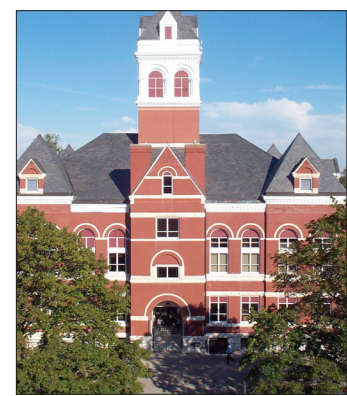


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Michelle Rogers, left, works on the Ellison Menorial Daylily Garden, which is at Hidden Timber Gardens in Chana, owned by Monica Putnam, right. (Brad Jennings photo)

Growing a memorial Garden, festival started to honor gardening mentor

By Brad Jennings
Editor

CHANA – Michelle Rogers looks at home digging in the dirt.

As bugs swarmed on a recent warm afternoon, Rogers, a science teacher at Stillman Valley High School, planted daylilies and weeded a plot of land at Hidden Timber Gardens, 462 S. Chana Rd.

"It's just a passion of mine," she said. "I love plants and flowers."

But the flowers she was planting weren't just any flowers. They are daylilies that were hybridized by the late Robert Ellison, who owned Ellison Perennials in Rockford.

Rogers worked for Ellison, who died last fall, while going to college, and now wants to help continue his legacy.

To that end, the new Ellison Memorial Daylily Garden will have its grand opening at Hidden Timber Gardens during the Daylily Bloomfest July 13-14. The actual ribbon cutting will be on July 13 at 11 a.m.

Rogers said the goal is to, "continue his breeding and showcasing his life's work."

Rogers said after graduating from Stillman Valley High School, she worked for Ellison while going to college.

She said she did everything from potting plants to helping with landscaping jobs.

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GARDEN: The daylilies are 'pretty famous'

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"I also helped him with the daylily hybridizing, and every July he would have what he called Daylily Bloomfest," she said.

That was a way to showcase his award-winning daylilies. Rogers said people would come from all over to look at and buy his flowers, including bus tours from garden groups. People had the opportunity to dig the plants right out of the ground and add them to their own garden.

And these were very unique daylilies, she said. Ellison was "pretty famous" for the ruffles on his flowers.

"He was well known for that,

and he won some different awards," Rogers said.

Before he died, Rogers said Ellison gave her many of his flowers and plants. She told him that she was going to do this memorial garden for him.

So, she reached out to Hidden Timber Gardens, where she works in the summer when she is not teaching.

"She's got the plants and I have the land," said Monica Putnam, who owns Hidden Timber Gardens along with her husband, Jim Williams.

Bloomfest will give people a chance to own one of the hybrids Ellison was known for. The event will also feature vendors selling

local products, door prizes and raffle drawings. There will also be master gardeners on site to answer any questions.

The daylilies bloom in July, so the timing will be perfect for Bloomfest.

"When they are blooming is when people want to come out and dig," Putnam said. "Because they can actually see what the plant looks like."

Rogers said having the memorial garden and continuing Bloomfest is a way for her to keep the memory of Ellison alive.

"It kind of helps fills my cup, if that makes sense," she said. "He was a mentor of sorts for me, in terms of loving plants and gardening."

Electronic recycling event set for June 28

The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) will be holding their monthly electronic recycling event on Friday, June 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. sharp at the County Annex Building at 909 Pines Road in Oregon.

The monthly events are for household electronic items from Ogle County residents only, and identification will be requested. If you have business generated electronics that you wish to recycle, call the OCSWMD at the number listed below for other options. Business or educational institution electronics are not accepted at this event.

Items accepted at this event include all residential televisions, computer monitors, CPU's, laptops, keyboards, electronic mice, computer speakers, printers, copiers, FAX machines, VCR/DVD players, satellite receivers, computer cables, stereo equipment, phone systems, digital clocks, cell phones, tablets, video game consoles, holiday light

strands, extension cords, CFL bulbs, rechargeable batteries, and printer cartridges. Microwave ovens are accepted at a charge of \$5 per unit. These and similar items are banned from Illinois landfills. Residents are limited to 7 large items (televisions, computer towers, printers) per collection event. A box or crate filled with smaller items is considered as one large item.

Items not accepted include appliances, such as refrigerators, washers, and dryers, dehumidifiers, lamps, fans, coffee makers, bread makers, fryers, toaster ovens, alkaline batteries, yard/power tools, exercise equipment, vacuum cleaners, electric razors and toothbrushes, smoke detectors, electronics which have been scrapped and harvested for valuable parts, and boxes, Styrofoam, and other packaging from electronics.

If you have questions or need additional information, please call the OCSWMD at 815-732-4020 or visit www.oglecounty.org

Airport will again host a July 4th breakfast

Independence Day at Ogle County Airport starts with the pop-pop swoosh, of piston powered aircraft coming in for an all-you-can-eat 4th of July breakfast.

The annual "best in the Midwest" breakfast starts at 7 a.m. and runs until 11 a.m. The breakfast includes Eichman's tasty ham and whole hog sausage, cantaloupe, scrambled eggs, hash browns and stacks of pancakes with blueberry and other toppings. This feast will be served by volunteers and pilots at the Ogle County Airport for only \$10. The breakfast is a fundraiser for the non-taxpayer-supported airport and attracts hundreds of small private airplanes from several states each year.

This is a wonderful opportunity to have the whole family enjoy the sights and sounds of airplanes at the grass strip airport located on Hwy. 64 between Mount Morris and Oregon. Each year this event brings about 1,000 people together to enjoy a great breakfast and to mingle with friends and those interested in aviation. There is no charge to view the airplanes and parking is free.

Frequently, old military training planes will fly in and do fly-bys. Some of these planes will trail white smoke as they fly-by in an old tradition of air shows. Spraying special paraffin into the manifold produces the smoke.

The airport was recognized in 2007 by IDOT as "Airport of the Year", in part, because of the many and continuing improvements made at the airport. Flight instruction, biennial reviews, tail wheel check outs, and other aviation services are available at the airport. The airport is the home base for the Rock River Flyers flying club.

More information on organizations and hangars is available from any airport board member or by calling Doug Schiller at 815-973-3234.

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VILLAGE OF PROGRESS

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Village of Progress near 50th anniversary

OREGON – Fifty years of continuous nonprofit service is much more difficult than one might imagine.

The journal, Nonprofit Quarterly, reported that the average life expectancy of a nonprofit is only six to nine years. Indeed, only about 16 percent of all nonprofits ever make it to the age of fifty.

But the Village of Progress has done more than survive to fifty; it has thrived.

The Village will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary with an open house on the afternoon of Friday, Aug. 28 from 1-2:30 p.m. There will be a special unveiling at 1:30 p.m. to honor past director Bob Glaser. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

In 1968 it was Robert Brooks, one of the Village of Progress' founding board members, who launched the successful 708 initiative in Ogle County to help fund services for people with developmental disabilities and mental illness. It is no coincidence, then, that the Village of Progress was founded at that time to stand in the forefront of providing those services.

Over the years the Village has grown in the scope and nature of the services offered. In its infancy, the Village provided day care to children with developmental disabilities – something that neither Illinois nor the federal government provided. (Special education wasn't created until passage of the Education for the Handicapped Act in 1975).

The Village broke new ground in Illinois again in the 1970s when it built its current training center. It's believed that the Village was the first nonprofit in Illinois to construct a building specifically dedicated as a training center for those with disabilities.

Over the years the Village reached out beyond its four walls. In 1975, they launched the Village Cleaning Service as a way of providing competitive, integrated employment to those with disabilities. The Yellow Bird also launched that year, a cooperative effort with the local seniors group. The project acted as both a storefront for Village-produced goods and a location for seniors to meet and socialize. In 1980 the Yellow Bird transitioned

into the Rock River Center, which remains a vibrant part of the community.

Since its inception the Village has always looked first toward entrepreneurial activities whenever possible. That mindset has continued into the present with the opening of the Village Bakery in 2017.

The Village of Progress Foundation, created in 1990, has been a strong partner in helping to advance the Village's mission. In 2014 the Foundation launched the Attendance Grant Program. These grants are awarded annually to individuals who are on the Illinois waiting list for disabilities-related services but have not yet received them because of state underfunding.

At present, the Village of Progress serves the needs of over 90 men and women in Ogle County. Its board of directors, like its staff, are diverse, talented, and dedicated to the Village's mission.

From just about any standard, the Village of Progress' 50 years of work in the county can be considered a major achievement.

Auditions set for 'King and I'

MOUNT MORRIS – The Performing Arts Guild invites the public to join the cast of their fall musical production, "The King and I."

Auditions will be held on Monday-Wednesday, June 17, 18 and 19 from 6-8 p.m. at the Pinecrest Grove library, 500 Evergreen Lane, Mount Morris. Materials will be provided for reading and vocal parts. The cast consists of vocal and non-vocal roles for children through adult, male and female.

Performances will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 8, 9, 10 and 15, 16, 17 at the Pinecrest Grove Theatre.

Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I" is a moving, radiant story of East meets West. The musical is based on the memoirs and experiences of Anna Leonowens, a

British schoolteacher hired in the 1860's by the King of Siam as part of his drive to modernize his country. The relationship between the King and Anna is marked by conflict through much of the show, as well as by a love to which neither can admit.

Some of the memorable songs in "The King and I" include, Shall We Dance, I Whistle a Happy Tune, Getting to Know You and Something Wonderful.

The musical premiered on March 29, 1951. It ran for nearly three years, making it the fourth longest-running Broadway musical in history at the time, and has had many tours and revivals.

For more information, contact Directors Priscilla Osborne 815-734-6847 or Trudy Whalen 815-440-5300.

Noontime Knowledge program at RRC June 20

OREGON – There will be a Noontime Knowledge program on Thursday, June 20 at Rock River Center in Oregon.

A buffet lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Carry outs available – reservations by June 18.

At noon, Dr. Carrie Anderson, Alpine Chiropractic, will present "Healthy Eating & Stretching."

Oregon teacher earns art fellowship

OREGON – The Lowell Milken Center (LMC) for Unsung Heroes, an international educational non-profit, awarded Oregon Community Unit School District Elementary School art teacher Jordan DeWilde with the LMC Fellowship, a week-long program geared toward collaborating with fellow teachers from across the nation to communicate the stories of Unsung Heroes in history.

"Jordan's innovative and inclusive implementation of art curriculum with a diverse population of student artists set him apart as a positive role model for both students and other educators," said LMC Executive Director Norm Conrad. "He will be a truly inspirational member of our Fellowship."

The LMC Fellowship is awarded on the basis of merit to educators who have distinguished themselves in teaching respect and understanding through project-based learning or who have the potential for this distinction. DeWilde is the 2018 Elementary Art Educator of the Year and is known for creating inclusive art curriculum of diverse populations.

"I am truly honored to receive this Fellowship from the Lowell Milken Education Center," DeWilde said. "I am excited to collaborate with educators from across the country while in Fort Scott. I look forward to developing projects that will highlight the contributions of Unsung Heroes and



inspire my students."

DeWilde will travel to Fort Scott, Kansas on June 16 for a week of collaboration with LMC staff where he will gain knowledge, educational resources and ongoing support to enhance his classroom and help future students cultivate a passion for learning.

About OCUSD 220:

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Obituaries

Gerald D. Brooks

OREGON – Gerald D. “Jerry” Brooks went home to his Lord Jesus on June 2, 2019. Jerry was born July 6, 1932 to Ra K. and Dorothy (Warner) Brooks and was a life-long Ogle County resident.



He graduated from Oregon High School in 1950 and served in the U.S. Army from 1952-54. He married Barbara A. Jones on Jan. 10, 1953 in Augusta, Ga. Following his military service, Jerry worked as a salesman for Ogle Service Company and general managed a successful grain and farm supply business (Dixon Co-Op) for many years. During this time, he began working as a part-time patrol deputy with the Ogle County Sheriff’s Department for seven years during which he developed a passion for law enforcement. Wanting to make a difference in his community, he ran for and was elected Ogle County Sheriff in 1970. He was re-elected to four additional terms as Sheriff before retiring in 1990. He then went on to serve 21 years as an Ogle County Board Member. Jerry was also a life member of the Oregon V.F.W.; a member of the American Legion, a 40-year member of the Ogle County Farm Bureau; Ogle County Grange Citizen of the Year; served 12 years as an Ogle County Republican Precinct Committeeman, being selected Republican of the year in 2008; and was a member of the Evangelical Free Church of Mt. Morris. Jerry served Ogle County well and took great pride in being able to serve his community in a profession that he loved.

Jerry is loved and will be missed by his wife Barbara, daughters Kathy Brogren of Rockford and Joann Haefner of Milledgeville, sons Dave (Kelly) of Winnebago, Brian (Sandy) of Byron and Steve of Rockford; seven grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; and sister Margaret Brooks of Dixon.

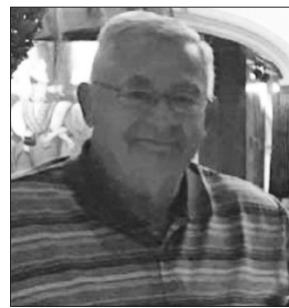
He was predeceased by his parents, sister Delores, brothers Arnold and Robert, sisters-in-law Lucille and Alene and sons-in-law Lynne Brogren and Rick Haefner.

Funeral Services with military honors were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 8 in Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home Oregon with Pastor Bruce McKanna, Evangelical Free Church of Mt. Morris, officiating. Visitation was 5-8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials directed to the family will be given to the Ogle County Sheriff’s Department and the Oregon Fire Protection District.

Richard Corpus

Richard (Coach) Corpus, age 72, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at Banner Boswell Medical Center in Sun City, Ariz., after a battle with cancer. He was born in DePue, Ill.



A lifelong educator, Richard had a passion for influencing the lives of young people both in the classroom and through athletics. During his 35-year career as a teacher, principal, athletic director and football coach, some of Richard’s favorite memories were of the teams he coached and the players and students that he kept in touch with well into their adulthood. A testament to his commitment, Richard

earned the distinction of being inducted into the Illinois High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame in 1996.

In his retirement years, Richard loved his winters in Sun City, Ariz. He loved to golf, Men’s Club, the Sandbaggers and spending time with all his friends.

Above all else, Richard was an incredible husband,

father and grandfather. He is survived by the love of his life, Connie, to whom he was married for 49 years. His children: Alissa, and Jason (Heather) will miss him greatly, as will his 5 awesome grandchildren whom he loved dearly.

He was preceded in death by his son Joel (Melissa), and his parents Raymond and Louise.

Visitation will be held at Fitzgerald’s Funeral Home (1860 S. Mulford Rd. Rockford) on June 22, 2019 at 11 a.m.-1 p.m., followed by a memorial service at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Coach Corpus Memorial Fund.

George W. Garrett

STILLMAN VALLEY – George W. Garrett, 82, of Stillman Valley passed away Thursday, May 30, 2019. He was born Aug. 18, 1936 in Painton, Mo., the son of Oscar and Myrtle (Gross) Garrett.

George was raised on a cotton farm and had many challenges in his life which he faced head on. These experiences molded him into an amazing man. George married the love of his life, Shirley Spray, on July 13, 1955. He had an incredible work ethic. George never met a stranger, you were a

friend for life. He enjoyed traveling and would often run into people he knew along the way. He also was an avid fisherman. George was best known for his famous and delicious chicken noodle soup that he made from scratch. Most of all, George loved his family and the time he spent with them. George was Superman! He will be sorely missed and forever in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

Survived by his beloved wife, Shirley; children, Hazel (Greg) Hayton, George “Bob” (Diane) Garrett, Ger-

ald Garrett and Paul (Pat) Garrett; 9 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren; 5 siblings; brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Shirley Spray; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Jacob Shawn Garrett and 8 siblings.

Cremation rites accorded with Fitzgerald Funeral Home & Crematory, Mulford Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family for a cause to be determined. Share online condolences at www.fitzgeraldfh.com.

Ken Groeling

PECATONICA – Ken Groeling, 48, of Pecatonica passed away on Saturday, May 18, 2019 in his home after a brief illness. Born Nov. 16, 1970 to George (Judith) Groeling and Ella (George) Montgomery.



Ken was a beloved husband, father, son, brother, uncle and friend. He loved sitting on the deck, fishing and boating on the Pecatonica river with family and friends. He was known for building demo cars and his dedication to the family business Groeling Salvage. He was a member

(Veronica) Groeling, Brandon (Sarah) Groeling and Joshua Groeling; brother Bill (Lindsay) Groeling; siblings Annette, Linda and Todd; stepchildren Jodi (Kurt) Goedeke, Dustin (Kim) Schier and 8 step-grandchildren. Several Nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is predeceased by his daughter, Angelia, his brother Matthew and his father-in-law Clarence Lower.

A celebration of life was held on Sunday, June 2, 2019 at Big O’s On The Hollow, Freeport.

of the Freeport Moose Lodge, Freeport ABATE chapter and PFE Demo team.

He is survived by his parents, wife Peggy (Lower-Schier), children Kristiani (Jacob) Countryman, Daniel

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Steven Vance Messer

STILLMAN VALLEY – Steven Vance Messer, age 56, died Saturday, June 1, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family and friends. He was born April 21, 1963 in Rockford the son of Richard and Betty (Houpt) Messer.



He graduated from Byron High School in 1982 and then graduated from Wyoming Technical School in Dec. of 1982 with a degree in Diesel Mechanics. He married Brandie Way on Aug. 9, 1986 in Rockford. Steven worked for Lunde Truck Sales, Inc of Rockford, Joe Cooling & Sons, Inc. Sod Farms in Belvidere, and JX Peterbilt Truck Center in Rockford. Steven loved to fish, hunt, do yardwork, tinker in his garage, help local farmers with their repairs on their equipment. Steve also loved playing with his dog Deacon,

he was an avid college football fan, and supported local high school athletics including; football, wrestling, girls golf and softball. Steve was extremely proud of his family and the accomplishments of his two kids.

He was predeceased by his brother Kevin Messer, grandfather Lester Houpt, and nephew Doug Way.

He is survived by his wife Brandie, son Brett Messer (Priscila Flygare), daughter Devan Messer (Seth Kuss)

all of Stillman Valley, his parents Richard and Betty Messer of Byron, Brother Ron Messer (Paul Williams) of McKinney, Texas, Grandmother Vivian Houpt of Oregon, his parents-in-law Richard “Toby” and Pat Way of Byron, brother-in-law Richard “Toby” (Amy) Way of Phoenix, Arizona, and 2 nephews; Cody Way (Lacey Fitch), and Sam Way.

Funeral services were on Thursday, June 6th, 2019 at 2 pm at the funeral home, officiated by Deacon Pete Ad-dotta O.S.F. Hospice Chaplain. Visitation was Wednesday evening, June 5th, 2019 at Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, 136 W. Roosevelt Rd. in Stillman Valley, IL from 5-8 p.m. A memorial fund is to be established in Steven’s name. To leave a condolence visit www.farrellhollandgale.com.

Obituaries

Lorraine James

MOUNT MORRIS – Lorraine James, age 95, passed away on Tuesday June 4, 2019 in Pinecrest Manor Nursing Home, Mt. Morris. Lorraine was born on Dec. 9, 1923 in Rockford, the daughter of Fred and Ruth (Swanson) Burdick. She graduated from Rockford West High School class of 1942. Lorraine married Leonard James on Oct. 9, 1943 in Rockford; and he preceded her in death on Jan. 13, 2013. Lorraine was a member



of Christian Churches all her life where she was a Sunday School Teacher, on the mis-

sionary committee for 30 years, women's fellowship, and she was baptized at the age of 16.

Lorraine is survived by her daughter: Cindy (Bob) Fulton, Mt. Morris, sons: Steve (Young Cha) James, Mt. Morris, and Bob James, Wheaton; 8 grandchildren: Jason, Randy, Melissa, Faith, Joshua, Jared, Aaron, and Andrea; 16 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Lorraine is preceded in

death by her parents; husband: Leonard; 2 grandchildren: Brian and Doug Fulton; 3 brothers and 3 sisters.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 11 a.m. in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris, with the Pastor Merrill Davis officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Morris. Visitation will be in Finch Funeral Home on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 from 10 a.m. until service time.

Raul Hernandez Garcia

OREGON – Raul Hernandez Garcia, 57, longtime Oregon resident, died Wednesday, May 29, 2019 in OSF St. Anthony Medical Center, Rockford. Born Sept. 11, 1961 in Plainview, Texas, the son of Theodoso B. Sr. and Maria E. (Hernandez) Garcia.



Rayovac Corp. in Dixon. He enjoyed fishing, sports, especially the Cubs and Bears, mushroom hunting, working on cars, dancing and loved the band KISS. Survived by his wife,

Kathleen Marie Garcia of Oregon; sons, Christopher (Sarah) Garcia of Galva, Joshua (Holly) Larson of Mt. Morris and Dustin "Mister" (Stacie Skoff) Garcia of Oregon; daughters, Alice (Andrew) Swanson of Galva, Jenna (Steve Pikorz) Larson of Midlothian and Miranda "Mamas" (Michael Bandy) Garcia of Rochelle; 18 grandchildren; brothers, John Garcia, Isreal Garcia, Daniel Garcia, Tiodoso Garcia Jr, Marsial Garcia and Wally Garcia; sisters, Olivia Moreno, Rosa Hernandez, June Watson, Ad-

ela Cantu, Jeanie Velasques and Veronica Oregon, his Goddaughter Ivonna Marie Garcia, and his cat and best friend, Little Bit.

Predeceased by his parents.

Funeral services were held at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, June 8 in Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon preceded by a visitation beginning at 2 p.m. Friends and Family were invited to The Polo Room at 712 N. Division Ave., Polo, IL 61064 following the service. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Mildred L. Schier

OREGON – Mildred L. "Millie" Schier, 89, lifelong Oregon resident, died Tuesday, June 4, 2019 in her home. Born July 20, 1929 in Pine Creek Township, the daughter of Newton and Edna (Field) Long.



and enjoyed gardening, canning, taking photos and fam-

ily gatherings. Millie lived a faith based Christian life and raised her children and grandchildren in that way.

Survived by her sons; John Schier and David Schier, both of Oregon, Mark Schier of Daytona, Fla., and Luke (Carrie) Schier of Polo; 8 grandchildren; 25 great grandchildren; 3 great-great grandchildren; and half-brothers, Jonathan Long and Keith Long.

Also predeceased by her parents and infant son,

James Edward.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, June 17 in Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Oregon preceded by a visitation beginning at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Luke Schier of the Open Bible Church, Polo, will officiate. Burial in Chapel Hill Memorial Park, Dixon. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Millie's name may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Polo Police report

May 22

TIME: 11:41 a.m.

REPORT: Terry A. Leif, 65, Chadwick, was cited for Driving with an Expired Registration. Leif was released on an I-bond.

May 28

TIME: 8:56 a.m.

REPORT: Lesly D. Wicks, 59, Polo, was cited for speeding 44 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Wicks was released on an I-Bond.

May 31

TIME: 1:16 p.m.

REPORT: Leo E. Hatheway, Jr, 50, Polo, was cited for speeding 41 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Hatheway was

released on an I-bond.

General Calls for Service for the weeks of May 20, 2019 thru June 2, 2019

Citizen Complaints / Assists	15
Juvenile	1
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Alarm / Open Door	2
Lock Out	5
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Drum circle June 17

MOUNT MORRIS – Aireloom Music Studio will be hosting a free outdoor drum circle on the campus on June 17 at 6 p.m.

Come join us and bring your drums if you have some – if you don't, they'll bring extra.

If you've never participated in a drum circle before, they are very relaxing and an amazing experience. Mary Ley is very experienced and will be leading the group.

That night is also a gorgeous full moon and the weather should be warm. In case of rain they'll just move indoors to their little home in the Sandstone.

If anyone would like to bring their Native Flutes or any other types of percussion instruments that would be great. This is a free "for fun" event to get together and have a great experience. They'd love to do this every month.

Aireloom Music Studio is located on campus at 122 S Wesley Ave., Mount Morris. For further questions, you can reach them at 815-973-5697 and aireloommusic@yahoo.com.

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Crop marketing workshop June 19

ROCK FALLS – The Lee, Carroll, Ogle and Whiteside County Farm Bureaus along with COUNTRY Financial will host a crop marketing workshop on the evening of June 19, at the Days Inn, in Rock Falls.

“Crop Marketing Strategies to Survive the Current Farm Economy” is a two-hour seminar designed specifically for producers to help them manage risk associated with the current low commodity markets and identify market conditions to capture profit margins through 2019 and into 2020.

Dr. Steve Johnson, Iowa State University Extension Farm Management Specialist, will facilitate the program. Steve has served as the Farm & Ag Business Management Specialist in Central Iowa for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach since 1999.

He specializes in topics related to government farm programs, crop insurance, crop marketing, grain contracts, farmland leasing and other crop risk management strategies. In the past year, he has conducted more than 120 meetings, workshops, seminars and conferences across the Corn Belt with nearly 15,000 in attendance.

Steve uses web sites such as ISU Ag Decision Maker and Polk County Extension Farm Management along with various print and electronic media.

Annually he reaches more than 200,000 producers, landowners and other agribusiness professionals.

During the two-hour program producers will examine the following topics:

- * Supply Demand and Crop Price Outlook
- * Marketing Strategies & Tools
- * Seasonal Futures Price and Basis Trends
- * Consider Your Cash Flow Needs

This presentation will assist producers in designing and implementing a marketing plan that is specific to their own operation. It will present producers with various options they can effectively utilize to capture market profits, manage market risks in this volatile market, minimize cost increases and make informed decisions on input pricing, storage options and position their marketing plan for profit protection. Market and recent economic factors will be examined and producers will learn to identify where profit opportunities and pitfalls lie for their farm operations through 2018 and into next year.

The workshop on June 19 begins at 7 p.m. at the Days Inn, located at 2105 First Ave., Rock Falls.

This workshop is free to all participants, with registration required.

For more information on the workshop, or to register, contact the Farm Bureau at 732-2231.



Soggy fields hurt planting Farmers say this is worst they have ever seen

By Andrew Heiserman
Staff Writer

ROCHELLE – When looking to the horizon over the fields, by this time the corn should be about shin high and soybeans starting to peak out of the ground.

But now, all there is are bare fields flooded with water or crops trying to grow around giant puddles.

May was been the wettest on record and all the farmers can do is wait and hope it stops raining. History shows that every day passed May 15 the farmers wait to plant, they start to see yield loss. If they get everything planted by June 5, that loss is approximately 30 bushels per acre.

“I have never seen anything quite like this, we get one or two dry days and then it comes again, it’s a cycle that doesn’t end.” said David Casey, a local drainage contractor.

Ogle County Farm Bureau Director Ron Kern said the amount of rain and flooding in the area over the past

month, has impacted residents and local workers as well.

“By now farmers usually have 96 percent of their corn and 75 percent of their soybeans planted, right now they have only 48 percent of their corn and 18 percent of their soybeans in,” explained Kern. “We expect to see the largest amount of unplanted acreage on record.”

Area farmers who have been farming the land their whole lives have experienced many things, but nothing ever quite like this spring.

“This is the worst I have seen in my entire lifetime, and I have been farming since the middle 1970s,” said Rick Canfield, of Oregon.

The massive amounts of rain and flooding farmers have experienced this season is not limited to Illinois, but is affecting nearly every state in the corn belt. According to an analysis conducted by Accuweather, 17 of the 18 corn and soybean producing states are behind in planting, compared to the 2014-2018 averages.

“Some farmers could have planted earlier when it was drier, said Ron Kern, director of the Ogle County farm bureau. “Other parts farther east haven’t even turned a wheel, and some fields that were planted have flooded.”

While the flooding has impacted the farmers’ yield and expected harvest in a negative way this season, it may actually help them in the future.

“I don’t want to say it, but we actually needed this. It has already helped raise the prices for next season,” explained Canfield.

Some farmers have switched to a shorter season hybrid corn seed, while others are looking into their crop insurance. The weather outlets are also predicting to not get the late summer heat needed for growing. No matter how the farmers are shifting, this will be a year for the books.

“This growing season is going to be one that will be very interesting to watch,” expressed Kern. “All we can do is keep our chins up, pull up the bootstraps and get through this.”

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Lyle Grobe and the Rhythm Ramblers return to Jamboree

MOUNT MORRIS – The Mount Morris Jamboree is again pleased and proud to announce the return to our band shell stage of local legend Lyle Grobe and the Rhythm Ramblers on June 14, at 7 p.m.

This band, who's appeared during all seven Friday Concert seasons, always has the crowds line-dancing on the grass to toe-tapping while sitting in lawn chairs and on the new benches.

Lyle Grobe has been performing for many years starting in the early 1950's with two brothers, Harry and Richard Hackbarth. They appeared at many shows in the Lee County area for years. They began moving into the Ogle County area in the late 50s at venues such as Castle Rock Bar on Route 2 in Oregon. Lyle then went a different direction later on where he was a radio announcer for WIXN which is now River Country 101.7. He then began an era in his life of being a night club owner when he owned and managed Skyline Lounge in Dixon. During this time some of the current Rhythm

Ramblers joined him. Many years have come and gone and Lyle still, with the love of music, keeps the band going by having weekly band rehearsals in his garage both summer and winter. Many a musician has stopped and "picked" a tune or two.

The drummer in the band has been with Lyle since the Skyline days also. Dennis Milby comes from Sterling. Lisa Allen-Grobe comes from Sterling and has been with the band for a few years. She brings to the stage the songs of Patsy Cline, Dolly Parton and other Women of Country Music. Newest member of the band is Lisa's husband, Paul Grobe playing bass guitar.

Jim Miller returns to the band after playing with them back in the '70s, bringing prodigious talent to the Ramblers with excellent keyboard, harmonica, banjo and singing skills. Bob Fredricks joins the Ramblers again, bringing that sweet sound of the pedal steel guitar to the band. Diane Palmer usually joins the crew for these shows and sings beautiful lead and harmony vocals.

The Leaf River United Methodist Church will be on hand to serve their delicious Italian Beef sandwiches, hot dogs, chips, dessert and drinks.

Several local small business vendors will often join us on the Campus, including Jen's Artisan Breads and Pecatonica River Honey. The Student Art Show continues at the Encore Old Sandstone Art Gallery next door, featuring artwork from students in the Oregon/Mt. Morris School district, open from 6-9 pm. The whole evening kicks off with the Mount Morris Community Farmer's Market, located at the corner of Rt. 64 and Wesley Ave. from 4-7 p.m. every Friday through October.

Come join the fun on our beautiful, historic Campus in the center of Mount Morris, two blocks south of Rt. 64 on Wesley Ave and be ready to enjoy the sweet serenity of live music in the great outdoors.

In the event of inclement weather, our rain location will be at the Mount Morris Moose Lodge at 101 Moose Dr.

Serenity hosting armchair travel program to Israel at The Shed

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On June 19 at 6 p.m. The Serenity Shed (131 N. 3rd St. in downtown Oregon) will be transformed with Israeli music, food, photos and stories.

The couple will share their experiences and their tips for traveling to such an exotic location.

Explore Israel through this armchair travel experience. This program is free, but please register by calling 815-732-2499.

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11 a.m.	Tri Awards Presentation – Castle Rock Boat Launch
11:30 a.m.	Hands on Oregon Flag Day Ceremony – Conover Square Flag
12 p.m.	Gates Open to Riverfront Festival Grounds
12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Tug Team Weigh-In - Franklin St. Entrance
12 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Amazin' Grazin' Station Food Court
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Explore Oregon's Businesses, Arts & History - Visit local galleries, museums, and businesses.
12 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Community Showcase
12 p.m. – 6 p.m.	The Game Spot – Inflatables, Games and Activities for Kids of ALL AGES featuring the Prize Store
12 p.m. – 11 p.m.	Riverside Chill Zone - Adult Beverage Garden
2 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Tug Across the Rock – Kiwanis Park Riverfront Area & Park East
2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Toss 'Em Tourney Bags Tournament - Registration
4 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Toss 'Em Tourney Bags Tournament
4:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Chill Zone Stage - featuring "Falling Objects" – a Chicago area band spanning all decades of rock' n 'roll music
5 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Cruizin' and Chillin Classic Cruise Event – Jay's Drive-In
8 p.m. – 11 p.m.	Chill Zone Stage – featuring "Hillbilly Rockstarz" - Chicago's # 1 Top 40 Country Band

Rockin' RiverFest returns June 15

OREGON – Rockin' River Fest, an all ages, family friendly event is set for Saturday, June 15.

Lots of outdoor fun, interactive games for the young and young at heart, local food, live entertainment, competitive events, and a beer garden are just a few of the activities planned for the third annual festivities. The majority of the activities take place on the banks of the Rock River, on north Second Street between Franklin and Washington streets.

The "Adventure Triathlon" co-hosted with the Oregon Park District, kicks off at Oregon Park East before the event gates open. For information on the course, gear needed, and registration details check out www.rockinriverfest.net

The "Game Spot" offers fun for all ages with interactive inflatables and specialty games for preschoolers, grade school ages, and fun seeking teens and adults. A wide variety of local cuisine options and plenty of

beverages will be available throughout the day.

Be sure to sign up for the "Toss 'em Tourney" a cash awards competition, and cheer on your favorite team during the "Tug Across the Rock."

Live music featuring "Falling Objects" a popular Chicago area band covering all genres of rock from the 80's, 90's, and 00's will kick off the staged portion of the event at 4:30 p.m. "Hillbilly Rockstarz," Chicago's number one country band will take the stage at 8 p.m. Bring your lawn chair, or gather with friends around available seating.

"The success of community events like this is made possible through the support of local businesses and citizens who recognize the value of investing in their hometown," said Debbie Dickson, committee member and organizer. "This celebration of summer showcases unique and engaging experiences for all ages, builds hometown pride, and is an

opportunity to give back to the community.

"This is a collaborative effort and is a direct result of volunteers brainstorming, pooling their skills and resources, and contributing hundreds of volunteer hours to create a safe, fun, entertaining time for all."

Gates open at noon, with children under 12 free of charge, ages 13-17 are \$3, and adults are \$5. Entry points are at Washington and Second Streets, and at Franklin and Second Street. Please note – proof of age is required to be served in the beer garden so be prepared to show your ID for a wristband. Also, for the safety of all, no bags or carry in food or beverages are allowed. Again, for safety and sanitary issues, please leave your pets at home. Service animals will be allowed on the festival grounds.

Rockin' River Fest extends a huge thanks to Martin & Company for their third consecutive year as "Presenting Sponsor."

Leaf River parade



The weather cooperated at Leaf River Summer Daze this year, and the grand parade on Sunday, June 2 was a big hit. The winners were: Theme 1st place to Leaf River Busy Beavers and 2nd place to Leaf River United Methodist Church. Not-for-Profit 1st place to Bertolet Memorial Library, 2nd to Pecatonica Lions Club and 3rd to Ogle County 4-H Ambassadors. Vintage Car 1st place to Dave Jackson and his 1986 Oldsmobile 442. Vintage Truck 1st place to Byron Fire Protection District and 2nd place to Scott Voss. Novelty 1st place to Pecatonica Downtown. Horse Hitch 1st place to Carriage Springs Farm. Thank you to the parade sponsors Leaf River Telephone Company and Exelon Nuclear. To Ethan Rosuck from the Channel 23 Weather Team for being the emcee. And to the parade judges.

Eickman Scholarship winners announced

OGLE COUNTY – Stillman Trust & Asset Management announces the winners of the Eickman Scholarship, an annual scholarship awarded to four area high school seniors who are interested in pursuing a career in medicine.

The 2019 recipients are: Ally Abel, Byron High School; Katelyn Byerley, Oregon High School; Abby Lundquist, Rochelle Township High School; and Olivia Kerr, Stillman Valley High School. Each student received a \$1,900 scholarship.

Now in its 24th year, the scholarship fund was established by former Stillman Bank president, William E. Eickman as a way to give back to the Ogle County community. Eickman was always grateful to the people of Ogle County for their support, recognizing that they were the reason for the bank's success since 1882.

The scholarship is available to high school seniors attending school in Byron, Oregon, Rochelle and Stillman Valley. The fund is designed to award a scholarship, not less than \$1,500, to one recipient from each of these four communities. Each year, committees review all of the applications that are submitted, and from this process, finalists from

each school are selected for personal interviews with the review committees.

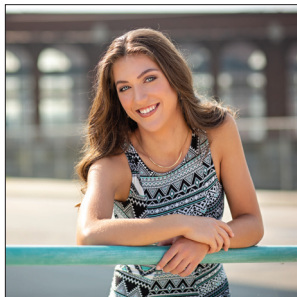
"The Eickman Scholarship is just one of the ways Stillman Bank invests in the potential of students within our local communities," said David Bogner, Stillman Bank vice president and Trust Officer. "This is a fantastic opportunity for high school students that are looking to further their education within the medical field."

Any high school senior at Byron, Oregon, Rochelle, or Stillman Valley High Schools who are interested in applying for the Eickman Scholarship is encouraged to inquire with their guidance counselor. Application forms are available from each school's respective counseling office and must be submitted by the assigned deadline. A copy of the student's high school transcript and proof of acceptance at an accredited college or university must be attached to the application.

Stillman Bank is pleased to be able to offer this scholarship, which has gone to a number of deserving young men and women over the last 24 years. For more information about Stillman Bank, please visit www.stillmanbank.com.



Ally Abel



Katelyn Byerley



Olivia Kerr



Abby Lundquist

Library holding drawing to exhibition vouchers

BYRON – The Byron Public Library District is pleased to announce the opportunity for a lucky drawing winner to obtain a voucher for two free tickets to Hamilton: The Exhibition.

The exhibition on Chicago's North-erly Island opened on May 28 and will continue through Aug. 28. The drawing will take place on Wednesday, June 26 at 1 p.m. at the beginning of the library program, Yesterday Once More.

Drop your name and contact information in daily at BPLD for increased chances to win!

Learn more about Hamilton: The

Exhibition – The revolutionary Inter-active Experience

Alexander Hamilton's remarkable story inspired millions of Americans. Now, you can see it through his eyes in this 360-degree immersive museum exhibition from the creators of the revolutionary musical.

Featuring interactive games and displays, lifelike projections, full-scale statues, and Instagram-worthy art installations, Hamilton: The Exhibition takes visitors deeper into Alexander Hamilton's life as it chronicles the American Revolution and the creation of the United States of America.

Underscored by a brand-new, 27-piece orchestral recording of the music from Hamilton, the exhibition also features an audio tour narrated by the musical's author, Lin-Manuel Miranda, along with Phillipa Soo and Christopher Jackson, who played Eliza Schuyler and George Washington in the original Broadway production.

For \$39.50 a ticket, Hamilton: The Exhibition is the perfect opportunity for the entire family to experience the full story of Alexander Hamilton and the inspiring founding of our nation. See it. Live it.

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Memorial walk, run is July 4

MOUNT MORRIS – Join the Mount Morris community along with people from across the U.S. for the 16th Annual Lois Nelson Memorial Walk and Fun Run this year as “Pound the Pavement” begins on July 4, at 9 a.m. at Dillehay Park in Mount Morris.

Last year more than 200 walkers/runners, bikers and strollers joined along with 60 sponsors to support the walk.

This family friendly and now traditional 4th of July community event is also a fundraiser for Northwest Illinois Special Olympics, as Lois worked with developmentally disabled adults as her vocation and also supporting the Let Freedom Ring

Festival. Pound the Pavement is a scenic walk/fun run that travels approximately 4 miles around the streets of Mount Morris. It followed the route that Lois walked every day, in any kind of weather.

More than \$12,000 was raised last year with total proceeds over the past years exceeding \$110,000 and allocated to the above organizations.

See the registration in this paper to sign up or become a sponsor for the walk. Sponsorships are due by June 24th for inclusion on the event shirt.

Questions? Please contact Brittany Drozd at 815-973-4939 or bnelson85@gmail.com

Forest Preserve District hosting a murder mystery dinner June 14

BYRON – The Byron Forest Preserve District and the Northern Illinois Players Troupe will be hosting a custom “Murder in the Museum Mystery Dinner” at the Jarrett Prairie Center Museum, 7993 North River Road in Byron on Friday, June 14 beginning at 6 p.m.

Come celebrate the union of the Underwood and Highborn families when something sinister happens to a member of the wedding party at their reception. Guests

are asked to come dressed for a wedding and help solve the crime.

The cost for the Mystery Dinner is \$35 per person and includes a delicious buffet meal catered by Hazel’s Café of Oregon. A cash bar will also be available. Guests will be arranged at tables of eight people.

This program is designed for ages 12 and up. Advanced registration is required as seating is limited by calling 815 234-8535, Ext. 200.



John Deere Historic Site kicks off season of special events

GRAND DETOUR – The John Deere Historic Site kicks off its season of special events with its annual Music & Crafting Through Time Festival on Sunday, June 23 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

This event pairs the entertainment of local musicians with a variety of pioneer-era crafters and artisans demonstrating and selling their wares. Attendees will learn about candle making, basket weaving, broom making, quilting, tating, and soap making.

Children of all ages can also participate in a variety of old-fashioned games like hoop rolling, graces, and potato sack races.

“Our Music & Crafting Through Time Festival is a great opportunity to have some fun, the old-fashioned way,” said Kristen Veto, manager for the John Deere Historic Site. “In addition to enjoying a relaxing day of listening to local musicians and learning about pioneering crafts, guests can also

experience everything the Historic Site has to offer, including demonstrations by our blacksmith and guided tours of John Deere’s home.”

The performance schedule for the day includes rock and blues musician, Robbie Leblanc from 10 a.m.-noon. and easy rock band, Burn N’ Bush from 1-3 p.m. Crafting demonstrations will take place throughout the day.

A hot dog vendor and ice cream truck will be on site for the day but picnic baskets are also welcomed. Attendees should know that alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the grounds. Guests are also encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chairs to the event.

Other special events at the Historic Site this season include:

Green Iron Days, Aug. 2-4 – This unique biennial event brings together vintage tractor owners displaying their legendary John Deere machines. A special parade will be held Aug. 3 at 7 p.m.

Fall Festival, Oct. 12 – A celebration of the harvest season where kids can decorate pumpkins, bob for apples, ride in a covered wagon or visit with farm animals.

The John Deere Historic Site is a free attraction and is open seasonally, March through December. Located in Grand Detour, the site is the original Illinois homestead of John Deere and is the location where he built his first successful “self-scouring” steel plow. It was recently named one of Illinois’ top historic sites by the Illinois Bicentennial Commission. Gates open daily, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Saturday, Noon- 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is always free.

For more information about the Music & Crafting Through Time Festival or the John Deere Historic Site, go to www.VisitJohnDeere.com, call 815-652-4551 or email JohnDeereHistoricSite@JohnDeere.com.





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Ogle County Farm Bureau hosting defensive driving course

OREGON – The Ogle County Farm Bureau will be hosting a Defensive Driving Course on July 23 and 24, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Ogle County Farm Bureau Building, 421 W Pines Rd, in Oregon.

Both days must be attended to receive the certification. The registration fee of \$10 covers course materials and lunch both days.

The course is open to people 55 and older who are auto policy holders. Those completing the course may be eligible for a discount on their auto insurance.

This program was developed by the National Safety Council and will be taught by safety specialist, Doug Sommer, Pekin, Illinois. The course is very informative, entertaining and relevant to today's driving environment

and standards. An examination is not required to complete the course or receive certification.

Reservations are required and class size is limited. Call the Ogle County Farm Bureau@ 815-732-2231 to make your reservation or for more information.

This program is open only to Farm Bureau members and COUNTRY Financial insureds.

Quilt guild to meet June 17 in Forreston

FORRESTON – Country Crossroads Quilt Guild will meet on June 17 with a "Meet and Greet" from 6:30-7 p.m. with refreshments.

Beginning at 7 p.m. our program for the evening will be «Designing Fabric» presented by Monique Jacobs, of Loves Park, IL. Her quilt design business, Open Gate, steered her career toward a national audience. She has designed over 150 patterns and 5 quilt rulers (Fit to be Geese). She has designed six

different fabric lines with Maywood Studio. Her latest collection is Coastal Chic Batiks.

Guild meetings are held at the Forreston Grove Church, 7246 Freeport Road; Forreston, the third Monday of each month. Visitors are charged a fee of \$5 at the door. Anyone interested in the joy of quilting and the inspiration of Quilt Guilds are welcome to join us. For more detailed information call Deb at 779-348-1638 or Beth at 815-732 7808.



Baker earns veterinary scholarship

ANKENY, Iowa –The Iowa Veterinary Medical Association (IVMA) is pleased to announce that Kimberlee Baker, originally of Stillman Valley, is the recipient of the 2019 IVMA Recruitment Scholarship for \$2,000 and the 2019 IVMA Foundation Sports and Field Day Community Engagement Scholarship for \$1,000.

Baker graduated Summa Cum Laude from Iowa State University with a degree in Animal Science in December of 2014. She recently

completed her third year at Iowa State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. She is also working on her Veterinary Preventative Medicine Master's degree with a research focus on preventing PEDV and PRRSV infections in swine herds.

After obtaining her DVM in 2020, Baker hopes to find a position as a swine veterinarian in Southeast Iowa where she can apply both her veterinary and research skills to help producers produce safe and affordable pork.

She is married to Kyle Baker, originally of Mediacapolis, Iowa.

She is the daughter of Bruce and Laurel Gerardy of Stillman Valley.

The Iowa Veterinary Medical Association (IVMA) is a 501c3 non-profit, member-service organization dedicated to the veterinary profession. The IVMA supports member veterinarians and promotes the profession through continuing education, publications and advocacy.



Building a stage

Veteran Chaplain John Tuttle helps Hands On Oregon volunteers Lee Hadick and Rick Ryland pour the foundation for Veterans Stage underneath the flag at Conover Square. The stage needs to be finished by June 15, the opening of Rockin' River Fest. A Flag Day celebration honoring the flag will be held at 11:30 a.m. before the official opening of the festival. Kayla Throw and Kai Jacobs, both 8th graders, will be telling the story behind the creation of our national anthem. To donate to Veterans Stage, please send checks to Hands On Oregon, PO Box 244, Oregon, IL 61061.



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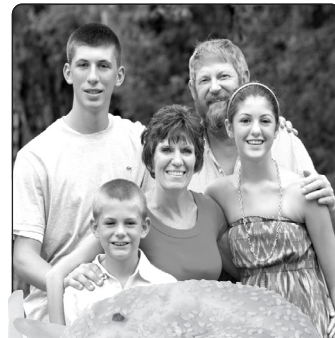
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Ogle County Sheriff

June 4

At 12:48 p.m. the Ogle County Sheriff's Office, Leaf River Fire Department, and the Leaf River Ambulance responded to a one vehicle rollover accident with injuries in the 400 blk. E 3rd St. Leaf River. A blue Dodge Caravan was westbound on 3rd St. when the vehicle crossed over into the east bound lane and into the south side ditch striking an embankment. The vehicle continued westbound in the ditch striking a utility pole and tree before rolling over in the ditch and coming to a stop on its side. The driver, Michael P. Remhof, 65 of Leaf River was extricated from the vehicle by the Leaf River Fire Department and then transported to Swedish American Hospital by the Leaf River Ambulance with minor injuries. Remhof was arrested for failure to reduce speed and driving under the influence. Remhof was given an I bond at the hospital with a July court date.

At 3:23 p.m., Ogle COounty Sheriff's Deputies responded to a one vehicle rollover accident at the intersection of Stillman Rd and Holcomb Rd. A blue Dodge Dart was northbound on Stillman Rd. when the driver DC Robert Hitchcock, 32, of Oregon swerved to miss an animal causing the vehicle to enter the east side ditch and roll over into a field. After a further investigation Hitchcock was arrested for Failure to Reduce speedt to avoid an accident and

Driving under the Influence. Hitchcock was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he posted bond and was given a July court date.

June 3

Ogle County Sheriff's Office received a call of a two vehicle crash with injuries at the intersection of Holcomb Rd and Meridian Rd. After an investigation it was determined that Beverly Lamkey of Holcomb stopped at the intersection but then failed to yield for oncoming traffic. She continued west into the intersection and struck a pickup truck headed north. The driver of the truck was transported to Swedish American hospital with severe but no life-threatening injuries. The OCSO was assisted by LSR and Stillman Valley Fire Departments.

The following people were arrested for Ogle County Outstanding Warrants:

William C. Smalley, 48, of Rockford for Failure to Appear. Smalley had a bond of \$100. Smalley was relased from the Ogle County jail on a \$1000 recog. Smalley will return to court on 06/24/19 at 9 a.m.

Jerry A. Lane-Barry, 36, of Rockford for Failure to Appear. Lane-Barry had a bond of \$1550.85. Lane-Barry was relased from the Ogle County jail on a \$1,000 recog. Lane-Barry will return to court on 06/24/19 at 9 a.m.

June 2

At approximately 5:40 p.m., Deputies responded to a single vehicle accident at the intersection of Hoisington Rd. and Water Rd. After a short investigation Deputies identified the male driver as Daniel T. O'neill, 39 of Pecatonica. O'neill was traveling south bound on Hoisington Rd. where he failed to stop at a stop sign, traveling through the intersection of Hoisington Rd. and Water Road where O'neill exited the south side of the road way. O'neill was then transported via Byron EMS to the Swedish American Hospital. O'neill was then placed into custody for Driving Under the influence of Alcohol and issued citations for Failure to Stop at an Intersection, Failure to Wear Seat Belt, Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign, Reckless Driving and Operate an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. O'neill was issued a \$3,000.00/10% Individual Bond, with a return court date of 06-26-2019 at 9 a.m. at the Ogle County Court House and left in the care of Swedish American Hospital.

June 1

At approximately 7:23 p.m., Deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident. After investigation, Deputies discovered an eastbound vehicle driven by Sean Powers, 46 of Ashton IL, struck westbound vehicle Keri Spinelli- Wittenauer, 26 of Amboy. Deputies were assisted by Ashton EMS and both parties were transported to

Rochelle Community Hospital where they were treated for minor injuries. Powers was charged with Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicating Compounds and Driving on a Revoked License. The accident remains under investigation.

At 11:38 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop at Rte 72 and Triumph Rd. on a Gray Infiniti coup for one head light. After making contact with the driver Mark A. Velte, 25 of Leaf River, and conducting a short investigation, Deputies arrested Velte for Possession of 10 to 30 grams of Cannabis. Velte was issued a citation for Improper Head Light/One Head Lamp. Velte was then taken into custody and transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

Mat 31

At 9:23 p.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the area of 2800 W. IL Rt. 72 for a two-vehicle crash. After an investigation it was determined Stanley Josephitis, 43 of Forreston, had crossed over the center line traveling westbound, striking another vehicle traveling eastbound. Josephitis was arrested for Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol. Josephitis was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond. All parties involved in the crash refused medical treatment.

Byron Police report

May 24

Byron Police investigated an accident with no injuries that occurred in the 300 block of E. Blackhawk. Involved were Tyler Burke, 21 of Oregon, and Rodney Kramer, 61 of Rockford. Burke was issued a citation for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident.

Cameron Kasicki, 18 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Sign.

Cyndel Hasler, 21 of Justice, was issued citations for Failure to Yield to an Emergency Vehicle, Possession of Cannabis <10 Grams, and two citations for Possession of Paraphernalia.

May 25

Michael Bishop, 46 of Twin Lakes, Wisconsin, was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

James Lambert, 23 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

May 26

Jacek Lichonczak, 34 of Chicago, was issued a citation for Speeding 49 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

May 28

Crystal Frisk, 34 of Byron, was issued a citation for Speeding 51 mph in a 35 mph Zone.

May 29

Byron Police arrested Kelly Lee, 54 of Byron, for Disorderly Conduct, a Class 4 Felony. Lee was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

May 30

Melissa St. John, 41 of Byron, was issued a citation for Speeding 53 mph in a 35 mph Zone.

Lucy Grant, 52 of Byron, was issued a citation for Speeding 45 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

May 31

Byron Police arrested Madeline Prax, 19 of Byron; Kennedy Pruitt, 18 of Byron, and Frank McCoy Jr., 19 of Leaf River, for Unlawful Consumption of Alcohol. Prax was also issued a citation for No Registration Light. All were released and must appear in court on June 24, 2019.

Teresa Barrientos, 59 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Sign.

Jahlen Bell, 19 of Sterling, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Light.

June 3

Kirk White Jr., 29 of Chicago, was issued a citation for Speeding 44 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

June 4

David Sharpe, 22 of Rockford, was issued a citation for No Valid Registration.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., June 10

Bug Show at the Byron Library, 10-11 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. for all ages. Crosstown Exotics dives into the creepy crawly world of insects and arachnids. Enjoy an interactive hands-on presentation, followed by a bug exhibit so you can get a really close look at all of the critters. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Tues., June 11

Heartache Tonight, an Eagles concert experience, Oregon Park West, 1402

Koontz Place, Oregon at the amphitheatre, 7 p.m.

Weds., June 12

Walking Group will meet 6-7 p.m. at The Serenity Home, 1658 S IL RT 2, Oregon. We will meet in the back parking lot. Please call our office by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, if you plan to attend.

Fri., June 14

C.A.F.E. (coffee & friends etc.) will meet 9-10 a.m. at The Serenity Shed, 131 N. 3rd St, Oregon. This group is open to all adult bereaved in the community. Please call our office by 4 p.m. on Thurs-

day, if you plan to attend.

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.

The Mount Morris Jamboree will feature Lyle Grobe and the Rhythm Ramblers at the band shell at 7 p.m.

Sat., June 15

Rockin' River Fest, Oregon, a festival for the entire family. Gates open at noon, with children under 12 free of charge, ages 13-17 are \$3, and

adults are \$5. Entry points are at Washington and Second Streets, and at Franklin and Second Street.

Sun., June 16

The Byron Forest Preserve District will offer the first of their free Summer Concerts on The Deck with Stillman Valley native Dan Hagemann starting at 7 p.m. at the Jarrett Prairie Center Museum's Overlook Deck, 7993 North River Road in Byron.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On June 30, 1859, Emile Blondin becomes the first daredevil to walk across Niagara Falls on a tightrope. The feat was witnessed by some 5,000 spectators. Blondin wore pink tights and a yellow tunic, and carried a balancing pole.

* On June 26, 1917, during World War I, the first 14,000 U.S. infantry troops land in France. By the war's end on Nov. 11, 1918, more than 2 million American soldiers had served on the battlefields of Western Europe, and more than 50,000 lost their lives.

* On June 25, 1950, in one of the greatest soccer upsets of all time, an American team composed largely of amateurs defeats its more polished English opponents, 1-0, at the World Cup in Brazil. Assembled just days before the match, the U.S. team included a dishwasher, two mailmen, a teacher and a mill worker.

* On June 29, 1964, two dozen New Zealand Army engineers arrive in Saigon as a token of that country's support for the American effort in South Vietnam.

* On June 28, 1972, President Richard Nixon announces that no more draftees will be sent to Vietnam unless they volunteer for such duty. He also announced that a force of 10,000 troops would be withdrawn by Sept. 1, which would leave a total of 39,000 in Vietnam.

* On June 27, 1988, heavyweight champion Mike Tyson knocks out challenger Michael Spinks with a left hook in the first round. The match lasted just 91 seconds.

* On June 24, 1997, Air Force officials release a 231-page report dismissing long-standing claims of an alien spacecraft crash 50 years earlier in Roswell, New Mexico. The UFO rumors began in 1947 when a rancher found shiny material scattered on his land. The Air Force said it was a downed weather balloon.

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Public pogo sticks? Not a good idea

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



There was always that one kid.

He was the kid who would try anything, especially if it involved at least a little danger. And back when I was a kid, a lot of things were dangerous.

First off, our parents told us to go outside and play – even when it was 115 degrees. Even when we planned on shooting at each other with BB guns.

“See you when the sun goes down,” mom would say. And I couldn’t have been happier.

Our parents did anything but hover over us. There were no arranged play dates, or organized “events” for us. It was go out, find your buddies and make some mischief.

Mike was always good for that because he always had some contraption that would get us certainly hurt, and possibly really hurt. Thankfully, it was usually short of being maimed for life.

For example, he had stilts that we all used to try. And

when I say try, what I really mean is use for about two steps and then tumble to the ground. And by ground, I mean the road.

Mike had nice store-bought stilts. He could walk around on them for hours. I decided to build my own, so I went in the backyard and rummaged through my dad’s wood pile. Every dad has a wood pile, right? After finding the suitable lumber and banging some rudimentary stilts together with rusty nails, I proceeded to fall all

over the yard, driveway and street in an attempt to walk on those things. My mom barely noticed, of course. But my older brother did, and after a good mocking got up on my wobbly stilts and walked all over the place.

What a jerk.

Mike was also the master of the pogo stick, and that is why I have been thinking about this. I read recently that a Sweden-based startup company is planning to “deploy” hundreds of pogo sticks in certain U.S. cities. The thought of young professionals trying to use a pogo stick to navigate American cities is enough to make me want to go into the insurance business.

Yes, this is just a bad idea. Why? Because using a pogo stick is hard. Very, very hard. When I would watch Mike pogo around like a fool back in 1973, it looked easy. Then I tried and nearly broke every bone in my body.

It is not easy.

Unless you are Mike.

In fact, I can’t remember

any of my friends in the neighborhood being very good at using the pogo stick besides Mike. So, some millennial with a man bun who still talks to his mom twice a day and went to a vegan preschool is going to suddenly jump on a pogo stick to go grab sushi with his friends?

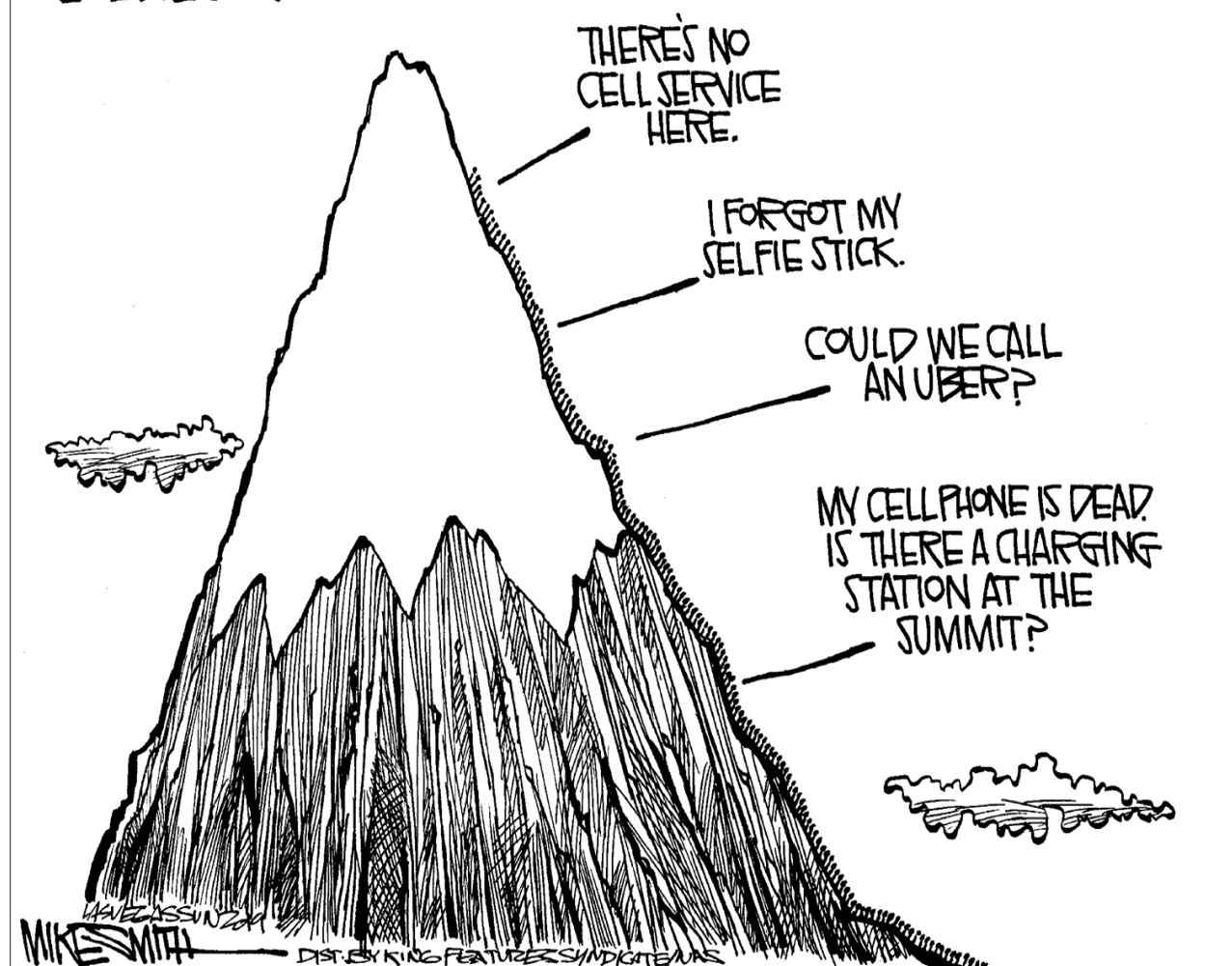
Honestly, I would love to see it. It will be carnage. Grown men and women will be crying in the streets of San Francisco and Dallas and New York and wherever they drop these bouncing devil sticks.

I myself am now focused on my own startup that will bring stilts to select cities across the U.S. After that launch, it will be go carts that adults can ride to the new lawn dart leagues I plan to start.

Listen, this is a generation of people who would bruise their fingers using a rotary phone. Are we really going to trust them with pogo sticks?

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.

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Thank you for Chana school sale success

Dear Editor,

The Chana School Museum's annual rummage sale was an event that brought many folks out regardless of the bad weather. There were smiles on many faces as young and old found treasures to take home.

The funds raised this year were the greatest yet of the 20-plus years of organizing and running the sale. The Oregon Coliseum was packed to just about overflowing with a variety of items. Thanks to Kathy and George Bouska there was an enormous offering of teaching materials for teachers and parents. Plants sold quickly and were donated to the sale by Tim and Penny O'Rourke, Earlyne Warmolts, Jennifer Kaffenbarger, and Connie Stauffer.

This event was a success for several reasons. First, it generated funds that help maintain the old 1883 schoolhouse. The Chana School Museum runs totally on donations and grants. Volunteers saved the school, restored it, run programs for children, and maintain the building. The Chana School is an example of how people once worked together to build such things as a barn for the good of being a good neighbor. The second reason the sale was a success was that there were items brought to the sale that could be used at the museum, such as vintage clothing, office supplies, and a 42" flatscreen TV. The third reason this event was a success was the fact that people met people and had a good time. Everyone enjoyed the community spirit that was generated. Customers were happy getting a super deal. Volunteers gained a remarkable feeling of making a difference by organizing an event, making the selling area well arranged to attract buyers, and providing an opportunity for folks to visit with one another. Volunteers truly had a sense of pride in participating in this community event.

Thanks to the City of Oregon, the Chana School Foundation was able to use the Coliseum again this year for this fundraiser. The location is perfect for people coming into town for groceries and/or other tasks or the folks passing through town using highways 2 and 64 who can easily see that there is an event going on at the Coliseum. The visibility of the Coliseum brings people into this event.

The Chana School Foundation would like to thank all those who gave their support again this year. First, a big thank you to the City of Oregon for allowing the sale to be at the Coliseum. Communication is always important and thanks to the Ogle County Life Newspaper and the Oregon Republican Reporter for their great coverage to get the word out to all their readers. Thanks to Merlin's Greenhouse for their donation. Thank you to all the businesses that allowed posters to be displayed before the May 24 and 25 event.

Of course, the event would not have been possible unless people who were willing to give of their time and energy hadn't done the setup, hauling in, running of the event, cleanup, and take away of left over items. Our great Volunteers were busy for 5 days dealing with various aspects of the event.

Thanks to all those who provided items for the sale. It is amazing that the cast-offs of one person can be a treasure to someone else and even benefit a cause.

What happens to all of the things that didn't sell? We had a plan for that. The leftover

books went to the Oregon Library book sale. School supplies went to the Oregon Elementary School. Shoes went to the DLR Junior High School. Clothing went to Life Line in Oregon. Items were taken to Rock River Center for their benefit in August. Blankets found their way to the Chana Methodist Church for quilt making. All the rest of the things were given to the Bright Beginnings Nursery School in Byron for their fundraiser.

Thank you all for your support!

Connie Stauffer, Oregon



High number of military training deaths a concern

Dear Editor,

On Memorial Day, I discovered a little known – and disturbing – fact. Starting in 2015, military training deaths have been outpacing combat deaths every year.

The most recent available numbers from 2017 had the ratio at 4 training deaths to 1 in a war zone, according to a report by the House Armed Services Committee.

We've heard nothing from members of Congress nor the current Administration to try to rectify this for our men and women in uniform. This may be due to the passing of Senator John McCain, who was an ardent supporter of our troops.

Sincerely,
Pam Farris, Rochelle

Bread of Life has June 20 distribution

STILLMAN VALLEY – Due to a fire at Valley Covenant Church, where Bread of Life is based, all regular distribution times have been cancelled until further notice.

There will be a mobile pantry in the parking lot behind Valley Covenant on June 20 from 4-6 p.m. A July date is not decided. Distribution times and contact information will be posted outside the church. We regret the inconvenience this causes and we continue to be dedicated to providing food to our friends and neighbors in Ogle County.

Bread of Life is a food pantry and soup kitchen serving residents of Ogle County and Meridian School District. We meet at Valley Covenant Church on the corner of North Maple Street and Route 72, in Stillman Valley.

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Forest Preserve District hosting deck concert

BYRON – The Byron Forest Preserve District will offer the first of their free Summer Concerts on The Deck with Stillman Valley native Dan Hagemann on Sunday, June 16 starting at 7 p.m. at the Jarrett Prairie Center Museum's Overlook Deck, 7993 North River Road in Byron.

Come enjoy the instrumentals and vocals of this popular Nashville-based singer-songwriter.

The entire Summer Concerts on the Deck Series is sponsored by Byron Bank. For more information call the Byron Forest Preserve District at 815 234-8535, Ext. 200 or visit their website at www.byronforestpreserve.com.

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Carefree 4-H club has busy April, May

This report is from the Carefree 4-H club's April 8th and May 13th meetings.

We continued to work on our community service project making blankets for the Ronald McDonald House. Anna Marquardt is organizing our pampered chef fundraiser. For our national 4-H day of service, we are collecting plastic bags to make a bench. Our club is also working on the landscaping by our bench at the fairgrounds. The May birthdays are Brenna Berns, Anna Marquardt, Bode Martin, Olivia Thomas, and Ulta Zabran.

The talk demos were done by A.J. Cisketti on how to sharpen a knife, Molly Ziegler on the basics of showing a dog in an obedience trial, Olivia Thomas on how to make a snack mix, Brenna Noon shared her goals for showing dairy cows, Adam Glendening on how to make a metal rose, Faith Marquardt showed how to do a latch hook kit, Gracie Prose shared how to tie well for a test, R.G. Hough talked about basic camera taking skills, and Jackson Glendening demonstrated how to tie your shoe well.

Our next meeting is June 10.

– Submitted by Molly Ziegler

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UW-La Crosse announces spring 2019 Dean's List

LA CROSSE, Wis. – The following area students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse for the spring semester of the 2018-19 academic year, ending May 2019. Qualification for the Dean's List is limited to students who have attained outstanding academic achievement. To be eligible, students must have earned not less than a 3.5 semester grade point average and carried a minimum of 12 credits.

Students on the Dean's List from this area include: Davis Junction – Leah Griesbach, Archaeological Studies Major: Cultural Anthropology Emphasis.

Polo – Emalie Gunder, Public Health and Community Health Education Major.

Stillman Valley – Grace Tarara, Biology Major: Biomedical Science Concentration; Amber Zolner, Biology Major: Biomedical Science Concentration.

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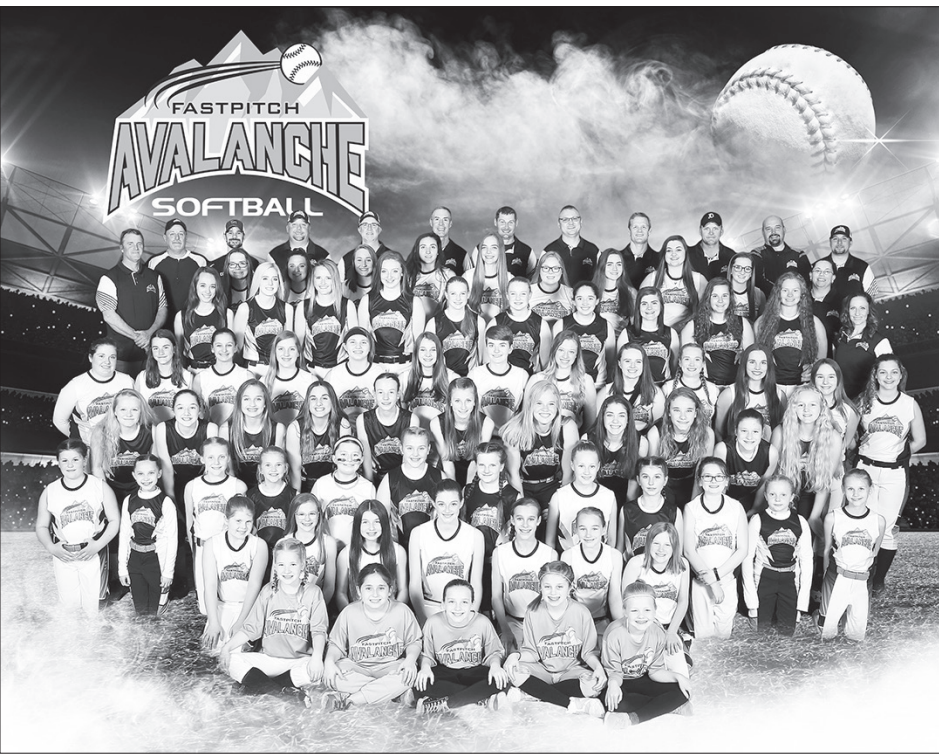
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Avalanche softball program enjoying success on the diamond

Avalanche Fastpitch has grown to seven teams and over 80 players and experienced great success as an organization (left photo). The Avalanche 14U NR group finished in second place at the School's Out Tournament in Morrison recently (right photo). The team includes Elizabeth Mois, Ava Wight, Reilee Suter, Abigail Rogers, Sophia Morisson, Kris Johns, Jess Johns, Olivia Wynn, Addi Miley, Shawn Lynch, Kaidynce Lynch, Gracen Pitts and Nate Rogers. (Courtesy photos)

RCH offering sports physicals at Rochelle Township HS

ROCHELLE — Rochelle Community Hospital will be offering Sports Physicals on Tuesday, July 9 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at

Rochelle Township High School. Any high school, middle school or Rochelle Junior Tackle athlete is invited to schedule an ap-

pointment. Also included with the physical is a free physical therapy assessment offered by MOI Rehabilitation Services staff. The cost

is \$35, cash or check only. No insurance will be accepted. To make an appointment, call 815-562-2181 and dial "0". Walk-ins are

also welcome. We'd like to remind parents that this physical does not meet the requirements for incoming 6th graders or

freshman school physicals. Some physicians include the sports physical as part of the school physical—check with your doctor's office.



Pictured above are Melisa Young, Regan Underwood, Lexi Dienberg, Mackenzie Luchsinger, Kaitlyn Kobilsek, coach Ruben Mays, Chrissy Stark, Jordyn Dickey, Anna Hagemann, Sawyer McGee, coach Matt Newman, Arianna Smith, Ashley Knight, Kierstyn Mays and manager William Luchsinger.

Express Fastpitch 16U takes second at Swing Into Summer Tournament

EAST TROY, Wisc. — This past weekend, the Davis Junction Express Fastpitch 16U competed in the Lady Legends Swing Into Summer Tournament held in East Troy, Wisconsin where the girls took home the second place trophy.

Express lost its second-round game to the Hartford Velocity but fought its way back through the losers bracket to make it to the championship game where the girls again faced the Hartford Velocity. Express pitcher Anna Hagemann gave up only two hits in the championship game but that was enough for the Velocity to

capitalize on.

Express fell behind in the third inning of that game only to tie it up in the top of the sixth. Express catcher Arianne Smith's pick off play at first in the last seconds of regulation play sent the game into extra innings and invoked international tie breaker play.

After two rounds (innings) of international tiebreaker play, Express fell again to the Velocity in a heartbreaking loss 3-2. Express played six games on Sunday, going 4-2 and out scoring their opponents 45-9, including three shutout games.

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RRC announces activities

Blood drive

The Rock River Center, 810 South 10th Street in Oregon, is hosting a Community Blood Drive on Friday, June 14. Staff from the Rock River Valley Blood Center will draw blood between 9 a.m. to 3 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 is the sole supplier of blood and related services to Beloit Memorial Hospital, Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, FHN, Javon Bea Hospital-Rockton, Javon Bea Hospital-Riverside, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rochelle Community Hospital, SwedishAmerican, SwedishAmerican Medical Center-Belvidere and SwedishAmerican Regional Cancer Center. RRVBC needs to collect approximately 1000 units each week to meet area patient needs.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact the Rock River Center at 815-732-3252.

You can contact the Rock River Valley Blood Center (RRVBC) at 815/965-8751; toll free at 877-RRVBC-99 or on the web at www.rrvbc.org.

Wednesday, June 12 – Anderson Japanese Gardens Tour

- * 1-1/2 to 2 hr. Guided Full Gardens Tour
- * A flat path tour is available for those with limited mobility
- * Lunch at DQ Grill and Chill – on your own
- * \$15 pp/ covers guided tour, transportation and activity fee.
- * Registration and payment at RRC required by June 10

Noontime Knowledge, Thursday, June 20

Rock River Center, 815-732-3252 or events@rockrivercenter.org

Buffet Lunch served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Outdoor grilling with sides & a drink: \$8 per person

(Carry-outs available); Reservations by June 18

Stay if you wish at noon for Dr. Carri Anderson, Al-

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First Day of Summer Ice Cream Social

We will kick off the first day of summer with an Ice Cream Social! It will be held at Rock River Center; 810 S. 10th Street, on Friday, June 21, from 1-3 p.m.

Ice Cream will be served at 1 p.m., while supplies last. Your entertainment for the afternoon is Denny Jacobs and Mike Bratt.

The ice cream will be provided. Attendees should bring an unopened, packaged topping of their choice. There is no charge to attend, however a free will donation is appreciated.

Reservation deadline is June 14. Call the Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

MyMedicare.gov

Have you signed up to use MyMedicare.gov? If not, you may want to consider doing so. Through this web site you can access your personal Medicare related information. For example, you can:

- * check to see the status of your new Medicare Card. Look for the message, “your card is in the mail”

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Plus, just as with signing up for a MySocialSecurity account, when you sign up for a MyMedicare.gov account, it keeps scammers from using your information to sign up for an account.

If you would like help signing up for a MyMedicare.gov or a MySocialSecurity account, we can help you. Just call us at Rock River Center, 815-732-3252, or 800-541-5479.

Veteran's Assistance Available in Oregon at Rock River Center

A Veteran's Service Officer is available at Rock River Center on the 2nd and 4th 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 3-4 p.m. 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 10-11:30 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 2-3 p.m. 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 12:00 pm at Rock River Center.

Swing choir to perform in Mount Morris

MOUNT MORRIS – The Swing Choir Tour from Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center (LOMC) in Oregon, will be performing on Friday, June 21, at Mount Morris Senior Center, 9 E. Front St.

The performance will begin at 5 p.m. The LOMC Swing Choir is made up of young people in grades 9-12 from Illinois. They are under the direction of Chris Parkinson from Freeport. The choreographer

is Katelin Parkinson from Freeport.

The Swing Choir is on tour for eight days following a week of rehearsals and activities at LOMC. This year they will be traveling throughout central and northern Illinois/Chicago metro area, including a stop in Wisconsin. The LOMC Swing Choir has been performing in churches in the Illinois, Missouri, and Wisconsin areas for thirty years with new members

joining every year. Many youth in this group have been performing together for several years.

LOMC is a ministry of the Central/Southern Illinois, Metropolitan Chicago and Northern Illinois Synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). LOMC is a year-round retreat facility and summer camp. Swing Choir Tour is one of many summer camp pro-

grams offered at LOMC. With its camp and retreat facilities, and 640 acres of forest and prairie, pond and hills, more than 7,000 annual visitors find LOMC a beautiful place to learn and grow in their faith.

For more information about upcoming programs or our facilities, visit the LOMC website at www.lomc.org or call the office at 815-732-2220.

Mount Morris Senior Center has upcoming events, activities

Trip to Galena

On Tuesday, June 18 the Mount Morris Senior Center will be hosting a trip to Galena, and all are welcome to attend. The cost for the trip will be \$50 for members and \$55 for non-members. We will be taking a charter bus from Mount Morris and will have the option of spending time in downtown Galena as well as an option to spend a portion of our time at a winery nearby. Please call 815-734-6335 with any questions you may have or to reserve your spot!

Polish International Meal

Join us for a delicious Polish meal on Tuesday, June 11 at 11:30 a.m. The cost for this meal will be \$8. Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling 815-734-6335. All are welcome!

Ice Cream Social

The Mount Morris Senior Center will be hosting the ice cream social on the campus for the Kable News concert on Wednesday, June 12. All are welcome to attend! If you would like to donate homemade pie to the social please contact Melissa at 815-734-6335 or simply bring the pie to the Senior Center (9 E. Front Street) on the 12th by 4 p.m.

Learn Something New

We are offering a new opportunity to learn something new! This month we will be featuring some new games, and all are welcome to attend. Stop by on Thursday, June 13 at 1 p.m. for refreshments and a new game!

Flag Day

The Mount Morris Senior Center will be celebrating Flag Day with a ceremony honoring Veterans and a light lunch on Friday, June 14 at 11 a.m. All are welcome! An RSVP to 815-734-6335 would be helpful if you plan to attend.

Bingo/Birthday

Join us to celebrate June Birthdays on Wednesday, June 19. Free Bingo will start at 10:30 am with \$6 lunch at 11:30 a.m. Lunch this month will be baked fish, veggies, and rice along with cake and ice cream! Please RSVP to 815-734-6335.

Hand Massage

Stop by the Mt. Morris Senior Center between 10:30 a.m. and noon on Monday, 1h for a free hand massage presented by Crista from doTerra Essential Oils. All are welcome!

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Mt. Morris Senior Center will take place on Thursday, June 20 at 9 a.m. All are welcome to attend.



Johnson to compete in Florida

Maja Johnson, a 2019 Stillman Valley High School graduate, has been selected to compete at the Microsoft Office specialist U.S. National Championship. Because of her exceptionally high score she received on her Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Word 2016 exam, she has been named Illinois's Champion and selected to compete in Certipart's 2019 Microsoft Office Specialist U.S. National Championship at the Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista in Orlando, Florida, June 17-19.

Gronewold makes Dean's List at Edgewood

MADISON, Wis. – Elisabeth Gronewold of Forreton has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester at Edgewood College.

Fulltime undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students who earn a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher are eligible for the Dean's List after completing 24 credit hours of study at Edgewood College.

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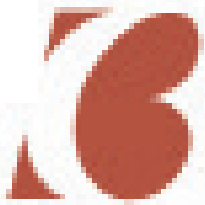
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Forreston High School Honor's Night scholarships winners

On Thursday, May 16, Forreston High School held its annual honor's night. At the honor's night, all 53 seniors were recognized for their academics, athletics, and/or leadership achievements. During the event, \$575,000 was awarded to students who earned scholarships from prospective colleges and local scholarships. Scholarships came from local groups, families, businesses. Below is a listing of award winners:

American Legion Honorable Mention Award – Bailee Fyock, Dalton Becker
American Legion Award – Grace Carr, Hunter Rogers
Bocker Ruff Grain Scholarship – Aaron Wubbena
FFA Alumni Scholarship – Jacob Green, Aiden Kuhn, Brandon Skoglund, Aaron Wubbena
Midwest Tech Institute Scholarship – Mavric Rudy
Adkins Energy Scholarship – Aaron Wubbena
Pearl City Elevator Jim Vondra Memorial Scholarship – Mark DeWall
Whiteside Area Career Center Student Recognition Scholarships – Rachel Metzger, Kaitlyn Mateika
Whiteside Area Career Center Students of the Year – Kayla Peck, Mavric Rudy
Whiteside Area Career Center ECE Intern of the Year – Katrina Stevens
Highland Top Scholars – Bailey Brooks, Grace Carr, Mark DeWall, Jacqueline Ludwig,
Rachel Metzger, Aaron Wubbena
HCC – Ennenga/Holm Memorial Scholarship – Dalton Becker
HCC - H.G. Kable Memorial Scholarship – Avery Schnierla
HCC – Harold D. Walkup Scholarship – Sawyer Wild
HCC – Eduard Buss Business and Technology Scholarship – Aaron Wubbena
HCC – Harold Lee Offenheiser Ecology-Biology Scholarship – Rachel Metzger
The “Ole” Hiteman Scholarship – Dalton Becker
Forreston State Bank – Samantha Greenfield, Aaron Wubbena
Forrestville Valley Youth Network Scholarship – Paige Reubin
Link Family Scholarship – Braedon Fyock, Rachel Metzger, Kayla Peck, Sawyer Wild
Lloyd Folkerts Scholarship – Grace Carr
Harm Smith Scholarship – Evan Kelsey
German Valley Lions Club Scholarship – Delaney Buisker, Kyana Hord
Leaf River Lions Scholarship – Jacqueline Ludwig
Forreston Lions Scholarship – Kyana Hord, Jacqueline Ludwig
Darrell Windle Scholarship – Mavric Rudy
Forreston Music Patrons – Bailee Fyock
Forrestville Valley Education Association Scholarship – Garrett Badertscher
German American State Bank Scholarship – Kayla Peck, Hunter Rogers
Lola Borchers Scholarship – Dalton Becker, Delaney Buisker, Grace Carr, Mark DeWall,
Bailee Fyock, Kyana Hord
James Schneiderman Memorial Scholarship – Dalton Becker, Avery Schnierla
Forrestville Valley Foundation Scholarship – Delaney Buisker, Grace Carr, Timothy Lima,
Hunter Rogers, Sawyer Wild
Beth Amsrud Scholarship – Mark DeWall
Gallagher Engineering, LLC Scholarship – Hunter Rogers
The Drew Crase Memorial Scholarship – Braedon Fyock
Foundation for Focus House Scholarship – Mitchell Heinz
Mike Boomgarden and Family Scholarship – Mitchell Heinz, Sawyer Wild
Rock River Blood Center Scholarship – Cherokee-Jean Pendergrass
Schardt Orthodontics Scholarships – Hunter Rogers
Great Clips Scholarship – Breanna Zipse
Schoon Scholarship – Dalton Becker, Delaney Buisker, Braedon Fyock, Rachel Metzger, Hunter Rogers
Forrestville Valley Administrative Scholarship – Jacob Swanson, Katrina Stevens
Wood Trust Scholarship – Grace Carr, Bailee Fyock, Hunter Rogers
Forreston Sports Boosters Scholarship – Grace Carr, Hunter Rogers
HCC Servant Leaders – Dalton Becker, Bailey Brooks, Grace Carr, Bailee Fyock,
Mitchell Heinz, Hunter Rogers
Academic All-Conference Awards – Bailey Brooks, Dalton Becker, Delaney Buisker,
Grace Carr, Paige Chamberlin, Mark DeWall, Katie Erdmann, James Fisher, Bailee Fyock, Braedon Fyock, Samantha Greenfield, Timothy Lima, Jacqueline Ludwig, Kaitlyn Mateika, Kayla Peck, Hunter Rogers, Jacob Swanson, Sawyer Wild, Aaron Wubbena
Senior Athletic Letter Award – Garrett Badertscher, Dalton Becker, Bailey Brooks,
Delaney Buisker, Grace Carr, Paige Chamberlin, Cailean Davids, Mark DeWall, Trevor Drayton,
Katie Erdmann, James Fisher, Bailee Fyock, Braedon Fyock, Owen Gore, Samantha Greenfield,
Mitchell Heinz, Kyana Hord, Evan Kelsey, Timothy Lima, Jacqueline Ludwig, Kaitlyn Mateika,

Kayla Peck, Cherokee-Jean Pendergrass, Paige Reubin, Hunter Rogers, Mavric Rudy,
Avery Schnierla, Hayden Singley, Katrina Stevens, Jacob Swanson, Derreck Vince,
Sawyer Wild, Aaron Wubbena
Steve Denekas Most Varsity Letters Earned Award – Garrett Badertscher, Katie Erdmann
3-Sport athletes – Garrett Badertscher, Mitchell Heinz, Evan Kelsey, Hunter Rogers, Sawyer Wild
4 Year 3-sport athletes – Garrett Badertscher, Mitchell Heinz, Evan Kelsey, Hunter Rogers
Top Female Athlete of the Class of 2019 – Katie Erdmann
Top Male Athlete of the Class of 2019 – Mitchell Heinz
EverFi Certificates – Collin Austin, Dalton Becker, Bailey Brooks, Ashleigh Brown, Delaney Buisker, Grace Carr, Hannah Cederholm, Paige Chamberlin, Johnathan Cook, Cailean Davids, Mark DeWall,
Katie Erdmann, James Fisher, Marissa Foley, Bailee Fyock, Braedon Fyock, Jacob Green,
Samantha Greenfield, Mitchell Heinz, Kyana Hord, Cody Keller, Evan Kelsey, Aiden Kuhn,
Timothy Lima, Jacqueline Ludwig, Kaitlyn Mateika, Rachel Metzger, Hannah Noble, Jacob Noble, Rebekah Noble, Kayla Peck, Cherokee-Jean Pendergrass, Faith Ralston, Paige Reubin, Hunter Rogers, Mavric Rudy, Avery Schnierla, Rose Shuland, Hayden Singley, Brandon Skoglund, Katrina Stevens,
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Blood Drive Participants – Ashleigh Brown, Dalton Becker, Bailey Brooks, Grace Carr, Paige Chamberlin, Johnathan Cook, Marissa Foley, Jacob Green, Kyana Hord, Cody Keller, Timothy Lima,
Jacqueline Ludwig, Cherokee-Jean Pendergrass, Avery Schnierla, Hayden Singley, Jacob Swanson,
Adam Sutton, Daniel Watter
Excellence Honor Roll Award – Dalton Becker, Delaney Buisker, Paige Chamberlin, James Fisher,
Owen Gore, Jacob Green, Samantha Greenfield, Mitchell Heinz, Kyana Hord, Cody Keller,
Timothy Lima, Hannah Noble, Cherokee-Jean Pendergrass, Daniel Watter, Sawyer Wild, Aaron Wubbena
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Hunter Rogers, Mavric Rudy, Katrina Stevens, Jacob Swanson, Breanna Zipse
1 Year Perfect Attendance Award – Aiden Kuhn, Jacqueline Ludwig, Avery Schnierla
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Daughters of the American Revolution – Grace Carr
Sons of the American Revolution – Dalton Becker
College NOW – Trevor Drayton
Whiteside Area Career Center Students of the month – Owen Gore, Jerome Huenefeld, Cody Keller,
Kayla Peck, Paige Reubin, Mavric Rudy, Katrina Stevens
Illinois State Scholars – Bailey Brooks, Grace Carr, Mark DeWall, Braedon Fyock, Jacqueline Ludwig, Aaron Wubbena
Illinois Principal's Association Award – Grace Carr, Hunter Rogers
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Forreston Honor's Total Achievement – Garrett Badertscher, Hannah Cederholm, Cailean Davids,
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Evan Kelsey, Faith Ralston, Daniel Watter, Sawyer Wild
Forreston Honor's Highest Achievement – Bailey Brooks, Delaney Buisker, Grace Carr, Mark DeWall, Katie Erdmann, Braedon Fyock, Timothy Lima, Jacqueline Ludwig, Kaitlyn Mateika, Rachel Metzger, Hunter Rogers, Jacob Swanson, Aaron Wubbena
Top Ten Percent – Bailey Brooks, Grace Carr, Mark DeWall, Jacqueline Ludwig, Rachel Metzger,
Aaron Wubbena

Forreston High School would also like to say “Thank you” to the Forreston State Bank for sponsoring the EverFi program.

Oregon Park District announces activities

Camp Oh Pea Dee

Our summer camp focuses on emphasizing fun, peer interaction, planned activities, and personal growth. Participants entering K-6th grade will have field trips each Wednesday, swimming each Tuesday and Thursday and visit the splash pad each Friday. On top of this, we will be playing at our local parks, engaging in many sports and outdoor games, themed crafts and so much more! Don't let your child miss out on this amazing, lasting experience! Register and payment are per week. Spots are filling quickly! Register today!

White Pelican: Paddle and picnic

Pack some sandwiches, chips, cold beverages and enjoy a relaxing afternoon on the river! Park and launch at Kiwanis Park in Oregon and take a leisurely float to Castle Rock State Park (1-2 hours). There, take some time to enjoy your lunch and play by the water, and a shuttle will come around to bring you back to start! Cost includes canoe rental (plenty of space for 2 adults and 2 kids or 2-3 adults), paddles, life-jackets, and shuttle. Great way to spend a family day! Fee: \$40 Resident / \$48 Non-Resident per Saturday

Saturday, June 22 @ 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. (Deadline June 15)

Saturday, July 27 @ 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. (Deadline July 20)

Saturday, August 10 @ 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. (Deadline Aug. 3)

Summer meals

We are teaming up with Northern Illinois Food Bank this summer to offer free lunches around town for anyone 18 years and younger.

Monday - noon-1 p.m. @ Lions Park (Hosted by Riverstone Church)

Tuesday - 11:30-1 p.m. @ UNM (Hosted by Oregon United Methodist Church)

Wednesday - noon-1 p.m. @ Lions Park (Hosted by Riverstone Church)

Thursday - noon-1 p.m. @ Mix Park (Hosted Oregon Park District)

Friday - 11:30-1 p.m. @ UNM (Hosted by Oregon United Methodist Church)

Lunches must be eaten on site. Each lunch will follow the USDA standards of a meal. All meals are nut-free and packaged in a nut-free environment. These institutions are equal opportunity providers. For more information call 815-732-3101.

Deep water aerobics

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. Summer classes are Mondays and Saturdays from 9-10 a.m. Drop-ins or 5, 10, or 15 Water Aerobics passes are accepted.

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. Summer classes are Monday-Friday from 8-9 a.m. and Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. Drop-ins or 5, 10, or 15 Water Aerobics passes are accepted.

Twinges

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.

Art in the Park & Pop Up & Play

The Oregon Park District and Presenting Sponsor E.D. Etnyre & Co. bring FREE programs to the parks this summer. Join us for arts and crafts in the park or for organized activities. No need to register, just drop in and enjoy! Join us JUNE 13 for ART IN THE PARK at THE READING NOOK across from Nash between 10-11 a.m. Drop by and make your own slime. You will also get the recipe so that you can make more slime at home. Making slime is a fun learning and play activity.

Concert in the Park

Join us Tuesday, June 11 at Oregon Park West for the 7 p.m. Concert which is free to the community thanks to our generous Sponsor: KSB Clinic. KSB is not only sponsoring great entertainment, but they are providing a light dinner while supplies last for the concert goers. Enjoy music by Heartache Tonight, an Eagles Tribute band.

Farmers Market

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. Buy Local! Buy Fresh! You will find everything from flowers, plants, artisan breads, fresh baked goods, crafts, honey, syrup, jams and jelly, fresh picked produce and so much more. 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. Get a 2019 Summer Permit for only \$30, or a Day Permit for \$10. Now is the time to think about spring planting, profiting from your garden, making homemade craft items, etc. to prepare for the summer market.

Lemonade in the Shade & Flamingo Bingo coming in June to the Reading Nook

Join us every Monday in June and July across from Nash at The Reading Nook for refreshing lemonade and a few games of Bingo. This is a fun activity for all ages and very affordable. \$1 for unlimited lemonade and \$1 per Bingo sheet (2 cards). We start playing at 10 a.m. Winners can choose a gift from the prize table! All proceeds benefit the Youth Scholarship Fund!

Brown bag concert on the Courthouse lawn

Enjoy a fabulous concert on the Courthouse Lawn Friday, June 10, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Thank you Circle G Farms our sponsor for the June 10 Brown Bag. Dina Bach, singer and song writer, is back by popular demand. This lunch on the lawn is fun for all ages. Bring your lawn chair and a lunch from home, or purchase food from one of the on-site food vendors.

Timber + Tribe wood sign workshop

Paint a trendy vertical wood sign (14" x 18") for outdoors to hang on your deck, patio, or near your fire pit. Choose your stain color, your paint color and your saying. Three choices available upon registration. This workshop will be held at Cork & Tap on Friday, June 28, at 6:30 p.m. All supplies are included in the fee. Beverages from Cork & Tap are at your own expense. Register through the Park District early as space is limited. Workshop fee is \$37/Resident or \$44/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is June 20.

Operation Move '19

Operation Move will continue with Fitness at the Park from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 18. Join us at Faiground Park, as we learn how to use the fitness equipment there. Operation Move is a free program and is open to the public. For a complete listing of the events please go to www.oregonpark.org. The program will run through the summer months. This program is sponsored by KSB Wellness. Come join us and have some fun moving summer!

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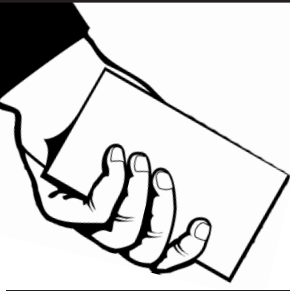
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Park District has upcoming swim classes

OREGON – There is still time to learn to swim this Summer at the Oregon Park District.

All classes start the week of July 8. Level 1-6 meet twice a week for 4 weeks.

Registration is June 24-29. Mark your calendars as no late registration will be taken and classes will fill fast. All classes are taught by certified Starfish Swim Instructors.

Level 1-6 are for ages 3 and up. Also check out our Angelfish Program for swimmers with disabilities or special needs get the assistance they need in our group lessons. Private swim lessons are also available for 30 minutes of one-on one instruction.

Students may choose to focus on specific skills or work on all the skills required to pass a swimming level. Private lessons are for children and adults and are scheduled by the Aquatics Coordinator, Jena Wehmhoefer, jena@oregonpark.org or 815-732-3101.



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RRC to host Dr. Carrie Anderson

OREGON – There will be a Noontime Knowledge program on Thursday, June 20 at Rock River Center in Oregon. A buffet lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Carry outs available – reservations by June 18. At noon, Dr. Carrie Anderson, Alpine Chiropractic, will present “Healthy Eating & Stretching.” Rock River Center is located at 810 S 10th St., Oregon. For information, call 815-732-3252.



Memorial Day service

The Oregon VFW and the Oregon American Legion provided the Memorial Day Service for veterans and citizens of Oregon on May 27. The service started at the two memorials at the Courthouse and continued at Riverside Cemetery for the Memorial Day service.

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Anniversary

Kitson's to celebrate 60 years

OREGON – Cecil and Marge Kitson will be celebrating their 60th anniversary on June 19.



Birthday

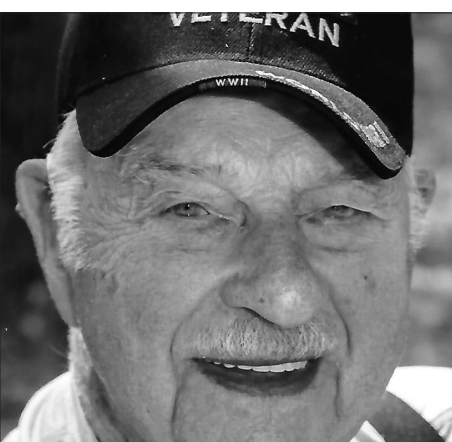
Bob Bennett to celebrate 95th birthday

LEAF RIVER – The family of Robert (Bob) Bennett invites you to a celebration for his 95th Birthday on Saturday, June 15 from noon-4 p.m.

The event will take place at “The Barn on the Hill” at 007 Rt. 72 between Leaf River and Byron.

If you are unable to attend and would like to send a greeting, Bob can be reached at PO Box 154, Leaf River, IL 61047.

Hope to see you June 15.



Bertolet Library News

**A Universe of Stories
Summer Reading Program**
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

This year's summer reading program is all about space. We'll travel to the stars, explore different planets, and train like the astronauts as we enjoy a “Universe of Stories.” Wednesdays program is geared more toward our younger patrons from toddlers to Kindergarten while Thursdays is suitable for explorers in 1st to 5th grade. Each session will have stories, crafts, and activities that will educate and entertain participants. Plan now to attend!

Create-a-Card with Jessie
Saturday, June 15, 9:30 a.m.

Whether you're making cards for a birthday, wedding, or baby shower, Jessie Ross can help with creative suggestions and valuable pointers. She provides the know-how and we provide all the necessary supplies. Registration is not required for this program. Just stop in and start creating!

Noah's Ark Animal Workshop
Tuesday, July 2, 10:30 a.m.

In conjunction with the Summer Reading Program, we will be hosting a Noah's Ark Animal Workshop for children. Come hear a story and then create your own stuffed dog or bear. Registration for this program is required. Please call 815-738-2742 by June 11th with any questions or to sign up and choose which furry friend you'd like to make.

Seed Catalog

Planning your garden for this year? Stop in and look through all the seeds we have available here at the library. Thanks to a generous donation from the University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners, we are able to offer many varieties of seeds at no charge. We have a little bit of everything from acorn squash to zucchini so come by and get what you need!

Plastic Recycling

Ogle Jolly 4-H Club would like to earn a bench so we are once again collecting film-type plastic. Shopping bags, sandwich bags, bread wrappers, or any bag-type plastic is acceptable. Wrap from new furniture (especially mattresses) and appliances are also welcome. All plastic must be clean, dry, and free of food residue. Please do not bring hard plastic as that is not allowed in this program. Thanks for your help!

Julia Hull Library News



Our Young Critics Book Club (Julia Hull District Library, Stillman Valley) recently met to discuss Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute by Jarrett J. Krosoczka.

Summer Reading Challenge (All Ages)

Come one, come all to the reading event of the summer! Kids (Ages 2-10) can complete a reading picture (5 books), & win a prize each week! Tweens, Teens and Adults (Ages 11+) can complete a review form for each book they complete, for a chance to win fabulous prizes. Drawings held weekly! Forms available at the library: Memorial Day-July 19.

Summer Storytimes

Step Right Up... for one (or more!) of our fun and engaging weekly storytimes. Babies & Books (ages 0-24 months) meets Wednesday at 10 a.m. Terrific Ts! (ages 2-3 years) meets Fridays at 10 a.m. And our Big Kid Storytime (ages 4-8 years) meets Thursdays at 10 a.m. No registration required. Newcomers always welcome.

Summer Sunset

The beach is calling...and we must go! Monday, June 10 at 6 p.m., we'll learn to paint a simple summer beach sunset, step-by-step, no experience required. All materials supplied. Adults. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Read A Book, Meet the Author!

We'll gather to discuss award winning author, Abby Geni's, *The Lightkeepers* on Friday, June 14, 10 a.m.-noon. The following Friday, June 21 at 1 p.m., we'll chat with Abby via Skype! She'll share stories, talk about the research and writing of her book, and answer all our pressing questions. Copies of the reading available upon registration. Registration required.

Teen No-Talent Show

Prepare for the worst show in town. Always wanted to be a circus performer? Great, here's your chance! Can't juggle, walk a tightrope, or lift heavy objects? Perfect, neither can we! Come for a show that's all fun and no talent. Please have a “talent” prepared beforehand. Monday, June 17 at 6 p.m. Ages 13-18. Registration required.

Young Critics Book Club (YCBC)

Pick up a copy of Don Tate's *Strong as Sandow*, then join fellow young critics on

Tuesday, June 18 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.

Planning Your European Vacation

Have you always wanted to travel Europe, but don't know how or where to start? Joanna and Wayne are back on Monday, June 24 at 6 p.m. with nuts and bolts information covering everything from planning to packing, to successfully navigating European culture. They'll also recommend destinations, based on interests, so you make the most of your precious time and travels. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Balloon Art Workshop With Holly Nagel

Have you ever wanted to make balloon animals just like a clown, but didn't know where to start? Then, Step Right Up...and join us for a hands-on Balloon Art Workshop with balloon expert, Holly Nagel, on Tuesday, June 25 at 1 p.m.! Kids will learn all the circus secrets with basic twisting techniques and hand craft their own balloon creations! Ages 7-12. Space is limited; call early to register: 815-645-8611.

After Hours Movie

Join us for our first After-Hours Movie, Saturday, June 29 at 2 p.m.! This month's pick is the family-friendly *A Bug's Life* (Rated G). Snacks will be provided. Chairs available; bring a blanket, pillow, beanbag or lawn-chair to make yourself more comfortable. All ages. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Becoming Queen Elizabeth II

On Monday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m., meet Britain's famous monarch in this new historical portrayal by historian Leslie Goddard, PhD. Learn about her childhood, the abdication of her uncle, her marriage to Prince Philip of Greece, her World War II service, and her struggle to balance her roles as queen and mother. Get to know the woman behind the images, her sense of humor and savvy intelligence with which she meets her demanding obligations. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Weekly Brain Busters

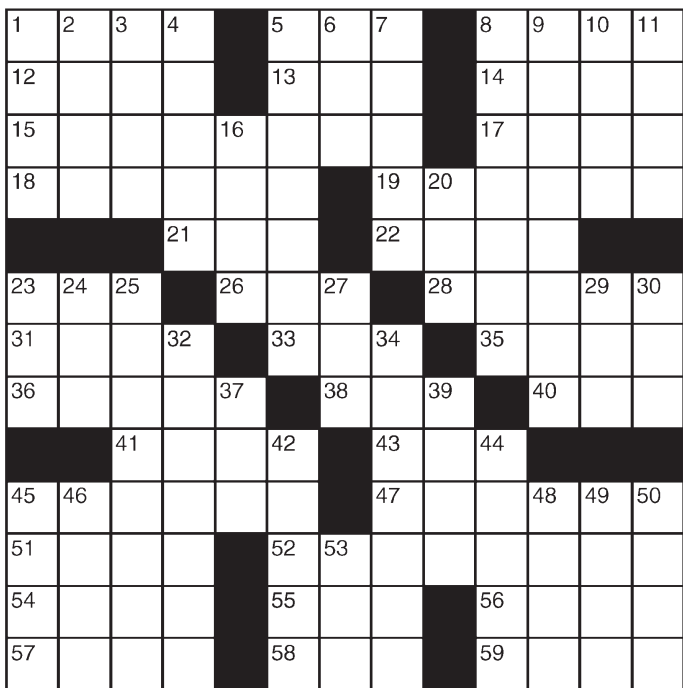
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- 12 Arm bone
- 13 Acapulco gold
- 14 Arrived
- 15 Resilience
- 17 Former New York arch-bishop
- 18 Legislative group
- 19 Memorizes
- 21 Ph. bk. data
- 22 Sicilian spouter
- 23 Scarlet
- 26 Vigor
- 28 Depend (on)
- 31 Item on stage
- 33 Bro or sis
- 35 Teen's woe
- 36 Haggard or Travis
- 38 Prized possession
- 40 "Eeeww!"
- 41 Uncategorized (Abbr.)
- 43 Last letter in London
- 45 Shed
- 47 Advance
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- Curve
- "Britain's Got Talent" phenom Susan
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- Charge against a squatter
- "— for All Seasons"
- Camera part
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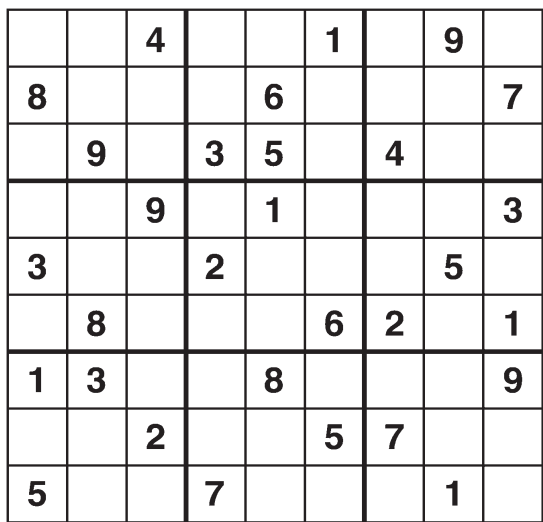
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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.

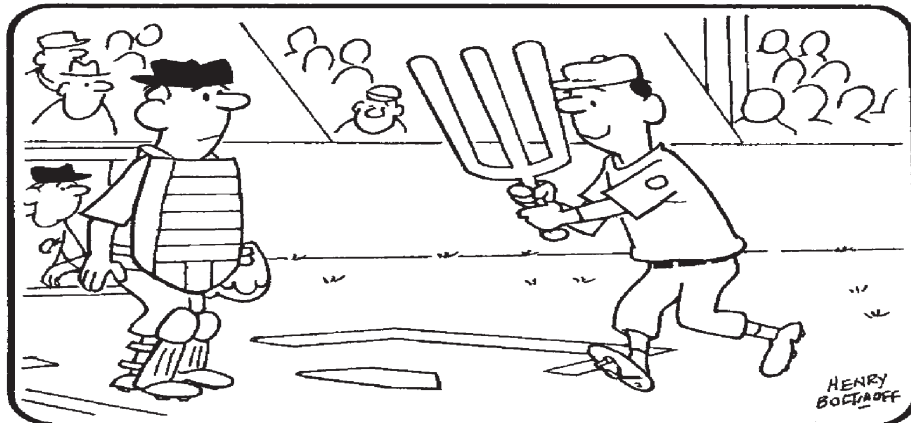
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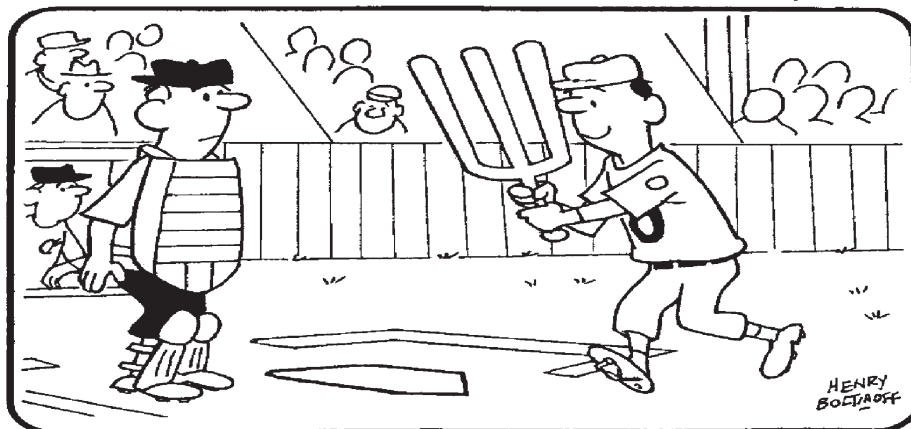
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

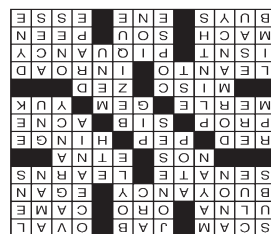


Find at least six differences in details between panels.

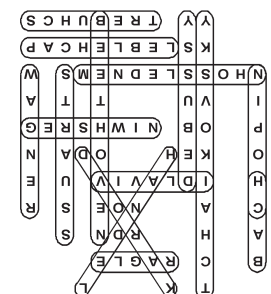


Differences: 1. Batter's shirt has number. 2. Catcher's mitt is missing. 3. Catcher's pants are black. 4. Part of crowd is missing. 5. Fence is different. 6. Home plate is bigger.

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Solution time: 25 mins.
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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Byron Library News

Prize Drawing at the Byron Library

The Byron Public Library District is pleased to announce the opportunity for a lucky drawing winner to obtain a voucher for two free tickets to Hamilton: The Exhibition. The exhibition on Chicago's Northerly Island opened on May 28 and will continue through Aug. 28. The drawing will take place on Wednesday, June 26 at 1 p.m. at the beginning of the library program, Yesterday Once More. Drop your name and contact information in daily at BPLD for increased chances to win!

Bilingual Kids

Session 1-Tuesdays: June 11-25

Session 2-Tuesdays: July 9-23

10-10:45 a.m.

Ages: Entering 1st and 2nd grade.

Bienvenidos! Listen to bilingual stories, play hands-on games, and learn the basics of Spanish. Register for one or both sessions; session 1 participation is not required to attend session 2. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Library Madness

Wednesdays or Thursdays, June 12-August 1 (no class July 3 or 4), 11 a.m.-noon

Ages: Entering 1st-6th grade.

Building, making & creating for grade schoolers. New for summer: Pick the day/week that works for you! Each week requires a separate registration. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Bug Show

Monday, June 10, 10-11 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Ages: All

Crosstown Exotics dives into the creepy crawly world of insects and arachnids. Enjoy an interactive hands-on presentation, followed by a bug exhibit so you can get a really close look at all of the critters. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Conservation @ Home and Work presented by the Natural Land Institute

Monday, June 10, 6-7 p.m.

Turn your lawn into an environmental showpiece! Natural Land Institute, an organization preserving and protecting natural land for more than 60 years, will share information about ways to create natural habitats around your home. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Tween/Teen Scene

1:30-2:30 p.m. Ages: 10-14 years

Each class requires a separate registration. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Slime Party: Tuesday, June 11

Ice Cream Fest: Tuesday, June 18

Fairy Gardens: Tuesday, June 25

Meet the Author of Threading My Prayer Rug: One Woman's Journey from Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim: Sabeeha Rehman

Friday, June 14

3-4 p.m.

Ms. Rehman of New York City will discuss her prize-winning memoir and experiences as a writer and blogger, public speaker, advocate for autism, and her Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim faith journey. Books will be available for anyone who would like a signed copy. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Chess Enthusiasts

Saturday, June 15

1-3 p.m.

Ages: Adults and kids ages 7 and up

Come work on your chess strategy and learn a new move or two. Beginners welcome! No registration required.

Read & Play @ the Park

Monday, June 17

10-11 a.m.

Ages: 4-9 years

Messy crafts, stories, games, and parachute play. Join us for summertime fun at Blackhawk Meadow Park. Dress for mess, wear tennis shoes and bring a water bottle. Please register through the Byron Park District.

Yesterday Once More: Music performed by Renee Christine Hein

Wednesday, June 26

1-2 p.m.

Join us for an entertaining tribute to the songs that defined the decades. Hits from the 40's to the 70's will bring you back to those special moments that have lasted a lifetime. She will serve up her altered renditions of favorites like "Unforgettable" (I'm Forgetful) and more song parodies to keep the fun rolling! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Coffee with a Cop

Friday, June 28

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Join your neighbors and officers for coffee and a conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the police chief here in Byron. No registration is required!

Please register for all programs by visiting byron.evanced.info/signup or by calling 815-234-5107.

Polo Library News

Children's Programs

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

2019 Summer Reading "A Universe of Stories"

Registration continues through June 10th. Stop by the library or visit our website at www.pololibrary.org

June Summer Reading Programs:

Ages 3-5, 10:30-11:30 a.m., June 13, 20, and 27

Ages 6-12, 10:30-11:30 a.m., June 11, 18, and 25

Ages 13-18, 4:30-6:00 p.m., June 12, 19, and 26

Please visit our website or stop by the library for more details.

Teen Programs

Book Subscription Box Pickup

Saturday, June 29, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pick up your Book Subscription Boxes for June

Adult Programs

Learn to Play Euchre

Thursday, June 13

1-3 p.m.

This is a one-time class

Registration required

Adult Summer Reading Program

Ages 18 and up

June 11 – July 18

No Registration Required

It will be easy to participate in our Adult Summer Reading Program – simply fill out a quick review form (found at the library) for your chance to win a weekly prize. One larger final prize will also be given away at the end of the program.

July is the 50th Anniversary of Apollo 11's landing on the moon so we will be incorporating that in to our Adult Summer Reading program by having two different movie days: June 14th and July 12th. Both will be from 1 – 3pm with required registration (so we know how many snacks we need!).

Pinterest Party

Tuesday, July 2, 6-7 p.m.

Activity: Choose Your Craft-all supplies provided.

Registration is required for this program

Rock River Center representative

Wednesday, June 26, 10 a.m.-noon

The Rock River Center provides a caseworker 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.

Book Discussion Groups

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

Afternoon Book Club @ the Library

Monday, June 24, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Selection: The Monk of Mokha by Dave Eggers

Friday Book Discussion @ the Library

Friday, June 28, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Selection: The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion

Music in the Pavilion

Summer Concert Series

Every 4th Saturday of each month in June, July, and August 2019

Enjoy a variety of free, live music with your family and friends. Bring your lawn chair or blanket, pack a picnic and wear your dancing shoes. Dippy's will have light meals and ice cream available for purchase. Lawn games will be available from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Mary Ley, Folk Music

Saturday, June 22, 7-9 p.m.

Acoustic Circus, Americana Rock

Saturday, July 27, 7-9 p.m.

Lyle Grobe & the Rhythm Ramblers, Classic Country

Saturday, August 24, 7-9 p.m.

New to the Collection

The following list is of 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 (pololibrary.org) or come in to browse the new sections in our bookcases.

New Adult Fiction

The Better Sister by Alafair Burke

I Know Who You Are by Alice Feeney

Machines Like Me: and People Like You by Ian McEwan

Neon Prey by Jon Sanford

Normal People by Sally Rooney

New Non-Fiction

Library Book by Susan Orlean

Oregon Library News

2019 Summer Reading program –It’s ShowTime at Your Library! June 3-July 25 registration is on-going...

Free to residents, 3-17 years old, of the Oregon Public Library District. Story Times, activities, games, special guests and of course, books are all a part of this annual program. See you at your library!

Week of June 10:

Tuesday, June 11 – Lego Club (2nd -7th grade) 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 12 – Amazing Balloon Sculpture Class (2nd grade & up) 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 13 – 18-24 Story Time Club 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 13 – Preschool Story Time (3-6 years old) 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 13 – Activity Time (1st -8th grade) 1:30 p.m.

Registration is requested for all activities to ensure enough supplies are available. Mystery Photo, board game and Answer the Question are on-going.

Adult summer reading program – It’s ShowTime at Your Library!

Beginning on June 3, anyone over the age of 18 may participate in our Adult Summer Reading Program. Punch cards will track how many books you have checked out and each completed card will go into a drawing for prizes! Ask at the front desk for your punch card when you check out any reading material. No sign up, no hassle, just READING on your own! NEW this year – receive a punch for attending Adult Programs.

Library book clubs

The 2WBC Book Club meets Wednesday, June 12 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie.

The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, June 19 at 1 p.m. to discuss The Alice Network by Kate Quinn.

The In-Between Book Club meets Wednesday, June 26 at 1:30 p.m. to view the movie 101 Dalmatians-G and discuss the book 101 Dalmatians by Dodie Smith.

Books on Tap Book Club meets on Thursday, June 27 to discuss We Never Asked for Wings by Vanessa Diffenbaugh.

Gateway to gut health – Thursday, June 13, 6-7 p.m.

Presented by Marilyn Csernus, Illinois Extension, Nutrition and Wellness Educator. Learn about Common Gastrointestinal Diseases, Eating for optimal Gut Health, The Dynamic Duo: Prebiotics and Probiotics, Make Friends with Fiber. Gain knowledge on making healthy lifestyle changes that promote brain, heart, and overall health. Learn how to incorporate healthy choices into your everyday life.

Organic, local, natural – What it is and what it isn’t. Thursday, June 27, 2-3 p.m.

What do these terms really mean? We will clear up the confusion and help you make informed decisions when purchasing food. Presented by Marilyn Csernus, Illinois Extension, Nutrition & Wellness Educator.

Family yoga – Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

Please note, Family Yoga will move to Saturdays at 11 a.m. (starting June 1) for the summer

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.

Trivia Night – 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 6 p.m.

Test your knowledge of sports, history, movies and much more. Team of 2 or 4. Win a gift card to Hazel’s Café. Registration required!

Men’s philosophy group –Last Wednesdays of the Month at 5 p.m.

Would you like a men’s group dedicated to your life’s work and fine tuning your success. The group consciousness will guide our progress through difficult conversations about aging, loss and conflict resolution. We will be using the book The Men’s Manual by Clyde Henry along with philosophy videos. For more information, contact Mr. Cotovsky at 779-772-2884.

Oregon Writer’s Group (OWG)

The OWG is a gathering of writers or writer-wannabes who meet to support each other and to further their own writing. The purpose of the group is to help and encourage you in your writing. If you need brainstorming ideas, we can help suggest ideas or aid with the creative process. The Oregon Writers Group meets on the last Tuesday of each month.

New releases

Isn’t It Romantic (Rated PG-13)

The Upside (Rated PG-13)

How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World (Rated PG)

On The Basis Of Sex (Rated PG-13)

Fighting With My Family (Rated PG)

Apollo 11 (Rated Non-Fiction 629.45 APO)

The Lego Movie: The Second Part

Better Call Saul-Season Four

Cold Pursuit (Rated R)

King Arthur: Legend Of The Sword (Rated PG-13)

Westside by W. M. Akers (Science Fiction)

Sleeping Giants by Sylvain Neuvel (Science Fiction)

Middlegame by Seanan McGuire (Science Fiction)

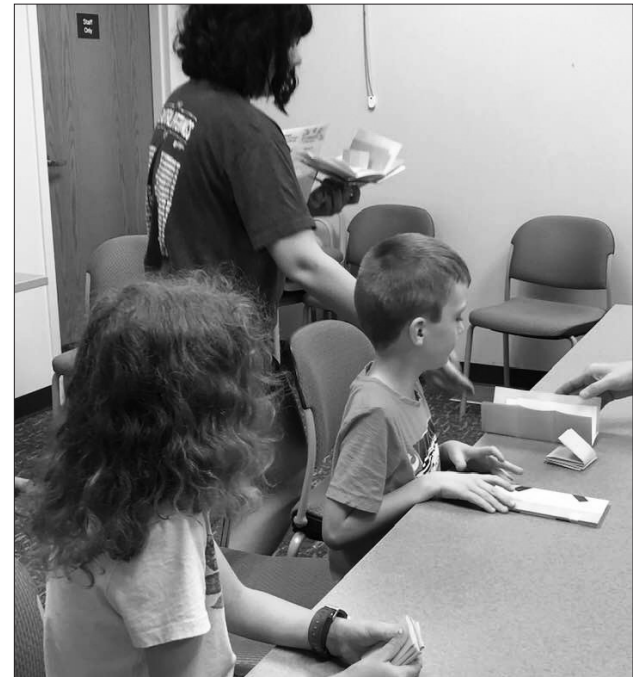
Brain Body Diet: 40 Days To A Lean, Calm, Energized, And Happy Self by Sara Gottfried, MD(Non-Fiction 610 GOT)

Sapiens: A Brief History Of Humankind by Yuval Noah Harari (Non-Fiction 909 HAR)

The Night Window by Dean Koontz (Fiction)

A Prince On Paper by Alyssa Cole (Paperback Romance)

Mount Morris Library News



Storytime for Little People and Big Kid Book Club at 11:15 a.m., Wednesday

Little People Storytime moves to Fridays at 11:15 am starting June 7.

Sign up for Summer Reading Program through June 22 at the Library!

There is programming for kids ages 2-5, K- 3 and 4-8th. We will have adult summer reading also.

The theme is “It’s Showtime at the Library!” We have programs in art, theater, photography and movie making. Plus, programming for adults! See you there! Watch on Facebook for more information!

Thursday, June 20 – DIY Book Page Bouquets at 6 p.m.

Come and make a beautiful bouquet of book page flowers for your home. We will supply all that you need. If you have a hot glue gun it would be helpful to bring it. Please sign up at the library.

Thursday, July 18 – Face What? Using Facebook the RIGHT way!

Do you have a Facebook page? Are you using in ways that keep your online presence safe? Are you just starting out in social media and need some help getting started? How do you make your page private? Start a group? Find your tribe? All these questions and more will be answered! Bring your phone or tablet to class and learn how to have a safe and fun social media experience! This class is for 14 years old and up!



TV WEEKLY

Tuesday, June 11, through Monday, June 17

Soap Opera Update

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Flo felt responsible when she learned that Hope and Liam were dissolving their marriage. Steffy overheard Liam telling her father how wonderful she was. Ridge played devil's advocate with Brooke. Flo begged Hope to take Liam back without telling her why. Carter and Hope met to discuss the annulment. Zoe felt uneasy after realizing that Xander knew the truth about Beth. Wyatt proved he was there for Liam during difficult times. Xander threatened Flo to do the right thing. Carter brought the annulment papers for Liam and Hope to sign just as Xander barged in and said he had something important to tell them. Thomas continued to pull the puppet strings of those around him. Wait to See: Flo attempts to justify her actions to Thomas.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Sonny and Will shared exciting news with Gabi. JJ rushed to the hospital when he heard that Haley was rescued from the fire. Ben found himself at the wrong place at the wrong time. Ciara and Ben conspired against Claire. Jennifer and Eve had a heated confrontation. Maggie admitted to Victor she fell off the wagon. Chloe and Rex grew closer. Stefan had a surprising offer for Abe. "Nicole" convinced Stefan to give her a job at DiMera. Ted got an idea of how to be the hero in Hope's eyes. Kate and Marlena comforted each other about Will. Ted revealed a shocking secret to "Nicole." Haley said an emotional goodbye to JJ. Wait to See: Maggie bonds with someone she least expects.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Curtis was willing to risk it all. Franco visited Kiki's grave, while Carly visited Morgan's as well. Alexis issued a stern warning. Michael set the record straight. Nina asked for more time. Stella pleaded her case. Kevin pulled a fast one. Drew and Kim took the next step to begin healing. Cameron comforted Josslyn. Julian went to extreme lengths to help his family. Harmony confronted Willow. Lucas made a confession. Peter cautioned Lulu. Maxie was determined to help her friend. Carly accepted a truce. Shiloh received a bit of good news. Liz tried her best to lift everyone's spirits. Sasha made a date with Michael. Jax defended his motives. Wait to See: Nelle gets a surprise visit.

(See C-10)

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

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Thursday Evening June 13, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, CW, WHA, WQPT, ESPN, CNN, CNBC, AMC, LIFE, WGN-A, NICK, DISN, FREE, A&E, USA, TNT, BET, PARM, DISC, UNIV, HIST, BRAVO, HGTV, WTBS, FOXN, ANPL, TLC, TVLAND, COM, E!, HALL, MSNBC, FOOD, EWTN, FX, TRUTV, OXY).

Friday Evening June 14, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, CW, WHA, WQPT, ESPN, CNN, CNBC, AMC, LIFE, WGN-A, NICK, DISN, FREE, A&E, USA, TNT, BET, PARM, DISC, UNIV, HIST, BRAVO, HGTV, WTBS, FOXN, ANPL, TLC, TVLAND, COM, E!, HALL, MSNBC, FOOD, EWTN, FX, TRUTV, OXY).

Saturday Daytime

Insight Communications Oregon-Byron Polo

June 15, 2019

Table with columns for time slots (7 AM to 6:30 PM) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, etc.) listing program titles and times.

Sunday Daytime

Insight Communications Oregon-Byron Polo

June 16, 2019

Table with columns for time slots (7 AM to 6:30 PM) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, etc.) listing program titles and times.

Table titled 'Saturday Evening June 15, 2019' showing channel numbers, times (7 PM to 11:30 PM), and program titles such as 'Encore Program', 'Dateline NBC', and 'Shark Tank'.

Table titled 'Sunday Evening June 16, 2019' showing channel numbers, times (7 PM to 11:30 PM), and program titles such as 'America's Got Talent', '2019 NBA Finals', and 'MLB Baseball'.

Monday Evening June 17, 2019

Table for 'Monday Evening June 17, 2019' listing channels, times, and programs like 'Chicago Tonight', 'Antiques Roadshow', and 'POV "Roll Red Roll"'. Includes a large 'COM' entry for a 2019 MTV Movie & TV Awards.

Advertisement for 'Soap Opera Update' featuring Tyler Johnson. Text includes: 'Soap Opera Update (From C-7) THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Lauren gave Phyllis a warning to shut down her site. Later, the Jabot team gathered to celebrate the launch of Jabot Collective...' and a photo of Tyler Johnson.

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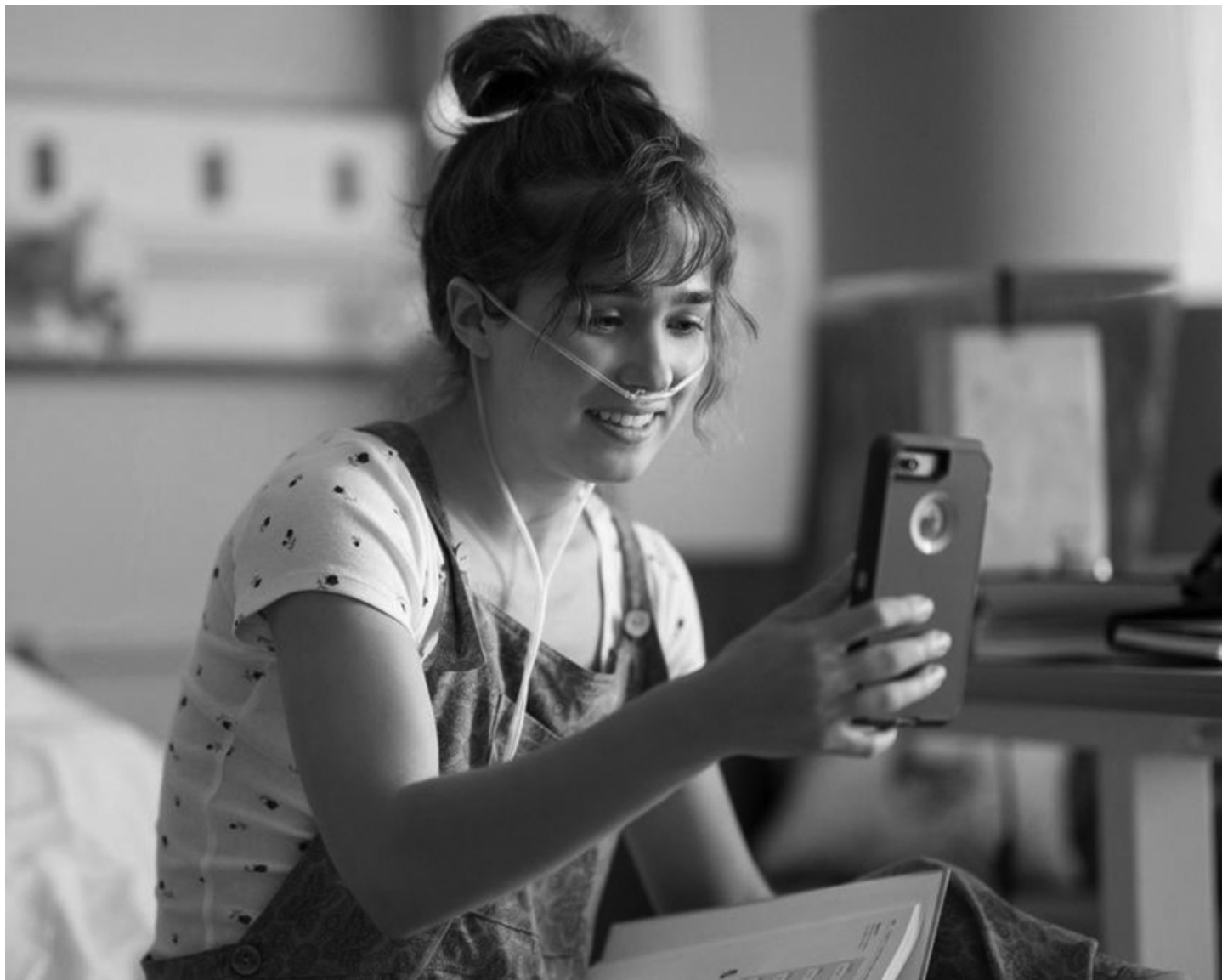
Couch Theater

By Amy Anderson

“Five Feet Apart” (PG-13) -- “Riverdale” heartthrob Cole Sprouse heads this modern medical love story as Will Newman, a young man in the hospital for a drug trial. He’s also a charming, if rebellious, artist who aims to woo Stella Grant (played by Haley Lu Richardson), a cystic fibrosis patient in the same hospital in the same drug trial. Much more ebullient and far less rebellious, she strictly adheres to the “6-foot rule” that dictates the distance she must keep from others to prevent cross-contamination. As Stella relaxes her guard and influences Will to be more diligent in his own care, the pair fall in love -- despite the physical distance they must keep. Was it predictable and sappy? Of course. Do we care? We do not. I am not ashamed to say I cried.

“The Mustang” (NR) -- In her directorial debut, French actress Laure de Clermont-Tonnerre delivers a touching portrait of a hard man and a wild beast who come to terms with themselves in the desert. Matthias Schoenaerts plays Roman, a violent offender in the Nevada prison system. As part of his rehabilitation program, he is offered a chance to break horses by a grizzled horse trainer named Myles (Bruce Dern). As Roman works to control his animal, he simultaneously must control the animal within himself. Schoenaerts is wonderfully emotive and wears every pain and struggle on his sleeve. The countryside is exquisite. Connie Britton supports as a prison psychologist. Hold through the credits for photos of actual program participants and their horses.

“Captive State” (PG-13) -- Two kids in Chicago watch their parents get vaporized in the front seat of the family car while trying to escape an alien invasion. Ten years later, the aliens are in charge and humans have been turned into a subservient class. One of the kids, Rafe (Jonathan Majors), grows up to lead the resistance; the other, Gabriel (Ashton Saunders), is approached



by his dad’s ex-partner Mulligan (John Goodman), now scheming with the aforementioned aliens. Mulligan wants Gabriel to out his brother. With a labyrinth of plot points and a wide range of bit players -- Alan Ruck, D.B. Sweeney, Machine Gun Kelly, KiKi Layne -- it feels poorly condensed. It needed either some serious editing or more development time. Limited series, anyone?

“Captain Marvel” (PG-13) -- The latest from the Marvel Cinematic Universe drops this week on DVD, and for those of you itching to get your hands on the Carol Danvers/Captain Marvel (Brie Larson) origin story for repeated viewing, your wait is over. This PSA is strictly a reminder to choose your shop carefully. DVD versions will have a variety of special featurettes -- including in-depth looks at Nick Fury and Goose the cat -- deleted scenes, alternate

endings and more. These can vary by retailer.

NEW TV RELEASES

- “I Am the Night” Miniseries
- “Johnny Quest” The Complete Series
- “Popeye the Sailor: The 1940s” Volume 2
- “Orange Is the New Black” Seasons 1-6

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Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- There could have been a season 13 and 14 of “The Big Bang Theory,” but CBS overplayed its hand. At the beginning of season 11, CBS announced there would be only two more seasons of the hit show. Apparently, star Jim Parsons took them at their word.

He returned to Broadway in “The Boys in the Band,” and played Larry Simpson to Zac Efron’s Ted Bundy in “Extremely Wicked, Shockingly Evil and Vile” for Netflix. By the time CBS decided to go for seasons 13 and 14, Parsons had moved on to other projects. Even though he still narrates “Young Sheldon,” which is a big hit, he must have some major plans, because even the alleged \$50 million he would have earned for two more seasons couldn’t change his mind. His estimated net worth is \$100 million ... Bazinga!

Mel Gibson is back in a big way. He’s completed directing the sci-fi thriller “Boss Level,” with Frank Grillo and Naomi Watts, and began filming “The Passion of the Christ: Resurrection,” the sequel to “The Passion of the Christ” (the 2004 film that grossed \$612 million). Jim Caviezel returns in the title role for an Easter 2020 release. But even more ambitious is Mel’s plan to remake Sam Peckinpah’s all-star 1969 classic “The Wild Bunch.” So far he’s roped in Michael Fassbender, Jamie Foxx and Peter Dinklage, late of “Game of Thrones.”

Not long ago we told you that “Twilight” star Robert Pattinson needed a hit movie to make a comeback from a string of less than successful films. He may have found that vehicle in the dark black and white fantasy horror film “The Lighthouse,” with Willem Dafoe, which was well-received at the Cannes Film Festival.

If that doesn’t do the trick, he’s also completed “The King,” with Timothee Chalamet and Joel Edgerton, for Netflix; “Waiting for the Barbarians,” with Johnny Depp and Mark Rylance; and “The Devil All the Time,” with Riley Keough, Tom Holland and Sebastian Stan, also for Netflix. Now Pattinson’s just signed to star with Michael Caine, Kenneth Branagh and Aaron Taylor-Johnson for director Christopher Nolan in “Tenet,” an action epic revolving around the world of espionage. Nolan also wrote the screenplay. It’s his first film since his epic Oscar nominee “Dunkirk.”

Not to be outdone, Chris Hemsworth -- riding the crest of “Avengers: Endgame,” “Men in Black: International” (due June 14) and “Dhaka” for Netflix (which he also co-produced) -- is wrestling with Tiffany Haddish in the mismatched buddy/cop comedy “Down Under Cover,” that gets them hilariously into all kinds of trouble. If Hemsworth thinks he was upstaged in “Endgame” ... just wait!



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PUBLIC AUCTION

Having decided to make my home in a retirement center I will offer at Public Auction the following described Real Estate, Antiques, Collectables & Personal Property. This Auction will be held on site at 201 Main St. Chana IL. **Visit our web site at www.bearrows.com for further information & pictures.**

SATURDAY, JUNE 15th, 2019

10:00 AM

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: The Real Estate includes a clean single family 2 bedroom home w/ 3 season porch, fenced yard; large closets, barn for storage w/ overhead door. The personal property includes a clean line of unique and rare finds. We will start out selling personal property at 10am with the RE to be offered at 11am. **DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE:** 1400 square ft. 2 bedroom single family home, Living room, dining room, kitchen/dinette, full bath w/ 4' shower, 3 season porch, 30x20 detached barn/shed, Fenced yard, updated furnace (propane), window air units, propane water heater, metal lifetime roof (2014), aluminum siding, new well by Jonas Martin (1997) - Taxes for 2018 \$488.12 **Contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-562-5113 or 815-739-9150 for more information. REAL ESTATE TERMS:** \$5,000.00 down the day of the auction, with the balance due on or before August 1st, 2019 at which full possession will be given. Seller is to provide an appropriate stamped Deed as well as a Title Policy in the amount of the purchase price. This property is being conveyed in its "As-Is" condition without any contingencies with regard to financing and/or the sale of another piece of property. All announcements made the day of the auction take precedence over all prior advertising.

ANTIQUES, COLLECTABLES & PERSONAL PROPERTY Secretary/China cabinet; Dinette set; Many toy tractors including IH, Case, JD, Ford Massey; Cedar chest; Steamer trunk; Highboy chest w/ swivel mirror; Chest of drawers; Dresser; Several collectable figurines; Books; Some kitchen items; 5 drawer dresser; Cowboy guitar; Violin; Antique marching drum; Copper boiler; Mission oak china cabinet; Crock butter churn; Antique high chair; Oak 6 drawer chest; Misc assorted collectable glassware; Small Safe; Youth rocking chair; Assorted Avon items; New turkey fryer; Portable air compressor; Small tool chest; Hand & power tools; Frigidaire upright freezer (2013); Antique wooden trunks, butter churn, cutter & cider press; Horse drawn single bottom plow; 2 walk behind DR trimmers (like new); 2 man saw; Old hog oiler; Sandwich gas engine on a cart; MTD 5HP rear tine tiller (like new); Ladders; Simplicity Prestige 27HP GT w/ 54" deck 4x4 102 hrs; **GUNS:** Winchester Model 97, 12 Ga. Pump; Winchester Model 67, 22 Cal; Stevens Model 258A, 20Ga.; H&R Top Break 32 Cal; Assorted Ammo and related items. **PERSONAL PROPERTY TERMS:** Cash or check w/ driver's license ID, 3% fee for VISA, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. No buyers premium - Electronic clerking system used; Announcements made the day of the Auction take precedence over all prior advertising. Not responsible for accidents or items after sold.

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Auctioneers Note: We are honored to have the opportunity to offer the Allan Merkle Collection at public auction. Allan had a keen eye for the odd, unique and unusual; truly a must attend auction with something for everyone to include: antique tractors, gas engine, vintage tools & equipment, steam whistles, music box collection in addition to general household items and furniture. Make plans now to join us; over 10 Hayracks Full!!

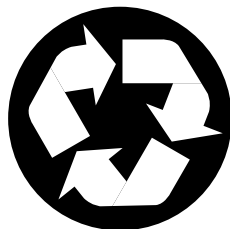
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Saturday, June 22, 2019

9:00AM

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Lunch

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This auction features Household, Antiques & Many Collectibles. Many more items to be added, visit our web site for full list www.bearrows.com

Household & Outdoor Items: Sofa & matching chair; Love seat recliner; Antique chest of drawers; Table & chairs; Oak child's desk & high chair; Child's toys; Pine toy box; Cedar chest; HP printer; Usual kitchen items; Doll house & furniture; Office chairs; Area rugs; Knick knack shelf; End tables; Lamps; Large potted plants; Seasonal items & decorations including North woods village items; Tread mill; Banquet tables; Metal shelving; Folding chairs; Small rolling tool chest; Book shelf; Misc. hand & power tools; Disc sander; Patio table w/ chairs & swing; Lawn ornaments w/ wind mills; Steel wheels; GT single bottom plow; Wheel barrows; Lawn cart; Hose; Pressure cooker; Old child's sled; Island on rollers; Old sausage grinder & cherry picker; Portable green hose; Lawn & garden tools; Woodworking tools; Tool chest on rollers; Roller stands; Organizers; Bench grinder; Wine making items; Craftsman radial arm saw, router w/ table & table saw; Work mate; Delta disc & belt sander; Dust collection system; Planer; Rockwell wood lathe & accessories; Hand & power tools; Wooden clamps & c-clamps; Metal rods & flat stock w/ display rack; Squirrel cage fan; Portable air compressor; Trailer moving dolly; Lawn cart; 5x10 utility trailer; Carboy wine bottles; Agrifab pull type lawn sweeper; **Garden Tractor:** KUBOTA garden tractor G 2160 GT diesel, power steering; Kitchen spice cabinet; End tables; Piano & stool; Couch; Love seat & ottoman; Cannon ball bed complete; Dresser; Antique bed; Dresser; Antique dresser & mirror; Hide a bed; Book case; Padded rocker & ottoman; Antique rocker; Antique lamp; Ping pong table; Antique claw chair; Computer desk; File cabinets; Roll top desk; TV; Washer & dryer; Old work table; Tall white cabinet; Tent & camping gear; 2 old milk jugs; Bug sprayer; Wicker set; Patio table; Glider; Swing; 2 Weber grills; Mower & grass catcher; Rototiller; Yard roller; Recycle bin; yard tools; Table saw; Snow fencing & posts; Yard fencing; Lawn cart; Weed sprayer 25 gallon; Tree sprayer; Misc. fishing poles & gear; Small refrigerator; Push weed whip; Hoses & extension cords; Deck table & 4 chairs; Chain saw on pole; 2 bikes; Tread mill; Refrigerator; Freezer; Green house; Generator; Vacuum; Assorted old play boy magazines; **PERSONAL PROPERTY TERMS:** Cash or Check w/ driver's license I.D., 3% fee for VISA, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. 10% Buyers Premium applies. Electronic clerking system used. Announcements made the day of Auction take precedence over all prior advertising. Not responsible for accidents or items after sold.

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'Esther Ruefer Estate Antique & Collectible Auction' SATURDAY, JUNE 15th - 10:00 AM. 3123 N. Pecatonica Rd., Pecatonica, IL

Large 2-Ring Auction! Final Sale! Loads of Old Furniture-Cupboards-Cabinets-Tables-Chairs-Stands-Chests-Bed Sets; Antiques & Collectibles; Primitives; Americana & Decorative Art; Mannequins; Textiles; Artwork & Ornate Picture Frames; Lighting; Silver; Leaded Glass Windows & Panels; Oriental, Statues & Sculptures; Art Pottery & Stoneware; Mr. Peanut Adv. Pcs.; Large Selection Fine China & Glassware; Silver & Metal; Dolls & Toys; Holiday Barbies; Elephant Collection; Fu Dog Statues; Vintage Clothing; Books & Antique Reference Material; Household Furnishings; Appliances; Hanson Grandfather's Clock; Cement Bird Bath & Lawn & Garden; Equestrian & Horse Drawn; Shelving & Cabinets; Vinyl Folding Tables; Hand Tools & Equipment; Chicken House & Small Building; Farm Primitives & Related; Hay Racks; Much More! Please Log-On or Call for Complete Details & Color Photos!

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SATURDAY, June 29th, 2019
10:00 AM

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Household & Collectibles

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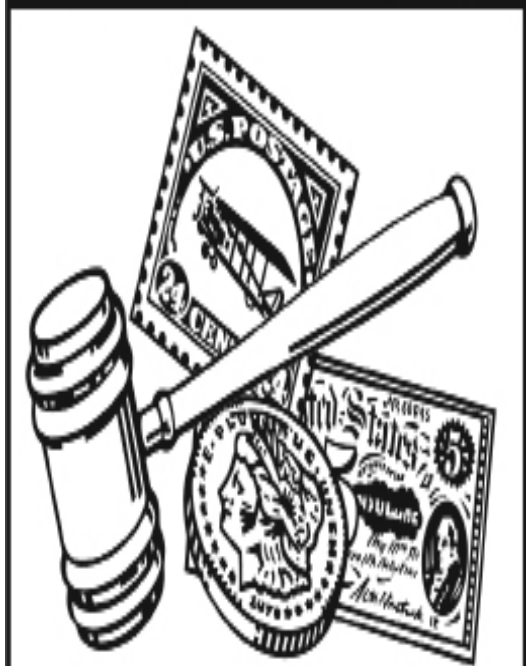
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Dated: May 20, 2019
 Laura J. Cook,
 Ogle County Clerk
 No. 0531 (May 27, June 3, 10)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 17, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Up and Running Generator Service, 3678 W. IL Rt. 64, Mt. Morris, IL 61054.

Dated: May 17, 2019
 Laura J. Cook,
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 No. 0535 (May 27, June 3, 10)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, IL -

STERLING)
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 Defendants.)

in the above-entitled action, that an action was commenced in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Ogle County, Case No. 2019 CH 27, by the Plaintiff Sterling Federal Bank, F.S.B., in which the Complaint seeks foreclosure of a mortgage dated January 20, 2011 and recorded January 25, 2011 as Document No. 201101100781 among the Land Records of Ogle County, Illinois, in which Plaintiff is the Mortgagee of certain real estate owned by Mortgagor, Peggy L. Janssen (now Deceased), and that foreclosure of mortgage action is now pending in said Court. The current record title holder of the affected real estate is The Estate of Peggy Janssen, deceased) and the property is described as follows:

Legal Description: Lot 13, EXCEPT the West-erly 60 Feet thereof, and Lot 14 in Block 18, in the original Town, now Village of Mount Morris, in Ogle County, Illinois.

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CAPITAL ONE BANK and FIA CARD SERVICES, N.A., Defendants, file your answer to the Com-plaint in the action or oth-erwise make your appear-ance in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Ogle County, Il-inois, at the Ogle County Courthouse, 106 S. 5th Street, Oregon, IL 61061, on or before July 5, 2019, a default judgment may be entered against you at any time after that date, in accordance with the prayer of the complaint. Dated, Oregon, Illinois, this 29th day of May, 2019.

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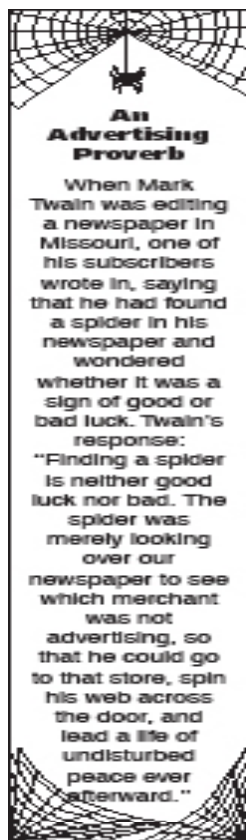
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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-13-1.1 and Section 11-303 B of the Davis Junc-tion Zoning Ordinance, the Village of Davis Junc-tion Planning and Zoning

Commission will be con-ducting a public hearing at 7:00 PM on July 1, 2019 at Davis Junction Vil-lage Hall, 106 North Elm Street, Davis Junction, IL, to consider site plan approval and an applica-tion to permit solar panels accessory to a residential structure as a special use in the R-1 Single Family Residential zoning district on the property located at 196 Autumnwood Lane, Davis Junction, IL 61020 (PIN 11-22-302-019), and for such other and further zoning relief as may be required.

A copy of the application is available for inspec-tion at Village Hall during normal business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Sandie Maahs
 Village Clerk
 No. 0611(June 10)



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If you or someone you know avoids getting out because of the difficulty, consider finding a professional in your area to add specialized equipment to a van of your choice.

Finding an Affordable Van

If you don't already have a suitable van to be converted, your first step should be to seek an affordable option that is capable of employing wheelchair-accessible features. Here are some ways to cut costs when buying a vehicle, from the National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association.

Search for mobility dealerships who accept used vans as trade-ins for resale. You may even find a vehicle in the showroom that has already been converted.

Dealers with rental departments are also a good location to visit, as they will typically sell their vehicles at a discounted price once their tenure is finished.

If you plan to buy used from a private party, it's important to inquire with a mobility equipment installer to ensure the van is capable.

If you need financial help to afford a van and the conversion process, don't be afraid to reach out to your local community for assistance.

Check with your state officials to see if legislation offers disability grants that lower the cost. Local chapters and charitable organizations may also be helpful by setting up fundraisers or asking for donations from members.

The conversion process

When discussing your plans with an installer, you will usually have a few options to consider.

You will usually get to decide if you enter the vehicle from the side or rear. In most cases, rear-entry conversions are less expensive and don't add as much

weight to chassis components located in the center of the vehicle.

If you need a van that allows you to drive without the use of your legs, installing hand controls is a must. Typically, controls are mounted below the steering wheel, giving full access to brake and acceleration controls. Be sure to test different setups to find the one you are most comfortable with.

Your vehicle may require undercarriage modifications to support the extra weight of a conversion. Keep a record of the upgrades if you change components like brakes, shocks or axles. If your vehicle requires repair away from your normal mechanic, you will have an easier time tracking down parts.



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Prevent breakdowns with battery care

MANY drivers have experienced the misfortune of getting into their vehicles only to realize their engines won't turn over. Although there may be plenty of reasons why a car will not start, quite frequently a dead battery is to blame.

Car batteries can last for five years or more when properly cared for, but many batteries wear down and become inefficient within three years of daily use. According to the UK-based company Warranty Wise, car batteries deteriorate with every charge from a vehicle's engine. Naturally, drivers who are stranded by dead batteries wish they had done more to prevent their battery dying while they're on the road. Certain factors might offer clues as to how much life vehicle batteries have left.



- **Longer start time:** A dying battery may cause the engine to crank, but it can be slow to start or not seem to exude a lot of power.
- **Cranks but doesn't start:** You may turn the key to hear the engine trying to turn over, but it won't. Even if the vehicle eventually starts, have the battery checked and, if necessary, replaced by a mechanic.
- **A jump start has been necessary:** Batteries that have required a jump or multiple jumps are on their last legs and should be replaced immediately.
- **Dim lights or check engine indicator:** Batteries powers the electric components in a vehicle, so dim lights could be indicative of a loss of power. Having the "check engine" light come on also can be a clue.
- **Extreme temperatures:** According to Firestone,

hot or cold temperatures can shorten a battery's life. If you live in an extreme climate, your battery may not last as long as the manufacturer suggests it should.

• **Short driving trips:** People who take many short trips (less than 20 minutes each) may find their batteries do not have enough time to fully recharge, shortening their life expectancy.

• **Pungent aroma:** Leaking and corrosion around the battery terminals can cause battery issues. If there is a rotten egg smell under the hood, it may be a leaking battery on its way to dying.

Drivers can have their vehicle batteries tested by mechanics. Batteries can be replaced at home or at a garage. Servicing the vehicle frequently can prevent performance inefficiencies and help determine if any components are straining the battery and causing premature loss of battery life.

Keep tires road-worthy for safer driving

MAKING driving more safe can come down to ensuring that the vehicle is in good working order — starting from the ground up.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration warns that an average of 200 people die each year in tire-related crashes. In 2016, 733 people across the United States lost their lives in accidents in which tire malfunction was a contributing factor. Roughly 70 percent of single vehicle accidents are tire-related. Taking tire maintenance seriously can greatly reduce the chances of blowouts, accidents and fatalities.



Check tire tread

Tires rely on good tread depth to maintain traction and shed water during wet conditions. AAA recommends checking tread with a visual inspection and with the "quarter test." Insert a quarter into a tread groove with the top of Washington's head facing down. If the top of his head is not visible, the tires have at least 4/32" of tread and are acceptable for

continued use. If the top of Washington's head shows, tires need to be replaced.

Learn about tire aging

Check the owner's manual for specific recommendations concerning replacing the spare tire for the vehicle. Some manufacturers state after six years, while others say 10 years is the maximum service life for tires. While most tire centers will use newly manufactured tires when replacing tires, you can double check the age of any tire by looking at the sidewall for the tire identification number (TIN), offers NHTSA. The last four digits are the week and year of manufacture.

Keep up on maintenance

Wheel alignment, tire rotation and tire balancing are all key to minimizing wear and extending the life and safety of tires. Each vehicle has specific recommendations, and drivers should consult their manuals to find those specifics.

Tire function is an important part of maintaining vehicle safety and performance.

Maintain the right pressure

Caring for tires not only improves safety, but also it extends the life of the tires, saving drivers money as a result. Michelin Tires says that simply checking the tires' inflation pressure can make a significant difference in how long tires last. For example, a tire that is consistently 20 percent under-inflated may see its life expectancy reduced by 20 percent.

Tires that are not properly inflated also can have a high rolling resistance. In such instance, the engine must expend more effort to move the vehicle — thus eating up fuel.

Pressure should be checked at ambient temperature before driving, states AAA. The recommended inflation pressure can be found in the drivers manual or on the tire.

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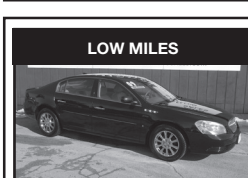
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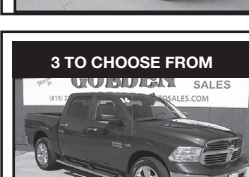
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DRIVING SAFETY | STAYING ALERT

Get Defensive

SINCE you share the roadways with so many other drivers, it's critical to keep your head in the game as you commute.

Even if you're the safest driver in the world, the actions of others can impact your drive in a negative way. Defensive driving is key to making sure you protect yourself and your passengers. Here are a few quick tips to become a better defensive driver.

Put away the device

There's nothing smart about using your smartphone while driving. Talking on the phone or texting serve as major distractions that can divert your attention from the road.

Rather than have your device in your lap or in your hands, give it over to a friend or put it in the glovebox for your commute. If you need navigation for your trip, mount

your phone to the dashboard so you can keep your hands free.

There are Bluetooth products on the market that can help equip your car with the latest and greatest connectivity capabilities if it isn't outfitted. Ask your local car detailer or electronics company for options that may be right for your vehicle.

Slow down

Tens of thousands of people die every year due to speeding. By simply following the speed limit posted on busy highways and roads, you can ensure a safer commute. Do not feel like you need to keep up with the flow of traffic if it makes you uncomfortable. Stay safely in the right lane to avoid being distracted by faster drivers weaving in and out of their lanes. Remember that defensive driving is all about paying more attention to drivers around you.



Watch the shoulders

Always be prepared to move to a left lane if someone is pulled over on the shoulder of the road. It is illegal in many

states to stay in the right lane if a police officer or emergency vehicle is parked on the shoulder.

Stay defensive around other drivers who may wait until the last minute to swerve into a left lane. They may see the

emergency vehicle at the last minute and be forced to make a quick decision. Be mindful of how other drivers may react to certain situations and you'll increase your chances of staying safe on the roads.



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Have Accurate Directions

HAVE you ever gotten stuck in an unsafe situation because you're simply lost?

Maybe you've had to stop and ask directions in a potentially dangerous neighborhood? You can avoid these situations simply by mapping out your route before you hit the road.

With today's technology, it's easy to find a navigation application that works for you. There are many mobile options for your smartphone, or you could invest in a GPS system that mounts into your vehicle.

Whatever option you choose, make sure you're comfortable using it and that you keep it updated with the latest mapping information. This will require checking your software for update requirements to give you the most accurate travel information.

Study your route

It's always a good idea to study your route before leaving your home. You never know when technology may fail and leave you hanging in a location you don't recognize, especially on longer trips into unfamiliar spots.

Have a good idea of where you're going by reviewing the entire route. Once you punch in your destination into your navigation application, there should be an option to see a travel overview that maps out each turn you'll take on your trip.

You can even print out the directions to have a backup set in case you get lost.

Phone a friend

If you have someone in your network who has been to an area to which you're traveling, be sure to ask them for any shortcuts or roads to avoid.



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Staying safe around big trucks

IF you've ever been next to an 18-wheeler on a busy interstate with no ways of passing or changing lanes, you've likely felt uneasy. Tire blowouts or abrupt swerving on a windy day can put you in danger. The key to defensive driving around semis and other big trucks is awareness. As long as you're paying attention to your surroundings, you should be able to make quick decisions to keep you and your passengers safe.

The numbers

The Bureau of Transportation Statistics reports that the total number of freight transportation related fatalities declined by 23.8 percent from 2000 to 2015. These reports are due in large part to the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration enacting better processes to increase commercial motor vehicle safety.

Stay out of blind spots

Truckers may not have complete line of sight on your vehicle, especially if you drive in their blind spots. These tough-to-see areas for a trucker vary somewhat from truck to truck, but common blind spots are on both sides of the vehicle, as well as at the front and back. You should avoid these spots, especially when a truck is turning, backing up or changing lanes.



Make quick decisions; don't linger

Speaking of blind spots, never linger next to a truck when passing it. Signal and pass quickly to keep safely out of locations truckers may not be able to see you.

Never drive too closely behind a truck. Doing so can lead to a dangerous situation, especially if you fail to stop in time or are hit from behind. This could slam your vehicle into the back of the truck. If you're

driving a small vehicle, you could even slide under the semi.

Give them space

Along the same lines, give big trucks plenty of room to brake. Compared to a 3,000- to 4,000-pound car, a tractor trailer can legally weigh as much as 80,000 pounds. A fully loaded truck traveling 65 miles per hour will take almost the length of two football fields to stop in ideal conditions, according to the Utah Department of Transportation.

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DRIVING SAFETY | TRAVELING WITH ANIMALS

Pets and Cars

As fun as a good pet road trip can be, there are certain measures to remember as you try to be the safest driver possible.

Many states have laws in place that could lead to a citation if you're found driving with your pet in your lap. According to Parade magazine, Hawaii has a law that against it.

Other states like New Jersey also fine drivers for operating a vehicle with an unrestrained animal aboard. Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire and Rhode Island have language in various laws that prohibits driving with an animal in your lap.

NEVER LEAVE YOUR PET PARKED

Hundreds of pets die each year from heat exhaustion because they are left in parked vehicles. According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, the temperature inside your vehicle can rise almost 20 degrees Fahrenheit in just 10 minutes. In 20 minutes, it can rise almost 30 degrees.

If you are delayed in a store or run into someone you know, this time can add up quickly for your pet. All of a sudden, a quick run into the store turns

into a longer time period that could potentially harm your pet. If it's too hot for you to comfortably sit in a parked car with no air conditioning, it's too hot for your pet.

BUCKLE THEM UP

Just as you should always wear your seatbelt, your pet should always be properly restrained while in the vehicle. That means using a secure harness or a carrier.

Why is this so important? A loose pet can be a major distraction to your driving or get stuck under a seat. They could also be injured or killed by the airbag if sitting in your lap during an accident. Unrestrained pets could also be thrown through windows or windshields in a collision.

AVOID PICKUP TRUCK BEDS

There are many dangers associated with letting your pet ride in the bed of a pickup truck. Dogs can fall or jump from the truck bed and be injured or killed on impact. They could also be struck by another vehicle if they fell out of the bed.

The American Veterinary Medical Association recommends using a secured and appropriately sized and ventilated dog kennel if you must travel with them in the bed of your truck. This will keep them secure as you drive around town.



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Essential items for roadside emergency kits

Motorists never know when problems with their vehicles may force them to pull off the road and onto the shoulder. Whether it's a flat tire, a sputtering engine or an empty gas tank, such circumstances are never welcome.

But such situations need not be so unbearable. Drivers who keep roadside emergency kits in their vehicles may find themselves getting back on the road more quickly the next time an unforeseen problem forces them to pull off the highway. The following are some must-

have items drivers should include in their roadside emergency kits.

- Roadside flares
- First-aid kit
- Jumper cables
- Warm blankets
- Flashlight
- Screwdrivers (both flat-head and Phillips)
- Tire-pressure gauge
- Spare tire
- De-icing agent
- Nonperishable snacks
- Extra fluids (i.e., motor oil, brake fluid, antifreeze, windshield washer)
- Pliers
- Cell phone charger

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Safety in school zones

HAPHAZ-ARDLY driving through a school zone — especially during school hours — leads to potentially dangerous situations for both you and small children.

Researchers for a 2016 study by Safe Kids Worldwide observed the street crossing behavior of more than 39,000 middle and high school students walking to and from school, with a focus on unsafe walking behaviors and distractions by mobile devices.

They also made more than 56,000 driver observations during student drop-off and pick-up to assess for distraction and other unsafe driving behaviors.

Here's what they found:

- Seventeen percent of middle school students and 27 percent of high school students observed were distracted by mobile devices.

- About one in 10 drivers were distracted by mobile devices while arriving or departing from the school.

- Nearly one in three drivers displayed other unsafe behaviors, such as double parking or stopping in the middle of a crosswalk while dropping off students.

Here are some quick tips to help you stay focused on safe driving in school zones.

Pay attention

Awareness is key to school zone



safety. Keep your eyes on the road and you'll see warning signs, flashing lights or speed bumps used by the school to alert drivers.

These are all meant to prompt drivers to lower their speeds to maintain their focus on the school surroundings around them. Especially if you're in an area of the country that you're not used to, be mindful of possible school zones at all times.

Slow down

A reduced speed limit sign is an indicator of an upcoming school zone. This speed limit could be as low as 10 or 15 miles an hour, so be sure to gradually slow down your vehicle when approaching signs like these.

This will help you avoid slamming on your brakes behind other, slower cars or around children in the crosswalks. Many times, police

officers will park their patrol cars in school parking lots during certain times of the morning and afternoon to curb speeding. You can avoid big tickets by slowing down and being a more responsive school-zone driver.

Never pass a bus

Governors in Idaho, West Virginia and other states recently signed bills into law that will increase fines for motorists who illegally pass stopped school buses. This is a serious offense that puts children in actual danger.

Be patient around school buses and understand that when they are stopped, there's always a chance that children could be walking nearby.

Passing the bus could put these children in serious danger.

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Recreational Vehicles

IF you haven't noticed the recreational vehicle boom, then it's likely been a while since your last road trip. America's highways are full of RVs traveling across the country for the next adventure.

Are you on the hunt for fun, convenience and reliability? Then look no further than your local RV dealer.

Types of RVs

There is an RV for every preference. Finding one that fits your needs should be easy with the help of an experienced RV dealer.

Motorhomes typically come in Class A, B or C and offer the most space, but other options include travel trailers, fifth-wheel trailers and pop-up trailers.

Keep in mind that the larger the RV, the more maintenance and working parts. If you're just starting on your RV research, consider things like size, cost, functionality and longevity before making your final decision.

RV benefits

There's nothing like unplugging for a long road trip across the country.

RVs give you the freedom to stay where you want when you want, as well as offering the convenience of having an onboard bathroom and kitchen.

If you want to plug in again, however, most new models are fitted with mobile Internet, Wi-Fi boosters, navigation systems and even satellite television to make sure your RV experience isn't totally off-grid.

The RV lifestyle

Thinking about joining the RV club? You aren't alone.

First-time buyers made up 34 percent of RV purchases in 2016, according to the Recreational Vehicle Industry Association. A typical RV owner is in their early to mid-40s, according to the report, and the demographics continue to skew younger every year.

Owning an RV doesn't have to break the bank. A recent CNN report found that tow-ables are the market's best sellers and can typically be found for under \$10,000. The average motorhome starts around \$65,000.

Check in with your local RV dealers to find out more on pricing and features in your market. Then hit the road for your next adventure.

Distracted Driving By the Numbers

The battle against distracted driving is a relatively new phenomenon, with multiple states recently passing laws making it illegal to text and drive. Multi-tasking when you're driving your family isn't the best idea, but how dangerous is it really?

In 2016, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported 3,450 people died in distraction-affected crashes. Here are other key stats from the NHTSA's study — remember them when you take the wheel to ensure the safety of yourself and your passengers.

More than 90% of car crashes involve human error.

About 391,000 additional people were injured in distraction-affected crashes in 2015, down from 431,000 in 2014.

Some of the study's data showed an improvement in driver safety, specifically in the category of accidents caused by distracted driving:

The percentage of drivers likely to be on either hand-held or hands-free cell phones decreased from 11% in 2007 and 2008 to 9% starting in 2009 and continuing through 2012 before steadily



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declining to 5.3% in 2017.

The corresponding hand-held cell phone use estimate also has dropped from 5.2% of drivers in 2012 to 2.9% of drivers in 2017.

The percent of drivers manipulating hand-held electronic devices has increased 900%, from 0.2% in 2005 to 2.0% in 2016, however, the manipulation of hand-held devices has now decreased

for two consecutive years.

STAYING SAFE

The key to maintaining your safe driving record is focus. The more alert and attentive you can be on the road, the better your chances of arriving to your destination in one piece.

Don't forget, devices are just one of many driving distractions. Interacting with

passengers, reading directions or eating food are all examples of activities that take your eyes off the road. The safest drivers are those who pay attention to their surroundings and take their driving responsibilities seriously.

FOLLOW THE SIGNS

It's not enough to simply follow speed limits and be

aware of the vehicles in front of and around you. To enhance your safety, you also need to pay close attention to the road signs and local traffic rules in the area.

Speed limit signs are there for a reason. Going over them can cause you to lose control of your vehicle when maneuvering through sudden, sharp curves, uneven surfaces or construction hazards.

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