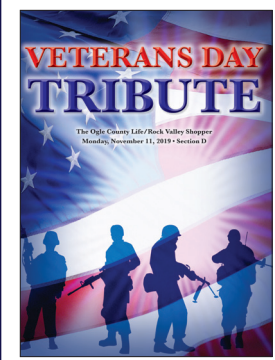




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Statue work will take more time

Restoration work continues on the Black Hawk Statue near Oregon. Work was scheduled to be completed on Nov. 4, but it will continue for a few more weeks. Weather permitting, the work should be done by the end of the month. Saturdays have been added to the work schedule and heaters have been brought to the site as well. Once repairs are completed, it will take two weeks to remove all equipment and fencing. The original forms were used to pour new concrete for the arms of the statue, according to John Lindhorst, president of Oregon Together. The Illinois Conservation Foundation is overseeing the work. Locally, \$225,000 was raised for the project, including \$100,000 donated last year by E.D. Etnyre & Co. The rest came from state matching funds. The 48-foot tall statue stands 125 feet above the Rock River. It brings about 400,000 visitors per year to the Oregon area. (Brad Jennings photos)

LIFE office hours this week

The Life office will be closed this week, Monday, Nov. 11 through Thursday, Nov. 14. For classified ads call our Rochelle office at 815-562-4171 and indicate you would like to place a classified ad in the Life paper. For any other questions call Mike Feltes at 815-561-2124. We apologize for the inconvenience.

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News Media Corporation announces promotions

Shank, Laye, Tompkins assume new leadership positions

ROCHELLE – News Media Corporation owner and chairman John Tompkins recently announced several promotions within the organization.

Longtime publisher John Shank has been named the company's new chief operating officer, Lori Laye has been named chief administrative officer and JJ Tompkins has been named chief revenue officer.

"I'm very pleased about this leadership team," said John Tompkins, who owns more than 65 publications in eight states. "Together they have decades of industry experience and are combining their strengths to provide great direction for NMC."

Shank, who has worked his entire 31-year multimedia publishing career with NMC, is based in Rochelle, and will oversee the company's entire operation, while

continuing on in a dual role as Illinois group publisher. He replaces Nickolas Monico, who recently left NMC to pursue other industry opportunities.

Shank began his NMC career as a reporter and later served as editor of the Rochelle News-Leader, which has been the company's flagship publication since 1975. From 1992 through 2009 he was the general manager of the Ogle County Life newspaper and also oversaw editorial staff operations during that time period. In 2009, he was promoted to Illinois group publisher covering six locations in the state.

During the last decade, Shank expanded his management role to serve as a division publisher by overseeing 11 additional operations in three other states, including California, Arizona and southwest Wyoming.

"I look forward to calling on my many years of field operations experience with the company to provide a unique perspective in guiding the corporation as a whole," said Shank, who began his new duties on Friday, Oct. 25.

Shank is a graduate of Northern Illinois University and he and his wife, Maria, have three sons.

Laye, joined NMC in November 2018 as chief financial officer, and now she will also oversee additional administrative and human resource functions of the corporation.

For the past year Laye has implemented a plethora of measures to help centralize and streamline NMC operations in an effort to capitalize on company-wide efficiencies.

She has more than 20 years of financial expertise, including 17 years with media and publishing entities. She oversaw financial operations of more than 225 publications in 17 states dur-



Shank



Tompkins



Laye

ing her tenure as a regional and division controller with Gatehouse Media, LLC prior to joining NMC.

Laye is a graduate of Rockford University obtaining her CPA in 2000. Prior to entering the media industry, she worked in public accounting for three years in audit and tax.

She and her husband, Tony, reside in Cherry Valley. They have three adult children and three grandchildren.

JJ Tompkins, who specializes in new revenue generation and promotions, will be leading efforts to

develop both digital and print opportunities across all of the NMC operations.

He began his multimedia publishing career in 2001 after graduating with a business and marketing management degree from the University of Arizona.

After working in outside sales with the Illinois group publications, Tompkins relocated to Atascadero, California in 2002 to serve as general manager of that NMC publication and then returned to Illinois in 2006 to take on a company-wide marketing role.

In 2017, Tompkins teamed up with Shank on an initiative to improve operational efficiencies and increase cash flow in the Arizona and California properties.

He resides in Rockford with his wife, Lindsay, and their three daughters.

"I'm excited to join forces with Lori and JJ as we begin working together with our impressive and dedicated team of experienced managers and staff members at all of our locations throughout the company to move NMC forward," Shank said.

Farm bureaus to host crop marketing workshop Nov. 26

ROCK FALLS – The Lee, Carroll and Whiteside County Farm Bureaus along with COUNTRY Financial will host a crop marketing workshop on the evening of Nov. 26, at the Days Inn, in Rock Falls.

"Crop Price Risk & Cash Flow Management" is a two-hour seminar designed

specifically for producers to help them manage risk associated with the current low commodity markets and identify market conditions to capture profit margins through this year into next.

Dr. Steve Johnson, Iowa State University Extension Farm Management Specialist, will facilitate the

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

He specializes in topics related to government farm programs, crop insurance, crop marketing, grain contracts, farmland leasing and

other crop risk management strategies. In the past year, he has conducted more than 120 meetings, workshops, seminars and conferences across the Corn Belt with nearly 15,000 in attendance.

Steve uses web sites such as ISU Ag Decision Maker and Polk County Extension Farm Management along with various print and electronic media. Annually he reaches more than 200,000

producers, landowners and other agribusiness professionals.

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

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

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

Also, how crop insurance will come into play in managing your cash flow needs.

The workshop on Nov. 26 begins at 7 p.m. at the Days Inn, located at 2105 First Ave., Rock Falls.

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

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

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Left, Students and Moose member take a break from their activities. Below, NHS Member Taylor Sheely spent the day making ghost pops with Mooseheart and local children, while in the background Abigail Thomlinson paints faces and hands with festive fall artwork.

Students assist Moose with Pumpkin Lunch

MOUNT MORRIS – On Sunday, Oct. 20, the Oregon High School National Honor Society members spent an afternoon assisting with a Pumpkin Lunch at the Mount Morris Moose Club. The Mount Morris Moose provided free lunch and pumpkins for over one hundred children including kids from Mooseheart Child City, as well as local children. The kids were able to choose their own pumpkins from the Moose’s own pumpkin patch. They were then provided supplies and help to decorate, as well as games, face painting, and lunch. OHS NHS members helped with the event by cutting and washing pumpkins, serving lunch, face painting, and assisting kids with games, pumpkin decorating, and crafts. The day ended with a lively game of bingo and an exciting competitive game of musical chairs. A good time was had by all and both organizations look forward to working together at future events.



Ogle County sets final electronic recycling of year

The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) will be holding the last residential electronic recycling drop-off of the year on Friday, Nov. 22. This event is a week early due to the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no electronics collection during the month of December. The location for the event is the County Annex Building at 909 Pines Road from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The events are for residential electronics from Ogle County and ID’s are checked. There is a limit of seven (7) large or bulky items per vehicle. A tub or box filled with smaller items is considered one bulky item. Accepted items include all residential televisions, computers, computer monitors, all computer accessories, hardware, and cables, UPS systems, printers, FAX machines, copiers, laptops, cell phones, tablets,

video game equipment, phone systems, radios, stereo equipment, digital clocks, VCR/ DVD players, remotes, and cable/satellite receivers, holiday light strands, rechargeable batteries, CFL bulbs, and printer ink cartridges. Microwave ovens are also accepted for a \$5 charge. Items that are not accepted include smoke detectors, fans, lamps, vacuum cleaners, personal hygiene items, power tools, yard tools, toys, heaters, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, sump pumps, coffee makers, bread makers, slow cookers, toasters or ovens, or electric fryers. Electronics from businesses, schools, or other institutions are not accepted at these events. Please contact the OCSWMD for options regarding business or institutional electronic items. The OCSWMD will also be accepting non-perishable food items at the electronics drop-off.

Items accepted include all non-expired and sealed canned foods, soup, cereal, pasta, rice, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, and items such as bar soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. Cash donations are also accepted. All donated items are distributed to various Ogle County food pantries. The food pantries in Oregon, Byron, and Stillman Valley have already received donations collected by the OCSWMD during the September and October drop-off events. Please be generous and consider those in need as you drop off your electronics for recycling. The OCSWMD will do the rest getting the donated items to our local food pantries. If you have questions about the residential electronics recycling drop-off or about the food drive, please call the OCSWMD at 815-732-4020, see us on Facebook, or visit www.oglecounty.org.

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Obituaries

Cynthia Sue Book



BYRON—Cynthia “Cindy” Sue Book, 69, formerly known by Byron, entered into eternal life on Friday, Nov. 1, 2019 at Javon Bea Hospital with her family by her side. She was the eldest child of the late Bruce E. and LaVonne V. (Martin) Kielsmeier. She was born on June 4, 1950 in Oregon, and graduated from Leaf River High School in 1969.

Cynthia went on to serve the local communities with her parent’s business the “Patty Wagon” for many years. Additionally, she worked as a CNA for several years and continued her education graduating in 1998 with her LPN degree. She loved spending her time with family and friends canning, quilting, and supporting all her grandchildren at their events.

Cynthia leaves her loving legacy to be cherished by her three children: Mathew Book of Doniphan Mo., Jonathan (Rhonda) Book of Byron and Rebecca (Mike) Ruter of Mouton Morris. She is cherished, but not forgotten by her beloved Grandchildren, Eric Book, Matalin Book, Brittney Book, Rachel Book, Micheal Ruter, Kyle Ruter, Abigail Ruter, Elizabeth Ruter, and two great grandchildren. She will be deeply missed by her siblings: Catherine (Tim) Greenfield,

Bev (Mike) Campbell, Betty Miller, Marty Kielsmeier, and Joe (Dawn) Kielsmeier. Equally missed by multiple nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and many friends. As well as her loving companion and friend of 26 years Hermann Vogt.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother in-law Richard Miller, great nephew Gregory Wood, aunts, and uncles.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris. Burial was in North Grove Evangelical Cemetery, Leaf River. Visitation was Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2019 from 5-7 p.m. in Finch Funeral Home, 405 East Hitt, Mt. Morris.

Memorials to be established.

Frank B. Morgan



OREGON – Frank B. Morgan, age 96, died Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 at The Meadows of Franklin Grove Assisted Living in Franklin Grove. He was born Nov. 27, 1922 in Fisk, Mo., the son of Byrd Elvis and Daisy Mae (Ruble) Morgan.

He served his country in the U.S. Navy from 1942 - 1946 during WW II. He was married 48 years to Ann Montgomery getting married in December of 1946. Frank worked for many years in manufacturing at Kysor in Byron, and Century Tool in Cherry Valley.

He was predeceased by his parents, his wife Ann, his daughter Sue Jacobs, 5 brothers, 4 sisters, and a grandson Jason D. Stauffer.

He is survived by his 2 daughters; Brenda Morgan Stauffer of Braselton, Ga., and Diane (Larry) Seabold of Byron, son-in-law Rev. Marvin Jacobs of Oregon, sister Freda Lund, brother Truman Morgan, He was a dearly beloved grandfather and great grandfather to 7 grandchildren; Justin

(Melissa) Stauffer, Chad Seabold, Jamie (April) Seabold, Lindsey (Kevin) Wornner, Adam (Laurie) Jacobs, Lucas Jacobs, and Cheryl Stauffer, Great Grandchildren; Trey, Tyler, Anna, Colin, Brayden, Reily, Beckett, Mason, Isaac, Elijah, Hannah, and Jonah, and several nieces and nephews.

A private family service will be held at the Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home in Oregon, IL with the Rev. Marvin Jacobs officiating. Private burial will be in the Ebenezer Cemetery near Oregon. A memorial fund is established for the Wounded Warrior Project.

Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence.

Gail Ann Peterson



PECATONICA – Gail Ann Peterson, 72, of Pecatonica, passed away peacefully, on Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019, at Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon, after a courageous two year battle with bladder cancer. She was born on Nov. 4, 1946, in Prairie du Chien, Wis., the daughter of Harold Norman and Betty Jean (Sorensen) Torsrud.

She graduated from Harlem High School in Loves Park, Class of 1964 and attended Augustana College. Gail worked at J. I. Case Company in Rockford where she met her future husband. She married Craig Arthur Peterson on July 9, 1966, at Grace Lutheran Church in Loves Park. Gail was a homemaker and owned a successful painting and wallpapering business for many years. She was an active member of First Lutheran Church in Pecatonica. Once she became a grandma, she spent many years lovingly taking care of many of her grandchildren. During their 53 years of marriage, Gail and Craig enjoyed traveling, annual family vacations in Wisconsin and spending countless hours with family and friends at their Peterson Pool. Gail loved decorating

her home for all holidays, especially Christmas, collecting Precious Moments and always having a cat on her lap.

A special thanks to the wonderful, caring staff at Javon Bea Hospital - Rockton Avenue and Riverside Boulevard, especially those on the 6th floor.

Gail is survived by her loving husband, Craig Peterson of Pecatonica; son, Eric (Tami) Peterson of Lake Geneva, Wis.; daughters, Amy (Tim) Bukoski of Byron, Andrea (Heath) McGrew of Pecatonica; grandchildren, Taylor McGrew (Drake Merrick) of Moline, Carter Bukoski of Phoenix, Ariz., Jacob McGrew currently serving in the United States Navy in Okinawa, Japan, Mackenzie Peterson (Matthew Camp) of Milwaukee, Wis., Elaine Peterson of Beloit, Wis., Paige Bukoski of Byron, Cameron

Bukoski of Byron, Charles Peterson of Ryde, England; sisters, Linda (Jim) Lau, Susan Mitchell, Shelly (Mark) Martin. She is also survived by her mother-in-law Adell Peterson; brothers-in-law, Kent (Lori) Peterson, John (Kay) Peterson; along with many special nieces and nephews.

Gail was a friend to all, including those at church, her Potluck gals, neighbors and many in the community.

She is predeceased by her parents; brother, Tom Torsrud; infant sister Lori Torsrud.

Memorial service was 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019, at First Lutheran Church, 627 Taylor St., Pecatonica with the Reverend Nord Swanstrom officiating. Memorial visitation was 5 p.m.-8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2019, at Genandt Funeral Home, 602 N. Elida St., Winnebago. Cremation rites accorded. Private interment at Twelve Mile Grove Cemetery near Pecatonica. In lieu of flowers a memorial will be established for the First Lutheran Church in Pecatonica and Friends Forever Humane Society in Freeport. For an online obituary and tributes go to www.genandt-funeralhome.com.

Abraham Gibson



OREGON – Abraham James Gibson, newborn son of Keith and Kaylee (Rebholz) Gibson was born and passed on to eternal rest on Monday, Nov. 4, 2019.

Survived by his parents, Keith and Kaylee of Oregon; sister, Lydia Faith; paternal grandparents, John and Nanette Gibson; maternal grandparents, Sue and Steve Overton; paternal great grandparents, Nancy Gibson and Mary Wilson; maternal

great grandparents, Aristeo and Maria Mancha, Tom and Sandy Overton, and Candace Alleman; and aunts and

uncles: Casey Gibson, Emily Gibson, Jordan (Dolly) Ordiway, Sydnee & Emma Overton and Joey Siebrasse.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 in Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, Byron preceded by a visitation beginning at 1 p.m. Pastor Craig Arnold of Riverstone Christian Church, Oregon officiated. Burial in Byron Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Dennis L. Merrell



OREGON – Dennis L. Merrell, age 61, died Friday, Nov. 1, 2019 at Javon Bea Hospital in Rockford following a long illness. He was born Sept. 17, 1958 at the Great Lakes Hospital the son of LaVerne and Norma (Stanton) Merrell.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corp. Dennis married Katheryn Williams on Oct. 18, 1985 in Waukegan.

Dennis and Kathy moved to Oregon in April of 2000.

He was a member of the East Oregon Church of God. Dennis was predeceased

by his parents. He is survived by his wife Kathy of Oregon, son Jacob Merrell of Oregon, brother Steve (Danell) Merrell of Polo, 2 sisters; Patty (Del) Robertson of Wauconda, and Dale Merrell of North Carolina.

No services are planned at this time. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund is established for St. Jude’s Hospital in Dennis Merrell’s name. To leave a condolence visit www.farrellhollandgale.com.

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Obituaries

Caden Marshall Fritz

BYRON – Caden Marshall Fritz, 17 of Byron, passed away at his home on October 30, 2019. Born Sept. 15, 2002 in Byron. Son of John and Danay Voiles and Ted and Stephany Fritz.



A Senior at Byron High School, graduating class of 2020. Member of Byron Varsity Football Team. Caden loved football, fishing, being outside, and most of all spending time with his brothers and sisters. The bond he had with his siblings will never be broken.

Survivors include: Parents, Siblings, D. Miller, Grace Voiles, Madyson Fritz, Ryker Voiles and Stella Voiles all of Byron.

Grandparents, Christine Porter, Patrick O'Brien, Peg and Cecil Voiles, Rick and Anita Fritz. Great Grandparents Dan and Janet Conderman, Many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services were held at Cornerstone Church, 205 N. Peru St Byron. Visita-

tion was held from 3-7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4, 2019. Funeral was held Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2019 at 1 p.m. Family requested orange and black clothing be worn. He would have loved that. Cremation rites followed the service with burial at a later date.

Friends and Family were invited to the Voiles Residence in Byron immediately following the funeral services. In lieu of flowers a memorial account has been established at Stillman Bank.

Funeral arrangements by Julian-Poorman-Welte Funeral Home 304 N. 5th St. Rockford, IL 61107 www.weltefuneral.com.

Patricia A. Michalak

BYRON – Patricia A. Michalak, age 76, passed away on Nov. 5, 2019 at Oregon Living and Rehab Center. She was born on April 4, 1943 in LaSalle, the daughter of Leonard and Julia (Podlinki) Kierski.



Patricia married Jerome Michalak on Oct. 6, 1962. She worked as a waitress at Don's Café for many years. She was a faithful member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Byron where she enjoyed helping with church picnics and singing in the choir. In her spare time, Patricia enjoyed crafts and embroidery as well as gardening and working in her yard. She loved her family and her dogs.

She is survived by her children, Jerry "Jerome" Jr. (Sherri) Michalak of

Johnathan, Lillie, Sydney, Logan, Zeke, and Adrianna; very dear caretakers, Linda Dueth and Lorrie Nesemeier; and special dog Coda.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and 3 brothers.

Christian funeral mass was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2019 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Byron with Father Father Rich Rosinski officiating. Visitation was held at Farrell Holland Gale Funeral Home in Byron on Friday, Nov. 8, 2019 from 5:30-7:30 p.m., concluding with a Rosary service at 7:30 p.m. Burial at St. Mary's Cemetery in Byron. A memorial is established in her name. To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com.

Caroline Bargren

BYRON – Caroline Frances Bargren, age 72, passed away at her home in Byron on Nov. 3, 2019. She was born in Mansfield, Ohio on Jan. 20, 1947 the daughter of William and Margaret (Kurtz) Meyer.



She was a baton twirler for Boca Raton High School marching band who performed at the Orange Bowl Parade. She then went on to graduate from Ray-Vogue Dress Design School in Chicago. Caroline enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening, camping, cooking, and art. She was an animal lover

but was especially fond of her dogs.

She is survived by her sons, Jon (Holly) Bargren and Matt (Mallory Wrenn) Bargren both of Byron; sister, Ellen (Greg) Hill of

Malta, Ohio; grandchildren, Hunter Bargren, Ace Bargren, and Eva Bargren; and special friends Natasha and Laura.

She is predeceased by her parents.

A memorial service was held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019 at the Farrell Holland Gale Funeral Home in Byron. Visitation will be held from 5-7p.m. prior to the service. Memorials are established for Cure PSP and Paws Humane Society.

To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com

Melvin Craig Nefstead

Melvin Craig Nefstead, 70, formerly of Kings, passed away Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019 at his home in Fort Pierce, Fla. Craig was born on May 3, 1949 to E. Melvin and Margaret (Furman) Nefstead in Rockford.



He proudly served with the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Before retiring to Florida, he was a farmer in the Rochelle / Kings area.

Craig was a 1967 Stillman Valley High School graduate. During his high school career, he participated in choir, FFA and 4-H. He was a member of the Rochelle VFW Post

3878, the Rochelle Moose and the American Legion in Stillman Valley.

Craig is survived by his brother, Gary (Deb Maas) of Kings.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

A visitation was from 5-7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 8, 2019 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St., Rochelle. The funeral was held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 9 at Elim Reform Church, 140 S. Church Rd., Kings, with Pastor Cary Winn officiating. Burial followed the service at White Rock Cemetery in Kings with military honors provided by the Eastern Lee-Ogle Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made in Craig's memory to Serenity Hospice and Home. Visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

Daniel Scott Cook

Daniel Scott Cook was born on Nov. 14, 1972 born to David Cook and Sherry Laney. He died Sept. 2, 2019 of natural causes.



He was well known as Dano, Dad, Brother, Friend and now Grandpa. He was a laborer throughout his entire life. He wore many hats in the construction field and enjoyed working with his hands. He was a proud man and proud of the work that he accomplished, he showed it off as much as he could. Cook was not only his last name but something that he loved to do and to teach to his daughter Julia. Dan and Kim Miller had his only daughter in November 1998 and they remained close for the sake of her. If he wasn't working you could find him in his man cave devouring a sausage and mushroom Home Run

Inn Pizza while drinking a cold Budweiser, watching the Raiders or White Sox game.

If you knew Dan well, you know that he couldn't be without his 'salad'! He enjoyed taking Julia to Chicago where they would end up the zoo looking at the alligators. He enjoyed music as well, whether it was playing his guitar, going to concerts, or listening to KISS and Metallica

LOUDLY on his surround system. Dan was a kid at heart and would go to the carnival to ride the rides, liked strolling on the riverfront and was happy being at home watching movies. Kim said it best: "If Dan had a carne asada burrito, a Dos Equis and a shot of tequila, he was a very happy man."

Dan sometimes had trouble expressing his emotions, but if he loved you, he was dedicated to you and you knew it! Dan is survived by his grandma Phyllis, Mother Sherry, daughter Julia, grandson Elijah, brothers David and Jeremy as well as many friends and extended family.

There will be a Celebration of Life on Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. located at 1269 Cap Road, Dixon. Please come and help his loved ones celebrate the way Dan would!

Ronnie L. O'Sullivan

BYRON – Ronnie L. O'Sullivan, 74, of Byron, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2019. =Born April 11, 1945 in Truman, Ark., the son of Avis Dodd Tillman.



Veteran of the U.S. Army. Ronnie married Sharon Beavers on May 28, 1966 in Rockford. He retired from Rockford Power Train after 30 years.

Survived by his wife, Sharon; children, Rick (Stephanie) O'Sullivan and Tina O'Sullivan; grandchildren, Haylee, Jada, and Lia; great-

grandchild, Brynlee; and brother, Allen Tillman. Predeceased by his mother; and brother, Tommy O'Sullivan.

Memorial Services was held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2019, at Fred C. Olson Chapel, 1001 Second Ave., Rockford. Visitation was from noon to 12:45 p.m. prior to the service in the chapel. Graveside at 2:30 p.m. with honors in the Kishwaukee Cemetery, 8137 Kishwaukee Rd., Stillman Valley. Memorials may be made to Veteran's Drop In Center, 1539 S. 4th St., Rockford, IL 61104.

To share a memory or condolence please visit olsonfh.com.

Obituary

Elsa Rae Schlaf

DAVIS JUNCTION – Elsa Rae Schlaf, age 73, of Davis Junction passed away and went to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019. She was born Feb. 21, 1946 in Rockford, the daughter of Ralph F. and Marjorie Elsa (Hildebrand) Schlaf, Sr.

Elsa graduated from Stillman Valley High School in 1964, she then attended Sauk Valley Community College and Western Illinois University where she obtained her Bachelor's De-

gree. She obtained degrees in Electronics Technology and English Literature. She was a veteran of the United States Air Force where she served her country in the Philippines as a Medical Technician. Later, upon discharge, Elsa worked as a skilled technician on digital programmable drives in the greater southwest region of this country and in northern Illinois.

She was predeceased by her parents.

She is survived by her

brother Richard (Connie) Schlaf of Lost Lake, Dixon, a sister-in-law Marilyn Schlaf of Lindenwood, several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Her legacy of being a kind and generous caregiver to all who knew her will live on in thoughts and prayers forever. Cremation rites accorded. A celebration of Life and burial service will be private at a later date. She will be missed. To leave a condolence visit www.farrellhollandgale.com.

Ogle County Sheriff

Nov. 5

At approximately 10:20 p.m., Deputies were dispatched to the 400 block S. 1st Ave., Forreston reference a check welfare. After a brief investigation, Deputies arrested Dale Ulrich age (37) of Forreston for Disorderly Conduct. Dale was then transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

The following people were arrested for Ogle County Outstanding Warrants:

Ambra Walker, 33, of Rochelle for Failure to appear. Walker has a bond of \$3972.69 and Walker will go to court on 11/06/19 at 1 p.m. Walker remains in the Ogle County jail.

Teray Bell, 36, of Rockford for Failure to appear. Bell has a bond of \$1409 and Bell will return to court on 11/25/19 at 9 a.m. Bell remains in the Ogle county jail.

Conor Smith, 21, of Rochelle for Failure to appear. Smith had a bond of \$1677, Smith went to court and recieved a bond of \$125. Smith did post bond and was released from the Ogle County jail. Smith will return to court on 11/25/19 at 9 a.m.

Krista Genna, 39, of Rochelle for Failure to appear. Genna had a bond of \$1102. Genna went to court and recieved a bond of \$225. Genna did post bond and was released from the Ogle County jail. Genna will return to court on 11/25/19 at 9 a.m.

Nov. 4

Andrew Beam, 38, of Oregon was arrested for a Fishing without a license warrant. Beam had a bond of \$3000/10 percent, Beam did post the \$3,000/10 percent bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail. Beam will return to court on 11-22-19 at 9 a.m.

Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Teodoro Jimenez, 20 of Freeport, for driving while license suspended. Jimenez was arrested by deputies on Mulford Road after being stopped for speeding. Jimenez was held in lieu of bond at the Ogle County Jail.

Nov. 3

At approximately 2:43 p.m. Ogle County Sheriff's Deputies performed a traffic stop in the 8,000 block of N. Freeport Road. After investigation Deputies placed Joshua Wilson, 30 of Freeport under arrest for Driving While License Suspended. Wilson was additionally issued a citation for Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Wilson was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

Nov. 1

The following people were arrested for outstanding Ogle County warrants:

Corey R. Dunbar, 42 of Roscoe, for Failure to Appear. Dunbar posted the \$364 full cash bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail with no further court dates.

Alan Cruz Quiroz, age 38 of Round Lake, for Failure to Appear. Cruz Quiroz posted the \$325 full cash bond and was released from the Ogle County Jail with no further court dates.

Oct. 31

Gabriel Thornton, 40, of Oregon was arrested on two Failure to Appear Warrants. Thornton had a bond of \$3,426 and \$782 Full Cash. Thornton appeared in court and was released on a recognizance bond for both charges. Thornton will return to court on 12/30/19 at 9:00 a.m.

Oct. 30

Martin Dean, 56, of Rockford for a Driving while License Suspended Warrant. Dean Recieved a \$3,000 recog and was released from the Ogle County jail. Dean will return back for court on 11-08-19 at 1 p.m.

Mount Morris Police report

Oct. 8

Kristopher C. Mockovak, 18, homeless, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Mockovak was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 16

Carol A. Hammer, 42, Mount Morris, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Hammer was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Heather Heathcott, 38, Mount Morris, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Heathcott was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Ronald R.J. Reitinger, 36, Mount Morris, was arrested for violation of FOID act. Reitinger was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 17

Kelly Cryer, 55, Mount Morris, was ar-

rested for violation of orders of protection. Cryer was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Roberto C. Deleon, 29, Mount Morris, was arrested for predatory criminal sexual assault of a child. Deleon was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Oct. 20

Kristopher C. Mockovak, 18, homeless, was arrested for criminal damage to property. Mockovak was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Oct. 22

Acitation was issued to Mark A. Lackcik, 39, Forreston, for speeding.

Oct. 26

Michelle R. Smitherman was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Smitherman was transported to the Ogle County Jail.



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Chana Education Center celebrates Halloween with activities

CHANA – Chana Education Center students and staff enjoyed some special Halloween activities and hijinks on Oct. 31.

Students researched information on the history of the tradition of Jack-o-lanterns and then carved pumpkins themselves. Homeroom teams designed and built one-of-a-kind scarecrow structures. The older students helped set up a trick-or-treating experience for the younger students. Staff even surprised students with a recreation of a Nintendo Mario Kart race with staff dressed as each game character.

Building a sense of community is a pillar of the Chana program. Developing opportunities for students to positively create shared experiences and memories is an essential aspect of fostering community.



Above left, students and staff joined together in dressing up for fun Halloween celebrations. Above, Ms. Watson chooses to give Isaiah Sanderson a treat versus the risk of a trick. Left, Mr. Bowerman's homeroom's scarecrow was inspired by one of their favorite TV shows, *Stranger Things*.



'Aladdin Kids' to be staged this month

OREGON – The Oregon Park District and the Oregon Elementary School pair up each fall to offer a theatre program for students in grade 3-6.

This Fall we are excited to present the production of *Aladdin Kids*.

A ton goes into putting on this amazing 30-minute production each fall and we hope you are able to come out and enjoy the show!

New this year, the Oregon High School band is generously sharing their Theatre with us. Performances will be held in the Oregon High School band room on their stage.

The Blue Cast on Friday, Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 16 at 2 p.m.

The Purple Cast will perform on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 17 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available to be purchased at the door. Adults are \$5 each, Students (5-17 years) are \$3 and children under 4 are free! We are also handing out 1 free admission to all OESK-6th graders during our teaser performance at school on Friday, Nov. 15.

Doors will open 30 minutes prior to each show. Bring family and friends and support our determined youth.

Oregon VFW hosting Veterans Day ceremony

OREGON – VFW Post #8739 will present a Veterans Days service on Monday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. at the flag on Conover Square, 201 N. Third St.

Please join us as we honor all those who served. Lunch will be served at noon at the VFW Hall, 1310 W. Washington St.

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Mobile Food Unit

Wintery weather did not disturb the scheduling of a Mobile Food Unit from keeping their appointed rounds. This free NIFB food truck made a stop in Polo Nov. 4 before moving on to Mount Morris, stopping at Loaves and Fish Food Pantry on Brayton Road. The food truck was opened to the public with 100 area residents taking advantage of this infrequent opportunity to add additional food items to their home pantries. Pictured, Loaves and Fish Food Pantry volunteers get ready to hand out food items-looking kinda cold!

Volunteers from left are:

Ed Weinberg, Jan Avey and Leona Nelson, all of Mount Morris.



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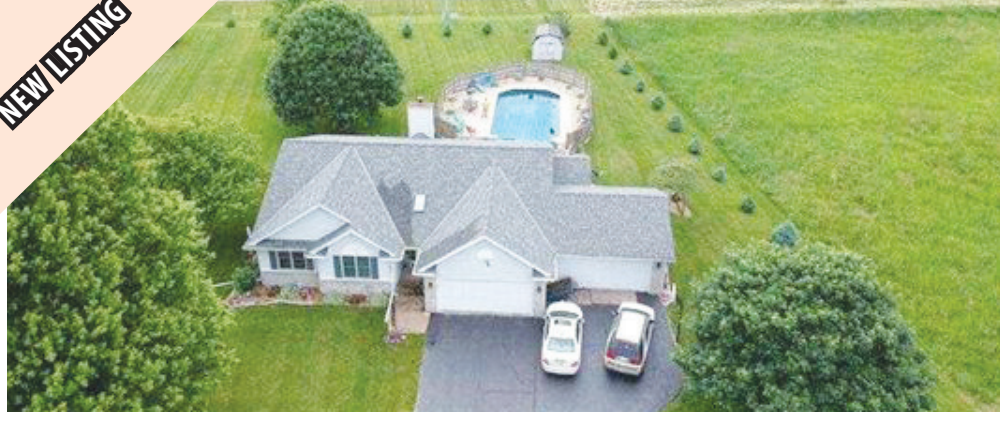


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Byron Police report

Oct. 20

Christopher Jasinski, 28 of Dixon, was issued a citation for Speeding 47 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 21

Renee Mastny, 39 of Davis, was issued a citation for Speeding 45 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Kerwin Randolph, 43 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 47 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 22

Randi Webb, 33 of Oregon, was issued a citation for Expired Registration.

Jan Scheer, 48 of Byron, was issued a citation for Operating a Non-Highway Vehicle on a Street, Road, Highway.

Oct. 23

Shantez Coleman, 30 of Oregon, was issued a citation for Expired Registration.

Byron Police arrested Michele Siemiawski, 52 of Byron, for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Siemiawski was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond. Siemiawski was also issued a citation for Leaving the Scene of an Accident – Vehicle Damage.

Oct. 24

Byron Police investigated an accident with no injuries that occurred at the intersection of S. Union and River Rd. Involved were Kristen Knight, 40 of Sycamore, and Jodi Peters, 50 of Stillman Valley. Knight was issued citations for Disobeying a Traffic Sign and Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident.

Dakota Munroe, 24 of Dekalb, was issued citations for Possession of Cannabis, Not More Than 10 Grams and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Oct. 25

The following were issued citations for Disobeying a Traffic Sign (No Through Traffic):

- Austin Luepkes, 23 of Byron
- Karen Orsborn, 41 of Byron
- James Emery, 36 of Byron
- Timothy Ditto, 40 of Byron
- Erik Anderson, 66 of Byron

Keith Livingston, 45 of Leaf River, was issued a citation for Possession of Cannabis, Under 10 Grams.

Samuel Flores, 28 of River Forest, was issued citations for Improper Use of Electronic Device and Speeding 41 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 26

The following were issued citations for Disobeying a Traffic Sign (No Through Traffic):

- Nathan Lewis, 56 of Oregon
- Daniel Duich, 38 of Byron
- Susan Carter, 63 of Loves Park

Christopher Edinger, 25 of Erie, Pa., was issued a citation for Speeding 48 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Aurel Cuplea, 62 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 42 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 29

Tylene Beach, 48 of Walnut, was issued a citation for Speeding 43 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

Oct. 31

Scott Leamancyk, 58 of Mt. Morris, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Signal.

Michael Sholes, 26 of Byron, was issued a citation for Disobeying a Traffic Sign

Forreston teacher surprised with scholarship

Oregon resident Alayna Meyer was surprised with a \$2,000 “Back to School” scholarship to Western Governors University (WGU) on Oct. 10.

The scholarship is open to new students interested in pursuing a bachelor’s or master’s degree with the online, nonprofit university.

Meyer is a second grade teacher at Forreston Grade School in the Forrester Valley Community Unit School District 221. She is pursuing a Master of Science in Curriculum & Instruction from WGU. Christy Seawall, Strategic Partnerships Manager with WGU, presented Meyer with the scholarship at her workplace.

Pictured from left are: Janese Michael, second grade teacher; Christy Seawall, WGU Strategic Partnerships Manager; Alayna Meyer; Erica Giedd, second grade teacher; and Forreston Principal Jonathan Schneiderman.



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Free Medicare program Nov. 20

BYRON – A free educational and informational presentation on the Social Security and Medicare programs will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20 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 us out at www.unit-edchurchofbyron.org.

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Mount Morris Police, Fire again holding Toys for Kids campaign

MOUNT MORRIS – The Mount Morris Police and Fire departments announce that it is again time to start the 2019 Toys for Kids campaign. The program, with the help of the community, provides Christmas gifts for the less fortunate children in the Mount Morris Fire Protection District. Last year, more than 100 children had a happier holiday because of the program. Cash donations and checks payable to Mount Morris Fireman’s Association will be accepted at the Mount Morris Police Department or Village Hall, 105 W. Lincoln, Mount Morris, IL 61054. Names, ages and addresses of needy children within the mount Morris Fire Protection District can be left by calling 815-734-4106.

Quilt Guild meets on Nov. 18 in Forreston

FORRESTON – Country Crossroads Quilt Guild will meet Monday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Forreston Grove Church, 7246 Freepoint Rd. Forreston. The evening program will be presented by Jill Shaulis of Yellow Creek Quilt Designs, located in Pearl City. Her lecture will be “Through The Years At Yellow Creek Quilt Designs.” She is the designer of the Kindred Spirits fabric collection and pattern club. Jill lectures and teaches around the country, and has had many patterns published in magazines. Guild meetings are held on the third Monday of each month. Visitors are charged \$5 at the door. Anyone interested in the joy of quilting and the inspiration of quilt guilds are welcome. For more information call Deb at 779-348-1638 or Beth at 815-732-7808.

Oregon Police report

Oct. 28

At 7:58 a.m., Oregon Police issued Landon S. Lazansky, 17, Mt. Morris, a citation for operating a vehicle with a loud exhaust. This violation occurred at the intersection of 9th and Jefferson Streets.

At 10:26 a.m., Oregon Police arrested Dustin W. Warner, 32, Oregon, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for narcotic equipment possession. Warner was transported to the Ogle County jail.

At 12:58 p.m., Oregon Police took a report of a hit and run that had occurred in the 500 block of Jefferson Street where a parked 2014 Jeep belonging to Alan W. Cargerman, 74, Oregon, was struck by an unknown vehicle between the hours of 8:40 a.m. and 11:40 a.m. If anyone knows who may have struck this vehicle, please contact the Oregon Police Department at 815-732-2162.

At 2:33 p.m., Oregon Police issued Linnea C. Vogl, 57, Oregon, a citation for speeding, 47 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 100 block of N. Daysville Road.

Oct. 29

At 4:34 p.m., Oregon Police issued Andrea E. Leather, 48, Monroe Center, a citation for use of a cell phone while driving. This violation occurred at the intersection of 4th and Washington Streets.

Oct. 31

At 4:25 p.m., Oregon Police investigated a one-car traffic crash in the 1400 block of West Pines Road involving a 2015 Chevrolet driven by David A. Bentley, 67, of Kalona, IA. One citation was issued to Bentley for improper lane usage.

Nov. 1

At 5 p.m., following an investigation into a report of a vehicle passing a school bus while loading / unloading that occurred on 10/31/19 at 2:45 p.m., in the 100 block of S. 10th Street, the Oregon Police met with Olivia L. Mongan, 18, Dixon, to issue her a citation for this violation.

Nov. 2

At 9:03 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Morgan L. Burmeister, 23, Sterling, for driving while license suspended. Burmeister was also issued a citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. These violations occurred in the 100 block of S. 4th Street.

Nov. 3

At 9:35 a.m., Oregon Police investigated a car vs deer traffic crash in the 1000 block of S. IL Route 2 involving a 2012 Toyota driven by Marjorie A. Glaser, 68, Oregon. No citations were issued.

At 3:03 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Elena R. Swartz, 43, Rockford, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. Swartz was transported to the Ogle County jail.

1 parking citations and 3 verbal/written warnings were issued from 10/28/19 through 11/03/19.

General Calls for Service

Through dispatch during the week of 10/28/19 through 11/03/19:

Checking a Subject / Vehicle	6	Citizen Complaints	5
Animal Complaint	1	Ordinance Violations	2
Citizen Assist / Civil Problem	1	Assist EMS / Other Dept.	5
Disturbance / Domestic	5	Lockout Vehicle / Building	3
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911 Hang-up / Open Line	3	Traffic Stops	11

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Stillman Bank graciously donated \$16,473.11 to United Way in 2018. This monetary gift came from a variety of

bank wide initiatives including Carnation Day, Casual Days, individual employee donations and a corporate contribution. Over the past 20-plus years, Stillman Bank and its employees have contributed over \$350,000 to United Way.

“Year after year, our employees continue to step up and generously contribute to United Way, providing monetary support to the numerous community agencies that are

funded by the organization,” said Marty Larson, Stillman Bank Chairman and CEO. “As a local community bank, we are proud to be strong advocates for an organization that gives back to so many that need additional assistance.

United Way fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in our community. For more information, go to www.unitedwayrrv.org or call 815-968-5400.



Knights of Columbus name costume contest winners



71st Annual Knights of Columbus Halloween Costume Contest Winners

Infant to 1 year old:

- 1st Mouse – Paisley Busser
- 2nd Statue of Liberty – Oakleigh Withers
- 3rd Scuba Diver – Nova Valdivia
- 4th Batgirl – Marily Martinez

2 – 4 year old:

- 1st Witch – Pyper Bruns
- 2nd Dracula – Michael Keaty
- 3rd Raccoon – Ella Jones
- 4th Chucky – Jude Bruns

5 to 7 year old:

- 1st Fortune Teller – Gabe Hammer
- 2nd Bowling Ball – Xavier Walden
- 3rd LaLlorona – Marie Ramirez
- 4th Woody – Hunter Krem-ske

8 and Up:

- 1st Michelangelo Mutant Ninja Turtle – Karter Girton
- 2nd Leonardo Mutant Ninja Turtle – Kade Girton
- 3rd Raphael Mutant Ninja Turtle – Noelle Girton
- 4th Wolf – Jimmy Keaty

Best of Show Trophy Winner – Sponsored by Kaczmarzyk Agency

Fortune Teller – Gabe Hammer



Park District plans trip to see 'Mary Poppins' on Dec. 19

OREGON – Join the Oregon Park District for a trip to the historical Drury Lane Theatre in Oakbrook to see a Broadway performance of Disney's Mary Poppins on Thursday, Dec. 19.

We will depart Nash Recreation Center at 9:30 a.m. and arrive back by 6 p.m.

Mary Poppins flies to the stage to delivery whimsy, excitement and memorable songs to a story that will melt your heart. Nominated for seven Tony Awards and winner of the Olivier Award for Best Theatre Choreography, Mary Poppins is a must see for the entire family. Based on the Academy Award-winning film of the same name and the beloved children's books by P.L. Travers, Mary Poppins is an entertaining adventure of enchantment and fun.

Trip includes a sit down 3 course lunch at 11:30 a.m. Show time is 2 hours and 30 minutes beginning at 1:30 p.m. Fee is just \$75 / Resident and \$90 / Non-Resident.

Deadline to register is Nov. 25. Online registration is available at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101. You may also register in person at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. Fifth Street, Oregon.

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Police offer Operation Santa Claus

BYRON – Byron Police Department’s Operation Santa Claus has been making Christmas a little brighter for the less fortunate children in the Byron community for the past 29 years.

Byron Kiwanis has been partnering with the police department for eleven years, hosting Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus where all toy and monetary donations are given to Operation Santa.

Operation Santa continues to succeed with the dedicated volunteers and thrives on the generosity of our community members. Through this program, over 4,850 children have received gifts at Christmas.

The majority of the donated new toys, are for the younger children (birth to 6 years old) in the program. Donations for children ages 7-14 is encouraged. If you don’t have time to shop, 100 percent of the money donated is used to purchase gifts for the older children and wrapping supplies. Donation checks, payable to Operation Santa Claus, can be dropped off at or mailed

to the Byron Police Department, PO Box 923, Byron, IL 61010. Operation Santa also appreciates donations of new Christmas wrapping paper and scotch tape. These are provided to families so the parents can participate in the gift-giving.

Byron Kiwanis is hosting “Breakfast with Santa & Mrs. Claus” on Dec. 7 from 8-11 a.m. in the Cafeteria of Mary Morgan Elementary School. There is no entry fee but a donation of one new, unwrapped toy per child, or monetary donation is appreciated.

Parents or guardians of children (up to age 14) in the Byron area who would benefit from the Operation Santa Claus program are asked to come to the Police Department, 232 W. 2nd Street, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. to register. Parents will be asked to provide proof of address, the children’s names, ages, and gender.

Names must be submitted no later than Wednesday, Nov. 20.

Halloween fun



Churches hold Christmas Blanket Program

POLO – The Polo Council of Churches will again sponsor the Christmas Basket Program to help provide food for people in need for Christmas.

Sign up to receive a basket is available at the Lifeline Pantry, 113 N Green Ave. in Polo. The Deadline for sign-up is Dec. 3.

Delivery or pickup will be Dec. 14 from 10-11 a.m. at Faith Discovery Church, 801 W. Oregon St., Polo.

Monetary Donations can be made to the Council of Churches at First State Bank of Polo or by contacting local participating Churches.

For more information call Janice Deets at 815 973 3951 or David Poole at 815 946 2087



Oregon Park District, VOP team for carnival event

OREGON – The Oregon Park District partnered with the Village of Progress and OCEC to offer a carnival for individuals with special needs.

The participants enjoyed playing games, earning “creepy cash,” posing at the photo booth, and more. They really enjoyed face painting and temporary tattoos.

The participants from The Village of Progress and OCEC had a great time and each person left with a special Halloween prize. This is the second year for the additional special needs carnival and it so great that the 50 participants that came this year were able to enjoy a fun outing and play games and have some additional Halloween fun.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., Nov. 11

VFW Post #8739 will present a Veterans Days service at 11 a.m. at the flag on Conover Square, 201 N. Third St. Please join us as we honor all those who served. Lunch will be served at noon at the VFW Hall, 1310 W. Washington St.

Tues., Nov. 12

Bread of Life Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen, which serves residents of Ogle County and Meridian School District, has a distribution from 3-5 p.m. Please provide Identification and proof of residency to Valley Covenant Church: 103 S. Maple St,

Stillman Valley, on the corner of Maple and Hwy 72.

Thurs., Nov. 14

Crafting with Cathy, 6-7 p.m. at the Byron Library. Come enjoy a fun evening at the library with friends while creating unique cork pumpkins. All supplies are provided. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Fri., Nov. 15

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Sat., Nov. 16

The Performing Arts Guild will present "The King and I"

at the Pinecrest Grove Theatre. For ticket information, call 815-734-2103 or order tickets online at performingartsguild.com.

Sun., Nov. 17

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Nov. 28, 1520, after sailing for weeks through the dangerous straits below South America that now bear his name, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan enters the Pacific Ocean with three ships, becoming the first European explorer to reach the Pacific from the Atlantic.

* On Nov. 27, 1703, an unusual storm system finally dissipates over England after wreaking havoc for nearly two weeks. Featuring hurricane-force winds, the storm killed between 10,000 and 30,000 people. Hundreds of Royal Navy ships and their crews were lost to the storm.

* On Nov. 29, 1929, American explorer Richard Byrd and three companions make the first flight over the South Pole, flying from their base on the Ross Ice Shelf to the pole and back in 18 hours and 41 minutes. Byrd learned how to fly in the U.S. Navy and served as a pilot in World War I.

* On Nov. 30, 1939, the Soviet Red Army invades the tiny nation of Finland with 465,000 men and 1,000 aircraft. Helsinki was bombed, and 61 Finns were killed in an air raid, sparking fierce Finnish resistance.

* On Nov. 26, 1942, "Casablanca," a World War II-era romantic drama starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, premieres in New York City. The Oscar-winning film featured a number of now-iconic quotes, including "Here's looking at you, kid."

* On Dec. 1, 1959, 12 nations sign the Antarctica Treaty, which bans military activity and weapons testing on that continent. It was the first arms-control agreement signed during the Cold War.

* On Nov. 25, 1963, three days after his assassination in Dallas, President John F. Kennedy is laid to rest with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. Kennedy was shot to death while riding in an open-car motorcade. He was 46.

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My love of records is getting new life

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



I love records. They are a magical disk to me. They made me a dreamer, a music lover and a musician. I spent hours, days and weeks in my childhood bedroom listening to records and staring at their covers.

Those magical covers. And what was in the grooves of those vinyl delights was also magical. KISS, Rush, UFO, Thin Lizzy, Judas Priest, the Ramones. Those might not be names that mean much to you, but they meant a lot to me during my teen years.

I had a pretty decent collection of vinyl when I was younger. I bought plenty of records with money I made as a busboy or delivering pizzas. Yes, I also bought 8-track tapes and, later, cassettes, but I always loved albums.

Not all of it was the harder rock mentioned above. I was a huge Elton John fan, and also had some pop music, plenty of progressive stuff and even some jazz fusion.

I could sit in my bedroom, put on an album and stare at an album cover for

hours. I read the names of the producers, where it was recorded, who the engineer was. I read the lyrics and scanned the "thank you" section many bands put in the liner notes for cool shout outs to other bands.

My mother thought I was crazy. She was probably right about that, but not because of my love of records and music.

I had those albums for decades, and I continued to add to the collections for a long time. I was not a completist who had to have everything, but I did collect everything

from certain bands simply because I loved the music.

But eventually I stopped listening to vinyl. First CDs and then digital took over and my records simply became boxes of memories that I carted around from state to state. I didn't even own a record player for years.

I gave many of my old classic albums to a friend in Minnesota when we moved from there to California in the mid-2000s. I knew they were going to a good home.

And before we moved from California to Illinois five years later, I gave the rest of the collection that was not water or heat damaged to another friend.

For the first time since I was a toddler, I was record free.

But a few years ago, I started record shopping again. Surprise, surprise – records became cool again. Yes, they sound better than CDs and much better than any digital file you can download. Also, they have a certain cool factor.

My wife bought me a

turntable, and I enjoying listening to records at home.

We even have some sweet special editions, including a nice re-mastered version of the first Cheap Trick album.

Recently, I had an amazing find at an estate sale: An original copy of KISS Alive II in near mint condition with tour book, merchandise form and original "tattoos" included. Total score! Sure, it cost me \$46, which was way more than the probably \$5 I spent for the album when it came out in 1977, but I had no problem forking over the money.

I took it home and stared at it. The album is a thing of beauty, and all the extras brought being a teen in my bedroom hearing this music for the first time rushing back to me.

Of course, my mom would probably think I was crazy for spending that much on a 42-year-old album. And I might be crazy – but not for buying that album.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.



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Surely, we can all do better than this

Swedish teenage environmentalist Greta Thunberg is an "adult-exploited empty-headed child," according to one commentator. He adds that Ms Thunberg, who affirms that she has a form of autism, is "ignorant, maniacal and is being mercilessly manipulated by adult climate bedwetters funded by Putin." "Greta=Evil," says another critic.

**Guest
Opinion**
By Lowell Harp



Baldwin's impersonations of Donald Trump seem to be a favorite among Trump-haters. Things can get pretty extreme; Samantha Bee's use of an obscene word to describe Ivanka Trump resulted in a public apology from her last year.

The President himself is a master of this kind of

politics. He used it to devastating effect during the 2016 presidential campaign, taunting opponents with labels such as "lyin' Ted Cruz" and "crooked Hilary" and belittling war hero John McCain's service. He similarly warded off, with considerable success, uncomfortable questions from interviewers by labeling them as losers or, in the case of debate host Megyn Kelly, a bimbo.

Mean-spirited invective has a long history in American politics. Gregory Krieg in the September 9, 2016 edition of CNN Politics sketches for us a history of ugly lies and abuse running throughout the 19th century, going back to the 1800 election contest between John Adams and Thomas Jefferson.

Personal attacks survive

in politics because they're effective. A research article in the January 30, 2018 edition of the journal Plos/One confirmed previous findings that they work just as well as factual evidence to convince people for or against scientific claims. Climate activist Thunberg is a likely case in point.

Experts in logic call this form of persuasion an "ad hominem fallacy." Ad hominem means "to the man," a debating strategy based on discrediting the opponent instead of arguing on the merits of his or her proposal. It's a fallacy, or false reasoning, because the truth of an idea is independent of the character or background of the person promoting it. Just because somebody's a jerk, or autistic for that matter, doesn't necessarily mean he

or she is wrong.

Ad hominem fallacies strike at the heart of a democratic society, which is its fidelity to reason and civility in public debate. The degree to which they infect its politics is, like a person's temperature, a measure of its health.

They can be hard to detect when they're woven into a larger argument. We can find ourselves resorting to them without fully realizing it. Intentional or not, they're unethical, regardless of whether they come from the left or the right.

We need to be on the lookout for them from politicians and commentators - and from ourselves. I laugh too readily at liberal entertainers who belittle the President and other conservatives. Then comes the guilty real-

ization of the damage done to civil dialogue with those who see the world differently.

Malicious personal attacks are bad enough when they come from anyone, but it's especially dismaying to hear them from the one person who above all is responsible for uniting the country, the President. It's not a forgivable minor flaw that we can excuse because of the good things he may do. It's a breach of Presidential ethics and a dereliction of his duty to the nation.

We can all do better.

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

Stahl seeks Circuit Clerk re-election

Dear Editor,

I am happy to formally announce that I am running again for the office of the Ogle County Circuit Clerk.

Serving as your Circuit Clerk is truly an honor. Our office is responsible for maintaining a record of all cases filed in the Ogle County court system. Our goals are to operate with the highest degree of accuracy, integrity and efficiency as possible for the citizens of Ogle County. A high degree of focus is on technology solutions as we continue to review procedures, policies and business practices for efficiency and effectiveness in our office. Since I became your Circuit Clerk on December 3, 2012, our office has conquered more statutory changes than ever and we have succeeded. We are e-filing in all civil cases, we are accepting e-citations, and we have completed a total transformation in our court fee structure, which was a statewide effort. I am proud to be part of the Ogle County Circuit Clerk's team; I would like to acknowledge my staff as we all take in these changes together: Tina, Diana, Jennifer, Diane, Sherri, Laurie, Lynda, Tammy, Annette, Jennie, Megan, and Lisa.

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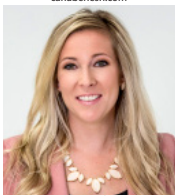
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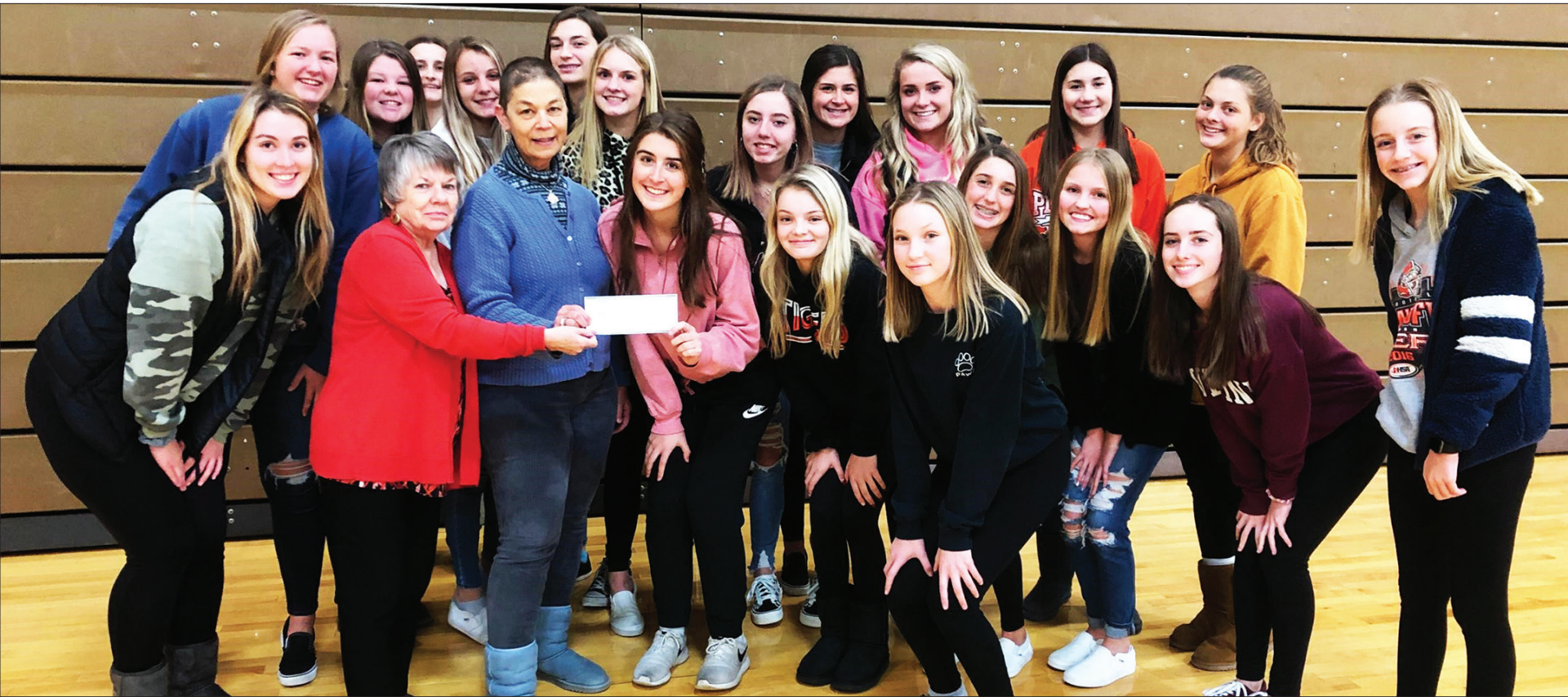
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Byron volleyball program raises money for Serenity Hospice and Home

The Byron High School volleyball team recently hosted its "Volley for a Cure" match and the Lady Tigers chose for the proceeds to go to Serenity Hospice and Home. The team

raised \$786. The team is coached by Tracy Brown. Karen Virnoche-Brown, an ambassador and long-time volunteer and fundraiser for Serenity, accepted the check. (Courtesy photo)

Byron football team wins playoff opener against Alleman

BYRON — The Byron football team kicked off the 2019 IHSA 3A Playoffs with a 50-28 win against Alleman High School. The Tigers improved to 9-1 overall.

Isaac Stickler rushed for 116 yards and two touchdowns in the victory, while Dayne

Snodgrass compiled 64 total yards and two touchdowns. Ian Palzkill and Drake Snodgrass combined for 60 rushing yards and two touchdowns, with Izaiah Shultz catching an 18-yard touchdown pass from Ben Carlson, who threw for 172 yards.



The Byron co-op swimming and diving team won the Northern Illinois Independent Conference for the third straight season. (Courtesy photo)

Byron co-op swimming and diving team wins third straight NIIC Championship

BYRON — The Byron Co-op girls swimming and diving team won the Northern Illinois Independent Conference Championship for the third consecutive season on Saturday, Nov. 2. The team scored 334 points to win the varsity competition and 358 points to take first in the junior varsity competition.

Laci Long and Kaci McKnight took first and second in the 1-meter diving finals with scores of 421.80 and 255.90. Byron won the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:54.48 and Jenna Hale won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:07.01. Hailey Groharing won the 200-yard individual

medley with a time of 2:17.83 and Audrey Kilmer won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.94 seconds.

Kate Schilling won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:01.26 and Emily Marshall finished third in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 58.12. Schilling won the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:35.61 and Byron won the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:43.67. Kilmer won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:01.64 and Groharing won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:11.29. Byron took second in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 3:56.41.

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By-Y-Badgers celebrate 50 Years

The By-Y-Badgers 4-H Club of Byron is proud to be celebrating its 50th anniversary. The club was founded here in 1969. The first leaders were Wendell Anderson and Harold Lingel. Currently the club is at its maximum capacity of 35 members, and the leaders are Carmon Conderman and Julie Carlson. A celebration will be held at the Byron Public Library on Sunday, Nov. 17, 1:30-3 p.m. All current and past By-Y-Badgers leaders and members are invited to attend, as well as any other current Ogle County 4-H members.

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RRC announces events

Veteran's Day Presentation: Always Remember – WWII Through Veterans' Eyes

Friday, Nov. 15, 10:30 a.m.-noon.
 We are pleased to have Dr. John David Ulferts, Superintendent-Principal of Shirland School District, Adjunct Professor at Concordia University-Wisconsin, and Author of Always Remember-W.W. II Through Veterans' Eyes as our Veteran's Day speaker on Nov. 15.

Eighty years have passed since W.W. II began. The memories of that terrible war have faded as the Greatest Generation has quietly slipped away. But their sacrifices must not be forgotten for the freedom we treasure today would not exist had it not been for their valiant efforts on far away shores not so long ago.

During the 1990's, 140 veterans of W.W. II, including 20 Medal of Honor recipients, shared their stories of valor and sacrifice with the author who promised to keep them alive through his classes and the pages of his book.

John will choose selections from Always Remember - World War II Through Veterans' Eyes. The presentation includes selections from veterans in each chapter of the book, accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation filled with pictures of the veterans and of the events described.

A question and answer period and book signing will follow. Registration is required by Nov. 12, so we can plan accordingly. Call Rock River Center to register 815-732-3252.

Computer Classes

The Computer Technology Center at Rock River Center is free and open to the public weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The following computer classes, facilitated by Rock River Center volunteers, has been scheduled:

Labhours with Mary—Nov. 18–10-11 a.m. This hour is available for those looking for 1-on-1 assistance with common computer questions. Call to register for lab time with Mary, as space is limited.

Anyone interested should call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to register.

Demmer office hours

Rock River Center is excited to partner with Representative Demmer's office for the purpose of providing a mobile office in Ogle County.

Tom's next Mobile Office Hour at Rock River Center will be Tuesday, Dec. 17, from 10-11 a.m.

"Those who attend these mobile office hours can learn about the services my office can provide and receive assistance with issues regarding state agencies. I will attend personally as my schedule permits." – Tom Demmer

No appointment is necessary. You will be seen on a first-come, first served basis.

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Remember, open enrollment will be Oct. 15 through Dec. 7, 2019.

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

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For more information or to make an appointment, call Linda at 800-541-5479 or 815-732-3252.

Veteran's Assistance Available in Oregon at Rock River Center

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

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

This is a free service that has been provided for many years and you need not travel out of town. If you have any questions, call RRC 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.

Senior Center has upcoming activities

C.A.S.T.

The Mount Morris Senior Center and the Chana School would like to invite everyone in the community to join us for CAST (Chana And Seniors Together). This is a great service to the students in Chana as well as seniors. Our gathering for November will take place at the Chana School at noon on Tuesday, Nov. 12. We carpool from the Mount Morris Senior Center at 11:30 a.m., and we hope you can all join us. Please call 815-734-6335 with any questions you may have.

Fall Leaf Craft

Please join us for a Fall Leaf Craft at the Mount Morris Senior Center on Thursday, Nov. 14. We would love to have you for this free craft! We will begin at 10 a.m. If you have any questions, please call 815-734-6335.

Medicare Open Enrollment

It is time for the Annual Medicare Open Enrollment, and the Mount Morris Senior Center can help you figure out your best options through our SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Program) Counselor. We can see if the plans you are on are right for you. We do not sell insurance; we just help you make an informed decision. We are happy to help! If you would like to set up an appointment, please call 815-734-6335.

Harvest Supper

All are welcome at our Annual Harvest Supper and Membership drive on Saturday, Nov. 16 at Disciples United Methodist Church. We will have delicious food, musical entertainment by Mark Hoffman, and amazing company. Invite your friends and be ready for a fun night out. Dinner will start at 5:30 pm, and the tickets are \$10 each. Please call Melissa to purchase tickets at 815-734-6335.

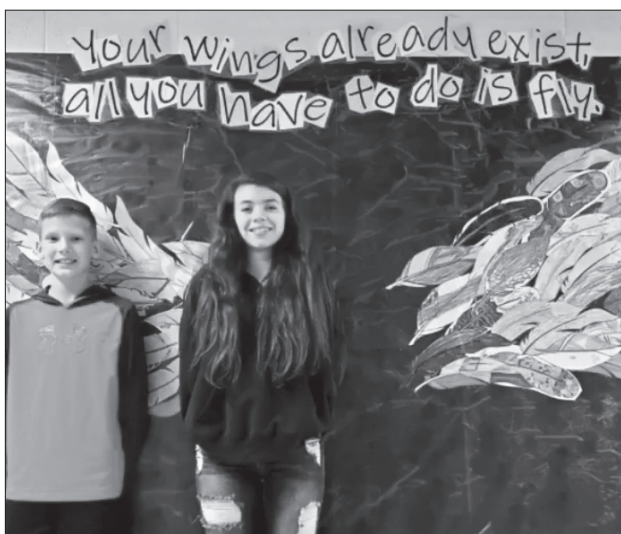
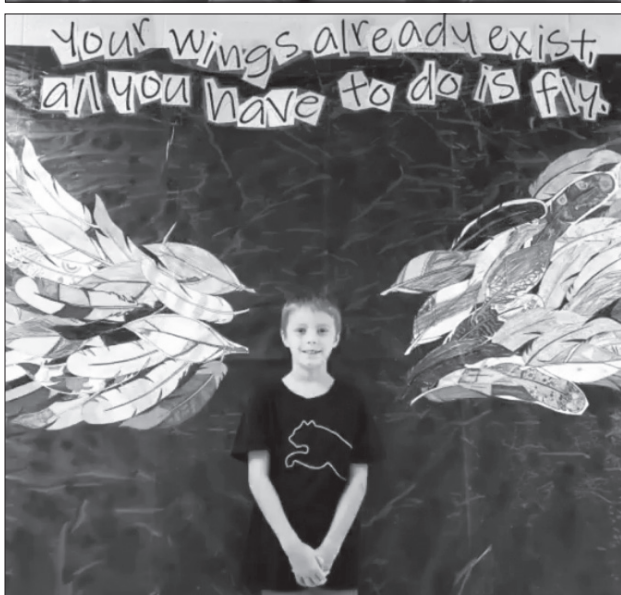
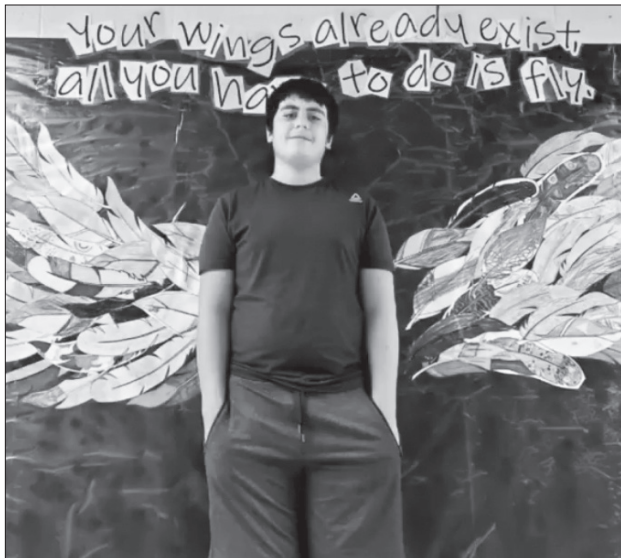
Students of the Month

Chana Education Center staff selected their choices for September Students of the Month. The students chosen have shown consistency and persistence finding success for themselves both academically, and in character and leadership to others.

Raidyn Fields of Stillman Valley was chosen as the elementary Student of the Month. Raidyn's teachers have seen him make tremendous progress identifying his emotional states and making choices to handle difficult situations safely. He has made a significant amount of academic progress and is a helpful member of his classroom family.

Laci Bennett, also of Stillman Valley was the Challenge Student of the Month. Laci's teachers have noticed that she has really pushed herself academically and is focusing on what she needs to do to improve her grades. She has been very helpful with other students and is establishing herself as a role model to others in the classroom.

Cameron Rudy of Mount Morris was the high school Student of the Month. Cameron established high goals for himself at the start of the school year. His teachers note that he has been working hard to achieve those goals. He has determinedly pushed past obstacles and challenges and has continued to focus on his success.



Daleo graduates From St. Olaf College

NORTHFIELD, Minn. – The following local students recently graduated from St. Olaf College.

Davis Junction, Satchel C. Daleo, Biology, Rockford Christian High School, Chris and Karen Daleo.

St. Olaf President David R. Anderson '74 presided over the college's 130th commencement ceremony, which was held May 26.

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Lindholtz graduates from Wheaton College

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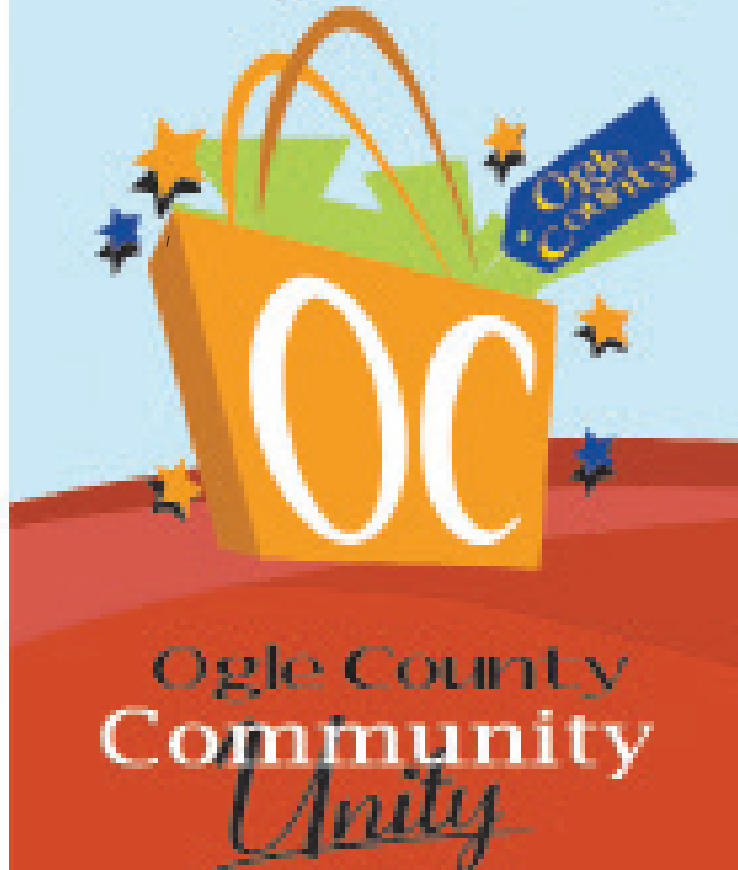
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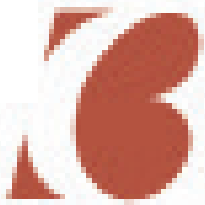
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Hickory Nuts keep busy

ROCHELLE – The Hub Hickory Nuts 4-H Club has been busy in the Rochelle community.

At the end of September, our club decorated a hay bale promoting 4-H. This hay bale was located at the Rochelle Eye Care Center.

For National 4-H Week Oct. 6-12, our club made a window display promoting the theme “4-H: Through the Decades.” This window display was located downtown Rochelle at the Faux pas Gallery and showed many of our members’ ribbons and projects.

For more information about joining the Hub Hickory Nuts 4-H Club, please contact Trisha Vaughn at 815-751-6667.

Top photo from left: Cassidy Vincent, Veronica Vaughn, Gracee Holmgren, Michael Vaughn, Alexis Vaughn, Rowan Thompson, Faith Adams, Kyra Rimstidt and Martha Landa. Bottom photo from left: Cassidy Vincent, Michael Vaughn, Faith Adams, Martha Landa, Alexis Vaughn and Veronica Vaughn.

Submitted by Veronica Vaughn, Hub Hickory Nuts Reporter



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The Blue Cast on Friday, November 15 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, November 16 at 2 p.m.

The Purple Cast will perform on Saturday, November 16 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, November 17 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available to be purchased at the door. Adults are \$5 each, Students (5-17 years) are \$3 and children under 4 are free! We are also handing out 1 free admission to all OES K-6th graders during our teaser performance at school on Friday, November 15. Performances will occur in the OHS Theatre this year! Doors will open 30 minutes prior to each show. Bring family and friends and support our determined youth.

After school gym

Calling all 8-14 year olds, join us at Nash Recreation Center for a safe and supervised afternoon in the gym. This program is free! We will have a light snack along with a new sport each Monday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Drop in and make new friends in a friendly environment. This program is sponsored by E.D. Etnyre & Co.

Childcare

We offer childcare for four days a week from 4:45-6:45pm, Labor Day to Memorial Day, to allow our patrons an opportunity to enjoy our facility while having peace of mind that their child (3 months to 9 years) is in a safe environment with experienced staff. Parents must always remain in the building while using the program. This service is free for annual pass-holder and non-annual pass-holders only pay \$5 for the first child and \$1 for each additional child (maximum of \$7/family).

Gingerbread workshop

We are bringing it back! Celebrate the holidays on your child's day off of school by creating a decoration made from sweet treats. Parent and children can customize pre-assembled gingerbread houses. Registration includes 1 kit with house, assorted frostings and a full stocked candy bar. 1 paid registration=1 gingerbread hour kit. Open swim is available free of charge to those registered.

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 27

Event Time: 12:30-2 p.m.

Open swim: 2-5 p.m.

Fee: \$20 / \$25 NR

Deadline to register is November 15. Space is limited, register today! Register online at oregonpark.org or by calling 815-732-3101.

Gourmet cranberry tart

If you love to bake and eat desserts, this class is for you. Instructor Barb Noble, The Noble Cakery, will share many baking tips and tricks and guide you through the process of making a delicious gourmet Cranberry dessert just in time for Thanksgiving. Class will be held on Friday, November 22, 2019 at The Noble Cakery (inside Conover Square, Oregon). Take home your fresh tart in your new tart pan and your family will love to give it the taste test! With your new recipe and pan you can make a tart for Thanksgiving or as an addition to your holiday dessert table. Class will be from 5:30-7 p.m. and is limited to 8 participants. Class fee is \$37/Resident or \$44/Non-Resident.

Beauty & The Beast at Paramount and Illumination at Morton Arboretum

Sign up today for the Oregon Park District Trip to the Paramount Theatre in Aurora to see Disney's Beauty and the Beast. We will depart from Nash Recreation Center at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4. We suggest you grab an early lunch or feel free to bring a sack lunch to eat on the way in. The 1:30 p.m. performance reminds us that beauty isn't always as it appears! After the show enjoy an early dinner at Harner's Restaurant. They are known for their Pot Pies, but order whatever you want off the menu as this expense is not included in the trip fee. Then we are off to Morton Arboretum to enjoy the 1-mile walk surrounded by color at Morton's popular winter light experience. Be sure to dress for both the theatre and then extra layers for the outdoor experience at Morton. We will return to Nash around 7:30 p.m. Trip fee includes transportation by Park District van, Paramount admission and Morton Arboretum admission. Cost for the trip is \$71/Resident or \$81/Non-Resident. Registration deadline is Nov. 18.

T+T woden tray workshop

You can never have enough wood décor' and the option of a personalized piece is very exciting. Keep this stenciled tray for yourself or give it as a gift. This signs also make great holiday gifts. This workshop is Friday, Dec. 6, at Cork & Tap in Oregon from 6:30-9 p.m. This 18" round tray will look great in the middle of the table. Upon registration choose between the following stencils. The word "gather," "Uncork & Unwind" or one large initial with a last name running through it. At class participants will choose their stain color and paint color. Enjoy a night out. Sign up with your friends! Enjoy sipping on your favorite beverages while working on your tray at Cork & Tap. A variety of beverages can be purchased to enjoy before and during the workshop. Class fee is \$37/Resident or \$44/Non-Resident. Register through the Park District before the November 28 deadline.

6th Grade Girls 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. Deadline for Registration is December 13th. Practices scheduled to begin the week of January 6th. A volunteer coach is needed for this league.

Registration fee is \$75.

Free webinar on minimum wage offered

URBANA, Ill. – Under new legislation, Illinois' minimum wage is set to increase from \$8.25 per hour up to \$10 by July 1, 2020.

Learn about the policy implications of this increase with the Illinois Extension Local Government Education fall webinar Raising the Minimum Wage in Illinois.

This free webinar from noon to 1 p.m. CST Thursday, Nov. 14 is aimed at government officials and administrators. Please register in advance online, <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=21077>. Dr. Robert Bruno, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Frank Manzo, MPP, Midwest Economic Policy Institute will cover labor relations, labor unions, workplace practices and labor and employment policy implications regarding raising the minimum wage in Illinois. The webinar will include information from the report co-authored by Manzo and Dr. Bruno Raising the Minimum Wage: What \$10, \$13, or \$15 Per Hour Would Mean for Illinois.

For more information, contact Extension Community Economic Development Specialist Nancy Ouedraogo at esarey@illinois.edu.

Professor Bruno has published numerous scholarly articles on a diverse range of labor relations subjects, has co-authored numerous research reports on labor unions, workplace practices and labor and employment policy topics, and authored four books. Professor Bruno has given expert testimony to the US House Committee on Education and the Workforce, as well as the Illinois House and Senate Committees on Labor and Commerce.

He has also been a frequent commentator on labor relations for both regional and national media, and has served as a commentator for numerous newspapers. Bruno is the co-editor of Labor Studies Journal and is an executive board member of the United Association for Labor Education and Chicago Chapter of the Labor Employment Relations Association.

Frank Manzo IV, MPP is the Policy Director of the Midwest Economic Policy Institute, MEPI. He earned a Master of Public Policy from the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Political Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

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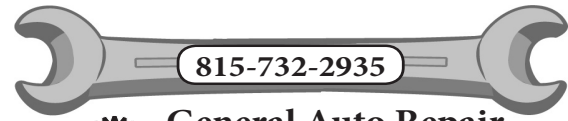

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New England Patriots	at	Philadelphia Eagles
Chicago Bears	at	Los Angeles Rams

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Kansas City Chiefs	at	Los Angeles Chargers
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TIE BREAKER #1

Total Combined Score

Kansas City Chiefs at Los Angeles Chargers

Total Score _____

TIE BREAKER #2

Total Combined Score

New England Patriots at Philadelphia Eagles

Total Score _____

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS

immanuel-lindenwood.org (for sermons, events, etc.)
 16060 E. Lindenwood Road, Lindenwood, IL 61049
 815-393-4500 • office@immanuel-lindenwood.org
 Sunday Mornings: Divine Service @ 9am; Food & Fellowship @ 10am;
 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study @ 10:30am
 Food Bank: First 4 Saturdays of Each Month, 9-11am
 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Rosebrock
pastor@immanuel-lindenwood.org

KINGS

ELIM REFORMED CHURCH

140 S. Church Road, Kings, IL 61068 • Rev. Cary Winn
 Phone 815-562-6811 E-mail: office@goelimchurch.org
 Website: www.goelimchurch.org
 Sunday morning worship 10:00 am • Sunday School 9:00 am

MOUNT MORRIS

DISCIPLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

102 N. Maple Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 815-734-4853 Rev. Julie Bunt 1st &
 3rd Sun: 9:30 am Traditional Worship, Nursery provided, 10:40 Coffee Hour
 2nd & 4th Sun: 9:30 am Praise Worship, Nursery provided, 10:40 Coffee
 Hour SEP-MAY: Sun. 10:45 am Sunday School; Mon. 5:30 pm chimes; 6:45
 pm Choir Monthly Groups: Youth, 2nd Sun., 6 pm; Men, 3rd Sun., 7:30 am;
 Women, 3rd Tues., 9 am

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

102 S. Seminary Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054 815-734-4942 www.efcmm.org
 Senior Pastor: Bruce McKanna. Sunday Schedule: 8:30 a.m. Sunday School
 for all ages. 9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship. 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship with
 Childcare and Children's Church.

MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris, IL Phone 734-4573
 Pastor-Ginny Honey. 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship (nursery provided)
 Fellowship time Following worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School-Nursery
 through adult.

MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

308 E. Brayton Rd. Mt. Morris, IL Phone: 734-6354 Rev. Josh Ehrler
Worship Services: Saturday 5:30 PM; Worship Sunday 9:30 AM .
 Sunday Church School 10:45 AM; (Sept. 10, 2017 Thru May 2018) Sept.-May
 Chime Choir Wednesday 6:00 PM; Chancel Choir Wednesday 7:00 PM.

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 • Pastor Mary Jacobs
www.EBENZERREFORMED.com • Sunday school 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00
 a.m.; Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.; Men's Bible Study, Kids' Club

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PAYNES POINT

764 Stillman Rd., Oregon, IL 61061 • (815) 732-2424
 Pastor Andrew Kayes • "Sharing God's Love" Service 9 AM • Sunday School
 10:15, Bell Choir Tues 6:30 PM Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays • Women's
 Circles, Hand Bell Choir, Quilting Group, Kids Club

FREEDOM LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

Pastor Karyn Kost • (815) 661-6315
 Website: <http://www.freedomlutheran.org>
 Sunday Evening Worship at 5:45 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 200 5th St.,
 Oregon. Coffee and Fellowship following the service.

OREGON CHURCH OF GOD

860 W. Oregon Trail Road Oregon, IL Phone: 732-6847 or 732-2604 Pastor
 Michael Hoffman; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.;
 Wednesday activities: Adult, Children, and Youth Groups 7 p.m. At the church.

OREGON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

505 Hill St. Oregon, IL 61061 Phone: 732-2642
 Pastor: Jared Cochran "A Christ-centered, Bible-believing, family-oriented
 ministry." Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service 10:30 a.m.;
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

200 S. Fifth St, Oregon • 815-732-2894
www.fcpcoregon.com • Pastor Karen Gerhard Conner • Handicapped
 Accessible
 11:00 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion served the 1st Sunday of each month)

OREGON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

200 S. 4th St, Oregon, IL 61061 • 815/732-2994
www.oregonumc.org • Pastor Rev. Megan Smick
 Sunday Worship 9:00 am Followed by Fellowship and All Age Sunday School

RIVERSTONE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

609 S. 10th St., Oregon, IL, 812-236-1213 • riverstoneccc.com
 Sunday 10:45 a.m.

ST. BRIDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1000 Highway 64, West (Hwy 64 W & Mongan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon
 • 732-7211 - Office Rev. Eldred George
 Webpage: saintbrides.org • E-mail: saintbride.church@gmail.com •
Worship Services: Sunday 10 am Holy Communion with Hymns
 Christian Education Available

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

301 N. Fourth St., Oregon Office: 881 N. Mongan Dr., Oregon, IL • www.st-mary-parish.com
 • Fr. Joseph P. Naill • Office Phone: 815-732-7383
 Office Fax: 815-732-4742
Masses: Saturday 4:30pm; Sunday 8:30am, Tuesday-Friday 8:00am; 3rd
 Wednesday of the month 3:00pm at Pincrest
Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:15-4:00 or any time by appointment
Baptisms: by appointment, **Wedding Arrangements:** 6 months in
 advance, Anointing of the Sick: Call 815-732-7383

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

114 S. 5th St. Oregon, IL Phone: (815) 732-2367
 Pastor: Rick Tomlinson
 Website: www.stpaul13.com Email: stpaul13@frontier.com
 Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 am; Coffee And... Fellowship 10:00 am; Sunday
 School 10:15 am Wednesdays: Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Other Activities: Men's
 and Women's Groups, Confirmation Class, School Youth Group, For more
 information, call the church office.

POLO

ST. MARY CHURCH

Rectory/Office: 211 North Franklin Ave., Polo, IL 61064
 PHONE: 815-946-2535 • Rev. Joseph P. Naill
Masses: Sun 10:30am, Tuesday Mass 8 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after
 10:30 mass
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE

302 S. Franklin Ave., Polo, Illinois • 815-946-2848 • Luke N. Schier, Pastor
 Sunday Worship: 9:30am We include our children in our Sunday Worship
 Experience. "THE GRAND Kids Class" Ages 3-10 are then dismissed right
 after Praise & Worship. Blended Services. "Passion for God" "Compassion for
 People" Visit our website: PoloOpenBible.org

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH ~ POLO CAMPUS

Meeting Sundays @ 10AM
 205 N. Jefferson Avenue, Polo ~ 815.837.5255
polo@crossroadsccn.com
 We offer contemporary worship and relevant Bible teaching through
 engaging messages and powerful video. Join us after services for coffee,
 snacks & fellowship. KidzLink Children's Ministry (nursery-5th grade) ~
 during adult services
 Crave Youth Group (6th-12th grade) ~ Sunday nights 6PM
 Visit our website: www.crossroadsccn.com

FAITH DISCOVERY CHURCH

801 W. Oregon St., Polo • 815-946-3588 • Jeremy Heller, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Worship Service 10:00 a.m., Nursery Available,
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. We are an independent non-
 denominational Christian church. Visitors are always welcome.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

702 E. Dixon Street, Polo, IL 61064 • Tel:815-946-3212
 Sunday School for all ages 9am followed by Worship at 10am
 Pastor Brian LeBaron
 Website: www.faithumcpolo.com • facebook.com/Faithumcpolo

ROCHELLE

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH

3301 IL Rte 251, Rochelle, IL 61068
 Pastor Doug Askew 815-562-6265
<http://www.crossroadsrochelle.com/>
 Join us Sunday's 9:30 AM

STILLMAN VALLEY

RED BRICK CHURCH OF STILLMAN VALLEY (CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH)

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Chris Brauns • Associate Pastor: Tim Michalek
 207 W Roosevelt (Route 72), Stillman Valley • Phone: 815-645-2526
 Email: cccoffice1@comcast.net • Website: www.theredbrickchurch.org
 Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 am; Sunday School (for all ages)
 at 9:00 am; AWANA (through school calendar) on Wednesday
 from 6 - 7:30 pm. Men, women, and youth bible studies
 throughout the year. See website for all activities or call
 church office for more information.

KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8195 Kishwaukee Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084 / 815-965-1940
 Pastor Eric Tonjes, www.kishchurch.org
 Sunday Schedule: Discipleship Hour 9:00 AM, Coffee Fellowship 9:50 AM
 Gathered Worship 10:00 AM
 For complete ministry schedule check out our website or call the church
 office.

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

Rt. 72 & Maple St., in Stillman Valley • Phone 815-645-8872
 Pastor: Rev. Rick Lindholtz • www.valleycov.org
 Chuck Potts, Pastor to Students, Children and Families
 Sunday Mornings: Worship at 10:15 a.m. (Nursery and Children's Church
 Provided). Communion is served the first Sunday of the month. Coffee and
 fellowship time follows the Worship Service. Please call our Church office
 or visit our website for details about Bible study groups, Youth groups
 and Bread of Life compassion ministry. Also the home of Valley Covenant
 Preschool 815-645-8882.

WINNEBAGO

MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Connect with People, Connect with Christ
 12473 Montague Road, Winnebago, IL 61088
 Located near the intersection of Montague and Tower roads; Phone: 815-335-
 2609; e-mail: middlecreekchurch@gmail.com
 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Anita Stuart-Steva
Sunday mornings: Family Communion Worship 8:30 a.m.; Blended
 Worship 10:20 a.m. (Sept. - May) and 10 a.m. (June - Aug.); Sunday School
 Sept - May 9:15 a.m.
Other activities include: Bible studies; Praise Band; Social/Service
 Groups; Kindred Heart Stickers For more information call the church office
 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mon-Fri.

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Anniversary

Shipman's celebrate 60 years

DIXON – Robert and Rita Shipman of Dixon celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Nov. 1, 2019 with a family dinner at Forest Inn.

The former Rita Bowers and Robert Shipman were married Nov. 7, 1959 in Brookville E.U.B. Church. They are the parents of three daughters: Melody (Bob) Mott of Oregon, Tracey (Nick) Hulbert of McConnell and Lori Shipman of Rockford. They have three grandchildren: Amanda and Ashley VanOosten and Matt Hinkle and one great-grandson, Kylar Early.

Well wishes can be sent to them at 340 S. Canal Drive, Dixon, IL 61021.



Military

Gore graduates basic training

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

Gore is the son of Emily and Randy Cross of German Valley. Gore is also a 2019 graduate of Forreston High School.

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

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Gore will go on to be stationed in Colorado Springs, Colorado.



'The King and I'

The Performing Arts Guild will present "The King and I" to be held Nov. 15-17 at the Pinecrest Grove Theatre. For ticket information, call 815-734-2103 or order tickets online at performingartsguild.com. Cast members are: Adelaide Zimmerman, Abi Fletcher, Ellen Hodson, Montana Larson Abigail Wehler, Orion Zimmerman, Alexis Denton, Arynn Dusing, Kelley Huston, Kelly Denton Shelly Moon, Natalie Coy, Karissa Kaufman, Hannah Sheely, Julia Hodson, Easley Dusing, Ethan Sheely and Harmony Coy.

Moving Up Higher

with
Joyce Meyer



Have faith and live in God's kingdom

During His ministry on Earth, Jesus' message was, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near" (Matthew 4:17 NIV). And throughout the New Testament, there are scriptures about the Kingdom of God or the Kingdom of Heaven.

This kingdom isn't one that we see with our natural eyes, but it's more important than the physical world around us that we do see. That's why the apostle Paul prayed for the Ephesians "that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people" (Ephesians 1:18 NIV).

The eyes of our heart see things by faith in God as we believe His Word more than what we see and feel in the natural world around us. And as we believe what God says more strongly than anything else, we begin to experience the promises of God—Kingdom living.

Benefits of Living in the Kingdom of God

One of the most important things we need to believe and be rooted in by our faith in God is the knowledge that He loves us and wants to fill us with "all the fullness of God" (Ephesians 3:17-19). Romans 8 says that "in all things God works for the good of those who love him" (v. 28) and "we are more than conquerors through him who loved us" (v. 37).

Being "more than conquerors" means that we know we've won the battle before it even starts. And when we're walking through it, we have assurance that it's going to end well. When difficult times come in my life, I often say, "This is going to end well." I believe I will know something I didn't know before and I'll be a better person than I was before.

We can encourage ourselves to stay in faith by realizing there is a lot going on in our lives that we can't see. I like to remind myself that just because I may not see anything happening in my life, it doesn't mean nothing is happening. God is always working as I put my faith in Him, and He does a lot before I actually see the results in my circumstances.

Set Your Mind to See with Your Heart

In order to stay in faith and live in the Kingdom of God, we need to keep it in mind more consistently. Colossians 3:2-3 says to "set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God."

Real life is found in Christ, by having a personal relationship with Him, receiving Him as Savior and trusting that

as you confess your sin and give Him your heart, you are born again (2 Corinthians 5:17, 21). In Christ, you are a new creation and you have right standing with God. He is not mad at you, and He not only forgives your sin but He forgets them; He removes them from you "as far as the east is from the west" (Psalm 103:12).

When you really know this in your heart, you can live by faith and experience Kingdom living here on Earth! You can have God's peace that surpasses your understanding and be anxious for nothing in every situation (Philippians 4:6-7). You can be "filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy" (1 Peter 1:8).

You can know that "the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world" (1 John 4:4) and you can do everything He is calling you to do through Christ who strengthens you (Philippians 4:13).

Living by Faith in God's Kingdom

Hebrews 11:1 says faith "is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." Having faith is easy until you're tempted to give in to doubt and unbelief. A lot of doubt and unbelief comes by paying too much attention to what we see and feel, rather than believing what God says about who He is and what He wants to do in our lives.

I want to encourage you to stir up your faith! Spend time with God in prayer. Study the scriptures in this article and look up others that help you get a better perspective of the life God has planned for you.

Choose to believe that something good is going to happen to you and through you as God works in your life. This is the key to actually living in His Kingdom more than the world around you—by faith!

Joyce Meyer is a New York Times bestselling author and founder of Joyce Meyer Ministries, Inc. She has authored more than 100 books, including *BATTLEFIELD OF THE MIND* and her brand-new biblical studies of *EPHESIANS* and *JAMES (FaithWords)*. She hosts the *Enjoying Everyday Life* radio and TV programs, which air on hundreds of stations worldwide. For more information, visit www.joycemeyer.org.

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Oregon Library News

Toys for Fine – Oct. 14 through Dec. 7

Have a library fine? Want to pay it forward? Then bring a new, in its original packaging, unwrapped toy for a girl or boy ages 0-18 years of age and your fine will be wiped clean. Help us fill our Toys for Tots container and clear any library fine you might have at the same time. Toys do not cover lost or damaged book/item replacement fee.

Trivia Night – no Trivia Night in November.

Movie night – Thursday, Nov. 7, 5:30 p.m.

Free pizza and movie, The Art of Racing in the Rain-rated PG. Registration requested.

Afternoon movie – Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2:30 p.m.

Early dismissal from school means movie time at the Library. Mark your calendar...Aladdin-rated PG! See the movie and then see the school play!

Holiday card making class – Wednesday, Nov. 13, 5:30 p.m.

We are putting our new Cricut machine to the test. Did you know you can schedule time to use our Cricut? Come learn the tricks of what this machine can do for you and take home some DIY holiday cards. Registration required.

Lego club (grades 2nd -7th)

The Lego Club will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 3:30 p.m.

Friends of the Library bake and pre-ordered pie sale – Nov. 25 from 3-6 p.m.

Friends of the Oregon Library's annual bake sale held Nov. 25 from 3-6 p.m. Pre-order pies at the library and pick them up at the bake sale, along with any additional baked goods you may need for your Thanksgiving holiday dinner. Pies will be made by The Village Bakery

Candlelight Walk – Nov. 30 from 3-8 p.m.

NEW! Sensory Friendly Santa from 2-4 p.m. at the Library.

Join us again this year and make your own healthy treat bag for strolling downtown, visit our art gallery, or listen to live music. New this year, we are offering a Sensory Friendly environment for Santa. Do you have a child with sensory needs? A child that can't wait in line? We are scheduling Santa Claus in our library from 2pm-4pm by appointment. This quiet environment will allow one-to-one time with the jolly man in front of our fireplace. Bring a camera for pictures!

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

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, Nov. 13 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 1 p.m. to discuss The Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris. Books on Tap Book Club meets on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m. at Cork n Tap to discuss Educated: A Memoir by Tara Westover. The In-Between Book Club meets Wednesday, Dec. 18 to discuss A Boy Called Bat by Elana K. Arnold.

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.

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) – Second and Fourth Tuesdays 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 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

New releases

High School by Tegan & Sara Quin (Biography BIO QUI)

Inside Out by Demi Moore (Biography BIO MOO)

Life Undercover: Coming Of Age In The CIA by Amayllis Fox (Biography BIO FOX)

The Book Of Gutsy Women: Favorite Stories Of Courage And Resilience by Hillary Rodham Clinton & Chelsea Clinton (Non-Fiction 920.72 CLI)

The United States Of Trump: How The President Really See America by Bill O'Reilly (Non-Fiction 973.933 ORE)

Talking To Strangers: What We Should Know About The People We Don't Know by Malcolm Gladwell (Non-Fiction 302 GLA)

Letters From An Astrophysicist by Neil DeGrasse Tyson (Non-Fiction 523.01 TYS)

Ice Cold Heart by P. J. Tracy (Mystery)

Shamed by Linda Castillo (Mystery)

Mrs. Jeffries and the Alms Of the Angel by Emily Brightwell (Mystery)

Mumbo Gumbo Murder by Laura Childs (Mystery)

Owl Be Home For Christmas by Donna Andrews (Mystery)

A Merry Murder by Kate Kingsbury (Mystery)

Antiques Maul by Barbara Allan (Paperback Mystery)

Stephen King At The Movies: A Complete History Of The Film And Television Adaptions

From The Master Of Horror by Ian Nathan (Non-Fiction 791.4375 NAT)

Alaskan Catch by Sue Pethick (Large Print Fiction)

Bertolet Library News

Create-a-Card with Jessie

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

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

Toddler/Preschool StoryTime

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

It's never too soon to introduce little ones to books so bring your baby, toddler, or preschooler to the library each week for 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

We are still collecting film-type plastic such as shopping bags, sandwich bags, bread wrappers, or any bag-type plastic. 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!

Thanksgiving Hours

Bertolet Memorial Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27 and remain closed Thursday, Nov. 28 for Thanksgiving. Enjoy the holiday!



Bennett, Charlie, and Amos enjoyed Halloween at the Library.

Polo Library News

Library Closed

Thursday, November 28 and Friday, Nov. 29
Thanksgiving Holiday

Book Sale

Help us make space for new items. Fill a bag with sale books for \$1.

Coffee with a Cop

Wednesday, November 20, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Join us for refreshments and conversation the 3rd Wednesday each month.

Family Reading Night

All ages are welcome

Thursday, November 21, 5:30-7 p.m.
Come with the whole family for a celebration of reading with some fun stories and activities.

Children's programs

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

Lego Challenge: Free structure

Ages 8-14

Tuesday, November 12, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Create your own unique LEGO structure. Registration required

Tales for Tots

Pre-K/Kindergarten Story Time

Ages 3-5
Saturday, November 16, 10:30-11:15 a.m.
Theme: Pumpkins
Book: The Very Best Pumpkin by Mark Kimball Moulton
Parent/guardian/caregiver must stay with child during the program. Registration required

Pokemon Club

Ages 8-14

Tuesday, November 26, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
This club is open to Pokémon card collectors. Join in to play games and trade cards. Registration required

Teen programs

Teen Scene

Ages 13-18

Tuesday, November 26, 5:30-7 p.m.
Yahtzee tournament. Registration required

Book Subscription Box Pickup

Saturday, November 30, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pick up your Book Subscription Boxes

Adult programs

Yoga

Monday, Nov. 18, 6-7 p.m.
Krystal from ADM Studios in Oregon will be the instructor.
Bring a mat if you have one. Registration required

Euchre

Thursday, Nov. 21, 5:30-7 p.m.
Time to play cards, bring a friend

Rock River Center representative

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

Book Discussion Groups

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

Friday Book Discussion @ the Library

Friday, Nov. 22, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Selection: Midnight in Chernobyl by Adam Higginbotham

Afternoon Book Club @ the Library

Monday, Nov. 25, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Selection: Becoming by Michelle Obama

Julia Hull Library News

Mid-Century Hanging Planter

Monday, Nov. 11 at 6 p.m., learn to transform brass rings, a wood block and macramé yarn into a chic mid-century inspired hanging planter. Bring canvas or leather gloves, or a pair of needle nose pliers, if available, for a better grip. Otherwise, all materials provided. Adults. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

DIY Eric Carle Collage

Join us on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 6 p.m., as young creative minds will learn all about the amazing collage art of Eric Carle, famous illustrator of the Brown Bear, Brown Bear series. They'll also try their hands at the art form by creating their very own Eric Carle inspired collage. Hosted by certified art educator Sarah Loeffelholz. Ages 7-10. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Teen Game Time

It's time to get your game on and show your skills. Seize world power, deal yourself a great hand of cards, or laugh when your opponent can't guess the mystery word z- all while munching on snacks! Join us after school at 2:45 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 15. Games will be provided, but feel free to bring a favorite from home if you like! Registration required. Ages 13-18.

Young Critics Book Club

Pick up a copy of Barb Rosenstock's The Noisy Paintbox, then join fellow young critics on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. to discuss and rate the book, and do an activity that goes along with the story! Ages 7-10. Registration required.

Holiday Cards & Gift Tags



Disney enthusiast, Kelly Haas, walked attendees through every step of the process in planning a Walt Disney World vacation. (Julia Hull District Library, Stillman Valley)

Get ahead of the holiday season by creating a set of beautiful, hand-crafted seasonal cards and gift tags. Saturday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m.-noon. All materials supplied; BYO tools, as desired. Adults. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Christmas At Marshall Fields

For many Chicagoans, no Christmas season was complete without a visit to Marshall Field and Co. Monday, November 25 at 6:30 PM, we'll trace the store's holiday traditions, including the Walnut Room Christmas tree, the window displays, the toy department, and the catalogs. Ever have your photo taken with Santa in Cozy Cloud Cottage? Remember Uncle Mistletoe and Aunt Holly? Leslie Goddard, PhD, is back with a fun and fascinating look at one of Chicago's most beloved holiday traditions. All ages. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Thanksgiving Closures

The library will close early at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27 and remain closed for Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29. The library will re-open, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., on Saturday, Nov. 30.

Tween Scene: Book Ornaments

Tweens are invited to the library Tuesday, December 3 at 6 p.m. to create their own unique ornaments using recycled book pages! Keep one for yourself and gift the other to a book lover on your Christmas list! Ages 10-12. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

Cardboard Gingerbread Houses

Hey, teens! Join us after school on Friday, Dec. 6 at 11:30 p.m. for lunch, and to get into the holiday spirit by crafting something special for a loved one on your list. We'll create unique gingerbread style houses out of cardboard, snack on holiday treats, and jam out to festive tunes. Ages 13-18. \$2 reserves your lunch and will be reimbursed upon arrival. Registration required.

Friends of the Library Bazaar

Shop locally this holiday season! Enjoy handmade crafts, goods and food items made lovingly by our Friends of the Library. Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m.-noon.

Holiday Festival

Bring the whole family to this year's Holiday Festival! We'll have a sleighful of hands-on activities, from crafts to games, including a holiday-themed mini golf course, and winter photo booth! Saturday, Dec. 7, 10 a.m.-noon.

Byron Library News

Special Hours

The Byron Library will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. We will resume normal hours on Saturday, Nov. 30. We wish all of our patrons a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Library Madness

Wednesdays or Thursdays, Nov. 6-Dec. 12 (no class Nov. 27-28)
3:45-4:45 p.m.
Ages: K-5th grade
Art, science experiments, engineering challenges and LEGO building fun for grade school students. Mixed ages either day; registration is for the entire fall session. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Popcorn Party

Monday, Nov. 11
1:30-2:30 p.m.
Ages: 8-11 years
Popcorn science, popcorn trivia, and popcorn tasting! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Cooking with Your Instant Pot

Monday, Nov. 11
6-7 p.m.
Join us for an electric pressure cooking demonstration (sorry, no samples) by Director Emily Porter. Learn the basics to enjoy the ease and efficiency of this fast-acting cooking method. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Crafting with Cathy

Thursday, Nov. 14
6-7 p.m.

Come enjoy a fun evening at the library with friends while creating unique cork pumpkins. All supplies are provided. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Cupcake Wars

Tuesday, Nov. 19
6-7:30 p.m.
Grades: 6th – 12th
Compete against your peers in decorating the most beautiful or unique cupcake! Prizes for the winners! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

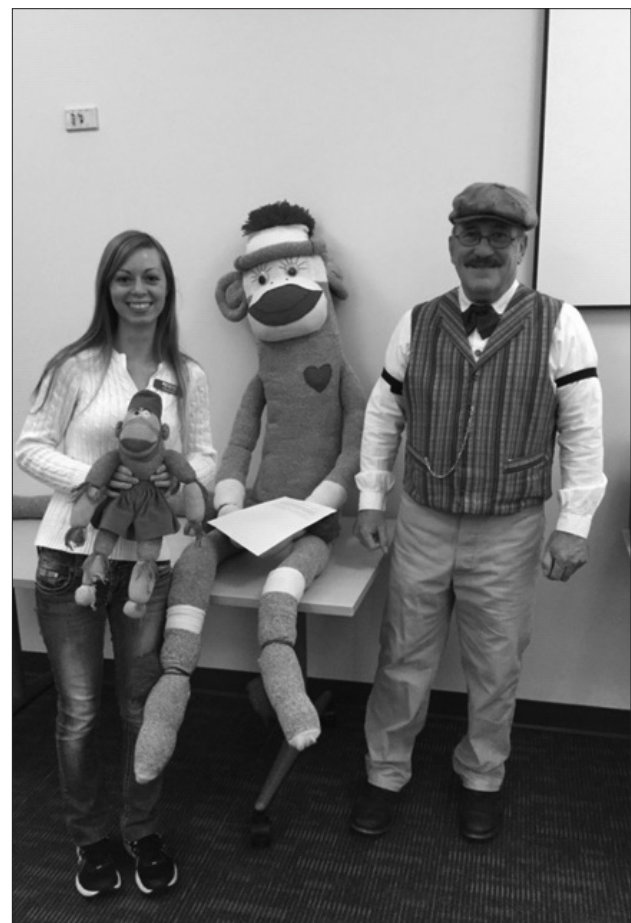
Card Creations

Thursday, Nov. 21
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.

Unforgettable! Music from the 50s Performance by Nostalgia Entertainment

Friday, Nov. 22
11 a.m.-noon
Matt and Cindy Gruel were so awesome in their last performance that we brought them back! Hear the fascinating stories behind the music and artists while swaying to the hits of the 50s. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

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



Dan Wykes from Midway Village and his traveling sock monkey pose with Byron Library staff member Christine Krumm and her vintage sock monkey after the library's sock monkey program. The traveling sock monkey is made from 40 red heel socks.

Mount Morris Library News

Nov. 4-16 – Christmas Décor Exchange

Switch things up the easy way this year with an exchange. Bring in your gently used decorations and take what you need. From trees to table top décor, lights to wreaths, we will take it all as long as it is in good conditions. Please check your lights before bringing them in.

Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 6:30 p.m. – Magic Show at DLR Jr. High

The Mt. Morris Library and the Maggie and Amos Foundation proudly present Chicago's "Original Magic Show" with Steve Belliveau! This free show will be held at the Jr. High gym in Mt. Morris. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the show will start at 6:45 p.m. All ages are invited for the fun. Concessions will be available through the DLRJH student council.

Thursday, Nov. 21 at 5 p.m. – Family Reading Night Pajama Party

Its national family reading night and we are having a pajama party! Come in your favorite pajamas and bring a stuffed friend to read with you. Enjoy crafts, snacks, and most importantly books. Judith Schmidt will be our guest author that night reading her book "Let's Go Round

in Alpha-Bug Town" and doing fun activities with the kids. This night is for all ages to come and read together.

Drop Off Site for Film Plastic Recycling

You can now recycle your clean and dry film plastic, which is any plastic that can be wadded into a ball, to be turned into a bench! Stop in for more details.

Upcoming Events:

Christmas in the Village – This annual, village wide event is coming soon! Mrs. Clause will be back for story time at the library. Look for more details on when and what we will have to offer.

Reoccurring Programs:

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. (Upcoming dates 11/13, 11/20, No story time 11/27)

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! (Upcoming

dates 11/20, 12/4, 12/18)

Lego Club – Every 2nd Monday of the month, come create with legos! (Upcoming dates 11/11, 12/9)

Mommy & Me – Every 1st & 3rd Monday of the month @11:15am moms and little ones can come socialize together. Let the kids play and develop while you create relationships with others in the same season of life. Come enjoy coffee, cuddles, and conversation. (Upcoming dates 11/18, 12/2, 12/16)

Rock Painting Club – Every 3rd Monday of the month, come create fun pictures on rocks! (Upcoming dates 11/18, 12/16)

Cookbook Club – Every 1st Tuesday of the month, choose a delicious recipe from the chosen cookbook and bring it in to share with the group! Visit the library to choose your recipe. (Upcoming dates 12/3)

Library Board Meeting – Nov. 20 at 7 p.m.

Children under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult for all programs.



The new radiology books and activities at the library thanks to the ASRT grant we received.

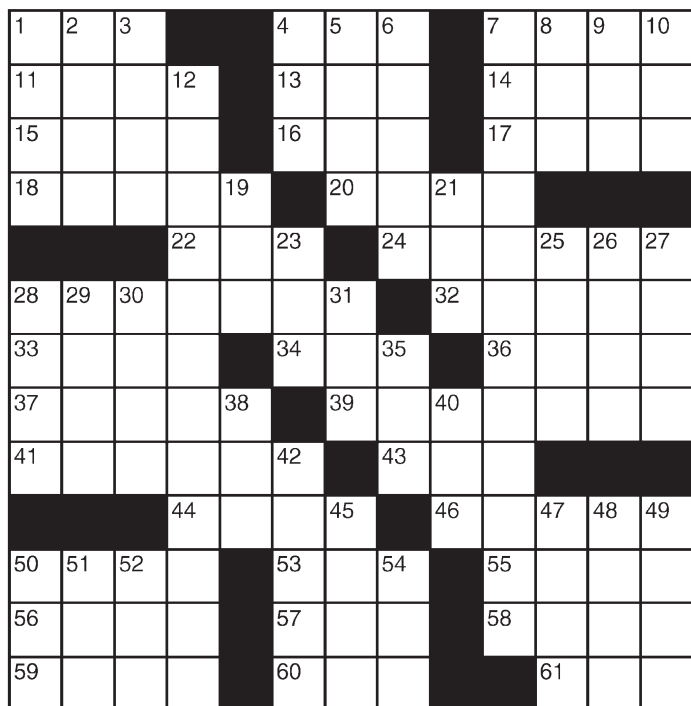
Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

MAGIC MAZE ● BUILDINGS

ACROSS

- 1 Poebler's pal
- 4 Alias letters
- 7 Envelope part
- 11 Frosty
- 13 Wire measure
- 14 "The Amazing —"
- 15 Killer whale
- 16 Everything
- 17 Basin accessory
- 18 Intended
- 20 Burg
- 22 Sedona auto-maker
- 24 Electronic dance music
- 28 George who played 007 once
- 32 Sandbank
- 33 Lotion additive
- 34 Massachusetts cape
- 36 Knitting stitch
- 37 Pays attention
- 39 Balearic island
- 41 Went to a restaurant
- 43 Cow's comment
- 44 Responsibility
- 46 Formal decree
- 50 On the rocks
- 53 Jazz style
- 55 "Damn Yankees" vamp
- 56 Pickle herb
- 57 "See ya" pet, maybe
- 58 And others (Abbr.)
- 59 Benefit
- 60 Shrill bark
- 61 Wonderment



- 8 Legislation
- 9 High card
- 10 Apiece
- 12 Pony rider of song
- 19 Can metal
- 21 Horror director Craven
- 23 Kimmel's network
- 25 60 minutes
- 26 Drug dealer's foe
- 27 Earthenware pot
- 28 Dalai —
- 29 Came down
- 30 Region
- 31 — Kippur
- 35 Water barrier
- 38 Helios' realm
- 40 Coffee, slangily
- 42 Pudgy
- 45 Nutritious bean
- 47 Greek vowel
- 48 Talon
- 49 Story
- 50 Egos' counterparts
- 51 Spy novel org.
- 52 Wapiti
- 54 Energy

DOWN

- 1 Gifttag preposition
- 2 Ireland
- 3 Village People hit
- 4 "I — Camera"
- 5 Scottish garment
- 6 Apportion
- 7 Dowager's

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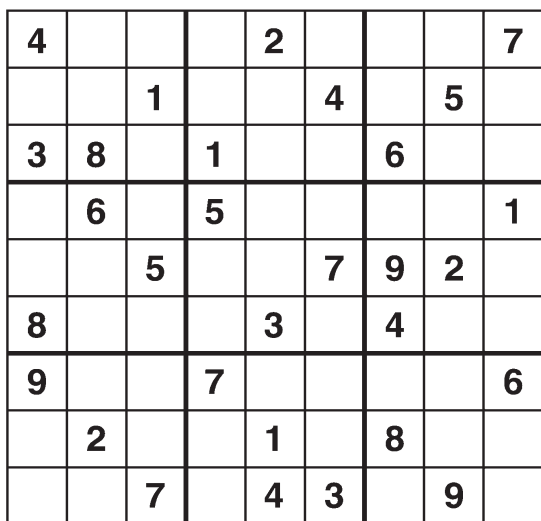
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

- Abbey
- Cottage
- Hospital
- Shed
- Barn
- Dormitory
- Mansion
- Skyscraper
- Bunkhouse
- Firehouse
- Mill
- Warehouse
- Cathedral
- Greenhouse
- Mosque

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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.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

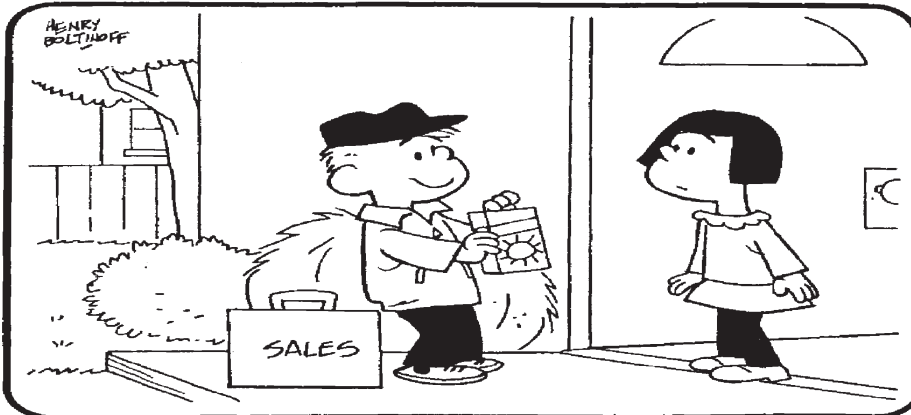
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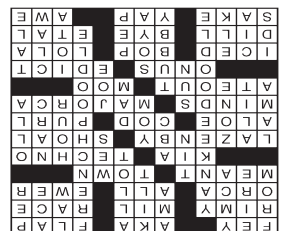
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



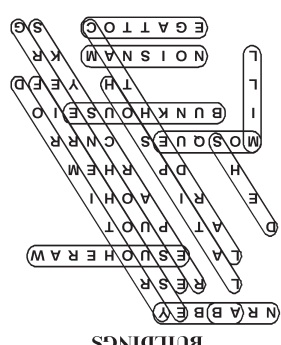
- Differences: 1. Girl's bow is missing. 2. Collar is different.
- 3. Boy's pencil is gone. 4. Name on briefcase is different.
- 5. Shrub is missing. 6. Picture on box has changed.



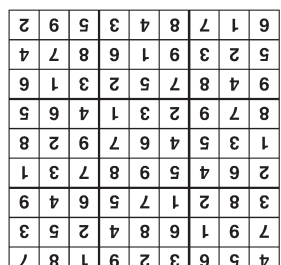
Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

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BUILDINGS



Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Kids Page

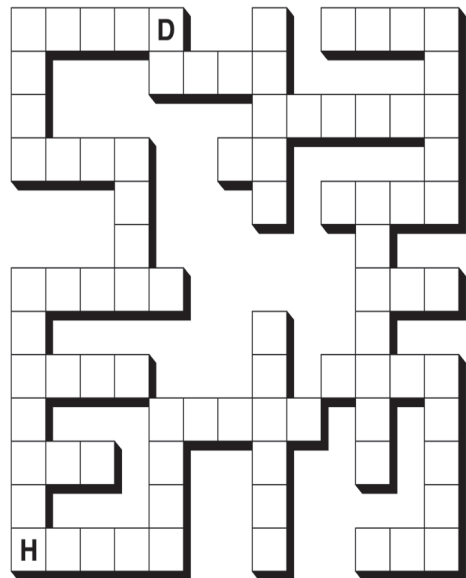
Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS - 25 VERBS

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

- 2 Letters
BE
DO
- 3 Letters
PUT
SEE
TRY
- 4 Letters
CALL
COOK
HELP
KNOW
OPEN
PASS
PLAY
READ
WILL
- 5 Letters
COULD
ENTER
HURRY
LEAVE
POINT
SMILE
SWEEP
- 6 Letters
FINISH
TIPTOE
- 7 Letters
EXPLAIN
STRETCH



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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

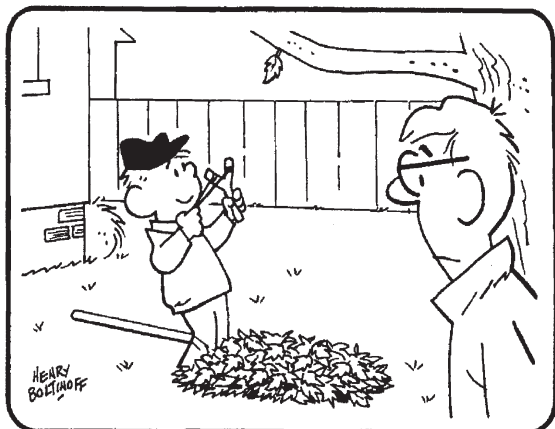
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| 1. Pile of pancakes | __ T _ _ _ _ | Crude hut | __ H _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Ramble aimlessly | __ A _ _ _ _ | Astonishment | __ O _ _ _ _ |
| 3. Playful mammal | O _ _ _ _ | Speak out | U _ _ _ _ |
| 4. Pirate's board | _ _ _ _ K | Sow seeds | _ _ _ _ T |
| 5. Small river | _ _ _ _ M | Flash of lightning | _ _ _ _ K |
| 6. Wanted sign | _ _ S _ _ _ | Boy wizard | _ _ T _ _ _ |
| 7. Expedition guide | _ C _ _ _ | Yell | _ H _ _ _ |
| 8. Flipper's interest | _ _ _ T _ | In actual fact | _ _ _ _ L _ |
| 9. Not wrong | R _ _ _ _ | Like too small shoes | T _ _ _ _ |
| 10. Feel | _ _ _ C _ | Rugged | _ _ _ G _ |

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTHOFF

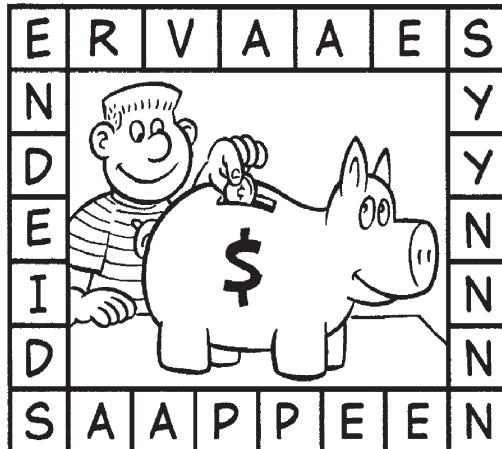


Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Eyeglasses are missing. 2. Man's collar is different. 3. House has been added. 4. Fence slat is missing. 5. Rake is missing. 6. Bricks have been added.

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A PIGGY BANKER! Find the hidden quotation above by reading every other letter as you go around the frame counterclockwise.

"A penny saved is a penny earned."
Starting at the first "A" along the bottom rail, read:



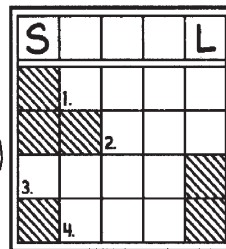
DOUBLE-DEALER! A used-car dealer sold two cars for \$1,980 each. On the first car he made a 10 percent profit, while on the second car he took a loss of 10 percent. Taken together, did he profit or lose on the deals?

He lost \$40. On the first car he made \$180. On the second car he lost \$220.

FIND-A-WORD! On the top line goes the mystery word. You need to fill in the missing letters. Clue words (smaller words contained in letter-by-letter order within the mystery word) are defined below.

- Hooded robe.
- Nocturnal bird.
- Flat-bottomed boat.
- Domestic cattle.

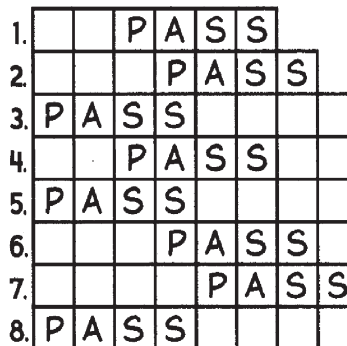
1. Cow! 2. Owl! 3. Scow! 4. Cow! Mystery word: Scowl.



Illustrated by David Coulson

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



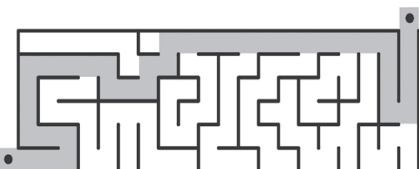
FORWARD PASSES!

Now that the football season is well under way, it's time to work on word "passes." At left are eight words, each of which contains a "pass." Figure out what the words are using the following hints:

- Alternate route.
- Direction finder.
- Adequate.
- Stalemate.
- Travel document.
- To go beyond.
- To go where forbidden.
- It opens many locks.



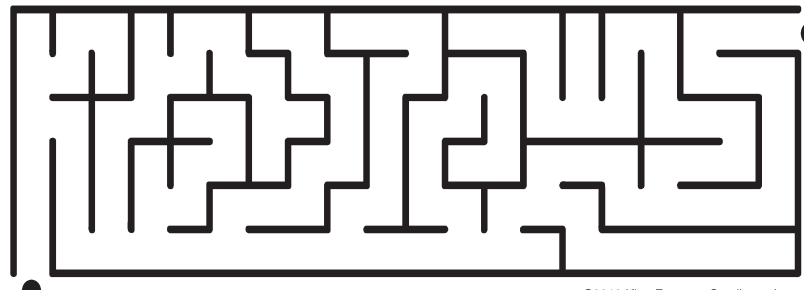
- Bypass.
- Compass.
- Passable.
- Impasse.
- Passport.
- Surpass.
- Trepass.
- Passkey.



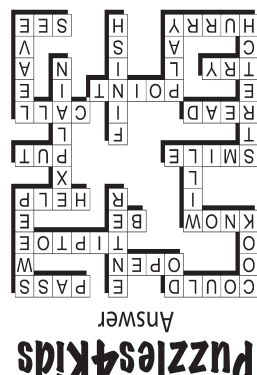
Kids' Maze Solution

- Even Exchange**
ANSWERS
- Stack, Shack
 - Poster, Potter
 - Other, Utter
 - Plank, Plant
 - Stream, Streak
 - Touch, Tough
 - Wander, Wonder
 - Scout, Shout
 - Right, Tight
 - Right, Tight

Kids' Maze



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Answer

Puzzles4Kids

Soap Opera Update

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Steffy defended her brother to Liam. Ridge figured out Hope's plan to get custody of Douglas. Meanwhile, Donna realized what a huge risk Hope was taking. Steffy was ready to date again. Thomas' horrible proposal to Hope proved that Brooke was right about his motivation. Later, Thomas received an unexpected kiss from Zoe. Liam agreed to return to Spencer Publications. Steffy was stunned when Thomas admitted he was thinking of sharing custody with Hope. He later lured Hope in by telling her to bring over the adoption papers. Ridge turned to Shauna for a supportive ear. Donna helped assuage Brooke's fears about Hope being alone with Thomas. Hope went on the hunt for Douglas when Thomas refused to tell her his location. Wait to See: Steffy gives Ridge the 411 on Brooke.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Lani made a heartbreaking decision. Marlena warned Sarah about dating Xander. Justin and Adrienne shared their good news with Jack and Jennifer. A double wedding took place in the town square. Eve tried to stir up trouble for Jennifer. Princess Gina took drastic measures to protect Dr. Rolf's secrets and later ran into Rafe. Kayla and Haley worked to save Jennifer's life. Julie was stunned when Eli told her what happened at the wedding. Lani punched Gabi. Kristen had a pregnancy scare. Jack and JJ searched for answers about Jennifer's fall. Ben feared that he was

going to have to kill Jordan. Wait to See: John and Marlena mark their one-year wedding anniversary.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Lucas began slinging accusations. Brad turned to Julian. Valentin felt extremely relieved. Laura was reeling from what just transpired. Maxie was quite worried. Julian supported Ava. Franco had a realization. Elizabeth received some terrible news. Kim sought closure. Brad gained the upper hand. Finn wasn't ready to face Anna. Alexis took a turn for the worse. Cassandra made a threatening gesture. Nina visited her brother's grave. Jax summoned Carly. Martin visited Nelle. Charlotte had dessert with Maxie and Lulu. Jason received an alarming phone call. Julian headed to the hospital. Ava kept quiet. Wait to See: Carly makes a deal with Jax.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Mariah planned a surprise anniversary party for herself and Tessa. Nate told the medical board why he helped fake Victor's death. After Amanda accused him of doing it for Abby, Nate explained that she didn't force him to go along with the plan. Victor made a call to find out more information on Amanda -- and her strong resemblance to Hilary. At the coffeehouse, Mariah teased Sharon about the random bouquet of flowers she received from Rey, but was really happy for her. Mariah still thought that Adam was



Ingo Rademacher stars as "Jax" on "General Hospital." Photo credit: ABC

manipulating her mother by asking her to help Connor, but Sharon made it clear that Adam had no power over her anymore. Wait to See: Ashley returns home to total chaos.

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Senior News Line

By Matilda Charles

Scammers Want Your DNA ... and Medicare Number

Scammers will exploit every possible opportunity to commit fraud against seniors. This time they're going after our DNA.

The newest fraud involves billing Medicare for special testing that our doctors haven't asked for. As is typical, they go for our vulnerabilities. These scammers claim

they have tests for Parkinson's, cancer, dementia, hereditary cancer and more. All we have to do to guard our health is to agree to these "free" tests and submit to a cheek swab right on the spot, or they'll send us a kit in the mail or come to our home. All they need in order to get us the results, they say, is our Medicare information.

That's what they really want, our Medicare number, so they can submit a claim for the tests, some costing \$9,000 to \$11,000 each. If Medicare turns down the request for payment, you could be liable for the

full amount.

Beware being approached by anyone when you're out and about. The DNA scammers approach seniors at fairs, the farmers market, by phone, in a parking lot, at aging conferences, health fairs or even at events set up by their community or church. (One group thought they were getting free ice cream to listen to a presentation.)

If someone approaches you about these "free" DNA tests, say no. If you receive a test in the mail anyway, do not open it. Go

online to oig.hhs.gov/fraud/hotline and tell them about the test. Or you can call 1-800-447-8477, which is the hotline for the Department of Health and Human Services. You also can call Medicare, your local police and the state attorney general.

Never give anyone your Medicare number or personal information unless it's your regular doctor. Besides the phony DNA tests, you could become a victim of other kinds of fraud.

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To Your Good Health

By Keith Roach, M.D.

Here's No. 1 Reason to Remove Gallbladder

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband's doctor is telling him to have his gallbladder removed because sometimes he has pain in his right side. They did all kind of tests, but he has pain when he drives long hours or when he eats salads, not fried or fatty foods. Can you tell me more about the surgery, and what it might be like for him after the surgery? -- A.M.

ANSWER: Almost every time a gallbladder needs to be removed, it is because of gallstones. Gallstones are common. Six percent of men and 9% of women have them, but most of the time, people have no symptoms. It isn't always clear whether the symptoms people have are due to the gallstones that are found on imaging studies, such as CT or ultrasound, but there are some clues to help decide whether a gallbladder that contains stones needs to be removed.

The classic symptoms are pain in the right upper abdomen, especially after eating a fatty meal, such as fried food (some people eat salads with

lots of fatty dressing). Sometimes gallbladder pain is not food-associated. Symptoms at nighttime are not uncommon. Nausea, bloating, lower chest pain, belching and burning pain all are well-described with gallbladder disease, and the proof comes when surgery relieves the symptoms.

Sometimes, the imaging test can give clues. Thickening of the gallbladder wall or pain with pressure on the gallbladder (Murphy's sign) are suggestive of acute gallbladder inflammation.

Unfortunately, doctors aren't always right. Occasionally a person's gallbladder is removed, and it doesn't help the symptoms at all. Then, a new search needs to be done to discover the true cause of the symptoms.

Most people do very well after gallbladder surgery. The liver itself takes over the job of storing bile, in the ducts of the liver, and bile is released into the intestines appropriately after eating.

However, it takes time for the system to get adjusted to not having a gallbladder, and only 60% of people are completely back to normal after three months. A few people have persistent symptoms for years. Thus, it's wise to be as sure as possible that

symptoms are due to gallbladder disease before undergoing surgery.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have been unable to complete a yawn for a couple of years. You know, that final "aaah" feeling. My doctor just smiled and offered no explanation; I'm sure she had never heard of this before. I am a 70-year-old woman who is retired. Any ideas, suggestions or recommendations to end this unsatisfied feeling? -- M.G.

ANSWER: Nobody knows for sure why we yawn. It can be related to low oxygen, fatigue or boredom, but there is a "yawn center" of the brain (in the hypothalamus) and even fetuses have been shown to yawn.

I have read two possible explanations why some people have incomplete or unsatisfying yawns: The first is that in some people, anxiety is the impetus to yawn, and that type of yawn just isn't satisfying.

The second is that stretching of the muscles of the face and jaw are necessary for the yawn to be complete. For some people, repeated stretching (from a "forced" yawn) and breathing in very deeply can lead to a satisfying yawn.

Super Crossword

Answers

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Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: What happened to the TV show “The Resident”? Did it get canceled? -- W.C.

A: Season three of the FOX medical drama “The Resident” actually premiered Sept. 24, but you might be missing it because it’s on a new night -- Tuesdays. Actor Morris Chestnut joins the show this season as smooth-talking surgeon Dr. Barrett Cain. He has played a physician on two other shows recently: “Rosewood” and “Nurse Jackie.”

“The Resident” also stars several other actors familiar to TV audiences: Matt Czuchry, who plays Conrad, was on “The Good Wife” and “Gilmore Girls”; Emily Van Camp, who plays Nicolette, starred in “Revenge” and “Everwood”; and Malcolm-Jamal Warner, who plays AJ, is of course best remembered from “The Cosby Show.”

Q: Will the PBS show “My Mother and Other Strangers” from 2017 ever return with more episodes? -- R.K.

A: Set in Northern Ireland, “My Mother and Other Strangers” depicted a family and its neighbors as they struggled to adjust to the addition of a U.S. Army Air Force base -- and its 4,000 servicemen and -women -- in their rural village during World War II. Despite originally airing on BBC One with only five episodes, it was considered an anthology series under PBS’ “Masterpiece” umbrella. Masterpiece (formerly known as Masterpiece Theatre) has aired many acclaimed British productions.

There is, however, another WWII-based drama on the PBS Masterpiece schedule for 2019. “World on Fire” stars Oscar-winner Helen Hunt (“Mad

About You”) and is set in Britain, Poland, France, Germany and the United States. There’s also “Sanditon,” based on an unfinished story by Jane Austen, that will air in January. Also look for a new version of “All Creatures Great and Small,” based on the books by James Herriot about a country veterinarian in the 1930s.

To sign up for an email newsletter that notifies you of all the upcoming Masterpiece shows, go to www.pbs.org/wgbh/masterpiece/.

Q: Are John Cena and Nikki Bella not together anymore? I know she has a new boyfriend, but I keep hoping they’ll get back together. -- J.A.

A: Pro wrestler Nikki Bella has been dating dancer Artem Chigvintsev for several months now. They met when they were partnered up on “Dancing with the Stars” and got together after her breakup with Cena.

Cena, a former WWE pro wrestling star, recently stepped out on the red carpet with his new girlfriend, Shay Shariatzadeh, at the premiere of his movie “Playing with Fire.” He met the Canadian engineer while filming the movie in Vancouver, where she lives.

As for whether Cena and Bella will ever reunite, their split seems pretty final. A big issue during their longtime romance was Cena stating he didn’t want to have children, and Bella, now age 35, longing to be a mother. Hopefully she’s found true happiness with her new man.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Couch Theater

By Amy Anderson

“Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw” (PG-13) -- Cybernetically engineered villain Brixton Lore (Idris Elba) seeks a dangerous supervirus. To secure it, MI6 agent Hattie Shaw (Vanessa Kirby) injects it into herself and goes on the run. The powers that be pair up charming, larger-than-life lawman Luke Hobbs (Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson) and sophisticated fringe operator Deckard Shaw (Jason Statham) -- who’s also Hattie’s brother -- to track her down. The two men are fire and ice with an adversarial history, and as they fight to save the world, there’s a whole lot of banter and one-upmanship. It’s standard action with good chemistry, a ferocious bad guy and a wink to the audience, and there’s nothing wrong with that.

“Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark” (NR) -- In a small Pennsylvania town in the 1960s, a group of teens goes looking for trouble on Halloween night, and what they find is much more than they went looking for. Stella (Zoe Margaret Colletti) is into tales of horror and lore, and she sets out with a few friends to creep on a dilapidated house at the edge of town where the town’s founders lived with their disturbed daugh-

ter. There, they find a book of stories, in which new narratives are being written -- each one a new threat to the kids. Stella and the others must find a way to stop the stories and ward off the monsters they spawn while keeping the mayhem from getting worse. Inspired by the 1980s horror anthology written by Alvin Schwartz.

“The Art of Racing in the Rain” (PG) -- Milo Ventimiglia stars as Denny, an aspiring race car driver whose life is seen through the eyes of his golden retriever, Enzo (voiced by Kevin Costner). The best friends share an exhausting number of life’s up and downs as Enzo narrates while cheering on Denny’s racing career and watching over his wife (Amanda Seyfreid) and daughter. It’s a dog movie, so yes, you will choke up and possibly cry. But director Simon Curtis really pushes the limits on emotional overload.

“The Kitchen” (R) -- In Hell’s Kitchen in the 1970s, three mid-level Irish mobsters go to prison and their wives are like: “Forget that! Sisters are doing it for themselves!” and decide to just take over the business. The ladies are played by Melissa McCarthy, Tiffany Haddish and Elisabeth Moss, whose character is the victim of domestic abuse and turns



self-empowered. Moss has that look of terminally submissive down pat. As for the other two, this is a drama with two exceptional comedians, which is just as well, since it can’t decide if it’s a black comedy or a gritty drama.

In the end, it doesn’t do either one very well.

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Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- As Martin Scorsese and Francis Ford Coppola fight to retain the traditional release of films into movie theaters instead of streaming services, the last vestige of true movie stars (created by the major studios during the Golden Age of Hollywood) -- Jane Fonda (81), Shirley MacLaine (85), Sophia Loren (84) and Robert Redford (83) -- struggle to retain their stardom.

Jane Fonda starred last year in "The Book Club," with Diane Keaton, Candice Bergen and Mary Steenburgen, and has retained visibility thanks to the Netflix series "Grace and Frankie" (65 episodes and counting since 2015), with Lily Tomlin, and being arrested for protests such as the recent global warming demonstration.

Shirley MacLaine starred in Hallmark's "A Heavenly Christmas" (2016), with Eric McCormack, Netflix's "The Little Mermaid" (2018) and in Disney's just-released "Noelle," with Anna Kendrick, Bill Hader and Julie Hagerty. Sophia Loren is shooting "The Life Ahead" (due in March), based on a Romain Gary novel and directed by her son Edoardo Ponti. Sophia, who plays a holocaust survivor who forges a bond with a 12-year-old boy, vows it will be something to remember.

Robert Redford's last film as an actor was "The Old Man & the Gun," but he couldn't resist doing cameos in "Avengers: Endgame" and the HBO series "Watchmen." A special mention for Olivia de Havilland, last surviving star of 1939's "Gone with the Wind," who turned 103 July 1 in Paris.

Not to be outdone, two old pros, Angela Lansbury (94) and Dick Van Dyke (94 on Dec. 13), will finally get see their 2018 Christmas film "Buttons," which was shown for only night in theaters last Dec. 8. The film, narrated by Robert Redford and Kate Winslet, and co-starring Jane Seymour and Roma Downey, will be released digitally Nov. 19 and on DVD Dec. 3.

Ben Affleck will star in and produce (with Matt Damon and Aaron Gilbert) "Falling to Earth," based on Kate Southwood's novel about the Tri-State Tornado, the deadliest in U.S. history. It hit Illinois in 1925, killing 695 people, injuring more than 2,000 and leveling a number of towns.

"A Quiet Place: Part II" has completed filming in upstate New York, mostly around Buffalo. When John Krasinsky chose Buffalo as his main location, he created 400 hires of staff and technicians and 300 background extras, which pumped \$10 million into the local economy. Shooting on the \$1 million refurbished Buffalo Film Works soundstage was kept under wraps to keep spectators at bay, but that proved impossible when they shot on location (especially when they closed down the nearby Grand Island Bridge for 13 hours). Buffalo never looked so good and remains a very "Quiet Place."

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Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GEOGRAPHY:** In which two U.S. states is the Gila River located?
2. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin suffix *-arium* mean?
3. **LITERATURE:** Which 19th-century novel begins with the line, "For many days we had been tempest-tossed."
4. **U.S. PRESIDENTS:** In what year did President Richard Nixon resign from office?
5. **MUSIC:** Who had the 1970s hit "Paradise by the Dashboard Light"?
6. **MEASUREMENTS:** How long is a span, as mentioned in the Bible?
7. **HISTORY:** What was the code name of the Allies' invasion of North Africa in World War II?
8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Which organization did Juliette Low found in 1912?
9. **PSYCHOLOGY:** What abnormal fear is represented in the condition called atychiphobia?
10. **TELEVISION:** What was the number of the mobile hospital unit in the TV drama "M*A*S*H"?

Answers

1. Arizona and New Mexico
2. A place associated with a specific thing, such as planetarium.
3. "The Swiss Family Robinson"
4. 1974
5. Meat Loaf
6. About 9 inches
7. Operation Torch
8. Girl Scouts
9. Fear of failure
10. 4077th

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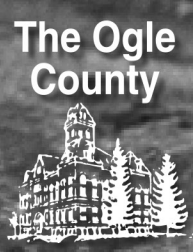
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JANE)P 62
BELHA,)
Deceased)

CLAIM NOTICE

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**NOTICE TO LORI
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Notice is given to creditors of the death of Jack Heidelmeier of 1176 Blackhawk Road, Oregon, Illinois 61061. Letters of Office were issued to Midland States Bank, whose address is 101 W. First Street, Dixon, Illinois 61021, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is Gary R. Gehlbach, Ehrmann Gehlbach Badger & Considine, LLC, 215 E. First Street, Suite 100, P.O. Box 447, Dixon, Illinois 61021.

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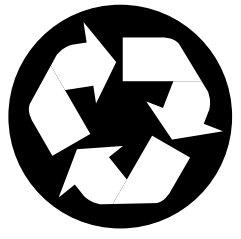
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Veterans Day facts, figures

Veterans Day, once known as Armistice Day, was first celebrated on November 11, 1919, the anniversary of the end of World War I. In 1928, the United States Congress passed a resolution for Armistice Day to be an annual observation, and by 1938, the day became a national holiday.

Differing from Memorial Day in May, Armistice Day, which would be renamed Veterans Day in 1954 under President Dwight Eisenhower, pays tribute to veterans who survived various wars. Memorial Day commemorates those veterans who lost their lives.

Americans celebrate Veterans Day, while residents of Great Britain, Canada and Australia celebrate Remembrance Day. Those who want to learn more about Veterans Day can consider the following facts.

- * According to the American Community Survey, there were 19.3 million military veterans in the United States in 2014. Of those, 1.6 million were female.
- * California, Texas and Florida comprise the states with the largest number of veterans, equaling one million or more.
- * Veterans consist of people who served in the military. This includes the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Veterans serve in times of war and peace.
- * The word "veteran" comes from the Old English language and means "old, experienced soldier." The first use of the word was documented in 1789.
- * Although many veterans are working, and the average annual income of male veterans is \$37,000, some veterans continue to be unemployed. According to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the overall unemployment rate for veterans rose to 7.6 percent in January 2013. The unemployment rate of post-9/11 veterans or those who participated in the Gulf War reached 6.2 percent.
- * Upon retiring or being discharged, veterans may need help acclimating to life outside the military. The Department of Veterans Affairs says about 30 percent of Vietnam War veterans have been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD.
- * Between 1971 and 1977, Veterans Day was celebrated on the fourth Monday in October. It was changed back to its original date, November 11, in 1975 when President Gerald Ford signed bill S.331 into law. The change went into effect beginning in 1978.

* An American soldier was buried at the national cemetery in Arlington on November 11, 1921. His identity was unknown, and the gravesite is known as the "Tomb of the Unknown Soldier." A guard from the Society of the Honor Guard stands watch over the grave each year on Veterans Day, and the president or another high-ranking member of the government places a wreath on the grave.

Veterans Day occurs each year on Nov. 11, marking the end of World War I. The day has evolved into a celebration and remembrance of the heroism of America's brave troops.



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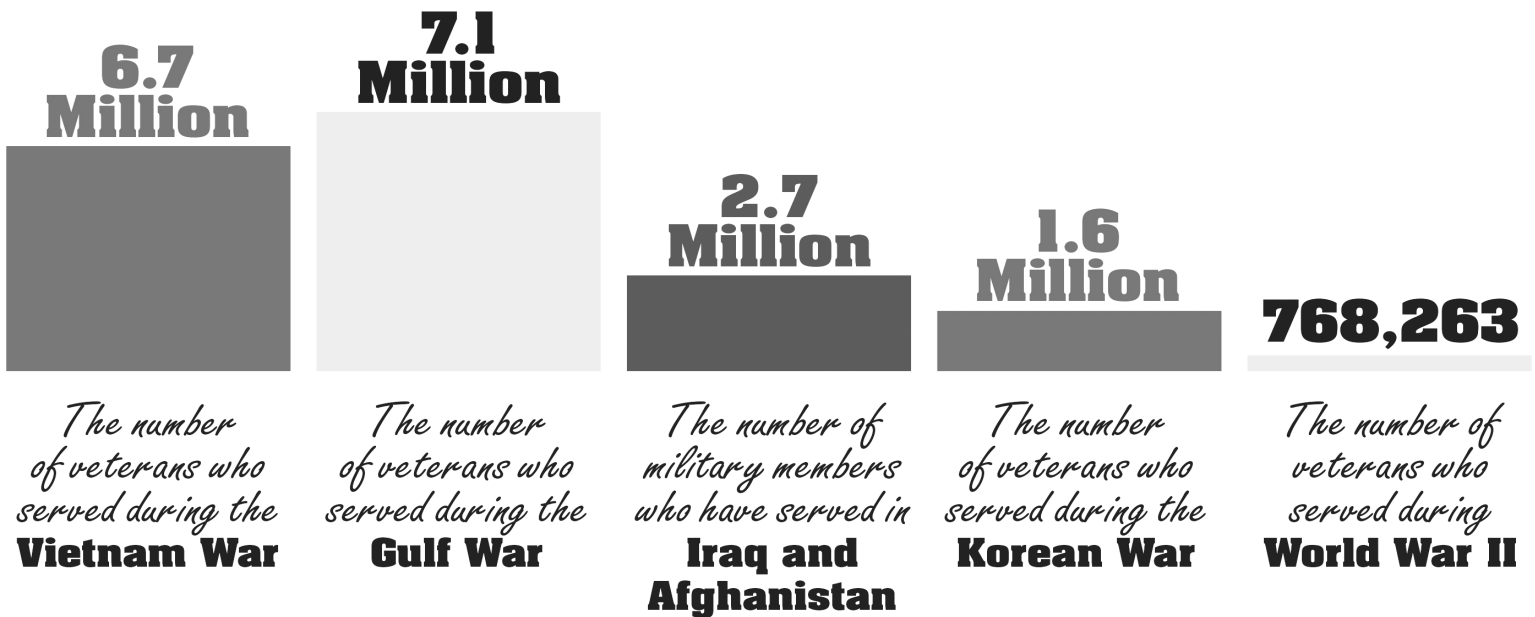
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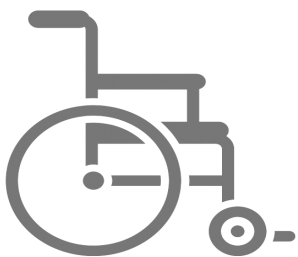
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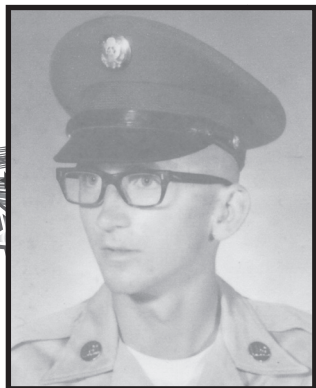
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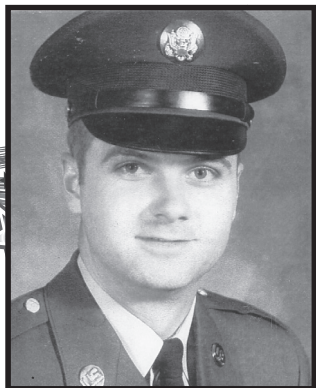
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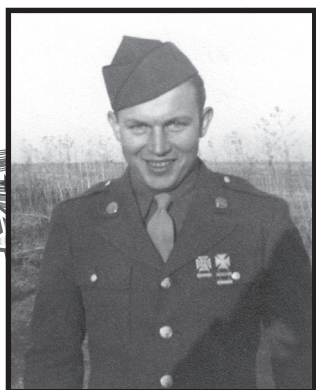
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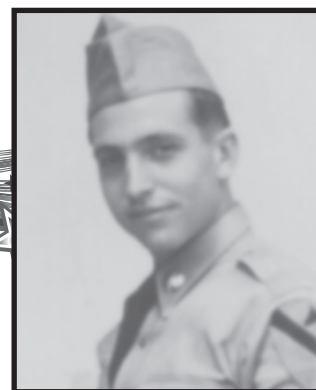
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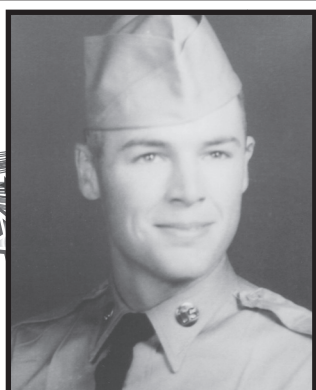
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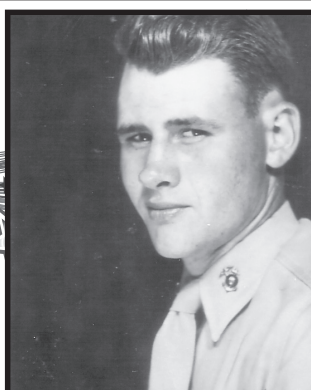
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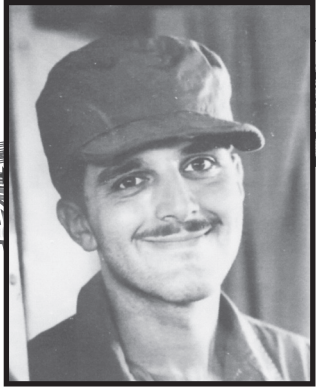


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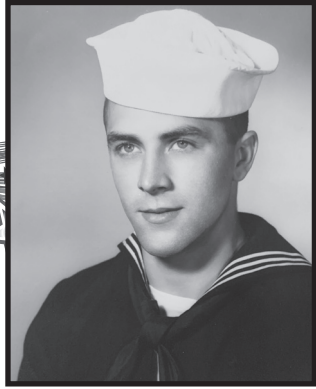
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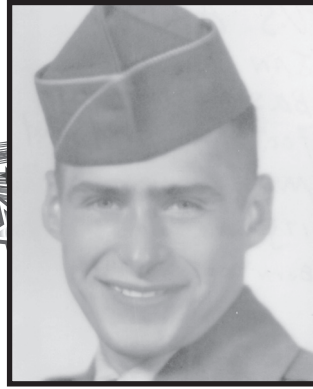
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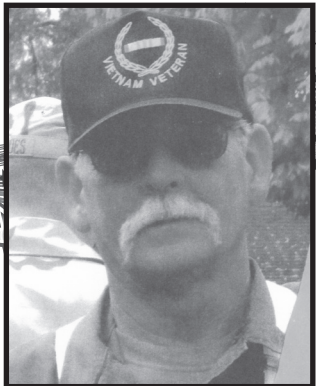
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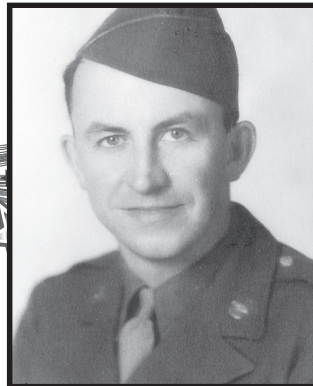
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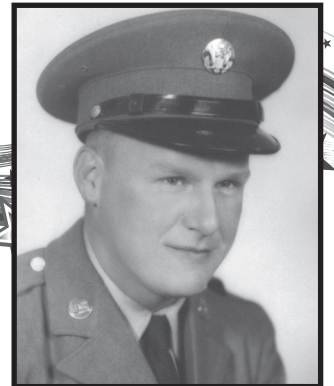
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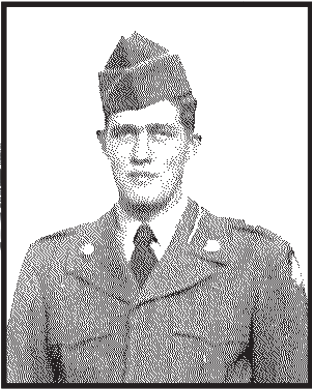


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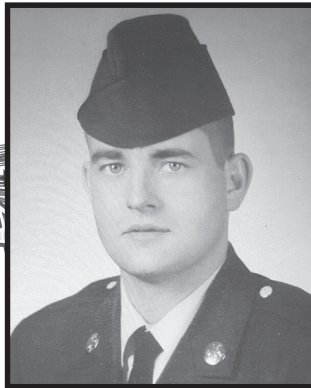


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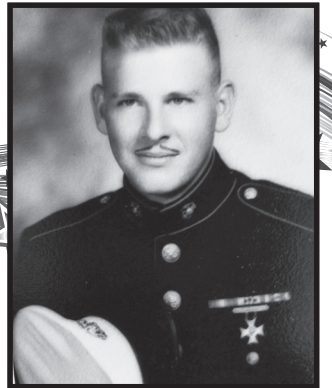


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It shares the purposes set forth in Title 36 USC 230102 for congressionally chartered veterans of foreign wars of the U.S.

As a veteran's service organization, the mission of the Oregon VFW post 8739, consists of veteran's advocacy, historical education and commemoration, encouraging America's youth to excel in athletics, community service and academics, facilitating direct assistance to needy military personnel and their families and to veterans and supporting actions and activities that further these missions and promote the social wellbeing of veterans and their families.

This is the legal terms in what the Oregon VFW does. To bring it home a little we do the following. All VFW members and volunteers who receive no income for the projects they work on. The post has an excellent ladies staff that volunteer for funeral lunches, help in the club and moral support.

The VFW provides up to four scholarships to Oregon High School students. We provide food baskets to those who need food assistance in Oregon at Christmas time. This is possible with donations of money and help boxing and delivery from outside clubs and sources.

Office space is provided to the Veterans Assistance Commission, who can help veterans with benefits they are entitled to. Post 8739 is the caretaker of the new courthouse veteran's memorial. We provide meeting space for Oregon community groups, including American Legion Post 97.

All monies or income collected are spent on these programs or operation of the post. Again, all post members are volunteers. We are always looking for new members or donations.



Veterans Day in Oregon

Hands On Oregon has painted the buttresses below the flag at Conover Square in preparation for the annual Veterans Day Ceremony on Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. A 21-gun salute and "Taps" ceremony will be performed by the veterans. The Oregon High School Madrigals will be singing. Hector's Cocina is offering free coffee and Mexican hot chocolate at our event. Beth Wolber of Oregon will be speaking on behalf of her son who was deployed to the Middle East. We urge the pastors of Oregon and the surrounding areas and their congregations to come and pray for our nation.

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Service members make numerous sacrifices in defense of their countries.

While the debts to service members may never be the kind that can be repaid in full, paying tribute to veterans, on Veteran's Day and throughout the year, can be a great way to show them just how much their efforts are appreciated.

Veteran's Day begins with Armistice Day

Veteran's Day is a byproduct of the end of World War I, when Germany and the Allied Nations signed the Treaty of Versailles, formally ceasing fighting and establishing terms of peace. On November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the signing of the treaty, the first Armistice Day events were held. Armistice Day was initially a legal holiday to honor the end of World War I only, states History.com. The United States Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11 became a national holiday starting in 1938. However, in 1954, after the country had been embroiled in both World War II and the Korean War, Congress amended the Act of 1938 by renaming the commemoration "Veteran's Day" to honor veterans of all wars.

established three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating national holidays on Mondays, Veteran's Day was moved to the fourth Monday of October — the first being October 25, 1971. However, many people did not agree with this decision, continuing to honor the holiday on the original date. In 1975, President Gerald Ford signed a new law that returned Veteran's Day to November 11 beginning in 1978. Since then, parades, memorial events, volunteer efforts, and other celebrations revolving around veterans have been held on November 11.

Veterans around the world

Many countries, including the United States, celebrate veterans on or near November 11. America's closest neighbor to the north, Canada, commemorates veterans on Remembrance Day (also November 11), as does the United Kingdom. Britain also has Remembrance Sunday, which is the second Sunday of November. Remembrance Day also is called Poppy Day, when people of the Commonwealth member states wear a red poppy flower in honor of military members who have died in the line of duty.

Paying tribute

There are various ways to honor veterans on Veteran's Day and Remembrance Day. Federal government closings, educational efforts in schools, parades, and visits to



military hospitals or cemeteries may take place. In Europe, it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every No-

ember 11.

Veteran's Day and its sister holidays mark the honoring of veterans of all wars, with a particular focus

on living veterans. It is a day to celebrate the dedication and selflessness of hardworking military men and women.

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The men and women who defend the liberties and freedoms of the countries they represent hold a special place in people's hearts and an eternal spot in their countries' histories.

Any opportunity is a good time to commemorate the bravery and selfless deeds of military personnel, but certain prominent holidays in November make this an especially important time to thank veterans for their service.

November 11 is Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Canada. It's also known as Armistice Day in other parts of the world. These holidays honor all military veterans who have provided service to their countries, and that each falls on November 11 is no coincidence, as the day commemorates the anniversary of the end of World War I on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918.

Many places around the world pause and remember fallen veterans on November 11, but a good majority of Veterans Day and Remembrance Day commemorative events focus on past and current veterans who are still alive. There are many

ways to honor the military at home and abroad in time for the November festivities. The following are just a handful of ways to show appreciation for military men and women.

- * When dining out, ask your server if you can pay the tab for a soldier or veteran you see in the restaurant.

- * Attend a military parade with your family and explain the significance of the day to children in attendance.

- * Draft letters and send care packages to soldiers currently in service far away from home.

- * Ask your company if Veterans Day or Remembrance Day can be an observed holiday at your place of business each year to pay homage to servicemen and women.

- * Visit a military memorial in a city near you. Your town also may have its own memorial.

- * Petition town officials to erect a memorial if your town does not already have one. Such memorials can be a source of inspiration for your community.

- * Support a military family in your town who may be missing a loved one stationed elsewhere. Make meals, mow the lawn, help



with grocery shopping, or simply provide emotional support.

- * Volunteer time at a veterans' hospital. You may be able to read with veterans or engage in other activities.

- * Get involved with a military support charity that can provide much-needed funds to struggling families or disabled veterans.

- * Have children speak with veterans in your family, including grandparents, uncles and aunts or even their own parents. It can help them gain perspective on the important roles the military plays.

- * Ask a veteran to give a commencement speech at a school or to be the guest of honor at a special function.

- * Drive disabled veterans to doctors' appointments or to run any errands.

- * Support a local VFW organization.

- * Create a scrapbook for a veteran in your life.

- * Cheer for or thank military personnel each time you see them.

- * Visit the veterans' portion of a nearby cemetery

and place poppies or other flowers on the graves.

- * Always keep the military on your mind and never forget those who have served and didn't return home.

Armistice Day, Remembrance Day and Veterans Day are great ways to honor past and current military for their service and sacrifice.

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How to help veterans in need

Millions of men and women serve in the military and make the sacrifices that such service requires.

Risking their lives to serve their countries, veterans sometimes endure mental and physical trauma, returning home to face uphill battles as they deal with their injuries.

Many veterans in need are not just in need of medical attention. Learning that their efforts and sacrifices are recognized and appreciated by the ordinary citizens they protect can make a world of difference to veterans as they recover from their injuries. Men, women and children who want to help veterans in need can do so in various ways.

- Visit a veterans hospital. Contact a local veterans' hospital to inquire about their volunteer programs. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs notes that each year more than 75,000 volunteers spend more than 11 million hours in service to America's veterans.

Visiting veterans at the hospital to hear their stories can lift their spirits and aid in their recoveries. In addition, veterans' hospitals may have volunteer opportunities that make it easier for hospitals to operate at optimal capacity.

- Help a neighbor. Unfortunately, many veterans return home with injuries that affect their ability to make it through a typical day without assistance.

Disabled veterans may be unable to do their own grocery shopping or maintain their homes. If a neighbor or nearby veteran is facing such hurdles, offer to do his or her shopping or mow his or her lawn. Such tasks won't take much time but can make a world of difference to veterans.

- Offer professional services free of charge. Professionals who want to help veterans can offer their services free of charge. Accountants can offer to prepare veterans' tax returns for free, while attorneys can provide legal advice to veterans who need it.

Contractors can help disabled veterans by offering to make alterations to their homes for free or at cost.

- Employ social media to help local veterans. Many people who want to help local veterans might not be able to do so more than one day per week.

But some veterans may require daily assistance. Men and women can start a locally-based Facebook group for fellow members of their community who want to pitch in to help local veterans.



Such a group can make it easier to share information and arrange help for veterans in need.

Many veterans return home from serving overseas in

need of help.

Offering such help can improve veterans' lives while letting them know their efforts and sacrifices are appreciated.



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