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Honoring those who lost their lives for us



Rear Admiral Jack Sorby, USN Retired, spoke during the Amboy Memorial Day Program on Monday, May 27 at Veteran's Park. Sorby told stories of his service and times when he spoke with families of lost United States of America service men and women, including during 9-11. **Brandon LaChance/Amboy News**



Taps were played by two trumpet players while the Amboy American Legion Poths/Lavelle Post#453 performs a rifle volley. Brandon LaChance/Amboy News



Welcome To



Water service line grant application in the works

BRANDON LaCHANCE Staff writer

SUBLETTE-The agenda for the Village of Sublette meeting on May 13 was both long and bold as the trustees had plenty to discuss and vote yay or nay.

One of the most pressing issues was a grant for the village's water service line.

"We had a big committee meeting with Matt Hanson from Willet & Hoffman Associates to talk about water service lines regulations and requirements the IEPA has really pushed," said Village of Sublette President John

Stenzel. "Matt told us about a grant that will help us because we have 54 unknown service lines of material. We're going to dig around each side of the shutoff terminal to determine whattypeofmaterialwasused.

"At the meeting, it was approved to begin writing the grant application. The grant could possibly be worth \$30,000. That's just the inventory where you determine what it is. Replacing it is a whole other objective. We have to determine if we have to replace it.

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Automobile accident takes life of 17-year-old female Amboy student

OREGON – Deputies of the Ogle ditch, where it overturned. County Sheriff's Office responded to a single vehicle rollover crash at approximately 8:41 p.m. Wednesday, May 22 in the 7000 block of West Henry Road in Oregon.

According to the Ogle County report, which remains under investigation, a westbound vehicle lost control on the gravel roadway and entered the south

The 17-year-old female driver of rural Dixon was pronounced deceased at the scene. A juvenile passenger was transported to KSB Hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

Ogle County deputies were assisted at the scene by Polo Fire/EMS and Mt. Morris Fire.

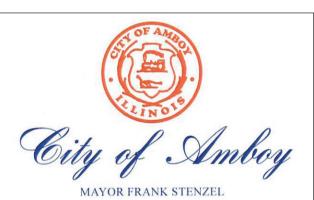
Citizens push for owners to pick up property

BRANDONLaCHANCE Amboy News Editor

AMBOY – Although city ordinances for Amboy residents not picking up their property are a common theme throughout the Amboy City Council meetings, they usually don't command much attention or discussion.

However, during the meeting on May 20, four attendees made it known they were disappointed with the state of some properties in Amboy city limits.

They asked if the people



external property were to Sewer Ponds for an answered by Amboy Mayor Frank Stenzel stating \$21,250.00 to purchase warning letters have been police body cameras, the sent out and the city is researching ways to find funds to to legally correct the situation. After the ordinance discussion subsided, approvals were made for the 2024-25 general, water, and sewer budgets, the 2024 MFT bid of \$72,049.92 to Struck & Irwin Paving Inc. to repave roads, \$24,840.00

Aquafix chemical order, zoning change to light industry for Jared Zellhoffer at 215 E. Bluff St., \$1,350.00 to clean the Pankhurst Memorial Library windows, Amanda Walter's resignation from the Depot Commission and the appointment of Gina McCoy to the commission.

Don Dinges, left, hosted the Sublette Memorial Day Program and spoke in front of 20 residents in attendance. The Amboy American Legion performed the memorial ceremonies. **BrandonLaChance/AmboyNews**

who receive a citation have a certain time to respond, which city officials responded with yes. Another question was if people move rubbish from one part of their yard to another does it offset the citation. The answer was no.

All other inquiries about city ordinances for an unfit

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A Tribute to the fallen of World War I

Editor's note: The Amboy News will be publishing a series of articles on Lee County veterans who served during World War I. These heroes are part of Amboy's history and it is our honor to publish these articles so you can learn about their service to our country. This article was researched by Jack Mead and Tom Dempsey, and written by Dempsey.

Benjamin

G. Schafer

United States Navy When Benjamin Schafer was born on Dec. 13, 1895, his parents,



George and Anna, were farmers in Bradford Township, already raising four children. Most likely, Benjamin and his siblings attended one of Lee County's country school houses close to

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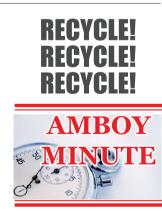
home long before school buses brought farm children into town for their elementary and high school education.

On June 5, 1917, after the United States entered the Great War in Europe,

CONGRATULATIONS!

Benjamin registered for the first scheduled military draft while working on his older brother's farm in Bradford.

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Brennan has been invited to play in the 2024 Illinois High School All-Star Shriner's Football Game. Good luck Brennan! We're rooting for you! Proud Suppor



LOCAL NEWS



The students and faculty at Amboy Central Elementary School formed a rainbow to begin Track & Field Day on Thursday, May 23. Games were played. Fun was had as the students enjoyed every second of the special annual day. **Brandon LaChance/Amboy News**

End of the school year discussions, awards, fun, more fun

By BRANDON LaCHANCE

Amboy News Editor

AMBOY-Although it may seem like the 2023-24 school year just began for Amboy schools, it is either officially over or at the tail end.

The Amboy School Board meeting on Tuesday, May 21 made it clear the year was almost finished as all topics of discussion were about closing this school year and changes for the 2024-25 school year.

Amboy Junior High School Principal Andrew Full had plenty of positives to speak about during his principal report as he spoke about AJHS' meeting with Anji Garza of the Regional Education Office about summer trainings, summer meetings, important 2024-25 dates, SEL, and social studies.

Junior high teachers met for transition meetings last week as the fourth grade teachers met with the fifth grade teachers and sixth met with seventh.

Awards were dished out to students of the month. Grace Zambrano and Blake Atkinson were the May fifth graders of the month. Alex White, Enrique Lara Alonso, and Kendyll Whitney were the sixth graders of the month. The seventh graders of the month were Kenzie Alletto and Shawn Thompson. The eighth graders of the month were Addison Blaine and Caylee Hummel. P.E. was Liam McBride and Sydney Noble.

The AJHS celebration ceremony where the awards were

received took place Friday, May 24.

"I think it's a really big deal for the students to receive awards. You recognize individual students for what they've done and for what they've contributed to the school,"Amboy Schools Superintendent Joshua Nichols said. "There is a wide variety of awards because so many kids do so many different things that are special and that we should recognize. It's not just one group of kids. We try to stretch it out and recognize as many as we can. There is a lot of diversity, and a lot of good things are happening."

Clipper P.R.I.D.E. was announced to Robert Bowman, Brandon Hanson, Thomas Keene, Makayla Phillips, Taytum Senn, Myla Zambrano, Leah Bonnell, Amelia Kant, Avarie Seier, Hannah Shoemaker, Hannah Whitman, Makayla Burt, Brenna Fields, Kolton Grevs, Jason Hemmen, Grady McLaughlin, Aden Spinelli, and Lily Yanez.

Staff Shout-Out winners were Sara Krabbenhoeft and Belinda Lewis.

Important fun days for AJHS included the fourth-grade tour day on Wednesday, May 15, VIP Day for the fifth grade on Friday, May 17, Goofy Games on Monday, May 20, a trip to Woodhaven Lakes on Tuesday, May 21, and Eighth Grade Day on Thursday, May 23.

Amboy Central School had events and people to celebrate also as Paisley Kant and Ruda Patel received IPA Student Leadership Awards.

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Muffins With Moms brought mothers to school to have breakfast with their child. Wonka Week took place May 20-24 as each day had a different event. Monday was Fizzy Lifting Drink, Tuesday was Lollipop Pull, Wednesday featured Bubble Gum Competition, Thursday was Good Egg, Bad Egg, and Friday was Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory the movie. Preschool screenings began Friday, May 24.

"It's about establishing relationships and building with community. Bringing families and students in to show them school isn't just about one thing," Nichols said. "It's how we establish positive role models and make connections with parents and students. We want the kids to be excited. It's a lot of fun when you're learning and doing all the fun events when they're dancing and laughing."

Outside of principal reports, the 2024-25 fee schedule and 2024-25 tentative amended budget were approved.

Brothers Flooring is going to replace carpet in the district office and Amboy High School library. Midwest Educational Furnishings is going to install library furniture at Central. Dreamscapes by Dennis, Inc. is going to landscape a border and mulch at Central for the new preschool playground.

Early graduation applications were accepted as well as the resignations of Central School head custodian Dean Weidman, AHS Spanish teacher and AJHS track coach Reaine Wilson, and AHS boys basketball coach Brad Dunlap.

Patty Kuper was hired as a paraprofessional at AJHS.

Right, Amboy Junior High School awards students. Far right, Central fourth graders tour AJHS. Middle right photo, AJHS students get pied during Goofy Games. Bottom right photo, multiple games were played during Goofy Games although a power outage shortened the 25th annual event.







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LOCAL NEWS

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Thank You's

We are always grateful to those that help us in our endeavor to help the community: Yvette Ward for various items; Brian Wedekind for the various items & spray paint; Rockford Cursillo for the sandwiches; Ken Burkhardt for the bike; Cheshire family for the bobble heads; Don DeWaele & Enel for the Stem projects; Tom & Anna Mainhart for the granola bars; Amboy Food & Liquor for the paper goods; Jim & Mindy Schmall for the cardboard and Clara Harris for bringing it; Kathy Bonnell for the fruit; Martha Henley for the cookies; Donna Wellman for the cookies; Janet Bushman for the T.V. and Tina & Dale Eller for the sports stuff.

We could not make the decisions or hold events without our Board members: Brian, Barb, Mark, Shelli, Amber, Joshua, Madison. Of course, our treasurer, Roxy

End of School Celebration Dance Thank you's & Recap

Great night to celebrate the last dance of the school year. Huge shout out to Mr.& Mrs. Piper and their for making Teen Turf come to fruition and continue over the years. Over 70 kids attended. Congratulations to all the 8th grade class. Many showed up from their class to get in free. As we reflect what we do behind the scenes and during the scenes. We are grateful for those who share their time with us to make things go right for the kids. Special thanks to: Wayne, Trina, Brian, Shannon, Patricia, Emily, and Michael. Special thanks to Michele for making the jars that Jack and Payton won. In fact, Jack won two because he did the math he says and he gave one to a friend. Then we played a bowling game where Ian knocked over the most cups, with 7. Some decided to play basketball outside. Then we had a balloon drop where kids a variety of prizes. Michaela and Michael both won \$5. Then they danced to the tunes put out by Sid and Christine. Also another thanks to McKenna and Zoey for helping to clean when not even asked. Special thanks to our SVCC Impact Program students Hollie, Jack, and Chase.

4th Grade Graduation party Thank you's & Recap

What a beautiful day for our 4th graders. You would be very proud of them on how well behaved they were during the hayride and party. They enjoyed our hayride around town. Then we came back for pizza and drinks. We had a raffle, and some won some very cool prizes. They danced and then we had a balloon drop. Hopefully we get to see them over the summer as well. Congratulations on your next adventure. Special thanks for pulling this off: Mr and Mrs Piper, Brian, Barb, Allie and Izzy from SVCC Impact Program.

Summer Programs

"Places you go" will be our theme for 6 weeks. It begins, June 10th and will end July 17th for

pre-k to 4th grade. Pre-K and K will be on Mondays, 1st and 2nd are on Tuesdays, and 3rd and 4th will be on Wednesdays. Applications are in our 24/7 hallway and were sent to Amboy Central

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AMBOY – You are invited to join fellow senior citizens for a free exercise program at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 960 US Highway 52, Amboy. Sessions are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. Chairs are provided for an approximate 30-minute workout. For more information, call Chris at 815-857-3963.

DIXON – 4-H Junior Gardener teaches children about the wonderful world of gardening through handson investigation of growing their own vegetables and flowers and learning to use the harvest. The 4-H Junior Gardener SPIN Club is meeting from 4-5:30 p.m. every Tuesday from May 21-July 30 at the Immanual Lutheran Church in Dixon. The club is for youth ages 8-18 and the cost is \$30 for non-4-H members and \$10 for 4-H members. For more information contact the Lee County Extenstion Office at 815-857-3525. Register online at go.illinois.edu/leeco.jg.

MILLEDGEVILLE – 4-H Botts N Spurs Horse Camp, a free one-day camp centered around horses and riders, is happening from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, June 1 at the Carroll County Fairgrounds. All lessons are centered around classes that may be offered at the 4-H Horse Show at both the county and state levels. This camp is acceptable for all skill levels, from beginner to experienced. A great option if your child wants to try something new or expand on current skills. Register online at go.illinois.edu/2024horsecamp.

MILLEDGEVILLE – Why did the chicken cross the road? To get to the 4-H Poultry Workshop taking place from 1-3 p.m. on Sundays June 2 at the Carroll County Farigrounds. Attendees will learn about poultry nutrition, as well as poultry diseases and illnesses. This workshop is being led by Jen Geerts. Registration is due on May 31. Register online at go.illinois.edu/2024poultryworkshop.

AMBOY – The City of Amboy committee meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, June 3 at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

STERLING – The Sterling Public Library is hosting a Youth Sewing Workshop from 1-3 p.m. on every Month through June (3, 10, 17, and 24). The workshop allows you to explore the sweing world and bring your imagination to life. All sewing machines and basic supplies will be provided registration fee, \$20 for 4-H members, \$30 for non-4-H members. Secure your spot by registering on Z Suites at go.illinois.edu/SewingSterling. Non-4-Hers, please contact the office to register at 815-632-3611.

AMBOY–The Amboy Civic Organization currently meets the first Tuesday evening of each month at 4:30 p.m. at Maria's Pizza in Amboy, 110 E. Main Street. Please note, the A.C.O no longer gathers at 4 p.m. but instead will gather at 4:30 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, June 4. Sharing dinner will provide a great opportunity for socializing and sharing community news.

SUBLETTE – The next Village of Sublette meeting is at 7 p.m. Monday, June 10 at the Ellice Dinges Center

KSB Town Square, 101 W. Secton St. New participants are welcome to join at any time.

DIXON – Secure your spot by June 10 at go.illinois. edu/CAPE to join 4-H for CAPE! (Community Action Projects for the Environment from 2-4 p.m. June 25-28. CAPE! Will guide youth, ages 11-18, in learning more about local environmental issues. Participants will develop a project addressing a local issue and implement an action plan to tackle it.

STERLING – The monthly workshop held by Wits Fitness is from 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesday, June 11 at the CGH Health Foundation Community Room in Sterling. Experience a monthly journey with Kara Schweitzer, an educator from University of Illinois Extension, as she leads participants through interactive activities crafted to stimulate the brain and enhance cognitive function and memory. We will be offering this porgram at the CGH Health Foundation Community Room. New participants are welcome to join at anytime. Registration is not required but appreciated by calling Beth Sterk at 815-625-4790 EXT. 3977 or by emailing beth.sterk@ cghmc.com.

EAST GROVE – East Grove Township is holding its next meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 11 at the East Grove Township Hall.

AMBOY – The Board of Trustees of The Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 12 at the Amboy Township Building, located at 106 South Prospect St. in Amboy.

PAW PAW – The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Paw Paw will commence at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 12 at the Paw Paw Village Hall.



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Kids going into 5th grade, 6th, 7th, 8th, and High school will begin their summer program next week on June 3rd. They go from 9a.m.-4 p.m on Mondays and Tuesdays and go from 9a.m.-9p.m. on Wednesdays (They go to Woodhaven for a swim treat on Wednesdays) We are accepting applications for the all-day community program, and it goes to July 26th. Applications are in the Teen Turf Hallway and are in school as well. If you have any questions, please call Teen Turf building at 815-857-4800. Let's have a great summer!

Needs

Fruit Snacks, Fruit Granola Bars, Pop Tarts, and Toilet Paper

Final Note

"Father in heaven, a family in our community has a heavy heart, laden with grief. The sadness they feel at a loved one's death is an incredible weight, and the grieving process is just plain hard. We ask that you provide what you have promised, which is rest for their soul. You are a gentle savior, and you are lowly in heart. That's exactly what this family needs right now. There have been angels doing your work during this unbearable time, oh Lord. We pray that you guide this family as they mourn and that our community and you are a guiding light." at 202 S. West Street in Sublette.

AMBOY– The Amboy Lions Club May meeting will be at 6 p.m. Monday, June 10 at the Amboy Community Center, located at 280 W. Wasson Rd. The Lions Club meetings take place the second and fourth Monday of every month.

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OBITUARIES

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Darlene A. Shaw Aug. 14, 1933 - May 20, 2024

AMBOY – Darlene A. Shaw, 90, of Amboy passed away on Monday May 20, 2024 at Allure of Mendota. She was born on Aug. 14, 1933 in West Brooklyn the daughter of Joseph and Emma (Schneider) Haub. Darlene worked for Deans Foods for over 30 years. She enjoyed gardening and traveling with her husband, children, and grandchildren. Darlene married Kenneth L. Shaw on July 5, 1952 in Amboy.

He preceded her in death on Jan. 12, 2015. She is also preceded in death by her granddaughter Kathleen Shaw, brothers Marvin, LeRoy, Gilbert, sisters Catherine, Flora, and Shirley. Darlene is survived by her children Kevin (Susan) Shaw of Estacada OR, Keith (Mary Jane) Shaw of Amboy, Kristyne Arjes of Amboy, Greg (Dawn) Shaw of Stoughton WI, 11 grandchildren Amie (Don) Gray, Scott (Erin) Shaw, Mark (Katherine) Shaw, Cindy (Michael) Ed, Kenneth (Kayla) Shaw, Joshua Shaw, Tara Alexaxis, K. Jake (Emily) Arjes, Matthew (Abbey) Shaw, Malissa (Erich Hellmer) Shaw, Mitchell Shaw, and 22 great grandchildren.

Private funeral services will be held on Thursday May 23, 2024 at the Mihm-



Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Burial will follow at Woodside Cemetery in Lee Center. A memorial has been established. Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Kaysi Jane Schaeffer Feb. 8, 2007 - May 22, 2024

Samantha, siblings Kaylie

Eldena – Kaysi Jane Schaeffer, 17, of Eldena, passed away as a result of an automobile accident on May 22, 2024.

Schaeffer was born on Feb. 8, 2007 in Dixon. The daughter of Mark and Samantha (Dempsey) Schaeffer, Kaysi just finished her junior year at Amboy High School and was looking forward to graduating early in December.

Throughout her life she enjoyed playing soccer, volleyball, softball and spending as much time as possible with her friends. Kaysi loved and enjoyed shooting, fishing, hunting (when she didn't have to wake up too early), "BIG" trucks and all animals especially dogs, cows and horses. From a very young age her life ambition was to become a veterinarian and she was working hard towards that goal.

Kaysi is survived by her parents, Mark and

(Xavier Contreras) Schaeffer and Owen Schaeffer, Alexis Dempsey, Jarrett Dempsey and Emilie Reed-Dempsey, and her beloved dog, Grady (aka her son). Paternal grandparents, Mark and Debra Schaeffer, Barbara Schaeffer. Maternal grandparents Roxane Wiseman, James (Lisa Hall) Wiseman and maternal great grandmother Nancie Dempsey. She is also survived by her aunts and uncles, Jamie (Sherry) Schaeffer, Heather (Jeff) Messer, Matt Kyker, Levi (Deb) Kyker, Sierra (Nick) Bennett, Skyler (Nate) McCoy, Karley (Joey) Bonnell, Seth Wiseman, Kyle Goldman, Melissa Lawrence and many cousins and amazing friends.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

A lunch of Kaysi's favorite food, Casey's Pizza,



will be provided at the Amboy Community Building following the visitation. Kaysi's family asks that all family and friends bring a printed-out picture to the visitation of themselves with Kaysi to hang on a memorial board for the family to keep. There will be an opportunity at the luncheon for any family and friends to speak and share memories of Kaysi.

Memorial donations can be made to the Lee County 4H. Cremation rites to follow. Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Online condolences can be left at www.thejonesfh. com.

Edmund Robinson Jr. May 25, 2024

MENDOTA - Edmund Robinson Jr., 70, of Mendota, passed away on Saturday, May 25, 2024.

Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Kish College to offer summer, fall therapeutic massage continuing education units

MALTA – The Kishwaukee College Continuing Education department will offer seven Therapeutic Massage classes during the Summer and Fall 2024 semesters. The classes provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs), which measure professional development.

Each class is taught by Julie Kimpan-Freeman

at Kishwaukee College. Three-hour classes are \$75, four-hour classes are \$100, and six-hour classes are \$150.

Deep Pressure Massage Techniques for the Neck — Monday, June 10 (9 am-12 pm) — 3 CEUs Advance your understanding and application of techniques to address neck issues.

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sage Techniques for Low Back — Monday, July 8 (9 am-12 pm) — 3 CEUs Learn to apply deep

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June 14 deadline for CGH **Health Foundation Scholarships**

STERLING – June 14 is the submission deadline for the 2024 CGH Health Foundation scholarship application. Area students already accepted into their healthcare/nursing program professional field of study are eligible. There are 11 different grants available, ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

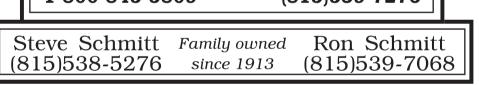
Four new scholarships created this year include the \$2,000 Jill Adolph Nursing Scholarship, \$1,000 Anne C. Marry Nursing Scholarship, \$1,000 Mary McCormick Nursing Scholarship and \$2,500 Gene and Lu Robbins Healthcare Scholarship. Total amount to

be awarded is \$28,500. Other scholarships include: three \$3,000 Althea Larson Nursing Scholarships, one \$1,000 Edgar and Florence Hall Nursing Scholarship, one \$1,000 Bill and Marrietta Lilly Healthcare Scholarship, and two \$3,000 Sterling Rock Falls Community Trust Healthcare Scholarships.

"We encourage our Sauk Valley area students to apply for these scholarships," said Amy Downs, Foundation trustee/Chair of the Scholarship Committee area, demonstrate fiand Sterling Schools Director of Curriculum and Instruction. "Our goal is to provide sup-

port to local students who hopefully would consider coming back to serve at their community hospital once they have graduated."

Forms are available at www.cghmc.com/ foundation/scholarships/ or by contacting Foundation Executive **DirectorAmandaBlaine** at 815/625-0400, ext. 5575. Students must already be admitted to their professional field of study, ie., nursing, pharmacy or physical therapy school, etc., be a resident of the CGH Medical Center service nancial need (although merit is considered) and have a minimum of 3.0 GPA.



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St. Flannen Church Fr. John Gow 213 S Second St., Harmon 815-857-2670 Mass: Sunday, 8:30 am

United First Church of Amboy Pastor Mark Glenn East Main & Jefferson 815-440-0745 Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ of Lee Center Pastor Jack M. Briggs 1140 Inlet Road, Lee Center www.LeeCenter-UCC.org Phone 815-732-7032 Family Worship - 10:30 a.m.

> Grace Fellowship Church Amboy-Sublette Pastor Kyle Kelly 500 W. Main Street, Sublette Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. www.graceisforyou.com

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First Baptist Church Pastor Rocky Fritz 24 N. Mason Avenue Church Phone 857-2682 www.fbcamboy.com Sunday School for all ages - 9:30 a.m. Morning Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m. Wed. prayer meeting & Bible Study 6:30 p.m. King's Kids program from 6:30-8 p.m. Friday Reformers Unanimous addictions program from 7-9 p.m.

St. Mary's Church – West Brooklyn Rev. Randy Fronek Mass - Tuesday & Thursday - 7:30 a.m. Saturday – 5:30 p.m.

St. Patrick Church - Maytown Rev. Randy Fronek Mass – Friday - 8 a.m. Sunday - 8 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church Interim Minister Douglas Wood S.A.M. 960 U.S. Route 52 **Phone 857-2225** 960 U.S. Route 52 Phone: 815-857-2225 Sunday Worship - 9:00 a.m. -Fellowship - 10:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Rev. Randy Fronek Locust Street, Sublette Phone 815-849-5412 Saturday Mass - 4:00 p.m. Sunday Mass -10:30 a.m. Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. Thursday - 8:30 a.m.

Refuge Church Pastor John Kalebaugh Mendota Hills Campground • 642 Rt. 52 Amboy, IL 61310 • 815-849-5930 10 a.m. Sunday, potluck follows

Harmon United Methodist Church **Pastor Leanne Keate** 202 N. Grove, Harmon Phone 359-7302 Worship - 8:30 a.m.

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"As of right now, we don't believe we have to replace the water service lines, but we can't say it 100 percent without finding out."

The approval was for \$1,500 to be paid to Willett & Hoffman to gather and start the paperwork for the grant writing process.

The grant is generally for Sublette in whole, but there will be a target zone on older downtown homes that may need updated, improved lines. Appointments were approved for village positions to take effect May 1.

Returning to their titles are Will Klein as village treasurer, Don Dinges as village economic development coordinator, Hopkins & Associates as certified public accountant, Dana Considine as village attorney, Makenzie Kessel as freedom of information officer, the Sublette Centennial Park Board of Chris Leffelman, Steve Althaus, Klein, Tyler Jackson, Katie Leffelman, and Greg Vaessen, the Sublette Planning Commission of Jeff Spitz, Hugh McCoy and Joe Klein, and the Sublette Antique Tractor & Toy Show Committee of Anthony Morgan, Mark Henkel, Jeremy Zapf,

Schafer continued from page A1 –

One year later, he enlisted voluntarily in the U.S. Navy, and was sent to Great Lakes Naval Training Base north of Chicago. When his training was complete, he was sent to Ellis Island, New York for a period of time.

Throughout 1917, German U-boats repeatedly attacked any merchant ships headed for Great Britain or France. The U.S. Navy was assigned to escort and protect merchant vessels in the Atlantic, including those from Brazil, a close naval ally of the United States. With extensive exports of grain and cattle to Eu-

rope, Brazilian ships had been attacked and sunk by German submarines eventually leading them to declare war on Germany.

Seaman Benjamin Schafer was assigned to the U.S.S. Pittsburgh, part of a U.S. Navy fleet patrolling the South AtlanEvan Bickett, and John Stenzel.

The one change to the positions is Maurice Zimmerlein leaving the tractor and toy show committee and Alex Leffelman joining the crew.

"It's awesome to have people willing to commit because we all have such hectic lives nowadays," Stenzel said. "When somebody is willing to take the time and put the effort into making a difference, it's extremely important."

Meetings in March and April featured talks of Lee County adjusting R2 zones to allow chickens to residential areas.

In the last month, Lee County has abandoned the idea.

"Lee County withdrew their petition to change R2 zoning to allow chickens," said Stenzel. "The larger lots that are R2 are more rural, an acre or two, don't affect neighbors. The larger lots should be allowed to have chickens. Smaller, intown lots shouldn't be allowed to have chickens."

OTHER ITEMS

• Approved getting updated prices on replacing filter media at the water treatment plant

• Updating storm water ordinance

• LED speed signs are almost ready for installation

• The draft of the 2024 Comprehensive Plan is on subletteweb.com

• A water service line that was leaking was found and the shutoff was installed

• Bike rack was installed downtown, off of Main Street

• Temporary liquor license was approved for Hops & Harmony on September 7 at the Ellice Dinges Center

• The Village of Sublette donated \$5,000 to Sublette 365 for Hops & Harmony weekend to help accommodate kids' activities, bounce house, petting zoo, tractor pull, and Saturday's entertainment, country band Diamond Rio.

Important dates to remember are the Village clean-up at 8 a.m. Saturday, June 1 and the Village of Sublette Board adopting the 2024 Comprehensive Plan at the June meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, June 10.

tic near the coast of South America. When the 1918 Flu Pandemic spread ferociously across America and Europe, many sailors on board the Pittsburgh became seriously ill. On Oct. 20, at age 22, Seaman Schafer died aboard his ship, and was buried in a military funeral in Brazil. Back home in Ashton he was remembered as a kind, gallant young man who was loved by all who knew him. Today, a monument at the Ashton Cemetery stands as a memory of his love for his family, community, and country. NOTE: If you know of other Lee County Soldiers who died in service during World War I, we urge you to share that information to demps60@gmail.com so that those soldiers may be honored and remembered.

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Change is scary, but for the NBA, it's needed

These NBA Eastern and Western Conference playoff have overshadowed or put illogical pressure on. series couldn't be any better played.

Or at a better time.

Or in any better circumstance.

The elephant in the room who is sitting on your couch watching the games with you are LeBron James, Steph Curry, Kevin Durant, Chris Paul, and Brook Lopez. The generation of the past which is now getting passed by.

Most lists don't include Chris Paul because he hasn't won a ring, but he's a vocal point of every NBA broadcast come April and May because he's usually in the mix because of his ability to will his team to victories when they're not supposed to win or for epic collapses when his squads have more talent.

Lopez is never considered as a top NBA guy although he is one of the best

defenders with the highest NBA IQs, which will keep him on teams until he can literally no longer walk or run. Plus, he is a role model or influence to a large crop of the younger, top centers in today's game.

He gets no respect. So, here's a little.

Back to my point, yesteryear's stars who have carried the league and are world-wide known names even to casual hoops fans or to those who don't care, are not on one of the last four teams left playing for an NBA Championship.

Which to me and to most fans, is a breathe of fresh air. I'm sick of hearing millions and millions of LeBron story lines or hearing excuses of why his team didn't meet expectations or is he going to be on another team next season. Well, we're going to hear that anyway because LeBron doesn't sleep well at night if we're not talking about him.

Let's see the next crop of superstars. The LeBron successors who we're going to be talking about for the next 10 years.

Minnesota Timberwolves have Anthony Edwards, who people are unfortunately calling the next Michael Jordan, Jordan's son, or baby Mike. Not fair to him or any of the other players attention seeking media outlets

The T-Wolves are facing the Dallas Mavericks and Luka Doncic in the Western Con-

ference Finals, who besides his constant complaining and begging for fouls to be called against his opponents is capturing the imaginations of young basketball enthusiasts every time he's on the court.

In Game 2 he hit a step-back 3-pointer with three seconds left on the fourth quarter clock to give the Mavs a 109-108 victory and a 2-0 series lead.

On the playground kids call out NBA players names when they're taking shots. It was (Larry) Bird in the 1980s, MJ in the 1990s, Kobe (Bryant) in the 2000s, Curry in the 2010s, and it's going to be Luca in the 2020s.

The Eastern Conference Finals has a set of faces ready to move up a notch in

the Boston Celtic's Jayson Tatum and Jaylen Brown, and the Indiana Pacers' Tyrese Haliburton. I give the Celtics two nominations to my list of people we want to see in conference finals and the NBA Finals other than Steph, LeBron, and KD because I feel they're on the same level and can carry their team or the league moving forward.

Haliburton may sit out a few games due to injury, but if he doesn't, he'll show what he can do whether it's shooting, assisting, leading, guarding, or even coaching if he chooses because the 24-year-old player can literally do it all.

None of the five guys – Edwards, Doncic, Brown, Tatum, or Haliburton - have won an NBA Championship. None of them have been considered the face of the NBA. None of them have been considered the best in their craft whether it's basketball as a whole or an intricate part such as shooting, passing, rebounding, and so on.

They've just been guys who are young, talented, and could maybe help their franchises win a few games.

Now they're in a spot to bring home the biggest trophy of them all. Minnesota and Indiana would be doing it for the first time, Dallas would be adding on to

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50 years ago

taken March 4, "That the hospital be closed as of July 1, 1974."



lastic Team finished their 1998-

the foreign player legacy as Doncic would win a title after Dirk Nowitzki won in 2011 (against LeBron) for the Mavericks, and Boston would collect championship No. 18 tying them with the Los Angeles Lakers for the most titles in league history.

All are compelling story lines making for compelling games.

Each game of the series has been talked about on sports radio (of course, that's their job), at water coolers, on Edge of Your Seat Podcast (shameless plug for my endeavor, check it out on Spotify and Apple Podcasts), and at every school and gymnasium in the country. Maybe the world, but for sure, the world.

It's the right time for this to happen.

Yes, the word change is scary, but the words stagnant, same, and again...get boring.

We're tired of the same players. The same teams. The same arenas. The same fan bases. The same general managers and owners. The same radio and TV talk about what's going to happen with them.

Sure, I'd personally love the Bulls to be in this discussion, but we're some time and some huge moves away from that being the case. So Bulls enter and exit the chat in the same paragraph.

Change, new, next, youth, and excitement are the words surrounding the NBA this postseason.

I've got my popcorn, Reese's Pieces, bottled water, and for the late games, Monsters, ready for all of the games to see what happens and who steps forth as the leader of the next era of the NBA.



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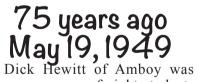
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Column By Brandon





among a group of eight students

100 years ago May 30, 1924 Mrs. C.E. Ives has presented the Bap-

tist Church with a new Holland piano in a mahogany case. Mrs. Ray Seloover, Mrs. J.A. Vaupel and Miss Lucy Merrow accompanied her to Dixon at her request to aid her in the selection.

Mrs. Ada Doty came home from California accompanied by Mrs. G.W Fenstemaker who has been living there for some time with her son Hal and his wife.

75 years ago June 2, 1949 More than 70 school patrons and

residents of the Maytown area Friday evening listened to a proposal to establish an eighth-grade attendance center in the parish hall near St. Patrick's Church, Maytown.

On Sunday, St. Anne's School will graduate 13 eighth graders at a special High Mass.

Construction of a 40x80 quonset building for W.G. Leffelman, local International Harvester dealer was scheduled to start this week.

The well-loved story by Louisa May Alcott, now in Technicolor, will be presented next week at the Amboy Theatre.

50 years ago May 30, 1974 The Amboy Bicentennial Com-

mission is proud t announce that five

May 23, 1974

Closing of Amboy Public Hospital as of July 1, 1974, moved a step closer last week as letters and notices of a special meeting were mailed to stockholders of the hospital. The stockholders will act June 3 on the recommendation of the board of directors,

rooms of the century-old Illinois Central Depot, currently under restoration by the Commission will be open June 1. The restored area of the museum will be housing railroad and historical artifacts including Amboy and Lee County maps and railroad memorabilia.

Amboy Fire Protection District's Board of Trustees has set the annual budget and appropriation ordinance of \$28,700.00 for the period of May 1, 1974 to April 30, 1975.

Patrick R. Jones, owner of the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, announced in conjunction with the Amboy Fire District's resolution to submit the question of a fire district ambulance service to referendum, that the funeral home will discontinue operating an ambulance service on Oct. 1, 1974.

Coach Bruce Wall's Amboy boys track and field team won the Shark Conference Track Championship. Members of the team are Rich Berkeley, Gary Shoemaker, Greg Bontz, Bob Becker, Joe Welty, Bill Weir, Tim Hamlink, Tom Welty, Russ Taylor, Ron Stephenitch, Leonard Roux, Dale Eller, Rick Farringer, Lori Sporleder (track queen), Dean Eller, Craig Walter, and Art Snow.



Amboy fiscal year these appoint-

99 season by competing in five rounds at the Masonic Regional Meet in Sterling. Amboy placed second in the consolation round against Galena. Kirk Spielman led the team with eight toss-ups, followed by Aaron Krager, six, and Chad Greskiwcz and Jessica Harrison both had five.

ments were approved: Darlene Hinkle as city clerk, Renee Kaleel as city treasurer, Terry Lynch (Ward 1), Tim Oester (Ward 1), James Powers (Ward 2), Bill Bontz (Ward 2), Michael Morrissey (Ward 3), Rex O. Hicks (Ward 3) as aldermen, Paul Smith as police superintendent, Rolfe Ehrmann as city attorney, Geo Roach as city auditor, Hank Gerdes as liquor commissioner, Willett and Hoffmann and Associates of Dixon as city engineer.

Jordyn Wyzgowski, 7, of Amboy, was named the winner of the Pillsbury Giggle Off Sweepstakes held at Beggs Certified Grocery Store. Wyzgowski was presented with a 4-foot-tall Pillsbury Doughboy plush toy.

Jerry Dzroda was the speaker for the meeting of the Amboy Chapter AARP held at United First Church fellowship hall. He spoke on the changes of Medicare and Medicaid, and a program was planned for June with everyone over 55 welcome.

The 800-meter relay team of Kevin Hopper, Ryan McCoy, Cody Darbe, and Jason McLaughlin placed third at the IHSA Class A Boys Track and Field Oregon Sectional with a time of 1:33.90. Although the team knocked 2 1/2seconds off of its personal best time, it fell one-tenth of a second shy of qualifying for state.

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List of Deceased Soldiers

Note: The original list below was compiled in 1972 for Amboy's Memorial Day program. This spring, volunteers have walked area cemeteries to add veterans to this list. If you know of a veteran who is not included in this list, please let Amboy City Hall know during regular business hours.

Holy Cross Cemetery, Harmon

Albredt, Gerald Coleman, Robert Considine, Herbert Dempsey, Robert Drew, John Fielding, John, World War I George, William H., World War I Hayes, Klayton

Heferman, Allen Henry, Patrick Leonard, Daniel Long, Edward Long, Herbert Long, Louis J. Long, Norbert Long, William J., World War II McDermott, Herbert D., World War I McDermott, Leroy McInterney, Marilyn McInterney, Donald Morissey, Edward Partington, John Petri, Harold Schulte, Dave Sutton, John Winkel, Christian Winkel, Francis Winkel, Louis

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Eccles, Roy J., Cpl., Co. G, 131st Inf. McGinnis, Arthur, Civil McCann, Patrick, Civil

Greenwood Cemetery, Harmon

War War

St. Patrick Cemetery

Lee County Fair expands Open Show

AMBOY - The 2024 Lee County Fair & 4-H Show is July 25-28 at the Lee County 4-H Center & Fairgrounds, 1196 Franklin Road, Amboy. The four-day event is a throwback to the old-time county fair with petting zoo, pony rides, midway of games, bounce houses, a barrel train, axe throwing and the County Fair Speedway.

The Lee County Fair Association is now accepting entries for the 2024 Jr. Show and expanded Open Show. The Open Show now includes departments in cooking/baking, floral arrangement, gardening, fibers (quilting and sewing), photography and art.

"We were so happy with the number of entries at last year's fair, the committee decided to increase the opportunities for people to be involved," said Katie Pratt, secretary.

The Open Show includes

non-livestock projects and is open to any resident from any county of any age. 4-H members and Jr. Show participants may enter the open show with projects not already entered in the 4-H show or Jr. Show. Entries must be submitted by July 1. Fee per entry is \$2.00 with a limit of two entries per class.

Intheflowerarrangement and photography departments, classes are separated for entries from professional (businesses) and amateur participants.

"We'd love to see our local floral shops and photographers show off their best work in a fun competition, and earn bragging rights until next year's fair," said Pratt.

All rules, details and entry information can be found at www.leecountyfairgrounds.com under Lee Co. Open Show.

The Jr. Show is open to youth ages 8 to 20, as of Sept. 1, 2023. Project departments include all livestock and small animals, as well as visual arts, mechanical sciences and crops. Visual arts projects can be any art project created using paper, fiber, metal, mixed media, cake decorating, natural materials, etc. Mechanical sciences projects include model rocketry, electricity projects, woodworking and computer work. Youth need not be 4-H members to participate. Visit www.leecountyfairgrounds.com to find the online entry form and department and class descriptions. Entries are due July 1.

A full fair schedule and more information about other great fair activities and events is posted at www.leecountyfairgrounds.com or like "Lee Co. Fair & 4-H Show" on Facebook or Instagram for the latest information.

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McFadden, Cornelius, Civil War Ryan, Bernard, WWI Scott, Lawrence B., World War I

ARMY NURSES Mary Dykeman, Binghampton; Mary Hill, Prairie Repose; Mrs. Anna Clapp, Lee Center.

Somewhere in France Lonnie Alsman, World War George Grohens, World War

World War II Veterans Buried at sea or on **Foreign Soil** Arrigo, John, Sublette Bradley, William, Amboy Frank, Marvin, Amboy Girton, Donald, Amboy

Johnson, George, Lee Center Jones, John A., Amboy Marcum, Delbert, Lee Center Morris, Ted, Amboy Rapp, Donald, Sublette Young, Adam, Sublette Jeanblanc, Charles Keith, Lee Center McNinch, Lester, Sublette Weaver, Lester, Amboy Zentz, Howard, Amboy

Jefferson Barracks Nat'l Cemetery Fanelli, Lt. John, Amboy, World War II

World War II Veterans **Missing In Action** Berry, Wallace, Amboy Burns, Everett, Amboy

Village of Sublette cleanup scheduled June 1

The Sublette village cleanup day is scheduled for Saturday, June 1. Residents may sign up at the Sublette General Store or at the post office to have items picked up. Pick-up includes appliances and brush for the burn pile, but no electronics will be picked up.

For more information, call Julie Kessel at 815-440-4689.

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Other concerns were made as a mention of people letting their dogs use the former Amboy Junior High property as a restroom and a rave has been taking place on a city property where both Lee County and Amboy Police have been involved.

The council discussed putting a doggy dumpster type of device to resolute the issue on city property, while Quad City lawyers are looking into ordinances about the rave on the northwest side of Amboy, which has been advertised on social media such as Facebook and Tik Tok.

A list of the 2024 Amboy Summer Concerts taking place at the Amboy Depot Museum parking lot has been released. All concerts are from 6-8 p.m.

June 1: New Vocal Blend (gospel)

June 8: Jazz in Progress

June 15: Rick Cardot & Chris Klein (easy listening)

June 22: Eileen Quest (remembering Patsy Cline)

June 29: Rusty & Friends (variety)

July 6: Amboy City 4th of July Festivities

July 13: New Shoes/Jeff Kagay (classic rock)

July 20: To be announced





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Request of ANDREW GROTH Case Number 24 MR 9 Filed April 12, 2024

There will be a court date on a Request for Name Change (Minor Child) for these children: Dakotta Martin Groth to the new name of Kody Henry Groth

The court date will be held on July 2, 2024 at 2:00 pm at 309 S. Galena Ave., Dixon, IL 61021, in Courtroom #410. No. 0503

(May 15, 22 and 29, 2024)

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Publication Notice Public Notice is hereby given that on May 14, 2024 A.D. a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Lee County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Lawns By Doughty located at 451 LaMoille Road Sublette, IL. 61367. Dated this 14th day of May A.D. 2024. Barry Doughty Applicant No. 0504 (May 22, 29 and June 5, 2024)

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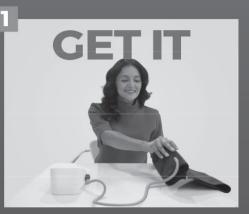
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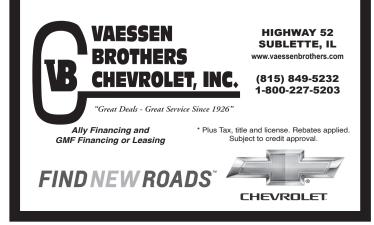
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SPORTS/LOCAL NEWS

Clippers represented well on NUIC All-Conference Baseball Team

AMBOY – The Amboy baseball team saw Amboy High School listed six times on the Northwest Upstate Illini All-Conference Team released on Friday, May 24.

Juniors Eddie Jones and Quinn Leffelman were on the NUIC First Team. Seniors Landon Montavon, Landon Whelchel, and sophomore Rylan McNinch were named to the second team. Junior Dillon Merriman was honorable mention.

The conference MVP, the Jamie Koehn Award, was given to Eastland High School's Hunter Miller and Polo won the Team Sportsmanship Award.



Lucas Blanton signs to wrestle at Illinois Wesleyan University

Shortly before graduating from Amboy High School, Lucas Blanton made his decision to advance to the next level in education and in wrestling official by signing to Illinois Wesleyan University. Blanton, middle, celebrated his decision with his mother Lisa Trader, left, and father Steve Blanton, right, as well as Amboy wrestling coach Brent Montavon, and his siblings. According to Montavon, Blanton's wrestling scholarship is the first since 2006, while the only other two were in 1990 and 1985. Photo contributed

Kishwaukee College Athletics to host summer camps

MALTA - Kishwaukee College will host summer athletic camps taught by Kish athletes and coaches. Soccer and volleyball camps are available in June and July. The camps will help athletes improve fundamentals and enhance mental and physical preparedness.

Youth Soccer Camp Dates: June 11-13 Time: 5-6:30 pm Location: Kishwaukee College Soccer Field For: Boys and girls in grades 1-8 Cost: \$45 per person Youth Volleyball Camp Dates: July 11-12 Time: 5-6:30 pm Location: Kishwaukee College Gymnasium For: Girls in grades 1-5 Cost: \$35 per person

Pre-registration is encouraged. For more information or to register, visit kishkougars. com/camp or contact Scott Kawall, Director of Student Involvement/Athletic Director, at skawall@kish.edu.

Amboy has five players on **NUIC All-Conference Softball Team**

AMBOY - The Northwest Upstate Illini Conference recently announced its all-conference softball team.

Amboy had five players on the team as junior Tyrah Vaessen and sophomore Ellie McLaughlin were named to the NUIC First Team.

Sophomores Kiera Karlson and Peyton Payne were named to the second team, while senior Addison Shaw was honorable mention.

Forreston earned the Team Sportsmanship Award

Sundberg competes at state track

CHARLESTON – The Amboy co-op boys track and field team had one representative at the IHSA Class 1A State Track and Field Meet preliminaries on Thursday, May 23 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

the season in the shot put.

On Thursday, he threw a 45-foot 5.75 inch shot for 21st in Class 1A.

Before the state meet, Sundberg said he was happy he made it and it didn't matter what place he finished in, he was excited for the opportunity to be a state qualifier before he graduated high school.

Senior Ian Sundberg, from LaMoille High School, made the last track meet of

St. Bede Academy summer sports camps

PERU – St. Bede Summer Sports Camps are back for 2024.

Students from all schools between grades 2-9 are welcome to join us for basketball, football, golf, softball, volleyball, wrestling, and specialized speed and agility training. We're also excited to offer Bruin Power Camp, a brandnew camp for 7-12 graders aimed at teaching safe and effective weight-lifting techniques.

These camps provide expert coaching from our very own Bruin coaching staff in a fun and supportive environment, fostering teamwork and individual growth. Whether honing skills in a specific sport or exploring new interests, participants gain invaluable experiences that extend beyond the field or court.

For more information and to register, visit www.st-bede.com/summersportscamps or call Jon Steben, director of enrollment management at 815-250-0279. Unleash your potential and make this summer one to remember with St. Bede Summer Sports Camps.

Veterans & active-duty personnel targeted by sophisticated scams

ROCKFORD - Memorial Day is generally thought of as the unofficial start of summer, but more importantly, it is a time to remember those who have served or died in service to our country. However, it's also an opportunity for scammers looking to take advantage of active-duty service members and veterans. The Better Business Bureau warns service members, past and present, and those who care for them to do careful research before getting involved in too-good-to-be-true schemes or donating to "military" programs and charities. "Making a donation to a charity is a great way to support the families of fallen soldiers, sailors, and airmen, but consumers need to take extra precautions to avoid getting snared by scammers,' says Dennis Horton, BBB Regional Director. "Increasingly, military members are being targeted by scammers." The Federal Trade Commission reports, "In 2022 alone, Veterans suffered more than 290 million dollars in losses to fraud."

these scams include: Military loans - Loans

that guarantee instant credit approval or no credit check are usually accompanied by extra fees and high interest rates

Military charities -Phony charities generally provide limited information, often use urgency as a pitch point, and ask for money to be wired.

Rental properties -Advertisements may promote military discounts and request money be wired. However, the property shown is

online, be wary, as it is likely to be a scam. Check their Business Profile at bbb.org

 Anyone considering donating to many great military causes should check out charity reviews at BBB's Give.org

 Never wire transfer money to anyone you are not familiar with. Wire transfers and bank app transfers are hard to track, so scammers frequently use and request them.

• Use credit cards. Whenever possible, use credit cards. It is easier to track transactions, complain about charges, and discuss them with your credit card company. • Be careful what you click on. Do not click on links in emails from unfamiliar addresses and do not enter information on unfamiliar websites.

Leland Car Show is almost here

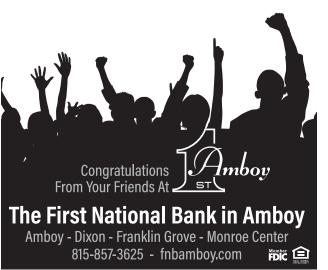
LELAND - The 4th Annual Dale Kidd Car Show is coming to Leland at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 15.

Trophies will be presented at 3 p.m. while vendors, food trucks, and raffles will take place throughout the car show in downtown Leland.

Registration will be completed the day of the show.



Boys State Track: Ian Sundberg finishing 21st in Class 1A shot put



Do you save money?

not what is available, or the ad was fake, and the money is lost. Either way, the consumer is ripped off.

Life insurance policies - Some solicitors offer unnecessary policies that often include misleading information.

Horton notes, "The crooks use every method available to them - texts, emails, and robo calls to rip off their targets."

To avoid these scams, BBB recommends the following:

• Research first. Get as much information as you can before you pay. If you cannot find busi-A few examples of ness reviews anywhere

For more information

If you encounter a scam, even if you don't lose money, report it to the BBB Scamtracker to help alert others and protect your community. Look for the BBB seal, The Sign of a Better Business. Visit BBB.org or follow us @ChicagoBBB on social media.



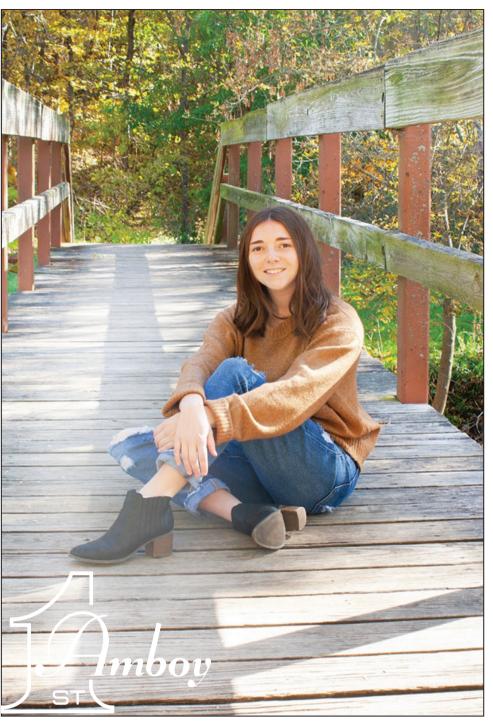
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LOCAL NEWS

Rylyn Karrow named May's Amboy High School Student of the Month



AMBOY - Rylyn Karrow, the daughter of Brittney Karrow, has been named The First National Bank in Amboy Student of the Month for May.

GPA: 3.87

Memberships and involvement: Amboy High School cheerleading team, marching band, pep band, concert band, dance at Centerstage Dance Company.

Awards and honors: National Honor Society, John Philip Sousa Band Award, Cheerleader of the Year, Top 10 in AHS Class of 2024.

Best memories of AHS: Winning the state football game my senior year.

Future plans: I am going to attend Sauk Valley Community College then transfer to a four-year college afterward.

The Amboy Student of the Month is chosen by Amboy High School faculty and a scholarship is awarded by The First National Bank in Amboy.



Amboy schools name Staff Member & Teacher of the Year Amboy Community Unit School District recognized two employees with the "of the year" awards on Friday, May 24. More than 200 nominations recommending 58 individual teachers and staff members were received by parents, students, district employees and community members. The 2024 Staff Member of the Year is Arly Kaecker, a custodian at Amboy Junior High School for the last eight years. In the photo on the left, left to right, Elsa Payne, Amboy Schhol board secretary, Arly Kaecker, and Katie Pratt, board president. The 2024 Teacher of the Year is Joanie Zimmerly, a teacher at Central Elementary School for 26 years. In the photo on the right are, left to right, board member Drew Montovan, superintendent Joshua Nichols, Zimmerly, Pratt, and Payne. **Photos contributed**

Next Amboy Food Truck Monday is from 4-8 p.m. June 17

Fake summer job scam season heats up surge in fraudulent offers and interviews

ROCKFORD – As the summer season approaches, the quest for the perfect summer job heats up. But beware, job hunters! The Better Business Bureau (BBB) issues a timely warning: the job market is rife with deceptive listings, cunning scam artists, and too- good-to-be-true work-from-home offers. High school and college students, often the most eager and vulnerable, are particularly at risk. The BBB urges all job seekers to stay vigilant and informed to ensure your summer job hunt doesn't leave you out in the cold. "These cons often use real company names and can be very convincing," says Dennis Horton, BBB Regional Director. "Job scams have a serious risk of money loss and identity theft. It may look like you are starting a great new career, but you are giving personal information or money to scammers." Employment scams are BBB's second riskiest scam type in the U.S. (Investment scams are #1.) Employment scams have a median dollar loss of \$1,995, significantly higher than the overall median dollar loss of \$100 reported for all scam types. Horton notes, "Searching for a job is easier than ever, but you must be careful online. Scammers utilize technology, too. Expect to encounter scams; they are widespread and come in various forms." A job seeker sees a Help Wanted ad online or receives an email or a text message from an "employer" asking you to apply for a position. The ads sometimes use the name of a real business or government agency. Companies, small and large, have been impersonated. You apply and get a quick response from the "hiring manager." You might be invited to do a job interview (phony) through a video chat service.

may have been "accidentally" overpaid with a fake check and asked to deposit the check and wire back the difference. You may also be told that you need to buy expensive equipment and supplies to work at home.

Remember, if you question the company's methods and receive a defensive response, it's a clear sign of a scam. Don't succumb to pressure and follow their demands. Stay skeptical and cautious. The job they're offering isn't real!

BBB Tips to avoid employment scams:

• Do your research. Before you say yes to any job, research the company that wants to hire you. Evaluate what others are saying about their experience with this company. Research companies offering jobs at BBB. org. Does the company have a professional website and legitimate contact information? Find a number on the business's website and call to confirm the job or job offer is real. Check the email address to ensure that it is connected to the company. Be cautious providing personal information to unverified recruiters and online applications.

 Government agencies post all jobs publicly and freely. U.S. federal government and the U.S. Postal Service never charge for information about jobs or applications for jobs. Be wary of any offer to give you special access or guarantee you a job for a fee. Paying for the promise of a job is probably a scam. • Beware of red flags. Scammers often send emails with many typos and grammatical errors. They offer to hire you without an interview and even pay you before you've done any work. None of these are behaviors of a reputable business. • Never send money to strangers. No legitimate company will ask you to pay them to get a job. Never send funds in the form of cash, checks, gift cards or wire transfers to someone you don't know or haven't met.

Kishwaukee College recognizes 23 nursing students during Spring 2024 pinning ceremony

MALTA - Kishwaukee College nursing students were honored during a pinning ceremony on Wednesday, May 15, at the College. Kish recognized 23 students for completing the Registered Nursing program and presented each graduate with a special pin before family and friends during the ceremony.

The registered nursing graduates of Spring 2024 are: Marvellous Ajibare, Bettina Banda, Chloe Block, Alexis Carr, Ranzy Collins, Odalys Galarza, Perla Gonzales, Leah Harrolle, Ebuwa Igbinovia, Molly Isham, Miriam James, Britney Medina, Kayleigh Quinn, Marcella Schultz, Jessica Schumacher, Sherita Sims, Jessica Solis, Humberto Valdez, Cierra Thomas, Alaina Thompson, Karli Warner, Ella Yarman and Celia Valle.

Block, Collins, Galarza, Gonzales, Harrolle, Igbinovia, Isham, James, Medina, Schultz, Schumacher, Valdez, Thomas, Warner and Yarman were recognized as Alpha Delta Nu Nursing Honors Society members. Karli Warner was named the Spring 2024 Outstanding Student. Warner provided an address reflecting on the challenges and benefits of pursuing a career in nursing.

"As a mother, embarking on the journey of nursing scool has been uniquely rewarding. It has been rewarding to expand my skill set and to make an impact on the lives of others. It has been rewarding to have my daughters see and admire the hard work and dedication — to hear them tell people, 'My mommy is going to be a nurse," Warner said.

The ceremony included an address from Dr. Laurie Borowicz, President of Kishwaukee College, and Angela Delmont, Director of Nursing. Delmont shared the history and symbolism of pinning ceremonies as the graduates take the next step in their college or career journeys.

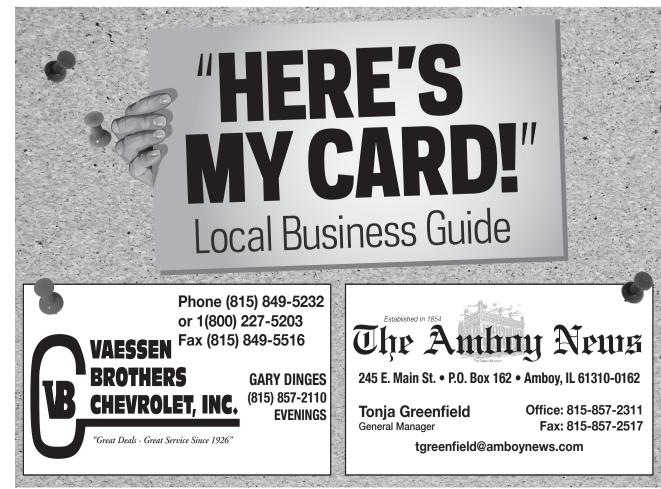
"Today, as you receive nursing pins, you not only wear a symbol of an esteemed profession but carry with you the values that define nursing, which are compassion, empathy, integrity, and an unrelenting pursuit of excellence in patient care," Delmont said.

During the ceremony, each graduate was pinned by a friend or family member who had supported the student or acted as a mentor while completing the program.

The Registered Nursing program at Kishwaukee College prepares students to become fully licensed registered nurses in Illinois. For more information on nursing at Kishwaukee College, visit kish.edu/ nursing.

After you're "hired," the company may charge you upfront for "training." You may need to provide your personal and banking information to run a credit check or set up direct deposit. You

BBB recommends that job seekers follow these guidelines:





WEEKLY SPECIALS

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Sale goes through June 4, 2024