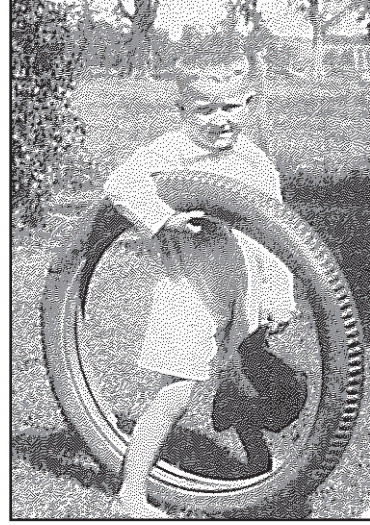


90th Birthday



Happy 90th Birthday

Robert (Bob) and Joan (Jody) Bryan of Homer are preparing to celebrate their 90th birthdays. Bob's 90th birthday was September 26, 2017 and Jody's 90th birthday will be December 3, 2017. In honor of these milestone birthdays, their children will host a joint open house to celebrate with cake and ice cream on Monday, November 20th from 6:30 - 8:00 PM at the Homer Village Hall, 500 E Second Street, Homer, IL. The couple requests no gifts, but cards are always appreciated.

Bob and Jody have two sons, Jeff (Jan) Bryan of Pooler, GA, and Bruce (Jami) Bryan of Homer. They have four grandchildren: Jessica (Jimmy) Seckinger of Rincon, GA, Justin (Cori) Minick of Pace, FL, Chase Bryan of Sidney and Bailey Bryan of Homer. They also have three great-grandchildren: Emily Seckinger and Caroline Seckinger of Rincon, GA and Mason Minick of Pace, FL. Bob and Jody have been married for 70 years.

PEACE MEAL MENU

Sidney/Homer Peace Meal menu for Thursday, November 16 through Wednesday, November 22.

Thursday, 11/16/17 - Saucy riblet, macaroni and cheese, blueberry muffin served with butter or margarine, warm black-eyed pea salad, apricots, and a half pint of milk.

Friday, 11/17/17 - Salisbury beef patty, mashed potatoes, dinner roll served with butter or margarine, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, and a half pint of milk.

Monday, 11/20/17 - Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, seasoned green beans, peaches, and a half pint of milk.

Tuesday, 11/21/17 - Baked ham, candied sweet potatoes, dinner roll served with butter or margarine, buttered Midori vegetables, pie, and a half pint of milk.

Wednesday, 11/22/17 - Chili with beans, mixed lettuce salad with dressing packet, crackers, Waldorf salad, and a half pint of milk.

The Peace Meal Congregate Meal Site in Sidney closed effective August 1, but the home delivered meals program continues Monday through Friday for seniors who qualify and individuals who were attending the Peace Meal Congregate Meal Site in Sidney are invited to attend the Peace Meal Congregate Meal Site in Homer.

Homer Peace Meal is served around 11:00 a.m. Monday through Friday in the Homer Village Hall located at 500 East Second Street in Homer. Home delivered meals are available Monday through Friday for seniors who qualify.

To reserve your spot call Peace Meal at 1-800-543-1770 by 12:00 p.m. the day before the meal you wish to attend. Skim milk and desserts with no sugar added are available in many locations. Ask the site supervisor for more information. Peace Meal sometimes needs to substitute on menus, but still guarantee a nutritious meal.

The Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program suggests a donation of \$3.50 for each congregare and home delivered meal, however, no older person will be denied a meal because of their inability to contribute to the cost of the meal. The Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program does accept the Illinois Link Card for payment.

The Sidney/Homer Peace Meal menu is submitted for the Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program by Ann Rhoton.



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an agreement with Hartman Consultants, LLC to the Monday, December 4 Sidney Village Board of Trustees meeting agenda.

Sidney Village Operations Manager and Water Superintendent Earl Bennett reported that he would provide his report during the Water and Drainage Committee report.

Sidney Village Board Trustee and Finance Committee Chair Cyndi McCloud gave the finance report. A motion from Trustee McCloud seconded by Trustee Jason Arrasmith to pay all of the monthly bills carried.

McCloud also reported on her research into whether the Sidney Community Library could be included within the Village of Sidney audit by reporting that the library had never before been included within the village audit, that she needed to look into library finances to see if this were possible, and that she would report back at the Sidney Village Board of Trustees December 4 meeting.

Sidney Village Board Trustee and Streets and Alleys Committee Chair John Finn reported that he needed to find out more about how many offices, etc. Village of Sidney board members want to have in a building before he can draw up plans for a new Village of Sidney building to be erected on the village-

owned property where the Sidney Grade School used to be.

President White thought two offices and a room for the Sidney ESDA need to be a part of the building. Board members also decided that a conference meeting room with a kitchen need to be included following discussion.

Discussion concerning the adverse effect of moving out of the downtown area was brought up as it is more convenient to have offices in the downtown area. Also brought up was the concept that the current community building could be torn down and a new and slightly bigger building put up in its place. It was additionally mentioned that the downtown Loman/Ray insurance building could be looked at as a possible temporary location for village offices during construction. Trustee Finn will look into the possible use of the Loman/Ray building and report back at the December 4 Sidney Village Board of Trustees meeting.

Sidney Village Operations Manager and Water Superintendent Earl Bennett gave the water usage report as Sidney Village Board Trustee and Water and Drainage Committee Chair Troy Roberts was absent from the meeting due to work.

Mr. Bennett additionally

reported that meter upgrades have been completed and that letters have been sent to Sidney residents who have meters inside their house asking for access to upgrade those water meters.

Village Board Trustee and Public Property Committee Chair Jason Arrasmith reported that he had received a \$1,540.00 estimate from Leaf It To Us Total Tree Care Plus LLC to grind out 13 tree stumps within the village. Trustee Jason Arrasmith's motion seconded by Trustee Cyndi McCloud to spend \$1,540.00 with Leaf It To Us Total Tree Care Plus LLC to remove the 13 stumps carried.

Trustee Arrasmith additionally reported that building permit #701 had been issued at a cost of \$150.00 to Crop Production Services to put up a shed, that building permit #702 had been issued at a cost of \$50.00 to Danny Ennis at 306 South David Street to put up a portable shed, that permit #703 had been issued at a cost of \$50.00 to Eris Hagerman to put up a fence, and that permit #704 had been issued at a cost of \$50.00 to Chris Bromley at 201 Austin Drive to put up a fence.

There was no Parks and Recreation Committee report as Sidney Village Board Trustee and Parks and Recreation Committee Chair Tyler Bickers was absent from the meeting.

Sidney Village Board Trustee and Community Development Committee Chair Leroy Schluter reported that the village needed to reset the Community Building meeting room clock as it is an hour behind and that he had heard positive feedback from Sidney residents that the 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. trick or treating had gone well.

Trustee Schluter also announced that the Sidney Village Board of Trustees will have a 6:30 p.m. village board meeting regarding zoning on Tuesday, November 14 at the Sidney Community Building. The meeting agenda is in regards to the property owner of 202 Austin Drive wanting to replace a 4 ft. fence with a 6 ft. fence on that property located outside of the design-

nated zoning ordinance area.

The Sidney Village Board of Trustees meeting was brought to adjournment at 8:40 p.m. following a motion from Trustee Jason Arrasmith and a second by Trustee Cyndi McCloud.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Sidney Village Board of Trustees will take place on Monday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sidney Community Building located in downtown Sidney. The public is always welcome and encouraged to attend and all monthly meetings, unless otherwise posted, are held in the Sidney Community Building meeting room.

The Sidney Scoop

by Ann Rhoton, 688-2812



A Sidney Fire Protection District Appreciation Banquet took place on Saturday November, 4 at the Sidney Fire Station. Trustee and President of the three member board Tim Maupin started the award banquet off with a speech and a tribute for veterans of the military serving on the Sidney Fire Department during which all stood in their honor as a wonderful recording of God Bless America played.

Dinner place mats with a photo of Karl Aufdenkampe and Byron McCarrey standing in front of a building with fire engines were in place and a challenge was issued for the table who guessed the location privilege to get in line first for dinner. The former location of the Sidney Fire Department and the building in which the two men were photographed in front of is now the location of the Sidney Saloon!

The dinner prepared by Sidney Saloon co-owners Eddie Boutilier and Linda March was very much enjoyed by all and former Sidney Fire Chief, Sidney Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Past President, and Sidney Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Trustee Bill Hensch gave the key note speech for the evening.

Years of service awards were presented by the Sidney Fire Protection District Board of Trustees headed by Sidney Fire Protection District Board of Trustees Vice President Kris Bolt.

Honored Sidney Firemen were Grant Bennett and Brady Walden for five years of service, Brett Bennett for 10 years of service, Trent Bennett for 15 years of service, Jason Arrasmith for 20 years of service, Sidney Fire Chief Earl Bennett for 30 years of service, and Bill Hensch for 42 years of service.

Sidney Fire Chief Earl Bennett additionally presented Bill Hensch with his old Sidney fireman helmet sporting the 42 years and past fire chief on the helmet and an emotional Mr. Hensch after receiving his helmet said that he would add the helmet to his memorabilia at home as he stated that he had ridden with the best.

The Sidney Fire Protection District Board additionally awarded Sidney Fire Chief Earl Bennett with a smoker cooker in appreciation for all of the extra service he gives to the Sidney Fire Protection District Fire Department.

The Sidney American Legion Post 433 will hold their next monthly meeting at the Post Home located at 212 South David Street in downtown Sidney on Monday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m.

The Sidney Improvement Group Christmas event will take place on Friday, December 1 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Saturday, December 2 from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m., and Saturday, December 9 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Plans so far include carriage rides in downtown Sidney originating from in front of the Sidney Community Library and free will donation chili being served by the American Legion Post 433 at the Post Home located at 212 South David Street on Friday, December 1, breakfast with Santa at the Sidney United Church on Saturday, December 2, and a Shop at Home at the Unity East Elementary School with hourly \$25.00 cash drawings and more on Saturday, December 9.

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Have a great week!

If you or your organization have news items you want published drop a line to Ann Rhoton at P. O. Box 491, Sidney, IL 61877 or call (217) 688-2812; don't hesitate to leave a message if there's no answer.

News items must be turned in by 10:00 a.m. each Friday to be published in the following week's paper. Items submitted after the deadline will be published in the following week's column.

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