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**MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR**  
**LET'S BE SAFE, SHERMAN! HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS**

I have great memories of Halloween as a kid but even better than that, is seeing my own kids get excited about dressing up and going Trick or Treating.

Halloween is awesome in Sherman. Everyone seems to cooperate every year to make sure the families wandering the neighborhoods are warmly welcomed and also stay safe.

The spookiest holiday is a tradition that is alive and well in this community. Let's keep it that way.

Sherman Police Officers will be monitoring the Village and handing out glow sticks to the kids. Sherman's Fire Department will also be stationed out in the Village. We are so fortunate to have these professionals on duty whenever citizens gather together to celebrate and have fun.

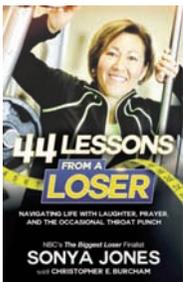
**HALLOWEEN HOURS ARE 5-8 P.M. OCT. 31**

At the same time, it doesn't hurt to review a few safety tips from the Police:

- Use costumes that are brightly colored and don't interfere with vision or walking. Carry a flashlight.
- Encourage face paint and/or make-up rather than hoods, wigs or masks that can block vision.
- Do not cut across yards, which may have hidden hazards.
- Warn children not to accept rides from strangers. Report suspicious/criminal activity to 9-1-1.
- Check all treats and discard the homemade or unwrapped.
- Only visit homes with outside lights on.

**Motorists! Exercise extreme caution!**

**SONYA JONES BOOK SIGNING IS NOV. 10**



We have an author in our midst! Congratulations to our own Sonya Jones, who has a new book out chronicling her journey through weight loss and self-discovery.

Sherman Public Library is hosting a book signing for Sonya on **Saturday, November 10, 10 a.m. – noon.**



*Seven members of Kelsey Hickman's local "posse" belt out "Gypsy" on stage with the Nashville star September 29, while one super fan rocks out with the audience. More photos inside.*

**WHAT A MONTH FOR VILLAGE PARK!**

It was our honor to welcome home Nashville star Kelsey Hickman in September, who performed, arguably, the best concert so far in our Amphitheater.

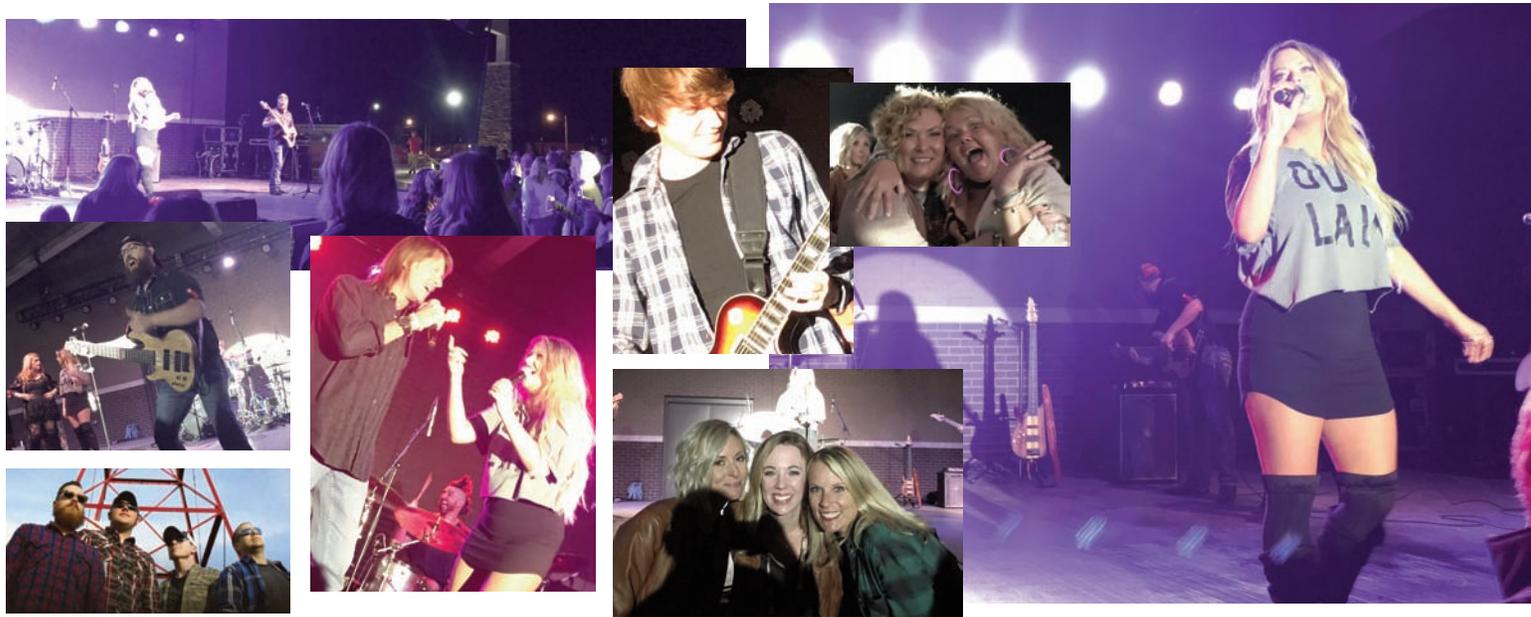
Village Park was humming all month long with activities for all ages. Once again, sincere thanks to all involved in making the movie, the car show and the multiple concerts, another round of successes.

Every one of these events remind me that our parks are a critical part of the social infrastructure in Sherman, just like our library, our schools, and our places of worship. These are the places that bring us together, regardless of where we live or work, or how old we are. These places create connections in an otherwise high tech, hectic world, and we are very fortunate to have them in this community.



**Have a safe October and Happy Halloween, everyone!**

# SHERMAN'S OWN KELSEY HICKMAN WITH THE LONGMEYER BAND HEADLINED A ROCKIN' SEPTEMBER



## "84" A TRIBUTE TO VAN HALEN WITH AFTER SUNSET



## 5TH ANNUAL ROUTE 66 CRUISER CAR CLUB & TRUCK SHOW



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**Born:** Streator, IL  
**Moved to Sherman:** 1979  
**Family:** Husband, John;  
Children – Michelle (Dave) Schultz,  
Phoenix, AZ; Tom Gray (Amanda),  
Sherman, IL; Grandchildren – Harleigh  
and Addison Gray, Sherman, IL.

### What motivated you to get involved in the Village?

I've always volunteered in Sangamon County and have been very active with the creation of the Illinois State Fair Museum Foundation. I felt like it was time to focus energy and efforts toward my local community of Sherman. I wanted the chance to give something back to the community that I love.

### What do you think are the best things about Sherman?

One of the best things about Sherman is the people who live in this community. People are friendly and there is a strong feeling of community. I love watching the growth at our newest park and the open spaces and walking trail and I look forward to what great things we can accomplish there for current and future generations to enjoy.

Another great thing about our Village is that it's big enough to always have something to do and small enough to get from place to place rather quickly. It's great having a grocery store,

veterinary clinic, health clinics, auto shops, beauty salons, restaurants, gas station, car wash, fitness center, lumber yard and a Walgreens. Shopping local is important to me as it keeps the tax dollars and growth here in our community and supports local residents who own some of these businesses.

### Do Sherman residents get their money's worth in property taxes paid, and why?

Yes. We have dedicated and excellent Fire and Police Departments that go above the call of duty. Our library is one of the best around and has recently been remodeled and expanded. Being able to participate and see up close the Village's dedication to efficiency is very reassuring to me as a tax-paying citizen.

### What is in store for Sherman's future that gets you excited?

I'm excited to watch the next generation grow, excel and become productive citizens. The long-term framework and policy development includes public and private investment in our community that will sustain future growth and enhance resiliency.



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**Born and raised:** Springfield, IL  
**Moved to Sherman:** 2006  
**Family:** Husband, Danny; Children –  
Dalton, 24; Dane, 20; Laken, 17.

### What motivated you to get involved in the Village?

Being able to make a difference in my community. Educating myself on Village issues and happenings and the ability to share the knowledge and laws with our community. I appreciate the opportunity to give back, and share my time and experience.

### What do you think are the best things about Sherman?

The community's support for events, and to buy local and support our businesses. Also, Sherman M.O.V.E. is a great group of citizens that has made our village look exceptional. In general, the environment of family, the feel of community, and respect for each other.

### Do Sherman residents get their money's worth in property taxes paid, and why?

Yes! Schools (education), Police (safety), and public works. Along with our parks. It all makes for a great, safe environment in which to raise our children. The hope is, our children will want to raise their children in Sherman.

### What about Sherman's future gets you excited?

I'm excited for the bike/walking trail from Sherman to Williamsville. It will promote exercise and bring our communities closer together. Also, I'm excited to see the events and annual activities that the new Village Park will continue to bring here. With the holiday season fast approaching, I am excited for our 2nd annual tree lighting event. It was such a great success last year and I'm looking forward to this year.





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The Sherman Public Works Department will continue to work on its list of road and sidewalk repair projects well into the fall, as long as the weather holds. Shown: Sebring Road resurfacing



Sherman M.O.V.E. at it again! These amazing volunteers, in coordination with the Village, have decorated Sherman Blvd. for the season..

### OPEN BURNING OF LANDSCAPE WASTE SCHEDULE THROUGH NOVEMBER 28, 2018

Note: Landscape waste only. There is a total ban on burning of garbage, grass, litter, construction materials, recyclables, etc.

Burning allowed 9 a.m. – sunset only.

See website for further restrictions: [www.shermanil.org](http://www.shermanil.org)

Oct. 10  
Oct. 17  
Oct. 20-21  
Oct. 24  
Nov. 3-4

Nov. 7  
Nov. 14  
Nov. 17-18  
Nov. 21  
Nov. 28



### LIMB PICK UP HAS BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH NOVEMBER

See our website for details  
[WWW.SHERMANIL.ORG](http://WWW.SHERMANIL.ORG)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Sat/Sun Oct 12 & 13 Book Sale at Sherman Public Library

Monday, October 15 Blood Drive at Church of Nazerine 3:30pm

Tuesday, October 16 Village Board Meeting 6pm Village Hall

Wednesday, October 31 Village Wide Trick or Treating 5-8pm

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Saturday, November 10 Sonya Jones Book Signing 10am-Noon Sherman Public Library