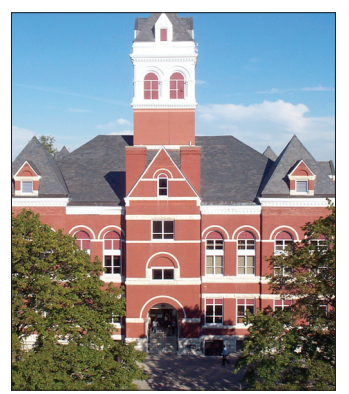




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Deep freeze



There was a real deep freeze in the area last week, with air temperatures reaching as much as 30 degrees below zero, and wind chills up to 60 degrees below zero. Schools and businesses were closed due to the brutally cold temperatures. By the weekend, high temperatures were expected to reach into the low 40s. (Brad Jennings photo)

County drop-off recycling program to end in May

The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) has announced that the upcoming cancellation of the Drop-Off Recycling Program in May of this year.

This will mean the removal of the recycling stations in Byron, Oregon, Forreston, Monroe Center and Rochelle.

Due to conditions beyond the control of the OCSWMD, this program has become unsustainable at this time. Skyrocketing container hauling costs, contamination in the recycling stream, U.S. trade tariffs,

and the Chinese ban on importing U.S. recyclables have led the department to terminate this program for the foreseeable future.

"This has been a very difficult decision for us as we know how popular the program is, and that it is the only outlet for recycling for many County residents," said Steve Rypkema, director of the Department. "We have kept this program going for over 24 years and feel terrible that it will end in May.

(See RECYCLE, A-2)

Did you get your voluntary pay envelope?

OGLE COUNTY – The Ogle County Life is offering readers a chance to become honorary staff members of the paper by participating in the annual Voluntary Payment promotion.

Envelopes were inserted into our Jan. 28 issue. If you didn't receive an envelope or have any questions, call our office at 815-732-2156. Also, 10 percent of any money donated in February will be donated to our local senior centers.

For 34 years, we have been providing the Life to readers free of charge. We expect to continue to be able to do this for many years to come.

However, newsprint and postage costs do continue to rise, and any contributions that readers can make greatly help defray these costs and enable us to provide the best product possible.

"Our readers' generosity has played a big part in helping us achieve our goals, including adding an e-edition, which we continue to offer for free for our loyal readers," said Life general manager Mike Feltes.

In addition to helping out the paper, anyone making a voluntary payment will also be helping our local senior citizens, as we in turn make a donation to area senior centers on your behalf.

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Oregon VFW To Celebrate Sweethearts Day on Feb. 16

OREGON – Years ago, clubs were all the go with bands performing and dancing the night away.

Oregon VFW was one of those clubs with its members bringing their spouses out for a nice evening of fun. A band for listening pleasure and possibly a meal before. As time goes on though the clubs have seen a decline in attendance. But on Feb. 16, the Oregon VFW is going to turn back the hands of time. A 2-meat (ham and turkey) buffet will be available that evening with all the fixings for \$10 a person. The meal will begin at 4 p.m. and finish at 7 p.m.

From 7-10 p.m. the entertainment for the evening will be Lyle Grobe and the Rhythm Ramblers. This band who began in the 50s and 60s at places such as Castle Rock Lounge located at the foot of Castle Rock on Route 2 south of Oregon started with Grobe and two brothers from Dixon (Dick and Harry Hackbarth). The band grew and Grobe called a night club in Dixon started the Skyline after performing for many years there. They

have now formed a garage band and continue to play at various locations in Ogle and Lee Counties. The annual Petunia Festival over the July 4th weekend will find Lyle singing the theme song for the event "It's Petunia Time In Dixon." Joining Grobe for the evening will be Marv Kunde, local Oregon resident on bass guitar. Dennis Milby plays drums and has been with Grobe for many years. Bob Fredricks brings the sounds of steel guitar to the songs being performed. James "Jimmy" Miller is on keyboards. Lisa Grobe joins the band with vocals and brings out the songs from those Women of Country Music – Patsy Cline, Loretta Lynn and so many more. There is always a treat in store when Grobe invites guest singers to take the stage.

VFW organizations do so many worthwhile projects for the community and for its members. Plan now to attend this event to support the Oregon VFW's future projects, located at 1310 W Washington St (Highway 64) in Oregon.

Blood drive set for Leaf River

LEAF RIVER – The Leaf River United Methodist Church is hosting a Community Blood Drive on Monday, Feb. 4.

Staff from the Rock River Valley Blood Center will draw blood between 1-6 p.m.

If you are at least 17 years old (16 years old with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in general good health, you should be eligible to donate blood. One in three people

will need blood and you never know when you or someone you love might be the one.

The Rock River Valley Blood Center serves as a centralized, community blood center and is the only provider of blood products and services to Beloit Health System, Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, FHN, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rochelle Community Hospital, Mercy Health Hospital – Rockton Avenue, Swedish American

Health System, and Swedish American Medical Center – Belvidere.

By hosting a Blood Drive, the members of the Leaf River United Methodist Church are helping to save lives in our community. Join us in sharing the Gift of Life. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Laura at 815-738-2508.

You can contact the Rock River Valley Blood Center at 815/965-8751 or on the web at www.rvbc.org.

RECYCLE : Sought bids from companies last fall

From page 1

"Between the contamination and dumping problems at the sites and increasing costs, we have no choice."

Since the start of the program in 1994, around 18,800 tons (or 37,593,212 pounds) of household recyclables have been collected, recycled, and diverted from local landfills. In 2018 alone, 806 tons were collected.

"What most people don't realize, though, is the cost of the program," he said. "In 2018, the hauling service for taking the containers to a transfer station in Rockford, where the materials are dumped and loaded into semi-truck trailers and hauled to a recycling facility in Homewood, Ill., increased by 17 percent and totaled almost \$65,000."

Since the contract for this service will be expiring in May of 2019, the OCSWMD sought bids last fall from five waste/recycling companies. Only one submitted a bid and it would have resulted in an additional increase of 135 percent. Under the new

bid, it was estimated that the annual cost would go up to \$163,000.

"That increase was just too much and was more than the Department had budgeted for the program, so the bid was rejected," Rypkema said. "With no other companies bidding on the service, we had no alternative but to cancel the program."

"Many users of the program mistakenly think we make money from the materials recycled," he said. "This has never been the case, even when we received payment for the recyclables. The cost of hauling the materials to the recycling facility always exceeded the value of them. Currently, due to the state of the domestic and global recycling commodities market, the recycling facility actually charges around \$65 or more per ton to accept and process the materials. The current waste hauler, Northern Illinois Disposal Service, has been absorbing that cost. That is on top of the transportation costs."

The only bid received

passed that cost onto the OCSWMD.

The reasons for ending the program are not just financial or local. Higher and higher levels of contamination in recycling bins have been creating problems for the U.S. recycling industry for months. Whether it is people throwing stuff in the bin with the hope that it can be recycled, even though it may be listed as unacceptable, or people just plain dumping waste into their recycling bins, contamination levels have risen to 25 percent-30 percent nationally.

"We have tried locally to educate the public and to pursue illegal dumpers, but with little success," he said. "The amounts of waste in and around the drop off containers continues to grow. As an example, just before Christmas, someone dumped about 25 tires outside of the container in Rochelle. A few weeks before that, someone filled the Oregon container with corrugated plastic drainage pipes. Diapers, electronics, ash, paint cans, furniture,

household trash, and other waste have been found in the bins. The sites have become dumping grounds for people who don't seem to care about what we accept."

Higher levels of contamination bring down the value of the materials and add to the cost of recycling. The waste removed from the loads at the recycling facility takes a longer and more expensive trip to the landfill.

"We are hopeful that in time, the domestic recycling infrastructure and markets for the materials will improve and we can reconsider our options for recycling in Ogle County, but for now, unfortunately, there are few options," Rypkema said.

This will not affect curbside recycling programs in municipalities where hauling companies pick up recyclables at their residence. However, residents are urged to follow recycling guidelines for what is accepted.

In the waning days of the drop off recycling program, the Department asks users of the recycling stations to pay attention to what is accepted for recycling. When the program ends at the end of May 2019, please do not deposit any recycling materials in the lots or on any decks which may still be present at the recycling sites. The owners and operators of all sites have been notified of this situation. OCSWMD reminds people that open dumping of waste material, including recyclables, is illegal and may be punishable by fines.

In the meantime, the Department encourages residents who live in unincorporated parts of Ogle County to contact their local waste hauler for information on whether or not curbside recycling service is available in your area, and if not, to encourage them to provide the service. OCSWMD staff are also exploring other options to make recycling available to as many residents as possible. Contact OCSWMD at 815-732-4020 or visit www.oglecounty.org for more information.

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Mary Morgan to hold kindergarten registration

BYRON – Mary Morgan Elementary School kindergarten registration will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 26, in the Mary Morgan Band Room from noon-5 p.m.

There will be an optional hearing tests from noon-5 p.m.

If you have a child who will be five years old on or before Sept. 1, your child is eligible for kindergarten instruction for the 2019-2020 school year.

Registration fee will be collected at a later date. The following items are required:

- * Original certified birth certificate from the courthouse – hospital copies will not be accepted.
- * Parent/Guardian names and telephone numbers.
- * Proof of residency – new families to the district. You will need a Mortgage statement/ Tax bill or Current copy of a Lease and 2 current bills that are associated to the residence.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the school office at 815-234-5491, Ext. 757 or 251.

How can I tell my child is ready for kindergarten?

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- * Use crayons and scissors
- * Write his/her first name
- * Listen and enjoy stories
- Know some/all alphabet letters



Park District has eye on fun when school's out

OREGON – The Oregon School District has a long weekend off of school in February, and the Oregon Park District has your K-6 grader covered for childcare.

The Park District will have a half-day program on Thursday, Feb. 14. Your student can walk over to the BHC directly upon dismissal for an afternoon of fun! We will have our packed lunches, engage in planned activities, go swimming at Nash, play group games and enjoy an afternoon snack. You may pick up any time before 6 p.m. The fee is \$10/Residents and \$12/Non-Residents/

half day. Registration deadline is Feb. 7.

School will not be in attendance on Friday, Feb. 15 and Monday, Feb. 18. Join us for a field trip day to the Discovery Museum on Friday and another trip to Mardi Gras Lanes for bowling and pizza on Monday. Must be registered one week prior to each program. Drop off as early as 6:15 a.m. and pick up as late as 6 p.m. at the Blackhawk Center ET Room. The fee is \$25/Residents and \$30/Non-residents per day.

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Obituaries

Barbara J. Barnes

OREGON – Barbara J. Barnes, 89, longtime Oregon resident, died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 in Serenity Hospice Home, Oregon surrounded by her family after a long illness. Born Aug. 1, 1929, with her twin brother Bradley, to William and Nina (Hardesty) Taft.

Barbara married her one true love, James Barnes, on March 20, 1947 in Decatur. She was the Mother of four: James Barnes, Virginia (Robert) Pearson, Alan Barnes and Penny (William) Stoughton.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son Alan, grandson James Pearson, daughter-in-law Diane Barnes and numerous brothers and sisters.



Barbara is also survived by 10 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and sister, Nina Whetsel of Byron. Family whetsel came first for Barbara.

She and her husband Jim owned and operated Bill's Shoe Service in Oregon for 30 years and she was an accomplished shoe repair

person. Barbara volunteered at numerous organizations including the Senior Center, Oregon Ambulance and Lifeline Food Pantry and was noted for her pie baking ability. She and Jim were also members of Black Hawk Twirlers Square Dance Club for 25 years.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A Celebration of Life was held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 2 in Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon with Pastor Michael Hoffman of Oregon Church of God officiating. Visitation was 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31 in the funeral home. Private burial will be at a later date. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Geraldine Mathews

OREGON – Geraldine Y. "Jerrie" Mathews, 85, lifelong Oregon resident, died Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019 in OSF St. Anthony Medical Center, Rockford. Born Feb. 14, 1933 in Rockvale Township, Ogle County, the daughter of John V. and Catherine (Gocken) Donaldson.

Married to Richard L. Mathews July 8, 1955 in German Valley; he died July 5, 1983. She was previously employed at Oregon Sewing Factory an at E.D. Etnyre Company. Jerrie was a member of Chana United Methodist Church and loved



sewing and crafting.

Survived by her son, Craig Mathews of Rockford; grandchildren, Patrick MacArthur and Catie Ryan; son-in-law, Charlie MacArthur; brother, Pat Donaldson of Rockford; sisters, Sheila

Lemke of Byron and Sharon Meline of Stevens Point, Wis.; and many nieces and nephews.

Also preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Sheryl MacArthur; son, Gregory Mathews; and brothers, Richard, Robert and John Donaldson.

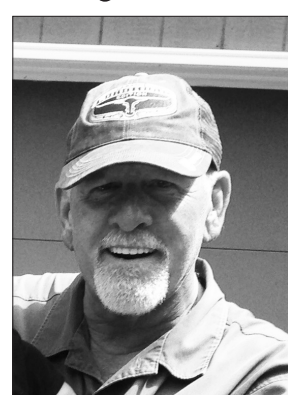
In keeping with Jerrie's wishes, burial in Stillman Valley Cemetery will be private with no services. A celebration of Jerrie's life will be held at a later date. Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon assisted the family with arrangements.

John Wayne Kennay

ASHTON—John Wayne Kennay, 64, passed away Thursday, Jan. 24, 2019, at KSB Hospital in Dixon. John was born Nov. 24, 1954 in Dixon, the son of Donald and Rita (Vock) Kennay. He married Cynthia Cacciatore on April 1, 1989 in Byron.

John is survived by his wife, Cynthia Kennay of Ashton; two daughters, Amy (Jason) Wombacher of Byron and Shary Hahn of Solon, Iowa; son-in-law, Neil Hahn of Solon, Iowa; six grandchildren, Matt, Ryann and Kathryn Wombacher and Lyla, Hunter, and Landry Hahn; father, Don (Bertha) Kennay of Ashton; mother-in-law, Wanda Cacciatore of Byron; three brothers Ron (Mardelle) Kennay of Ashton, Donnie (Beverly) Kennay of Ashton and Rick (Doris) Kennay of Ashton; sister Joan (Mike) Pfeiffer of Ashton; brother-in-law Pete Cacciatore of Byron; two sisters-in-law, Sharon (Terry) Tamanaskus of Lakewood Ranch, Fla., and Kathryn (Jeff) Feste of Byron; and several nieces and nephews.

John is preceded in death by his mother, Rita Kennay and father-in-law, Pete Cacciatore. John loved his family, his friends and his farm. He was known for his friendly and easygoing demeanor, his strength, his work ethic, his passion for football and wrestling—and in recent years, his active



social media presence. John never met a person - or a twitter meme - he didn't like.

John is survived by his wife Cynthia, his true love, his partner and his "Joan Jett" in life. John spent his workdays tending to his farming operation, but what gave him the most pride was his children and grandchildren. He was ever-present in the lives of his daughters Amy and Shary, with his role as the stoic center of the tornado that is his family of strong and smart women. John was a steady, reassuring and hardworking role model for "the girls", and never missed an event or opportunity to support their interests.

When their children, nieces and nephews began having families of their own, Cindy and John's greatest joy became helping tend to their ever-expanding flock of grandchildren, nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. John was a crazed sports fan for Matt, motorcycle road

trip partner to Kathryn and a worthy banter adversary for Ryann, ATV buddies with Hunter and Landry, and Lyla was his little chore partner in the barns—he was a hero to his grandkids and they loved him fiercely.

John was a devoted son who poured his heart into farming with his father Don. For more than 45 years, the father and son team worked hand-in-hand creating memories that will remain with the entire Kennay Family for years to come. John Kennay was a husband, father, grandfather, son, brother and friend, and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Visitation was from 3-7:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019, at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St. in Rochelle. A masonic service concluded the visitation at 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2019, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 803 Paddock Ave. in Ashton with Pastor Jessica Bakken officiating. Luncheon followed the funeral at the church. Interment was at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Cemetery in Byron. Please visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the Ashton-Franklin Center FFA Club and the Ashton Fire Department.

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LaVere 'Fuzz' Watson

MOUNT MORRIS – LaVere "Fuzz" Watson, age 93, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019 in KSB Hospital, Dixon. LaVere was born on Aug. 29, 1925 to William and Eva (Newcomer) Watson in Forreston.

He graduated from Mount Morris High School class of 1942. LaVere served in the U.S. Army and was a proud WWII veteran. LaVere married Mary Jane Carlson on July 31, 1955 in Grand Detour.

He was a farmer for most of his life and was



a welder for Etnyre and Woods in Oregon for many years. LaVere was an avid fisherman who was always willing and enjoyed teaching others the joy of fishing.

LaVere was an honest and just man who believed in the power of prayer and the grace of God.

LaVere is survived by his wife: Mary Jane Watson; son: James (Peggy) Watson of Mount Morris; 8 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren; and one great great-grandson.

LaVere is predeceased by his parents; one sister; and son: John.

No services are planned at this time. Cremation rites have been accorded with Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mount Morris.

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Obituaries

Ann May Proud



MOUNT MORRIS – Ann May Proud, age 93, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and aunt passed away Thursday, Jan. 24, 2019 in Pinecrest Manor Nursing Home, Mount Morris. Ann was born on May 22, 1925 in Chicago, the daughter of Kasper E. and Barbara A (Heckler) Lung.

She grew up in Michigan and graduated from Allegan (Michigan) High School in 1943. She attended business school in Santa Barbara, Calif., and worked for Western Union in various places in Michigan.

While working for Western Union Ann married David E. Proud on June 27, 1947 in Kalamazoo, Mich.; they lived in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids before moving to Lisle, where they resided for 31 years and raised four children. After retiring, the Prouds moved to Mount Morris in 1993; and David preceded her in death on Jan. 28, 2017. Aside from raising her four children, Ann worked in a creamery and a factory, taught preschool, worked retail for Marshall Field and Company and Sears, and was

an administrative assistant at the Lisle Street Department.

Never one to hide her light under a bushel, Ann shared her many talents, including working with Cub Scouts, Campfire Girls, Girl Scouts, Lisle Heritage Society, Friends of the Lisle Library, Lisle Parents-Teacher Organization, Laubach literacy ESL program, Meals on Wheels, First Congregational Church (Lisle) and the Lumen Christi Presbyterian Church (Naperville), Christian Women's Association, Lisle Doll Club, and the Welcome Wagon. During her years in Mt. Morris, Ann was involved in Senior Center activities, (Geriatric Jubilee), Christian Women's club, home extension, First Pres-

byterian Church Women's group, mission trips, such as the one to St. Colletta's in Wisconsin, and other activities too numerous to mention.

A devoted mother and master craftswoman and artist, Ann will be sorely missed by her four children; son Danny Proud (Robin), Madison, Wis.; daughters Kathryn (Kit) Reynolds, Mount Morris, Cynthia McDonald (John), Broken Arrow, Okla., and Margaret (Peggy) Proud-Edwards (Tim Edwards), Aurora.; and by 7 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren; brother: F.N. (Sharon) Lung; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ann is preceded in death by her parents; husband: David; brother: Casper Lung; sisters: Caroline Lung, Barbara Banks, Helen Lung, Catherine Lung, and Betty Schoen.

A service celebrating the life of Ann will be held in the spring.

Memorials to Lisle Heritage Society and/or The Mount Morris Public Library.

Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mount Morris, is assisting the family with the services.



Oregon Park District earns award

OREGON – The Oregon Park District recently attended the annual Illinois Association of Park Districts and Illinois Park and Recreation Association conference in Chicago.

IPRA presented their 2018 Outstanding Program or Special Event Award in both Division I and Overall program to the Oregon Park District for their Farm to Table event held in July 2018.

The Farm to Table event was held at Oak Lane, Oregon this past summer and offered a unique dining experience. Local celebrity chefs prepared dinner featuring fresh, local ingredients. The four-course dinner was paired with wine and was held as a fundraiser for the Oregon Park District Scholarship Fund.

The Outstanding Program or Special Event Award recognizes public agencies for their exceptional and unique achieve-

ments in program development and implementation.

"The Oregon Park District is honored to receive recognition for the Farm to Table Dinner," said Erin Folk, executive director. "Our employees are our greatest asset and I am pleased to see them recognized for their creativity and professionalism when developing programs for our community to enjoy. The event would not have been possible without the dedication of our staff, the volunteers, celebrity chefs and event sponsors."

The Oregon Park District's nomination scored the highest number of points from any other park, recreation or conservation agency in not only their division but all divisions and from across the State of Illinois. The award was accepted by Tina Ketter, superintendent of recreation and Debbie Leffelman, event coordinator.

Shellie Jo Shank

POLO – Shellie Jo Shank, of Freeport (formerly of Polo), passed away Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019, at Javon Bea Hospital in Rockford.

Shellie was born June 15, 1963, in Dixon, the daughter of Melvin "Doc" and Lavon (Maxwell) Shank. She worked as a CNA for many years in the area. Shellie Jo enjoyed sitting by a campfire, fishing and spending time in the outdoors with her family and friends.

Survivors include sons

Joshua (Alyssa) Shank of Milledgeville and Curtis Crehan of Phoenix, Ariz.; sisters Judy (Saul) Gonzalez Sr. of Sterling, Vicki (Rick) Spotts of Sterling, Christy (Steve Grobe) Bowlin of Polo, Lisa Shank of Polo; brothers Duane (Nancy) Mackey of Polo; granddaughters Hannah and Haisley; grandson Brogan; nieces Angie, Kayla, Jessica, Melissa, Tina; nephews Saul Jr, Jeremy, Jason; 4 great Nieces; 5 great Nephews; 3

great-great Nieces; 1 great-great nephew; special friend Deb; uncle Mike Bowlin; furry companions Shadow and Mr. Sunshine.

She was preceded in death by her Parents; brothers Larry Mackey Sr and Richard Maxwell; nephew Larry Mackey Jr; 4 great-nephews.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date

Visit www.polofamily-funeralhome.com to send condolences.

Play auditions Feb. 18-19 in Mount Morris

MOUNT MORRIS – The Performing Arts Guild invites you to join the cast of their spring production, "Cheaper by the Dozen."

Based on a bestselling novel by Frank B. Gilbreth and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey, this comedy recounts the authors' lives of growing up in a family with 12 children. Their inventor father, who is well-known for bringing better efficiency to factories, keeps his large family running just as efficiently.

Auditions will be held from 6-8 p.m. on

Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 18 and 19 at the Pinecrest Grove library, 500 Evergreen Lane, Mount Morris.

The cast consists of six adults and nine children.

Performances will be Friday-Sunday, May 3-5 at the Pinecrest Grove Theatre.

Materials will be provided at the audition, so come early to review the readings. For more information about auditions, please contact Director Dave Sheely at 719-740-6162.

Historical Society open Feb. 17 in Davis Junction

DAVIS JUNCTION – The Davis Junction Historical Society will be open Feb. 17 from 1-4 p.m.

Although there is no program planned for

February, there are some interesting ones in the works for this year. Refreshments will be served. Stop in and see the exhibits, peruse the museums library, or just visit.



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Park District hosting Maple Syrup Mayhem on Feb. 25

OREGON – The Oregon Park District has joined forces with Lorado Taft Campus to offer a new educational program for 3rd-8th Graders. Maple Syrup Mayhem will occur on Monday, Feb. 25 from 4-5 p.m. The fee is \$8/Resident and \$10/Non-Resident. Has your child ever wonder about the science behind creating maple syrup? The talent staff at Taft Campus is ready to share their knowledge. Students will learn about the sap produced by maple trees, how to identify trees in the winter, how to tap a tree and maple syrup production. Everyone will meet at Taft Campus. Register at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. 5th Street, Oregon or call 815-732-3101. Registration deadline is Feb. 18.



Jane Bruce (right) the wife of Serenity Home patient Don Bruce and her friend of 25 years, Nina Mueller (left) stand beside the new quilt donated to Serenity Home. The quilt was made by Mueller and presented in honor of Don Bruce.

Women make, present large quilt to Serenity Home in Oregon

In 2016, Serenity had the privilege of serving the family of Don Bruce, a 40-year resident of Polo. He came into Serenity Home to spend his final days. If you knew Don, you knew he was kind and generous and a hard worker. He died young at the age of 69. He was also tall. Very tall. After his death, his wife Jane expressed an interest in helping Serenity obtain a bariatric bed for larger patients. Her generosity along with a grant from Woodward Governor in Rockford, allowed Serenity to turn one of their patient rooms into a bariatric room. If you have ever visited Serenity, you know that quilts are symbolic of the comfort and peace found within our hospice home. Serenity's collection of quilts are made

with love by various artists and they serve to remind us of all the people and families we have served. Jane noticed that a larger bed would require a larger quilt. This is when she approached her friend of more than 25 years, Nina Mueller. "I knew the perfect person to make the quilt in honor of Don," Jane said. "Don worked with Nina's husband for 25 years. We were all very good friends." Nina was honored to make the quilt, which was a work of love. She made the quilt in the rail fence pattern in beautiful masculine colors. Recently the two women visited Serenity Home and presented the new quilt in honor of Don and all the others who will find peace and comfort in the bariatric bed.

Council offers 12 scholarships

ROCK FALLS – At least 12 scholarships will be awarded by Tri-County Opportunities Council to income eligible students residing in the agency's service area. The scholarships are worth up to \$1,250 and have been made available by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Development (DCEO) through its Community Services Block Grant funds. All low-income students, racial or ethnic minorities and previous scholarship

winners are encouraged to apply. To be eligible for the scholarship competition: * The applicant must be a member of an income-eligible household. * The applicants must be attending an Illinois accredited post-secondary educational institution of higher learning during the fall of 2019. * Applicants must be a resident of Bureau, Carroll, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark or Whiteside County in Illinois.

* Students must be considered full-time (minimum of 12 semester hours) to qualify for the full \$1,250 scholarship. Part-time students will be considered in the competition, however, scholarship awards will be pro-rated if they are selected as a winner. Application deadline is March 22. Further information and application forms may be obtained by contacting the office at 800/323-5434, Ext. 15 or on the website at www.tcochelps.org.

Women's Club hosting annual Card Party

OREGON – Mark your calendars to attend the annual Oregon Women's Club Card Party on Feb. 15. Don't play cards? Don't let that stop you from enjoying a fun afternoon, as there will be a number of table games to join in to play. The event is open to everyone and you do not need to be an Oregon Women's Club member to play. Please note: This event will be held at a new location – First Presbyterian Church, 200 S. 5th St. in the Fellowship Hall.

The fun starts with registration at 12:30 p.m., followed by dessert refreshments, card or game playing and ending with an array of door prizes. To make reservations for the party, call Sandie Chasm at 815-973-5814. The cost for the event is \$5, with all proceeds being donated to the Winning Wheels, located in Prophetstown. This facility provides rehabilitation services to young adults who have neurological impairment. Support of Winning Wheels is a GFWC Illinois state project.



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Byron Forest Preserve District to offer History of Corn Lecture on Feb. 10

BYRON – The Byron Forest Preserve District will be offering the first of its free 2019 Winter Lecture Series on Sunday, Feb. 10 beginning at 2 p.m. at the Jarrett Prairie Center Museum, 7993 North River Road in Byron.

The program is free and no advance registration is required. For more information call 815 234-8535, Ext. 200 or visit their website at www.byronforestpreserve.com.

Writer and food historian, Cynthia Clampitt will present “Corn: How it Changed Itself and Then Changed Everything Else.” Learn about the fascinating history of corn, something that we take for granted in the Midwest. About

10,000 years ago, a weedy grass growing in Mexico possessed a strange trait known as a “jumping gene” transforming itself into a large and more useful grass - the cereal grass that we would come to know as maize and then corn. Nurtured by prehistoric farmers, this grain would transform the Americas even before first European contact.

After first contact, it would span the globe, with mixed results, but for newcomers to North America it would expand its influence and help create the economy of the Midwest. Today, we have become dependent on the production of corn more than ever.



Oregon Together hosting dance event on Feb. 23

OREGON – Show off your dancing skills or learn some new ones at Oregon Together’s “Dance the Night Away” event on Saturday, Feb. 23, 6:30-10 p.m. at Scoops Secret Stache, 117 N. 4th St., downtown Oregon.

This fun-filled evening includes ballroom and line-dance lessons by instructors Claudia Terara and Rachel Young, food and cash bar hosted by Hector’s Cocina, and raffles featuring some great prizes including tickets to an upcoming Eric Church

concert in Rosemont provided by 102.3 The Coyote.

Only 100 tickets are available. Tickets may be purchased at several Oregon businesses including Hoppers Poppers, Hazel’s, Merlin’s Greenhouse, Scoops, and the Oregon Chamber. Cost is \$20/single or \$35/couple in advance of the event or \$25/single or \$45/couple at the door.

Proceeds from this event will benefit community projects initiated by Oregon Together.



Church taking reservations for Valentine dinner

OREGON – The Ebenezer Reformed Church, 2997 North German Church Road, is hosting an evening for married couples.

At 6 p.m. on Feb. 14, 12 couples will take part in renewing their wedding vows during a service led by Pastor Marv Jacobs.

A menu of baked mostaccioli, garden salad, Italian bread and a wedding cupcake will be served to each couple

at their private table for two. There will also be several gift drawings.

There is no cost for this event, no offering taken. It will, however, be limited to the first 12 couples to call 815-732-2762. Leave your name and phone number. You will receive a return confirmation call to verify your reservation.

No childcare will be provided.

Annual Polo Farm Toy Show will be March 2

POLO – The 34th annual Polo Farm Toy Show will be Saturday, March 2 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Polo High School.

The event, sponsored by the Polo Lions Club, will feature about 100 dealer tables and a 50/50 drawing.

The cafeteria will be open during the event and run by the Polo Boosters.

Admission is \$3. Children ages 12 and under are free. For dealer information, call Irene Short at 815-946-3730.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., Feb. 4

Movie Matinee 2-4 p.m. at the Serenity Shed, Oregon. We will view a movie then discuss how it relates to grief and healing. Phone 815-732-2499 to register.

The Leaf River United Methodist Church is hosting a Community Blood Drive. Staff from the Rock River Valley Blood Center will draw blood between 1-6 p.m.

Tues., Feb. 5

Prairie State Legal: Know Your Rights presentation

with one-on-one appointments to follow: Domestic Violence and Orders of Protection presented by Attorney Leann Duncan. Byron Library, 1-1:20 p.m. Appointments can be scheduled ahead of time, by calling 815-965-2902. Walk-ins will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

Weds., Feb. 6

Lifelong Learners' Lecture Series at Polo Public Library, 7 p.m. "Quilts & the Underground Railroad"

a Polo Historical Society Program presented by Betty Obendorf. Registration is required

Fri., Feb. 8

C.A.F.E. (Coffee & Friends) 9-10 a.m. at the Serenity Shed, Oregon. Open to all bereaved in our community. Phone 815-732-2499 to register.

Al-Anon Family Groups offer help to those who are affected by someone's drinking. Join us each Friday for a free meeting, 10-11 a.m. at St. Mark's

Lutheran Church, 201 N. Division, Polo.

Sat., Feb. 9

Valentine Storytime at the Julia Hull Library, Stillman Valley. Come join us at 10 a.m. for stories of friendship & love, heartwarming games, and a craft sure to please your valentine. Ages 4-7. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Feb. 24, 1836, Texan Col. William Travis sends a desperate plea for help when the Mexican army of 5,000 soldiers badly outnumber the several hundred defenders of the Alamo. His message ended with the famous last words, "Victory or Death." "Remember the Alamo" quickly became the rallying cry for the Texas revolution.

* On Feb. 19, 1847, the first rescuers reach surviving members of the Donner Party, a group of California-bound emigrants stranded by snow in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Of the 89 original members of the Donner Party, only 45 reached California.

* On Feb. 22, 1918, swept along by hysterical fears of German spies, the Montana legislature passes a Sedition Law that severely restricts freedom of speech and assembly. The law made it illegal to criticize the federal government or the armed forces during time of war.

* On Feb. 18, 1930, Pluto is discovered at the Lowell Observatory in Arizona by astronomer Clyde W. Tombaugh. He discovered the tiny, distant planet using a new astronomic technique of photographic plates combined with a blink microscope.

* On Feb. 23, 1940, folksinger Woody Guthrie writes one of his best-known songs, "This Land is Your Land." Many of his songs reflected a strong commitment to the common working people.

* On Feb. 20, 1986, France and Britain announce the Chunnel, a tunnel to be built under the English Channel. Construction began in late 1987 and the chunnel was finally completed in 1994. Attempts to dig a channel tunnel date back to 1883, and Napoleon drew blueprints for a tunnel in 1802.

* On Feb. 21, 1994, CIA operative Aldrich Ames is arrested for selling secrets to the Soviet Union. At least 10 U.S. spies in Russia were killed after Ames revealed their identities, and more were sent to Russian gulags.

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Mysterious noise puts me on the case at home

It was quite the mystery. As we all know, it has been cold the past couple of weeks. Very cold. Some days, even brutally cold. For me, it has been downright torture. I was talking with my dad when it was six below zero here. In my hometown, it was 72.

Just close your eyes and imagine 72 degrees right now. Kind of makes you weepy, right? But don't cry – the tears will only freeze to your face.

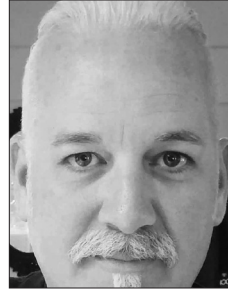
Back to the mystery. My wife and I own an older home. Not that old – it was built in the 1930s – but old enough. Old enough to make noises. You know those popping sounds older homes make in the heat, the cold – pretty much all of the time.

But we were now hearing some real bangs. They seemed to come from all over the place. The bathroom? No, maybe the living room area? Possibly the back yard?

One thing seemed clear: The noises were coming from the outside, and sounded like something hitting the house.

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



As my hearing is pretty terrible – thank you, loud music – it was a real problem for my wife.

"Did you hear that," she said as we were sitting on the couch. "What was that?" "Hear what?" I answered.

But I did hear it a couple of times. So, I would suit up and go outside to try and find the culprit.

I don't have the greatest winter gear, mind you, but I have some decent boots and a good jacket. My gloves are actually pretty pathetic. I need to do something about that.

I would go outside and trudge through the snow, knocking icicles off of the house and looking for any obvious problems. An old telephone wire connecting to the house had a large chunk of ice on it and I couldn't break it off. Maybe that was hitting the house.

My wife wasn't buying it. So I would go out front and look for tree branches that had fallen. Maybe an incredibly fat yet agile raccoon had climbed up on the roof and decided to do the River Dance.

Nothing. Finally, one night last week, we were sitting on the couch binge watching "The Sopranos" – hey, better late than never – when we heard a very loud bang.

This one I heard. I think the neighbors heard it.

It sounded like it was coming from the garage area. Again, I geared up and went outside to do another futile perimeter check. I came up empty.

I wondered if it was coming from the attic, so I went into the garage to

grab a flashlight. On my "workbench" (I put that in quotes because, honestly, I don't really do any work out there), I saw some ice, but it looked strange. Why would there be a little ice up there?

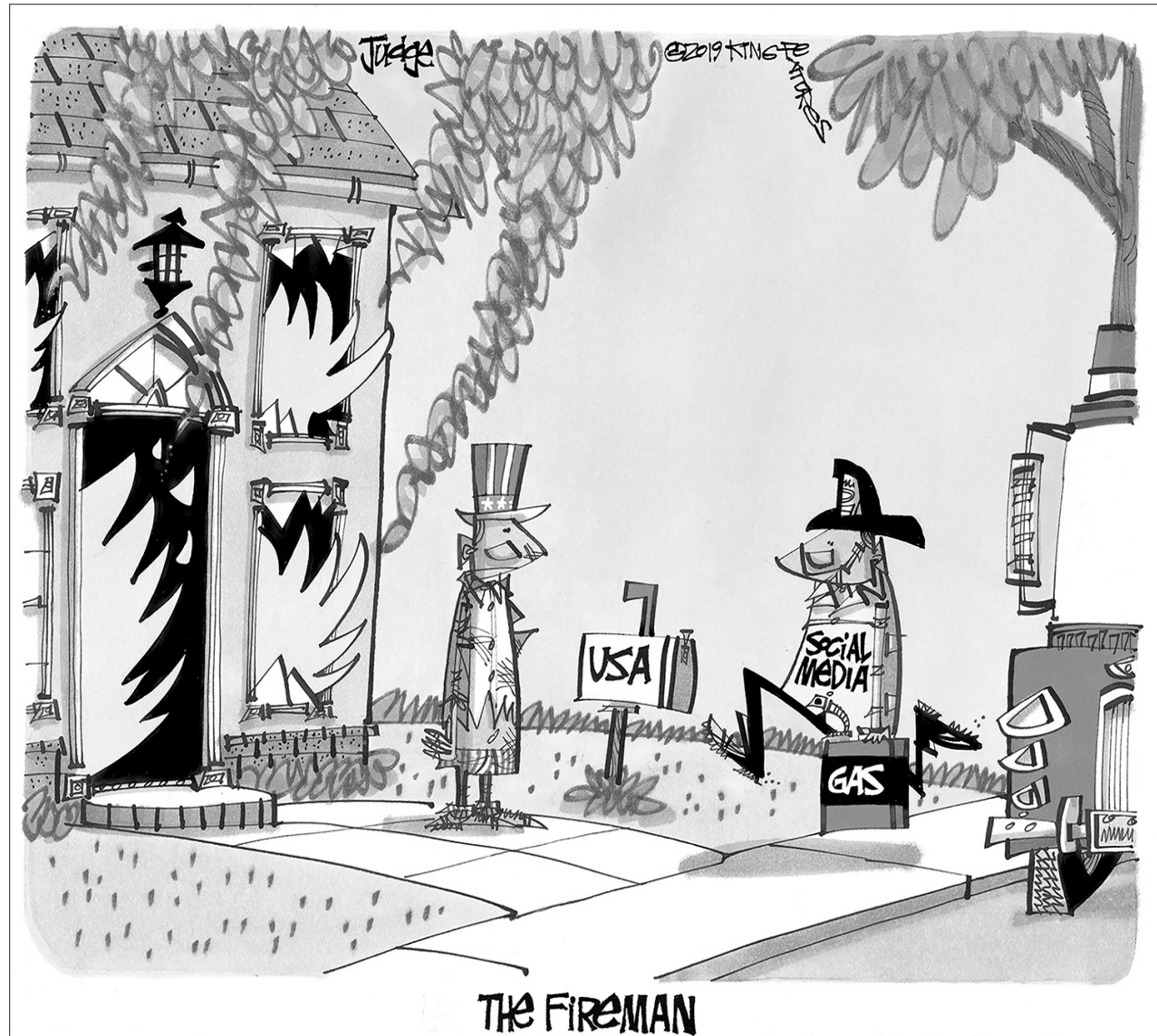
I saw more ice in a box to my right. I picked it up. It looked ... greenish. Green ice? I kept moving to my right and the trail led me to the answer.

Diet 7-Up. There was a 12-pack of the stuff on top of our outside refrigerator. Well, actually, there was one can left. The rest had exploded after freezing. I found exploded cans behind the fridge. I found them behind my covered riding lawn mower. I found them near the chainsaw.

Mystery solved. My wife and I had a good laugh, and I wondered aloud why I was such a moron to leave soda out in the garage when it was below zero.

I brought the beer inside too. Letting your beer explode would be a punishable offense.

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Small states vs large states: The coming crisis

A constitutional crisis is looming over two American institutions that have failed to evolve along with our nation. The problem is illustrated by a fact reported in the March 10, 2013 New York Times: Wyoming has 1/66th the population of California, but the same number of Senators. The vote of one Wyoming citizen, in other words, counts as much as that of 66 Californians in the Senate.

Political analyst E.J. Dionne has commented extensively on the disproportionate power that the citizens of Wyoming and other small states enjoy in the Senate, a disparity that will increase with each passing year. In the October 7, 2017 Rockford Register Star, he cited a study predicting that by 2040, 30 percent of the voting public

**Guest
Opinion**
By Lowell Harp



will elect 70 percent of the Senators who are supposed to represent the American people.

Americans are inexorably moving out of rural areas and rural states into states with large urban and suburban populations. Meanwhile, the Constitution dictates

that each state is to have two Senators, no matter how few its citizens. As a result, as Dionne noted in an NPR interview on Sept. 19, 2017, "The Senate... radically underrepresents populous states. And it does so more now than it used to. The ratio when the Republic started between the smallest and largest state was 13 to 1. Now it's around 70 to 1 or more."

Small states are similarly privileged by our Electoral College, which determines the winner of each presidential election. Each state, no matter how small, gets at least 3 electoral votes, all of them, except in Maine and Nebraska, awarded on a winner-take-all basis. In such a system, it's possible to win while losing the popular

vote, as has happened twice already in this century.

The trick is to prevail by small margins in enough states to offset the loss of the popular vote in the country as a whole. Educational You Tuber CGP Grey has demonstrated that it's possible, though admittedly unlikely, to become President with only 22% of the popular vote.

When the founders created our Constitution, granting small states extra representation in the Electoral College and the Senate was a necessity. Joseph J. Ellis in *The Quartet*, his book about the creation of the Constitution, shows that states with small voting populations, especially slave-holding states, had to be assured that they wouldn't be dominated by more populous northern

states, or there would be no United States of America. For this as well as other reasons unique to the times, we now have a Senate and Electoral College that grant disproportionate power to small states.

Today, when Americans no longer feel a greater allegiance to their states than to the nation, the growing inequalities in the Senate can no longer be justified. And the corrosive effect of the Electoral College is clear in the aftermath of the 2016 election, when Donald Trump became president after losing the popular vote by a clear margin. The bitterness and division that followed discredit arguments that the Electoral College serves to unite the country.

A nation is like a river,

never quite the same. Its political system must adjust to the ever-changing currents if it's to survive. Old ways that may have worked well in the past may no longer do so.

So it is with the Senate and the Electoral College, whose inequalities grow ever larger and more glaring. Eventually, we'll have to make a choice. The only solution consistent with democratic ideals will be to eliminate the geographic lopsidedness of the Senate and abolish the Electoral College.

Lowell Harp is a retired school psychologist who served school districts in Ogle County. His column runs monthly in The Ogle County Life. For previous articles, you can follow him on Facebook at <http://fb.me/lowellharp>.

Appreciate bus drivers

Dear Editor,
The Forrestville Valley School District would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to our bus drivers for ensuring the safe transport of students. The drivers' dedication to safety and commitment to the community are truly appreciated.

Therefore, please help us to celebrate Bus Driver Appreciation Week in the Forrestville Valley School District, Feb. 4-8, by a kind word, a note of thanks or a gesture of appreciation to our drivers.

Sheri Smith, Superintendent, Forrestville Valley School District

Police, fire send thanks

Dear Editor,
The Mount Morris Police and Fire personnel would like to thank all who donated to the 2018 Toys for Kids program.

Without your donations, it would not be possible. This year gifts were distributed to over 97 children in the Mount Morris Fire Protection District.

Once again, thank you and may God bless you for your contributions.

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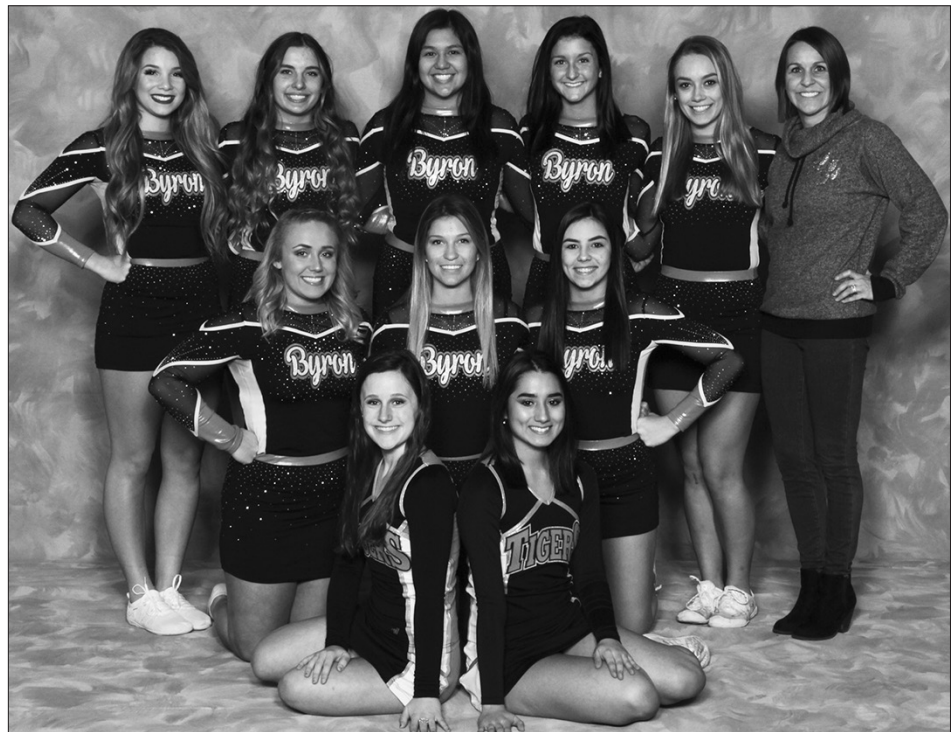
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2018-19 Byron High School cheerleading teams

Varsity (right photo): Brianna Abrahams, Olivia Guerrero (bottom row), Savannah Cretsinger, Marlene Miranda, Madison LaBay (middle row), Maddi Hegberg, Audrey Villa, Danielle Rains, Maddison Leon, Bethany Dinges and head coach Mrs. Hoppe.
 Junior Varsity (left photo): Grace Abrahams and Kaci McKnight (bottom row), Kacy White, Jada Rico, Addie Ebersohl, Luci Satti (middle row), Allison Bell, Courtney Stonecipher, Malayna Morgan, Sami Bitz and head coach Mrs. Hoppe. (Courtesy photos)

Oregon girls basketball team splits games with Stillman, North Boone

OREGON — The Oregon varsity girls basketball team lost 58-48 against Stillman Valley on Jan. 25 to drop to 6-20 overall. Stillman Valley improved to 8-14 overall. Ella Martin led the Hawks with 16 points while Jenae Bothe added 11 points and Breanna DeHaan chipped in six points. Lexi

Lichty scored 20 points for the Cardinals, and Georgia Ballard assisted with 15 points. Oregon rebounded with a 54-49 win over North Boone on Jan. 26. Olivia Lambrightsen scored 20 points for the Hawks, while Ella Martin and Brenna Noon each recorded 12 points.

Oregon wrestling team drops triangular meet duals against Byron, Polo

OREGON — The Oregon varsity wrestling team lost against Byron and Polo in a triangular meet on Jan. 24 to drop to 21-14 on the

season. Byron topped Oregon 44-32, while Polo edged the Hawks 40-38. Sam Minnis (113) won his bout against Byron by

15-0 technical fall. Andrew Herbst (120) earned a 10-0 major decision, and Jacob Milliman (126) pinned his opponent. Noah Paul (138), Chase Clark (145) and Jokiah Sewell (152) all won by fall. Andrew Herbst (113), Dre Smith (126), Noah Paul (138), Austin Ebert (152) and Zach Crandall (182) all earned pins against Polo. Adam Glendenning (195) earned a forfeit, while Jacob Milliman (120) won by 7-0 decision.



The Oregon Park District will be offering indoor soccer for children between ages 4 and 7 beginning Feb. 23. (Courtesy photo)

Park District offers indoor soccer

OREGON — The Oregon Park District is offering indoor soccer for children ages 4-7. This introductory soccer league will be held on Saturdays from Feb. 23 through March 23. Players will be broken down into two age groups: 4 and 5-year-olds and 6 and 7-year-olds. Each Saturday of the program will start with practicing fundamental soccer skills followed by a game. Registration deadline is Thursday, Feb. 7. Cost is \$35 per resident and \$42 per non-resident. Volunteer coaches are needed. If interested in coaching or questions contact tina@oregonpark.org. Registration can be completed at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. 5th St., Oregon or by phone 815-732-3101.

Stillman Valley girls basketball team falls against Dixon

STILLMAN VALLEY — The Stillman Valley varsity girls basketball team suffered a tough loss to Dixon by a score of 26-18 on Jan. 24. Lexi Lichty and Georgia Ballard each scored five points for the Cardinals.

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Prairie View Golf Course welcomes slate of new faces ahead of season

Lauren Taylor, Assistant General Manager

The Byron Forest Preserve District and PrairieView Golf Club are excited to announce the addition of Lauren Taylor to their staff.

Lauren Taylor was born and raised in Rockford, Illinois. Attending Guilford High School and Rock Valley College, she spent her time on the court, playing volleyball. After college, Lauren moved to Byron and started a family. Along with being a stay-at-home Mom, Lauren started a custom cake business and began coaching volleyball at Byron High School.

Once both of her sons were in school, Lauren became general manager of Baseball Tap in Cherry Valley. After Baseball Tap sold, she took management roles at The Cave in Byron and The Hunt Club in Oregon.

Lauren is excited for the opportunity to work alongside an excellent staff and use some of her acquired knowledge to serve her community as the assistant general manager of Prairie View Golf Club.

When not working, Lauren can be found watching her sons Weston and Brooks play sports, cooking, baking, and spending time with her boyfriend, Devin, friends and family, golfing, going to concerts and rooting for the Chicago Cubs and Bears.

Andrew Schlupp, PPGA Head Golf Professional

The Byron Forest Preserve District and PrairieView Golf Club are excited to announce the addition of PGA Head Golf Professional, Andrew Schlupp, to their staff.

Andrew Schlupp was born &

raised in Rockford, where he enjoyed successful playing careers at both Rockford Lutheran High School, as well as Rock Valley College. After transferring from Rock Valley, Andrew decided to pursue a degree from Northern Illinois University's College of Business. Andrew graduated from NIU in May of 2008 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing.

After working in sales for many years after college, Andrew decided to follow his passion for golf & enroll in the PGA Professional Golf Management Apprentice Program in 2015. As a PGA Apprentice, Andrew spent his first 3 years learning the "Business of Golf" as Ed Slattery's Assistant Golf Professional at The Mauh-Nah-Tee-See Club in Rockford. In August of 2017, Andrew was elected to PGA Membership & became a 'Class A' PGA Professional.

Andrew comes to PrairieView from Jacksonville, Fla., where he was most recently working as the 1st Assistant Golf Professional at Jacksonville Golf & Country Club. Since beginning his journey in the golf industry, it has always been a goal of his to become a Head Golf Professional. Andrew is excited to be back close to

When he is away from the club, Andrew enjoys spending time with his family & friends.

Julie Whetsel, Food Service Manager

The Byron Forest Preserve District and PrairieView Golf Club are excited to announce the promotion of Julie Whetsel to to Food Service Manager.

Julie was born in Long Beach, CA and moved with her family to the

Chana / Oregon area while she was in the third grade. After attending Oregon High School, Julie continued her education at Rockford Business College studying business management. Her career in the food and beverage industry began at the Silo Supper Club in Oregon, where she worked for eight years. After the birth of her daughter, Erica, Julie then opened a day care in her home while Erica went through school

Julie has always worked part time for many local food and beverage businesses because of her love cooking and being around people. She has owned and operated Rock Valley Liquors, Meats & Deli where she cut & sold fresh meats, salads, and a variety of sub sandwiches. She then opened the Casual Corner Cafe. Starting from scratch, Julie made it a very popular breakfast & lunch place until deciding to no longer renew her lease. Julie has also managed the well-known Chana Tap and most recently worked at the Ogle County Educational Coop as School Nutritionist at the Chana Education Center. Julie will be leaving OCEC to accept the promotion to full time position of food service manager.

Away from work, Julie enjoys spending time with her family & friends.

Trent Snodgrass, Assistant Superintendent of Maintenance

PrairieView Golf Club is pleased to announce the promotion of Trent Snodgrass to the position of Assistant Superintendent in the golf maintenance department.

Trent has been a lifelong resident of Byron and one can say that

the game of golf has been a defining aspect of his life from a very young age. Not long after he began walking, Trent could be found tagging alongside his dad, Rick, with clubs in tow at PrairieView. Over the years, his time spent pounding balls on the range, honing his touch on the putting green, or just hanging out in the clubhouse with friends, foreshadowed the fact that Trent was destined for a future in golf. Trent capped of a remarkable high school career as one of the leaders of the back to back state championship teams in 2015 and 2016, with the distinct honor of winning the individual state title as a senior under the guidance of former PrairieView PGA Professional and current Byron High School Head Golf Coach, Andy Gramer.

After high school, Trent continued his education and playing career at Western Illinois University, where he studied Ag Business Management. Shortly after finishing his second year of Division I collegiate golf and his internship at Rich Harvest, Trent knew where his heart was guiding him and decided to put aside competitive golf to focus on his education and his growing passion for providing superior playing conditions as part of a turf management team.

When he is away from the course, Trent loves spending time with his fiancé, Jessica, and looks forward to walking down the aisle with her in June of 2020. He also loves spending time with his family, especially playing with his nieces and nephews. Trent is a sports enthusiast, and while you would likely pick golf as his favorite, basketball is tops on his list of favorite sport to play. Go figure.



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NIU announces dean's list

DEKALB – Northern Illinois University announces its fall 2018 Dean's List students. To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts. Local students are listed below.

Byron:

Nolan Baker, History - B.A., Byron High School
 Caleb Denton, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Byron High School
 Austin Grimes, Psychology - B.A., Guilford High School
 Kennedy Halsmer, Rehabilitation & Disability Se, Byron High School
 Nicholas Knudsen, Professional Physics, Yuba City High School
 Emily Love, Early Childhood Education, Byron High School
 Madison Milburn, Psychology - B.A., Byron High School
 Jacob Mrozek, Electrical and Computer Engr, Byron High School
 John Perket, Sociology - B.S., Byron High School
 Eric Stivers, History - B.A., Byron High School

Creston

Noah Allgeyer, Athletic Training, Rochelle Township High School
 David Haub, History - B.A., Rochelle Township High School

Davis Junction

Natasha Demers, Software Development, Ged Certificate
 Izaak Herebia, Political Sci - Politics -B.S., Stillman Valley High School
 Mariah Paluzzi, Nutrition, Dietetics, &Wellnes, Stillman Valley High School

Leaf River

Jessica Mazeika, Medical Laboratory Sciences, Stillman Valley High School

Monroe Center

Shelby Bruder, ELED-Special Education, Stillman Valley High School
 Julia Chapin, ELED-Bilingual/ESL, Stillman Valley High School
 Julia Chapin, ELED-Special Education, Stillman Valley High School
 Kristen Lookingland, English - B.A., Stillman Valley High School
 Ethan Taylor, Electrical and Computer Engr, Stillman Valley High School

Mount Morris

Alex Markle, Coms-Media Studies - B.S., Oregon High School
 Jared Pottorff, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Oregon High School

Oregon

Danielle Brehm, Leadership and Management, Oregon High School
 Peyton Burnett, ELED-Special Education, Rock Falls Township Hs
 Taylor Freed, Nursing, Oregon High School
 Judd Haushahn, Psychology - B.A., Ged Certificate
 Austin McDaniel, History - B.A., Harlem Senior High School
 Megan Mjoen, Communicative Disorders, Oregon High School
 Jessica Pendleton, Human Resource Management, Gardner Edgerton High School

Polo

Angel Alba, English - B.A., Milledgeville High School

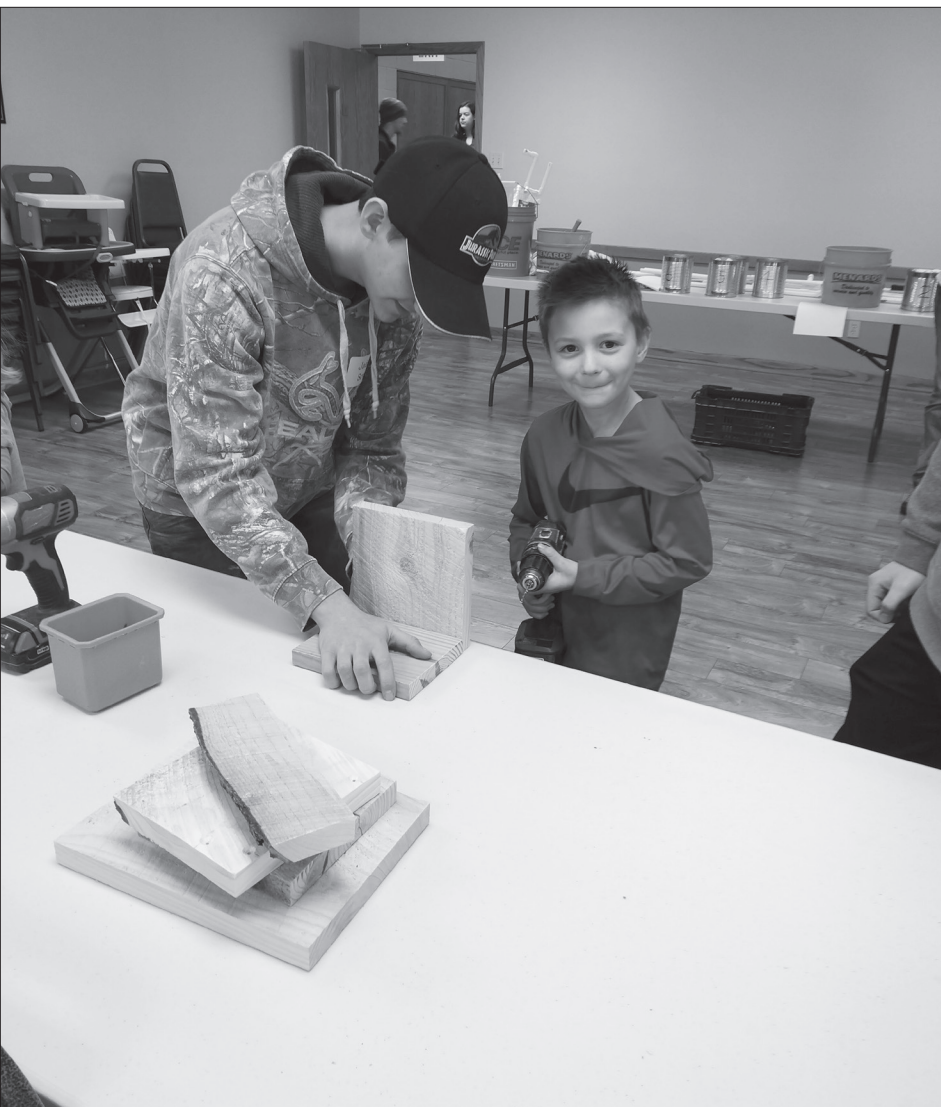
Rochelle

Suzi Albers, Nursing, Rochelle Township High School
 Danielle Arredondo, Rehabilitation & Disability Se, Sandwich Cmty High School
 Elora Berg, Studio Art, Rochelle Township High School
 Bobby Cain, Nutrition, Dietetics, &Wellnes
 Alexis Crawford, Actuarial Science, Rochelle Township High School
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 Jonathan Drilling, Finance - B.S., Rochelle Township High School
 Hannah Goodnite, Rehabilitation & Disability Se, Rochelle Township High School
 Isis Hernandez, Psychology - B.A., Dekalb High School
 Di'Quan Ishmon, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Rochelle Township High School
 Nathan Keys, Accountancy, Rochelle Township High School
 Max Kubale, Mechanical Engineering - B.S., Rochelle Township High School
 Jocelyn Ortiz, ELED-Bilingual/ESL, Rochelle Township High School
 Kyle Seebach, Computational Software, Rochelle Township High School
 Kyle Seebach, Probability & Statistics, Rochelle Township High School
 Carly Weiner, Health Sciences-General, Rochelle Township High School

Stillman Valley

Jacob Hildebrand, Operations and Info Management, Stillman Valley High School
 Jaron Johnson, Music Education, Stillman Valley High School
 Jaron Johnson, Music Performance, Stillman Valley High School

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Church hosts Day of Dabbling

OREGON – More than 50 youth participated in the 2019 4-H Day of Dabbling held January 26 at the Oregon Church of God.

Sponsored by University of Illinois Extension Ogle County, this annual event was open to all youth, ages 5-15. It was designed to provide participants with the opportunity to explore numerous areas of 4-H project work hands-on.

Fifteen workshops were offered; each participant selected three. Project areas touched on included: visual arts, woodworking, birds, and science. As a result of the workshop, participants took home creations ranging from slime to beaded wind chimes and candles to bird feeders.

Workshops were conducted by 4-H volunteers.

Presenters included: Lisa and Andy Hinrichs, Oregon; Jaden Scott, Oregon; AJ Hinrichs, Oregon; Lillian Kennedy, Davis Junction; Clare Montavon, Davis Junction;

Anna Hagemann, Monroe Center; Emma Hunderman, Stillman Valley; Renee Gehrke, Byron; Kayla Mingus, Oregon; Maggie Eden, Bryon; Anna Hagemann, Monroe Center; Carley Ackland, Rochelle; Callie Ackland, Rochelle; Annette Weston, Master Gardner, and Roger Anderson, Master Naturalist.

Assisting in a variety of ways were Isaac Charbonneau, Leaf River; Hannah Noble, Forreston; Aubrey Craig, Monroe Center; Anna Henson, Dixon; Katelyn Ackland, Rochelle; and Jordan Mingus, Oregon. Many thanks to all who contributed their time and energy to make this event possible.

4-H is a program of the University of Illinois Extension. For more information about 4-H, contact the Ogle County Extension Office, 421 W Pines Road, Suite 10, Oregon, IL 61061, 815-732-2191 or visit us online at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/bdo/>.

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Space is limited register as soon as possible. Our next available dates will be May of 2019.

If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact the Ogle County Extension office at 815-732-2191.

RVC announces fall dean's list

ROCKFORD – The following students have earned recognition on Rock Valley College's Fall 2018 President's and Dean's Lists.

Students must have taken at least 12 credit hours during the semester to qualify for the President's or Dean's lists.

President's List

Students named to the President's List achieved a 4.0 semester grade point average.

Byron: Daniel Harrington, Paige Lewellen,

Adam St. George, Milena Zlaticanin

Leaf River: Jason Daub

Mount Morris: Dalton Comer

Oregon: Benjamin Libman, Cassandra Nason, Daniel Welle

Dean's List

Students named to the Dean's List achieved at least a 3.25 semester grade point average.

Byron: Trey Allen, Alex Bozzi, Cindy Fisher, Rebecca Hines, Britny Knobloch, Josh Larson,

Joseph Myers, Michael Neilsen, Breanna Reeves, Brittney Sims, Madison Stewart

Davis Junction: Morgan Bittner, Joanne Camicamille, Lance Dixon, Courtney Fernette, Jaeleigh Meraz, Dawson Molenda-Rudis, Carina Paluzzi, Jacob Shaw

Monroe Center: Autumn Hagemann, Joseph Moreau, Jessa Spain, Danielle Wallschlaeger

Oregon: Karissa Faler, Matthew Myers, Rochelle: Alan Draves

Local students makes Doane U. dean's list

CRETE, Neb. – Doane University has 265 students who have been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2018 semester.

Students must achieve a minimum 3.7 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and hold 12 graded hours to qualify for this academic distinction.

The following are area students who appeared on the list:

Byron – Britany McCarty, Freshman, Byron High School.

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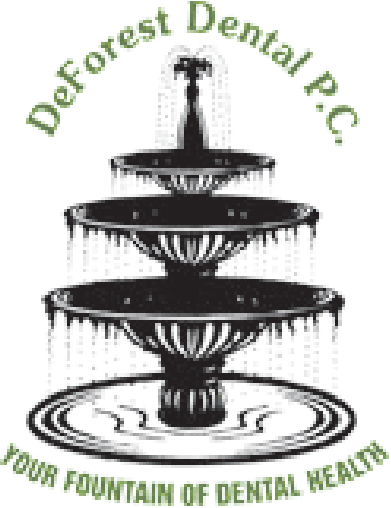
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Indoor soccer

Ages 4-7 years

Are you looking to introduce your 4-7-year-old to soccer? Join us for this indoor recreational program on Saturday mornings. Each week the program will begin with practice followed by a game. Program runs Saturdays from Feb. 23-March 23. Times vary from 9 a.m.-noon. Teams will be divided between 4-5 year olds and 6-7 year olds. Cost is \$35/Resident and \$42/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Feb. 7. For more information or to volunteer to coach contact tina@oregonpark.org.

Co-ed volleyball

Co-Ed Volleyball is back at Nash for ages 18 and up! Games will be played on Thursday nights. Season will consist of weekly games and end of season tournament. Season runs Feb. 21-May 23. Games will vary with times between 6-9 p.m. Teams will have a maximum of 6 players on the court at one time with no more than 3 males at once. Deadline to register is Feb. 13. Cost is \$215/team.

Toddler/preschool gym

Head to the gym and burn off some energy! In these five week sessions, toddlers and preschoolers (4-5 year olds) will enjoy free play, gross motor development, creative movement, and fun! Class is led by Amanda Harbaugh. The toddler class includes parent involvement for their walking-3 year old. Preschools must be age 3 prior to the first day of class. Classes held at Nash. This class runs Wednesdays beginning Feb. 13 through March 13. The toddler class is 10 to 10:45 a.m. and the preschool class runs 11 to 11:45 a.m. The fee is just \$20 per Resident and \$24 per Non-Resident. Deadline to register is February 4.

Tumbling

Nash offers tumbling classes for 3 year olds and up! We are partnered with Kids Spot Inc. and interactive Instructors to provide your child the best experience possible. With a wide variety of class offerings: Tiny-Intermediate there's guaranteed to be a fit for your future tumbler. Our February classes are Wednesday evenings beginning on February 6 for four weeks with three time slots: 4:45, 5:45 and 6:45 p.m. Classes are one hour and are held at Nash Recreation Center. Fee is \$56 per Residents and \$67 per Non-Residents. Deadline to register is February 4.

Kids off the couch day

Oregon School District has a half day on Thursday, Feb. 14. Sign up today for Kids Off the Couch. Pack a lunch and send your student to the Blackhawk Center ET room for an afternoon of crafts, games, swimming at Nash and activities. Participants K-6 grade can be picked up any time before 6 p.m. Registration fee is \$10/Resident and \$12/Non-Resident. All participants must be registered by February 7.

Dear Evan Hansen

Limited tickets available for the bus trip to the Broadway Musical-*Dear Even Hansen* at Chicago's Oriental Theatre on Friday March 8, 2019. Bus departs at 2:30 to allow time for dinner and shopping before the 7:30 p.m. show. \$143/Resident, \$153/Non-Resident. Reserve your seat today. Recommended for ages 12 and older.

Farmers market vendors wanted

The Oregon Farmers Market will be held on Saturday's this summer (June-September) 8:30 a.m.- Noon on the Ogle County Courthouse Lawn. Farmers and crafters who are interested in having a booth this summer or if you would like more information please contact Debbie Leffelman at debbie@oregonpark.org. Now is the time to think about spring planting, your garden, making homemade craft items, etc. to prepare for the summer market.

Recreate and Celebrate days

OCUSD K-6 grade students have a long weekend coming up. You may drop off as early as 6:15 a.m. and pick up as late as 6 p.m. The fee is \$25 for residents and \$30 for non-residents per student, per day. Space is limited. Register early!

Friday, February 15-Discovery Museum-Deadline is Feb. 8

Monday, February 18-Mardi Gras Lanes-Deadline is Feb. 11

Village of Progress – creative expressions

Allow your K-3 grade child to express their creativity and create a valentine picture frame decoration out of recycled materials with the consumers and staff from the Village of Progress. This class occurs on Feb. 15 (a no school day) from 9:30-11. Kids will be working alongside people with developmental disabilities to create a seasonal project that can be used to decorate your home. Deadline to register is February 8. Adult must be in attendance with child.

Zombie survival camp

Join us for a special one-day adventure camp on Monday, Feb. 18 (no school day) featuring a wide-variety of activities for 5-8 graders. Most activities will be outdoor. We will play games that practice skill like being quiet, agility, speed and strength from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. We will also explore unique outdoor hobbies such as building a fire, cross-country skiing/snowshoeing along with finding camouflage tactics in order to survive in the wild. There will be a giant zombie vs. humans game to conclude the day to show your new learned skills. Best part, Taft will be provided a scrumptious hot homemade lunch to each participant. Class will take place at Taft Campus. Fee is just \$20 per resident and \$24 per non-resident. Deadline to register is February 13.

Childcare service

Our childcare service is offered in the Children's Center at Nash! This wonderful program is offered every Monday-Thursday from 4:30-7:30 p.m. for 3 month to 9 year olds. Enjoy everything our facility has to offer while having the peace of mind that your child is safe and having fun with our experienced staff member. For more information, visit the Nash Front Counter. Fee: Annual members' children that reside in the household are free; Non-Members pay \$5 for the first child and \$1 for each sibling up to \$7.

Afterschool open gym

Calling all 8-14 year olds! Join us at Nash Recreation Center's gym for an active and fun afternoon in the gym with friends. We will have a new sport each week guided by an experienced staff member. This is FREE to members. Not a member? Simply pay the daily fee \$2 residents and \$3 non-residents. Program runs every Monday after school from 3:30-5 p.m. Come and go as you please. Drop in and give it a try!

Water aerobics

Exercise your entire body without putting stress on your back and joints. This class will work on toning, cardiovascular strength, endurance, and flexibility. Classes are Monday-Friday from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. Drop-ins or 5, 10, or 15 Water Aerobics passes are accepted.

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Let the natural buoyancy and resistance of the water help you improve your joint strength and flexibility along with improving cardiovascular endurance while walking and jogging in the shallow end. Participants do not need to know how to swim. Classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Drop-ins or 5, 10, or 15 Water Aerobics passes are accepted.

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Deep Water Aerobics is a more intense workout than your typical water aerobics class. Working out in the deep end will allow you to get an intense cardiovascular workout without the impact. You will also increase your endurance, flexibility and strength. Participants do not need to know how to swim. An aqua jogger belt will be provided. Classes are Mondays 9:30-10:30 a.m. and Saturday from 9-10 a.m. Drop-ins or 5, 10, or 15 Water Aerobics passes are accepted.



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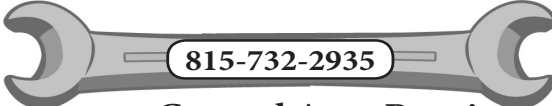

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Rock River Center has upcoming activities, events

Computer Technology Center

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One-on-One Lab hours – Feb. 6 and March 13, 2019 – 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

This hour is for those looking for 1-on-1 assistance with common technology issues. Let us know what you would like help with when you call to sign up.

Anyone interested should call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to register for the lab hours. Space may be limited, so call early to be guaranteed a spot.

Note: Registration is very important to ensure everyone's needs are met.

Wits Fitness Brain Classes Return in 2019

The University of Illinois Extension is returning to Rock River Center offering monthly Wits Fitness Brain Exercises Classes on the first Monday of every month. These classes are ongoing and the 2019 sessions are all new.

Join Extension Educator Karla Belzer as she continues to lead participants through interactive activities designed to exercise the brain to maintain and enhance cognitive function and memory. The monthly class will be held from 10:30 a.m.-noon at the Rock River Center, in Oregon. 2019 Class dates are: March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, Aug. 5, Oct. 7 and Nov. 4.

There will not be a class in September or December. There is no charge to attend and this is open to the public! Registration is not required, but appreciated. To register call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252. Participants are welcome to join the class at any time.

For more information, call the University of Illinois Extension at 815-632-3611.

RRC Spirit of Chicago Flower & Garden Show Lunch Cruise March 21

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Casual attire is acceptable for this outing.

Price includes RT transportation, Spirit of Chicago cruise, buffet-style lunch, ship entertainment, reserved seating, and admission to the Chicago Flower & Garden Show.

Registration and payment deadline is Friday, Feb. 8. Limited tickets available. Call 815-732-3252 to reserve your seat.

Veteran's Assistance Available in Oregon at Rock River Center

A Veteran's Service Officer is available at Rock River Center on the second and fourth Monday of each month from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (Except Federal Holidays)

The Veteran's Service Officer comes to Rock River Center to serve Veterans of all ages, and assist them with applications and other benefits available to them. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

This is a free service that has been provided for many years and you need not travel out of town. If you have any questions, call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252.

Cancer Support Group

"Facing the Challenge" is a support group that provides a safe, accepting environment for patients currently going through treatment, survivors, caregivers and loved ones to talk openly about the challenges a cancer diagnosis brings. Anyone who has been affected by cancer is invited to attend! Rock River Center and Home of Hope are partnering to offer information to this group. The group meets quarterly on the 4th Thursday of March, June, September, and December from 3:00-4:00 pm at Rock River Center.

Caregiver Support Group

Patti Kilmer, MSW from Generations @ Neighbors, leads our Caregiver Support Group. We welcome those new to caregiving, those who anticipate caregiving, and those for whom caregiving is already a way of life. You will find information, resources, encouragement & answers to difficult questions. Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at Rock River Center. For more information, call Patti Kilmer at 815-234-2511 or 815-298-7004.

Diabetic Support Group

This very informative group meets the 1st Wednesday of the month from 2:00-3:00 pm at Rock River Center. Marilyn Csernus from the University of Illinois Extension Office facilitates this group by offering support, encouragement and the sharing of experiences when living with diabetes. Join Marilyn for a different topic each month and enjoy her recipes as well.

Low Vision Group

This is a group for those who have low vision, any form of vision loss, AMD or to caregivers of those with vision loss. Low Vision Group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at noon at Rock River Center.



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Illinois releases hunting results

SPRINGFIELD – Hunters in Illinois harvested a preliminary total of 151,577 deer during all 2018-19 archery and firearm seasons, which concluded on Jan. 20. The total preliminary deer harvest for all seasons compares with a total harvest for all seasons of 147,695 deer in 2017-18.

During the 2018-19 deer seasons, hunters took 45 percent does and 55 percent males.

Archery: Archery deer hunters in Illinois took a preliminary total of 61,079 deer during the season which began on Oct. 1, 2018 and concluded on Jan. 20, 2019. That compares with the harvest of 57,929 deer during the 2017-18 archery season.

Youth: Youth deer hunters harvested a preliminary total of 1,650 deer during the three-day Illinois Youth Deer Season (Oct. 6-8, 2018), com-

pared to 2,378 in 2017. Traditional Firearm Season: Hunters took a preliminary total of 80,896 deer during the Illinois Firearm Deer Season on Nov. 16-18, 2018 and Nov. 29-Dec. 2, 2018, compared with 80,117 deer taken during the 2017 firearm season.

Muzzleloader: Hunters using muzzleloading rifles harvested 3,863 deer during the Muzzleloader-Only Deer Season on Dec. 7-9, 2018, compared with harvest 3,765 in the 2017 muzzleloader season.

Late-Winter Season: The 2018-19 Late-Winter Antlerless-Only and Special CWD deer seasons concluded on Jan. 20, 2019, with a combined preliminary harvest total for both seasons of 4,089 deer, compared with a harvest of 3,506 deer taken during those seasons in 2017-18. Season dates for the seven-day Late-

Winter and CWD seasons were Dec. 27-30, 2018 and Jan. 18-20, 2019.

The totals for Ogle County were: Archery 626, youth 18, firearm 747, muzzleloader 30 and LW/CWD 170 for a total of 1,591.

There were 15 northern Illinois counties open to the Special CWD Season in both the 2018-19 and 2017-18 seasons. The Special CWD season is used to assist in slowing the spread of chronic wasting disease in the Illinois deer herd.

There were 20 counties open for the Late-Winter Antlerless Season in 2018-19, while 22 counties were open for the Late-Winter season in 2017-18. Counties that are at or below their individual deer population goal for two consecutive years may be removed from the Late-Winter season.



Mighty Clovers

On Jan. 10, the Mighty Clovers held their monthly meeting at the Gymnastic Academy South Trampoline Park and Training Facility in Cherry Valley. After jumping and playing dodge ball for an hour, club members gathered to listen to current status reports and to vote on upcoming events. These events included a tour of a local farm in February or to have our junior leaders put together workshops for project learning opportunities. The majority vote was to tour the farm, and the workshops will be planned for sometime this summer. A big thank you to our leaders for planning our meeting at the trampoline park. We had a lot of fun! Pictured: Cole Montavon, Luke Tompkins, Jessie Hagemann, Tommy Allen, Sydney Tompkins, Maggie Eden, Jackson Craig, Clare Montavon, Allison Tompkins and Aubrey Craig.

– Submitted by Clare Montavon, Club Reporter

UW-Whitewater announces fall dean's list

WHITEWATER, Wis. – The following students were named to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Dean's List for the 2018 fall semester.

Rochelle, Mariah Baker; Byron, Sarah Detig; Oregon, Angela Nordman; Polo, Lance Pearson; Leaf River, Olivia Peterson; Oregon, Jarrett Reynolds; Milledgeville, Breyana Rodriguez.

These students have demonstrated their academic abilities by receiving a grade point average of 3.4 or above in a single semester.

"Earning a spot on the Dean's List is a reflection of our students' strong record of academic achievement," said Provost Susan Elrod. "In classrooms and laboratories - and out in the field - our Warhawks are succeeding in myriad ways. I'd like to extend my congratulations to these hardworking students on this well-deserved recognition."

The Registrar's Office reports 3,460 students were selected for the Dean's List for the fall semester. About 13,000 students are currently enrolled at the university's Whitewater and Rock County campuses.

Oregon student among scholarship recipients

WHITEWATER, Wis. – Angela Nordman from Oregon, who is studying mathematics at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, is among this year's scholarship recipients from the College of Letters and Sciences.

Nordman won the following scholarship(s): Clayton Drouillard Mathematics Scholarship. This scholarship was first established by students and friends in honor of Dr. Clayton Drouillard, who

served as a professor of mathematics and computer science from 1955-1990. Dr. Drouillard served as Dean of Students at UW-Whitewater from 1955-1975. In 1989 Drouillard was named honorary Head Football Coach UW-W Warhawks.

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Weather spotter training will be Feb. 21 in Dixon

DIXON – The Lee County Office of Emergency Management and Ogle County Emergency Management Agency will be hosting a weather spotter training presented by the National Weather Service on Feb. 21, at Sauk Valley Community College, 173 IL Rte. 2, Dixon in room 1K04.

The class begins at 6:30 p.m. and will last about one and one half hours. The training consists of a slide and video program, which teaches about severe storm structure, and how to identify environmental clues to identify severe storms and tornadoes.

This training is open to anyone interested in the weather. This is a great opportunity for local industry safety team representatives, who are task with the job of issuing severe weather instructions to facility employees to understand or refresh on signs of approaching severe weather. There is no

charge for the class.

For more information, contact the Ogle County Emergency Management Office at 815-562-1001, trichter@oglecounty.org, or Lee County Emergency Management Office at 815-284-3365 or by email at esda@countyoflee.org.



Park District offers tumbling lessons

OREGON – The Oregon Park District and Kids Spot Tumbling offer tumbling lessons at Nash Recreation Center.

Classes ranges from tiny tumblers (toddlers) to intermediate. The park district transforms the gym into a tumbling wonderland each Wednesday evening for three time frames of 4:45-5:45 p.m., 5:45-6:45 p.m. and 6:45-7:45 p.m. Classes run for four week segments throughout the year.

The February classes run February 6-27. Deadline to register is Monday, Feb. 4.

The tumbling program has proven effective and is a great starting/building block for interested children. Kids Spot Inc. pairs with the park district and utilizes very interactive Instructors to provide your child the best experience possible. With a wide variety of class offerings there's guaranteed to be a fit for your future tumbler.

Fee is \$56/Residents and \$67/Non-Residents. Register today at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. 5th Street, Oregon or by phone 815-732-3101.



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Military

Hunt graduates basic training

U.S. Air Force Airman Jessica S. Hunt graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Hunt is the daughter of Greg and Niki Hunt and sister of Allison Hunt of Mount Morris.

She is a 2018 graduate of Oregon High School, Oregon.



Miller earns Army leadership award

OREGON – Roger Miller, of Oregon, was awarded the 2018 team leader award for the Army.

Miller originally started with the National Guard and has served in Afghanistan and Iraq. He has served almost 20 years and was promoted to First Sgt. on Oct. 13, 2018.

Moving Up Higher

with
Joyce Meyer



A simple way to make your life better

One of the greatest lessons I've learned is that you can't be both selfish and happy. I know this is true through my own personal experience, but more importantly, the Bible has some things to say about the attitude we should have about "self."

For example, love is not selfish. In the Amplified Bible, 1 Corinthians 13:5 says love "is not self-seeking." In 1 Corinthians 15:31, the apostle Paul said, "...I die daily [I face death and die to self]" (AMP), which basically means he was not self-seeking but instead focused on doing what God called him to do with his life.

There are also scriptures that teach us the importance of having self-control. Galatians 5:23 lists self-control as a fruit of the Spirit, and 2 Timothy 1:7 says that in Christ, we have a spirit "of power and of love and...personal discipline [abilities that result in a calm, well-balanced mind and self-control]."

If you've lived very long, you realize that not being selfish requires self-control, because we're all born with a human nature that is selfish. Think about how babies act: they are only concerned with what they need and usually cry when they don't get their way.

Thankfully, when we experience new life in Christ, we die to sin (Romans 6:11). But even though we die to sin, sin does not die. That's why we have to continually make the decision over and over again to choose to do the right thing on purpose. And we have what it takes, in Christ, to do what's right – whether we feel like it or not.

Discover Your True Destiny

As Christians, we're destined to be molded into the image of Jesus Christ (Romans 8:29). Jesus is the greatest example of what it means to love others and not live a selfish life. First John 3:16 (NIV) says, "This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters."

This scripture shows us that Jesus gave everything when He demonstrated His love for us. And we are to follow His example.

The truth is, loving others is not always easy, and it always costs us something: time, money, convenience, etc. But through our relationship with Christ, we can find the strength and ability to love others, even when it seems to cost more than we think we can give.

God is faithful to give us His love, grace and wisdom to reach out and be a blessing to others. And when we do, we end up receiving more joy and peace than we had before.

It's important to understand that God doesn't expect you to take this to such an extreme that you don't take care of yourself. We need to use wisdom so we can be healthy emotionally, mentally and physically while we're helping others. In following Jesus' example, remember to make your relationship with God your number one priority and do what He puts in your heart to do.

Get the Right Mindset

The world is full of lonely, hurting people who are hungry for the love of God and the hope that is only found in Jesus. I want to encourage you to get rid of a "What about me?" mindset and instead pray, "God, show me someone who needs a blessing. Show me someone I can help."

We all have room to grow in our relationship with God, and learning how to reach out to others is a big part of that process. I used to be self-centered and focused on getting my way all the time. And I was miserable! But now I am happier than I've ever been because I don't spend all my time thinking about what I want, what I think and how I feel. The truth is, you can't be happy if the center of your life is you!

Imagine how different the world would be if everyone would just do one nice thing to help someone else every day. It can be so simple to put a smile on someone's face. Give a compliment, give something away, take the time to listen, open a door for someone, let someone go before you in line at the store...the list could go on and on.

Make it your business to regularly reach out to people around you, encouraging them and meeting their needs as you are able to do it. Be determined each day to do at least one thing for someone else that makes their life better. Trust me: You'll discover that serving God by loving others is the most wonderful, exciting thing you can do!

For more on this topic, order Joyce's three-CD series Do Unto Others. You can also contact us to receive our free magazine, Enjoying Everyday Life, by calling (800) 727-9673 or visiting www.joycemeyer.org.

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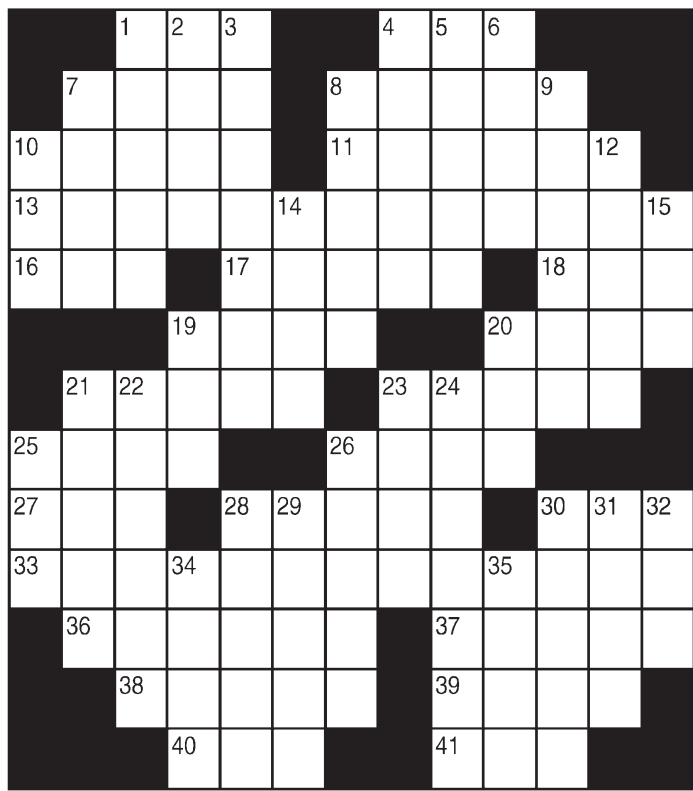
Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

MAGIC MAZE ● "DEM DRY BONES"

ACROSS

- 1 Sleuth, slangily
- 4 Pod dweller
- 7 Crafty
- 8 Equilibrium
- 10 Overuse the mirror
- 11 Motor
- 13 Fee for work done
- 16 Officeholders
- 17 Break a Commandment
- 18 Sphere
- 19 Diminish
- 20 Small blister
- 21 Milky stones
- 23 Young turkey
- 25 Profess
- 26 Science workshops
- 27 Pooch



DOWN

- 1 Layers
- 2 Ht.
- 3 Sneeringly doubtful
- 4 — de Leon
- 5 Square dance quorum
- 6 Europe's neighbor
- 7 Small song-bird
- 8 Annoyance
- 9 Sign up
- 10 Greek letter
- 12 Heron's kin
- 14 Swindles
- 15 Recede
- 19 "This means —!"
- 20 Urban transport
- 21 Egg-shaped
- 22 Pirate costume feature
- 23 Sheet of glass
- 24 Ohio college
- 25 Billboards
- 26 Rosters
- 28 Sleep soundly?
- 29 Chopin piece
- 30 Picked a target
- 31 Pond gunk
- 32 Apiece
- 34 Satan's forte
- 35 Kill a bill

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

- Ankle
- Foot
- J.W. Johnson
- Spiritual
- Back
- Head
- Knee
- Thigh
- Connected
- Heal
- Neck
- Toe
- Ezekiel
- Hip
- Shoulder

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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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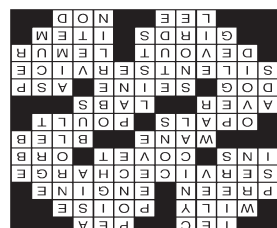
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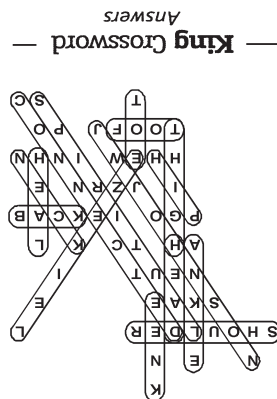
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Lady's hat is different. 2. Boy is smiling. 3. House window is different. 4. Stone wall has become a fence. 5. Mom's collar is different. 6. Mom's nose is changed.



Solution time: 25 mins.



"DEM DRY BONES"

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Weekly SUDOKU

Bertolet Library News

LEGO Club

Monday, Feb. 4, 4 p.m.

Come in out of the cold for an hour of designing and building with our huge assortment of LEGO blocks and figures. A snack will be provided.

Create-a-Card with Jessie

Saturday, Feb. 16, 9:30 a.m.

Spring is just around the corner so it's a great time to join our card making group. Jessie Ross will again be on hand to offer suggestions and guidance as you create one-of-a-kind cards for your friends and family. All materials are provided and registration is not required so come spend an hour or the whole morning!

Adult Coloring

Wednesdays, 1 p.m.

Start the new year with a new hobby at our weekly coloring club. We provide beautiful pictures and a variety of colored pencils, crayons, and markers. You provide the artistry. No registration is necessary and if you don't have time to stay and color, feel free to stop by and pick up coloring pages to take home.

Toddler/Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, 10:30 am

Introduce the special child in your life to the joy of reading through interactive books, songs, and activities. This program is a wonderful way for children to learn new concepts and make friends in a fun, relaxed way. Please join us!

Food for Fines

From Jan. 2 through Feb. 14, bring in any non-perishable food or paper products and we'll deduct \$1.00 from your fines for each item received. This does not apply to materials that have not been returned. Don't have any fines? Bring in food anyway to help out our area food pantries.

We have collected all the plastic bags that are needed at this time so we are no longer accepting plastic at the library. Thank you so much to everyone for helping out the library, Leaf River Soaring Eagles 4-H Club, and Ogle County Shooting Sports. We couldn't have done it without you!

New fiction titles include: "Letters from Peaceful Lane" by Janet Dailey, "The Wedding Guest" by Jonathan Kellerman, and "Connections in Death" by J.D. Robb

Julia Hull Library News

Light Up Your Winter...Read!

Illuminate the dark, cold days of winter with a good book for our 2019 Winter Reading Challenge! The process is easy: read a book, complete a review form, and enter to win prizes! Drawings are held weekly. Complete 5 review forms by February 28, and be entered to win our grand prize: a gift certificate to Octane Interlounge in Rockford! Photograph one of the books you're reading, share it on Facebook or Instagram with the #julia-hulldistrictlibrary, and you'll receive one additional grand prize entry! Adults only. Through Feb. 28!

Tween Scene: Whodunit?

On Tuesday, Feb. 5 at 6 p.m., head to the scene of the crime and solve the murder at this immersive game that makes everyone part of the mystery! After signing up, Tweens will be given a character to play and a part to act out. Dressing in character attire is encouraged! Ages 10-12. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Valentine Storytime

Come join us on Saturday, Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. for stories of friendship & love, heart-warming games, and a craft sure to please your valentine! Ages 4-7. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

The Colorful History of the Little Black Dress

Versatile, dependable, and affordable, the Little Black Dress, or "LBD," has become the fashion equivalent of a Model T Ford. In this illustrated lecture, historian Leslie Gooddard, Ph.D., explores the history of this fashion icon. Learn how Chanel helped dissociate black from mourn-

ing; how Audrey Hepburn helped establish the LBD; and how it has been reinvented by everyone from Betty Boop to Prada. Monday, Feb. 25 at 6:30 p.m. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Macramé Plant Hanger

Hello, 1970s! We're revisiting the art of macramé to create a simple vintage-modern hanger on which to display your beloved houseplant. Monday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. All materials supplied. Adults. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Teen Jeopardy Tournament

Test your knowledge and outwit competitors for power, glory, and prizes, Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2:45-4:45 p.m.! Topics include all things pop culture. Snacks will be provided. Ages 13-18. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Young Critics Book Club (YCBC)

Read Tanya Lee Stone's, Pass Go and Collect \$200: The Real Story of How Monopoly Was Invented, then join fellow young critics on Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 6 p.m. to discuss and rate the book, and do an activity that goes along with the story! Ages 7-10. Registration required.

Discovery Center Presents: Lots of Legos!

The Discovery Center Museum of Rockford is back with some hands-on fun featuring Legos! On Saturday, March 16 at 10 a.m., we'll investigate gears and forces and use America's favorite bricks to construct a merry-go-round or windmill that really works! Grades 1-8. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Polo Library News

Recycle Your Plastic

The Library has earned a Trex Yacht Club bench for the library pavilion. We are still accepting plastic bags and other plastic wrap at the Library to benefit the Polo Food Pantry. All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue.

Children's Programs

Parents or caregivers must remain in the library if their child is under 8.

School Early Out

There will be no School Early Out program in February.

Look ahead to March. The library is having a movie afternoon on Monday, March 4. More details to come!

Teen After Hours Program

Friday, Feb. 8, 4-6 p.m.
Ages 12-18. Registration required.
Enjoy pizza and a library scavenger hunt!

Book Subscription Box Pickup

Saturday, Feb. 9, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pick up your Book Subscription Boxes for February

Adult Programs:

Pinterest Party

Tuesday, March 5, 6-7 p.m.
Activity: Picture Frame Lantern
Registration is required for this program

Lifelong Learners' Lecture Series at Polo Public Library

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
"Quilts & the Underground Railroad" a Polo Historical Society
Program presented by Betty Obendorf.

Registration is required

Book Discussion Groups

Extra books are always available for these discussions. Please check one out and join us.

Afternoon Book Club @ the Library

Monday, Feb. 25, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Selection: A Long Way From Chicago & A Year Down Under by Richard Peck

Friday Book Discussion @ the Library

Friday, Feb. 22, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Selection: Angela's Ashes by Frank McCourt

New to the Collection

The following list is a small sampling of the new items available at the Library. Come in and check out our new books and other items on display located in each section of the library. Visit our website (polo-library.org) and view the carousel, or come in to browse the new sections in our book-cases.

Adult Non-Fiction

Fewer, Better Things, the Hidden Wisdom of Objects by Glenn Adamson

Large Print

The Perfect Couple by Elin Hilderbrand

Rock River Center representative

Wednesday, February 27, 10 a.m.-noon.
The Rock River Center provides a case-worker to answer questions about Medicare, insurance, home care and anything else to do with caring for the older population. No appointment necessary. They will return every 4th Wednesday of each month.

E-mail news items to
bjennings@oglecountylib.com
Please send photos in the jpeg format.

Byron Library News

New Service

Do you have home movies on VHS that you would like to transfer to DVD? Let the Byron Library assist you with our new VHS to DVD converter! Bring in your old VHS tapes and a blank DVD, or purchase a blank DVD at the circulation desk for \$1. This service is intended for use on home movies, only.

Prairie State Legal: Know Your Rights presentation with one-on-one appointments to follow: Domestic Violence and Orders of Protection presented by Attorney Leann Duncan

Tuesday, Feb. 5
1-1:20 p.m.

After the Know Your Rights presentation, individuals can meet with a lawyer at no cost to discuss civil legal issues such as: problems with their landlord, clearing criminal records, orders of protection and divorce for domestic violence victims, bankruptcy, housing discrimination, problems with SNAP/TANF/Medicaid, social security overpayments, getting guardianship of a minor or disabled adult. Each individual will go through an eligibility screening before talking to an attorney for free. Prairie State cannot help with criminal defense, traffic cases, personal injury, workmen's compensation, or immigration cases. Appointments can be scheduled ahead of time, by calling 815-965-2902. Walk-ins will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

Meet the Author: Heather Bentley, Author of Sweetest Heartbreak

Friday, Feb. 8
10-11 a.m.

Heather is the 2018 winner of the Soon to Be Famous Author Project, awarded and judged by librarians. Prior to the presentation, checkout a copy of her book at the library or read it digitally – available for free on Biblioboard. Join Heather in a discussion of her romance novel, described as “when naïve, humble and beautiful meets arrogant, brash and handsome.” A sizzling discussion awaits! Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

Sweet Treats

Friday, Feb. 8
10-11 a.m. – ages 5-9 years
1:30-2:30 p.m. – ages 10-14 years

Create and decorate Valentine themed treats. Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

Library Dance Party

Monday, Feb. 11
10-10:45 a.m.
Ages: 18 months-5 years, with caregiver

Join us for a monthly music and movement program! Explore new music and move with shakers, scarves, and ribbon wands. Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

Head Strong: Exercise Strategies to Enhance Memory and Thinking

Presented by Karla Belzer, Extension Educator
Wednesday, Feb. 13
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Are you headstrong about keeping your head strong? Challenging the brain with puzzles and games can be very beneficial, especially as we grow older. Join us as we learn about memory and aging and explore several exercise strategies to enhance thinking. Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

Messy Art Monday

Monday, Feb. 18
10-11 a.m.
Ages: K-5th Grade

Head to the library for some messy and fun art projects! Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

“Two for One Broadway” Cabaret: a performance of Nostalgia Entertainment

Tuesday, February 26
2-3 p.m.

What's better than a dynamic song from a hit Broadway musical? Two dynamic songs from a hit Broadway musical! This delightful, one-hour cabaret, presenting Broadway musicals from the 1930s to the 1980s, features favorite tunes from seven Broadway shows, including Annie Get Your Gun, West Side Story, Fiddler on the Roof, Grease, Cats, and more. In between songs, Matt and Cynthia Gruel share interesting tidbits unique to each musical. This Cabaret is a certain treasure for all musical theatre lovers! Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

Llama Llama Storytime

Tuesday, Feb. 26
6-7 p.m.
Ages: 2-8 years, with caregiver

A special evening storytime, with activities, crafts and stories inspired by Anna Dewdney's beloved Llama Llama books. Meet and take your photo with Llama Llama! Please call 815-234-5107 to register.

Please register for all programs by calling 815-234-5107.

Oregon Library News

Lorado Taft programs at the Oregon Public Library

Lorado Taft Campus and the Oregon Public Library have joined forces to offer three winter programs starting in January. The programs are: Thursday, Feb. 21, Bone Bonanza, and Tuesday, March 5, Garbology. All three programs are open to students in grades 1st-8th and will be from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Registration is required and starts now. Call the Library at 815-732-2724 for more information and to register.

Family yoga – Tuesdays at 6 p.m. beginning Feb. 5

Families with children ages 4-18 are invited to participate in Family Yoga. Families with children with special needs encouraged to attend. Benefits of Yoga include reduced tension and anxiety, improved attention span and ability to concentrate, improved memory and enhanced emotional stability. Yoga mats provided, registration required.

Library book clubs

The 2nd Wednesday Book Club (2WBC) meets Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 12:30 p.m. at the Library to discuss An American Marriage by Tayari Jones. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 1 p.m. to discuss Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng. The In-Between Book Club meets Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 1:30 p.m., Uglys by Scott Westerfeld and Books on Tap will meet at Cork N Tap on Thursday, February 28 at 6 pm to discuss Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult.

Lego Club (grades 2nd -7th)

The Lego Club will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 3:30 p.m. Registration is requested, but not required.

Afternoon Movie – Feb. 18 at 1 p.m.

No school, so join us on Monday, Feb. 18 for an afternoon movie! The movie will be Sgt. Stubby: An American Hero, rated PG, beginning at 1 p.m. Bring something soft to sit on as the movie is shown in the Art Gallery.

Library of Things

The Oregon Public Library now has a “Library of Things”!! The LOT is a collection of non-traditional items that patrons can check-out. This collection includes: crockpot, pots and pans, family games, audio/visual items, and much more. We are also taking requests for items that patrons might be interested in checking out. To find out more or to make requests, please stop by the library and talk to a staff member.

Adult yoga – Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.

Benefits of yoga include developing a mind-body connection and present centered awareness. Strength, flexibility, stamina/endurance and a sense of calm for both the mind and body will increase with repeated practice over time. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat and water bottle. Mats will be provided to those in need on a first come, first serve basis. Registration required.

Story times

18-24 Months Story Time (9:30 a.m.) and Preschool (3-6 yrs. old) Story Time (10:30 am) meets on Thursdays, now thru May 16. Join us for stories, crafts, guests and fun!

Trivia Night – second Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m.

Test your knowledge of sports, history, movies and much more. Refreshments and prizes. Registration required.

Knit and crochet club

A friendly and dedicated group meets every Monday evening, 6 p.m. at the Library. These crafty people share their time and energy with anyone who enjoys the delights of the yarn. Working on projects can come to a complete halt if someone has a question or a good story to share.

New releases

The Infinite Blacktop by Sara Gran (Mystery)
The So Blue Marble by Dorothy B. Hughes (Mystery)
Sweet Little Lies by Caz Frear (Large Print Mystery)
Go To My Grave by Catriona McPherson (Large Print Mystery)
Florida by Lauren Groff (Large Print Fiction)
Miss Blaine's Perfect And The Golden Samovar by Olga Wojtas (Fiction)
The Little Shop Of Found Things by Paula Brackston (Fiction)
Once Upon A River by Diane Setterfield (Fiction)
Of Blood And Bone by Nora Roberts (Fiction)
The Library Book by Susan Orlean (Non-Fiction 027.4794 ORL)
The Minimalist Home by Joshua Becker (Non-Fiction 241.68 BEC)
She Lies In Wait by Gytha Lodge (Mystery)

TV WEEKLY

Tuesday, February 5 through Monday, February 11

Soap Opera Update

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Reese was frightened when the thugs visited him at the hospital. Ridge became overwhelmed with emotion when Taylor told him about his newly adopted granddaughter. As happy as he was for Steffy, Ridge didn't agree with her abrupt decision. Hope demanded answers when Reese accidentally entered her room during her doctor's appointment. Flo was super nervous when she handed over the falsified papers to Carter and Steffy. Taylor thanked Reese for setting up Steffy with her new bundle of joy. Hope reassured her mother that it was at her insistence that Liam leave to support Steffy and her two babies. Reese gave Flo some surprising information. Wait to See: Flo and Zoe engage in an epic standoff.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Marlena tried to get Eric to open up about his feelings for Sarah. Will received some good news from his grandmother. Xander gained major leverage over Eve. Leo was horrified when his mother turned up in Salem. Melinda threatened Marlena to keep quiet about Haley. JJ learned the details of Haley's secret. Ben ratted out Claire to Tripp. JJ offered to help Hayley, but they ended up arguing instead. Jennifer poured her heart out to Adrienne about Jack. Tripp and Haley connected over their problems. Eli questioned Hope about her relationship with Ted. Ben was spinning out of control trying to get in touch with Ciara. Marlena ran into Leo's mom. Eli set up a romantic surprise for Lani. Wait to See: Chloe receives a cryptic threat.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Sam had unfinished business to take care of. Laura asked for some privacy. Ryan was intent on finishing what he started. Julian snapped at Alexis. Laura grew increasingly desperate. Ava questioned her future in Port Charles. Kevin was about to blow. Drew and Kim found comfort with one another. Julian warned Brad to stay away from Willow. Julian wanted to clear the air. Drew felt flustered. Alexis joined Kristina. Sonny received a surprise visit. Curtis stood guard. Franco was livid. Wait to See: Nina has a dramatic change of heart.

(See C-10)

Weekdays Daytime		Insight Communications Oregon-Byron (P) Polo																				February 5, 2019							
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WTTW	2	Curious	Wild	Nature	Pink	Go Luna	Tiger	Tiger	Sesame	Sesame	Splash	Dino	Tiger	Nature	Peg	Pink	Arthur	Go Luna	Nature	Wild	Wild	Odd	Odd	PBS NewsHour					
WREX	3 (6)	Today				Today Third Hour		Today With Kathie Lee & Hoda		The Doctors		13 News at Noon	Days of our Lives		Steve		Millionaire	Jeopardy!	Jeopardy!	Dr. Phil		13 News at Five	Nightly News	13 News at Six	Wheel Fortune				
WTVO	4 (5)	Good Morning America				Live with Kelly and Ryan		The View		Rachael Ray		Strahan & Sara		General Hospital		The Dr. Oz Show		Family Feud	Family Feud	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Eyewitness	World News	Eyewitness	Ent. Tonight				
WIFR	5 (3)	CBS This Morning				Morning Blend		Paid Program		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		23 News at Noon		Bold		The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		Pickler & Ben		The Ellen DeGeneres Show		23 News at Five	Evening News	23 News at Six	Last Man
WQRF	6 (12)	Eyewitness		Eyewitness		Joyce	Paid	Hatchett	Judge	Judge Mathis	Divorce	Divorce	Paid	Paid	Face	Face	Maury			Mom	Mom	Two	Two	Theory	Theory				
CW	15	Paid	Paid	The Real		The 700 Club		The Dr. Oz Show		Dateline		Wendy Williams		Fam	Divorce	Caught	Caught	Jerry Springer		Jerry Springer		Fam	Fam	Fam	Mod				
WHA	21 (2)	Nature	Curious	Go Luna	Tiger	Tiger	Pink	Sesame	Splash	Dino	Cat in	Sesame	Super	Varied Programs						Odd	Arthur	Arthur	News	PBS NewsHour					
WQPT	43	Pink	Tiger	Tiger	Go Luna	Ready	Wild	Nature	Curious	Varied Programs				Chicago	Varied	Sesame	Odd	Odd	Wild	Curious	Nature	Arthur	Chicago	Varied	News				
ESPN	7 (24)	Get Up				First Take				SportsCenter				Outside NFL Live				NBA: The Jump		Noon	Ques	Around	Pardon	SportsCenter	Basketball				
CNN	8 (26)	New Day		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		At This Hour-Kate		Inside Politics		Brianna Keilar		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		Jake Tapper		Situation Room		Situation Room		E. B. OutFront					
CNBC	9	(5:00) Squawk Box		Squawk on the Street				Squawk Alley		Fast Money		The Exchange		Power Lunch		Closing Bell				Fast		Varied		Mad Money		Shark Tank			
AMC	10 (19)	Paid	Paid	Movie	Varied Programs																								
LIFE	12 (22)	The Closer		The Closer		The Closer		Varied Programs		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Varied Programs					
WGN-A	18 (9)	Creflo	Paid	Murder, She ...		Murder, She ...		Murder, She ...		Heat of the Night		Heat of the Night		Heat of the Night		Heat of the Night		Blue Bloods		Blue	Varied	Blue	Varied	Blue	Varied				
NICK	23 (16)	Sponge.	PAW	Peppa	PAW	Abby	PAW	Bubble	Top	PAW	But	PAW	Blaze	PAW	PAW	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Loud	Loud	Loud	Loud	Loud	Henry				
DISN	24 (28)	Roads	PJ	Giganto	Puppy	Muppet	Vampir	Fancy	Vampir	PJ	PJ	Puppy	Puppy	Duck	Big City	Varied	Coop	Varied Programs		Raven		Varied Programs		Bunk'd	Coop				
FREE	25 (31)	Reba	Reba	Reba	700	The 700 Club		Movie				Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Movie	Varied Programs							
A&E	23 (30)	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		Varied Programs																					
USA	29 (18)	Chicago P.D.		Varied Programs												Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Varied Programs							
TNT	30 (17)	Charmed		Charmed		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Varied Programs															
BET	31	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Varied Programs													
PARMT	32 (25)	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Two	Two	Two	Two	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Varied				
DISC	34 (13)	Varied Programs																											
UNIV	35	(6:00) ¡Despierta América!				Qué bonito amor				Notici	Nosotr.	Dice el Dicho	Tenías que ser tú		En tierras salva		Gordo Flac		Primer Impacto		Luche	Notici	Rosa Guadalupe						
HIST	36	Varied Programs																											
BRAVO	37	Varied Programs																											
HGTV	39	Varied Programs								Fixer Upper		Varied Programs																	
WTBS	40 (8)	King	King	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Amer.	Amer.	Amer.	Amer.	Family	Family	Varied Programs						
FOXN	41 (11)	FOX and Friends		America's Newsroom				Outnumbered		Outnumbered		The Daily Briefing		Shepard Smith		Neil Cavuto		The Five		Special Report		The Story							
ANPL	42 (28)	Too Cute!		Animal Cops Phil.		Animal Cops Phil.		My Cat From Hell		The Vet Life		Dr. Jeff: RMV		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Bulls-Parole		Varied Programs											
TLC	43	Varied Programs				Hoard-Buried		Hoard-Buried		My 600-Lb. Life		My 600-Lb. Life		Say Yes	Varied	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Varied Programs							
TVLAND	44	Paid	Paid	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	(9:51) Bonanza	Gunsmoke		Gunsmoke		Gunsmoke		Gunsmoke		Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH					
COM	45	King/Hill	King/Hill	Varied Programs		Futurama		Futurama	Varied	Futurama	Varied Programs		Cleve	Cleve	Cleve	Cleve	Parks	Parks	Varied	Parks	Varied Programs		Office	Office					
E!	46	Pro	Pro	Pro	Pro	Below Deck -		WAGS LA		Varied Programs				The Kardashians				Busy	Busy	Varied Programs									
HALL	47	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	Home & Family				Home & Family				Movie				Movie											
MSNBC	49	(5:00) Morning Joe		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		Andrea Mitchell		MSNBC		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		Deadline		MTP Daily		The Beat With		Hardball Chris					
FOOD	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Pioneer	Varied Programs				Pioneer	Pioneer	Varied Programs																	
EWTN	53	Daily Mass - Olam		Varied Programs		Mother	Varied	Women	Rosary	Daily Mass - Olam		Varied Programs		Chaplet		Rosary	Varied Programs		The	News	Varied	Daily Mass - Olam							
FX	54 (5)	(6:00) Movie		Varied Programs				Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mike	Mike	Varied Programs															
TRUTV	55	Dum	Varied	Dum	Varied	Dum	Varied	Dum	Varied	Dum	Varied	Dum	Varied	Dum	Varied Programs				Jokers										
OXY	56	Dateline: Secrets		Varied Programs		Dateline: Secrets		Varied Programs																					

Tuesday Evening February 5, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, CW, WHA, WQPT, ESPN, CNN, CNBC, AMC, LIFE, WGN-A, NICK, DISN, FREE, A&E, USA, TNT, BET, PARMT, DISC, UNIV, HIST, BRAVO, HGTV, WTBS, FOXN, ANPL, TLC, TVLAND, COM, E!, HALL, MSNBC, FOOD, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY).

Wednesday Evening February 6, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, CW, WHA, WQPT, ESPN, CNN, CNBC, AMC, LIFE, WGN-A, NICK, DISN, FREE, A&E, USA, TNT, BET, PARMT, DISC, UNIV, HIST, BRAVO, HGTV, WTBS, FOXN, ANPL, TLC, TVLAND, COM, E!, HALL, MSNBC, FOOD, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY).

Thursday Evening February 7, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, CW, WHA, WQPT, ESPN, CNN, CNBC, AMC, LIFE, WGN-A, NICK, DISN, FREE, A&E, USA, TNT, BET, PARMT, DISC, UNIV, HIST, BRAVO, HGTV, WTBS, FOXN, ANPL, TLC, TVLAND, COM, E!, HALL, MSNBC, FOOD, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY).

Friday Evening February 8, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, CW, WHA, WQPT, ESPN, CNN, CNBC, AMC, LIFE, WGN-A, NICK, DISN, FREE, A&E, USA, TNT, BET, PARMT, DISC, UNIV, HIST, BRAVO, HGTV, WTBS, FOXN, ANPL, TLC, TVLAND, COM, E!, HALL, MSNBC, FOOD, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY).

Saturday Daytime

Insight Communications Oregon-Byron Polo

February 9, 2019

Table with 24 columns (7 AM to 6:30) and 48 rows (WTTW to OXY) listing TV channels and their programming for Saturday Daytime.

Sunday Daytime

Insight Communications Oregon-Byron Polo

February 10, 2019

Table with 24 columns (7 AM to 6:30) and 48 rows (WTTW to OXY) listing TV channels and their programming for Sunday Daytime.

Saturday Evening February 9, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, etc.) listing programs like 'Won't You Be My Neighbor?', 'America's Got Talent', and 'Saturday Night Live'.

Sunday Evening February 10, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, etc.) listing programs like 'Victoria-Master', 'Margaret-Rebel', and 'The Profit'.

Monday Evening February 11, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, etc.) listing programs like 'Chicago Tonight', 'Antiques Roadshow', and 'The Bachelor'.

Soap Opera Update (From C-7). THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS. Mia and Rey held their vow renewal ceremony at the GCAC, but the bride was still pining for Arturo. Meanwhile, Sharon hid her own pain and wished Rey well, and the two went on their merry way, suppressing their lingering feelings for one another. Victor insisted that Arturo sign a prenuptial agreement if he was going to marry wealthy Abby, which he signed without hesitation. Jack pretended to believe Kerry's lies and found that his instincts were spot on after finding a syringe in her purse. Billy tried to make things right with Victoria, but she said she wasn't ready to make peace with him yet. Summer returned from Dubai, accepting a position at Newman Enterprises and moving back in with her surprised parents. Wait to See: Sharon is forced to choose sides. Casey Moss is "JJ" on "Days of Our Lives." Photo Credit: Chris Haston/NBC. E-mail news items to bjennings@oglecountylife.com

Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: Is it true that Chris Harrison is going to be the next Bachelor? I think it's a great idea if it's true. -- M.M.

A: The longtime host of ABC's "The Bachelor" and its franchises is 47 years old and divorced. It's been rumored -- or at least hoped -- that one day the cameras would be turned and Harrison would become the new bachelor.

For now, though, he's happily dating someone else in the industry, "Entertainment Tonight" correspondent Lauren Zima. However, back in November he appeared on "ET" and joked that he had been "working on my abs ... just in case you need me as the 50-year-old bachelor."

We wish Harrison and Zima all the happiness in the world, but if it doesn't work out, I'd like to see who Harrison gives his final rose to.

Q: What happened to Ariel Winter of "Modern Family"? I saw a photo of her in a magazine recently, and she looks like she's lost a lot of weight. She's beautiful to me whether she's curvy or skinny. I just hope she's taking care of herself. -- K.P.

A: Winter has never been shy about addressing her fans or critics over how she dresses, so it's not a surprise that she was direct in her response to speculation about her weight loss. Some fans weren't as kind as you though, and accused her of abusing drugs or getting plastic surgery in order to alter her appearance. In response, Winter denied having surgery and was outraged that people thought she was using drugs like cocaine or meth. Winter further explained on Instagram that she had been on medication that caused weight gain as a side effect, but her physician switched her to another medicine that regulated her metabolism better.

Q: When will "The Librarian" movies air on cable, and will the TV show be back again soon? -- J.H.

A: Alas, you just missed a marathon of "The Librarian" trilogy starring Noah Wyle, as the UPtv channel aired them Jan. 21. However, you still can see them by renting via Amazon Prime Video, or buy the three-film DVD set on Amazon.com. "The Librarian" trilogy included "Quest for the Spear," "Return to King Solomon's Mines" and "The Curse of the Judas Chalice."

A TV show spinoff added an "S" to its title and aired for four seasons on TNT. Unfortunately, "The Librarians" was canceled by the network last year. Producer Dean Devlin was hoping to shop it around to other channels and streaming services, but there haven't been any recent updates. Keep checking the Twitter page (<https://twitter.com/LibrariansTNT>) periodically to see if there is any news about a fifth season or if the movies are going to air on television again.

As for Wyle, keep an eye out for his new drama, "The Red Line," which is set to premiere this spring on CBS.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com!

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Couch Theater

By Amy Anderson

"Widows" (R) -- Director Steve McQueen ("12 Years a Slave") kills it in this woman-centric, dark and penetrating crime caper. A gang of crooks is killed while ripping off Chicago mob boss Jamal (Brian Tyree Henry), who pins the debt on the wife of one of the slain thieves. Veronica (Viola Davis) enlists the help of the other "widows" (Michelle Rodriguez, Elizabeth Debecki) and the babysitter (Cynthia Erivo) to pull off a job that will wipe the slate clean with the mob boss and secure the ladies' futures. It's dramatic, smart and exciting, and not without twists and turns. The film easily could have drifted into a one-note cliché about gender, but the widows (and the fierce men they face) are strong, vulnerable, flawed and heroic in equal measures.

"The Sisters Brothers" (R) -- Eli (John C. Reilly) and Charlie (Joaquin Phoenix) Sisters are brothers. They travel the West as assassins on assignment from the murky Commodore, who is after Hermann Warm (Riz Ahmad) who "stole from him." He's sent the Sisters brothers to take Warm out, assisted by a scout named John Morris (Jake Gyllenhaal). When Morris finds Warm, who is not a thief at all but a chemist who has discovered how to easily find gold in the river, he switches sides, pitting

them against the brothers, who are themselves an assassin target. In the meantime, the brothers riff on the Gold Rush, their own strengths and foibles, and whether they should retire. It's a smart dark-comedy Western, and that alone makes it worth a watch.

"The Grinch" (PG) -- The magic of Christmas is once again threatened by that notoriously small-hearted, scheming Grinch in the latest telling of Dr. Seuss's masterpiece. If you don't know the story, perhaps because the rock you live under was buried by an earthquake, let me catch you up. The Grinch (voiced by Benedict Cumberbatch) is a miserable being who hates Christmas and the Whos down in Whoville, and decides that he must steal Christmas in order to stop it from being obnoxiously celebrated. Spoiler alert: He's foiled by his own regret. This version features the Grinch's backstory as a sad orphan and Cindy Lou as a spunky kid who feels her single mom is overworked and deserves a break from Santa. It's cute and watchable without being a revolutionary addition to next year's holiday movie lineup.

"A Private War" (R) -- Following the incredible war journalist Marie Colvin (Rosamund Pike), "A Private War" embeds you alongside Colvin in the many dangerous locations across her decades-long ca-



reer, including the perspective of her fellow journalist photographer Paul Conroy (Jamie Dornan) and her editor (Tom Hollander). Pike's outstanding performance echoes the fearless mania of Colvin, who was dogged in her determination to give a voice to the voiceless. Colvin was killed on assignment in 2012.

"Scooby-Doo and The Curse of the 13th Ghost"
 "The Cloverfield Paradox"
 "Gunsmoke" Season 14 (Volumes 1 and 2)
 "Winter's Dream" (Hallmark Channel Original Movie)

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NEW TV RELEASES

Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- “Isn’t It Romantic,” which stars Rebel Wilson and Adam Devine, has a lot going for it. It opens on Valentine’s Day and also stars newlyweds Liam Hemsworth (who wed Miley Cyrus on Dec. 23) and Priyanka Chopra (who wed Nick Jonas on Dec. 1). But in the film, Hemsworth is vying for Rebel Wilson’s affection against Adam Devine, and Priyanka Chopra plays a yoga ambassador. Two newlyweds in one film ... Isn’t That Romantic?

Chopra, a former Miss World, also stars in the Hindu-language film “The Sky Is Pink,” while new hubby Jonas has “Chaos Walking,” with “Spider-Man” Tom Holland and Daisy Ridley, who is filming the third movie in the current “Star Wars” trilogy (due March 1). That’s followed by the \$100 million remake of the film epic “Midway,” with Woody Harrelson, Aaron Eckhart and Patrick Wilson, landing Nov. 8.

Last year’s best-supporting Oscar winner, Mahershala Ali (for “Moonlight”), who also won awards for “Green Book,” was cast by “Titanic” producer/director James Cameron in the \$200 million cyberpunk action film “Alita: Battle Angel” (directed by Robert Rodriguez). It also stars Oscar-winners Jennifer Connelly and Christoph Waltz (in theaters Feb. 14).

Stellan Skarsgard, a star of “Mamma Mia” and its sequel, “Here We Go Again,” is the father of eight children (seven sons and a daughter). Skarsgard said, “Eight is enough,” and had a vasectomy. His film “The Man Who Killed Don Quixote” arrives March 29. Four of his sons are actors:

Emmy and Golden Globe “Big Little Lies” winner Alexander (42), formerly “Tarzan,” is next seen in “The Hummingbird Project,” with Jesse Eisenberg and Salma Hayek (due March 15). Brother Gustaf (38) stars in HBO’s “Westworld”; Bill (28) starred in “It” and stars in the sequel, “It: Chapter Two” (out Sept. 6). Valter (23), stars in the horror film “Lords of Chaos” (opening Feb. 15), along with Rory Culkin (29), brother of McCauley and Kieran Culkin, and Jack Kilmer (23), son of Val Kilmer. Can the other four Skarsgard siblings be far behind?

Kristoffer Polaha, who played John F. Kennedy, Jr. in “America’s Prince” (2003) and acted in at least four Hallmark films, is starring in the sports film “Run the Race,” with Mario Van Peebles, Frances Fisher and Tim Tebow (also executive producer). Tebow, who won college football’s Heisman Trophy, also is developing a “Wedding Crashers”-style family comedy for Sony Pictures. Polaha returns in the Audience series “Condor” (for season 2) and is in “Wonder Woman 1984,” opening in June 2020.

Ben Affleck returns to the big screen March 15 in “Triple Frontier,” with Oscar Isaac, Charlie Hunnam and Garrett Hedlund, and the upcoming films “The Last Thing He Wanted,” with Anne Hathaway, and “Torrance,” with Al Madrigal (“The Daily Show”). Affleck took two years off to get his love life under control ... he’s back just in time for Valentine’s Day!

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. LANGUAGE: What does the Greek suffix “-stasis” mean in English?
2. GEOGRAPHY: How many continents are in the world?
3. INVENTIONS: Who invented the nuclear reactor?
4. TELEVISION: In what year did “Monday Night Football” debut?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What was the original name of the breakfast cereal Cheerios?
6. LITERATURE: Where did the Grinch live in Dr. Seuss’ book “How the Grinch Stole Christmas!”?
7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was the first to campaign by telephone?
8. MOVIES: Which war was the setting for the musical “South Pacific”?
9. PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called logophobia?
10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which animal is the symbol of the World Wildlife Fund?

Answers

1. Standing still
2. Seven
3. Enrico Fermi
4. 1970
5. Cheerioats
6. Mount Crumpit
7. William McKinley
8. WWII
9. Fear of words
10. The giant panda

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Bidders
Notice is hereby given that the Byron Park District, 420 N Colfax St., Byron, IL 61010 will receive bids at the office of the Executive Director until Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 2:00 PM for the purchase of baseball/softball field dugouts and playground surfacing. All requirements and details are described and listed on the equipment specification list. All proposals for equipment are to be the same or equivalent to the specifications on file in the office of the Executive Director, Byron Park District, 420 N Colfax St., Byron, IL 61010. Prospective bidders may obtain equipment specifications from the office of the Executive Director, Byron Park District, 420 N Colfax St., Byron, IL 61010. Requests may be made by phone 815-234-6277 or email pzepezauer@byronparks.org
The Byron Park District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities and to accept the proposal that the Byron Park District Board of Commissioners believes to be in the best interest of the Byron Park District.
By order of:
Scott Jeffrey
Byron Park District
Board of Commissioners
No. 0208 (Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE 2019 NOTICE OF

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

To All Owners And Occupiers Of Lands Lying Within The Boundaries Of The Ogle County Soil And Water Conservation District:

Notice is hereby given that an Election will be held on the 21st day of February, 2019 at 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the USDA Service Center, 213 W. Pines Road, Oregon, IL. Two (2) Directors will be elected to serve the Ogle County Soil and Water Conservation District of the State of Illinois. All persons, firms or corporations who hold legal title or are in legal possession of any land lying within the boundaries of the said district are eligible to vote at said election, whether as lessee, renter, tenant or otherwise.

Only such persons, firms or corporations are eligible to vote.

Phillip Fossler,
Chairman
Ogle County Soil and Water Conservation District
DATE: 9th day of January, 2019.
No. 0109 (Jan. 14, Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE)
MATTER)No.
OF THE)2018
ESTATE)P 91
OF:)
RUTH A.)
AVEY,)
deceased).

CLAIM NOTICE
NOTICE IS GIVEN OF THE
death of RUTH A. AVEY of

Mt. Morris, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on January 7, 2019, to RUTH I. CORUM of Heyworth, Illinois, whose attorney is David A. Smith, of Smith, Birkholz & O'Brien, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P. O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010.

CLAIMS against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Oregon, Illinois, 61061, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication of this Notice, or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred.

Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within 10 days after the claim has been filed.

RUTH I. CORUM
Independent
Administrator
No. 0112 (Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE

FIFTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF OGLE
REQUEST)
OF:)Case
SARO)No.
COSTA,)2018
Petitioner,)MR 84
PUBLICATION
NOTICE OF COURT

DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT)

There will be a court date on the Request of Saro Costa to change his name from Saro Costa to the new name of Rosario Saro Costa.

courtroom 202. SARO COSTA No. 0114 (Jan., 21, 28, Feb. 4.)

PUBLIC NOTICE Sealed bids will be received for the following sections by the Ogle County Highway Department, Oregon, Illinois, until 2:00 P.M. February 8, 2019 for:

- MFT Aggregate 2. 19-XX000-00-GM Furnish and Apply 2019 Township MFT Calcium Chloride 3. 19-XX000-00-GM Furnish and 2019 Township MFT Pipe Supply 4. 2019 County Pipe 5. 19-00000-04-GM County Crack Sealing 6. 19-00000-06-GM Flagg Rd Microsurfacing

way Department, 1989 South IL Rt 2, Oregon, IL between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. Monday - Friday. The Road and Bridge Committee reserves the right to accept or reject and or all bids. No. 0123 (Jan. 28, Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS STATE OF)

ILLINOIS) COUNTY) OF OGLE) Public Notice is hereby give to all persons in Scott Township that a Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, February 28, 2019 to consider the petition filed January 24, 2019 of Babson Farms, Inc., % Eric Lawler, 7985 Keslinger Rd., DeKalb, IL for a Variation to allow a grain bin to be constructed approximately 20 feet from the right-of-way line of E. Holcomb Road in lieu of 40 feet as required pursuant to the Ogle County Amendatory Zoning Ordinance on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: The entire South East Quarter (SE 1/4) and part of the South West Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 36, Township 42 North, Range 1 East of the 3rd P.M., Scott Township, Ogle County, IL, 240 acres, more or less

Property Identification Number (PIN): 11-36-400-001 Common Location: 3031 N. IL Rte. 251 All persons in attendance at the Public Hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. Any person who also wishes to appear as an "interested party" with the right to cross-examine others at the Public Hearing must complete and file an appearance form with the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department no later than five (5) business days before the date of the Public Hearing. The application for this Variation is on file with detailed description and available for examination at the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department, 911 Pines Rd., Oregon, Illinois or at the following URL: http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning_and_zoning/zoning_board_of_appeals.php

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RANDY OCKEN, Chairman Dated at Oregon, Illinois this 22nd day of January 2019 #2-19SU No. 0203 (Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS STATE OF) ILLINOIS)) SS COUNTY) OF OGLE) Public Notice is hereby given to all persons in Dement Township that a Public Hearing will be held February 28, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. at the Old Ogle County Courthouse, Third Floor County Board Room #317, 105 S. Fifth St., Oregon, IL, to consider the request filed Janu-

ary 22, 2019 of Jeremy & Lisa Good, 5833 Skare Rd., Rochelle, IL; and Franklin Hintzsche, 3951 S. Mulford Rd., Rochelle, IL for a Special Use in the AG-1 Agricultural District to allow a single-family dwelling to be constructed on a lot divided and set aside from a farm for the daughter of the farm owner on property described as follows, owned by Franklin Hintzsche, and being purchased by Jeremy & Lisa Good: Part of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section 3, Township 40 North, Range 2 East of the 3rd P.M., Dement Township, Ogle County, IL, 5.0 acres, more or less Property Identification Number: Part of 25-03-300-005 Common Location: 3900 Block of S. Mulford Rd. All persons in attendance at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. Any person who also wishes to appear as an "interested party" with the right to cross-examine others at the hearing must complete and file an appearance form with the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department no later than five (5) business days before the date of the hearing. The application for this special use is on file with detailed description and available for examination at the Planning & Zoning Department, 911 Pines Rd., Oregon, Illinois or at the following URL: http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning_and_zoning/zoning_board_of_appeals.php

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PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS STATE OF) ILLINOIS)) SS COUNTY) OF OGLE) Public Notice is hereby give to all persons in Byron Township that a Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, February 28, 2019 to consider the petition filed January 18, 2019 of Douglas K. & Karen F. Cullor, 8575 N. Byron Hills Dr., Byron, IL for a Variation to allow a dwelling addition (attached garage) to be constructed approximately 12 feet from the right-of-way line of Woodland Dr. in lieu of 33 feet as required pursuant to the Ogle County Amendatory Zoning Ordinance on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Lot 49 and part of Lot 48 Byron Hills Estates #3, part of the West Half (W1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 30, Township 25 North, Range 11 East of

as required pursuant to the Ogle County Amendatory Zoning Ordinance on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: Part of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4); and part of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 12, Township 22 North, Range 9 East of the 4th P.M., Grand Detour Township, Ogle County, IL, 1.25 acres, more or less Property Identification Number (PIN): 21-12-200-004 & -006 Common Location: 7589 S. IL Rte. 2 All persons in attendance at the Public Hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. Any person who also wishes to appear as an "interested party" with the right to cross-examine others at the Public Hearing must complete and file an appearance form with the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department no later than five (5) business days before the date of the Public Hearing. The application for this Variation is on file with detailed description and available for examination at the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department, 911 Pines Rd., Oregon, Illinois or at the following URL: http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning_and_zoning/zoning_board_of_appeals.php

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RANDY OCKEN, Chairman Dated at Oregon, Illinois this 16th day of January 2019 #1-19VAR No. 0204 (Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS STATE OF) ILLINOIS)) SS COUNTY) OF OGLE) Public Notice is hereby give to all persons in Byron Township that a Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, February 28, 2019 to consider the petition filed January 18, 2019 of Douglas K. & Karen F. Cullor, 8575 N. Byron Hills Dr., Byron, IL for a Variation to allow a dwelling addition (attached garage) to be constructed approximately 12 feet from the right-of-way line of Woodland Dr. in lieu of 33 feet as required pursuant to the Ogle County Amendatory Zoning Ordinance on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Lot 49 and part of Lot 48 Byron Hills Estates #3, part of the West Half (W1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 30, Township 25 North, Range 11 East of

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 Property Identification Number (PIN): 05-30-254-011
 Common Location: 8575 N. Byron Hills Dr.
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
RANDY OCKEN, CHAIRMAN
 Dated at Oregon, Illinois this 18th day of January 2019 #2-19VAR No. 0206 (Feb. 4)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 IN THE)
 MATTER)No.
 OF THE)2019
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 OF:)
 GEORGIA)
 M.)
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 No. 0205 (Feb. 4)

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 Lot 49 and part of Lot 48 Byron Hills Estates #3, part of the of West Half (W1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 30, Township 25 North, Range 11 East of the 4th P.M., Byron Township, Ogle County, IL
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CLAIM NOTICE
 NOTICE IS GIVEN of the decath of GEORGIA M. GENTZ of Byron, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on January 24, 2019, to
 TODD R. GENTZ of Cherry Valley, Illinois, whose attorney is David A. Smith, of Smith, Birkholz & O'Brien, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P.O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010.
 CLAIMS against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Oregon, Illinois, 61061, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication of this Notice, or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within 10 days after the claim has been filed.
 Todd R. Gentz
 Independent
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 No. 0201 (Feb. 4, 11, 18)

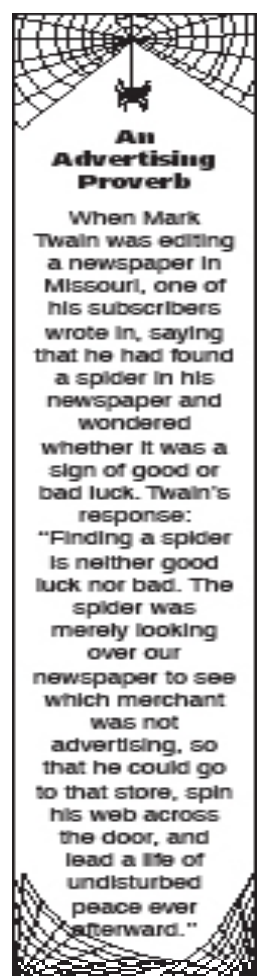
PUBLIC NOTICE
 PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT) STATE OF ILLINOIS

CIRCUIT COURT OGLE COUNTY
 Request of:
 Amy Louise Vander WYST
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 Case Number
 There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: Amy Louise Vander WYST to the new name of John Luke Vander WYST.
 The court date will be held on March 14, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at 106 S. 5th St., Oregon, IL in Courtroom #202.
 /s/ Amy Vander WYST
 No. 0207 (Feb. 4, 11, 18)

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