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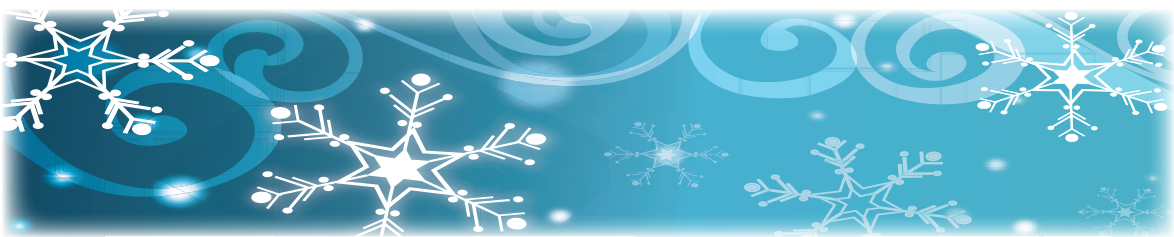
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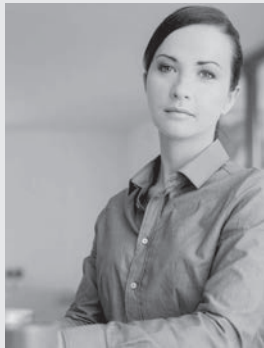
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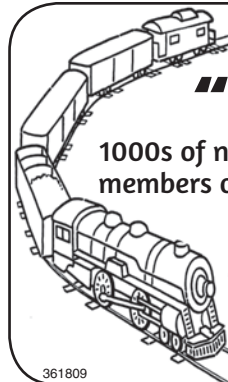
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**Small Town, Bright Christmas Walk**  
Friday, December 6 & Saturday, December 7, 2019 • Downtown Pecatonica

All events are free unless noted with an \*

**Friday, December 6**

4-6:45pm Christmas Cash Passport Begins, Downtown; Two Winners Per Age Group, Adult Prizes: \$300, \$200; Junior Prizes \$100, Bike

4-7pm Spaghetti Dinner, American Legion; \$8

4-7pm S'mores, Boy Scouts Troop #1, Donations Welcome

6:30pm Hot Chocolate Bar, Edward Jones Booth

7pm Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Corner of 4th St. & Main St.; Tree Lighting, Storytime, Love Lights Reading, Lighted Parade, Following Tree Lighting

8pm "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", Pec Playhouse Theatre

**Saturday, December 7**

9am-3pm Christmas Walk, Downtown

Until 3pm Christmas Cash Passport Begins, Downtown; Two Winners Per Age Group, Adult Prizes: \$300, \$200; Junior Prizes \$100, Bike

9am-3pm Vendors, Connecting Point Church

9:30-10:30am Kids' Breakfast with Sparky and Pecatonica Firemen, American Legion

9:30am-Noon Visit Santa & Mrs. Claus, US Bank

10am-1pm Horse & Carriage Rides

10am-2pm German American State Bank Photo Booth, 319 Main St.

10am-2pm S'mores, Boy Scouts, Donations Welcome

11am-Noon Pecatonica Preschool Story & Craft, Pecatonica Library

2pm "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", Pec Playhouse Theatre

3pm Christmas Cash Drawing, Village Christmas Tree

7pm Christmas Bingo, American Legion

8pm "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", Pec Playhouse Theatre

**Sunday, December 8**

2pm "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", Pec Playhouse Theatre

2:30pm Community Choir Cantata, First Congregational Church

**Christmas Walk Activities**

Pec Elementary Singers  
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**CHURCH EVENTS**

Ornament Decorating, River's Edge

Biscuits & Gravy  
Breakfast & Cookie Sale\*, First Congregational Church

Cake Walk (9am-Noon), Connecting Point

Family Fun Fair & Craft Sale, Pecatonica United Methodist

St. Mary's Bake Sale & Advent Calendar Sale\*, Green Bean Academy

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**Police beat**

The following arrests are on file at the Loves Park and Machesney Park Police Dept. Readers are reminded that suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

**Loves Park**

**Nov. 3**  
7742 Forest Hills Road – Noe Villegas Martinez, 29, on charges of operating a motor vehicle with no driver's license

**Nov. 4**  
1600 West Lane Road – Alfred H. Brien, 51, on charges of a Rockford PD warrant

**Nov. 5**  
Riverside/Argyle – Jacob G. Green, 20, on charges of operating a motor vehicle with no registration, suspended registration for no insurance, and a suspended/revoked driver's license

7765 Forest Hills Road – Raven C. Richardson, 24, on charges of operating an uninsured motor vehicle with a suspended registration (no insurance), and a suspended/revoked driver's license

6217 N. 2nd St. – Catherine E. Gasiorowski, 53, on charges of operating an uninsured motor vehicle with a cancelled/suspended/revoked registration, improper use of registration, and a suspended/revoked driver's license

7116 Windsor Lake Pkwy. – Jazmyn O. Keene, 27, on charges of domestic battery

7200 N. Alpine – Quinton J. Anderson, 29, on charges of operating an un-

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insured motor vehicle with a suspended/revoked driver's license, muffler violations, multiple warrants/summons/subpoenas, and resisting/obstructing an officer

**Nov. 6**  
200 Hosmer St. – Angel Enrique CervantesLepe, 20, on charges of an in-state warrant

Crest Hills/Harlem – Dan E. Daly, 61, on charges of operating a motor vehicle with suspended registration for no insurance, license plate violation, defective equipment, and attempts to flee or elude officer

Second/Snow – Antonio Hernandez, 30, on charges of operating an uninsured motor vehicle with a suspended registration (no insurance), a registration/title violation, and a suspended/revoked driver's license

4800 N. 2nd St. – William D. Waugh, 40, on charges of possession of a controlled substance

4800 N. 2nd St. – Zachary W. Harris, 26, on charges of delivery or possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance

4800 N. 2nd St. – Annaliese J. Balzano, 21, on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug equipment, and a warrant/summons/subpoena

4800 N. 2nd St. – Denzel L. Anderson, 27, on charges of delivery or possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance and failure to signal/improper signal

**Nov. 8**  
4747 N. 2nd St. – Patrick L. Clinton, Jr., 19, on charges of operating an uninsured motor vehicle with no driver's license, improper backing, and defective equipment

## Machesney Park

**Nov. 3**  
806 Wayne Dr. – Wesley R. Richardson, 25, on charges of a warrant intake report

9416 Emerson – Michael C. Groom,

30, on charges of hit-and-run, failure to reduce speed/too fast for conditions, and improper lane usage

**Nov. 4**  
Darr Ave. at N. 2nd St. – Jeffery L.

Lottie, 33, on charges of operating an uninsured motor vehicle with no driver's license, and enforcement violations

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#### Nov. 5

5300 block of Elevator Road –

moving vehicle accident

#### Nov. 6

10300 block of Metalmark Lane – dryer fire

#### Nov. 7

Rockton Road/Rte. 251 – moving vehicle accident

200 block and Rockton Road

(on Overpass-southbound lanes) –

moving vehicle accident

### LOVES PARK

The Loves Park Fire Dept. responded to 51 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls from Nov. 4 to 9.

#### Nov. 4

Arlington St./Ransom Pl. – gas leak

5610 Walker Ave. – agency assist

300 Glendale – gas leak

#### Nov. 5

6550 N. Alpine Road – smoke investigation

Harlem Road/Perryville Road – vehicle fire

#### Nov. 8

4820 Majestic Pass – gas leak

#### Nov. 9

5000 Stadium Dr. – public assist

540 Clifford Ave. – fire alarm

## •Police

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#### Nov. 5

1770 West Lane Road – Alyssa J. Peak, 22, on charges of retail theft

7225 Mildred Road – Krystal M. Yoho, 25, on charges of domestic battery

#### Nov. 6

N. Perryville Road/West Lane Road – Samantha Lee Popernik, 35, on charges of a warrant/summons/subpoena

#### Nov. 7

Bridge Bauer – Deshawn G D Williams, 19, on charges of operating an uninsured motor vehicle with no registration, improper use of registration, and failure to reduce speed/too fast for conditions

8200 N. 2nd St. – Jeffrey S. Oliver, 52, on charges of aggravated battery and resisting/obstructing officer

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## Weekly connection

# My uncle on the battlefield on D-Day

I always thought this person was the toughest man in the world. He was incredibly strong and willing to undertake any mechanical project that needed to be done. During the week he worked as a supervisor at Inland Steel Mill near Gary, Indiana. On the weekends, however, he was busy helping others. There were cars and trucks aplenty in his shop and he was right there fixing them. There were brake jobs going on, a carburetor torn apart, some welding to do, or even a major engine overhaul underway. You see Uncle Don had a large number of teenage nieces and nephews who were just learning to drive and we needed his help.

When we had a special project to do on the farm as well, he would come right over after work or on the weekend to mastermind it. He once redesigned and created larger iron paddles to replace each and every one of the smaller blades on our old shuttle stroke Jamesway barncleaner. I still can see him welding away making paddle after paddle. It was a remarkable improvement to say the least. Now it only took about forty-five minutes to clean each side of the barn instead of ninety minutes or more on each side. Later he designed and engineered some huge tie rods and metal plates attached to the outer walls of our barn and running completely across the width of the haymow that saved the huge building from collapsing. They are still in place today supporting that barn and giving it a firm and stable structure.

My Uncle Don lived in northwest Indiana where my parents were born and raised. I spent the first ten years of my life



By  
**SCOTT CERNEK**  
Columnist

there as well. Once when I was older and living in Wisconsin by then, I drove down to Chicago with

friends to watch a Bulls game. As we were heading home my car mysteriously stalled right there on Madison Street outside the Stadium in a not so nice part of town. I called Uncle Don late that night and sure enough, he hopped up off the couch, grabbed his hat and toolbox and headed an hour and a half up the road to help his needy nephew. He towed me home to his house that night, about sixty

or seventy miles in Chicago traffic using a t-bar between our two vehicles. He was able to diagnose the problem, get the part, and, the next day, I was heading for home after a wonderful home cooked meal by my Aunt Irene.

I had the privilege of taking a trip with this man to the Grand Canyon and back when I was twenty-three, just the two of us. As we drove mile after mile in my

five speed Ford Thunderbird, we talked, laughed, and snacked on food that my Aunt had sent along. There was a tender side to Uncle Don that very few people ever saw and a guarded side as well. You see he was a survivor of World War II and the horrors of D-Day when American troops invaded France at Normandy Beach on their way to

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# One great cat – part one

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He still goes outside every day, albeit for shorter jaunts than in his younger years. He still comes down for his afternoon treat each day. He may not catch snakes and bring them into the house anymore but he still runs his routine, just not at the breakneck speed of his youth.

I understand he is slowing down. I know 19 is old for a cat. I know. I understand.

I just don't want to talk about it.

My husband disagrees. He brings up the subject every chance he gets.

This is odd – beyond odd, actually – my husband wanting to talk about something (something remotely related to feelings) and me being on the opposing end of that chatter.

Usually, I want to hash out everything. Every. Thing. More than once. Multiple times. Extendedly.

When I attempt to revisit an issue, my husband will often say, "We talked about this."

I remind him that sometimes I need to reach a decision at least three We observed our male cat on the bed scratching with his front paws in the manner a feline does to bury



By **JILL PERTLER**  
Contributor

its urine. We concluded he was the culprit and understood we'd have to make a drastic decision. You can't have a cat peeing on your son's bed on a daily basis – even if the mattress is covered in plastic.

Thing was, we had to leave town for the weekend. It was during the summer, so we decided to put our guilty male cat in the garage before having to decide his ultimate fate. We made him a nice cozy bed and left him with plenty of water and food and, of course, a litter box.

We returned two days later and he looked at us with curiosity as if to say, "Why did you leave me in the garage?"

When we entered the house we understood why. Our guilty male cat had been sentenced to a weekend in the garage, yet our son's bed was wet with cat urine. We'd convicted the wrong pet. And thankfully he'd been granted a reprieve.

That was 15 years ago.

He's been a great cat before that and ever since. Rescued from a freezing cardboard box. Almost

convicted of a crime he didn't commit. King of the neighborhood. Thoroughly living all of his nine lives.

My husband wants to talk about his dying and I don't have it in me. I guess I'd rather write about his living. Neither of us – my husband nor me – is right or wrong, it's just how we individually grapple with our grief.

That's what this is: grief. Losing a pet, or anticipating losing a pet is beyond difficult. Our cat has been a part of our family for nearly two decades. That's longer than many marriages last. And he's been a good boy. A tough, loyal, fluffy, handsome, loving, aloof, and strong kitty. I hope he's part of our family for many years to come, but in reality that probably won't be the case.

But I don't want to talk about it.

Let's just leave it at this: We will love him the best we can until the end. And then later we will see him on the other side.

Love you, Mickey.

*Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.*

# Are rude and crude the new norm, or will America bring back civility?

By Dr. Steven Mintz  
AUTHOR: BEYOND HAPPINESS AND MEANING

"Can we talk?"

Joan Rivers made that catchphrase popular decades ago, but in 2019 the answer to the late comedian's heartfelt query appears to be a resounding no. Whether it's tweets on social media, pundits on TV, politicians in Washington, or parents at a youth soccer match, much of the communication we engage in today is ill mannered, inconsiderate, vicious and sometimes downright cruel or violent.

In short, civility is taking a beating.

"Incivility occurs because we lose sight of what it means to be an ethical person," says Dr. Steven Mintz ([www.stevemintzethics.com](http://www.stevemintzethics.com)), author of *Beyond Happiness and Meaning: Transforming Your Life Through Ethical Behavior*.

"Ethical people do not berate others. They certainly don't promote violent behavior. Being willing to accept the ideas of others who may not agree with you is a sign of civil behavior. It values those with opposing views as members of humanity."

Ellen DeGeneres made that point recently when she became the target of online outrage after she was seen enjoying a Dallas Cowboys football game with former President George W. Bush. Those taking umbrage with DeGeneres didn't understand why she would hang out with someone whose beliefs and ideals are diametrically opposed to hers.

"When I say be kind to one another, I don't mean be kind to the people who think the same way you do," DeGeneres told a studio audience. "I mean be kind to everyone."

An annual poll by Weber Shandwick, a public relations firm, found that 93 percent of Americans believe there is a civility problem in the country, and Mintz says that, whether people realize it or not, we all pay a price.

"Incivility can negatively affect happiness and impact wellness," he says. "It can harm mental and physical health, affect productivity in the workplace, inhibit civil engagement, and, taken to an extreme, cause violence in our streets, schools, and places of business."

Who's at fault for the decline

of courteous communication? The Weber Shandwick poll found that 57 percent of Americans lay the primary blame on social media and the Internet. Other culprits they point to include behavior in the White House (50 percent), politicians in general (47 percent), news media (40 percent), political and social commentators (38 percent) and Hollywood celebrities (30 percent).

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stop Adolf Hitler and the German army. Uncle Don was a medic. It was his job to treat the wounded and rescue the dying from the battlefield. He told me that day that there were twenty-three men in his company when the army rafts hit the shoreline. By the end of the day there were only four left. Nineteen of his buddies and fellow comrades had been shot and killed. The rules of war say that your enemy is not supposed to kill anyone with a giant red cross on their back, but that didn't stop the Germans.

After he told me about that day in 1944, my uncle got very quiet as we drove along, and I saw him crying. I cannot imagine the sacrifice, pain, and heartache that so many of our veterans and their families have had to endure to preserve the freedom and liberty we hold so dear here in this country. I am so thankful for our vets and that all gave some and some gave all so that we could live here in the USA, the greatest country that was ever created. It is my prayer that we will never forget that here in America, we proudly cherish our veterans and we unashamedly put our trust in Almighty God. Psalm 9:10 "Those who know your name trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you."

Thank you to all who served in our great military. We owe you a great debt and thank you Almighty God for establishing this country and helping us to thrive. Turn us back to you, I pray. Until next week, God bless.



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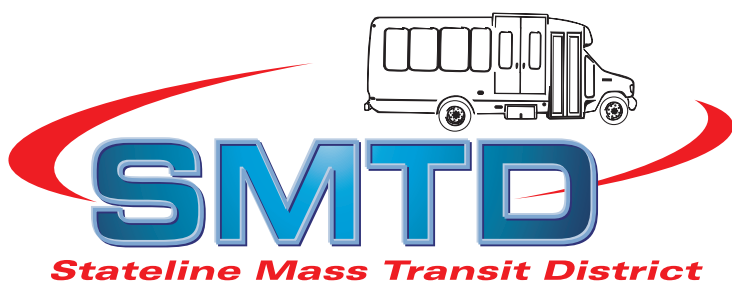


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