

# Board proclaims Scout Week 2018

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The village of Bourbonnais board approved proclamation No. 18-311 designating Feb. 4-10, 2018 as "Scout Week" in the village at their Monday, Feb. 4 meeting. There are 160 Boy Scout packs in Kankakee, Will and Grundy counties that will be celebrating over 100 years of service. On Wednesday, Feb. 7, the Boy Scouts of Bourbonnais will "run the village offices" and attend a board meeting to make their voices heard.

The board heard first reading of Ordinance 18-2089, an ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Bourbonnais concerning residency requirements. The aim is to make working for the village of Bourbonnais, and finding suitable candidates to fill open positions, easier by eliminating the residency requirement.

The board approved resolution 18-1294, a resolution approving an extension to an

intergovernmental agreement between County of Kankakee, city of Kankakee, city of Mokenca, village of Bourbonnais, village of Bradley and the village of Manteno for the promotion of tourism. The current agreement is due to expire on April 30, 2018. The units of government wish to extend the agreement for six months (through Oct. 31, 2018) while they explore consideration of a new inter-governmental agreement for the promotion of tourism.

In other action, the board approved Resolution 18-1295, a resolution requesting a highway permit from IDOT for the village to construct improvements along U.S. Rt. 45/52 located at 6000 N. Rd, Bourbonnais Pkwy. The board also adopted Resolution 18-1296, a resolution approving a non-exclusive public way access agreement for Fiber Optic Cable by and between Olivet Nazarene University and the Village of Bourbonnais. This is an extension of the original timeframe.

# Sweets have a history in Bourbonnais



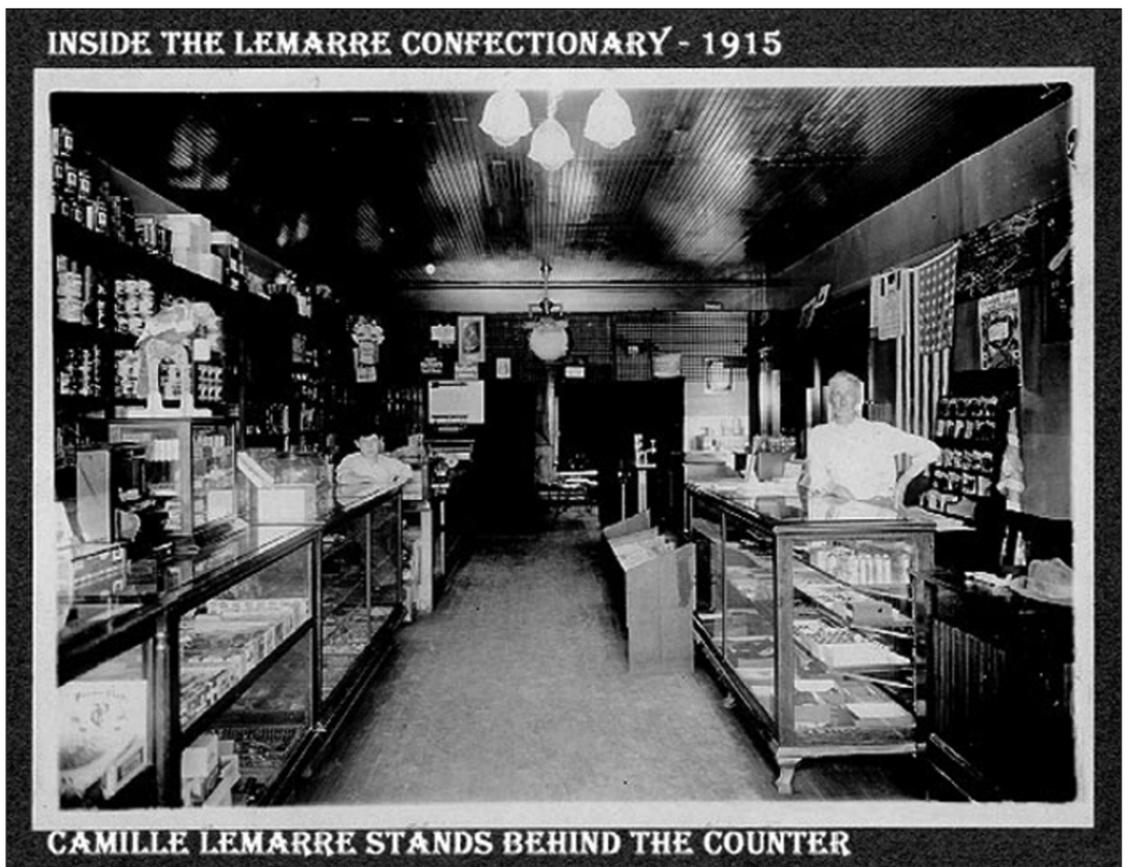
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The LaMarre Confectionery stood at the current location of The Library Bar on Marsile St. in Bourbonnais. Cecile LaMarre Enright relates, "...the confectionery store had mostly dry goods, tobacco, drinks, but also served ice cream. I was the envy of my schoolmates but I did have restrictions. Because we were across the street from St. Viator's College (now Olivet Nazarene University), we became sort of a hangout place for the students. My dad, Amadee LaMarre, (standing on the left) had many stories to tell." In this 1915 interior shot of the confectionery, Camille LaMarre, proprietor, stands on the right. According to Enright in her oral history interview (frenchcanadians.kcc.edu), her father, Camille's son, Amedee (above, left), was U.S. Postmaster for six years. Since there was no house-to-house delivery at that time, people came into the store for their mail. This location and many others are included in Four Walking Tours of Historic Bourbonnais at [bourbonnaishistory.org](http://bourbonnaishistory.org).

## — More sweet success! —



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More Chocolate Tour pictures: Madeline Depasquale (top) handed out popcorn and caramel corn at Sweet Street candy store. Betty Vasilakis and Samantha Yarno (bottom) served chocolate covered cherries at Brickstone Brewery.



*The Bourbonnais Grove Historical Society is dedicated to preserving and promoting local history. Monthly meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month March-December. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. the first and third Sundays of each month, March-December or by appointment.*

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