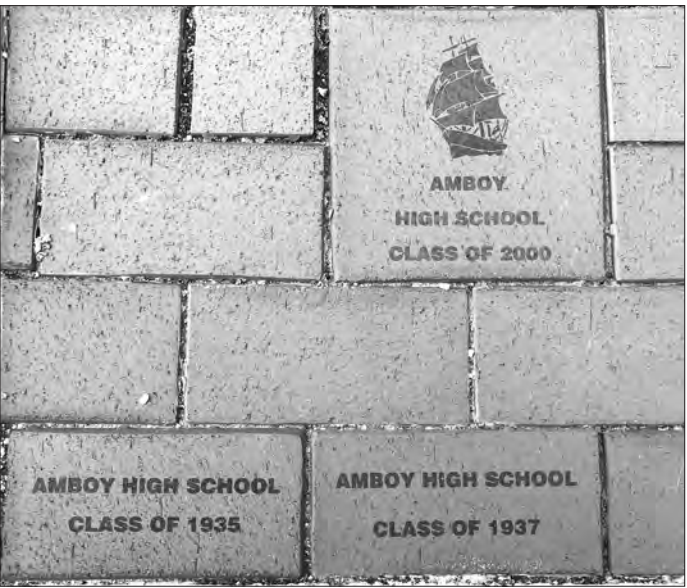
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Sublette News

SUBLETTE – The regular quarterly meeting of the Sublette Business Association was held recently at the Ellice Dinges Center. Diane Nicholson and Jody Mitchell of the Lee County Tourism Council presented a program and the promotions they do to publicize activities in Lee County. Scott Hanson discussed the moving of the digital sign. This will be done in cooperation of the Village of Sublette. Other community activities were also discussed. The group will meet again on Wednesday, October 24.



Commission invites AHS classes to be represented at museum

BY LINDA DISNEY

Special to the Amboy News

I am pleased to have joined the Depot Commission and look forward to working with the team of members to continue the support of our Amboy historical landmark, the Amboy Depot.

A project near and dear to my mother, Helen Glessner, was the brick project, therefore, I asked if I could assist Bernadine Willstead in promoting the sale of the bricks over the next year. One of my goals is to have all of the classes represented by a small brick. Currently, we have 17 classes represented, starting with Class of 1935. Last year, my graduating class had our 40th reunion during Homecoming weekend. Our committee agreed to ask each member for a small donation of \$5 or more to buy the small 4x8 class brick at \$50 and/or the larger 8x8 brick for \$100, which we could personalize with our class motto and the Clipper Ship. By the end of the evening, the Class of 1977 was very generous and were able to purchase both. Everyone in attendance thought it was a great idea and everyone donated.

Depot Days and Homecoming are both times of the year that the classes celebrate reunions. I am hoping that a representative from these class get-togethers will step up and collection donation money to get your class represented. Bernadine has brochures at the Depot that she will gladly mail out to anyone to begin your quest to leave your class represented in Amboy.

Since we have many of the older classes open and don't have any living members, one might remember a parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle, and help support the Depot.

The 17 class bricks we currently have are: 1935, 1937, 1941, 1946, 1947, 1950, 1952, 1956, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1977, 2000 and 2004.

Not to just focus on graduating classes, we also would like to encourage you, your family members or your business to buy a brick and personalize it and build your legacy and become a part of Amboy history. Call the Amboy Depot Museum at 815-857-4700 or email amboyicrrmuseum@yahoo.com, or visit http://amboydepotmuseum.thatsmybrick.com.

Bivens to open new studio

DIXON – Illinois Senator Tim Bivins, is excited to announce the opening of his new Digital Audio Studio - One Click Voice Over, and that his voice is now available to produce professional voice tracks for commercials, documentaries, trade show videos, and brand endorsements.

Bivins has also written, produced and recorded a weekly series called 'It Works for Me' featuring do it yourself tips that will begin airing Aug. 1 on WIXN 1460AM, River Country 101.7 and KOOL 95.7.

Bivins says the hope is that this series will be syndicated reaching multiple markets throughout the country.

"I'm excited for this next career and being the voice behind the scenes," Bivins said.

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

ROCKFALLS-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, Aug. 1. The third Wednesday of the month drive, August 15, will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

STERLING-The Rock River Hospice & Home will sponsor a Free Family Grief Camp from 5:30 to 8:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 1, at First Presbyterian Church, 410 Second Ave. Registration is required by July 30. Call 815-625-3858 to register.

AMBOY-The Amboy Education Foundation Golf 4 Education 23rd Annual Lyle Reuter Open Best Ball Scramble will begin with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 3, at Shady Oaks Country Club, 601 US RT 52. Call Kathy Kemp at 815-973-2960 or email at aef@amboy.net to register or for more information.

FRANKLIN GROVE-The 39th Annual Harvest Festival will be held on Friday, Aug. 3, through Sunday, Aug. 5. City wide garage sales will be held Friday and Saturday. Parade at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

DIXON-The Lee County Council on Aging, 100 W. Second St., will host a Euchre Tournament at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 5. Sign-in at 12:30 p.m. Call 815-288-9236 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Fire Protection District will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 6, at the Fire Station, 25 N. East Ave.

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

DIXON-The Lee County Council on Aging, 100 W. Second St., will host Certified Grief Recovery Specialist Ken Lawson at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 7. Call 815-288-9236 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Township Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 8, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S. Prospect.

AMBOY-Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US RT 52, will host Community Bingo at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 9. Bingo will be followed by a light lunch. Call the church at 815-857-2225 for more information.

DIXON-The Lee County Council on Aging, 100 W. Second St., will host Sassy Steppers Line Dancing Party in the Post House Ballroom from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 9. All ages are welcome to come dance, learn and have fun. You may bring snacks and non-alcoholic drinks.

MENDOTA-The 71st Annual Sweet Corn Festival will be held Thursday, Aug. 9, through Sunday, Aug. 12, throughout Mendota. The Grand Parade will be at 1 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, visit www.sweetcornfestival.com.

AMBOY-The 2018 Summer Concert Series will conclude with a performance by Spontaneous Combustion, a barbershop quartet, at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11, at the downtown bandstand.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 13, at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 13, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD#272 Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14, at Central School, 30 E. Provost.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14, at the Sublette Township Building.

EAST GROVE TWP-The East Grove Township meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14, at the East Grove Township Hall.

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Community Calendar

AMBOY-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits for seniors or disabled citizens from 10 until 11 a.m. at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Road, on Wednesday, Aug. 15. Call ahead to the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to RSVP.

SUBLETTE-The Lee County Council on Aging will provide assistance with accessing services and benefits

for seniors or disabled citizens from 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Hall on Wednesday, Aug. 15. Call ahead to the LCCOA at 815-288-9236 to RSVP.

DIXON-The Lee County Council on Aging, 100 W. Second St., will host the Annual Luau Supper from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 15. Call 815-288-9236 for more information.

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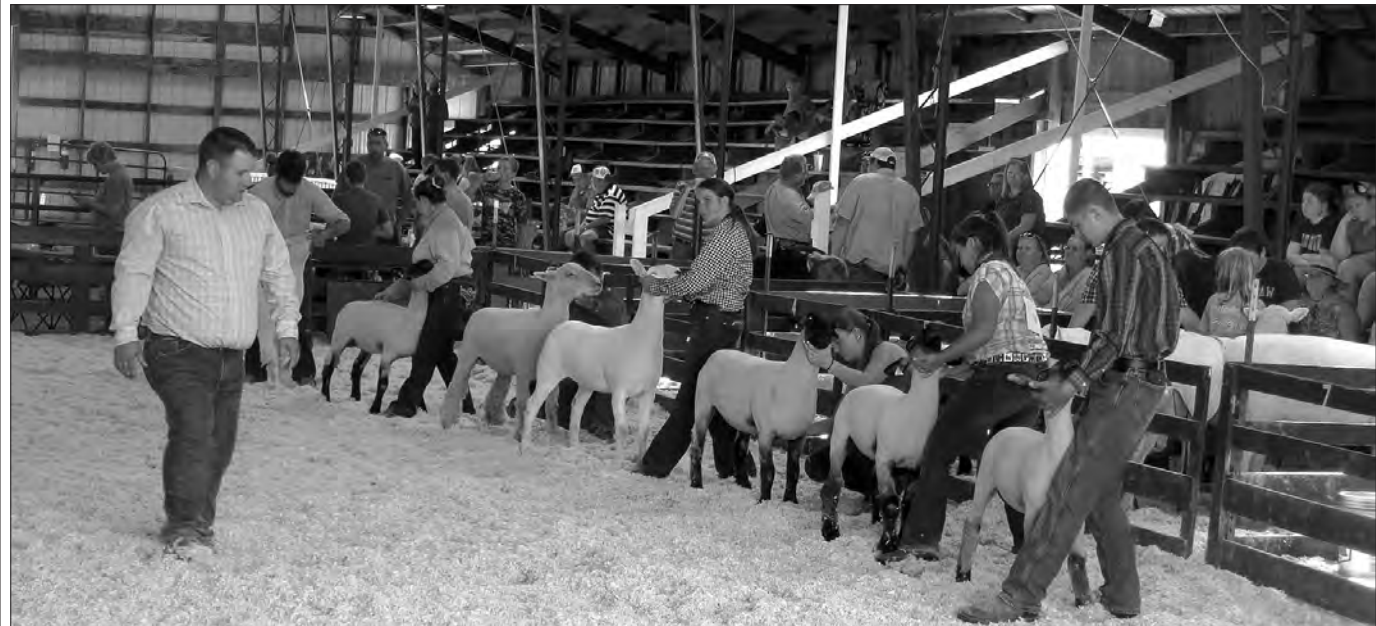


Pictured left, this sign recognizes the donors to the new bathrooms at the Lee County Fairgrounds.

Pictured middle, a sheep class is being judged during the fair.

Pictured below left, youth were hanging around the barn.

Pictured below right, a rider competes in the poles.
Mary Mays/Amboy News



LIONS continued from page A1

Each scholarship winner introduced their family members and gave a brief summary of their career goals and the college they will be attending this fall. This was the 16th consecutive year that the Amboy Lions have awarded scholarships to local high school seniors.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Amboy Depot Day Parade - The Lions will be sponsoring and organizing the 30th annual parade on Aug. 25.
- Amboy Lions Club Drawdown - The annual fundraiser will be held on Sept. 15. Tickets are now available. Contact a local member.
- Community Health Fair - The inaugural Amboy Lions Club Community Health Fair is being sponsored and organized for Oct. 20, at the Amboy Community Center.

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Arcola and Tuscola are economic competitors as well with Tuscola advancing in the 1950s with large chemical plants to the west and in the 1990s with an outlet mall. Its main thoroughfares are marked by wide, paved streets and stop lights.

Arcola, by contrast, still has its original brick street downtown, where antique stores dominate the landscape and a hitching post for Amish buggies sits behind the newspaper office. It celebrates its broom corn history with an annual festival that draws thousands of visitors, and its larger industries stem from its broom-making past. Today, 40 percent of Arcola's population is Latino — another result of its broom corn history. Its most famous resident is Raggedy Ann, whose creator, Johnny Gruelle, was born there.

They're both farming communities located in the flattest county in Illinois. They're tied together by Interstate 57 on the east and U.S. Route 45 on the west.

A remnant of the Chicago-to-Cairo highway, the Egyptian Trail, connects them between the two highways.

And they remain tied by a once fierce duel that helps maintain their independent identities. "It's a friendly rivalry now," Carroll said. "It's just fun."

Both Carroll and Rothrock agreed that the competition has been good for the towns. It stirs interest in the football programs and builds friendships.

"I've always had a lot of friends in Tuscola," Rothrock said.

Carroll echoed the sentiment. "When I ran for judge, Arcola carried me," he said.

The rivalry no longer includes burning each others' fields or feeding laxatives to chickens, but it still gives fans on both sides a reason to cheer.

David Porter, a 1983 graduate of Tuscola High School, is publisher of the Arcola Record-Herald and the Tuscola Review.

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4. Arcola 702
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7. Champaign (Central) 676
8. Carthage (Hancock Central/Illini West) 671
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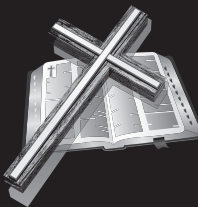
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Rosemary Liston

Liston to celebrate 90th birthday

AMBOY — Rosemary Liston, of Amboy, will celebrate her 90th birthday on Aug. 9, 2018.

She was born Aug. 9, 1928, and married the late Paul (Pete) Liston.

She has three children, 11 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

A card show is planned and may be sent to Rosemary Liston, 1 N. East Ave., Amboy, IL 61310.



Andrea Lauer and Andrew LeFevre

Lauer, LeFevre announce engagement

SUBLETTE — Andrea Lauer, of Sublette, and Andrew LeFevre, of Ashton, announce their engagement.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Tim and Kim Lauer, of Sublette. Her fiancé is the son of Mark and Stacy LeFevre, of Ashton.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Amboy High School and Regency Beauty Institute. She is employed by Rod Pioneer Sales.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Ashton-Franklin Center High School and Illinois State University. He is employed by Johnson Tractor.

The couple are planning an Aug. 18, 2018 wedding.

Invitations have been sent.

Wittenauer reunion planned for Aug. 12

AMBOY — After many years of saying “we used to have a reunion,” the Wittenauer family reunion was resurrected by Roger and Sandy Wittenauer back in 2004. They realized the importance of family gatherings and how the annual reunion served that purpose. The opportunities to have the whole family get together became only at weddings and funerals. That was the incentive to bring back the annual family reunion. It was a little tricky for them to plan and pull off and so far from their home in Naperville but has become much easier now that they live in Amboy. They have and will gladly continued this mission to hold an annual reunion on behalf of all the Wittenauer’s near and far.

So, once again, Roger and Sandy will be hosting this 15th annual Wittenauer reunion at Amboy City Park at the Centennial Shelter on Sunday, Aug. 12. Please bring two dishes to pass, your own table service and your drinks of choice. Lemonade will be provided. Plenty of reminiscing and sharing is expected. Eating starts right around noon. Bring a relative, friend, or stranger. Let’s see if you are the one who has come the farthest this year, or you’re our newest family member.



Evelyn Rapp Carey

Carey to turn 90

AMBOY — Evelyn Rapp Carey will celebrate her 90th birthday on Aug. 3.

Evelyn was born Aug. 3, 1928 on the Hoelzer family farm near Paw Paw. She graduated from Paw Paw High School in 1946. She married Milton P. Rapp on Sept. 25, 1949. They farmed south of Sublette for 53 years prior to his death, and they raised seven children.

She has two step-daughters, 11 grandchildren (two deceased), six step-grandchildren, six great grandchildren, and eight step-grandchildren.

She married William Carey on April 14, 2012 and they reside in East Grove Township. They enjoy traveling together.

Evelyn will be celebrating her 90th birthday with a family dinner in August. Birthday wishes may be sent to her at 377 State Rt. 26, Amboy, IL 61310.



Sandra Schamberger

Schamberger to celebrate 80th birthday

AMBOY — Sandra Schamberger will be celebrating her 80th birthday on Aug. 6, 2018.

Schamberger was born on Aug. 6, 1938. She married the late Donald Schamberger. She is the mother of six children. She also has 17 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

She will be celebrating her birthday with her family on Aug. 5. Cards of well wishes may be sent to Schamberger at 403 E. Main Street, Amboy, IL 61310.

Fire department to host city wide garage sales

FRANKLINGROVE — The Franklin Grove Fire Department will once again sponsor city wide garage sales on Aug. 3 and 4, as part of the 39th Annual Harvest Festival. Last year there were more than 50 sales registered for the event.

Maps of the sale sites will be available throughout the village.

You can also like their page on Facebook at Franklin Grove Fire Department.



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Not in our hands

BY PASTOR JACK M. BRIGGS

Someone you know may currently have one. You may have had one. I did. I'm not talking about some ailment, but rather a raggedy piece of fabric that we dragged around everywhere we went. Soft and snugly and a source of comfort, it is a security blanket, otherwise known as a “blankie” in technical terms. Even as grownups, our “blankie” may be family, or a regular daily routine, or a fat bank account, or health and fitness. Maybe it is having lots of friends.

We spend a lot of time, energy - and money - trying to control our own fortunes and destiny and make the world work the way we think it should. But at some point, we find out that the security and safety we long for just cannot be found in the things we cling to in this world - our “blankies.”

As Christians, we believe that our destiny is not ultimately in our own hands, the hands of world leaders, or technology, or anything else of this world. It is in God’s hands. The problem we face is that there are times when we simply do not see it, or really, honestly believe that all things work together for good.

Consider the passing of a loved one, especially a child. In an effort to console, invariably someone will blurt, “Well, God must have needed another angel in heaven. We have to accept God’s will. This will all work out for good somehow.” Really? God did this? That the child’s death is God’s will? That this death will bring somehow bring good into our lives? For the record, the child was what

was good, so very good. His or her death is what is bad. Make no mistake. Bad things happen in our world and in our lives: sickness, suffering, death, accidents, addiction, crime, abuse, war, floods, severe storms - you name it.

The notion that “all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose” (Romans 8:28) doesn’t ignore the realities of pain and evil and suffering in our world. But it does mean that this world and our lives are not in our own hands, but in God’s loving hands, God who so loved us that God sent his only Son to pay the price for our sins. So, to believe that in all things God works for good is as much a statement of faith. True, there may be many times when we will not see or recognize the good even if it were right in front of us, and may have to accept that our definition of good may not always square with what God calls good in God’s infinite wisdom.

Yes, God’s will be done in the end. Are we going to be participants in God’s will? Or is God’s will going to be accomplished in spite of us? Sometimes God’s good will is accomplished through folks just like you and me. For example, in the aftermath of a tragedy, it doesn’t mean sitting back and saying, “God will take care of them. It will all work out for good.” But it does mean digging into the ‘ole wallet or purse and helping that good to happen, or volunteering time and energy to bring relief to those who suffer.

From our limited perspective, we can’t comprehend God’s Grand Plan, for God’s

ways are not our ways. But one day we will, and all the big questions we ponder this side of heaven, particularly regarding “Why (fill in the blank)?” will be revealed.

In the meantime, let us try to do everything we can to live in line with God’s will and not sit “riding the pine” on the side-

lines, but be agents in helping bring about the good that God promises in this broken and hurting world. That promise is our anchor in this troubling and confusing and wacky world. That promise is our comfort, our hope, and our security. We need look no further.

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Opinion

Settlement deal helps prevent parents’ nightmares from coming true

When do you leave your children alone? It’s a deeply personal decision that reflects family values, circumstance and a child’s unique personality. But if state government gets involved in the wrong place at the wrong time, that decision can ruin parents’ lives. And potentially their child’s, too.

Thankfully, a recent class-action lawsuit resulted in a settlement agreement that could bring some solace to Illinois parents.

One Chicago mom, Natasha Felix, made the decision in July 2013 to let her three sons, ages 11, 9 and 5, along with their 9-year-old cousin, play at a local park next door to their apartment.

The eldest was responsible. And all the children were perfectly fine. Felix even checked on them every 10 minutes from her kitchen window. But a passerby called the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

DCFS has a book of rules that sorts different types of child abuse or neglect by the type of allegation. Allegation No. 74 is called “inadequate supervision.” Although Felix’s children were not taken from her, she became a neglectful parent in the eyes of the state due to the department’s finding of her “inadequate supervision” that day. This scarlet letter prevented her from volunteering at her children’s school and blocked needed job opportunities.

Short of harm to her children, can you imagine a worse fate for a mother than being wrongfully pegged as a child abuser?

For more than two years, thanks to the help of the nonprofit Family Defense Center, Felix fought the finding. And in 2015, she rightfully had her name removed from the state’s registry.

But Felix was not alone. As it turns out, the department’s “in-

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By Austin Berg



adequate supervision” allegations can be extremely vague. A parent could have been flagged as a neglecter under Allegation No. 74 if “a child is placed in a situation or circumstances that are likely to require judgment or actions greater than the child’s level of maturity...”

But who should decide what situations are within the child’s maturity level – the state or the parent? Plenty of parents think challenging their kids in situations slightly outside their comfort zone is the best way for them to learn.

Also important to note: Rules with plenty of wiggle room tend to work against the least powerful among us.

That’s why in 2016, the Family Defense Center filed a class-action lawsuit on behalf of thousands of parents whacked with child neglect under that rule. And in May 2017, the department changed it. Investigators now must find that a child was placed “at a real, significant and imminent risk of likely harm” because of a parent’s “blatant disregard of ... responsibilities of care and support.”

And this summer, the Family Defense Center and DCFS finally reached a settlement.

The department will allow thousands of moms and dads who were flagged because of “inadequate supervision” to request a special review of their case. If the charge wouldn’t pass muster under the new, better standards for what constitutes neglect, their name will be removed from the list.

“This settlement brings relief to thousands of families who were unfairly labeled neglectful,” Family Defense Center Executive Director Rachel O’Konis Ruttenberg said. “Hopefully this will

help DCFS focus on the families who truly need help.”

There is still much more work to be done.

For example, any parents who leave their children age 13 or younger home alone might be guilty of neglect under Illinois state law – the strictest law of its kind in the nation. Only a handful of other states have a minimum age for leaving children home alone. Three states set the minimum age at 12 for leaving children home alone, another three states set the minimum age at 8 and Kansas lists the minimum age at 6. At least 30 states have no minimum age for when a child can be left home alone.

Illinois lawmakers may have passed this measure and others like it with the best of intentions. Unfortunately, they result in far more stories like Felix’s.

It’s in the best interest of all Illinois children that likelihood of real harm – not just investigators’ personal parenting preferences – drives decision-making from lawmakers and DCFS.

Vague, arbitrary and overly protective rules, like we see often in Illinois, don’t do anyone any favors.

Austin Berg is a writer for the Illinois Policy Institute. He wrote this column for the Illinois News Network. Austin can be reached at aberg@illinoispolicy.org.

On This Day in History

100 years ago Aug. 2, 1918

Thursday afternoon Josephine Berry was hostess at a charming little farewell party for Elizabeth Lewis who will leave in the near future as the family expect to move to Dixon. About 12 girls were present and the afternoon was delightfully spent in various kinds of games. Dainty refreshments were served to the hungry crowd later in the day.

John Burns spent his vacation in the country.

F.H. Hubbell has sold his home on Plant Street to Albert F. Dyar and expects to give possession about September first.

Mable Bros. who have been in partnership in the junk business for some time past, have dissolved partnership. Jack Mabel is now full owner, Mike having retired from the business.

75 years ago Aug. 5, 1943

Robert Reinboth, superintendent of the Amboy Central Grade School, received his Master of Arts degree at the University of Iowa.

50 years ago Aug. 1, 1968

Morris Forman informed The Amboy News Tuesday that he has approval to start making fill and putting in the footings for the new nursing home. He is now waiting further approval from the state fire marshal’s office for final plans on the building.

Emil Williams has resigned as principal of Amboy High School to accept a position at Carlyle.

Shearer’s Gamble Store announced a toy clearance to make room for new Christmas

merchandise.

25 years ago Aug. 5, 1993

The Dixon branch of The First National Bank in Amboy opened Monday at 728 Crawford next to Red Fox Grocery near the intersection of Routes 52 and 38 on Dixon’s southside.

Amboy Lions Club will sponsor a Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament to be held at Amboy City Park Sunday, Aug. 29, during Depot Days.

Father Bill Joffe is leaving St. Patrick Parish in Amboy effective Aug. 4. The surprise announcement became public earlier this week.

The Dixon Branch of the First National Bank in Amboy opened Monday at 728 Crawford next to Red Fox Grocery near the intersection of Routes 52 and 38 on Dixon’s south side.

Looking for excitement? Try feeding your arm to a catfish

In the spirit of Shark Week, I’d like to point out there are people living in the Deep South who use themselves as bait for another large underwater predator: The catfish.

Keep in mind that these catfish are, generally speaking, the size of an Airstream travel trailer.

And while this sounds like an activity generally reserved for those are either intoxicated or highly medicated (or both), you would be wrong. These folks WANT to hunt catfish by sticking their bare hands into underwater burrows, knowing full well it could be the hiding place of a cottonmouth, snapping turtle or Sean Spicer.

Admittedly, the closest I’ve come to hand-grabbing a catfish occurred at a public golf course near Atlanta, when I waded into a water hazard to retrieve my ball and accidentally stepped on a Gar. For those living west of the Mason-Dixon line, a Gar is sort of like a barracuda, but with more attitude.

To this day, none of us can agree on how big this Gar was. My guess is about 12 feet long. And I’m pretty sure it had the hindquarters of a bull elk clenched between its jaws.

Others in our group disagree and say what I actually stepped on was a swollen bratwurst.

Which is totally ridiculous. I think I’d know the difference between stepping on a dangerous man-eating fish, or a relatively harmless meat by-product. Although, to be fair, I can’t say for sure because my eyes were closed and I was screaming.

In that moment it became clear to everyone in our group, – and anyone living within a two-mile radius – I wasn’t going to

be bare-handing a giant catfish (or bratwurst) anytime soon.

To fully appreciate this aggressive style of catting known as “noodling,” you must keep a couple of things in mind.

First, some catfish can weigh as much as 100 pounds. Fish biologists have documented enormous mouth radiuses, which is done by carefully extending the mouth to its largest capacity, measuring it on all sides, then comparing it to a scale reference provided by Mick Jagger.

The other thing you have to remember is that the South’s most successful “noodlers” – those who have achieved celebrity by the sheer volume of catfish they’ve landed with their bare hands – generally

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By Ned Hickson



have names like “Uncle Stubby,” “Button-Nosed Jim” and “Three-Finger Jack.”

These men not only offer themselves for the sake of the sport, buy vow to keep doing so, even if it becomes necessary for someone to physically insert them into a catfish

lair once they’ve lost all their appendages.

It’s this kind of dedication that inspires people like myself to at least consider taking a risk and, despite the danger, order fried catfish that might contain a missing digit from “Three-Finger Jack.”

To better understand this sport, I tried contacting several “noodlers” by phone to discuss what it takes to be successful. One thing I learned right away was to make sure the person you

are calling is indeed a “noodler” before addressing them as such.

This is especially true if you accidentally transpose the number and call someone who is, at that very moment, running late for an anger management class.

As it stands, I have yet to talk with an actual “noodler,” many of whom were recently in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, for the annual National Noodling Tournament, where the motto was: “No Hooks. No Bait. No Fear.”

This is actually very close to my own personal “noodling” motto: “No Hooks. No Bait. No Cajones.”

I will continue to follow this story. In fact, my publisher has agreed to fly me back to the Deep South for first-hand research.

And I definitely plan to go. Just as soon as she includes a return ticket.

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Educational Briefs

Torres named to Spring 2018 Dean’s List at Palmer College of Chiropractic

DAVENPORT, Iowa — Yessenia Torres of Sublette, has been named to the Spring 2018 Dean’s List at Palmer College of Chiropractic’s Main campus, Davenport, Iowa.

Palmer College of Chiropractic is the founding college of the chiropractic profession, and is known as The Trusted Leader in Chiropractic Education. It was founded in 1897 in Davenport, Iowa, by D.D. Palmer, the discoverer of chiropractic.

More than 2,100 students attend Palmer College campuses in Davenport, Iowa; Port Orange, Fla.; and San Jose, Calif. Palmer’s nearly 30,000 practicing alumni comprise almost half of the doctors of chiropractic in the United States.

Local students named to Dean’s List at Drake University

DES MOINES, Iowa – The following local students have been named to the Dean’s List at Drake University. This academic honor is achieved by earning a GPA of 3.5 or higher during the Spring 2018 semester at Drake.

Dixon

Mary Francque
Lauren Turffs

Drake University is a midsize, private university in Des Moines, Iowa, enrolling more than 3,200 undergraduate and 1,700 graduate students from approximately 45 states and 42 countries. Students choose from over 70 majors, minors, and concentrations and 20 graduate degrees offered through six colleges and schools.

Local students graduate from Drake University

DES MOINES, Iowa – Ian Estrem, of Dixon, graduated from Drake University at the end of the spring 2018 semester. Estrem majored in Anthropology/Sociology and Music with a Business Emphasis.

Drake University is a midsize, private university in Des Moines, Iowa, enrolling more than 3,200 undergraduate and 1,700 graduate students

from approximately 45 states and 42 countries. Students choose from over 70 majors, minors, and concentrations and 20 graduate degrees offered through six colleges and schools. Drake students, faculty, and staff take advantage of the wealth of cultural, recreational, and business opportunities found in Iowa’s capital city.

Hosto concludes Cornell Summer Research Institute

MOUNTVERNON, Iowa — Cornell College students have concluded their 8-week intensive research projects for the Cornell Summer Research Institute, including Erin Hosto, of La Moille.

Forty Cornell students worked side-by-side with 20 faculty members on a variety of research projects from May 21-July 13, 2018.

“Student-faculty research provides our students with a personalized education that promotes intellectual maturation,” said CSRI Director and Professor of Biology Craig Tepper. “This interaction fosters discovery-based and active learning and prepares students for the independence required to succeed in today’s complex workforce.”

Among many topics, student researchers studied homelessness, eating disorder intervention, advanced systems for carbon dioxide capture, trends in human rights abuse, and monarch butterflies.

The institute is possible because of generous funding from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Hewlett Foundation Endowed Funds, the Dimensions Program, the Berry Career Institute, the Roger Gillette Student-Faculty Research Fund, and the Rebecca Joe Wearin Pulk Student-Faculty Research Fund.

CSRI has been held on campus for four years with research projects on a variety of subject matters. Throughout the institute, participants also attended panels and discussions to help prepare them for life after college on topics such as applying for graduate school, selling your skills, and learning research ethics.

Cornell College’s picturesque campus is located in Mount Vernon, Iowa. One of the “Colleges That Change Lives,” Cornell College is a national liberal arts college with a distinctive One Course At A Time curriculum.

Students take one class for 18 days, which provides students the chance to dive into their studies and focus more intensely on the classes of their choice.

For more information, visit cornellcollege.edu.

Teen Turf

UP COMING EVENTS

School Supplies

Miss Amboy Thursday, Aug. 23

Depot Days Concessions Aug. 24 to Aug. 26

Depot Days Parade Saturday, Aug. 25

Depot Days Donkey Drop Saturday, Aug. 25

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

If you are in need of a book bag or school supplies please call 815-857-4800 and leave your name and number. Just two weeks until school starts. Don’t wait until the last minute.

4-H FAIR

Teen Turf hosted the Pancake and Sausage breakfast during the 4-H Fair. We had our largest amount of guests since starting this event. Helpers served the meals taught the youth how to serve. Watch next week’s paper for details on all that volunteered.

SUMMER SPLASH CAMP

Summer Splash camp has come to an end. Another great summer of fun and sun thanks to United Way of Lee County and all the other individual donors.

CLEAN & GREEN TEAM

The end of summer is here and those with enough points are going to Magic Waters on Aug. 1 and then to the Hometown Buffet for supper. This summer program got our youth away from their electronic devices. Our youth put in a lot of time (more than 5,000 hours) and we enjoyed watching them grow and become school and community leaders. Our AmeriCorps Workers were Paige Setchell, Leigha Jones, LeRoy Dukes. Our best workers were Kenzie Ketchum and Robert Rhodes. Flo Hamilton joined the team under the National Able program.

HIGH FIVES

Big thanks to everyone that donates: to the people who drop off items and never leave their

names. 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.

The recycle program of cans helps maintain our van and also helps our environment.

TAX FREE DONATIONS

There is an account set up at First Federal Savings and Loan, First National Bank of Amboy, and Pioneer State Bank (former Farmers State Bank of Sublette) if you would like to donate to our programs.

All donations are tax deductible as we are a 501(c)3. Teen Turf has been in existence for over 20 years. Since we do not receive any state or federal money we survive on the generosity of the community. United Way has been a huge supporter for 15 years. If you are able to help us out please send your donations to Teen Turf P.O. Box 321 Amboy, Illinois 61310.

RECYCLED CANS

Yes, we are still recycling cans. Just put your bags behind the fence on the red trailer. The white wire rack is for plastic and paper recycle items. Be sure that all the materials are tied and secured in bags or boxes. High Fives to everyone that donates cans and to Pete Rood for elevating them almost daily. It helps our environment and our van upkeep. If you have cans that need to be picked up just call 815-857-4800.

LOST & FOUND

Please call 815-857-4800 if you are missing anything. Any of the coats, hats, and gloves will be donated next month.

BOARD MEMBERS

Our board members are Deb Albee, Kim Watley, Cindy Phillips, Scott and Janine Huffman, Kaylee Jones, and Mark Grossman.

Please do not drop off TV’s - We cannot recycle them

Kish College fall registration in progress, classes begin Aug. 20

MALTA — Kishwaukee College registration for the Fall 2018 semester is currently in progress. The Fall 2018 semester begins Aug. 20.

Online registration is open to current students through the Student Self Service System available in myKC (College online portal). Online registration can be com-

pleted at any time.

In-person registration can be completed in the Student Services Office, Room C2100, in the Student Center at Kishwaukee College.

Tuition is due on July 31 for students registered from April 9–July 30 and is due Aug. 16 for students registered from July 31–Aug. 15.

Students must have a completed financial aid file and have signed up for the payment plan or paid in full by the due date to avoid being dropped from their courses.

For more information on enrolling, contact student outreach at studentoutreach@kish.edu or 815-825-9460, or visit the www.kish.edu/fall.



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Assorted 16 oz



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Green Giant Vegetables Can

Assorted 14.5-15.25 oz



99¢
ea.
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Dixon Chamber and Main Street to host annual Venetian Night

DIXON — Dixon Chamber and Main Street’s 5th annual Venetian Night will be at the Dixon Riverfront from 5 – 9 p.m., on Saturday, Aug. 11. This European-themed event is a family favorite, known for unique performances, great food, and engaging street artists.

One of the signature attractions of Venetian Night is the European style street performers. This year’s performers

will include living statues, costumed jugglers, Venetian mimes, stilt dancers, mask performances, magicians, and Venetian musicians. Venetian Night is free to attend. Interactive activities are; magic show, face painting, photo booth, and a variety of Venetian style vendors.

Venetian cuisine this year will be provided by Basil Tree Ristorante and Sowbelly’s. The Crystal Cork will be providing outdoor bar service for the night.

Fireworks this year will begin at 9 p.m., right after the LED Glow Stick and Hoop Performance.

Venetian Night would only be possible with the sponsorship of Raynor, Sauk Valley Bank, Val’s Place, Ken Nelson Auto Group, That Place on Palmyra, KSB Hospital, Harrison Insurance Group, Midland States Bank, Borg Warner, Fusion Salon, Dixon Autobody, Sterling Federal Bank, and Dixon Direct.

Please contact Dixon Chamber & Main Street at 815-284-3361 or email info@dixonnow.com for more information. Like the Facebook Page at Dixon Chamber and Main Street for the latest information on Venetian Night and other events throughout the year.



Mr. Steve’s magic returning to entertain at annual festival

MENDOTA - The contagious laugh, impish grin and childlike enthusiasm of Mr. Steve will have everyone laughing at the antics of his musical comedy show on Saturday afternoon.

Steve Lundquist of Rockford, alias “Mr. Steve,” is a favorite of festival goers. His show is being brought to the Festival by McDonald’s Restaurants of Mendota.

Lundquist has over 25 years’ experience, which has taken him all over the United States and Africa. He is an accomplished recording artist and has authored a children’s book.

Mr. Steve will perform his fast-paced innovative show on Saturday at noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the corner of Illinois Avenue and Jefferson Street downtown.

McDonald’s of Mendota invites you to pop-a-squat on the bleachers and enjoy some silly magic, side-splitting audience participation songs, and family fun.

CGH Medical Center receives ACC accreditation chest pain center

STERLING — Heart attack? Chest pain? Time is of the essence. If you think you might be having a heart attack, seek treatment immediately. Call 9-1-1.

Too many patients wait because they don’t want to alarm their loved ones or are concerned about incurring unnecessary bills. Whatever the reason, the average patient arrives in the Emergency Department more than two hours after the onset of symptoms. The faster a heart attack is treated the less damage to the heart and the better the outcome of their treatment.

CGH Medical Center is dedicated to providing its patients with the best heart care treatment available. As an Accredited Chest Pain Facility, they use the newest methods and best practices in heart care to ensure that the patients receive:

- Right care at the right time to minimize or eliminate heart damage due to heart attack
- Timely and accurate diagnoses to reduce the disruption to your life and get you home as soon as possible
- Help and communication to better understand how to respond to your heart emergencies
- Improved quality of life after a heart episode

The American College of Cardiology has recognized CGH Medical Center for its demonstrated expertise and commitment in treating patients with chest pain. CGH Medical

Center was awarded Chest Pain Center Accreditation in July based on thorough onsite evaluation of the staff’s ability to evaluate, diagnose and treat patients who may be experiencing a heart attack.

“Our goal was to enhance the care and treatment of chest pain and heart attack patients. Obtaining the CPC accreditation is a validation of those efforts,” said Kristie Geil, Vice President, Patient Care Services and CNO. “Ensuring we provide the highest standard of care to cardiac patients in our community is our number one priority.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 730,000 Americans suffer a heart attack each year. The most common symptom of a heart attack for both men and women is chest pain or discomfort. However, women are more likely to have uncommon symptoms. Other heart attack symptoms include, but are not limited to, tingling or discomfort in one or both arms, back, shoulder, neck or jaw, shortness of breath, cold sweat, unusual tiredness, heartburn-like feeling, nausea or vomiting, sudden dizziness and fainting. If you think you might be having a heart attack, seek treatment immediately.

“CGH Medical Center has demonstrated its commitment to providing the Sauk Valley area with excellent heart care,” said Phillip D. Levy, MD, FACC, chair of the ACC Accreditation Management Board. “ACC Accreditation Services is proud to award CGH Medical

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Wed., Aug. 15	AHS Golf @ Lena (Wolf Hollow) – 4:00 p.m. Central School Backpack Night – 4:00-6:00 p.m. AJHS Backpack Night – 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Thur., Aug. 16	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Sweet Corn Festival to offer Market Place and Flea Market

MENDOTA – If you like to shop, be sure to visit Mendota’s Sweet Corn Festival Crafters’ Market Place and Flea Market on Aug. 11 and 12. Artists, craftsmen and flea market dealers from around the Midwest are expected to fill the 200 spaces at this year’s event. Reserved spaces for the show are available and applications are being accepted.

Spaces are 10 by 10 feet and must be reserved in advance by calling, e-mailing or writing to the Mendota Area Chamber

of Commerce. Call (815) 539-6507, e-mail rfriedlein@mendotachamber.com or write to P.O. Box 620, Mendota, IL 61342.

Market hours will be from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. One day spaces are available for Saturday.

Dealers are asked to provide their own props for display and no food will be served in the craft and flea market areas.

Craft dealers will be located in Veterans Park downtown and in the Mendota Elks

Lodge parking lot and adjoining Jefferson Street, 1/2 block north of the park on Indiana Avenue. There is no charge for visitors to attend the market.

The Chamber also has street booth space available for the 3 1/2 days of the Fest for sellers of food, merchandise, commercial vendors, etc. These spaces are on the midways.

Visit www.sweetcornfestival.com for more information on the festival market place.

Mad Hatter Ball to feature students of musical and visual arts

PERU – Enjoy an exciting evening of music, art and merriment at the second annual North Central Illinois ARTworks Mad Hatter Ball on Friday, Sept. 28. This celebration of the arts will take place from 6 to 10 p.m. at Celebrations 150, just east of LaSalle. The public is invited to attend as outstanding local students of performing and visual arts are recognized.

“Our annual arts celebration will feature musical performances and visual art displays by eight talented local high school student artists,” said Chris Coughlin, president of NCI ARTworks.

Local celebrity and actor Greg Tullis will reprise his role as the Mad Hatter host, introducing performances, leading the Parade of Hats hand-crafted by local artists, and crowning the “Queen of ARTS.” The event also will feature performances by Sean Walsh and LaSalle Dance Center dancers, a DJ, food stations, cash bar, balloon prize pop, games, raffles, prizes, and more. Fancy dress is not required, but fancy hats are encouraged.

Coughlin said three candidates are vying for the “Queen of ARTS” crown. The winner will be the candidate with the greatest number of votes cast online beginning Aug. 28.

Tickets can be ordered online at www.nciartworks.com or purchased at A&B Paint Supply, 1321 Wenzel Road, Peru; Janko Realty, 2011 Rock St., Peru; and Music Suite 408, 408 Fifth St., Peru. Please e-mail nciartworks@nciartworks.com for information about sponsored tables of eight.

The non-profit NCI ARTworks supports and is expanding the arts community in LaSalle, Bureau and Putnam counties through artistic collaboration, educational outreach, and art space development. Mad Hatter Ball proceeds benefit NCI ARTworks programs and activities, including the new Community ARTspace under construction in the Westclox building in Peru.



Benny

Benny is extremely sweet and loves being near you. This Dachshund/Bichon mix has a curly sable coat that is trimmed shorter at this time. He is a petite 17 pounds and 8 years old. Benny’s owner was no longer able to care for him and he just doesn’t understand why he is at the shelter. His world is topsy turvy. This loving little guy just wants a lap to rest his head on and gentle petting. Benny seeks a home with adults and a quieter lifestyle. He is neutered, healthy, and fully vaccinated. Benny offers love, companionship and unlimited cuddles! To see Benny, visit Granny Rose Animal Shelter, 613 River Lane, Dixon. Hours: Monday - Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday Closed. Call 815-288-PETS(7387) or visit www.grannyrose.org.

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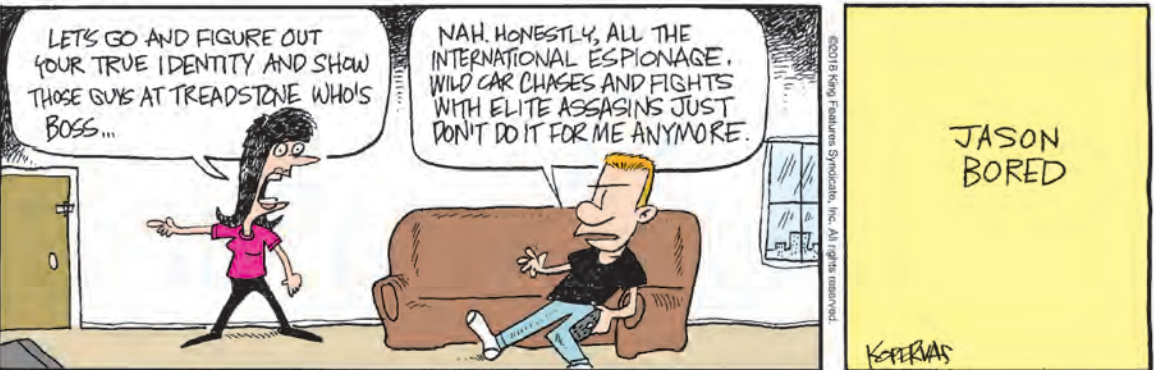
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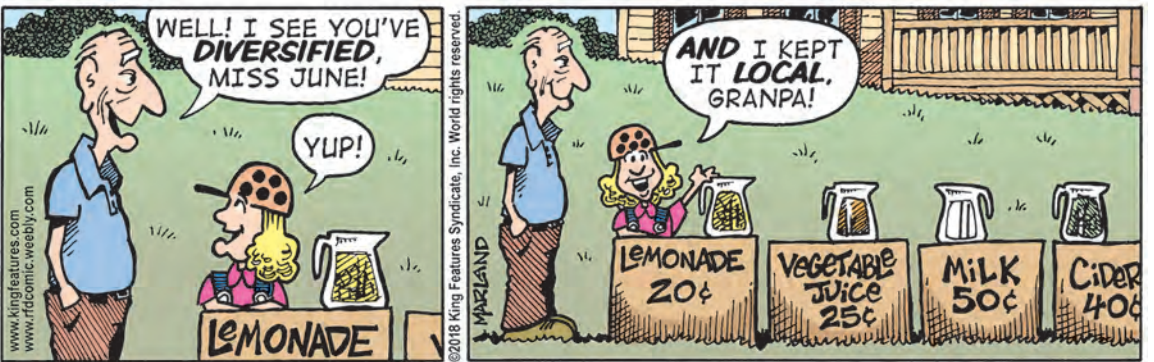
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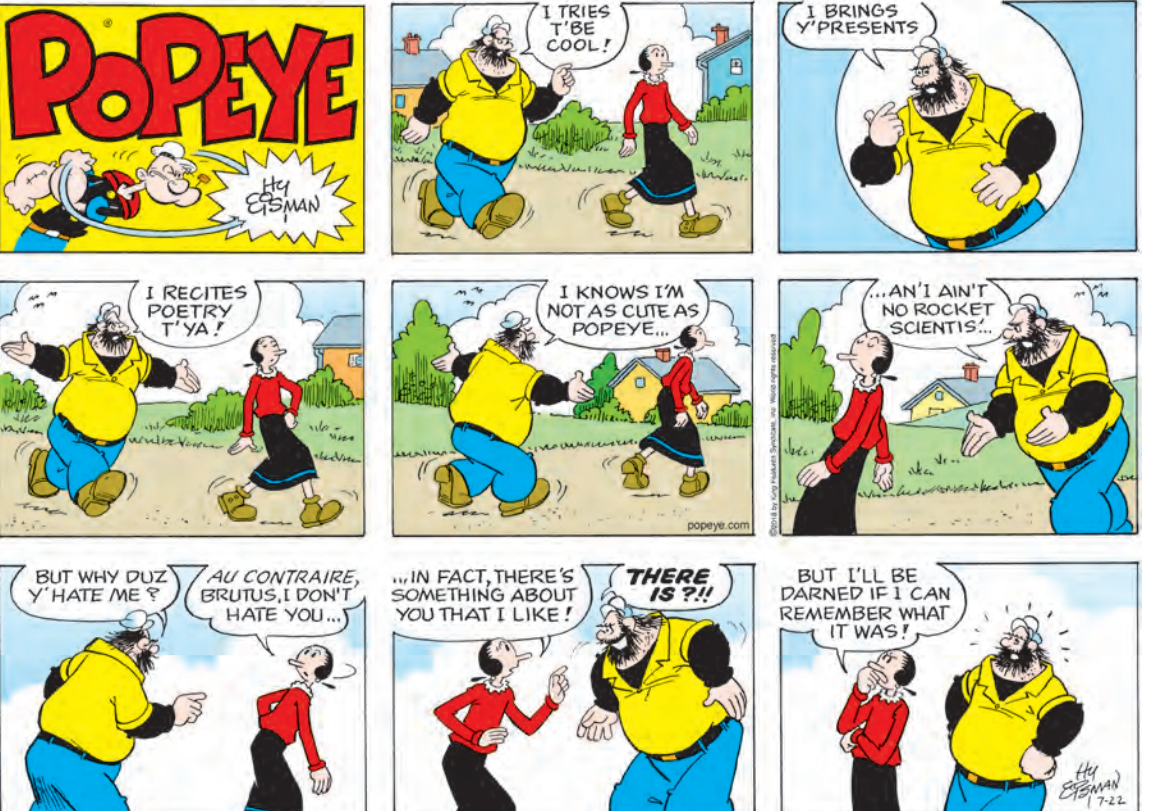


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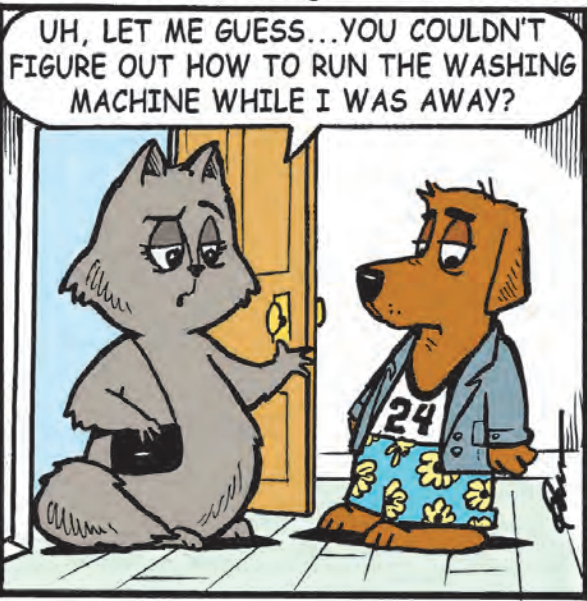


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SCRAMBLERS

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TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 They may be proper sub-jects
6 Distorted
12 Circus tent
13 Utica's county
14 Mistreat
15 Cat in 9 Lives commercials
16 Antelope's playmate
17 Rowing team
19 Biblical verb suffix
20 Take heed of
22 Profit
24 Air safety org.
27 History chap-ters
29 Inauguration recitation
32 "The Gold Bug" author
35 Policy expert
36 Stead
37 Gender
38 Item for 17-Across
40 Genesis cre-ator
42 Billboards
44 Camel feature
46 — podrida
50 Second of two
52 Acre's acres?
54 Hateful
55 Original

	1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9	10	11
12								13				
14								15				
16					17	18				19		
				20	21			22	23			
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32			33					34				
35					36					37		
		38		39		40			41			
42	43			44	45				46	47	48	49
50			51				52	53				
54							55					
56							57					

- 10 Tend texts
11 T, in Morse code
12 Auction action
18 True-to-lifestyle
21 "— the ram-parts ..."
23 Plenty of time?
24 Not many
25 Commotion
26 Doubter
28 Dormant
30 Pirouette pivot
31 Whammy
33 Alias abbr.
34 Summertime mo.
39 Watery dis-charge
41 Heart line
42 Oodles
43 Arp's art
45 — Major
47 Den
48 Tax
49 Hearty brew
51 Excessively
53 Bando of baseball

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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!

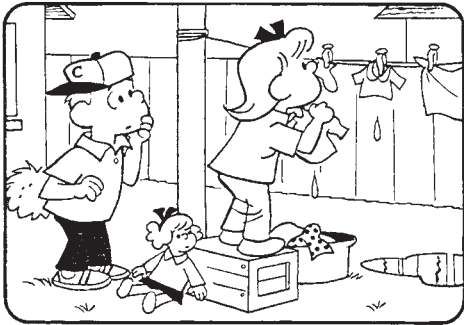
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Birdhouse is missing; 2. Cone is missing; 3. Dog's head is turned; 4. Clothespin bag is missing; 5. Dress is smaller; 6. Cabbage is missing.

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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: Q equals F

CWLN R W PBG UPR QIZ KPWIR W

KBC EL JA IBCU QIWYPU, AEZ

JWYPU CBA UPBU W EQURL

NEZYPRG BIEQU.

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HOMEWORK

Today's Word

3. Reckon; 4. Method
1. With; 2. Patrol;

SCRAMBLERS

solution

Posting Date July 30, 2018

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What ingredient is added to sugar to make it brown sugar?
2. CURRENCY: Which historical figure featured on a \$100 bill was NOT a president?
3. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries border Germany?
4. GAMES: Who invented the game of roulette?
5. ANIMAL KINGDOM: On which continent would you find a dingo, a wild dog?
6. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: What American industrialist once said, "Formula for success: rise early, work hard, strike oil"?
7. HISTORY: Who was the last queen of France?
8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How long did the Pony Express deliver mail in the United States?
9. SCIENCE: What is the filament in an incandescent light bulb made of?
10. MOVIES: Which Disney movie features a character named Cruella de Vil?

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10. "101 Dalmatians"
9. Tungsien
8. 1860-61 (18 months)
7. Marie Antoinette
6. J. Paul Getty
5. Australia (or Oceania)
4. French mathematician Blaise Pascal
3. Nine
2. Benjamin Franklin
1. Molasses

Trivia Test Answers

N	O	U	N	S	S	K	E	W	E	D
B	I	G	T	O	P	O	N	E	I	A
I	L	L	U	S	E	C	R	E	M	O
D	E	E	R	C	R	E	M	O	N	E
F	A	A	E	R	A	S	A	S	A	S
H	T	A	O	A	L	L	A	P	E	
O	E	A	S	A	S	A	S	A	S	
X	E	S	E	G	A					
A	D	S								
L	A	T	E	R	I	S	A	L	E	
O										
T	A	O								
I	V	E								

Solution time: 24 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Cryptoquip
Since I had the flu while I was on my last flight, you might say that I often coughed alot.

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Place your ad by 4 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 2nd and get entered to win a garage sale kit. Kit includes two garage sale signs, price stickers and garage sale successful tips.

***Price is valid only for the Amboy City Wide Garage Sales in 2018.

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*Ad must appear in the Amboy News Garage Sale ads to be included in the Facebook Post.

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2018 LEE COUNTY 4-H FAIR

Featured below are just a sample of some of the projects created by the Lee County 4-Hers



Photos by Mary Mays



Featured below are just a sample of some of the animals shown by the Lee County 4-Hers

