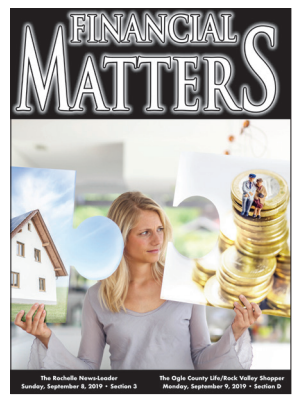


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Bald Hill Preserve expanding

Forest Preserve District receives grant money

BYRON – The Byron Forest Preserve District announced that it has more than doubled the size of their popular Bald Hill Prairie Preserve thanks to an \$837,600 grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation.

The original 160-acre Bald Hill Prairie Preserve located at 5502 North Silver Creek Road in Mount Morris was acquired in November 2017 with the support of another \$434,000 grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation to protect the rare gravel hill prairie ecosystem.

The total size of this site is now 380 acres making it the third largest preserve in the Byron Forest Preserve District. Of all the other nine Byron Forest Preserve District preserve sites, only the Jarrett Prairie Nature Preserve (641 acres) and Stephen J. and Deirdre Nardi Equine

Prairie Preserve (557 acres) are larger.

The new land addition will permanently protect the gravel hill prairie and oak savannas located on the south slope of Bald Hill and provide additional open land to the east of the current preserve. This hilly open prairie land provides important habitat for a variety of wildlife, most importantly for ground nesting birds. Rare grassland bird species seen on the site include large numbers of bobolinks and Eastern meadowlarks as well as Henslow's sparrows, short eared owls, and Northern harriers. The preserve is also the home of the Big Tree Champion for the State of Illinois, a huge Eastern cottonwood that is 28.5 feet in circumference and 122 feet tall.

The Byron Forest Preserve District purchased the 224 acre Richard Lenz Farm on



The total size of the preserve is now 380 acres, making it the third largest preserve in the Byron Forest Preserve District.

Sept. 4 for a sale price of \$1,396,000. The existing Lenz farm house and 4.5 acres of land surrounding it will be sold at public auction later this fall. With the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation grant and money from the sale of farm

house, it is estimated that the total cost to purchase the additional 220 acres will be about \$1,270 per acre coming from Byron Forest Preserve District taxpayers.

"We are very thankful that the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation

awarded us a second grant to purchase the rest of Bald Hill in order to protect this rare natural land for future generations," said Byron Forest Preserve District Executive Director Todd Tucker.

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Heavy rain leaves parts of Rochelle flooded

By Andrew Heiserman
Staff Writer

ROCHELLE – The downpours the morning of Sept. 3 caused many areas of Rochelle to flood.

Big thunderstorms that brought along with them massive amounts of rain in a such a short amount of time led to creeks overflowing,

water in coming into buildings and many streets shut down on Tuesday morning.

Due to all of the flooding, the Rochelle Police Department experienced an extreme increase in the number of calls.

“We were extremely busy during the flooding, much more calls than on a usual day,” said Rochelle Police Chief Eric Higby.

Most of the calls were for vehicles that

had become stranded while trying to drive through high water. If the car was reachable, a tow truck would pull it out, but there were a few vehicles that were in so deep they could not be reached until the water receded.

Higby warned against trying to drive through water where cars have already gotten stuck.

“If you are the third or fourth car in the line

and they all look like submarines at this point, then don’t follow them in there,” Higby said.

The city has worked hard to prevent flooding in traditional flood zone areas, but with this storm the volume of rain caused water to stand in locations not seen before.

“Yesterday was right there with the worst I have ever seen, it was even in unusual places we have never seen before,” he said.

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Byron Forest Preserve District
BALD HILL PRAIRIE PRESERVE
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HILL: Second most visited preserve

From page 1

“Mr. Lenz was so impressed with the amount of visitors to Bald Hill and the conservation work being done by our Restoration Department that he offered to sell us his adjoining farm property in order to increase the size of the preserve.”

Since the Bald Hill Prairie Preserve opened to the public in 2018, it has become the second most visited preserve in the Byron Forest Preserve District. People come to Bald

Hill every day to see the Illinois Big Tree Champion and take in the amazing views. It is a popular spot for area hikers, runners and bird watchers. The new land addition will allow for future expanded public parking areas and trails.

The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation was established in December 1999 as an independent foundation with a \$225 million endowment provided by Commonwealth Edison. Their mission is to improve

energy efficiency, advance the development and use of renewable energy resources, and protect natural areas and wildlife habitat in communities across Illinois.

Over the past 16 years, the Foundation has provided financial support for clean energy investments in Illinois through a variety of programs. To date, they have awarded over 5,000 grants providing \$258 million to Illinois non-profit organizations, schools, municipalities and other agencies.



Church event will feature vintage baseball game, other activities

OREGON – Have you ever wanted to travel back to a simpler time?

You are invited to do just that as Ebenezer Reformed Church celebrates 150 years of serving our community in Jesus name. Saturday, Sept. 21 at 3 p.m. Ebenezer will be hosting a party 1869 style. The event will

consist of a Vintage baseball game as the Oregon Ganymedes Vintage Baseball Plays the DuPage County Plowboys.

During vintage baseball games, teams play by the early rules of 1858 through 1867 when players did not wear gloves and gentlemanly behavior and good sportsman-

ship was the norm. The all-volunteer club is an educational outreach program of the Chana School Museum that teaches the early roots baseball. The club plays other vintage clubs from Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Ohio and Michigan. The team got its name from Oregon's Ganymede Spring that was

named by the famous Margaret Fuller when she visited Oregon in 1843.

There will also be draft horse wagon rides. The wagon is equipped to load and carry guests. A cake walk, watermelon weighing contest, as well of many games for children. A meal and beverages will be provided.

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Obituaries

Leona A. Leber



STILLMAN VALLEY – Leona A. Leber, age 87, died Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019. She was born Oct. 2, 1931 in Rockford the daughter of LaMont and Abbie (Wiltfang) Williamson.

She graduated from Stillman Valley High School in 1949. Leona worked in the Human Resources Dept. at Rockford Drop Forge for 35 years. She married Edward Leber on May 25, 1970. He preceded her in Nov. 1994. Leona was a lifelong Stillman Valley area resident and a member of the Monroe Center Community Church where she was in the Ladies Guild of the church. She was a former girl scout leader and softball coach. She loved to play cards, crochet, embroider, and do crafts.

She was predeceased by

her husband Edward and sister Carol Bennett.

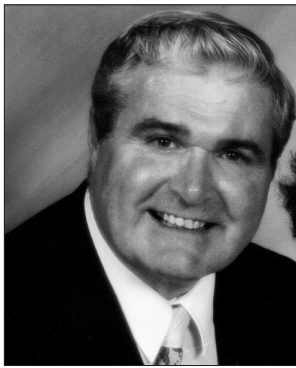
She is survived by her daughter Mardell (James, Sr.) Harms of Stillman Valley, 3 grandchildren, James “Jamie” (Kimberly) Harms, Jr. of Stillman Valley, Jason “Jay” (Tina) Harms of Bartlett, Ill., and Jennifer (Ty) Lichty of Monroe Center, 5 great grandchildren; Drew Harms, Luke Lichty, Hannah Harms, Lexi

Lichty, and Brooke Baker (Bryan Alderson) and 2 great grandchildren.

The family would like especially thank the extended Harms family for always including Leona at their family functions, and also thank the people at San Gabriel in Rochelle for their friendship to Leona, and Thank Transitions Hospice for the loving care.

Funeral service was at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2019 at the Monroe Center Community Church with the Rev. Robert Mellon of the church officiating. Visitation was prior to the service at the church from 10-11 a.m. Burial will be in the Stillman Valley Cemetery. A memorial fund is established for the Monroe Center Community Church. To leave a condolence visit www.farrellhollandgale.com.

John E. Kenney



POLO – John E. Kenney, age 80, of Polo, passed away Friday, Aug. 30, 2019 at Kindred Hospital in Sycamore.

John was born April 19, 1939 in Chicago, the son of Joseph and Rita (Robertson) Kenney. He was a 1957 graduate of Dixon High School and later married Lydia Jimenez on Feb. 15, 1958 in Sterling. John was retired from Commonwealth Edison after 40 years of service. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and active in his parish of St. Mary Catholic Church in Polo. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He is dearly missed.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Lydia, Polo; three daughters, Lydia, Diana (Doug Bannister) Kenney of Columbia, Mo., Cynthia (Kevin) Dix

of South Elgin and Kathleen (Jeff Sterken) Kenney of Chicago; one son, Jim (Lori) Kenney of Sterling; six grandchildren, Ian (Jessi Snyder) Kenney of Urbana, Emily (Brett) Renner of Pompano Beach, Florida, Caitlyn Dix of Wheaton, Joshua Dix of Chicago, Cassidy (Nick Olds) Kenney of Sterling, and Landon Kenney of Sterling.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Thomas John Kenney, and one brother, Donald Kenney.

Visitation was held on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 10-11:15 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church, 211 N. Franklin Avenue, Polo, Illinois 61064. Celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at the church with Reverend Joseph P. Naill officiating. Private burial will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established to St. Mary Catholic Church in Polo.

Arrangements are being handled by the McDonald Funeral Home in Rock Falls. Online condolences may be sent to www.mcdonaldfuneralhomes.com.

Obituaries

Alice L. Chezem



FREEPORT – Alice L. (Snodgrass) Chezem, 86 of Freeport, passed away Aug. 29, 2019 at Pinecrest Nursing Home. She was born in Mount Morris on Oct. 14, 1932, the daughter of Fred and Carrie (Stevens) Snodgrass. Alice graduated from Leaf River High School in 1950. On Oct. 18, 1952 she married Kenneth A. Chezem in German Valley. She worked at Illinois Cabinet in Rockford, at Newell for 10 years, and then did home care before retirement. As a teen, she played baseball on the local Leaf River team; just a bunch of farm kids as Alice would always say. Alice was a pitcher and was very proud of the fact that they played against the Rockford Peaches. Alice was a member of Bethany United Church of Christ, Freeport.

Surviving are her children, favorite daughter, Debra (Stuart) Toney of Mount Morris; sons, Kirk

(Lorna) Chezem of Ridott, and Randall (Joey) of Freeport; grandchildren, Stuart Toney Jr. (Corrie) of Texas, Erin Dietrich of Mount Morris, Kristina (Michael Stadermann) of Freeport, Randy (Lori) Chezem of Wisconsin, Perry (September) Chezem, Nic (Amanda) Chezem of Freeport, and Tihanna (Nathan) Martin of Cedarville; 19 great grandchildren; two brothers, James Snodgrass, and Claude (Janet) Snodgrass both of Byron; two sisters, Virginia (Frank) Miller of Mount Morris and Donna (Jack) Daws of

Forreston; also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death, were her parents, Fred and Carrie Snodgrass; husband, Kenneth A. Chezem on April 10, 1994; son, Michael on March 29, 2017; five brothers, Charles, Orin, Carl, George and Robert; and five sisters, Margaret Wertin, Shirley Pommering, Barbara McDonald, Etta Martin, and Betty Bowers.

Memorial Service was at 11 a.m. Saturday Sept. 7, 2019 at Burke-Tubbs Funeral Home, 504 N. Walnut Avenue, Freeport. Ronnie Van Tassel, nephew officiated. Vocals by John Chase; accompanied by Beth Chase. Visitation was 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. Burial will be at a later date. A memorial has been established in Mrs. Chezem's memory. Please sign Alice's guestbook and share a story at www.burketubbs.com

Michael Steven Penn



LEAF RIVER – Michael Steven Penn, age 67, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 1, 2019 in Serenity Hospice and Home, Oregon. Steve was born on Sept. 6, 1951 in Rockford, the son of Joe T. and Barbara (Goodwin) Penn.

He graduated from Leaf River High School class of 1969. Steve married Nancy L. Weichman on Aug. 13, 1977 in Leaf River. He retired from UTC (formerly Sunstrand) in 2014 after 30 years of service. He began employment there as a machinist and retired as a manufacturing production engineer.

Steve was a captain and volunteered on the Leaf River Fire Department. He enjoyed fishing and loved his Green Bay Packers. In high school, he excelled

at football and basketball. Steve enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. Whether it was serious or funny, when Steve spoke, everyone listened!

Steve is survived by his wife: Nancy Penn; children: Mark (Lisa) Penn, Naples, Fla.; Tonya Penn-Snyder, Leaf Riv-

er; Joe Penn, Kingsport, Tenn.; Grandchildren: Marlaina, Alyssa, Jaden, Trevor, Joseph, Olivia, Cameron, Morgan, Nicole, and Mikayla; sisters: Beth Hernandez, Julie (Steve) Cornelius, Lorna (Jeff) Parker, and Karen Penn. Steve is preceded in death by his parents; son: Thomas Penn; sister: Karla Mulford; grandchildren: Alexis Penn, Elijah and Micah Penn; and daughter-in-law: Donna Penn.

Memorial service was held on Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019 at noon in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt Street, Mt. Morris, with Rev Frank Lay officiating. Visitation was held on Saturday, Sept. 7, from 10 a.m. until service time.

Memorials to be established at a later time.

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White elephant sale will be Oct. 4-6

OREGON – The Oregon United Methodist Women will again hold their White Elephant sale during Autumn on Parade weekend, Oct. 4-6.

The sale will be held inside the accessible Family Life Center of the OUM Church. The sale includes children's toys, holiday décor, household items, small furniture, tools, books, jewelry, a table of special collectible items plus much more.

Hours and days are Friday, Oct. 4 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 5 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, Oct. 6 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

The church is located at the corner of Route 2 and Jefferson, just south of the Food Court. Proceeds from the sale fun OUMW's annual donations to local agencies.



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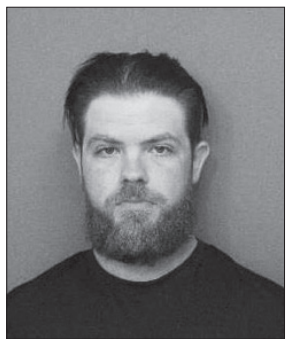
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Oregon man arrested for allegedly sending video to teen girls

OREGON – On Aug. 30, Oregon Police arrested Sky C. Meyers, 33, of Oregon for allegedly sending a lewd video to two teen girls.

On Aug. 18, the Oregon Police Department began investigating a complaint that an adult male had sent a video to a 16-year-old female and a 13-year-old female through electronic communication. After an investigation, the case was presented to the Ogle County State's Attorney's office for review. Oregon Officers received a search warrant and an arrest warrant for Meyers and his residence in Oregon.

At approximately 4:50 p.m. on Aug. 30, officers



executed the search warrant on a residence in the 100 block of North 7th Street in Oregon, where Meyers was arrested on a felony charge.

He was taken to the Ogle County Jail.

Additional charges have been presented to the Ogle County State's Attorney for review.

Man hurt while skydiving

By Andrew Heiserman
Staff Writer

ROCHELLE— A skydiver had to be airlifted to a hospital in Rockford after reportedly landing on the pavement of Illinois Route 251 Sept. 2 at about 4 p.m. Rochelle Fire Chief Dave Sawlsville said witnesses reported that the skydiver, who was not a local resident, was descending from the east when he crossed over the highway and clipped a power line prior to landing.

When emergency personnel arrived on scene,

there were no burn marks on the subject's face or body and no damage to the power lines. He was wearing a helmet at the time, but suffered injuries to his head and face. He was later airlifted to a Rockford hospital for further treatment.

"He had some facial trauma, he complained of pain all over, but the most of it was head and face," Sawlsville said.

Illinois Route 251 was closed down for about 30 minutes during the time Rochelle Police and Fire Departments were on the scene.

Oregon Police report

Aug. 24

At 7:45 p.m., Oregon Police issued Dionicio Olalde, Jr., 32, Sterling, a citation for unlawful window tint. This violation occurred in the 600 block of Gale Street.

Aug. 26

At 12:40 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Dustin N. Garcia, 29, Oregon, for theft over \$500. Garcia was transported to the Ogle County jail.

At 6:59 p.m., Oregon Police 6:59 p.m., Oregon Police issued Leroy C. Brooks, 39, Oregon, a citation for unlawful window tint. This violation occurred in the 1000 block of Pines Road.

At 10:21 p.m., Oregon Police issued Kaleb M. Law, 30, of Carpentersville, IL, a citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. This violation occurred in the 500 block of W. Washington Street.

Aug. 27

At 10:26 p.m., Oregon Police issued Alexis R. Cooper, 22, Oregon, a citation for disobeying a traffic control device. This violation occurred at the 3rd and Washington Street intersection.

Aug. 28

At 7:44 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Kindra J. Williams, 39, Forreton, for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Williams was also issued citations for improper left turn, operating an uninsured motor vehicle, and illegal transportation of alcohol as a driver. Williams was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred at the intersection of IL Route 64 and Limekiln Rd.

Aug. 29

At 10:15 p.m., Oregon Police issued Lucas D. Pauley, 21, Rockford, a citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. This violation occurred at the 4th and Washington Streets intersection.

Aug. 31

At 9:27 a.m., Oregon Police responded to a car vs pedestrian traffic crash at the intersection of 5th and Washington Streets involving a 2008 Ford driven by Roger L. Miller, age 60, Mt. Morris, that struck pedestrian Nancy Arbogast, 76, Oregon. Miller was issued a citation for failure to yield to a pedestrian.

At 8:22 p.m., Oregon Police issued Robert J. Dorathy, 33, Sterling, a citation for use of a cell phone while driving. This violation occurred in the 200 block of N. 4th Street.

Sept. 1

At 7:12 p.m., Oregon Police issued Ashlee L. Parisi, 29, Kings, a citation

for use of a cell phone while driving. This violation occurred in the 500 block of N. 4th Street.

At 8:03 p.m., Oregon Police responded to a disturbance in the parking lot of the Shell gas station, 201 S. 4th Street, in the parking lot, resulting in the arrest of Bailey M. Snyder, 21, Franklin Grove, for possession of methamphetamine, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Snyder was also issued a citation for illegal transportation of alcohol as a driver and issued a civil citation for possession of cannabis less than 10 grams. Snyder was transported to the Ogle County jail.

13 parking citations and 10 verbal/written warnings were issued from 08/26/19 through 09/01/19.

General calls for service Through dispatch during the week of 08/26/19 through 09/01/19:

Checking a Subject/Vehicle	4
Citizen Complaints	15
Ordinance Violations	10
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Assist EMS / Other Department	1
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Lockout Vehicle / Building	3
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Traffic Stops	13

Ogle County Sheriff

Sept. 3

At approximately 12:35 a.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop at the intersection of N IL Rte 251 and E Mowers Rd. After further investigation, Deputies arrested Jamie C. Donovan for Driving While License Suspended and having a valid Lee County warrant. Donovan was also issued citations for an Inoperable Rear Registration Light and Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Donovan was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was released to Correctional Staff and held in lieu of bond.

Sept. 1

At 6:30 a.m. the Ogle County Sheriff's office conducted a motorist assist on I-39 mile marker 108. After a brief investigation deputies arrested 21 year old, Jose Chigo-temich, of Naperville for driving without a valid license. Jose was then transported to Ogle County jail and lieu of bond.

At approximately 6 p.m., Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 6000 block of N IL Rte 251. After investigation, Deputies arrested Breana Pline, 21 of Rockford, for Possession of a Controlled Substance. Pline was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was released to Correctional staff and held in lieu of bond.

Aug. 31

Ogle County Deputies investigated a loud noise / party complaint at 7985 S. Green Street in Grand Detour. As a result of the investigation the following individuals were arrested for Unlawful Consumption of Alcohol.

- Harley H Sharboneau of Dixon, 19
 - Kira L Finfrock of Shannon, 18
 - Owen M Bergstron of Dixon, 19
 - Dakota M.K McGuire of Dixon, 19 years old
 - William D Grim of Dixon, 20
 - Dalton H Adcock of Dixon, 20
 - Jakiah J Williams of Dixon, 19
- As well as Two Juvenile Females and One Juvenile Male

At 10:20 p.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies conducted

a traffic stop at N Walnut Ave. and Magnolia St in Forreton. After further investigation Deputies arrested Jonas J. Haugen, 20, for Unlawful Consumption of Alcohol by a minor. Jonas was also issued a citation for Improper Traffic Lane Usage. Haugen was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released on a IBOND

Aug. 29

The following people were arrested on outstanding Ogle County warrants:

Joseph Caldwell, 27 of Oregon, for Violation of an Order of Protection. Caldwell posted the \$3,000/10 percent bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail. Caldwell will appear in court on 09/20/19 at 9 a.m.

Gregory Yokley, 34 of Loves Park, for Failure to Appear. Yokley posted the \$255 full cash bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail. Yokley will appear in court on 09/30/19 at 9 a.m.

At approximately 5:21 p.m., Deputies initiated a traffic stop in the 1000 block of South Galena Trail Rd. After further investigation, Jaime Raum, 31 of Mt. Morris was placed under arrest for Driving While License Suspended. Raum was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

Aug. 28

Amber Anders, 26 of Rochelle, was arrested for an outstanding Ogle County Warrant for Bringing Contraband into a Penal Institution. Anders has no bond and will appear in court on 08/30/19 at 10:30 a.m.

At approximately 11:15 a.m., Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to the 18000 block of E. Route 38 in reference to a single motorcycle accident. After an investigation, Deputies learned the driver, Zachary Gurevich, 21 of Skokie, had drove into the ditch after losing control of his motorcycle. Zachary was transported to the Rochelle Hospital by Rochelle Ambulance and later air flown to Madison, Wis. for his injuries. No pending charges at this time.

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Byron church has new youth coordinator and programs

BYRON – Richard Simpson is joining United Church of Byron as the new Youth Coordinator. Simpson brings more than 10 years of experience working with youth and churches. Most recently he was with Stronghold and coordinated their Summer Camp programs for area churches. He is married and lives in Leaf River with his wife and two small children.

Kids Klub

K5 Kids Klub (for grades kindergarten thru 5th grade) takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 3:30-5:30 p.m. and will begin again on Sept. 18. Group leaders pick the children up from Mary Morgan Elementary school and escort them as they take the short walk over to the church. This program is starting its fifth year and varies in its activities each month, but has previously consisted of games, music, arts, crafts, videos, and journaling, to name a few.

Sizzle

This year, in lieu of Sunday School, we are starting a weekly Wednesday night, intergenerational program called “Sizzle” for kids K-5 and will begin on Sept 18 and run

to May 15. This weekly Wednesday program will start at 5:30-6 p.m. with a dinner for kids, parents, grandparents, church members, and community members. A program similar to Sunday School will take place from 6-7 p.m. with games, Bible stories, scripture activities, crafts and music. There is also a plan to possibly add 3-4 year olds to this Wednesday evening group, but that may not happen for a few months. Families with kids those ages are encouraged to come for dinner so we can determine the interest for a pre-school program!

Spark

“Spark” youth group is for those in 6th grade thru high school, will meet on Sunday afternoons from 5-7 p.m. and will include a light dinner. “Spark” will start Sunday, Sept 15 and run through May 12. The kids will have input on content but there will be some biblical lessons. In addition, confirmation will resume this fall for 7th and 8th graders.

If you would like more information about any of the groups, please call or email the church 815-234-8777 or ucb@comast.net, or you can check out our church’s Facebook page or website unitedchurchofbyron.org.

Cornerstone Church has programs on tap

BYRON – Cornerstone Family Church of Byron invites you to their “Back to Church Services” on Sunday, Sept. 15 at 10 a.m.

At Cornerstone, we believe that “Church” is not a building, it’s a people. It’s where millions of people throughout the ages have come to find community, rest, peace and redemption through Jesus. The Church isn’t for the elite. It’s not for the perfect. It’s for all of us – a place to find friendship

and purpose, where we can meet Jesus, and rally around each other.

Cornerstone Family Church is a community of people committed to doing life together as we get to know God better. Cornerstone is located at 205 N. Peru Street in Byron. Contact the church office at 815-234-8737 with any questions. We invite you to be our guest and consider belonging to our church family.

Cornerstone will also

be having a Guest Speaker, Justin Kron, on Sunday, Sept. 22 at 10 a.m. speaking on “Following The Shepherd King.” Kron comes to us from Chosen People’s Ministries and presented a program “Messiah In The Passover” at Cornerstone last year. Kron’s presentations are extremely informative and the congregation of Cornerstone is excited to invite Justin Kron back.

Please join us both on Sept. 15 and 22 for two very special Sundays.

Friday Mic Live returns on Sept. 13

BYRON – Friday Mic Live returns on Sept. 13 at the United Church of Byron.

This is a special open mic as it takes place during suicide prevention week. Because of that, money will be raised for the Trevor Project. The Trevor Project is a suicide and crisis hotline focusing on LGBTQ youth. From now until Sept. 13 a running total will be kept of how much we can raise. The initial goal is \$500, which can fund training for two crisis counselors.

People can also donate by dropping at the United Church of Byron office during regular

office hours, at the open mic, or you can go to givethetrevorproject.org/FridayMicLive and donate there.

Bring your talents out on Friday, Sept. 13, and let’s all gather and share music and fellowship while raising money for a cause that saves lives.

This event will be held in the fellowship hall at The United Church of Byron from 6-8 p.m. The church is located at 701 West Second St. and is handicapped accessible. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 815-234-8777.



New pastor

The United Church of Byron is pleased to welcome Pastor Tyler Spellious as its new Designated/Interim Minister. Spellious was born and raised in Moline. After graduating from Augustana College, he attended Chicago Theological Seminary, where he finished his studies in 2017. Since then, his ministry has taken him all over Illinois and Iowa, including Wheaton, Glen Ellyn, and Davenport. He is a fourth-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do, and loves listening to Irish music. We look forward to his ministry with us.

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Annual Ducky Drop to benefit Stillman Valley High School program

STILLMAN VALLEY – What is it called when it’s raining ducks and geese? Stillman Valley’s Future Business Leaders of America is sponsoring their 2nd annual Ducky Drop, and these ducks will be falling from the sky onto a tarp at the last home Stillman Valley football game on Friday, Oct. 30.

Be a part of the fun and buy a duck for \$5 bucks. How does the Ducky Drop

work? You buy a duck for \$5, and then you pick your lucky duck from a container of ducks. On the duck is your unique “ducky number.” FBLA members will then record your name, your unique ducky number and contact information. Buy as many ducks as you want. Buy one for each member of your family! Buy one for each of your grandchildren. The more the better. Can’t make a football game and

you want to buy a duck? Please send an email to Cathie Murphy @ cmurphy@mail.meridian223.org, Ryan Read @ read@mail.meridian223.org or Tammy Pierson @ tpierson@mail.meridian223.org for more information on how to purchase a duck.

Following the last Stillman Valley home game (Oct. 25), the ducks will be hoisted high up into the air by Tim Devries and then dropped

onto a tarp that has a large bull-eyes in the middle. The four ducks that land closest to the bull-eyes will be declared the winners. Will your duck fly closest to the bulls-eye?

Prizes are as follows: First prize: \$200; second prize: \$150; third prize: \$100 and fourth prize: \$50. You do not have to be present to win!

For more information, please contact Cathie Murphy @ cmur-

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So come out to the SVHS football games, rain or shine, and watch some great high school football and take a chance on your favorite ducks.

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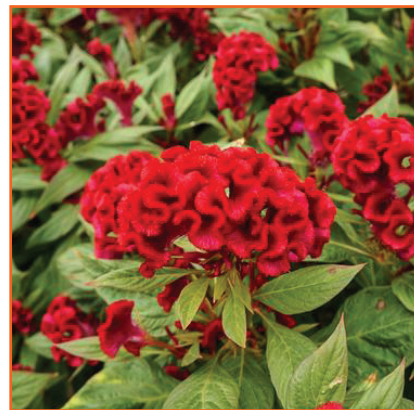
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Art group hosting tour of Art Casting of Illinois

OREGON—Eagle’s Nest Art Group will begin its program year on Saturday, Sept. 21 with a tour of Art Casting of Illinois, located at 5 Madison Street in Oregon.

The tour begins at 2 p.m. Owners, Dr. Harry and Karly Spell, will lead the tour and discuss the workings of their bronze foundry which specializes in fine art sculpture.

One of the most significant projects cast by the foundry was the Michael Jordan statue that was installed outside the United Center. The statue is the work of artists Julie Rotblatt Amray and Omri Amray of Timeless

Creations in Chicago.

The tour also includes the Adagio Fine Arts Gallery, which is a part of the casting facility.

Among the many services offered at Art Casting of Illinois are fabrication, prototyping, bronze work, restoration, conservation, and consulting. For a full overview, visit the website <http://www.harryspell.com/default.htm>

If you are not a member of ENAG but would like to join the tour, please call 815-732-7783.

There is no charge for this tour.

The Serenity Shed offering Cooking for One classes

OREGON – Cooking for One Classes are being offered by the Serenity Shed on Sept. 17-Oct. 8.

The group will meet on Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary’s Parish Center in Oregon. You will see food demonstrations, and learn tips, techniques and recipes. Enjoy lunch each week together.

The cost is a one-time payment of \$15 to cover the ingredients. Limited space. Register today at 815-732-2499. For more information ask for Cathy Warren.

Weekly Al-Anon meeting location in Polo changes

POLO – The Polo 10 a.m. Friday morning Al-Anon meeting is moving from St. Mark’s Lutheran Church to the Community Room at the KSB Clinic at the south edge of Polo at 1107 S. Division Ave (Route 26).

If you have been affected by someone’s drinking, join us for support and hope at our free gathering.

Homecoming Parade Sept. 18

OREGON – Oregon High School Student Council invites the community to its Homecoming Parade.

The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18. Leaving from Oregon High School, we will

continue up Jefferson Street, to 4th Street, back down Madison Street, turning on 5th Street, then to Adams Street and finishing back at the high school.

We would love to see you cheer on the Oregon Hawks!

Blood drive in Byron Sept. 9

BYRON – Please be a hero and Donate Blood at the Byron High School Key Club Drive on Monday, Sept. 9. Key Club and Rock River Valley Blood Center (RRVBC) are hosting a Community Blood Drive at Mary Morgan Elementary School from 12:30-6:30 p.m. (696 N. Colfax, please use Park District Door #54). Walk-ins are welcome, but if you’d like to schedule an appointment in advance, please contact BHS Key Club Faculty Advisor, Michelle Albert: 815-985-5102 (call/text). Your assistance is needed to supply blood for 8 area hospitals, including: OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, Rockford Memorial Hospital, and Swedish American Hospital.

Each pint of blood saves three lives. At the February 2019 drive, we had 93 individuals register and were able to collect 85 Units. At Three people saved per unit/pint, our community helped save 255 Lives.

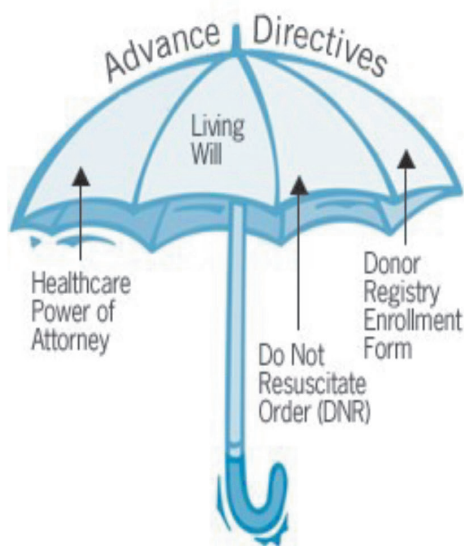
Because Key Club volunteers exclusively with Rock River Valley Blood Center, we are rewarded through their Scholarship Appreciation Program.

We earn college scholarships for graduating seniors, based on the units collected. During the 2018-2019 school year, we earned and awarded a \$300 and a \$400 scholarship. Because this is a Community Drive, all seniors at Byron and Stillman Valley high schools are eligible to apply.

Application, review and selection is through the Kiwanis Student Leadership Scholarship Committee.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society holding Fundraiser this month

BYRON – The St. Vincent de Paul Society, a local charity that serves the needy in Byron, Stillman Valley, Monroe Center, Davis Junction, and other small communities in the Meridian and Byron School districts, is doing a fundraiser with the Stillman Valley Cardinal Café on all Mondays in September. On any Monday this month, customers can inform their servers at the restaurant that they wish to have 10 percent of their food bills donated to SVdP to be used to help the needy in our communities. This is the first fundraiser of this kind for St. Vincent de Paul, so its members are looking forward to a great turnout.

ten, make referrals to additional resources, and provide financial assistance where it is needed. The charity receives no funding from any public source. All money is provided by private donations from local churches, occasional service organizations, and other donors who wish to support this charitable work.

St. Vincent de Paul works with Byron and Stillman Valley churches as well as several churches outside our community who sometimes need help with disaster assistance or large medical bills. The charity makes occasional appeals in those churches where special collections can be taken.

The newest fundraisers include not only the Cardinal Café project, but a booth at the Byron Farmers market, and occasional book sales and seasonal garage sales. All donations, large or small, are greatly appreciated. Donations can be made through St. Mary Catholic Church in Byron; it is important to specify the name of the charity on a check, St. Vincent de Paul.

Rock River Center to host trivia night

BYRON – Trivia Night, a fundraiser for Rock River Center will be at Hairy Cow in Byron the evening of Oct. 21 starting at 6 p.m.

Registration is guaranteed with payment at Rock River Center, 810 S. 10th, Oregon or call 815-732-3252 to register and pay for your team.

Hairy Cow Brewing Company will be open exclusively to Trivia Night participants with a special menu of food and drink available for purchase.

The number attending will be limited so register soon. We'll have Mulligan's, prizes for winning teams, games in-between rounds and all led by Trivia Night expert, Gary Mueller, statistician for the St. Louis Cardinals.

Cost is \$10 per person as a team member with maximum of 6 people on a team.



Dubuque trip on Oct. 12

OREGON – Join the Oregon Park District for a trip to Dubuque for a day of shopping and a lunch cruise on Saturday, Oct. 12.

and a delicious lunch. The menu includes roast beef, chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, pasta salad and rolls. While shopping, you might also want to take a ride on the famous Fenton Elevator.

from Nash at 8:15 a.m. The cruise is from noon-2 p.m. Arrive back at Nash around 6:30 p.m.

Get away for the day. Enjoy shopping with friends and cruise on board The American Lady giving you the opportunity to enjoy the fall colors

Fee is \$50 per Resident and \$60 per Non-Resident. Transportation departs

Deadline to register is Sept. 25. Registration can be completed in person at 304 S. Fifth Street in Oregon, online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

Oregon Park District offers fun, adventure at Stronghold Sept. 29

OREGON – Come and enjoy a picnic, campfire, and an afternoon of adventure on Sunday, Sept. 29 from 1-5 p.m. at Stronghold in Oregon.

height of over 30 feet above the forest floor. Ride the swing by choice as the group pulls the swinger up to the highest point, or as high as you choose, pull the release and swing.

Enjoy a lunch of hamburgers cooked over a charcoal grill or roast your own hot dog over the campfire. All the fixings will be provided as well as yummy sides and dessert.

Afterward reward yourself with a s'more or two. Children must be 12 years and up for climbing.

After lunch, if you choose, brave Stronghold's high ropes course. Trained facilitators guide participants through the course and help them reach their full potential. The course ends with a zip line that extends over 450 feet in length, and participant choose from up to six different elements that reach a

The lunch fee is just \$10 per Resident and \$11 for Non-Residents. It is an additional \$30 to participate in the high ropes. Deadline to register is Sept. 21. Registration can be completed at Nash Recreation Center located at 304 S. Fifth St. in Oregon. You may also register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

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Seed exchange planned for 2020 in Polo

POLO – The Polo Woman's Garden Club will be hosting a community Seed Exchange in the first quarter of 2020 in an effort to build the gardening community, share information, plant varieties and support sustainable agriculture.

Gardeners please collect your seeds, dry, package, label and keep in a cool dry place out of light. No GMO's, hybrids or old seeds. Most seeds are viable for 2-4 years if properly stored with the exception of onions, leeks, parsnips, celery, and spinach which are only good for one year.

More information and details to become available in early 2020. Please call Beth Green at 815-299-1416 with any questions.

Activities planned for annual Spa Day

OREGON – Come join the Oregon Park District for our 10th annual Spa Day on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

Enjoy a Water Aerobics workout and Spa Day that includes lunch, prizes from local business, and an optional chair massage.

Rosann Costello will be leading a spa day on exploring the “pasta”abilities – life can only get better.

A water aerobics class will be held from 8:15-9:30 a.m. following by the spa day beginning at 9:45 a.m. Spa Day will include the message from Rosann, prize giveaways and a pasta lunch



catered by Alfano's.

The cost for class and spa day is \$10/Residents and \$12/Non-Residents. The cost for class, spa day and chair massage is \$22/Residents and \$26/Non-

Residents.

Chair Massages are provided by Alpine Chiropractic.

Don't wait, spots fill quickly and the last day to register is Oct. 3. No late reg-

istrations will be accepted.

Register at Nash Recreation Center or call 815-732-3101 to register over the phone.

For more information, visit www.oregonpark.org.

Byron Police report

Aug. 7
Cheyenne Smothermon, 21 of Waukesha, Wisc., was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aug. 10
Jessica Peterson, 35 of Mt. Morris, was issued a citation for No Valid Driver's License.

Aug. 11
Edyn Bossany, 20 of Byron, was issued a citation for No Valid Registration.

Aug. 16
Byron Police arrested Maribeth Hilliard, 29 of Byron, for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Hilliard was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond. Hilliard was also issued a citation for Leaving the Scene of a Motor Vehicle Accident Involving Damage to a Vehicle.

Russ Prejna, 60 of Davis Junction, was issued a citation for Speeding 52 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Michael Colletti, age 19 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 46 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

America Sanders, 29 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 43 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aug. 17
Joyce Rogers, 52 of Mt. Morris, was issued a citation for Speeding 48 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Wyatt Pierce, 24 of Byron, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Sign.

Diego Caballero, 27 of Elgin, was issued a citation for Speeding 48 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aug. 18
Thomas Lee, 59 of Lake Forest, was issued a citation for Speeding 48 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aug. 23
Jason Benyo, 31 of Byron, was issued a citation for Improper Use of Electronic Communication Device.

Aug. 26
Luis Jenaro Morales Rodriguez, 37 of Chicago, was issued a citation for Operation of a Motor Vehicle When Registration is Suspended for Non-Insurance.

Adonus Ecford, 18 of Milwaukee, Wis., was issued citations for Speeding 41 mph in a 30 mph Zone and No Proof of Insurance.

Aug. 27
Byron Police arrested Raymond Martinez, 65 of Rock Falls, on an Ogle County warrant, a Whiteside County warrant, and for Driving While License is Suspended. Martinez was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Seth Hill, 30 of Kewanee, was issued a citation for Speeding 42 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Dewey Haime, 47 of Loves Park, was issued a citation for Improper Use of Electronic Communication Device.

Aug. 28
Brittany Highbarger, 29 of Brown Deer, Wisconsin, was issued a citation for Speeding 44 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aug. 29
Kelsee Sweet, 20 of Freeport, was issued a citation for Speeding 51 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Navarro Castillo, 47 of Rockford, was issued citations for No Insurance and Speeding 48 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aug. 31
Byron Police arrested Kelly Lee, 54 of Byron, for Domestic Battery and Criminal Damage to Property. Lee was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held without bond.

Pork chop lunch Sept. 21

BYRON – The Kiwanis Pork Chop Lunch will be held at the Byron Swedish America Clinic parking lot, 230 W, Blackhawk Drive, on Saturday, Sept. 21 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

The cost of the lunch is \$8 and includes grilled Eichman's pork sandwich, chips, cookie and bottle of water. You can also purchase individual items. Eat there or take a sack lunch to go.

All proceeds benefit community programs.

Kiwanis is a mosaic of ordinary people doing extraordinary things to uplift our communities and serve children around the world. The Byron Club was founded in 1988 and Service is at the heart of every member, united in our commitment and compassion for others.

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Leaders: Byron Kiwanis sponsors “K-KIDS” at Mary Morgan Elementary, “Builders Club” at Byron Middle School and “Key Club” at Byron High School. We collaborate with other area service organizations and businesses, because together we reach more people and have a greater impact on our community. Some of the programs we support include; Mary Morgan Family Reading Night, youth education & sports, high school college scholarships, Byron School PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports, Free Breakfast with Santa, benefiting Operation Santa, Crossroads Blues Society, People Helping People Food Pantry, Pegasus Riders, Village of Progress and the Neuroscience Research Foundation.

Medicare program Sept. 18

BYRON – A free educational and informational presentation on the Social Security and Medicare programs returns, and will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at The United Church of Byron, 701 West Second St.

The emphasis will be on the eligibility and enrollment periods, benefits, and options concerning Social Security and Medicare. All are welcome. Presenters will be Greg Wills for the Medicare part, and Gary Voss will present the Social Security program.

This program is sponsored by the Legacy and Endowment Committees of The United Church of Byron. Check it out at www.unitedchurchofbyron.org

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Horse expo at the fairgrounds will be Oct. 12-13

There will be a Spooktacular Horse Expo on Oct. 12 and 13 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Ogle County fairgrounds. Bring your horses or come to watch. On Saturday, there will be a fun show with miniature horses and ponies, starting at 10 a.m. On Sunday, we will start with Cowboy Church at 9 a.m., and, at 10 a.m., a fun show for horses and draft horses. Both days will feature a “Trail of Terror” obstacle class, costume class, demonstrations of horse abilities, petting zoo, mechanical bull riding, tack sale, craft fair, flea market, food, TV raffle, camping and much more. Demonstrations include, mounted shooting, reining, barrel racing, miniature horse hitches, draft hitches, liberty, etc.

We will draw for the TV raffle on Sunday at 3 p.m. You need not be present to win. Come on out for a day of fun.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., Sept. 9

The Byron High School Key Club and Rock River Valley Blood Center are hosting a blood drive

at Mary Morgan Elementary School from 12:30-6:30 p.m. (696 N. Colfax, please use Park District Door #54). Walk-ins are welcome.

Weds., Sept. 11

Dog lovers are invited to the 7th Annual Wiggly Wag and Walk at Wiggly Field Dog Park from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Check out Wiggly Field, shop and meet pet vendors, enjoy dog demonstrations and take your pooch on the

Hound Hike for fun, exercise and a chance to win a prize.

Thurs., Sept. 12

It is National Encouragement Day. To celebrate, teens will collaborate to create a mural made of post-it notes containing encouraging and positive messages for their peers. 2:45 p.m., ages 13-18. Registration required. Julia Hull Library in Stillman Valley.

Fri., Sept. 13

Friday Mic Live returns at the United Church of Byron from 6-8 p.m. The church is

located at 701 West Second St. and is handicapped accessible.

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 Community Room at the KSB Clinic at the south edge of Polo at 1107 S. Division Ave (Route 26).

Sat., Sept. 14

The start of the monthly breakfasts being served by the Leaf River Lions begins at 7 a.m. Serving will be in the Bertolet Memorial build-

ing, in Leaf River, and ends at 10 a.m.

Oregon Farmers Market from 8:30 a.m.-noon on the Ogle County Courthouse Lawn.

Byron Farmer's Market is at the corner of Route 2 and Peru Street, next to the Hairy Cow Brewery, from 8 a.m.-noon.

Please send your items for the weekly Community Calendar to bjennings@oglecountylife.com. Deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Sept. 27, 1540, in Rome, the Society of Jesus -- a Roman Catholic missionary organization -- receives its charter from Pope Paul III. The Jesuit order succeeded in converting millions around the world to Catholicism.

* On Sept. 28, 1066, claiming his right to the English throne, William, duke of Normandy, invades England. On Christmas Day, William the Conqueror was crowned the first Norman king of England. William I also is known for his "Domesday Book," a great census of the lands and people of England.

* On Sept. 24, 1941, the Japanese consul in Hawaii is instructed to divide Pearl Harbor into five zones and calculate the number of battleships in each zone. The United States had intercepted the message, but it was dismissed a month later as being of no great consequence.

* On Sept. 26, 1957, "West Side Story," composed by Leonard Bernstein, opens on Broadway. The show went on to an impressive maiden run of 732 performances. In 1961, a film version was an enormous hit and took home 10 Academy Awards.

* On Sept. 23, 1969, the trial for eight antiwar activists charged with sparking violent demonstrations at the August 1968 Democratic National Convention opens in Chicago. Most were convicted on criminal charges or contempt of court, but none served time after convictions eventually were overturned on appeal or charges dropped.

* On Sept. 25, 1970, ABC premieres "The Partridge Family," which would become a smash hit. The group's songs were not actually recorded by the five siblings and their mom in a garage, but were mostly the work professional musicians in Los Angeles.

* On Sept. 29, 1982, seven people die in Chicago after ingesting over-the-counter painkiller laced with cyanide. No other contaminated capsules were found in a nationwide recall, but the mass murder led to new tamper-proof medicine containers.

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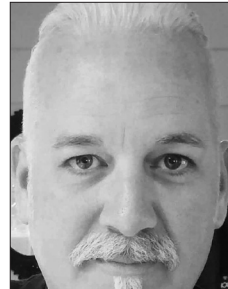
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Read a good book, don't burn one

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



I love to read. I read every day. Yes, you could argue that I am a professional reader, as I work with words daily. I read them, write them and edit them and have for nearly three decades now.

At home, I also read. I read the news on my phone, and I read books on my Kindle. I read a couple of books a month from beginning to end, and often I am reading two at the same time. It is just too easy to do that on a Kindle, or any other electronic device used to read.

I have read a lot of novels, and have read many of the classics. I also love Stephen King and other authors the stuffy English majors love to scoff at. I say if you love a certain author and their works, don't be ashamed. Reading is a good thing.

Reading is a great way to expand your knowledge of the world. It is a way to explore places on the printed page that you will never be

able to in the flesh. It is about absorbing fantasy worlds, and living out an alternative existence, even if only for a short time.

Books, in short, are a wonder escape from our daily lives.

That is why I am constantly flummoxed by those who seem to believe that books can be a threat to society, or at least their belief system. I say if your belief system is so flimsy that a book can challenge it, you need to

re-think your belief system.

Recently, a Catholic school in Tennessee removed all of the books from the Harry Potter series that it had. If you read this column regularly, you know that I am a Harry Potter fan, and my wife and I traveled last year to the Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal in Florida. It was a wonderful, magical place. The books and movies are also wonderful and magical.

But this school removed the books, and the pastor at the school said the books contain, "actual curses and spells, which when read by a human being risk conjuring evil spirits."

Yes. In 2019, an educated person actually said that a book series aimed at younger readers, that has sold more than 400 million copies, could lead you to conjuring evil spirits.

It would be laughable if it wasn't so frustrating.

Banning books is certainly not a new phenom-

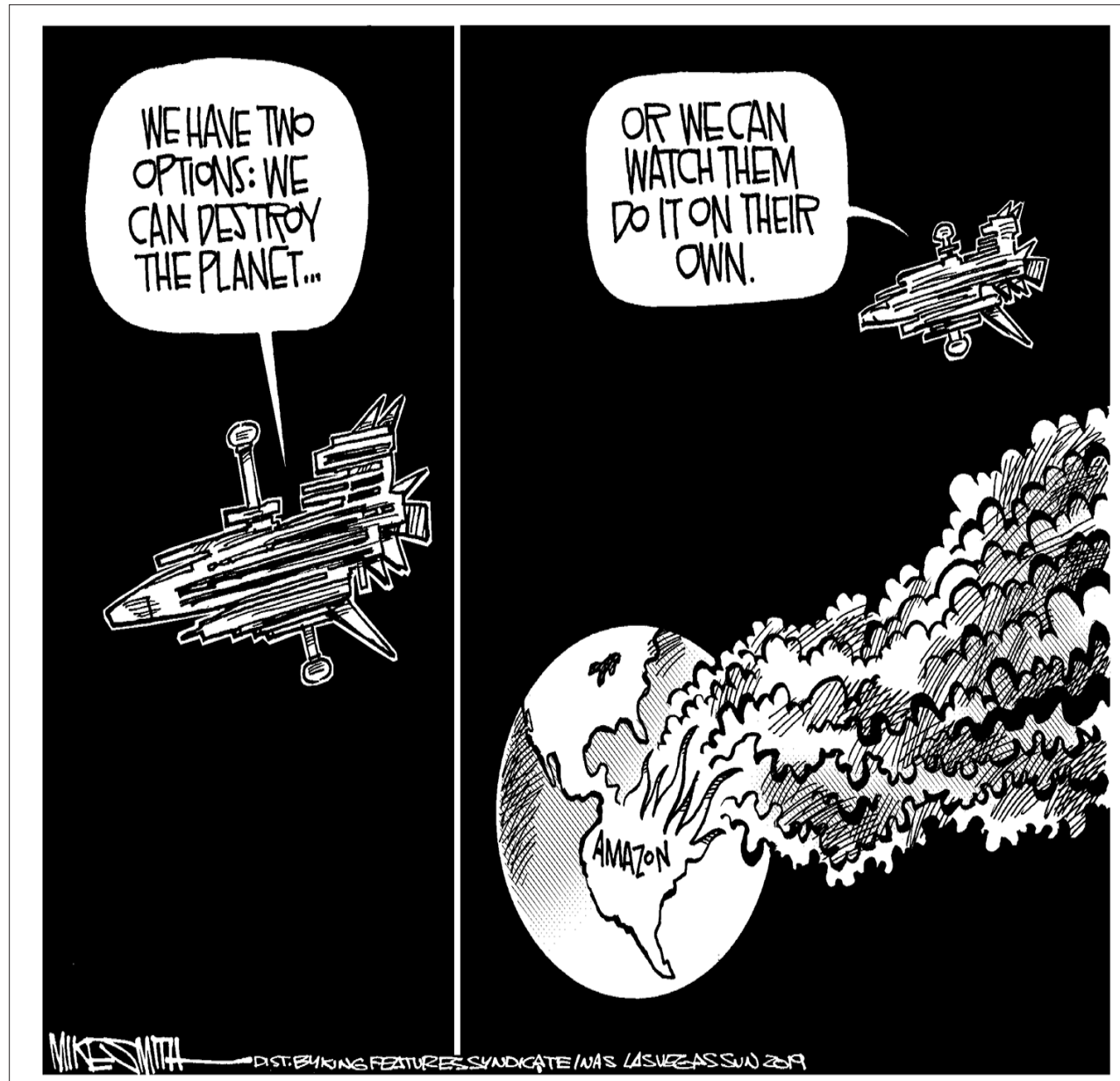
enon. Many great pieces of literature have been banned and (anger rising) burned over the decades. I almost understand it when it comes to works that push the boundaries of the current society or ask us to take hard, deep looks at ourselves as a people -- something most never want to do.

But this is a fantasy series of books that is fun and daring and expansive. This is not "To Kill a Mocking Bird," which has been banned often, or even "Fifty Shades of Grey." This is the magical world of Harry Potter.

I encourage people to get your kids the Harry Potter books. Read them yourselves if you haven't, too. They are well-written and immersive.

Reading is good for people of all ages, as it expands the mind. Something the narrow-minded book banners of the world need more of.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



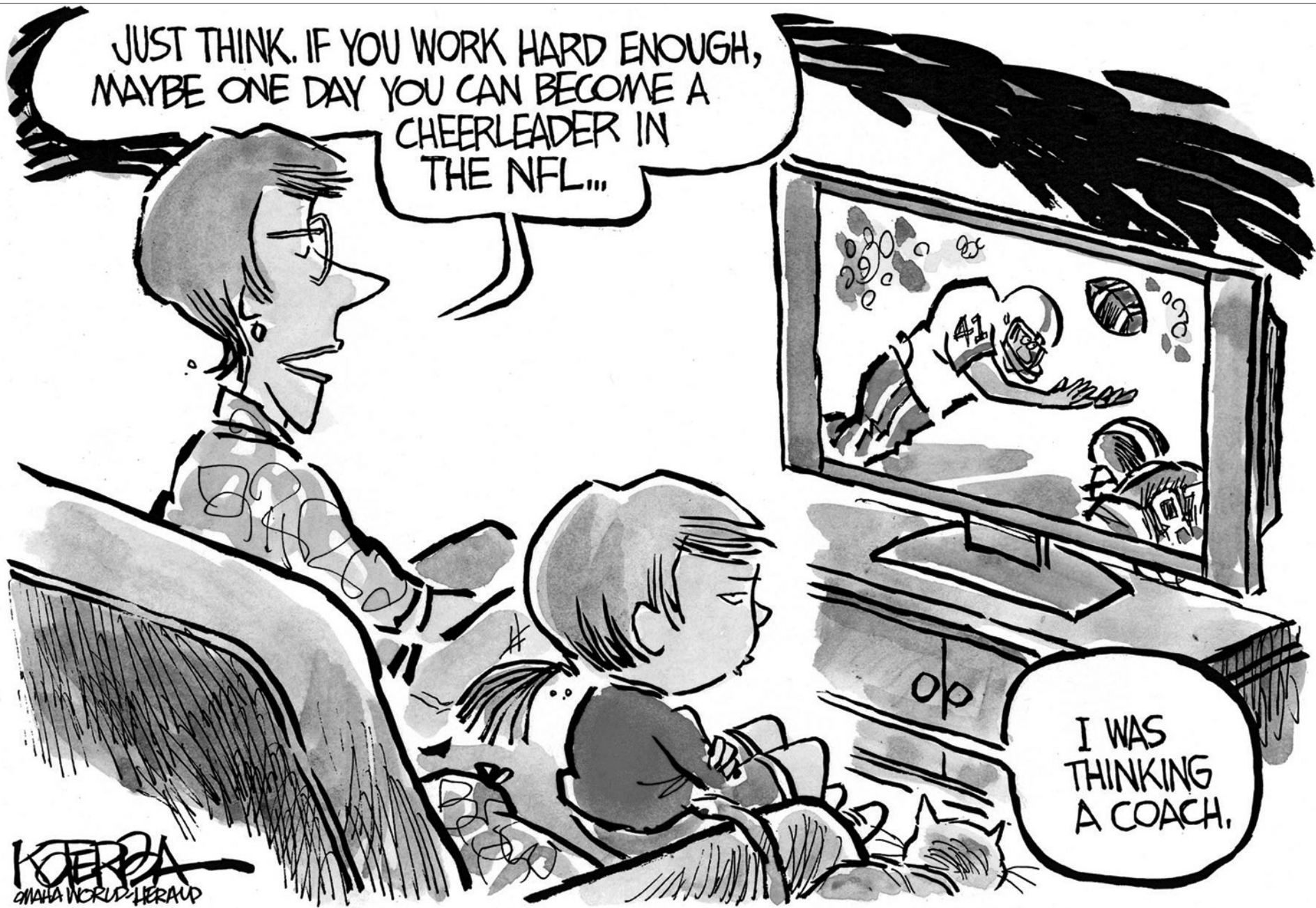
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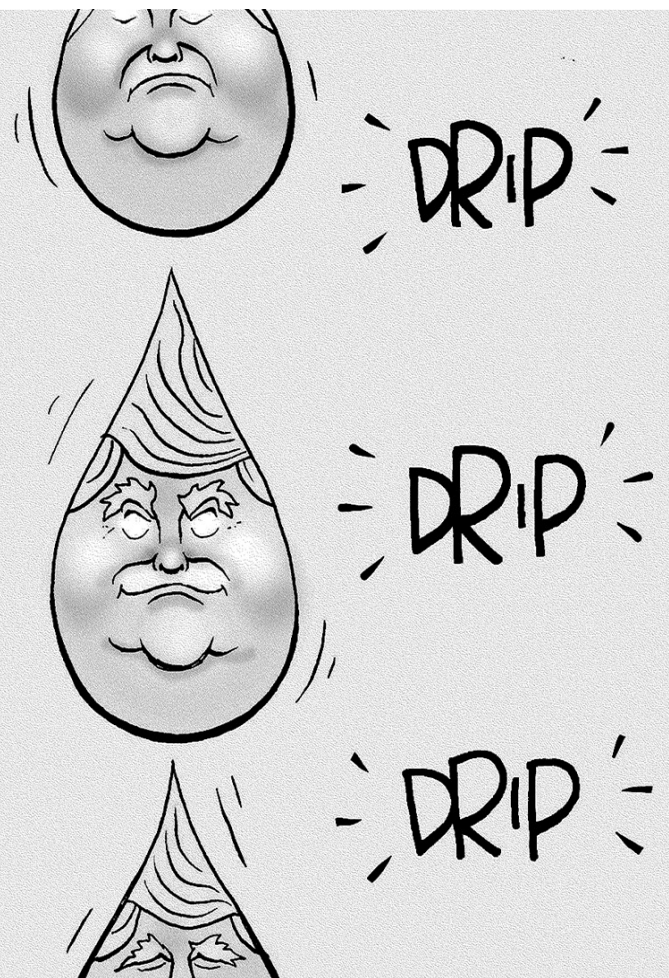
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Ogle County electronic recycling event will also be a food drive

OREGON – The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) will be conducting two residential electronics recycling events in September.

These events will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14 from 8 a.m.-noon and on Friday, Sept. 27 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. These collection events are held at the County Annex Building at 909 Pines Road in Oregon. In addition to electronics, the OCSWMD will also be accepting donations of non-perishable food items for County food pantries at both of these events.

The OCSWMD is averaging 230 vehicles served during 2019 electronic recycling events. If each vehicle donated one non-perishable food item the OCSWMD will have a lot of food to deliver to the needy. Items accepted for the food drop off must be within their expiration dates, sealed, and non-perishable. Items most in need include canned fruits and vegetables, boxed pastas, mac & cheese, noodles, canned soups, cereal, canned meats and tuna, hamburger helper, pancake mix, pancake syrup, peanut butter, and jelly. New bar soaps, tooth-

paste, and toothbrushes will also be accepted for donation. Donations will be accepted at all remaining electronic recycling events for 2019, and throughout the remainder of the year at the OCSWMD office at 909 Pines Road, and promptly delivered to local food pantries by OCSWMD staff.

Accepted items for electronics recycling include all televisions, computers, computer hardware and cables, laptops, tablets, cell phones, computer monitors, printers, desktop copiers, FAX machines, DVD/VCR's, cable and satellite boxes,

video gaming systems, stereo equipment, phone systems, holiday light strands, extension cords, boom boxes, calculators, adding machines, UPS power supplies, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs, and printer cartridges. Microwave ovens are accepted for a \$5 charge.

Items that are not accepted include smoke detectors, dehumidifiers, lamps, fans, heaters, vacuum cleaners, tools, personal hygiene items, alkaline batteries, incandescent bulbs, fluorescent bulbs, motors, sump pumps, toasters, bread makers, fryers, wooden speakers,

and shredder tubs. Please remove packaging from your electronics prior to arriving at the event. This event is for Ogle County residents only, identification is required, and limited to 7 bulky items per vehicle. No business or institutional electronic items accepted.

If you have questions about electronics recycling, have business or institutional electronics to recycle, or have questions about the OCSWMD 2019 Food Drive, please call 815-732-4020, visit oglecounty.org, or visit the OCSWMD on Facebook.



Lamer named Director of Buildings and Grounds

STILLMAN VALLEY – At the Thursday, Sept. 5 Meridian Board of Education meeting, Kenny Lamer was expected to be approved to serve as the next Director of Buildings and Grounds for Meridian CUSD 223.

MCUSD was incredibly impressed with the high caliber and number of candidates for the position. Even with the incredibly high quality of the candidate pool, the interview team concluded that Lamer would be a perfect fit to help move the district forward.

Lamer is a community staple and a respected leader, coach, and mentor in the Meridian Community. He has been married for 19 years to his wife Jaime and they have two boys. Both Austin and Tyler graduated from Stillman Valley and are now attending college. Lamer's professional career is highlighted by opening and operating Showtime Installations for the past 20-plus years. Showtime installs CCTV and communications

and serves many local agencies and organizations.

Lamer and his family moved to Davis Junction in 2005 looking for a slower pace of life and immediately knew the Meridian community is where they wanted to raise their kids. Lamer began working for the Village of Davis Junction in 2012 where he had worked until this new chapter of his life began.

Superintendent PJ Caposey said that finding the right person to follow Bryan Vandiver was a tall task noting that Bryan left large shoes to fill.

"It added an element of pressure to this hiring process until we were able to meet and get to know Kenny," he said. "I believe we hit a home-run bringing Kenny into our organization. He is community-minded, dependable, and has a demonstrated track record of doing excellent work. I cannot wait to see where he takes our Buildings and Grounds Department."



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50th anniversary crop walk will be Sept. 29

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Brown earns \$1,000 scholarship

POLO'S Kyle Brown is not unlike many young men these days, he has a hobby, that has turned into a passion.

Since the sixth grade, Brown has been participating in trap shooting events. Sometimes through FFA and sometimes through a club in Carroll County.

In the high school league, he was one of 25 in the nation to receive the Jim Sable Scholarship, a \$1,000 scholarship, which is awarded to those who will continue their education with an eye toward environment, natural resources and conservation.

Brown has participated in 8-to-10 shoots a year in Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio and other points in the Midwest. In trap shooting, the machine throws the clay target and the shooter needs to shoot it quickly. There are 25 per round, five at each station. His brother got him

interested in the sport, "I was leaning toward archery," said Kyle. "But it wasn't as accessible as trap shooting."

He was on the FFA team for four years in high school. At the competition in Bunker Hill, there were 600 shooters and Brown placed 20th shooting 96-for-100. He was the conference 4-high overall and male average for 2019 with a 24.0 out of 25-point average.

His personal best was had a SCTP (Scholastic Clay Target Program) competition where he scored 195 out of 200. He was the FFA and high school team captain for four years and participated in the Section FFA shoots at Coleta-Coloma every year.

Brown recently started his college adventure at UW-Platteville, where he plans to be involved in the local trap shooting program. He will be studying mechanical engineering.



Former Polo High School trap shooter Kyle Brown was one of 25 people in the nation to earn the \$1,000 Jim Sable Scholarship. Brown is currently studying mechanical engineering at UW-Platteville. (Courtesy photo)

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Oregon boys soccer team takes fourth in Hawk Invitational

OREGON — The Oregon boys soccer team took fourth place in the Hawk Invitational on Saturday, Aug. 31. The Hawks opened the day with a 3-2 win against Richmond-Burton behind two goals from Josh Sitze and one goal from Isaac Nelson. Oregon fell 3-2 against Schaumburg Christian in the next round, with Alvaro Soler and Keshon Reed each scoring goals. The

Hawks lost 4-1 against Rockford East in the third-place match to move to 5-2 overall.

On Friday, Aug. 30, the Hawks kicked off the tournament with a 2-0 win against Orion behind goals from Keshon Reed and Sam Flores-Minnis. The Hawks topped Riverdale 3-0 next, with Josh Sitze scoring twice and Jayden Davis adding one goal.

Oregon Park District offering swim lessons for kids, adults

OREGON — Learn to swim this fall at the Oregon Park District. Morning, afternoon, evening and even Saturday classes are available. All classes start the week of Oct. 14 and meet once a week for eight weeks.

No swimming lessons will be held during Thanksgiving week (Nov. 25-30). Registration deadline is Sept. 21. Sign up today, late registration will not be taken. Classes are taught by certified Starfish Swim instructors. Level 1-6 are for ages 3 and up. Starbabies is for ages 6 months to 3 years and a parent must get in the water with them.

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 1-on-1 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, Danielle Volk, danielle@oregonpark.org or 815-732-3101.

Have you always wanted to learn to swim? Now is your chance this spring at the Oregon Park District. The Oregon Park District is offering group adult lessons. Class begins on April 2 and meet once a week for eight weeks. Registration deadline is March 19. Sign up today, spots are limited and no late registration is accepted.

This class will be taught by a certified Starfish Swim instructor on Tuesdays 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. The class is geared towards beginners and intermediate swimmers looking to learn the basic skills of front crawl, back crawl or breaststroke.

Students can work at their own pace to accomplish their swimming goals in this group setting. For more information or to register contact aquatics coordinator, Jena Wehmhoefer, jena@oregonpark.org or 815-732-3101.

Stillman Valley boys soccer team takes on local opponents

STILLMAN VALLEY — The Stillman Valley boys soccer team took on Genoa-Kingston and lost by a score of 4-3 on Tuesday, Aug. 27. Stillman Valley played Dixon on Aug. 29 and fell by a score of 3-0.

The Stillman Valley boys soccer team faced Woodstock on Friday, Aug. 30. The

Cardinals lost by a score of 2-1 on penalty kicks. Stillman Valley kicked off the Colin Smith Invitational on Saturday, Aug. 31 with a 2-0 opening loss against Marengo before losing 4-0 against Genoa-Kingston.

The Cardinals bounced back with a 3-2 victory against Winnebago on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

Stillman Valley golf teams face Rock Falls

STILLMAN VALLEY — The Stillman Valley boys golf team faced Mendota on Wednesday, Aug. 28. The Cardinals fell by a score of 174-176 with Tim Marcum earning medalist honors.

The Stillman Valley girls golf team

faced Rock Falls on Tuesday, Sept. 3 and won by a score of 186-212. Grace Haas earned medalist honors while Ashlynn Challand received runner-up recognition. The Stillman Valley boys golf team lost 165-179 to Rock Falls on Tuesday.

Stillman Valley volleyball team splits with Dakota, Sycamore

STILLMAN VALLEY — The Stillman Valley volleyball team battled Dakota on Wednesday, Aug. 28, with the Cardinals

falling 2-0 by a score of 11-25, 14-25. Stillman Valley faced Sycamore on Tuesday, Sept. 3 and won by a score of 25-18, 25-23.

Oregon volleyball team defeats Amboy

OREGON — The Oregon volleyball team defeated Amboy by a score of 25-15, 25-17 on Friday, Aug. 30. Ella Martin re-

corded 15 assists while Alice Stenico added 13 kills and Olivia Ankney compiled six digs. Jenae Bothe finished with six kills.

Oregon Park District offers a wide variety of tumbling classes

OREGON — The Oregon Park District tumbling program is in full swing.

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

October classes will run Oct. 2-23. Deadline to register is Monday, Sept. 30. The tumbling program has proven effective and is a great starting/building block for interested children. Kids Spot Inc. pairs with the park district and utilizes very interactive instructors to provide your child the best experience possible. With a wide variety of class offerings there's guaranteed to be a fit for your future tumbler.

Fee is \$56 for Residents and \$67 for Non-Residents.

Special deer, turkey hunt for those with disabilities set for Nov. 14-16

LOVES PARK — The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) will host a three-day deer and turkey hunting opportunity for hunters with disabilities Nov. 14, 15 and 16 at Rock Cut State Park in Winnebago County.

A total of only 20 hunting blind sites will be available for the event this year due to ongoing work on the Rock Cut State Park Road Improvement Project, which will prevent the safe access to and use of an additional 20 blind sites normally open for the hunt.

For the 2019 event, a total of 20 hunters with disabilities will be eligible to participate. Each hunter may bring a hunting partner with them, or a partner will be provided upon request. Any unfilled hunter spot may be filled by standby hunters each morning at 5:30 a.m.

All participating hunters must have completed a Hunter Safety Education course. Applications for eligible hunters with disabilities will be mailed out in September.

To be eligible for the drawing for the 20 available hunting blinds, a completed application must be returned to the Rock Cut State Park site office by Friday, Oct. 18, 2019. Eligible applicants must have a Class P2A disability card, a valid FOID card, 2019 State Habitat Stamp, and a Hunter Education course certificate.

Each shotgun hunter will be assigned a preconstructed ground level hunting blind comprised of a plywood platform surrounded on three sides with plywood walls. IDNR staff and volunteers will be on hand to provide transportation and other assistance required.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Rock Cut State Park, 7318 Harlem Road, Loves Park or by calling 815-885-3311.

Byron football team dominates Winnebago for opening victory

BYRON — The Byron football team opened the season with a 50-3 victory against Winnebago on Friday, Aug. 30. Drake Snodgrass and Isaac Stickler each rushed for two touchdowns, while Ian Palzkill added two rushing touchdowns.

Aydin Lambert connected on a 23-yard field goal, and Aydin Coffey recorded a 53-yard rushing score. Snodgrass led the Tiggers with 189 rushing yards, while Stickler added 160 rushing yards and Palzkill totaled 28 rushing yards.

Stillman Valley football team opens with win against Dixon

STILLMAN VALLEY — The Stillman Valley football team opened the season with a 37-12 victory against Dixon on Friday, Aug. 30. The Cardinals led 15-0 after the first quarter before taking a 29-0 lead at halftime. Dixon scored 12 points over the final two quarters of play in the

loss to the Cardinals.

Logan Jennings led the Cardinals with 91 rushing yards while Caleb Fleming added 32 rushing yards and one touchdown. Joe Kuthe recorded 109 receiving yards and three touchdowns in the victory on passes from Chad Gerig.

Oregon boys golf team finishes fourth in tournament play

OREGON — The Oregon golf team competed in tournament play on Saturday, Aug. 31. The Hawks compiled a team

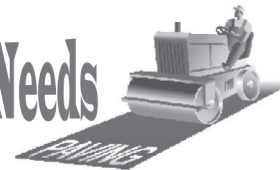
score of 391 for fourth place behind 93 from Jarrett Dietrich and 98 from Isaac Kaltenbrum. Case Sellers carded 99.

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Pictured from left: Kelly Zitzke, Todd Hall, TJ Zambrovitz, Aimee Stewart, Ben Groselak, Kristine Lundine, Alison Salo, Becky Barton, Jen Hall, Kim Hofmeister and Malinda Hurt.

Teachers become Google Certified Educators

Over the past three years Meridian CUSD has used an incentive program to support teachers who chose to drive their own professional development by becoming a Google Certified Educator.

The time intensive process requires teachers to complete modules and then take a timed assessment to demonstrate their proficiency within the Google suite.

Google has designed professional development for teachers so that they may best utilize the resources available to

them to continue their personal growth and to best support their students. The Google Educator website states, "Learning never stops. Dedicated educators are lifelong learners. With that in mind, we've (Google) designed free, online training for the classroom that helps educators do what they do best, even better."

Over the course of three years over 20 MCUSD educators have taken their personal time to dive in and earn this certification. Many completed the work on their

time and others received on-site assistance by their peer and Google facilitator Malinda Hurt.

Current staff that have earned certification include: Malinda Hurt, Riley Appino, Todd Hall, TJ Zambrovitz, Danielle Kunce, Megan Zamora, Kelli Zitzke, Alison Salo, Kristie Lundine, Jessica McLaughlin, Christina Shula, Kim Hofmeister, Jill Gramer, Becky Barton, Tara Jepsen, Jacqui Goodman, Aimee Stewart, Jen Hall, Amy Metzger, Beth Kleinschmidt, Lisa Hillard,

Ben Groselak and Jamie Melin.

Superintendent Dr. PJ Caposey noted that he was incredibly proud of the work of his teachers.

"I think it is incredible that teachers have chosen to challenge themselves and commit to staying unfinished in order to best serve our students," he said. "I am incredibly proud of the fact our teachers have demonstrated the desire to best use the technology we have available in order to continually engage our students."

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Byron School District offers food pantry

BYRON – One in five students in the Byron School District has issues obtaining enough food for success in school.

Byron High School is again offering our food pantry program to help students with food insecurities by providing them a safe and confidential atmosphere to help supplement food for both during and after their school day.

The pantry is run 100 percent from staff and community donations. If you are interested in helping by donating food, we are in need of the following items:

- * Granola, cereal, protein Bars
- * Poptarts
- * Peanut Butter and Cracker Snacks
- * Dried microwave meals (not frozen)
- * Instant Oatmeal/Dry cereals
- * Pancake mixes and syrup
- * Peanut butter
- * Ramen and Noodle mixes

- * Pasta and pasta sauce
- * Soups (dried and canned)

- * Tuna and Chicken in cans or pouches

- * Hamburger/Tuna Helper Mixes

- * Knorr/Lipton noodles or rice

- * Macaroni and cheese mixes

- * Taco kits
- * Apple sauce and fruit cups

- * Trail mix packs
- * Fruit snacks

- * Cracker sandwiches (Peanut butter and crackers, etc.)

- * Snack items
- * Full-sized shampoo, conditioner, soap

- * Toothbrushes
- * Feminine Products

- * Reusable Grocery bags (The \$.99 bags sold at checkout)

- * Monetary donations: Check made out to BHS Food Pantry

If you have any questions, please reach out to Nikki Yerly or Susan Freyer, 815-234-5491, Ext. 205.

2019 4-H Fair Awards

Goat Department

Champion Junior Showmanship – Sawyer Stockton, Rochelle

Champion Intermediate Showmanship – Braden Rogers, Chana

Champion Senior Showmanship – Amber Henson, Dixon

Dairy Goats Champion Milk Producer – Braden Rogers, Chana

Reserve Champion Milk Producer – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris

Grand Champion Dairy Dry Doe – Samantha Osborne, Davis Junction

Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Dry Doe – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris

Grand Champion Dairy Goat – AshLee Griffin, Polo

Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Goat – Braden Rogers, Chana

Champion Dairy Goat Wether – Ashley Williams, Leaf River

Reserve Champion Dairy Goat Wether – Braden Rogers, Chana

Champion Dairy Goat Dam & Daughter – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris

Champion Pet Dairy Goat – Braden Rogers, Chana
Reserve Champion Pet Dairy Goat – Amber Henson, Dixon

Meat Goats Grand Champion Meat Goat Kid – Ashley Williams, Leaf River

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat Kid – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Grand Champion Meat Goat Doe – Katelyn Rockwood, Polo

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat Doe – AshLee Griffin, Polo

Champion Meat Goat Wether – Katelyn Rockwood, Polo

Reserve Champion Meat Goat Wether – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Meat Goat Dam & Daughter – Katelyn Rockwood, Polo

Pygmy Goats Grand Champion Pygmy Doe Kid – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris

Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Doe Kid – Kyra Rimstidt, Rochelle

Grand Champion Pygmy Doe – Kyra Rimstidt, Rochelle

Reserve Grand Champion Senior Pygmy Doe – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris

Champion Pygmy Goat Dam & Daughter – Kyra Rimstidt, Rochelle

Reserve Champion Pygmy Goat Dam & Daughter – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris

Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether – Kyra Rimstidt, Rochelle

Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Grand Champion AOB Doe – Braden Rogers, Chana

Reserve Grand Champion AOB Doe – Sawyer Stockton, Rochelle

Grand Champion AOB Wether – Braden Rogers, Chana

Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy AOB Wether – Sawyer Stockton, Rochelle

Champion Pet Pygmy Goat – Kyra Rimstidt, Rochelle

Reserve Champion Pet Pygmy Goat – Braden Rogers, Chana

Novelty Class Awards
Costume Class – Evan Kosick, Mount Morris
Dinner Bell Derby – Braden Rogers, Chana
Alyse Rogers, Chana
Sawyer Stockton, Rochelle
Obstacle Course – Kyra Rimstidt, Rochelle

Leaf River Lions hosting monthly breakfast on Sept. 14

LEAF RIVER – Sept. 14 will be the start of the monthly breakfasts being served by the Leaf River Lions.

That breakfast will see fresh eggs, bacon, hash browns, with or without onions, sausage gravy and toast on the menu.

Serving will be in the Bertolet Memorial building, in Leaf River, beginning at 7 a.m. and ending at 10 a.m. The cost for the breakfast is children 4 and under free, ages 5 years to 12 years \$4 and Adult “one time through” will be \$7. If you want an “all you can eat” breakfast the cost is \$9.

The next breakfast on Oct. 12 will be pancakes and waffles, french toast and whole hog sausage. There will also be strawberries with whipped cream, blueberry or chocolate chip pancakes available.

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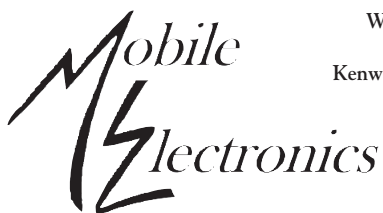
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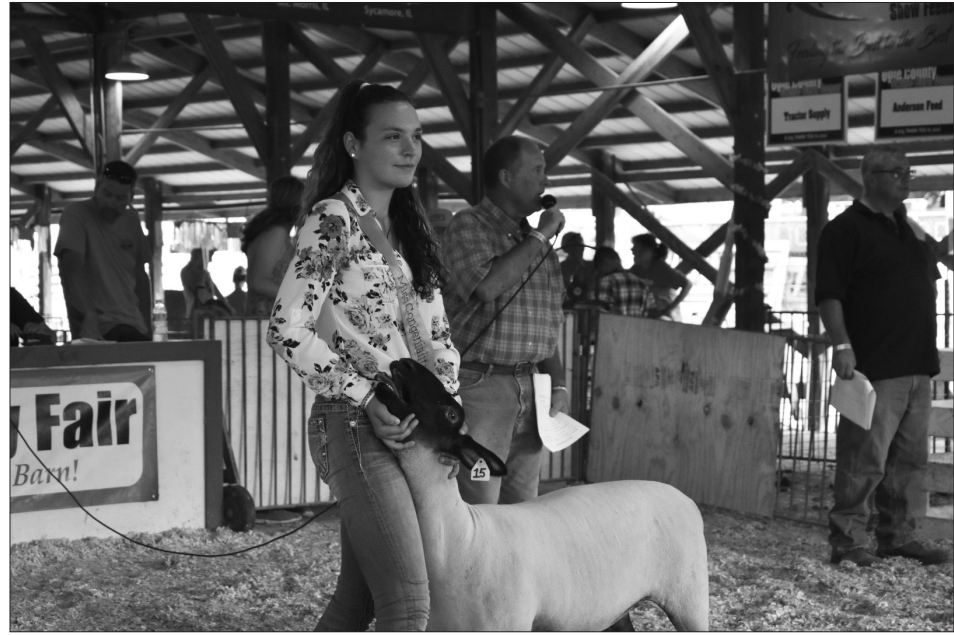


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- Monday, Sept. 16 at Lowden Miller State Park Deadline 9/9
- Thursday, Oct. 3 at Castle Rock State Park Deadline 9/26
- Thursday, Oct. 17 at Lowden State Park Deadline 10/10

Flow-a-wellness retreat

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Join us for a full day reset on Sunday, Sept. 29 at White Pines State Park from 10 a.m.- 6 p.m. This retreat includes a digital detox, educational sessions regarding reiki, live flower arrangements, yoga, hiking, meditation, skin care, sleep/nutrition, journaling, live music by the fire, all meals from brunch to dinner, health snacks and take-home materials. Don't miss this unique opportunity to connect with yourself and find a healthy balance in this busy life. Fee is \$135/Resident and \$162/Non-Resident. Add an additional \$95 to your registration to stay in a cabin overnight. Deadline to register is September 9 and can be completed online at oregonpark.org.

Face mask informational class

Don't miss your chance to participate in a holistic, natural and all edible face mask class on Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 6-7 p.m. Core Gale will demonstrate how to make natural masks for many different types of skin issues. Participants will get to sample the masks and come home with a recipe book of skin masks. Fee is just \$10/Resident and \$12 per Non-Resident. Deadline to register is September 18.

Wellness trends informational class

This class covers all those new wellness practices and products that you hear about but maybe don't know what they are! Core Gale, Holistic Therapy Coordinator, will give background and information about many wellness trends, such as MCT oils, Kombucha tea, sound therapy, Apple Cider Vinegar, Bulletproof coffee and many more. The class includes demonstrations, samples and a take home informational sheet for reference. Class takes place on Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 2-3:30 p.m. Fee is just \$10/Resident and \$12 per Non-Resident. Deadline to register is Sept. 18.

Painted pillow

Join Timber + Tribe and create a painted pillow to accent your favorite chair or sofa. All supplies are included to make this fun trendy project on Wednesday, Sept. 25, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Cork & Tap in Oregon. Upon registration choose your fabric color and choose between 8 different designs/sayings. Fee for the class is \$29/Resident or \$35/Non-Resident. Sign up early or before the Sept. 17 registration deadline.

Wiggly Way & Walk

Dog lovers are invited to join us for the 7th Annual Wiggly Wag and Walk Wednesday on Sept. 11, at Wiggly Field Dog Park from 4:30-7:30 p.m. This is a great event for you and your dog! Check out Wiggly Field, shop and meet pet vendors, enjoy dog demonstrations and take your pooch on the Hound Hike for fun, exercise and a chance to win a prize. The event is FREE; however, the Hound Hike fee is \$3/dog if registered on or before Sept. 1. At the event you can register for the hike on site for \$5/dog. All dogs will be checked for Rabies vaccination, they must be on a leash, and all Wiggly Field Rules will apply. You do not have to have a Wiggly Field membership to participate in the fun. It is only required for dogs entering the enclosed runs at the park. Interested pet vendors should contact debbie@oregonpark.org for more information.

Canvas painting at Cork & Tap

Sign up for one of the fall Canvas Painting classes, being held at Cork & Tap, before the registration deadline. There is limited seating availability in these classes. Thursday, Sept. 26 is the Scarecrow class (11" x 14" canvas with Sept. 18 Registration Deadline) and Wednesday, Oct. 9 is the Pumpkin class (12" x 12" canvas with Oct 1 Registration Deadline). Classes are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and fee is \$28/Resident or \$34/Non-Resident. All painting supplies included. Beverage expenses are on your own.

6th Grade Boys Competitive Basketball

This competitive league elevates the expectation of both the players and the coaches. Games are scheduled by Oregon School District and will replicate the 7th and 8th grade schedule. All home games will be played at Nash. Transportation to all away games will be provided by OCUSD. Roster size is limited on this team and try-outs may be required. Practices are scheduled to begin the week of Sept. 30. Deadline for Registration is Sept. 18, fee is \$75.

Women's Volleyball League

Are you ready for fall Volleyball? This league is played on Thursday nights at Nash and is open to all women who are at least 18 and out of high school. This is a great opportunity for all skill levels to exercise and have fun with friends and others from surrounding communities. A tournament will conclude the regular season with championship shirts for the winners. Limited to a maximum of 8 teams, so register early! Mandatory captains meeting 10/17 5:30 p.m. at Nash. Deadline for Registration is Oct. 16. Games 10/24- 1/16. Fee: \$225/team

Youth Basketball: PreK-1st Grade

Players will be given the opportunity to improve their skills in a positive environment. These Co-Ed programs are held on Saturdays at Nash or Oregon Elementary School. Each Saturday will start with practicing fundamental basketball skills followed by a game. If you are interested in coaching, please contact Lesley at lesley@oregonpark.org. Registration deadline: Oct. 2. Fee: \$45/54 NR Season is October 19-November 9.

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RRC offers programs

Low Vision Technology Presentation

Sloan Morris, from Innovative Vision Products, Inc. will be at Rock River Center on Monday, Sept. 16, from 11 a.m.-noon. He will give a comprehensive presentation on various portable, easy-to-use Low Vision Technology products.

Sample products will be available to view and a question and answer period. This presentation is free and open to the public.

If interested in learning about products that help with low vision, call 815-732-3252 by Thursday, Sept. 12. Registration is required.

Edwards West Apple Orchard Trip

Tuesday, Sept. 17

9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Call 815-732-3252 for details. Registration is required.

Noontime Knowledge

Thursday, Sept. 19

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presented by Danny Pierce, Executive Director

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

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ABBA Salute

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Schedule:

11:20 a.m. – Meet at White Pines for Seating

Noon – Buffet/Lunch

1 p.m. – Performance Begins

Cost (includes show, meal, tax and gratuity): \$50/Members; \$55/Non-Members

Last day for Reservations/payment: Sept. 17

Please call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to make your reservation.

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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 and 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 noon at Rock River Center.

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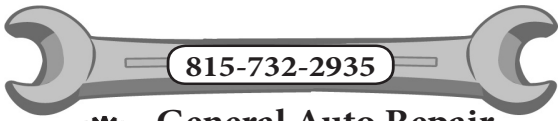

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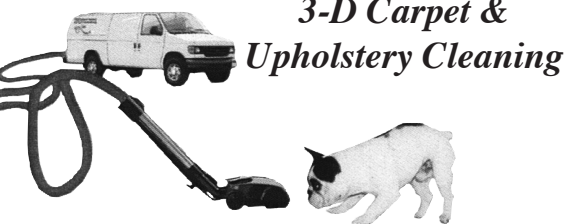
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WEEK #2 NFL GAMES

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Arizona Cardinals	at	Baltimore Ravens
Buffalo Bills	at	New York Giants
Dallas Cowboys	at	Washington Redskins
Indianapolis Colts	at	Tennessee Titans
Jacksonville Jaguars	at	Houston Texans
Los Angeles Chargers	at	Detroit Lions
Minnesota Vikings	at	Green Bay Packers
New England Patriots	at	Miami Dolphins
San Francisco 49ers	at	Cincinnati Bengals
Seattle Seahawks	at	Pittsburgh Steelers
Kansas City Chiefs	at	Oakland Raiders
Chicago Bears	at	Denver Broncos
New Orleans Saints	at	Los Angeles Rams
Philadelphia Eagles	at	Atlanta Falcons

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Cleveland Browns	at	New York Jets
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TIE BREAKER #1

Total Combined Score

Cleveland Browns at New York Jets

Total Score _____

TIE BREAKER #2

Total Combined Score

Philadelphia Eagles at Atlanta Falcons

Total Score _____

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Bread of Life has upcoming distributions

STILLMAN VALLEY – Bread of Life Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen serves residents of Ogle County and Meridian School District. Our usual distribution schedule, on the second Tuesday of each month from 3-5 p.m., has resumed. Dates for the next two distributions will be Sept. 10 and Oct. 8. Please provide Identification and proof of residency. Email or phone questions to info@valleycov.org or 815-645-8872. Bread of Life located in Valley Covenant Church, 103 S. Maple St, Stillman Valley, on the corner of Maple and Hwy 72.



Byron Farmer's Market

Byron Farmer's Market is at the corner of Route 2 and Peru Street, next to the Hairy Cow Brewery, from 8 a.m.-noon every Saturday morning. Homemade baked goods, honey, eggs, plants, crafts, seasonal produce and much more. Come and see what we have to offer you. We have at least 20 booths every week. Meredith Heinrich from Belvidere makes quilting items, sells Organo Gold Coffee and teas and gift baskets.

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Anniversary

LeFevre's to celebrate 70th

MOUNT MORRIS – Walter and Irene (Floto) LeFevre will celebrate their 70th Anniversary on Sept. 11.

They were married on Sept. 11, 1949, at Trinity Lutheran Church, and have lived in Mount Morris their entire married life. They are the parents of Robert (Crete) LeFevre of Mount Morris and Connie (James) Johnson of Shannon. They have four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

They would enjoy hearing from friends and relatives, and their address is 414 S. Wesley #756, Mount Morris, IL 61054.



Bertolet Library News

Coffee Club with Mark
Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2 p.m.

Join financial advisor, Mark Peiffer, for a brief presentation on current events in the market and economy followed by an informal discussion. Feel free to bring any financial/investing questions you may have. This is not a sales pitch, it is an opportunity to learn more about the stock market and economic factors that affect us all. Refreshments will be served.

Create-a-Card with Jessie
Saturday, Sep. 21, 9:30 a.m.

Now is the perfect time to get started on your fall

and holiday cards! Jessie Ross will be here to help with many unique ideas and wonderful tips. Stay for a little while or spend the whole morning making beautiful one-of-a-kind cards for your family and friends. Registration is not required and all supplies are provided.

Toddler/Preschool StoryTime

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.
Back to school for the big kids means back to story time for our little ones! Each week we will have engaging stories, crafts, and hands-on activities as we explore the world around us. This relaxed program is designed to help children make friends, practice new

skills, and experience the joy of sharing books with people they love.

Plastic Recycling

Ogle Jolly 4-H Club has earned their bench but we will continue 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. We are located on the south end of Leaf River at 705 Main Street. Thanks for your help!

Forreston Library News

Attention all Forreston history fans
We are starting a program at the library called "Forreston Fun Facts" and we need history enthusiasts to join in the fun. Our goal is to create a group that would scour the archives of Forreston and then share what they find in weekly newspaper, Facebook, and website posts. The group would meet at a time that works best for all members. If interested, please contact the library at 815-938-2624 or stop by and let us know you are interested.

Book club

The Book Club will meet on Tuesday evening Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. The book selection for September is *The Road Home* by Richard Paul Evans. Stop by the library

and pick up a copy of the book to read and then join the club for lively discussion and light refreshments.

Story hour

All children are welcome to Pre-school Story Hour for stories, crafts and playtime. Please join us every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. when school is in session.

New on the shelves

Check out some of our latest book additions. Past Tense, the newest Jack Reacher novel by Lee Child. Several new non-fiction books have been added including *Educated* by Tara Westover and *Becoming* by Michelle Obama. And there are always new children's books for all ages.

Byron Library News

Game of Thrones Trivia

Wednesday, Sept. 11
6-7 p.m.

Winter is Coming! Show us how much you love GoT by answering as many trivia questions as possible. Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served. Parents: Register your children (ages 3-8) for Dragon Storytime while you enjoy Trivia! Miss Julie will keep them entertained until 7:30 p.m. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Dragon Storytime

Wednesday, Sept. 11
6-7 p.m.

Ages: 3-8 years

Join us for a celebration of dragons! Stories, crafts, activities, and hatching dragon eggs! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Bingo for Adults

Friday, Sept. 13
10-11 a.m.

Feeling lucky? Play for prizes! No registration required.

Library Dance Party

Monday, Sept. 23
10-10:45 a.m.

Ages: 18 months-5 years, with caregiver

Join us for a monthly music and movement program! Explore new music and move with shakers, scarves, and ribbon wands. Drop in program-no registration required.

Uptown Book Club

Monday, Sept. 23
6:30-8 p.m.

Ages: 21+

Join BPLD's book club at Uptown Lanes for a "spirited" discussion of interesting books. Appetizers provided. Book selections available for check out at the library. Led by Emily. September's book is "The Dreamers" by Karen Thompson Walker. No registration is required.

Korean War Traveling Trunk Presentation

Tuesday, Sept. 24
1:30-2 p.m.

Veterans Memorial Hall and Museum research volunteer Mary Rose Phillip displays items in the travel trunk from the Korean War. One of the stories is of PFC Charles Swenson, a Rockford Korean War Veteran who served in Chorwon, on the Korean Peninsula, from 1953-1954 as he related his thoughts and duties as an Assistant Gunner/Cannoneer to his family back home. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Kristine Pihl Youman, Attorney at Law presents: Testamentary Wills and Living Wills

Wednesday, Sept. 25
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Get started on your legal to-do list with the help of Attorney Youman. She will discuss the purposes and considerations in order to establish legal documents for a Living Will and a Testamentary Will. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Card Creations

Thursday, Sept. 26
6-7:30 p.m.

Boost your creative side by making beautiful handmade greeting cards to give to your family and friends. The prep work is done, so all you have to do is join us and get creative. All materials are supplied. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

The 1969 Apollo 11 Moon Landing

Wednesday, Oct. 2
1:30-2:30 p.m.

In celebration of International Observe the Moon Night on October 5, Historian Jim Gibbons will look back at what made the Apollo program a defining moment in our history and why it still resonates today. 2019 is the 50th anniversary of the Apollo landing. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Monster Mash Escape Room

Friday, Oct. 4 or Saturday, Oct. 5
9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Ages: 7 and up

You're trapped in the dungeon! Can you figure out how to escape before the monsters return? Groups of 3-4 should register for a 45 minute time slot. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register your group.

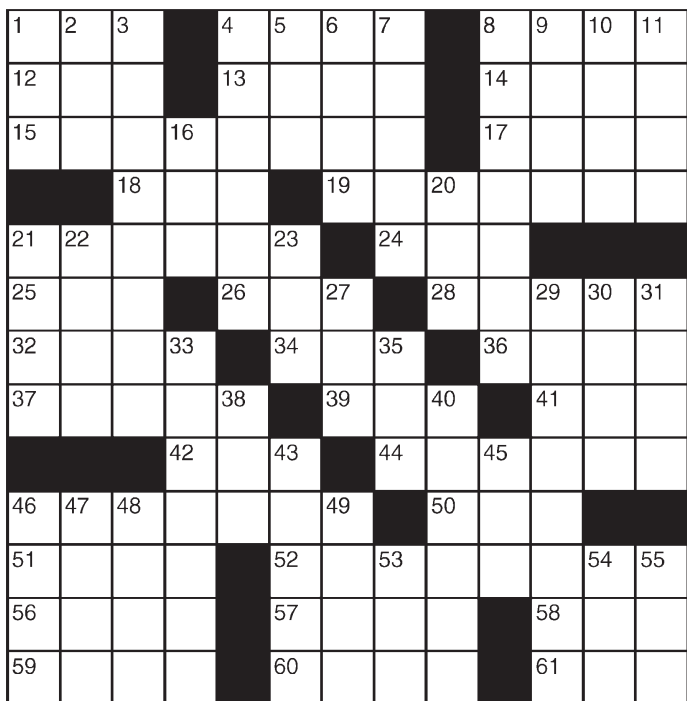
Please register for all programs by visiting byron.evanced.info/signup or by calling 815-234-5107.

Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Old love boat
- 4 Cattle comments
- 8 Dispatch
- 12 Luau side dish
- 13 Reed instrument
- 14 Inlet
- 15 Small
- 17 Enthusiastic
- 18 Eviscerate
- 19 Soon
- 21 Rook
- 24 Potential syrup
- 25 Roman 52
- 26 Thanksgiving veggie
- 28 Pass along
- 32 Ricelike pasta
- 34 — Mahal
- 36 Cannonball, maybe
- 37 Color workers
- 39 High-pitched bark
- 41 A mere hand-ful
- 42 Mimic
- 44 Bets
- 46 Poetic feet
- 50 Existed
- 51 Tangelo trademark
- 52 Do some firing
- 56 Sandwich cookie



- 57 Great Lake
- 58 Londoner's letter
- 59 Cut, as logs
- 60 Tear to bits
- 61 Type measures
- DOWN**
- 1 Smartphone download
- 2 Marseilles monarch
- 3 Huge
- 4 Pretty much
- 5 Japanese sash
- 6 Leak slowly
- 7 Prophets
- 8 Resold for big profits
- 9 Corporate symbol
- 10 Shakespeare's river
- 11 Safecracker
- 16 Historic boy king
- 20 Listener
- 21 LummoX
- 22 Ethereal
- 23 Dine on
- 27 Has permission
- 29 Of natural dimensions
- 30 State with certainty
- 31 Some ever-greens
- 33 Speech
- 35 Mandible
- 38 Agent
- 40 Hocked
- 43 Church leader
- 45 Petrol
- 46 Twosomes
- 47 City in India
- 48 Ball of yarn
- 49 Angry
- 53 Triumph
- 54 Buddhist sect
- 55 Wood and Wynn

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MAGIC MAZE

GOT WORDS?

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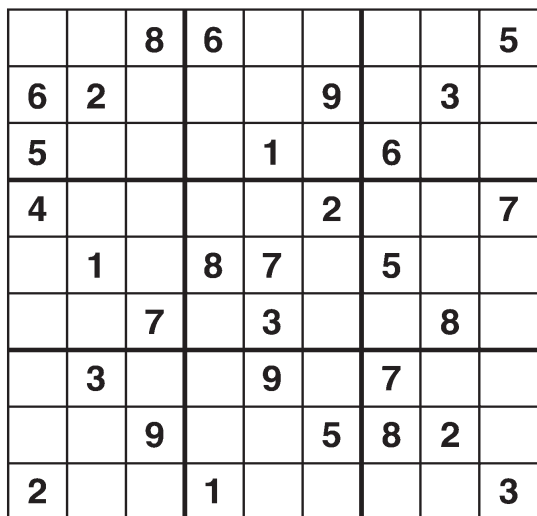
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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- Gotcha
- Gotten
- Negotiate
- Ergot
- Gotham
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- Spigot
- Escargot
- Gothenburg
- Maggot
- Turgot
- Forgot
- Gothic
- Margot

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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.

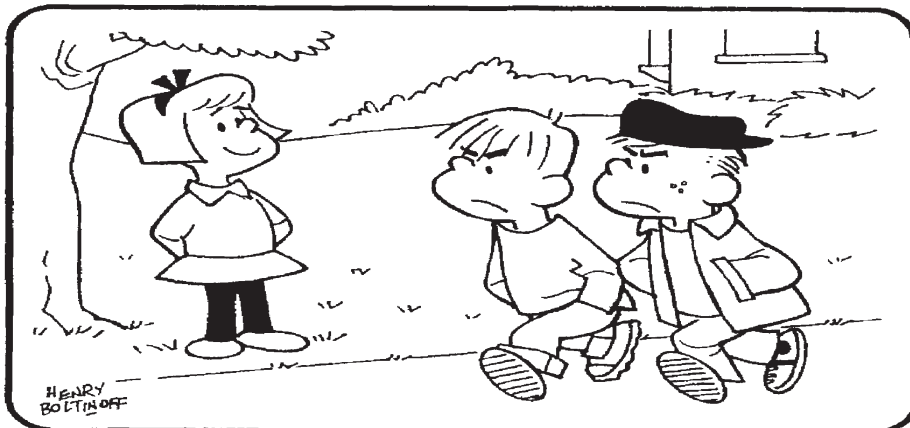
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- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

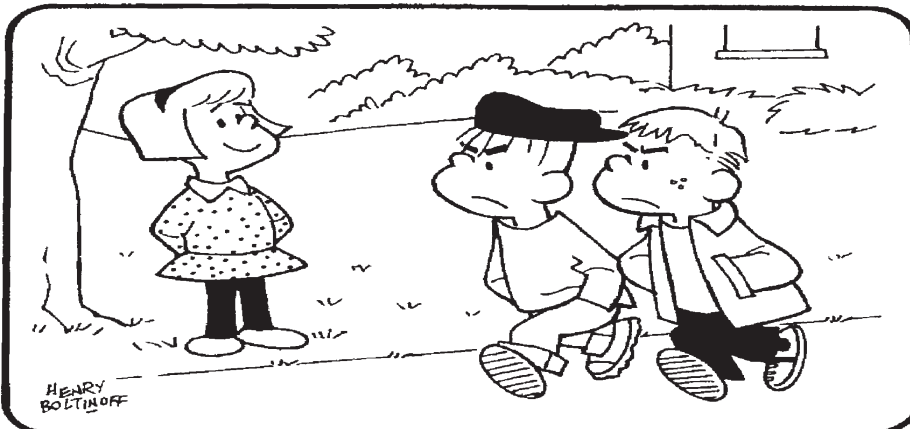
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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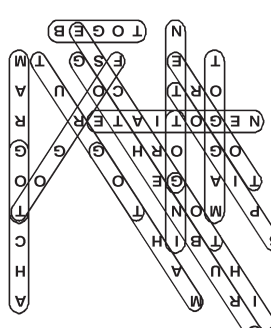
Differences: 1. Dress is dotted. 2. Jeans are black. 3. Different boy is wearing cap. 4. Bushes have been added. 5. Girl's bow is gone. 5. Side window is gone.



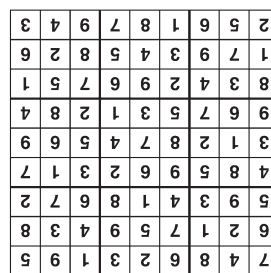
Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

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Answer

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Julia Hull Library News

Library Card Sign-Up Month!

Spread the word: September is Library Card Sign Up Month! Celebrate by getting your very own library card this September! When you do, you'll be entered to win a \$30 Gift Card to AMC. Already have a library card? Stop in and tell us why you're so "buzzed" about your library and you'll also be entered for a chance to win that \$30 Gift Card to AMC! Inquire at the front desk.

Teen Crafternoon: Post-It Note Mural

September 12th is National Encouragement Day. To celebrate, teens will collaborate to create a mural made of post-it notes containing encouraging and positive messages for their peers. Thursday, Sept. 12 after school at 2:45 p.m. All supplies provided. Ages 13-18. Registration required.

Young Critics Book Club (YCBC)

Pick up a copy of Sally Deng's Skyward, then join fellow young critics on Tuesday, September 17 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.

The Great Paper Airplane Lab

Come fly with us as we test our skills and the skies, Saturday, September 21 at 10 a.m. Kids will make various models of paper airplanes, decorate them to make them uniquely theirs, and then test them to see which model flies the farthest. All supplies provided. Ages 5-12. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Modern Fall Wreath

September 23rd marks the first day of Autumn! We'll celebrate the start of the season by transforming a large wooden embroidery hoop into a chic, contemporary wreath, starting at 6 p.m. Bring wire cutters, if available. Otherwise, all materials supplied. Adults. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Fall Book Sale

Fall Festival weekend means it's time for the library's

annual Fall Book Sale! Stop by for great deals on books, DVDs, music and more, for readers of all ages. All proceeds support library programs and services.

Tween Scene: Day of the Dead Party!

¡Hola! This October we're celebrating life with a Día de los Muertos party! Tweens will decorate their own masks, create a glow-in-the-dark skull pumpkin, and play a ghostly game! And our fiesta wouldn't be complete without snacks and Mexican hot chocolate! Tuesday, October 1 at 6 p.m. Ages 10-12. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Smarty Pants Big Halloween Balloon Show

Smarty Pants is back! This time he's bringing his silly, not scary, Halloween Big Balloon Show. This one-of-a-kind production is fun and interactive for all ages, and features magic, comedy, storytelling, and of course, larger-than-life balloons! Saturday, October 19 at 11 a.m. All Ages. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Polo Library News

All programs are free (unless otherwise noted) and accessible. Please note that some programs require registration.

NEW PROGRAM

Coffee with a Cop

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Free refreshments
No registration required

Annual Book Sale/All Town Garage Sales

Sept. 27 and 28
Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Used fiction and non-fiction books along with DVDs for sale during All Town Garage Sale weekend.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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

Lego Challenge: Transportation

Ages 8-14
Tuesday, Sept. 10, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Create a new method of transportation that is unique.
Registration required

Tales for Tots

Pre-K/Kindergarten Story Time
Ages 3-5
Saturday, Sept. 14, 10:30-11:15 a.m.
Theme: Apples
The Apple Pie Tree by Zoe Hall
Registration required

Pokemon Club

Ages 8-14
Tuesday, Sept. 24, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
This club is open to Pokémon card collectors. Join in to play games and trade cards.
Registration required

Early Out Program

Ages 6-14
Wednesday, Sept. 25, 1-3 p.m.
Afternoon movie
HINT: On a family trip to the countryside, Max meets a farm dog named Rooster, and both attempt to overcome his fears.
Registration required

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Scene

Ages 13-18



Several people came to listen to the Acoustic Circus for the second session in the summer concert series at the library.

Tuesday, Sept. 24, 5:30-7 p.m.
Wii and board games
Registration required

Book Subscription Box Pickup
Saturday, Sept. 28, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pick up your Book Subscription Boxes

ADULT PROGRAMS

Intro to Yoga

Monday, Sept. 16, 6-7 p.m.
Krystal, ADM Studios in Oregon, is the instructor
Bring a mat if you have one
Registration required

Euchre

Tuesday, Sept. 17, 5:30-7 p.m.
Time to play cards, bring a friend
No registration required

Census Recruiting

Thursday, Sept. 19, 12:30-2 p.m.
No Registration required
Book Discussion Groups
Extra books are always available for these discussions.
Please check one out and join us.

Afternoon Book Club @ the Library

Monday, Sept. 23, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Selection: Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance
Friday Book Discussion @ the Library
Friday, Sept. 27, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Selection: Cold Fire by Dean Koontz

Rock River Center representative

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 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.

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.

Adult Fiction

Best of Us by Robyn Carr
Bitterroots by C. J. Box
City of Girls by Elizabeth Gilbert
Conviction by Denise Mina

DVD's

Grantchester: Season Two and Season Three
Second Act
Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse

Oregon Library News

18-24 months (9:30 a.m.) & preschool (3-5 yrs. old) Story Time (10:30 a.m.)

We're back! Join us for songs, stories, games and crafts every Thursday.

New – computer classes

Need a little extra help with navigating Word, Excel or the Internet, schedule a private session with our staff to assist you. Appointments are available Tuesdays between 9:30 a.m - 3 p.m. Schedule your time slot today!.

Library book clubs

The 2WBC meets Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss Virgil Wander by Leif Enger. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 1 p.m. to discuss Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate. Books on Tap Book Club meets on Thursday, Sept. 26 to discuss Left Neglected by Lisa Genova. The In-Between Book Club meets Wednesday, Oct. 23 to discuss Ban This Book by Alan Gratz.

Adult yoga – Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.

Family yoga – Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

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

Afternoon movie – Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 2:30 p.m.

Early dismissal from school means movie time at the Library. Mark your calendar...Secret Life of Pets 2-rated PG!

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

Special Harry Potter Trivia Night on Wednesday, Sept. 11. Open to 8 yrs. old and up. Registration requested.

Organizing keepsakes from young and old – Thursday, Sept. 12 at 6 p.m.

Do you have a lot of memorabilia from your parents, grandparents or kids? Come to this program and learn ways to make it easier to decide what to do with your keepsakes. REGISTRATION REQUIRED (815) 732-2724.

Lego club (grades 2nd -7th)

The Lego Club will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 3:30 p.m.

Banned book week – Sept. 22 -28

What does it mean to be banned? Stop by the library to learn more about banned books and check out a copy of one, you might be surprised what's on the list.

Organic, local natural: What is and what isn't – Sept. 25 at 6 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. REGISTRATION REQUIRED (815) 732-2724.

Introduction to Zumbini – Monday, Oct. 7, 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Zumbini is an early childhood education program, created by Zumba & BabyFirst. Combining original music, movement and educational tools, Zumbini promotes cognitive, social, fine/gross motor skills, and emotional development for children 0-4, all while creating the ultimate bonding experience for families. Get ready to move, groove and giggle...silly dance moves are highly encouraged! Sing, dance, and play instruments with you baby for 45 minutes of can't- stop, won't- stop bonding, learning and fun! An introductory class will be lead by certified Zumbini & group fitness instructor Krystal Casey of The ADM Studios. Call the Library at 815-732-2724 to register.

Knit and crochet

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

Oregon Writer's Group (OWG) – Last Tuesday of the month

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

- The Chain by Adrian McKinty (Fiction)
- Cowboy Charming by Dylann Crush (Paperback Romance)
- Last Chance Rodeo by Rari Lynn Dell (Paperback Romance)
- Low Country Hero by Lee Tobin McClain (Paperback Romance)
- The Wallflower Wager by Tessa Dare (Paperback Romance)
- Blood Of An Exile by Brian Naslund (Science Fiction)
- The Last Astronaut by David Wellington (Science Fiction)
- A Memory Called Empire by Arkady Martine (Science Fiction)
- Dahlia Black by Keith Thomas (Science Fiction)
- Ukraine by Lonely Planet Publishing (Non-Fiction 914.77 UKR 2018)
- The Rough Guide to Poland by Jonathan Bousfield (Non-Fiction 914.38 BOU 2018)
- The Superior Spider-Man: Full Otto by Christos Gage (Non-Fiction Graphic Novel 741.5 GAG)
- Becoming Superman: My Journey From Poverty to Hollywood by J. Michael Straczynski (Biography BIO STR)
- The Warning by James Patterson (Large Print Fiction)
- A Song Of Joy by Lauraine Snelling (Large Print Fiction)
- The Accidentals by Minrose Gwin (Large Print Fiction)

Mount Morris Library News

September is National Library Card Sign Up Month!

Sign up for a library card at the Mount Morris Library and receive a special treat! Kids can receive their own card around age 5 when they can write their own name.

Saturday, Sept. 7 – Annual Book Sale Begins

Come shop for your own library at the book sale. There are books for everyone at a great price. All proceeds benefit the Mount Morris Library!

Monday, Sept. at 5:45 p.m. – Lego Club Returns

Lego club will be held every 2nd Monday of the month. Come create and learn! This month we will be building space ships and going on an adventure. Children under age 8 need to have a parent with them.

Monday September 23 at 6 p.m. – Banned Book Read Out

Come celebrate your right to read! Many books have been challenged, censored, and banned around the world taking away the readers rights. Banned book week is celebrated every year in September. This year we will host our 2nd annual banned book read out. Come to read or just to listen to passages from some of our favorite banned books. If you would like to read please contact us to sign up.

Upcoming Events:

Story Time & Big Kids Book Club- Children Birth to age 5 can come and enjoy stories and activities every Wednesday morning. While younger siblings enjoy story time big kids can enjoy their own stories with Mrs. Judy. (Next one is on Sept. 11 at 11:15 a.m.)

After School Club – Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month we will have an after school club. Join us for fun science projects, art, challenges, and more! (Next one is on Sept. 18 at 3 p.m.)

Family Yoga – In honor of National Family Fitness Day join us for free family yoga thanks to The ADM Studios on Saturday Sept. 28 at 11 a.m.

Trivia Night Fundraiser – Join us @Pine Grove for trivia night Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m. This is an annual library fundraiser and will be \$15/person with teams of up to 8 people. Please visit us to register your team.

Zumbini Demo Class – Zumbini is a fun class for both children birth-4 and their adult! This class will be lead by ACE Certified Group Fitness /Zumbini Instructor Krystal Casey from The ADM Studios on Friday Oct. 4 @at 11:15 a.m.

Library Board Meeting – Sept. 18 at 7 p.m.

The LIFE office is located at
311 West Washington Street, Oregon.
Open Monday-Wednesday,
8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-noon.
The office is Closed Fridays

TV WEEKLY

Tuesday, September 10, through Monday, September 16

Soap Opera Update

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Thomas woke up in his hospital room and was immediately greeted by a very eager police detective who demanded answers about his fall, which made Brooke especially nervous. Sally and Wyatt shared a tender and unexpected kiss. Shauna and Flo worried that the mess Flo was in might be bigger than they expected. Brooke remained utterly shocked at Ridge's inability to believe that she did not premeditate Thomas' accident. Bill and Katie shared a kiss. An enraged Ridge paid Flo a visit in jail. Bill was stunned when Brooke finally admitted the truth about what happened the night of Thomas' tumble. Liam and Hope rekindled their love for one another. Wait to See: Steffy unleashes her fury on Thomas and Flo.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Stefan received a surprising phone call. Gabi made a potentially fatal mistake. Ben and Ciara came to Julie's aid. Later, Julie fought for her life in the hospital. Doug supported Hope as she read Ted's letter. Gabi was stunned to learn that Vivian was alive. Eric shared news about Nicole and Holly with a conflicted Sarah. Kayla relayed heartbreaking news about Julie's condition to Hope and Eli. Meanwhile, Lani scolded Gabi for leaving Julie to die. Eric and Vivian found themselves in a dangerous situation. Sarah had an unsettling realization. Eric tracked down Nicole. Stefan and Vivian reunited. Victor plotted to get rid of Ben. Vivian and Kate finally met face-to-face. Wait to See: Ciara is suspicious when Brady offers her a job at Titan.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Cameron helped out at home. Julian was defensive. Sonny and Olivia discussed Dante. Gladys made a surprise visit. Jax felt unnerved. Cameron got confrontational. Epiphany's news was grim. Peter was startled. Felicia warned Robert. Alexis was suspicious. Julian tried to be encouraging. Elizabeth kept a level head. Finn needed more information. Obrecht took desperate measures to get what she wanted. Nina felt overwhelmed. Jax was very inquisitive. Alexis and Diane got caught up. Wait to See: Monica visits the ICU.

(See C-10)

Weekdays Daytime		Insight Communications Oregon-Byron Polo																			September 10, 2019						
		7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30		
WTTW	2	Curious	Wild	Nature	Molly	Go Luna	Tiger	Tiger	Sesame	Sesame	Pink	Pink	Tiger	Nature	Dino	Curious	Arthur	Go Luna	Nature	Molly	Wild	Wild	Odd	PBS NewsHour			
WREX	3 6	Today					Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		The Doctors		13 News at Noon	Days of our Lives		To Be Announced		TBA	Jeopardy!	Jeopardy!	Dr. Phil		13 News at Six	Nightly News	13 News at Six	Wheel Fortune	
WTVO	4 5	Good Morning America				Live with Kelly and Ryan		The View		Rachael Ray		GMA3: Strahan, Sara & Keke		General Hospital		The Dr. Oz Show		Family Feud	Family Feud	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Eyewitness	World News	Eyewitness	Ent. Tonight		
WIFR	5 3	CBS This Morning				Morning Blend	Paid Program	The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		23 News at Noon	Bold	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		The Kelly Clarkson Show	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	23 News at Five		Evening News	23 News at Six	Last Man			
WQRF	6 12	Eyewitness		Eyewitness		Joyce	Varied	Hatchett	Judge	Judge Mathis		Divorce	Divorce	Varied Programs		TBA	TBA	Maury	Varied	Mom	Mom	Two	Two	Theory	Theory		
MNT	15	Varied	Paid	The	Varied	The 700 Club		Dateline		Wendy Williams		Hatchett	Hatchett	Judge	Judge	Divorce	Divorce	Caught	Caught	Dateline	Varied	Fam	Fam	Fam	Fam		
WHA	21 2	Wild	Molly	Curious	Go Luna	Tiger	Tiger	Sesame	Pink	Dino	Cat in	Sesame	Splash	Varied Programs				Molly	Odd	Arthur	News	PBS NewsHour					
WQPT	48	Pink	Tiger	Tiger	Go Luna	Ready	Nature	Wild	Molly	Varied Programs				Chicago	Varied	Sesame	Odd	Odd	Wild	Curious	Nature	Arthur	Chicago	Varied	News		
ESPN	7 24	Get Up				First Take				SportsCenter		Outside	NFL Live		Varied	NBA: The Jump		Noon	Ques	Around	Pardon	SportsCenter	Varied Programs				
CNN	8 26	New Day		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		At This Hour-Kate		Inside Politics		CNN Right Now		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		Jake Tapper		Situation Room		Situation Room		E. B. OutFront			
CNBC	9	(5:00) Squawk Box	Squawk on the Street			Squawk Alley			Fast Money		The Exchange		Power Lunch		Closing Bell			Fast	Varied	Mad Money		Shark Tank					
AMC	10 19	Paid	Paid	Stooges	Varied Programs				Movie		Varied Programs		Movie		Varied Programs												
LIFE	12 22	The Closer		The Closer		The Closer		The Closer		The Closer		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap			
WGN-A	18 9	Creflo	Paid	Murder, She ...		Murder, She ...		Heat of the Night		Heat of the Night		Heat of the Night		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		JAG	Varied	JAG	Varied	JAG	Varied	JAG	Varied Programs		
NICK	23 16	PAW	PAW	Bubble	Bubble	PAW	PAW	Ryan	Blaze	Blaze	Ricky	PAW	PAW	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Loud	Loud	Loud	Loud	Sponge.	Sponge.		
DISN	24 28	Mickey	Mickey	Mickey	T.O.T.S.	Puppy	Puppy	Muppet	Giganto	Vampir	PJ	Puppy	T.O.T.S.	Acad	Big City	Duck	Big Hero	Big City	Big City	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Jessie	Jessie	Bunk'd	Bunk'd		
FREE	25 31	Daddy	Daddy	Daddy	700	The 700 Club		Movie	Varied Programs				Movie				Varied Programs										
A&E	28 30	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		Varied Programs																			
USA	29 18	NCIS	Varied Programs																Law-	Varied	Law-	Varied	Law-	Varied Programs			
TNT	30 17	Charmed		Charmed		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Movie		Varied Programs							
BET	31	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Browns	Browns	Girlfr.	Girlfr.	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Varied Programs				Movie	Varied Programs						
PARMT	32 25	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Two	Two	Two	Two	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Varied	
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HIST	36	Varied Programs																									
BRAVO	37	Varied Programs																									
HGTV	39	Varied Programs								Fixer	Varied Programs																
WTBS	40 8	King	King	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Amer.	Amer.	Amer.	Amer.	Family	Family	Varied Programs				
FOXN	41 11	FOX and Friends		America's Newsroom				Outnumbered		Outnumbered		The Daily Briefing		Shepard Smith		Neil Cavuto		The Five		Special Report		The Story					
ANPL	42 28	My Cat From Hell		Dr. Dee: Alaska		Dr. Jeff: RMV		The Zoo		Secret Life-Zoo		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Bulls-Parole		Varied Programs											
TLC	43	Outdaughters		Varied Programs				Stories of the ER		Stories of the ER		Dr. Pimple Popper		Gypsy Wedding		Gypsy Wedding		Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Varied Programs					
TVLAND	44	Paid	Paid	Andy G.	Andy G.	Andy G.	Bonanza	Varied Programs		(10:50) Bonanza	(11:55) Bonanza	Bonanza		Bonanza		MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	Andy G.	Andy G.	Andy G.	Andy G.				
COM	45	King/Hill	King/Hill	Ftutama	Ftutama	Ftutama	Ftutama	Ftutama	(10:45) Futurama	Varied	South	South	South	South	South	South	South	Varied	Office	(4:45) The Office	Office	Office	Office				
E!	46	Botched		Hollywood M.		Kardas		Bajo Cubierta		Bajo Cubierta		Dating		Varied Programs				Kardas	Varied	Holly	Varied Programs						
HALL	47	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	Home & Family				Movie				Movie				Movie									
MSNBC	49	(5:00) Morning Joe		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		Andrea Mitchell		MSNBC		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		Deadline		MTP Daily		The Beat With		Hardball Chris			
FOOD	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Pioneer	Varied Programs				Pioneer	Pioneer	Varied Programs															
EWTN	53	Daily Mass - Olam		Varied Programs		Mother	Varied	Women	Rosary	Daily Mass - Olam		At Home	Varied Programs		Chaplet	Rosary	Varied Programs				News	Varied	Daily Mass - Olam				
FX	54 5	(6:00) Movie		Varied Programs																Movie		Varied Programs				Movie	
TRUTV	55	Varied Programs																				Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes		
OXY	56	Varied Programs				Snapped: Killer				Varied Programs				Killer Couples		Killer Couples		Killer Couples		Varied Programs				Killer Couples			

Tuesday Evening September 10, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, 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).

Wednesday Evening September 11, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, 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).

Thursday Evening September 12, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, 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 September 13, 2019. Table with columns for time slots (7 PM to 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, 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 (O) Polo

September 14, 2019

Table of Saturday Daytime TV schedule. Columns: Channel, Time Slot, Program Name. Rows: WTTW, WREX, WTVQ, WIFR, WQRV, MNT, 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, EWTV, FX, TRUTV, OXY.

Sunday Daytime

Insight Communications Oregon-Byron (O) Polo

September 15, 2019

Table of Sunday Daytime TV schedule. Columns: Channel, Time Slot, Program Name. Rows: WTTW, WREX, WTVQ, WIFR, WQRV, MNT, 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, EWTV, FX, TRUTV, OXY.

Table with columns: Saturday Evening, Insight Communications, Oregon-Byron, Polo, September 14, 2019. Rows include channels like WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, WHA, WOPT, 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, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY.

Table with columns: Sunday Evening, Insight Communications, Oregon-Byron, Polo, September 15, 2019. Rows include channels like WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, WHA, WOPT, 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, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY.

Table with columns: Monday Evening, Insight Communications, Oregon-Byron, Polo, September 16, 2019. Rows include channels like WTTW, WREX, WTVO, WIFR, WQRF, MNT, WHA, WOPT, 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, EWNT, FX, TRUTV, OXY.

Soap Opera Update (From C-7) THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Adam vowed that he would stop at nothing to bring Victor down and continued to blackmail Michael with incriminating photos. As the opening of the Grand Phoenix approached, Summer accepted Theo's invitation to be his date. However, her patience for Zoe grew thin until she snapped at her and told her not to be so clingy. Theo backed Summer, which further upset Zoe. Adam stole Nate's tablet in order to access Victor's medical records. Sharon realized that she needed a change of scenery and planned a trip out of town by herself. Nick was quick to support her decision, encouraging her to take time alone. Jack also did some soul searching, admitting that his life felt empty, and asked others for advice. Wait to See: Victor asks Nikki to keep a secret. Katrina Bowden stars as "Flo" on "The Bold and the Beautiful." Photo credit: Sean Smith/Bell-Phillip TV/

E-mail news items to bjennings@oglecountylife.com

Garage sale

107 N. 14th Street, Oregon
Friday, Sept. 13th, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 14th, 8 a.m.-noon

NAME BRAND CLOTHES: women's, teen boys clothes (26-30 waist), boys 8-12 and girls 5-8; Handmade, wood 1/16 scale barns and silo; 1/16 Ertl toys; Gary Fisher Leinekuegels mountain bike, baby gear, toys, Furniture (couch, table & chairs, recliner, lamps, rugs), home décor, trombone, video games, 20" girls bike, 24" boys bike. All in great shape! PIA#24

Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale
FINAL MOVING SALE
 8451 Winnebago Ln.
 Byron
Sept. 12th & 13th, 8:00-4:00
 Bedroom set, dining room set, lamps, hope chest, tools, garden tools, men's 2XL clothes, futon...and more. **MUST GO! MOVING SEPT. 20TH. ALL OFFERS ACCEPTED!** PIA#20
Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale

Garage sale

5980 East IL Rt. 64
 Chana

Thurs. Sept. 12th, 2:00-5:00
Fri. Sept. 13th, 9:00-5:00
Sat. Sept. 14th, 9:00-12:00

Cleaning house! Lot's of misc. items including some small furniture and much more. PIA#25

MULTI FAMILY SALE

3542 Long St. (just off Haldane Rd)
 Polo

Thurs. Sept. 12th, 8:00-5:00
Fri. Sept. 13, 8:00-5:00
Sat. Sept. 14th, 8:00-5:00

Lot's of household misc., rugs, furniture, lamps, adult clothing sm/xlg, ton's of shoes, and much more PIA#21

Garage sale

208 S. Fletcher Ave.
 Mt. Morris

Sat. Sept 14th, 10-3pm
Sun. Sept 15th, 10-2pm

Clearing out Peggy's house! Everything MUST go.... Kitchen stuffs, gas stove. Women's clothing, shoes size 6, Leather jackets. Romance, mystery and western books, VHS tapes. PIA#22

Garage sale

OUTSIDE VENDORS
AT VINTAGE CHICKS & FEED

700 IL Rt. 72 East
 Leaf River

Sat. Sept. 14th, 8:00-5:00

Stop by on your way to "The Peck Thing" Includes food vendor Northside BarbaQ delicious food, 11:00 to 5:00p.m. PIA#23

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on August 15, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the person owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Team 815 Select Basketball Club, 6615 North Deer Path Rd., Oregon, IL 61061. Dated: June 17, 2019
 Laura J. Cook,
 Ogle County Clerk
 No. 0824 (Aug. 26, Sept. 2, 9)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS CLAIM NOTICE

In Re the Estate of William Stowell, Deceased No. 2019-P-45

Notice is given to creditors of the death of William Stowell. Letters of Independent Administration were issued on July 17, 2019 to William H.T. Lee, whose address is 409 N. Cherry St., Morrison, IL 61270.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Ogle County, 106 S 5th Street, Suite 300, Oregon, Illinois 61061, or with the representative, or both, on or before February 28, 2020, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act (7 5 5 ILCS 5/18-3), the date stated in that notice.

Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorneys within 10 days after it has been filed.

NOTICE TO UNKNOWN HEIRS

In Re the Estate of William Stowell, Deceased No. 2019-P-45

Notice is given to unknown heirs, who are heirs in the above proceeding to appoint an administrator and whose names or addresses are not stated in the petition, that an order was entered by the court on July 17, 2019, appointing William H.T. Lee, in his capacity as Public

Administrator of Whiteside County, as independent administrator.

Under section 28-4 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person may terminate independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk of the court. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. Toe-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit [http://efile.illinois-](http://efile.illinois-courts.gov)

<http://www.illinoiscourts.gov> /service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Notice of the appointment of an independent administrator and the issuance of corresponding letters of administration is effected by publication.

William H.T. Lee,
 Public Administrator
 of Whiteside County
 Mahaffey & Lee
 409 N. Cherry Street,
 P.O. Box 284

Morrison, Illinois 61270
 Telephone: 815/400-9496
 Fax: 815/400-9499
 Email: [will\(a\),mahaffeyleelaw.com](mailto:will(a),mahaffeyleelaw.com)

William H.T. Lee
 Public Administrator
 No. 0825 (Sept. 2, 9)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on August 19, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the person owning, conducting

and transacting the business known as: China King Lin, 509 W. Washington Street, Oregon, IL 61061.

Dated: June 17, 2019
 Laura J. Cook,
 Ogle County Clerk
 No. 0829 (Aug. 26, Sept. 2, 9)

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Dated: August 16, 2019
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 No. 0901 (Sept. 2, 9, 16)

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Box 284, Byron, IL 61010. Dated: August 16, 2019
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 No. 0911 (Sept. 2, 9, 16)

203 HELP WANTED

Ogle County Information Technology Department has a full time position for IT Technology Support.

Requirements Bachelor Degree desired, with 2 years working experience in field. Server and Networking knowledge and proficiency.

Mail Cover Letter, Application and Resume to:

IT DEPARTMENT MANAGER
 105 S. 5th. St. Oregon, IL. 61061
 email lcallant@oglecounty.org
 Subject: IT Support Assistant
 Application Deadline September 9, 2019.
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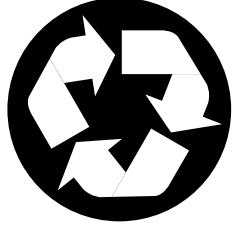
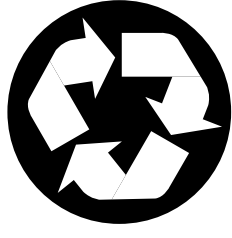
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33.7 - Acres South of Railroad and West of Rt. 2.
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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

To settle the Estate of Peter Unger Horner we will offer at Public Auction the following described Real Estate, Antiques & Collectables. This Auction will be held on site at **527 Lincoln Hwy. Rochelle, IL 61068**. Visit our web site at www.bearrows.com for further information & pictures.

SATURDAY, September 28th, 2019
10:00 AM

Comfort Station

Lunch

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This complete liquidation of the Horner family Antique & Collectables include items collected over several generations. The following is only a partial list w/ many items yet to be discovered. The Real Estate includes a Large 2-story 2 family home 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. Plan now on attending!!!

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE: This home is a stately older 2 story, 2 family home, situated on a corner lot with an oversized 2 car garage, all well within walking distance of downtown Rochelle. This home features volume ceilings throughout, hardwood flooring, original trim, and updated kitchen. Other features include beveled glass leaded windows, custom rehabbed front porch. There are 2 stairways to the second floor, which is currently rented. The first floor has 2 bedrooms, a huge living room and very large dining room, and a full bath featuring a walk in soaking tub, it also has a large laundry area as well. The second floor unit has 2 bedrooms, a full bath, kitchen and large living room & 3 season porch. For a private viewing, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-739-9150 **REAL ESTATE TERMS:** \$5,000.00 down the day of the auction, with the balance due on or before November 15th, 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 & COLLECTIBLES

Provincial furniture including, white marble top end tables, wood trim sofa, 3 section pit group & coffee table; Dry bar; Assorted pictures & wall decorations; Lamps; Fern stands including lighted; Lg. assortment of books; Occasional chairs; Over stuffed large teddy bear; Glass front lighted curio cabinet; Solid wood china hutch w/ glass shelves, matching side board & dining room table & chairs; Pine open front hutch; Antique treadle sewing machine; Pine library type table; Antique 8 legged octagon table; Solid wood hutch; 3 section oak book case; Brass type dbl. bed; What not shelves; Youth rattan bottom chair; Occasional cabinet; 5 drawer walnut chest of drawers w/ hand carved pulls; Solid wood cabinet w drawer; Kitchen dinette w/ plank chairs; Floor fans; Ladders; Usual kitchen items; Assorted figurines & collectables; Jewel T thunder mug; Pitcher & bowl set; Kerosene lamps; HUGE collection of antique & collectable glassware including clear glass, ruby, china, some cut glass, cranberry glass, amber, blue, green & others; Silver plate ware & hammered aluminum; Several pitchers; Milk glass punch bowl set complete; wedge wood; There will be a large number of collectibles offered after the time of print. Watch our web site for updated pictures.

PERSONAL PROPERTY TERMS: Cash or check w/ drivers license ID, VISA, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. 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.

Peter Unger Horner Estate

Attorney For the Estate: Fearer, Nye & Chadwick
Attorney Philip H. Nye Jr. (815) 562-2156
Fearer, Nye, Chadwick, 420 4th Ave. - Rochelle, IL

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PUBLIC AUCTION

We will sell at Public Auction the following described Household, Antiques, Collectables & Tools. This Auction will be held at our indoor facility located at **10786 Fowler Rd., Rochelle, IL, 61068**. Watch for Bearrows Real Estate & Auction signs from Flagg Rd. & Rt. 251 at the North edge of Rochelle IL. Visit our web site at www.bearrows.com for further information & pictures.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER, 21st, 2019
9:00 AM

Comfort station

Lunch

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This Auction features some very clean Household, Antiques, and Collectibles. Find full details by going to www.bearrows.com or www.auctionzip.com. There are many items not listed, check our web site often for updated list. Plan now to attend!!

Household & Collectibles

Go Kart w/ roll cage; Mercury outboard motor (older); Deer decoy (in bag); Red light bed 220 volts (works); 4 tree stands; 2 metal tree stand ladders; Crossbow w/ scope & 3 arrows; Telescope; Deer hoof gun rack; 2 meal tree stand ladders; Antique paper cutter; Antique wooden clock "Navy No. 24" Wm. L. Gilbert Clock Co.; Antique wooden handkerchief boxes (6 1/2x6 1/2, 6 3/4x 6 3/4., 7 1/2x 7 1/2); 2-56" metal wagon wheels; 4 -24" metal wagon wheels; 20" & 16" metal wagon wheels; 2-27 1/2" Sanyo TV's (work) w/ 2 remotes; Mule deer trophy mount; Fishing poles (modern); Craftsman radial arm saw; Sander; Framed buck print; Primitive coat rack w/ antler hooks & skull mount; 6 wooden chairs; 2 leather suit cases; Wooden bench; Wooden lectern (short); Metal rabbit cage; Dirt Devil vacuum (works); Small X-mas tree; Marcy "Smith" machine; 2-45, 35 & 25 lb weights; 1960 Cram's Superior Map of Illinois; Antique Late-1800's Dictionary Stand; Wooden flower wagon w/ steel wheels; 2 wooden wine boxes; Antique wooden handle Scythe; Childs sled w/ steering wheel; Brown jug; 10 milk glass vases; Frankoma pottery green Rooster trivet; 1981 res. R. Reagan collectible-"Jellybean White House" #AE489; "Time Flies" calendar book bank w/ key; "Baby's Bank" book bank; "Monmouthshire & South Wales Building Society Newport" book bank; "Wild West strong Box" book bank w/ key; 1 antique white ceramic vase; 1 antique painted glass pitcher & drinking glass; Brass standing bird cage; Misc. green depression glass; 25 Flow Blue dishes; Green glass kerosene lantern; Standing mirror; Metal parrot on cast iron stand; AC lighted pumpkin Halloween decoration; Etched rectangular mirror; 1 large wooden bead maze; 3 regular sized wooden bead mazes; Puppet theater (standing); Puppet theater (laptop); 6 containers of puppets; Sesame Street Grover bank; Maruri Studio Figurine; **Oregon, IL collectibles:** Oregon Public Library, Ogle County Courthouse, Black hawk Statue, Chana School Museum (All #202/250); Additional Items Added: Large Walnut wardrobe; Drop frt. desk; Knee Hole desk; Wicker basket storage cabinet; folding needle point chair; Jewelry Armoire; Martha Washington type desk; Cedar Chest; Sewing table; Wringer washer; glider porch swing; Patio set; Antique Cobblers bench; child's wagon; child's metal barn; toy tractors; Milk can; Galvanized tubs; Antique doll bed; Primitive items; games; Vacuum glass tubes;

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307 Miscellaneous For Sale

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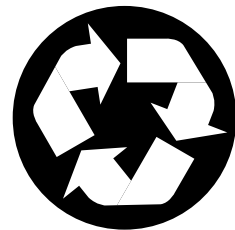
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Tuesday, September 24th, 2019 at 10:00 A.M.
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Lunch Stand & Port-A-Potty on Site
Tractors, Implements, Trailers, Tools, Vehicles, Etc.
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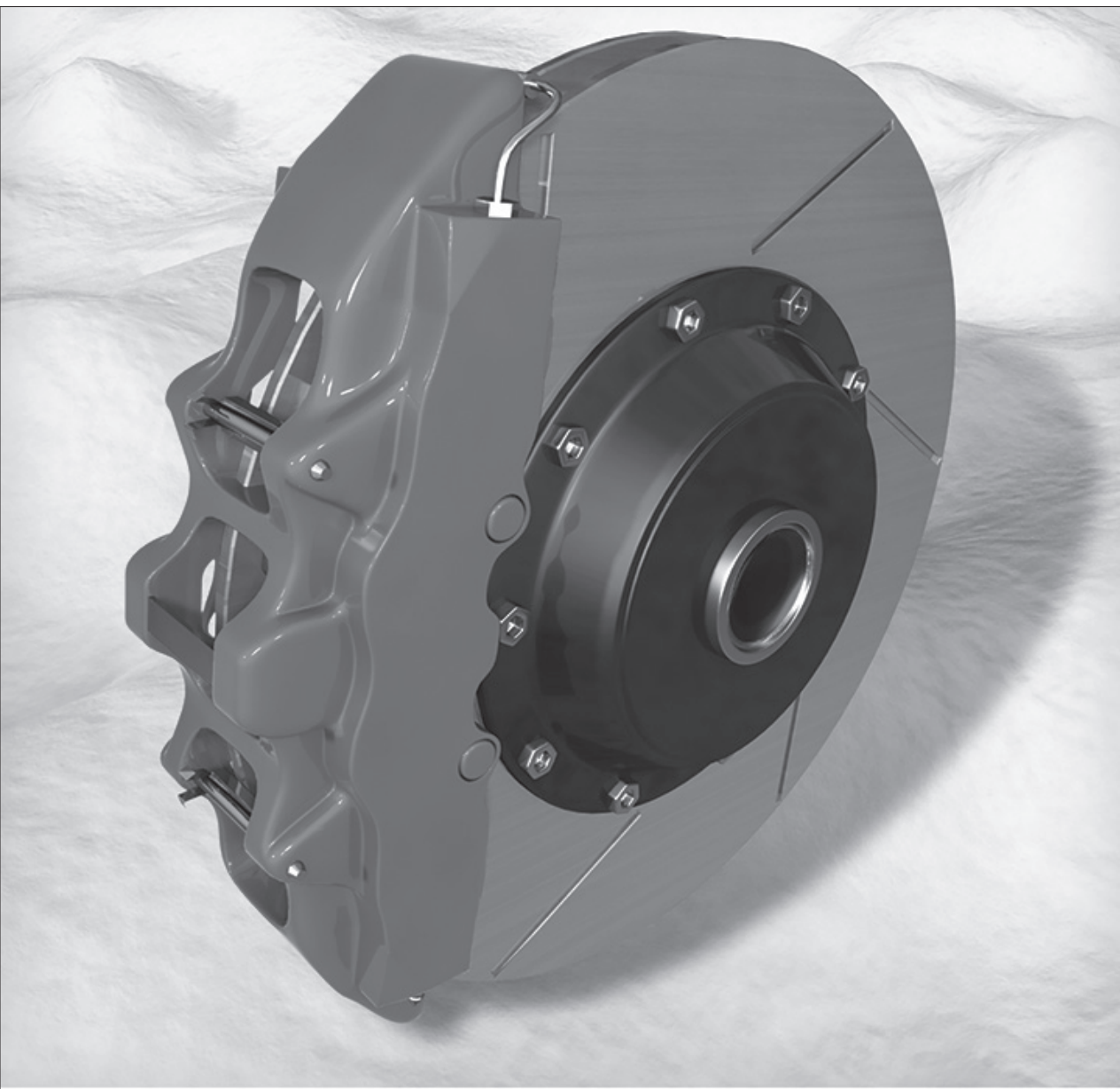
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Drive Time



Exercise caution around brake dust

As cars age, certain wear and tear is to be expected. One of the realities of frequent driving, particularly for drivers who routinely drive in stop-and-go traffic, is the gradual deterioration of brake pads. Do-it-yourselfers can replace brake pads on their own, but those that do should be aware of a potential hazard when doing so.

The Mesothelioma Center says that brakes sometimes contain asbestos due to that material's heat-resistant qualities. As brakes start to wear down over time, the asbestos can escape. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) says that, while many new automotive components are asbestos-free, asbestos hasn't been eliminated entirely from the industry. That is why mechanics and do-it-yourselfers need to exercise caution when repairing or replacing brakes.

Brake dust may inadvertently expose individuals to cancer-causing asbestos through inhalation or ingestion. OSHA says that exposure to asbestos, if not properly controlled, can cause mesothelioma, lung cancer and asbestosis. Symptoms may not appear for years or even decades after contact with asbestos fibers.

The Mesothelioma Center estimates that asbestos is present in 30 to 80 percent of brakes and other components. The routine task of "blowing out" brake surfaces, which involves using an air hose to clean the surfaces of brakes and rotors, is one of the most common ways people are exposed to asbestos through brake dust.

Gray-black brake dust is made up of iron particles formed by the grinding of the brake rotor by the brake pads. However, brake dust also can contain some metallic elements and other components housed in the brake pad — including asbestos.

The automotive resource YourMechanic says that, while brake dust is not indicative of a poor braking system, over time brake dust can corrode the clear coat on a car and may eat into the aluminum alloy surface of the wheel. That is why so many drivers try to clean away brake dust, potentially exposing them to dangerous materials.

DIYers may be better off visiting professional service centers to have brakes addressed rather than doing the job on their own. OSHA says all automotive brake and clutch repair facilities in the United States must comply with the OSHA asbestos standard.

These include using negative pressure enclosure/HEPA vacuum systems and low pressure/wet cleaning methods.

While asbestos is being phased out of many automotive components, it is always best to treat brakes, clutches and more with extra caution in the event that asbestos is present.

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Drive Time



Vehicle maintenance intervals to follow

No two automobiles are the same. So it makes sense that vehicles have different maintenance guidelines. Such guidelines, which include recommendations regarding how frequently oil should be changed and how often tires should be rotated, are typically included in vehicle owner's manuals. Drivers are urged to familiarize themselves with these guidelines, which can protect vehicles as well as the people inside them.

According to CarGurus®, a free internet-based automotive resource, many manufacturers adhere to the 30-60-90 schedule. That schedule recommends everything from inspections to part replace-

ments when vehicles reach 30,000, 60,000 and 90,000 miles. These recommendations are meant to serve as guidelines, and drivers should know that certain factors can affect how often routine maintenance should occur and when parts must be replaced. For example, harsh driving conditions can lead to excessive wear and tear that causes parts to erode long before owner's manuals suggest they should. As a result, drivers should always speak with their mechanics during service appointments to determine if their vehicles are aging gracefully or if they need a little extra TLC.

Drivers should always read their manuals for

recommended service intervals. The following are some general maintenance guidelines, courtesy of CarGurus®, that drivers can keep in mind as the miles pile up on their vehicles' odometers.

- Oil and oil filter: Many new cars now run on synthetic oil, which tends to last between 5,000 and 10,000 miles. Older vehicles using traditional oil may need to adhere to the once-standard oil change interval of 3,000 miles. Mechanics will typically replace oil filters with the same frequency as they replace oil.

- Air filter: Air filters generally need to be replaced every 15,000 to 30,000 miles. However,

CarGurus® notes that drivers who park in dusty environments should err on the side of caution and have their air filters replaced every 15,000 miles.

- Fuel filter: Clogged fuel filters can affect engine performance and even prevent engines from running. Fuel filters may need to be changed at 30,000-mile intervals.

- Battery: A typical car battery tends to last around four or five years.

- Brake pads: Worn out brake pads will make a screeching sound. Brake pads should last around 50,000 miles, though they should be inspected at regular intervals regardless of mileage.

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3 potential indicators of engine trouble

Many drivers have found themselves stranded on the side of the road at one point or another. Whether the culprit is engine trouble, a flat tire or another issue, finding oneself stranded on the side of the road in need of assistance is an often helpless feeling that no one wants to experience twice.

Even drivers whose automotive clubs or insurance companies provide roadside assistance services want to avoid using such services. One way to do just that is to learn about potential indicators of engine trouble.

1. Warning lights

Vehicle warning lights exist for a reason. According to the automotive retailer Pep Boys®, a check engine light typically illuminates when vehicle sensors detect there are issues stemming from a loss of power. This can be dangerous, and Pep Boys® recommends drivers pull over and call for a tow the moment the light comes on. In addition to check engine lights, drivers should heed warning lights referring to oil pressure and oil levels.

2. Poor gas mileage

An easy way for drivers to monitor vehicle performance is to keep gas mileage in mind. If a vehicle suddenly feels like it's not getting as much mileage out of a tank of gas as it used to, this might be indicative of engine troubles. A fuel additive such as a fuel injector cleaner might be helpful because it can clean clogged fuel injectors that can affect performance and lead to poor acceleration. However, the automotive retailer Advance Auto Parts® notes that such products are not a one-size-fits-all cure. If vehicles continue to suffer from reduced gas mileage, drivers should bring them to a mechanic for a thorough examination.

3. Jerking

Some signs of engine trouble are not as subtle as reduced gas mileage. Vehicles that begin to jerk while they're being driven are likely suffering from some form of engine trouble. Jerking might put a scare in drivers, but it's not necessarily the result of a major problem, even if it is one that should be addressed immediately. A jerking vehicle that stalls puts drivers, their passengers and other motorists at risk of accident, so bring this issue to the attention of your mechanic immediately. Poorly functioning spark plugs may be the culprit behind jerking, and that's a relatively inexpensive and quick fix. However, other issues can cause jerking as well, so don't delay in speaking with your mechanic.

Vehicles may indicate engine troubles in various ways. Drivers should contact their mechanics immediately whenever they suspect engine trouble is affecting their vehicles.

Safety features that may help you save on insurance

Vehicles with high safety ratings may not only save drivers' lives in the event of collisions, but they also may save them money. As an incentive for buying cars with various safety features, many insurance companies offer deep discounts to drivers. Although insurance companies may vary in what they consider safety features, the following are generalized options that may qualify drivers for discounted insurance rates.

- Antilock braking system: These systems have been standard equipment on vehicles manufactured since 2012.
- Air bags: These safety features help cushion the blow for people during a crash and include front and side-protection. Discounts increase with the number of air bags.
- Adaptive cruise control: This feature monitors traffic conditions and adjusts speed by controlling the throttle and brakes to maintain distance from other vehicles.
- Daytime running lights: Daytime running lights may make drivers eligible for small discounts.
- Electronic stability control: This prevents vehicles from skidding out or rolling over during hard turns.
- Lane departure warnings: These systems alert drivers if they get too close to the edge of a lane.
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After financial security

A MERICANS who have done the work to secure their futures are left with a feeling of accomplishment but may feel empty as there is nothing left to reach for.

Fortunately, there are many rewarding ways to spend a surplus of money. If you are fortunate enough to have reached your goals and need help spending your money, consider some of these beneficial ideas.

health benefits which come with making charitable contributions. These include improving self esteem and moods.

Find a cause you believe in. Perhaps you have a family member affected by a rare disease, lost a loved one to a medical condition or desire to aid an organization with an awesome message. Make sure the charity you are supporting impacts something you care deeply about.

Give back

The organization Save the Children reports there are many

Treat yourself

Living with financial security doesn't mean you need to live

extravagantly. Rather than buying flashy vehicles or gadgets, try to invest in some-

thing that benefits your overall life. Consider these interesting ways to treat yourself that you may not have

thought of.

- A personal chef to create meals which encourage a healthy diet.



- A housekeeper to keep your home spotless while you enjoy your daily life.

- An accountant to keep your portfolio in the black and show you ways to grow.

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Avoid dangerous loans

BORROWING money irresponsibly can lead to harmful hits to your credit score and leave you scrambling to meet your monthly commitments. Before accepting or seeking a loan, make sure to do your research on the lender and their terms.

If you're in a pinch to make a payment or to bring home furniture or appliances that are outside of your immediate needs, a short-term loan may seem appealing. Be careful when signing on the dotted line, as they usually come with high interest rate.

America's Debt Help Organization urges consumers to avoid these dangerous loans at all costs.

Car Title Loan

Those with poor credit often turn to this type of loan to obtain quick cash. Finances are borrowed with the consumer's car title being used as collateral. While terms may differ from state to state and differing companies, the ADHO states most loans usually feature a 25 percent interest rate and the commitment must be met within 30 days.

If the payment is missed, most companies will repossess the vehicle or extend the due date at the cost of more interest. This type of loan was so popular among military members that the Military Lending Act of 2006 was

passed to protect servicemen and their families against predatory lending.

Private Student Loans

While most students prefer loans offered by the federal government, others obtain private loans through banks or credit unions. Not only does the latter typically come with higher interest rates, you will also miss out on the flexible repayment plans offered federally. According to the United States Federal Reserve, the U.S. student loan debt is about \$1.48 trillion. If you must finance your education, only use private loans as a last resort.

Overdraft protection

Your bank account is not an infinite-money machine. Even if you can withdraw funds from an ATM when your balance is at zero, remember that you will be required to pay it back and overdrafts usually carry a fee of \$30 to \$35 per occurrence.



What are some tips for handling a financial windfall?

FIRST, consider putting the money into a safe, liquid account such as a savings or money market account until you have time to take stock of your situation. Don't spend or invest your windfall until you have a chance to:

- * See a tax professional and analyze the tax consequences--you may need a big portion of what you have received to pay taxes
- * Consider how the windfall affects your overall financial situation
- * Create a budget
- * Speak with a financial professional to help you decide the best way to invest
- * Consult with an estate planning attorney to create or update your will and other necessary documents

You should also guard against those who offer get-rich-quick schemes or otherwise want to share in your windfall. If you have hired an attorney or other professional to help you manage your new wealth, it might be a good idea to refer all of the requests that you receive to that person.

Often a wise financial move, no matter the size of your windfall, is to pay off high-rate loans such as credit card balances. Then, only after you have carefully considered how your circumstances have changed, indulge yourself with something you've always wanted. Spend wisely, though. If you plan well and control the urge to spend lavishly, however, your good fortune could provide you with financial security for many years to come.

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Alleviate credit card debt

ACCORDING to a recent study from the Federal Reserve, the United States has surpassed one trillion dollars in credit card debt. This is the highest level it has been since the Great Recession.



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DATA released by Experian, a credit reporting agency, reveals that the average American faced a credit card balance of \$6,375 in 2017. That's up nearly three percent from last year.

Here are some other sobering statistics discovered about credit card debt in the United States.

- 43 percent of Americans are carrying credit card balances for more than two years.
- The average household carries \$16,883 in credit card debt.
- Credit card holders pay \$1,292 in interest every year.

If you are one of the millions of Americans struggling to make ends meet and catch up on your debt, there are ways to get your head above water.

Use Responsibly

It can be tempting to make an impulse purchase. It's also easy to tell yourself you will pay it off before interest fees incur but find yourself only making minimum payments. Being a responsible credit card holder requires diligence in making purchases not outside your means.

Erase Current Debt

While small balances which are easily managed can be beneficial to your overall credit, it's important to make payments on time and avoid carrying a large amount of debt. Here are some tips from the organization Consolidated Credit to lower your amount owed to a more manageable price point.

Avoid making minimum payments only. The suggested amount is not efficient to your goal of becoming debt free. Instead, plan a significant amount of extra cash to put down on your debts.

Pay attention to interest rates. Making minimum payments at 15 percent APR means one half of each payment merely covers accrued interest.

Meet with a financial adviser to create a goal for a pay-off date. They can guide you to how much your payments must be to become debt free.

PERSONAL FINANCE GUIDE | **THE NUMBERS**

MANY people determine their financial security based on income alone. However, if you calculate your net worth, you will gain a clearer picture of the overall situation. Consider it a financial report card to help develop goals and stay on top of your money.



Determine your net worth

THE American Association of Retired Persons deems a net worth as the value of all your assets minus the total of liabilities. Basically, what you own minus what you owe. Calculating these totals is beneficial to revealing when a financial overhaul is needed or if you are on the right track.

How it's Done

To get the most accurate results, it's a good idea to work with a professional financial advisor.

They will provide a thorough analysis of the value of assets and may find a few that you forgot. However, if you want a general idea of your net worth, follow these tips from finance group Charles Schwab.

List your assets. These include money in banking and investment accounts, vehicles, market value of home and personal property.

List your liabilities. Include debts you owe like mortgage, car loan, credit card balances and student loans.

Subtract liabilities from assets. The difference between the two reveals your total net worth.

This general guideline will give you a good idea regarding where you stand, financially. A meeting with an advisor can reveal more assets like business interests and cash values of insurance documents.

Why it's Important

Your net worth paints a broader picture than a balance in a bank account. It's

a black and white display of your financial situation and will expose weaknesses which you can improve. Analyze this report card annually to discover the progress being made and how adjustments can make an even larger difference. It is also helpful by showing people where most of their money is going. It only takes a few little tweaks to improve financial security and increase your net worth.



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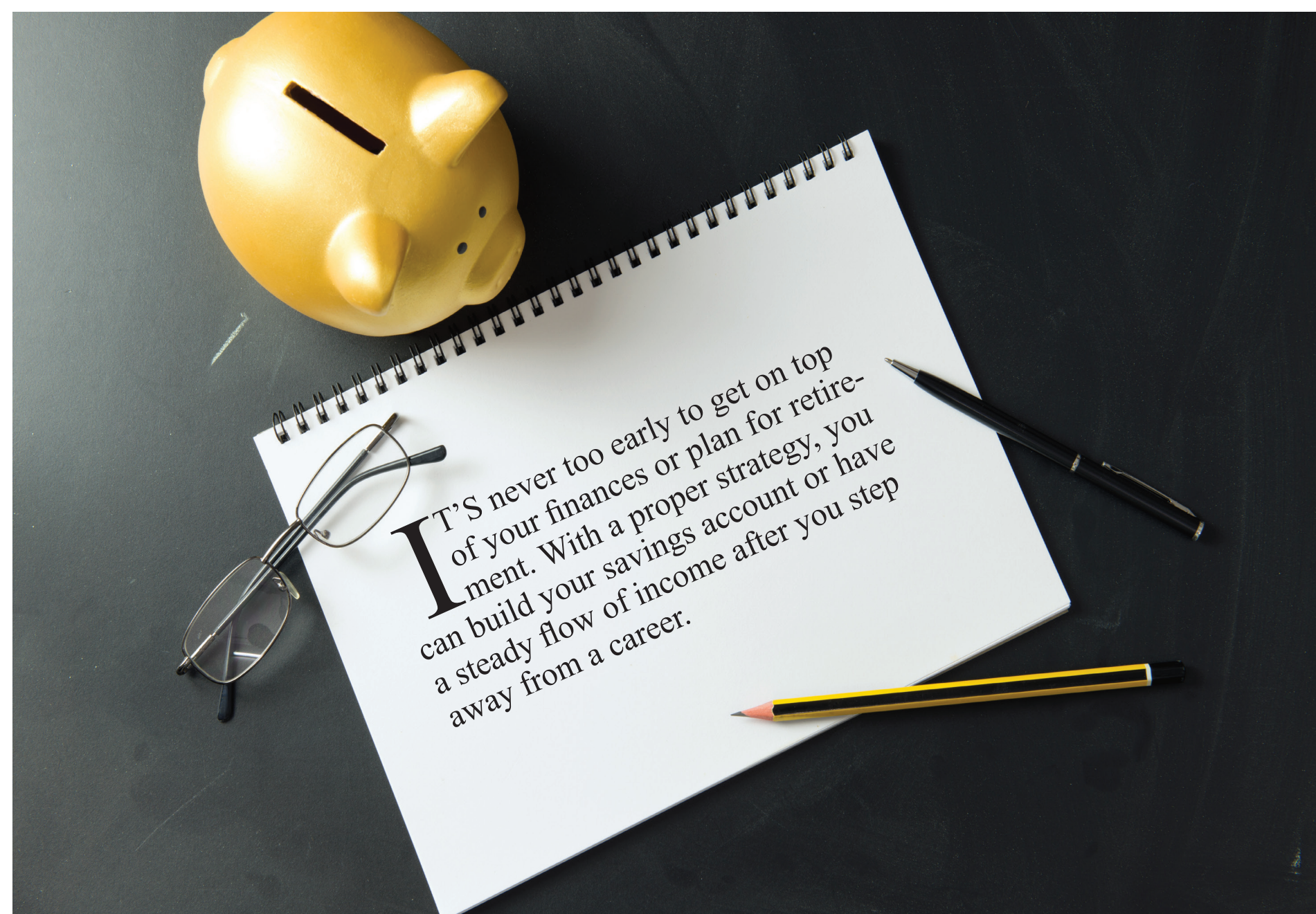
ACCORDING to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average American household spends just about \$57,000 each year between necessities and luxuries.

Across North America, housing is the largest line item in people's budgets. Various sources suggest that housing and shelter needs account for anywhere from 30 to 40 percent of most household budgets. By making housing decisions based on areas with the most efficient cost of living, individuals can save considerably over the long run.

The second largest expenditure category is transportation. This accounts for the cost to finance or lease a vehicle and insure it, and it also includes urban dwellers who rely on public transportation or ride-share services to get around. Keeping transportation budgets in check can be great a way to save.

Food is the next largest expense. While everyone needs sustenance to stay alive, how that money is allocated can make a big difference in saving versus spending. The BLS says that food at home costs around \$4,000 annually, while spending on dining out amounts to around \$3,100, for a grand total of \$7,100 each year.

Healthcare, utilities and entertainment are the next most costly expenditures, respectively. But each of those items are considerably less expensive than the top three. Therefore, making changes to where one lives, how one gets around and how one eats can certainly add up to considerable savings.



Retirement investment ideas

ACCORDING to the Harvard Business Review, Americans between 40 and 45 have an average of \$14,500 in their retirement account – that’s less than four percent of what is needed to retire. Consider investing in your future with one of these practical ventures.

Real Estate

A recent survey from the United States Census Bureau reveals that Americans paid an average monthly cost of \$981 for rent in 2016. Becoming a landlord comes with many difficulties but, if done properly, has big advantages.

Some concerns to weigh are unforeseen expenses like negligent renters, vacancy and property main-

tenance. Over time, a rental can be very profitable, just make sure to have an emergency fund to cover unexpected fees.

A quicker way to fill a retirement fund with profits earned through real estate is flipping properties. With a little knowledge in construction or an affordable contractor, you can earn big bucks by giving outdated homes new life.

Bond Ladder

Buying bonds has long been used to prepare for retirement. Building a bond ladder means you can strategically plan for the payoff and rely on a steady cash flow at a specified date.

A bond is basically a loan you are supplying to

a company or city or local government, usually to fund construction projects or satisfy debts. The borrower is required to pay you back the provided amount plus interest. Choose bonds with different maturity dates to stagger the payouts during retirement.

With any investment, there is a level of risk. For a safe bet with a smaller return, look for full faith and credit bonds. Typically, these are offered by governments and federal factions. When you buy bonds from a private company, the return may be higher, but there is a chance they will default on their commitment. Do your research before building the bond ladder to fund your future.



Perks of online bill pay

FORGETTING to make payments on time can damage credit and rack up late fees. See if your bank offers online bill pay.

Before enrolling, sit down with your banking facility to ensure your online presence is secure. Inquire about how they protect your information. Once you're confident that your information is safe, get to clicking and kiss those late fees goodbye.

Set up Payment Schedule

Whether you want to make a one-time payment or schedule monthly installments, online bill pay makes it simple.

Here are some of the ways each type offers its own advantages.

One-time: Making single payments online is much quicker than paying by paper check and usually avoids fees which come with automated phone services. You can also schedule payments at a later date; it's great for remembering annual fees like taxes or annual subscriptions.

Monthly schedule: The main advantage to scheduling monthly installments is knowing your bills are paid on time. When your payments are automatically deducted, it helps users maintain a budget and avoid overdraft fees. Check with your providers to learn about auto-pay discounts.

Analyze Your Spending

Many online services also offer tools that track your spending habits. You may be surprised at where your money is going and how you can cut corners to boost your savings by

analyzing your spending. In addition to daily spending, keep an eye on your monthly payments to ensure costs aren't increasing.

Receive Notifications

According to the Insurance Information

Institute, 16.7 million Americans fell victim to identity fraud in 2017. Take advantage of notifications when your account has suspicious transactions, when bills have been paid, and constant updates on your available balance. When you are in tune with your account, it's easier to catch identity theft risks quickly.



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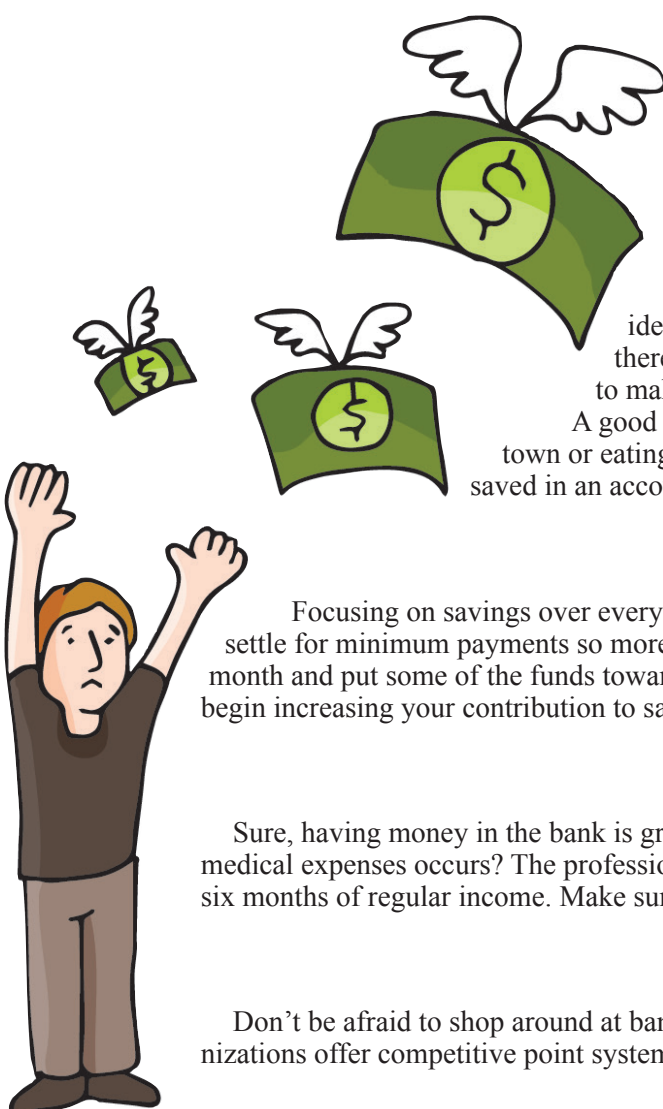
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Avoid savings mistakes



IT may surprise you that there are several wrong ways to save money. If you're not taking advantage of high interest returns or acquiring penalties for ignoring certain debts, it may hurt you in the long run.

One common misstep many Americans take is by participating in a "spending fast." The general idea is people will avoid making purchases for anything other than necessities. Sure, if done properly, there will undoubtedly be more money for savings. However, many end up feeling deprived, leading them to make impulse purchases without learning to better manage their funds.

A good way to avoid this from happening is to change spending habits gradually. Rather than going out on the town or eating at expensive restaurants, plan an evening at home with friends and prepare a meal. Put the money you saved in an account, you'll be rewarded as you watch your nest egg grow.

Saving Too Much

Focusing on savings over everything else can do more harm than good. If you have debts that are accruing high interest rates, don't settle for minimum payments so more can go towards savings. Instead, determine how much you can put into savings at the end of each month and put some of the funds towards getting out of debt. Once you knock down these expensive debts with your surplus, then you can begin increasing your contribution to savings.

No Emergency Fund

Sure, having money in the bank is great but what happens if a life-changing event like losing a job, needing a new vehicle or an unexpected medical expenses occurs? The professionals at the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority recommend having enough cash to cover three to six months of regular income. Make sure to keep these funds in a separate account to not blur the lines between savings and emergencies.

Not Earning on Savings

Don't be afraid to shop around at banks. Talk with their experts about opening a savings account and discuss earning potential. Many organizations offer competitive point systems or high interest rewards. Help your money grow.



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