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Letters to the Editor

More on snow removal

Like I said, I'm not griping on how they removed the snow. It seems like they could at least not plow in driveways. And yes, we can afford to have it removed. Like I said, I know they had their hands full. It just seems like there should be a better way to do the peoples driveways. But like always, it is always someone's error. Seems to me you cant take the criticism on one's thought.

> Jean Akers Hoopeston

And still more...

Wow, Lady, you must have ice water running through your veins. Have you giving any consideration that these elderly people may be on a fixed income and probably cannot afford their food, medicine, high utilities bills yet alone to pay someone twice to scoop out the end of their

driveway? Whatever happened to this country when we used to help are neighbors out and watched over are elderly and less fortunate?

Lady can you declare publicly that your husband did not use any of the tax payers' equipment to keep your lane clean? Can anybody in the city government structure declare that the people's equipment was not used to give special consideration to the Mayor's driveway, city council people or any other street and alley workers driveways? I think you cannot.

That is my opinion. Dissent is the better part of democracy. Without it, we the people will be ruled by the few who believe that they can shut people up by embarrassment and humiliation.

Lady, perhaps one day you will find yourself old and without any help. Perhaps, your 70 year old husband at the time will have to scoop out your driveway, if you do not have the means, without complaint. I have a feeling that it will not be so.

To the elderly people with the driveway problem, do not rely on this city governmental structure for it is geared to benefit the privileged and not the masses, just like any other city in this country. I am in the phone book and will work with one of my friends to keep your lane open when possible. Heck, if I have too, I will scoop it out myself from my wheelchair. For you who know me, you know that my determination will make this so. Perhaps, Mrs. Neal will be there to help out but, do not count on it.

To close, I think that the street and ally department does a good job and they have been kind to me. I have called them several times to express my appreciation for what they do for me. Ask them.

> John S. Palmer Hoopeston Illinois

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Correction

It was incorrectly reported in Monday's issue that a memorial service for Charles Boyden was last Saturday.

The service will be at noon Saturday, March 10, at Wellington United Methodist Church. Visitation will be from 10 a.m.-noon at the church. Burial will be in Sugar Creek Cemetery near Stockland. Memorials are suggested to the church, Iroquois Memorial Hospice or Milford War Memorial. Brown-Alkire Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Weather



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