



A feather-duster becomes a sword as Em Clark’s Robert, left, duels with Trekker Klema’s Max, right, while Sophie Pappas’ Annie looks on in amusement in *The Play That Goes Wrong*. (Photo contributed)

MHS Drama Club to hold Fall play on October 14-15

MENDOTA – The Mendota High School Drama Club will present its Fall play, “The Play That Goes Wrong – High School Edition,” on Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. in the MHS auditorium. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$10 each for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and audience members under the age of 18.

Written by Henry Lewis, Jonathan Sayer, and Henry Shields, the high school edition of “The Play That Goes Wrong” quickly goes from preposterous to disastrous with hysterical consequences. The production was a hit comedy on Broadway and London’s West End, winning the Olivier Award for Best New Comedy in 2015.

The play is set in the 1920s, a comedy of errors featuring a production of “The Murder at Haversham Manor” presented by the fictional Cornley Drama Society. The production goes off the rails the more the actors try to get things back on track. The play-within-a-play features unique special effects, innovative set design, and hilarious physical gags.

The cast includes Sophie Pappas as Annie, Hannah Rich as Taylor, Karli Miars as Christine, Nick Reyes as Jonathan, Em Clark as Robert, Jillian Younger as Denise, Trekker Klema as Max, and Mia Raya as Sandra. The production is directed by James Younger, who is in his first year as Mendota High School Drama Club sponsor. He is assisted by Laura Younger.

Working behind the scenes in the production staff and stage crew are Shelby Bentley, William Bentley, Gracie Botts, Clayton Buffington, Alex Creager, Kylie Donovan, Quin Holland, Trey Lee, and Leah Stamberger.

James Younger said he has enjoyed working with the students on this comedy. “Our cast, crew and design team have all stepped up to make this light-hearted show a success,” he said. “After the past few years, we all need to laugh.”

The cast has worked hard to perfect the physical humor in the show, which requires a great deal of safety planning. Younger said, “There’s a sense of unpredictability, with sets falling, actors messing up their lines, and props breaking. If something can go wrong, it will in amusing ways. We’ve spent a lot of time on the technical aspects and timing, which requires a solid team effort. Thankfully, this is a great group of cast and crew who are willing to put in the time and energy to create great onstage moments.”



MHS Homecoming Royalty

The 2022 King, Queen and Royalty were chosen at Mendota High School at an assembly during the opening day of Homecoming Week on Oct. 3. Left to right, are Junior attendants Diego Sandoval and Grace Wasmer, Senior attendants Rafael Romero and Naitzy Garcia, Queen Emma Schultz, Senior attendants Edgar Arteaga and Katie Jenner, Freshman attendants Ozzy Arteaga and Jessica Reel, and Sophomore attendants Makenzie Bean and Angilberto Serrano. In front are Mini King Maddux Becker and Mini Queen Aria Knowlton. Not pictured is King David Garcia. (Photo contributed)

A perfect fixer upper

□ World traveler settles down in his new home in Mendota

By **BRANDON LaCHANCE**
Staff writer

MENDOTA – Craig Furlong has seen the world.

Born outside of Boston 48 years ago, Furlong has lived in New York, Chicago, Virginia, Florida, and taught ESL (English as a second language) abroad in China, Vietnam, Thailand, and Mexico.

And now he has purchased a fixer upper, project home on Monroe Street in Mendota.

“It may sound great to travel around the world, but you never adapt 100 percent to other cultures. Now, I know how immigrants feel when they come to the United States of America. It gave me perspective,” Furlong said. “When I decided to come back into the states, I went back to the city because I still have a condo in Chicago. With the cost of everything, inflation, you can’t do it on a teacher’s salary, especially, an ESL teacher. I went back to a company that I worked



Craig Furlong has found his fixer upper home in Mendota. (Reporter photo by Brandon LaChance)

for in 2004 as an accountant because they were in need. I’ve been contracting with them and it pays the bills. I work from my new home in Mendota.

“I’m a part-time accountant because I have my home project. I think I’ve graduated toward low stress, minimum hours, maximum pay, and other projects that just make me happy. Working

40-hour weeks is not what I want to do.”

In terms of keeping busy, Furlong doesn’t have to work a full-time job because his new project is giving him plenty of goals to check off a list.

The new Mendotan moved into town May 20 and has been slowly renovating his new home by stripping old paint, layering new paint, hiring contract plumbers, cleaning, and fixing as many domestic areas as possible.

“I’m not bored yet. I would like to complete this house the way I think it should be done in five years. The immediate plan is five years and I think it will take me that long because I am going at a casual pace,” Furlong said. “I don’t see any future reason of leaving Mendota. I’m hopeful the town will just get better.

“I love rehab houses. This is probably the biggest project and the biggest house that I’ve ever had. Because my work schedule is part

time and because I work at home, I needed something else. I needed something to motivate me away from the television. I love having projects and I love old homes that need cared for.”

The domestic areas are just the beginning.

Furlong realizes the beautiful wood floors need re-finished, the electrical units are outdated, and many architectural areas could be improved.

He also knows this takes money, patience, and some time with the home.

“It’s only been four months. I want to see how the house deals with winter,” Furlong said. “I want to see how well the windows are insulated. It’s going to be interesting. I’m not going to make any big purchases until I see how the home reacts.”

Expenses the accountant will not need to calculate are a car, car insurance, or gas.

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IVCC awarded \$3.5 million grant for agriculture education facility

□ New building hoping to be ready for classes by 2024

OGLESBY – Illinois Valley Community College has learned it will be the recipient of a \$3.5 million U.S. Department of Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant to construct a new agriculture education facility.

The grant will cover about 80 percent of the cost of an ag classroom and lab building south of campus. Two years ago, IVCC opened phase 1 of its ag complex, a 60x100-foot storage facility to house tractors, tillage tools, planters and other high-tech equipment.

IVCC President Jerry Corcoran lauded the EDA news and said the college hopes to be in the building for classes by 2024.

Regarding the construction timeline, Vice President for Business Services and Finance Matt Seaton said final designs could be ready within three months.

“After that, we would proceed to con-

struction,” Seaton said. “If everything lines up as we hope, we should be complete in 12-to-18 months.”

This grant will allow IVCC to train and upskill agriculture workers, aid in the development of new technology, and develop sustainable practices. The grant will be matched by \$1.1 million from IVCC and is expected to create 100 jobs, retain 15 jobs and generate \$500,000 in private investment, according to college estimates.

“President Biden is committed to supporting local efforts to create new opportunities and jobs in communities facing nuclear plant closures,” said Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo.

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■ L.E.A.S.E. to have preschool screenings Oct. 28

MENDOTA – L.E.A.S.E. will be holding free preschool screenings for Mendota District #289 at First United Methodist Church, 100 E. Sixth St., Mendota, on Friday, Oct. 28. You may make an appointment by calling Jean at 815-433-6433. The screenings are for children who are 3 or 4 years old. L.E.A.S.E. will screen key developmental areas such as motor development, speech, language, vision, hearing and general readiness. It is asked that only one parent/caregiver bring the child.



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Blackstone School Report

Stacy Kelly, Principal

Our first grade students recently had a great field trip to Boggio's Orchard in Granville. The students enjoyed a variety of activities at the orchard and got to pick a pumpkin to bring home. Thank you to the teachers for planning a great trip and to all of the parents who volunteered to chaperone. The students came back with big smiles on their faces and said it was a great day!

All students and staff had their fall pictures taken with Inter-State Studios. Parents were able to order online or send in an order

form. We typically receive picture packages a few weeks after picture day. If parents forgot to order, you will receive information in a few weeks on how you can still purchase pictures. All students were photographed so they can be included in the yearbook and in class composite pictures. We do have a retake date scheduled in December for those that missed pictures or are not happy with how they turned out.

The students nominated for the principal award this past week

included Rayla Nagy, Natalie Bodie, Kaitlyn Castaneda, Isaac Orozco, Raegan Evans, Ana Neilsen, Addilyn Swope and Tanya Munoz. The winners were Elizabeth Feuer, Callan Jordan, Salem Showen and Natalia Chavez. Congratulations to all of you!

We have a busy week coming up the week of Oct. 3. We have the Scholastic Book Fair all week and our Open House was on Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Mark your calendars that there will be no school on Monday, Oct. 10 for Columbus Day.

G.I.T. Improv is coming to Grace Theater in Princeton

PRINCETON – Festival 56 in Princeton will welcome the touring comedy troupe G.I.T. Improv to the Grace Theater on Saturday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 p.m. with a show suitable for all ages.

Formerly known as Guys In Ties, G.I.T. Improv began in Rock Island in 1997 and has since become a multi-award-winning comedy institution, providing countless hours of interactive entertainment in the Quad Cities area as well as nationwide. The group has opened for and/or performed with Weird Al Yankovic (UHF), Norm MacDonald (Saturday Night Live), Howie Mandel (Deal Or No Deal, America's Got Talent), Darrell Hammond (Saturday Night Live), Sinbad (House Guest), Brad Sherwood (Who's Line



Is It Anyway), Tim Bedore (NPR, Bob and Tom) and many more. G.I.T. Improv also brings

the joy of improv to corporate workshops, theatre and improv festivals, and other events and venues.

Jam Sessions back in Triumph

TRIUMPH – The 2022-23 season of open microphone bluegrass, country and gospel music jam sessions will commence on Saturday, Oct. 8. The Northern Illinois Bluegrass Association (NIBA) and Tom Gerber, in conjunction with the Ophir Community Building (OCB) Board of Managers will begin the 21st season at 6 p.m. in the Ophir Community Building in downtown Triumph. The jams will be on the second Saturday of each month from October through May provided government regulations regarding COVID-19 do



not change. The OCB has been completely redecorated over the past two years. Some generous donations have allowed the OCB Board to install new stage curtains and do some extensive painting on both floors. The public is invited to come see these changes, jam or just listen to the music. No alcohol or smok-

ing is allowed. Masks and social distancing are request but not required. Admission is free and refreshments are served. Donations are accepted for the refreshments and all proceeds are used for maintenance and repair of the Ophir Community Building. The all-acoustic music starts at 6 p.m. and continues until 10 p.m. Performers change every 15 minutes to allow for many different styles of entertainment. To reserve a spot, call Gerber at 815-414-8081 or show up early to sign up for one. For general information, call Jay Allen of the OCB at 815-488-9154.



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Fall in Love with 4-H coming to IVCC

OGLESBY—University of Illinois Extension invites you to participate in the upcoming event, “Fall in Love with 4-H” on Sunday, Oct. 16 from 2-3:30 p.m. at Illinois Valley Community College in Oglesby. The event will be held in rooms CTC 124-125.

This event is for youth and their parents who are new to 4-H, or interested in learning more about 4-H. On this day, children ages 8-18 will learn the basics of 4-H through fun, fall-themed activities, while accompanying adults will receive a 4-H crash course on enrollments, projects, and the fairs. Time will be given

to answer questions and give general explanations of 4-H youth activities, family responsibilities, and county expectations for the upcoming 4-H year.

To register, visit go.illinois.edu/fall4-H. There is no cost to participate. “Fall in Love with 4-H” is intended to be a fun, educational, and helpful event for new and interested families.

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If you have questions or need more information, please call University of Illinois Extension-Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam Unit Office at 815-224-0889. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate, please indicate when registering or contact the Extension office. Extension offices are located in Princeton, Ottawa, Henry and in Oglesby on the IVCC campus.

Final LaSalle County Genealogy Guild program of 2022 planned

OTTAWA—The final program of the LaSalle County Genealogy Guild for 2022 will be Saturday, Oct. 15, at 1 p.m. at the Guild headquarters, 115 W. Glover St., Ottawa.

The speaker will be John Kettman, who will explain how he restored tombstones at the Naramor Cemetery near Streator. The first major phase of the restoration completed was the repair of the broken tombstones. The

second phase was documenting them.

He took workshop classes from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency office of Skeletal Remains to take on this task.

The public is invited to attend the program, however, research will not be allowed during the presentation. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 815-433-5261.

Eckberg performing at Seatonville Community Church

SEATONVILLE — Ron Eckberg will be in concert at Seatonville Community Church at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. The concert is free for all. A free will offering will be taken at the concert. Seatonville Community Church is located at 110 W. U.S. Route 6. The doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Eckberg is a familiar face throughout Northern Illinois and beyond. Born and raised in Walnut, he enjoyed a successful career as a musician

and entertainer before coming to Christ in 1977. He soon launched a ministry that would take him from coast to coast singing and speaking about his newfound faith. He was a founding member of Walnut Community Bible Church and served as its pastor for 15 years before leaving to work with Youth for Christ in the Bureau Valley School system.

In 2006, Eckberg left Bureau County to take the pastorate of Erie Evangelical Free Church

in Erie. In 2014, he passed the leadership of the church to his son, Jonathan, stepping down to serve as pastor to seniors. Today, he continues to travel, speaking and singing to senior groups and churches throughout the Midwest as well as hosting a daily Facebook video devotion, 60 Seconds, and publishes a blog titled Living to Matter.

Eckberg and his wife, Judy, reside in Erie, and have five grown sons and six grandchildren.

DAR Chapter Fort du Rocher meeting Oct. 8 at First United Methodist in Mendota

MENDOTA — The October meeting of DAR Chapter Fort du Rocher will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 at First United Methodist Church in Mendota.

The program will be a memorial to our patriots and others who have passed within the last year.

Eligibility of membership requires proof of lineage to a Revolutionary patriot.

The lineage committee is willing to help anyone who has an interest in joining. Guests are welcome at DAR meetings.

An Evening with Jesmyn Ward

PERU — Join Peru Library and Illinois Libraries as they present An Evening with Jesmyn Ward on Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m.

Ward, a National Book Award winner, will be discussing her literary vision and personal experiences. She's been hailed “the new Toni Morrison,” and authored fiction, nonfiction, and a memoir.

Registration is required for home viewing at: https://bit.ly/ILP_JesmynWard or watch at Peru Library without registration in the main library.

Illinois Audubon Society announces Fessett as new executive director

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Audubon Society Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has named Joanne (Jo) Fessett as its new Executive Director, effective Aug. 12. She replaces Executive Director Jim Herkert who retired April 8, 2022.

“Our Board of Directors is thrilled to introduce this selection,” said President Randy Schietzelt. “Fessett possesses the qualifications, expertise and drive to help Illinois Society move into its next 125 years of excellence.”

Fessett began her career in nonprofit conservation in 1999 working for the Illinois Chapter of The Nature Conservancy. She served as the Community and Economic Development Coordinator in the Havana office and focused on the Emiquon Project. In 2000 she joined the Illinois Audubon Society Board of Directors as an At-large member and left that post in 2006 to become the Assistant to the Executive Director for the Society. Prior to 1999 she was employed as an administrator at Argonne National Laboratory near her hometown of Lemont.

As Assistant to the Executive Director, Fessett managed all aspects of Society operations including membership coordination, outreach and marketing and budgeting. Her duties also included, developing and conducting many events and field trips, website development and

maintenance. She has successfully written many grants for land acquisition and sanctuary restoration and improvement projects.

Fessett holds a B.A. degree in Business Administration (1998) from Lewis University in Romeoville.

The appointment concludes a seven-month search process completed by the Search Committee, led by the immediate Past President of the Board, Deb Carey. “It was evident to the committee that Jo’s proven ability, past experience and passion for her work made her the perfect candidate to step up and serve as the Executive Director of the Illinois Audubon Society,” said Carey.

Fessett will continue to work from the Society’s headquarters in Springfield. She can be contacted at jfessett@illinoisaudubon.org.

The mission of the Illinois Audubon Society is to promote the perpetuation and appreciation of native plants and animals and the habitats that support them. The Society is an independent, member supported, not-for-profit, statewide organization. Founded in 1897, the Society is Illinois’ oldest private conservation organization with 2200 members, 17 chapters and 19 affiliate groups. The Illinois Audubon Society has protected 6,000 acres by investing \$13 million to protect land and water throughout Illinois.

IV Beekeeping Club to meet Oct. 14

OTTAWA — The Illinois Valley Beekeeping Club will meet on Friday, Oct. 14 from 7-9 p.m. at the LaSalle County Extension Office, 1689 N. 31st Road, Ottawa, in the lower level basement.

The Illinois Valley Beekeeping Club is a support group for people interested in getting started keeping bees

or people who are currently beekeepers. You do not have to be a member to attend, everyone is welcome. If you would like to become a member it is \$20.00/year (\$10.00 for the IVBA and \$10.00 for the ISBA).

The November meeting is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 11 from 7-9 p.m.



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OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

Richard Milazzo

MENDOTA – Richard Milazzo, 86, of Mendota, passed away Sept. 25, 2022, at Allure of Prophetstown. Graveside services will be held Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Cemetery, Mendota with Father Jeff Windy officiating. Military honors will be conducted by Mendota VFW Post 4079. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is handling arrangements.

Richard was born April 26, 1936 in Kangley to Angelo and Nellie (Alberts) Milazzo. He was raised by Benjamin and Mary (Granfield) Hochstatter, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by several cousins and several close friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Ron Milazzo.

Richard was a 1954 graduate of Mendota High School. He was a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. He worked at Wayside Press in Mendota from 1965-1985. He made candy at the Kitch-Inn from 1985 until it closed. He also tended bar at Frizol's from 1970-1980.

He designed the annual Christmas ornaments for the City of Mendota. Rich was a professional grade painter and artist who worked with oils, acrylics, colored pencils and felt tips. He did a lot of wildlife and nature pictures and did some paintings with August Holland. He loved collecting old guns and taking daily walks since he quit driving 25 years ago. He ate almost daily at Parkway Restaurant and will be sadly missed by his Parkway friends.

Memorials may be directed to the donor's choice. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.

Esther T. Chlebanowski

MENDOTA – Esther T. Chlebanowski, 84, of Mendota passed away Thursday, Sept. 29, 2022 at Good Samaritan Hospital in Downers Grove.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2022 at noon at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota with Rev. Brian Kelly officiating. Private burial will be in Elm Lawn Cemetery in Elmhurst. Visitation will be Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. until time of services.

Esther was born Oct. 21, 1937 in Chicago to Earl and Esther (Sorenson) Huff. She married Bernard Didricksen. He preceded her in death on June 1, 1996. She married Matthew Chlebanowski on June 11, 1998 and they moved to Mendota.

She is survived by her husband Matthew Chlebanowski of Mendota; her son, James (Laura) Didricksen of Utica; two daughters, Patricia Didricksen of Ottawa and Sonja Mannella of Winfield; her twin sister, Marie (James) Rubietta of Jefferson, Wis.; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and one sister.

Esther attended school in Elgin. She was involved in various church groups and she held various jobs throughout the years. She enjoyed listening to Billy Graham. Since she did not drive, she enjoyed walking throughout Mendota. She also loved cooking and baking for her family. Esther always made sure children attended Sunday school.

Memorials may be directed to the family. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.

The latest Obituaries are at mendotareporter.com

Robert J. Thompson

MENDOTA – Robert "Bob" J. Thompson, 67, of Mendota, passed away unexpectedly on Oct. 2, 2022 at his home in Mendota.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 at 1 p.m. at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota with Rev. Mary Bohall officiating. Burial will be in Troy Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until time of services.

Bob was born on Jan. 18, 1955, in LaSalle to Robert and Doris (Nance) Thompson.

Bob is survived by the love of his life of 43 years, Jackie Shaver, of Mendota; Jackie's daughter Kim (Jeff) Schepers-Flanagan of Mendota who considered him a Dad and confidant; four grandchildren, Brandon (Alyssa) Scheppers of Mendota, Cody (Katie Falbo) Scheppers of Los Angeles, Calif., Kalli (Zach Golding) Scheppers of Fairview Heights, and Colton (Jessica Valdez) Scheppers of Johnstown, Colo.; two great-grandchildren, Hadley and Tate Scheppers; brothers Don (Donna) Thompson of Oglesby, Jim Thompson of Winchester, Va., Larry (Denise) Thompson and Mark (Chris) Thompson, both of Oglesby; numerous nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Richard T. Thompson, and his son-in-law, Bill Scheppers.

Bob was a 1973 graduate of LaSalle-Peru High School. He worked at Manley Brothers in Troy Grove for 46 years. Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, cutting wood, and watching football. He was an outdoorsman, an expert craftsman who loved woodworking, and truly enjoyed spending time with his family.

Memorials may be directed to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

U of I names Dean's List, graduates

CHAMPAIGN — The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign has announced 9,193 Dean's List students and nearly 10,000 graduates for the 2022 spring semester.

Among the students named to the Dean's List is Margaret Vaessen of Sublette, a sophomore majoring in agricultural and consumer economics.

Dean's List eligibility is limited to the top 20% of a student's college class or curriculum. To be eligible, students must complete at least 14 academic semester hours taken for a letter grade.

A total of 9,850 students graduated in May. Among the graduates are Adrian Espinoza of Mendota, Bachelor of Science in molecular and cellular biology, and Lauren Gerdes of Amboy, Master's in human resources and industrial relations.

SNHU gives Summer 2022 President's List

MANCHESTER, N.H. – Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) has announced its Summer 2022 President's List. The summer terms run from May to August.

Among the students named to the list are Sarah Kofoed of Earlville, Garret Patti of Compton and Rylee Faber of Mendota.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

Flu clinics scheduled at LaSalle Co. Health Dept.

OTTAWA - The LaSalle County Health Department is offering walk-in flu vaccinations over the next several weeks. Flu vaccines will be available Wednesdays, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, Nov. 9 and Nov. 16, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. each day.

The Health Department is located at 717 Etna Road, Ottawa. Flu vaccinations will be given in the Vaccination Trailer (look for the yellow sign), which is located next to the COVID Testing Trailer and is in the Health Department's parking lot.

Seasonal Influenza Vaccine and Influenza HD (High Dose) Vaccine for persons 65 and older are available. In addition, VFC (Vaccine for Children or CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program) Flu vaccine is available. This would be for children 6 months through 18 years of age who have Medicaid.

All LaSalle County Health Department influenza vaccines are preservative free. The fee for the seasonal flu shot will be \$25. The fee for influenza High Dose will be \$62.

The health department offers insurance billing or cash only payment. Debit or credit cards will not be

accepted. You must have your insurance card and a Photo ID with you. No Doctor's order is required. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please wear a mask.

To lessen your chances of developing the flu, adults and children need to practice good hygiene measures. Teach the importance of covering your mouth when coughing or sneezing, and educate children about hand to mucous membrane transmission. One of the best ways to protect yourself and your children is through frequent and thorough hand washing. People who are exhibiting "flu-like" symptoms should stay home from work, out of childcare and school to minimize transmission.

Remember the 3 C's: clean, cover, and contain.

- Clean – frequently wash your hands with soap and warm water.

- Cover – cover your cough and sneeze.

- Contain – contain your germs by staying home if you are sick.

For additional information please contact the LaSalle County Health Department at 815-433-3366 or visit our website at www.lasallecounty.org.

Volunteers needed to plant trees

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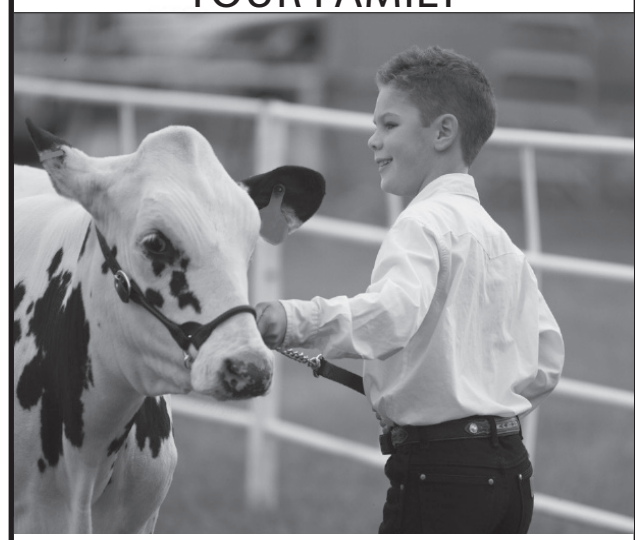
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“This investment in LaSalle County will create jobs in the region and help diversify the local economy.”

“The EDA is pleased to support IVCC’s efforts to leverage the agriculture industry to promote job growth,” said Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development Alejandra Y. Castillo. “This investment will broaden and grow the local economy after layoffs at both the LaSalle County Nuclear Generating Station and Dresden Nuclear Generating Station.”

Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker said, “Illinois serves as the standard bearer for the agriculture industry. IVCC solidifies that status by oper-

ating as a pipeline for skilled agriculture workers in and around LaSalle County.

“By investing in new facilities, the creation of new technology, and the implementation of sustainable methods, we can build on our state’s proud agricultural tradition while creating good paying jobs,” Pritzker said.

Sen. Dick Durbin said, “There is big growth in career opportunities for new graduates who have skills in agricultural technologies and sciences, and IVCC is leading the way. This investment will create jobs across the region, and I’ll keep supporting these federal efforts that allow our agriculture industry to thrive.”

Sen. Tammy Duckworth added, “Illinois has long been

a leader on the international stage for agricultural production, and this federal support will go a long way to helping expand educational and training opportunities so our state can remain competitive in agricultural industries at home and abroad.”

The project is funded under EDA’s Assistance to Nuclear Closure Communities program. Closures of nuclear power plants throughout the U.S. have had a significant impact on the economic foundations of surrounding communities through sudden job losses and a reduction to the local tax base.

EDA works with communities facing structural economic adjustments, including those impacted by nuclear power plant closures.

Mendota Chamber accepting entries for Halloween Pet Costume contest

❑ Entries must be submitted by Wednesday, Oct. 12

MENDOTA—Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting entries for the 2022 Halloween Pet Costume Contest. Any family pet will be eligible. Submit a 5x7 photo of your pet and include your pet’s name, sex, age, breed, owner’s name, address and phone number. Photos will be available for pickup after the contest.



Deadline for all entries is Wednesday, Oct. 12. Send photos to Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce, 800 Washington St., P.O. Box 620, Mendota, IL 61342 or email to sweide@mendotachamber.com. Voting will take place Oct. 17 through Oct. 31 at noon. Voting

locations will be at Expressions Salon and Purpose Nutrition. Online voting will also be available.

Voting is as follows: for example, one penny equals one vote, one quarter equals 25 votes, and a dollar equals 100 votes. First- and second-place prize winners will be announced on the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce Facebook page on the afternoon of Halloween, Oct. 31. Winners will win an assortment of fun prizes.

All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce.

Council sets trick-or-treat time; leaf vac program to start Oct. 24

By KIP CHEEK
Staff writer

MENDOTA – The Mendota City Council set trick-or-treat hours and announced the start date for the leaf vacuum program at its Oct. 3 regular meeting.

Mayor David Boelk said that Halloween trick-or-treat time in Mendota will be Monday, Oct. 31 from 5-7 p.m. Residents interested in handing out candy should put their porch light on. Also on Halloween day, the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its



trick-or-treat opportunity from 3-5 p.m. at participating Mendota businesses.

City clerk Emily McConville said that candidate forms are available for the April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election. Those interested in obtaining a form may stop

by the Mendota city building on Washington Street. Aldermen whose terms are up for election in April are John Hessenberger in the First Ward, John Holland in the Second Ward, Jay Miller in the Third Ward and Mark Peasley in the Fourth Ward. Also, if he chooses to, city treasurer Heath Davis has to run for a two-year term since he was appointed to the position.

Alderman Jim Fitzpatrick informed the council that the city’s leaf vacuum program will begin on

Monday, Oct. 24. Leaves are picked up by ward – Monday for the First Ward, Tuesday for the Second Ward, Wednesday for the Third Ward and Thursday for the Fourth Ward. Friday is used as a catch-up day for city workers. Residents are asked to place their leaves at the curb, not in the street, and the leaves must not contain sticks, twigs or tree branches.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Monday, Oct. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Free film screening at IVCC focuses on Illinois’ Shawnee National Forest

OGLESBY – A free screening of the documentary film Shawnee Showdown: Keep the Forest Standing, by SIUC School of Arts and Media professor emeritus Cade Bursell, will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14 at the Dr. Mary Margaret Weeg Cultural Centre located in Illinois Valley Community College’s Community Tech Building, 815 N. Orlando Smith Road, Oglesby. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Screened at the Environmental Film Festival at Yale and the Athens International Film and Video Festival, Shawnee Showdown retraces the battle over commercial logging within the Shawnee National Forest for more than three decades and raises concerns over climate change and present public land use.

Following the screening will be a Q&A with environmental activists who participated in the protests and who remain active to this day. There will be updates on current logging projects in the forest and the proposal for a new Shawnee National Park and Climate Preserve.

In the late 1980s and early 1990s, a small, dedicated group of activists fought on the ground and in the courts to stop clear-cutting in Illinois’ Shawnee National Forest. They won the support of their community and the struggle in

court. Logging stopped in the Shawnee for nearly 20 years.

This is their story.

Using archival photos and video footage as well as contemporary interviews with the activists, Bursell has made a film that captures the passion and pain of those who stood up and fought against logging.

Shawnee Showdown: Keep the Forest Standing portrays the struggle to protect the forest through interviews, photographs, and news footage. The film examines ways the past struggle can serve to inform the public and activists today in responding to current Forest Service management projects in the Shawnee Forest.

These activists are once again asking tough questions about public land use. Should our public land be degraded to generate commercial profit for the few? With the effects of climate change intensifying and the knowledge that mature forests sequester more carbon, why not keep the Shawnee National Forest and other Forest Service lands standing as regional carbon sinks? How can the forest remain a healthy habitat for all species? How do we keep the forest standing?

For more information or to view the film trailer visit <https://www.shawneeforest-defense.org>.

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Furlong hasn’t owned a car since he was 16 because he really hasn’t had a need for one living in big cities, working for big companies, or being a part of a teaching agency in foreign countries where travel is included or regularly available without owning a vehicle.

Instead, he walks or rides his bike to meet new friends he’s made through Re-Imagine Mendota – a volunteer group dedicated to bringing attention to Mendota and making positive improvements in order to make it more attractive – or to dine at restaurants, which he finds all of Mendota’s dining options to be delicious.

Sure, there are not as many options as say Chicago, but, it’s different and enjoyable.

Just like the difference of small town and city living.

“People I’ve known who grew up in Chicago don’t know where Mendota is on the map. They joke and say I’m living in Iowa,” Furlong said. “I’ve always been in real estate. The prices in the city are inflated, too high, so I started looking out of the city. I don’t have a car and I don’t drive.”

“The city or wherever I decided to go needed to have Amtrak or a commuter rail. I looked for a place as far south as Macomb and as far north as Milwaukee.

I had been looking for three months and lost a few homes to other bidders. I saw this home in Mendota on a Friday. I came out Monday on the train. I looked at the house and it had everything I was looking for.

“It’s on a great street in a great town. I put in an offer that Monday and it was sold.”

Furlong hasn’t ventured the Illinois Valley outside of Mendota.

Not only is it because he doesn’t drive, but he also wants to learn the ins and outs of his new home before he journeys further.

A person can’t be a full-blown Mendotan without knowing absolutely everything about the town and the community.

“I love my neighbors. I love the community. I love that everything is accessible by walking. I find everything that I need,” Furlong said. “All of the people I have met are fantastic. It’s a beautiful town. I meet people all of the time. I love that it’s a small town. I like that Mendota is quiet and has space. There is nature surrounding me every day and there are animals in my backyard.”

“I think it’s with age, but I can’t even see myself in the city. It causes me anxiety if I have to go into the accounting office. I don’t know how I did it before. In retrospect, it was fun while it lasted.”

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Helping the wrongfully convicted

By Scott Reeder

Every once in a while, you meet someone who changes the trajectory of your life.

For me, that person was Darell Parker, a gentle, kind man who worked in the Moline Parks Department.

Back in the early 1990s, I just had begun covering Moline City Hall and a friend told me that Darell was a convicted murderer who maintained his innocence.

I was just 25 and had never thought much about people serving time for crimes they didn't commit. It was a different era, a time when people put much more faith in institutions.

Some folks have this misguided notion that newsrooms are full of bleeding heart liberals. In my 35 years in the news business, that has not been my experience. When I was a young reporter in Texas, my managing editor made news decisions based on the color of a crime victim's skin.

When I worked as a police reporter in the Midwest, the night city editor was a man not prone to nuance. If someone was accused of a crime, they were automatically a "mope."

Perched on his throne of white privilege, never was there an iota of doubt expressed that the person was guilty. We might as well have slapped the word "guilty" across the accused forehead.

But then I met Darell Parker.

He was a lot like me: white, male, a farm boy and an Iowa State graduate. He'd gone to prison when he was about the same age as I was at the time we met.

Parker suffered the tragedy of having his wife murdered in 1955 and the misfortune a few days later of being interrogated by John E. Reid, a so-called "expert" in police interrogation. After more than 24 hours of coercion, Parker confessed to a crime he didn't commit.

Even though he immediately recanted, based on that confession alone, a jury convicted him. The confession made Reid famous. And what is now known as the "Reid technique" has become the standard form of suspect interviews for police departments across the country. It all started with a false confession.

Decades later, a serial killer on death row confessed to the murder. And a search of police files found that the killer's car was parked in front of the Parker home the day of the murder. That and other information was never shared with the defense.

It took the state of Nebraska more than 60 years to acknowledge they made a mistake in Parker's case and hand him a check for \$500,000.

Parker, who died in February at age 90, never sued. He just asked the state of Nebraska to do the right thing. It would be easy to believe Parker's case is an anomaly.

But I don't believe that is the case. I've met too many factually innocent people who have done time.

Within the past several weeks, Adnan Syed had his murder conviction thrown out by a Maryland judge. He became famous during the first season of the podcast "Serial." His defense attorney was bad. Police didn't pursue alternate suspects. And worse yet they never informed the defense of the existence of these alternate suspects. An innocent man may have served more than 20 years in prison for a crime he never committed.

In 2016, I had never listened to a podcast. But when I was driving across Illinois with my wife we decided to listen to "Serial." About halfway through, I exclaimed, "This is really interesting, but I know a case that is even more interesting."

Before the week was out, I was on the phone with Jay Pierce, the head of the NPR affiliate WVIK and together with producer Lacy Scarmana we produced a podcast that rose to No. 2 in the world on the iTunes charts.

Subsequently, I investigated the case of Barton McNeil, a Bloomington man who was convicted of murder and is currently serving a life sentence. I believe he is innocent and was convicted based on faulty police work and poor legal representation.

I continue to work for his freedom. If you are interested in the case, listen to season two of the podcast "Suspect Convictions."

In the dozens of wrongful convictions I've written about, it's rare to see a police officer disciplined even in cases involving perjury or incompetence.

Folks sometimes want to know why I ask tough questions of the police. Many work hard and do a good job. Others don't. None are infallible.

I have met many victims of violent crimes whose cases were not vigorously pursued. Worse yet, I've looked into the eyes of too many people convicted of a crime they didn't commit.

If journalists don't hold those in power accountable, who will?

(Scott Reeder, a staff writer for Illinois Times, can be reached at: sreeder@illinoistimes.com.)



Front page politics in 1894 election

(The following is from Jessica Nashold's Backtracks & Sidetracks column reprinted from Oct. 5, 1994.)

By Jessica Nashold

Political commentary was on the front page of the Mendota Bulletin in October 1894 as election day drew near. Signing his remarks "Dick," a contributor had much to say about the "Democrat rings," which in his view controlled the state and county. One Mendota candidate was singled out for comment.

"Dick" called upon voters to note that John Goedtnr, a candidate for county treasurer, would be under the influence of "ring."

"Down here it is well known," he said, "that nothing is done by the ring in the northwestern portion of the county without the consent and advice of the Maddens."

It is known that Mr. Goedtnr is a partner of one of the Maddens and I am of the opinion that we had as well elect the partner Madden treasurer, for the ring will control the office and derive benefits from such a combination.

Goedtnr and Madden operated the Germania Bank in Mendota.

The public was reminded that under Illinois election laws, voters were required to register every two years. In 1894, registration days in Mendota were Oct. 16 and Oct. 30.

Every voter should see that his name is on the list.

Over at the Methodist church, the spire was removed and repairs made to the belfry.

This change was made from the standpoint of safety as the spire had stood so long as to be considered somewhat shaky.

Samuel Edwards, whose nursery in LaMoille had been around for 50 years, established a nursery in Mendota at Second Avenue and Seventh Street, east of the East Side School. Between the spring of 1893 and autumn of 1894 he had planted hundreds of evergreens

Backtracks & Sidetracks

and many varieties of fruit trees. He called his enterprise Ashland Nursery,

To him are the people of LaSalle, Bureau, Lee, Whiteside and adjacent counties largely indebted for the beautiful groves that now dot the prairies.

Edwards built a house in Mendota, "almost a model in its arrangements and completeness." If it still stands, that house will be 100 years old this month.

Mendota College called attention to the date Oct. 20, 1894. On that date, Mars would reach its nearest approach to earth and it was hoped astronomers might be able to learn something about "our much-talked-about-of-cousins, the Martians."

The question of whether the great red planet is really inhabited may be solved.

If inhabited, something might be learned of "the kind of people and with what degree of intelligence."

A hundred years ago, products to cure smokers of their habit were being marketed. The Sterling Remedy Co. at 45 Randolph St., Chicago, was prepared to mail their free booklet entitled "Don't Tobacco Spit or Smoke Your Life Away," advertising "no to bac."

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Under the heading, "Ball Season is Done," an account of 1894 baseball stated: "Comiskey's team has been farther from the pennant than ever before." Chicago finished in eighth place, playing 132 games of which they won 57 and lost 75. Baltimore was at the top with 128 games played, 89 won, 39 lost.

The 12 cities making up the National League, in the order of their perfor-

mance, were Baltimore, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Washington and Louisville.

In news from other parts of the country, the Mendota Bulletin reported that 108 Kentucky moonshiners, ranging in age from 15 to 50, had been taken to Louisville by U.S. Marshal Greer and "a score of deputies" to stand trial. The lawmen had destroyed 37 stills and thousands of gallons of moonshine.

Some (moonshiners) have grown old and gray in the business. Some boldly labeled it (the moonshine) sorghum and brought it out by the barrel in push boats.

It was remarked that the boys were usually sons of old operators and "several women were among the lot."

President Grover Cleveland issued a proclamation granting full amnesty to polygamous Mormons in Utah.

Charles D. Powell and W.O. Bender made a trip to Chicago "on their wheels." In 1894, those were bicycle wheels!

Mendota College offered a short commercial course with tuition of \$1 per week. Pupils could enter at any time. Instructor was George H. Dewing.

E. Munson, the Mendota jeweler, opened a branch in Earlville to be managed by his brother, N.O. Munson.

In world news, it was speculated that Queen Victoria, who had ascended the throne on Nov. 8, 1837, might abdicate on Nov. 8, 1894. Queen Victoria was suffering from rheumatic gout.

She goes up and down stairs in a sort of litter and is rolled about her rooms in a vehicle that resembles an enlarged baby carriage.

Even in 1894, the royal family was allowed little privacy. It was commented that the Prince of Wales was 53 and it was "about time for him to take up his natural heritage."

However, Queen Victoria reigned on until her death in 1901 and Edward VII became monarch at the age of 60.

Crime is a legitimate issue

By Rich Lowry

There's been a wave of violent crime the last couple of years, and the best way to address the issue is for everyone to pass over it in silence. That's the implication of the liberal pushback against the GOP attacks on Democrats as soft-on-crime in the closing weeks of the midterms.

The Democrats are running defensive ads and have passed a police-funding measure in the House, but a big element of their case for themselves -- as always -- is that it is unfair and racist to call them out on crime.

The Washington Post just ran a piece headlined, "GOP strategy elevates clashes over crime, race in midterm battlegrounds." In its own report, The New York Times says the Republican offensive "has swiftly drawn criticism as a return to sometimes deceptive or racially divisive messaging."

Exhibit A is the advertising barrage against Mandela Barnes, the 35-year-old African American lieutenant governor of Wisconsin who is running against the Republican incumbent, Sen. Ron Johnson. The Post relates that allies of Barnes "have derided the attacks as racist messages that feed on stereotypes."

There are a couple of counts against the anti-Barnes ads. One is that they associate him with "The Squad," the group of left-wing congresswomen. But this is hardly dirty pool since Barnes has gladly associated himself with them. He went to an event with Rep. Ilhan Omar in 2019, and said about her in a tweet afterward, "She's exactly who we need in Congress right now fighting for what's right."

The idea is that it is racist to portray Barnes in an ad with an image of the Squad because all its members are non-white. But what's most notable about The Squad is that it exemplifies out-of-the-mainstream progressive politics. Are attacks on the group supposed to be off limits until it recruits a more diverse membership?

It is also supposedly wrong to depict Barnes' name written in graffiti. This is an attempt, according to one Democratic operative, to "ghettoize him." The case against Barnes isn't

that he's a graffiti artist, though; it's that he supports policies that have made the wave of disorder in American cities worse.

Graffiti is a symbol of such disorder. If this sort of imagery is illegitimate, no Democrats should be able to use footage of violence on January 6 against Republicans.

Finally, there's an ad that calls Barnes "dangerously liberal on crime." But another ad also calls John Fetterman, the Democratic senate candidate in Pennsylvania, "dangerously liberal on crime." Fetterman, it must be observed, is a large, tattooed white man.

Crime isn't a racial issue; it's about affording all Americans, and especially vulnerable communities, the protection they deserve from lawlessness. Obviously, violent crime is not a blight on the lives of upper middle-class white people.

In Milwaukee, 87% of the victims of homicide this year have been Black or Hispanic, according to the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel's tracker.

In Philadelphia, there have been more than 1,750 shootings this year. According to the count maintained by the city's office of the controller, 92% of the shooting victims have been Black or Hispanic.

Democrats like Barnes and Fetterman reflect the anti-incarceration ethos that's been ascendant in the Democratic Party for years now, especially in the wake of the killing of George Floyd.

Barnes was on board two of the worst and most destructive public policy ideas in contemporary America. In 2020, when defunding the police was all the rage, Barnes said money could be taken from police departments and given to neighborhood services. He also introduced legislation to end cash bail when he was in the Wisconsin state assembly in 2016.

He, and other Democrats, have the choice of trying to defend their ideas or to rule out any pointed discussion of them. It tells you all you need to know that they are heavily invested in the latter.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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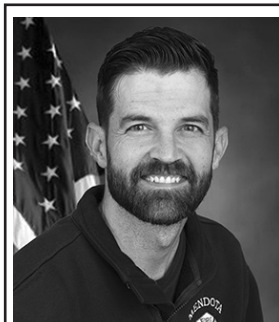
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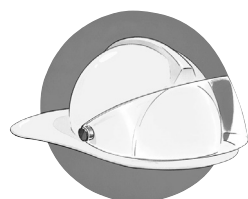
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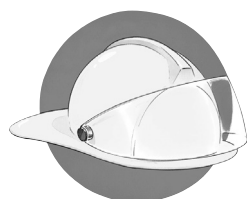
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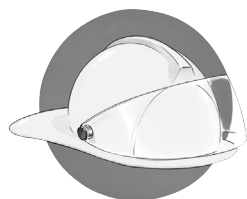
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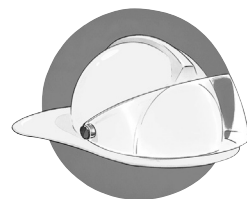
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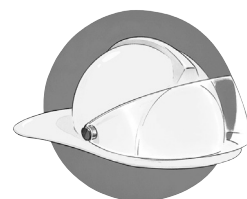
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Volunteer Fire Service Fact Sheet

The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) is the leading nonprofit membership association representing the interests of the volunteer fire, EMS, and rescue services. Organized in 1976, the NVFC serves as the voice of the volunteer fire and emergency services in the national arena and provides invaluable resources, programs, education, and advocacy for first responders across the nation. Each state firefighter's association elects a representative to the NVFC Board of Directors.

We welcome you to browse our web site at www.nvfc.org to learn more about the volunteer fire and emergency services and information regarding membership, training, legislation, and meetings.

This Fact Sheet was produced in order to provide an overall picture of today's volunteer fire and emergency services.

- **Volunteers comprise 67% of firefighters in the United States.** Of the total estimated 1,080,800 firefighters across the country, 722,800 are volunteer.¹
- **Communities served by volunteer firefighters depend on them to be their first line of defense for many types of emergencies.** Volunteer firefighters are summoned to a wide array of emergencies across the country every day including fires, emergency medical incidents, terrorist events, natural disasters, hazardous materials incidents, water rescue emergencies, high-angle and confined space emergencies, and other general public service calls. The public relies on the volunteer emergency services to be their first line of defense in these emergencies. Volunteers spend an enormous amount of time training to prepare for these emergencies.
- **The majority of fire departments in the United States are volunteer.** Of the total 29,537 fire departments in the country, 19,067 are all volunteer; 5,148 are mostly volunteer; 2,533 are mostly career; and 2,789 are all career.²
- **The time donated by volunteer firefighters saves localities across the country an estimated \$46.9 billion per year.**³ The cost savings provided by fire service volunteers is tremendous. For many communities, switching to a career staffing model is not feasible.
- **Many local volunteer fire departments are struggling to meet staffing needs.** The number of volunteer firefighters in the U.S. reached a low in 2019. At the same time, call volume has more than tripled in the last 34 years, due in large part to the increase in emergency medical calls. Major factors contributing to recruitment challenges include increased time demands, more rigorous training requirements, and the proliferation of two-income families whose members do not have time to volunteer. Fire departments today are also expected to provide a wide range of services and multi-hazard response, creating further challenges for resource-constrained departments.

Number of Volunteer Firefighters in U.S. by Year⁴

Year	Number of Volunteer Firefighters	Year	Number of Volunteer Firefighters
1984	897,750	2002	816,600
1985	839,450	2003	800,050
1986	808,200	2004	795,600
1987	816,800	2005	823,650
1988	788,250	2006	823,950
1989	770,100	2007	825,450
1990	772,650	2008	827,150
1991	771,800	2009	812,150
1992	805,300	2010	768,150
1993	795,400	2011	756,400
1994	807,900	2012	783,300
1995	838,000	2013	786,150
1996	815,500	2014	788,250
1997	803,350	2015	814,850
1998	804,200	2016	729,000
1999	785,250	2017	682,600
2000	777,350	2018	745,000
2001	784,700	2019	722,800

Number of Fire Department Calls by Year⁵

Total Number of Calls for U.S. Fire Departments, 1986-2020			
Year	Total	Year	Total
1986	11,890,000	2004	22,616,500
1987	12,237,500	2005	23,251,500
1988	13,308,000	2006	24,470,000
1989	13,409,500	2007	25,334,500
1990	13,707,500	2008	25,252,500
1991	14,556,500	2009	26,534,500
1992	14,684,500	2010	28,205,000
1993	15,318,500	2011	30,098,000
1994	16,127,000	2012	31,854,000
1995	16,391,500	2013	31,644,500
1996	17,503,000	2014	31,644,500
1997	17,957,500	2015	33,635,500
1998	18,753,000	2016	35,320,000
1999	19,667,000	2017	34,683,500
2000	20,520,000	2018	36,746,500
2001	20,965,500	2019	37,272,000
2002	21,303,500	2020	36,416,000
2003	22,406,000		

¹ U.S. Fire Department Profile 2019. National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA, December 2021.

² Ibid.

³ Total Cost of Fire in the United States. National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA, October 2017.

⁴ U.S. Fire Department Profile 2019. National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA, December 2021.

⁵ National Fire Protection Association Survey. Accessed June 29, 2022. <https://www.nfpa.org/News-and-Research/Data-research-and-tools/Emergency-Responders/Fire-department-calls>

ENTERTAINMENT

Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo
HOLLYWOOD -- The \$285-million grosser "Elvis," starring Austin Butler, showed the behind-the-scenes life of Elvis Presley and his manager Col. Tom Parker (played by Tom Hanks). Now, screenwriting/Oscar-winning director Sofia Coppola, who scored with her third film, "Marie Antoinette" (2006), will give Priscilla (Beaulieu) Presley equal screentime, when she turns Priscilla's 1985 New York Times bestselling autobiography "Elvis and Me" into a film. Coppola's film stars Cailee Spaeny ("Pacific Rim: Uprising" and "Bad Times at the El Royale") as Priscilla and Australian actor Jacob Elordi (of HBO's "Euphoria" and Netflix's "The Kissing Booth" franchise) as Elvis. I hung out with Priscilla when she dated a model friend of mine, and knowing her, this upcoming film should be more true to life than "Elvis" was.



P. Presley

Will streaming services takeover our TV lives? Have Peacock and Disney+ gone too far wooing viewers to their platforms? On Sept. 12, "Days of Our Lives" left NBC daytime after a 57-year run to join the Peacock lineup. "Days of Our Lives" veteran Thaa Penglis says of the soap he's starred in for 40 years: "When something has run this long and survived so many challenges, this is just one more way for the show to stretch. 'Days' will bring a huge loyal fan following to Peacock, and they, in turn, will introduce us to 13 million subscribers."
In September 2021, Peacock tested "Days'" appeal with their spin-off "Beyond Salem," which, in addition to being well-received, earned Daytime Emmy nominations for Outstanding Drama Series (directing, writing and casting). Top Peacock subscribers will have no ads, while the cheaper rate includes only four minutes of commercials, allowing more time for show content.
In 2021, when producer Ken Cordey sought "Days" two-year pickup, he agreed

to a possible move to Peacock if NBC demanded it. Cordey confesses, "It's not the end of an era for us, but the beginning of a new one!"
In addition, "Dancing with the Stars" has moved from ABC to Disney+ (with Tyra Banks and Alfonso Ribeiro still hosting). Is this the wave of the future? Can this backfire? Many people have canceled network and cable channels, and are now subscribing to streaming services exclusively. If everyone does this, it could mean the end of network TV and regular cable companies! Oy vey!

Looks like Matthew McConaughey will NOT be starring in "Dallas Sting" (as we reported) after all. Fully cast and ready to roll in three weeks, they pulled the plug after disturbing allegations surrounding aspects of the true story surfaced. "Dopesick's" Kaitlyn Dever (also in the upcoming "Ticket to Paradise" with George Clooney and Julia Roberts) was to have played McConaughey's daughter. McConaughey could be heard saying, "It's not alright, alright, alright!"

Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson
Q: Have they decided yet who will be performing in the Super Bowl halftime show next year? I hope it's a classic rock band like The Rolling Stones. Have they ever played it before? -- N.N.
A: The Rolling Stones were the featured halftime performers for Super Bowl XL, which took place on Feb. 5, 2006, at the home stadium of the Detroit Lions. They performed several of their classic songs, including "Start Me Up" and "(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction." Prince, Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, and Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band finished out the decade.
The 2010s started off with The Who, followed by pop stars like Madonna, Lady Gaga and Beyonce, among other big names. Last year's show was a return to retro, with '80s rap stars like Snoop Dogg and Dr. Dre delighting fans at the halftime show.
Rumor had it that Taylor Swift would be the next pop star to grace the stage, but



Rihanna

within a day, it was officially announced that Rihanna would be next year's Super Bowl headliner instead. Rihanna is no slouch, as she's sold more than 60 million albums and topped the charts with 14 singles throughout her career. Her fans have been clamoring for a new album from her and a worldwide tour, but in the meantime, this will have to suffice. Super Bowl LVII will take place on Feb. 12, 2023, in Glendale, Arizona.

Q: Will there be another season, or more, of the Netflix show "Dead to Me"? I love that show, but just realized it's been a long time since the last season finale. I hope it didn't get canceled. -- D.T.
A: Yes, it's been a long time -- two years, in fact -- since any new episodes of "Dead to Me" were available for streaming, but fortunately, there will be a third season. According to Deadline.com, the reason for the long hiatus was twofold: In addition to the pandemic halting production, it was also delayed after Christina Applegate was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis.

Q: I was surprised to see Steve Carell in another show, and it's not a comedy. What happened to "Space Force"? -- T.M.
A: "Space Force" had all the elements for another hit by producer Greg Daniels. He was teaming up once again with Steve Carell, the former star of his cult hit comedy series "The Office," and he had a super talented supporting cast that included Lisa Kudrow ("Friends") and Ben Schwartz ("Parks and Recreation"). Alas, it just didn't click with viewers, and the series was canceled by Netflix after just two seasons.
Carell has already moved on with a new series, a suspenseful drama on Hulu, in which he plays a therapist held captive by a serial killer. "The Patient" also stars Domhnall Gleeson ("Star Wars: Rise of Skywalker") as the titular character. Carell is as adept at drama as he is at comedy. In 2015, he was nominated for an Academy Award for his performance in "Foxcatcher," which was the polar opposite of his character on "The Office." Michael Scott. He has quite the range.

Couch Theater

"Dahmer -- Monster: The Jeffrey Dahmer Story" (TV-MA) -- The newest addition to creator Ryan Murphy's anthology of crime drama series ("The People v. O.J. Simpson" and "The Assassination of Gianni Versace") is streaming now. Starring as one of the most famous serial killers of all time, Jeffrey Dahmer, is none other than Evan Peters, who has experience playing murderers with his roles in Murphy's "American Horror Story." Hollywood long-timers Richard Jenkins and Molly Ringwald portray Dahmer's conflicted parents in the miniseries, while Niecy Nash takes on the role of Dahmer's neighbor, Glenda Cleveland, who helped bring Dahmer to justice. With Peters' intense acting capabilities focused in on becoming one of the most horrifying men of all time, it's no wonder viewers are finding this series uncomfortably terrifying. (Netflix)
"Catherine Called Birdy" (PG-13) -- Taking place in the year 1290, this film adaptation of a novel of the same

name follows the young Lady Catherine (Bella Ramsey), nicknamed "Birdy," as she grapples with everyday life in the medieval age. Birdy despises the antiquated and sexist expectations placed upon her by her father and other men in her life, but she, unlike other women around her, bravely tries to speak her mind to fight these expectations every step of the way. This film lets viewers cry and laugh alongside her as Birdy experiences what it feels like to come of age. Out on Oct. 7. (Prime Video)
"Werewolf by Night" (TV-14) -- Want to get in the Halloween mood this October with just the right amount of spookiness that won't give you nightmares on end? This TV special presented by Marvel Studios might be for you and your family! Verusa, the leader of a group of monster hunters, suffers a sudden death, after she accuses one of her hunters of being a monster themselves. The remaining monster hunters, with the monster still hiding among them, compete at Bloodstone

Castle to win the prize of a relic with special powers. Marvel comic book fans have sounded off about their excitement for the appearance of the Werewolf by Night, as well as the Man-Thing, in this special out on streaming Oct. 7. (Disney+)
"The Greatest Beer Run Ever" (R) -- Crack open a beer and put your feet up for this one! Out now, this new film directed by Peter Farrelly stars Zac Efron as Chickie Donohue, a Marine Corps veteran in New York during 1967. Chickie's out at his usual bar one night, where he hears a joke about bringing beer to the American soldiers fighting in Vietnam and completely runs with the idea. He books his travel plans to Vietnam with the intention of bringing each soldier a beer to boost their morale and let them know that the people at home haven't stopped thinking about them. Once Chickie's there, however, he realizes he's in way over his head and must now rely on the men he was trying to help to get him safely back home. (AppleTV+)

Trivia Test

1. TELEVISION: Which TV cartoon show featured a Great Dane as part of the mystery-solving team?
2. MOVIES: Which 1970s movie's tagline is, "You'll never go in the water again"?
3. HISTORY: What was the nickname for American soldiers in WWI?
4. MEDICAL TERMS: What is dysphonia?
5. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many state capitals are named after U.S. presidents?
6. ANATOMY: What part of the brain controls language and hearing?
7. PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear represented in metathesophobia?
8. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries are in the United Kingdom?
9. FOOD & DRINK: What are the two main ingredients in a meringue?
10. U.S. STATES: Which state is home to General Sherman, a sequoia more than 2,000 years old?

Answers

1. "Scooby-Doo, Where Are You?"
2. "Jaws."
3. Doughboys.
4. Having a hoarse or raspy voice.
5. Four (Jackson, Mississippi; Lincoln, Nebraska, Madison, Wisconsin, and Jefferson City, Missouri).
6. Temporal lobe.
7. Fear of change.
8. Four: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
9. Egg whites and sugar.
10. California.
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- 12 Oompah band member
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- 15 Post-WWII period
- 17 Texas tea
- 18 Hot and humid
- 19 "Haystacks" painter
- 21 Infinitive part
- 22 Follow
- 24 Merit badge holder
- 27 Chopper
- 28 Fury
- 31 Mom's mate
- 32 Morsel
- 33 "Gosh!"
- 34 Dieter's target
- 36 UFO fliers
- 37 Phone inventor
- 38 Small change
- 40 Rocky
- 41 Balboa's greeting
- 43 Words to live by
- 47 Grazing land
- 48 Period before one's golden years
- 51 "Life of Pi" director
- 52 "Dream on!"
- 53 "East of Eden" son
- 54 Born abroad?
- 55 Feet, slangily
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne
* In 1962, former MLB catcher Harry Chiti was traded from the Cleveland Indians to the New York Mets for "a player to be named later." After a poor showing, Chiti became that very player, making him the first ever to be traded for himself.
* The average person will grow 590 miles of hair (including nose hair) in their lifetime.
* Speaking of hair, prior to L'Oreal's launch of the first mass market hairspray in 1960, women had to choose between slicking their hair down with a greasy brilliantine or using a mechanical sprayer to coat it with shellac dissolved in a solution of water and alcohol. Thank you, L'Oreal.
* When it comes to landing an effective punch, boxers have nothing on the mantis shrimp, the strike of which has been clocked at about 50 mph and described by Science as accelerating faster than a .22-caliber bullet. Take that, Mike Tyson!
* Forks were once considered a sacrilegious tool by the church.
* In 1898, nearly 75% of Alabama's entire annual state revenue came from convict leasing to private railways, mines and large plantations.
* Brazilian doctor Heron Werner uses 3D printing to help blind parents feel their baby's ultrasound results.
* David Wayne Oliver, "the Santa Claus Bank Robber," walked into a Colorado Springs bank claiming to be armed, stole an undisclosed amount of money, and took the bag out to the street, tossing cash into the air while shouting "Merry Christmas." He then proceeded to a Starbucks to watch the resulting commotion while waiting for his arrest.
* In an effort to limit the Dalai Lama's power, China has banned Tibetan Buddhist monks from reincarnating without government permission.
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NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

★ **October 2-8, 2022** ★

Now Is the Time to Join 4-H!

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GARAGE SALE

Two killed in crash near Sublette

SUBLETTE – Two people were killed in a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of LaMoille Road and Maytown Road at 3:03 p.m. Oct. 1.

Dane Moorman, 27, of Arlington, and Bonnie Ackert, 72, of Dixon, were both killed in the crash. A passenger in the Moorman vehicle, Victoria Moorman, 23, of Arlington, was transported to KSB Hospital in Dixon and treated for injuries.

Investigating Deputies learned that a 2009 Ford, driven by Dane Moorman, 27, was northbound on LaMoille Road at

Maytown Road and a 2017 Buick driven by Ackert was eastbound on Maytown Road at LaMoille Road when the two vehicles collided. The intersection of Maytown Road and LaMoille Road is controlled by stop signs for north and southbound traffic on LaMoille Road.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Amboy Fire Department, Sublette Fire Department, Dixon Rural Fire Department, Advance EMS and the Lee County Coroner's Office. The crash remains under investigation.

POLICE BLOTTER

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

Nathanial J. Smith, 33, of 709 Fourth Ave., Mendota, was charged with residential burglary after police officers were dispatched to a call for service in the area of Fifth Avenue and Seventh Street at 5:49 p.m. Sept. 25. More charges are pending. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County jail.

TWO CHARGES

Tricia B. Baker, 41, of Ladd, was charged with no valid driver's license and criminal trespass to real property after police officers were dispatched to a call for service in the area of Route 251 and North 40th Road

at 3:20 a.m. Sept. 26. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

NO VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE

Jose Francisco Gonzalez Bautista, 51, of Emporia, Va., was charged with no valid driver's license after a traffic stop at Main and Chicago streets at 12:57 p.m. Sept. 28. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

WARRANT ARREST

Brandon T. Minton, 30, of 601 Plaza Drive, Apt. B,

Mendota, was arrested at 9:50 p.m. Sept. 30 on a valid Aurora Police Department warrant for domestic battery. The subject was unable to post bond and was transported to the LaSalle County jail.

DOMESTIC BATTERY

Sarah T. Joop, 43, of 503 Seventh Ave., Mendota, was charged with domestic battery after police officers responded to the area of Seventh Avenue and Fifth Street for a domestic disturbance at 9:31 p.m. Oct. 1. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County jail.

Teens hurt in accident

WEST BROOKLYN – A single vehicle rollover crash on Brooklyn Road north of Welland Road in rural West Brooklyn left two teenagers injured at 8:25 p.m. Sept. 26.

According to the Lee County Sheriff's Office, the two occupants of the vehicle were transported to OSF Saint Paul Medical Center in Mendota. The 17-year-old driver was later transferred to a Rockford hospital

for further treatment. The 15-year-old passenger was being treated at the hospital for unknown injuries.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Mendota Police Department, Mendota Fire and EMS, West Brooklyn Fire and EMS, Compton Fire and EMS, and Sublette Fire and EMS.

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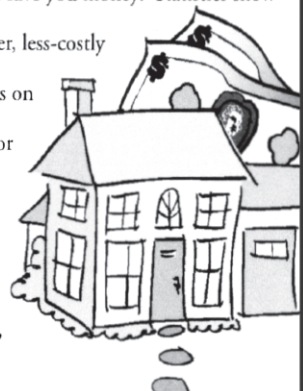


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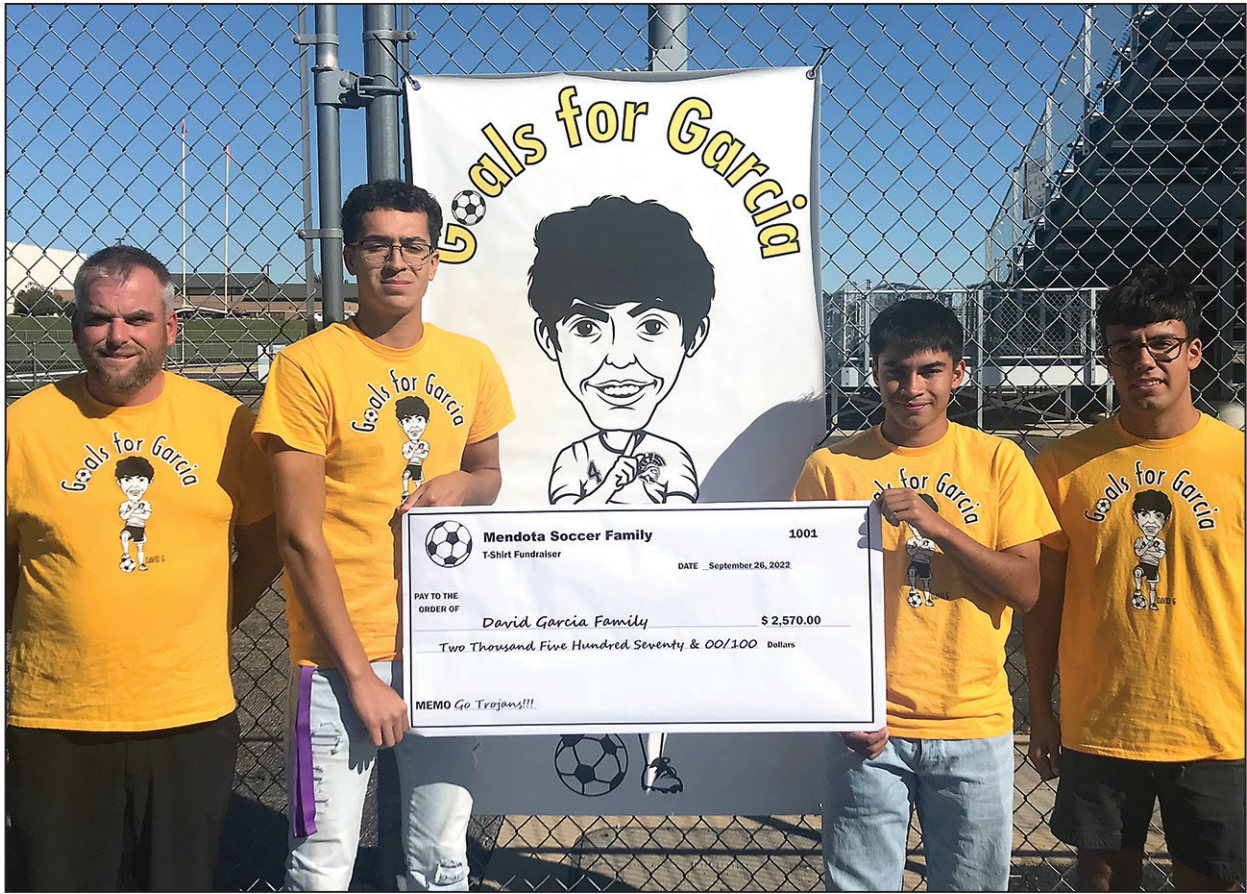
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Goals for Garcia

A community T-shirt sale helped raise \$2,570 for the David Garcia family to help with expenses as the Mendota High School senior and soccer player battles cancer. Accepting the check for the family are Trojan soccer members, left to right, coach Nick Myers, Rafael Romero, Johnathan Cortez and Ricky Orozco. (Photo contributed)

MHS harriers earn all-conference, all-county honors

Mendota's cross country runners competed in the Three Rivers Conference Meet on Sept. 27 at Prophetstown. The girls' race was won by Olivia Thompson of Orion, completing the three-mile course in 19:43. She was followed by Hallie Shemek of Sherrard (20:23) and Lexi Bohms of St. Bede (20:52). Mendota was represented by Anna Valdes (46th, 28:04) and Valerie Valdes (53rd, 29:49). Sherrard won the conference title with a total of 42 points, followed by Erie-Prophetstown (74) and Riverdale (101). In the boys' heat, six Riverdale harriers broke the top 11, with the top three finishers all being from Riverdale: Tommy Murray (15:41), Landis Musser (16:06) and Payton Sand (16:44) took first through third for the Rams.

Mendota's Anthony Kelson earned all-conference honors, finishing in eighth with a time of 17:19. Other Trojan participants included Dagen Setchell (24th, 18:49), Kody Chase (42nd, 20:02.), Travis Mumm (58th, 21:25), Carlos Olivas (71st, 22:29) and Spencer Kain (89th, 25:47). Team scoring showed Riverdale winning with 26 points, while Erie-Prophetstown (63) and Newman (69) finished second and third, respectively. Mendota's boys finished fifth with 136 points. *** The MHS harriers traveled to Stretator on Oct. 1 for the "County Meet" held at Eastwood Golf Course. In the girls' event, Evelyn O'Connor of Seneca dominated the field of 50 females, running the three-mile course in 18:10. Competing for the Lady Trojans

were Val Valdes (33rd, 26:45), Anna Valdes (36th, 27:14), and Yulianna Valdes (48th, 33:33). Ottawa's 31 points were enough for the team title followed by Seneca's 35, and LP's 86. In the boys' run, Kody Danko of Stretator traversed the course in 15:35 to capture first place. Kelson paced Mendota runners with a third-place finish in a time of 16:28. Setchell ran a 17:49, earning 10th place and joining Kelson as part of the "All-County Team." Also participating for the Trojans were Chase (13th, 18:47), Travis Mumm (28th, 20:42), Olivas (30th, 21:03) and Kain (48th, 24:33). Seneca tallied 48 points to earn the top spot in the team standings, followed by Ottawa's 65. Mendota was fourth with 78 points.

Second-quarter surge helps Trojans rally past Sherrard

□ Mendota keeps playoff hopes alive with 49-35 win

SHERRARD—Staring up at a two-touchdown deficit with one quarter in the books, Mendota didn't panic and knew it had three quarters left to get its offense in gear. And indeed that was the case, as the Trojans scored 27 second-period points to climb back in the game, and then they broke a tie by scoring the final two touchdowns for a 49-35 verdict over Sherrard in a Three Rivers Conference crossover game on Sept. 30 at Sherrard. The win improved Mendota's overall record to 3-3, and means it needs to win two of its last three games to be in post-season playoff contention.

Sherrard came out of the gates meaning business as it scored on long touchdown passes of 48 and 45 yards in the opening stanza, and with two successful extra-point kicks, it led 14-0 heading to the second period. The Trojans got on the board six seconds into the second quarter when Anthony Childs found the end zone from 9 yards out. Garret Zinke ran in the two-pointer to make it 14-8. Sherrard quickly answered Mendota's score with its third TD of the game just over two minutes later on a 24-yard run, but the Trojans tallied two straight touch-

Next for the Trojans
Opponent: Friday, Oct. 7 vs. Kewanee at MHS field. Kickoff at 7 p.m.
Last year: Kewanee scored 28 first-quarter points on its way to a 56-7 win over the Trojans. Mendota trailed 49-0 at the half. JP Belmonte scored on a 7-yard run for Mendota to avoid the shutout.
Last week: Kewanee lost to Hall, 26-15, to fall to 2-4 overall and 1-3 in the Three Rivers.

downs to move in front for the first time in the game. Childs ran in from 2 yards out and added the two-point run, and then just over a minute later, Braiden Freeman gathered in a 57-yard TD pass from Justin Randolph, followed by a Childs two-point run to put Mendota on top, 24-21. The Tigers regained the advantage on a 20-yard touchdown pass and a PAT kick with 1:06 left before halftime. Even though there was little time left on the clock, the Trojans managed to advance the ball into field goal position, where Angil Serrano drilled a 37-yarder

with no time left on the clock and Mendota trailed 28-27 at intermission. Mendota grabbed its second lead of the contest at the 8:45 mark of the third quarter when Isaac Smith raced 37 yards to paydirt. Childs was successful on his third two-point conversion run to make it 35-28. Two and a half minutes later, Sherrard tied the game at 35-all on a 7-yard touchdown run and an extra-point kick, but the Trojans tallied the final two TDs to claim the victory. Mendota regained the lead when Charles Heiting darted into the end zone from 7 yards out with 23 seconds left in the third. The two-point try was no good. Then with 7:16 left in the game, Smith padded the lead with a 6-yard touchdown run, followed by a two-point pass from Randolph to Dane Hiner. The Trojans had 469 yards in the game, led by Smith with 185 yards rushing on 15 carries and Childs churning out 176 yards in 30 attempts. Randolph connected on 6 of 9 passes for 94 yards. Freeman (2 for 75), Ryne Strouss and Smith had two receptions apiece. Sherrard totaled 366 yards, with quarterback Holland Anderson completing 15 of 27 passes for 275 yards.



The Mendota Trojan golf team had its season end at the Sterling Class 2A Sectional on Oct. 3. Left to right, are Owen Aughenbaugh, Cale Strouss, Brody Hartt, Drake Dennis, Clay Buffington, Evan McPheeters and coach David Ross. (Photo contributed)

Golf season ends at sectional level

STERLING—The Mendota varsity golf team saw its season come to a close in the Sterling Class 2A Sectional on Oct. 3 at Emerald Hill Golf Course. The entire Trojan team qualified for the sectional by virtue of its third-place finish in the regional, however, it ran into some tough competition in the sectional round and did not earn a bid to the state tournament. Owen Aughenbaugh turned in the low round for the Trojans with an 87. He was followed by Brody Hartt with a 91, Evan McPheeters with a 98 and Clay Buffington with a 100. Drake Dennis (104) and Cale Strouss (106) rounded out the Mendota lineup. The meet medalist was Regan Konen of Aurora Marmion Academy with a 72. Mendota had a 376 team total. The top three teams advancing to the state tournament are Vernon Hills (315), Marmion Academy (321) and Rockford Boylan (324). "Our season came to an end at Sectionals, but these guys should be proud of their accomplishments this year," said Mendota coach David Ross. "It's been 13 years since we've got out of regionals as a team and it's the first time ever in Class 2A."

*** The Trojans qualified for the sectional as a team after finishing in third place in the Mendota Class 2A Regional on Sept. 28 at the Mendota Golf Club. The top three sectional qualifying teams were Ottawa (328), LaSalle-Peru (348) and Mendota (352). Dennis led Trojan golfers with a low score of 81, which was good enough for fourth place in the individual standings. Buffington was next for Mendota in 17th place with a round of 89 and Aughenbaugh checked in with a 90, which was the 19th best score. Hartt (92, 26th place), Strouss (99, 32nd place) and Evan McPheeters (104, 41st place) also completed for MHS. "Our scores were high, but we battled and were able to secure that third advancing spot," said MHS coach David Ross. "It was a really nice round from Drake Dennis. He ended up in fourth place overall and received a medal." Drake Kaufman of Ottawa won the individual championship with a 76. There were 53 golfers in the competition. Other teams participating in the regional were Freeport (366), Rochelle (368), Dixon (370), Stillman Valley (377), Sterling (378) and Rock Falls (390).

MHS harriers assigned to Rock Falls Regional

ROCK FALLS—The Mendota girls' and boys' cross country teams have been assigned to the Rock Falls Class 1A Regional to be held Saturday, Oct. 22. The girls will race at 10 a.m. followed by the boys at 10:45 a.m. Other teams competing in the regional are Aledo (Mercer County), Amboy [Coop], Lanark (Eastland) [Coop], Morrison, Oregon, Orion, Polo, Port Byron

Trojans top Dixon; play in tournament

The Mendota soccer team pitched a 2-0 shutout at Dixon on Sept. 27. Johnathan Cortez and Johan Cortez picked up the Trojan goals, while Johnathan Cortez had an assist. *** Mendota participated in the highly-competitive Great River Classic on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 in Burlington, Iowa. The Trojans played two games on Friday, starting with a 3-1 loss to Elmhurst Timothy Christian. Jasiel

Watson scored the goal for Mendota. Arlington Heights St. Viator defeated the Trojans, 1-0, in the second game. On Saturday, Normal University High was a 3-1 winner over Mendota. Johan Cortez had the goal for the Trojans, who are 15-6 on the season. "It was a very competitive weekend for the Trojans," said coach Nick Myers. We played three very competitive games against top-notch competition."

Top-seeded Trojans ready for regional soccer tourney

□ MHS opens Oct. 11 in Rock Island

ROCK ISLAND—The Mendota boys' soccer team will take its number one seed to the Rock Island Alleman Class 1A Regional Soccer Tournament to be held Oct. 11 and Oct. 14 at the Alleman Sports Complex. The tournament will begin with a play-in game between Princeton and Riverdale at a date yet to be determined. The winner of that match will advance to the semifinals to battle the Trojans at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11 in Rock Island. The other semifinal-round game will pit Alleman against DePue. The two semifinal winners will meet for the regional championship at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14. The champion from the Alleman Regional will advance to the Mendota Sectional to meet the winner of the Peoria Christian Regional at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19. The other sectional contest will be between the regional champions at Quincy Notre Dame and Serena. The sectional final is slated for Saturday, Oct. 22 at 3 p.m. with the winner moving on to the Chillicothe IVC Supersectional to face the Champaign St. Thomas More Sectional champion on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. **Rock Island (Alleman) Class 1A Soccer Regional**
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Friday, Oct. 14
4 – Winner Match 2 vs. Winner Match 3 – 6 p.m. (championship)

Spikers claim 2 Three Rivers Conference wins

It was a good week for the Mendota Spikers on the volleyball court as they swept two opponents in Three Rivers Conference action. The Spikers hosted Hall on Sept. 27 and came away with a 25-12, 25-21 victory. Emma Schultz led the net attack with eight kills, while Grace Wasmer and Reanna Brant supplied five kills apiece. Katie Jenner's nine assists helped fuel the offense. Schultz and Lily Leifheit collected 11 and nine digs, respectively.



Schultz

*** Mendota and St. Bede battled in a thrilling three-set match that went the Spikers' way, 15-25, 25-23, 25-24, on Sept. 28 at Peru. Jenner recorded 23 assists to aid the frontline assault as Brant drilled 12 kills and Wasmer added nine. Laylie Denault had her service game working with six aces. Pacing the defense were Leifheit with 22 digs and Madelyn Becker with 21. Also getting double-digit digs were Denault (18), Schultz (14) and Jenner (12). The Spikers' records stand at 5-12-2 overall and 3-5 in conference play.

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High team game (hdcp) – Split Happens 987, Bad Kats 963, CM Farm 956
High team series (scratch) – Split Happens 2052, Leagal Beagles 1954, Sports-N-Stuff 1731
High team series (hdcp) – Split Happens 2916, CM Farm 2796, Bad Kats 2782
Men's high game (scratch) – Tyler Schmitt 246, Matt Ramer 234, Mike Smith 226
Men's high game (hdcp) – Bob Thomas 290, Tyler Schmitt 285, Bob Moench Jr. 264
Men's high series (scratch) – Tyler Schmitt 622, Mike Smith 587, Matt Ramer 568
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Women's high game (scratch) – Kim Smith 168, Audrey Holocker 166, Jessica Robinson 163
Women's high game (hdcp) – Kim Smith 266, Hannah Westphal 264, Connie Yost 261
Women's high series (scratch) – Kim Smith 467, Jessica Robinson 455, Dria Kuntz 430
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Tuesday Night Men's League
Standings as of Sept. 27 – 1. Black Bros. 10-6; 2. Age Old Organics 8-8; 3. Team 2 7-9; 4. JJ&L Carpentry 7-9
High team game (scratch) – Team 2 1063, Black Bros. 984, Age Old Organics 923
High team game (hdcp) – Team 2 1130, Black Bros. 1124, Age Old Organics 1113
High team series (scratch) – Team 2 2921, JJ&L Carpentry 2663, Black Bros. 2634
High team series (hdcp) – Age Old Organics 3143, Team 2 3122, Black Bros. 3054
High individual game (scratch) – Todd Smith 268, Nate Bradford 259, Skip Stachlewitz 258
High individual game (hdcp) – Todd Smith 268, Nate Bradford 259, Skip Stachlewitz 258
High individual series (scratch) – Todd Smith 685, Nate Bradford 644, Skip Stachlewitz 634
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Mendota 0 27 14 8 - 49
Sherrard 14 14 7 0 - 35
SCORING SUMMARY
SH - Schmidt 48 pass from Anderson (Steele kick), 9:51 1Q
SH - Bemier 45 pass from Anderson (Steele kick), 5:48 1Q
ME - Childs 9 run (Zinke run), 11:54 2Q
SH - Nelson 24 run (Steele kick), 9:38 2Q
ME - Childs 2 run (Childs run), 6:54 2Q
ME - Freeman 57 pass from Randolph (Childs run), 5:46 2Q
SH - Woodward 20 pass from Anderson (Steele kick), 1:06 2Q
ME - Serrano 37 field goal, 0:00 2Q
ME - Smith 37 run (Childs run), 8:45 3Q
SH - Nelson 7 run (Steele kick), 6:18 3Q
ME - Heiting 7 run (run failed), 0:23 3Q
ME - Smith 6 run (Hiner pass from Randolph), 7:16 4Q

	ME	SH
First Downs	22	17
Rushes-Yards	49-375	24-91
Passing Yards	94	275
Passes	6-9-0	15-27-2
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Punts-Avg	1-27	1-30
Penalties-Yards	4-50	5-45

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS
Rushing – MENDOTA: Smith 15-185, Childs, 30-176, Heiting 3-15, Randolph 1-(minus 1); SHERRARD: Nelson 10-78, Brown 7-24, Bemier 1-5, Novitske 3-(minus 2), Anderson 3-(minus 14).
Passing – MENDOTA: Randolph 6-9-0-94; SHERRARD: Anderson 15-27-2-275.
Receiving – MENDOTA: Freeman 2-75, Strauss 2-13, Smith 2-6; SHERRARD: Schmidt 2-96, Bemier 2-85, Brown 7-52, Novitske 2-22, Woodland 1-20, Nelson 1-0.

How old is "Take Me Out to the Ball Game"?

Baseball fans likely know its familiar refrain by heart, and even non-fans can probably identify it the moment it begins playing. "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" has long been part of the fabric of American culture, but even the most ardent fans of America's pastime may be surprised to learn just how long the song has been around. According to the Library of Congress, the United States Copyright Office first received two copies of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" on May 2, 1908. The song has proven so influential and popular over the years that legendary broadcaster and journalist Walter Winchell

once asserted that it embodied the very popularity of the sport by painting the ballpark as an "island of innocent excitement in a world of wild despair." The song is still routinely played at ballparks across the country, and perhaps no park has become more synonymous with the song than Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs. During the seventh inning stretch of each game at Wrigley, fans are led by a celebrity and join in singing the song. That nightly sing-along is widely considered one of the most festive traditions in North American professional sports.

Mendota netters slip past Rochelle

Mendota swept three doubles matches to down Rochelle, 3-2, in varsity girls' tennis action on Sept. 26 at Rochelle.
Winning doubles teams for the Lady Trojans were Alexis Finley-Talya Schwaegerman, Isabelle Escatel-Cassie Gonzalez and Mariah Figueroa-Julia Krueger.
Sept. 26
Mendota 3, Rochelle 2
Singles: No. 1 – Zheng (R) def. Ella Lewis (M), 6-4, 6-3; No. 2 – Tarvestad (R) def. Natalia Salinas (M), 6-2, 6-4
Doubles: No. 1 – Alexis Finley-Talya Schwaegerman (M) def. Williams-Nantz (R), 6-1, 6-3; No. 2 – Isabelle Escatel-Cassie Gonzalez (M) def. Whaley-Jackson (R), 6-4, 3-6

(10-6); No. 3 – Mariah Figueroa-Julia Krueger (M) def. Pointer-Doyle (R), 7-5, 6-4

Geneseo upended the Lady Trojans, 4-1, on Oct. 3 at the MHS courts.
Natalia Salinas picked up Mendota's victory in singles action.
Oct. 3
Geneseo 4, Mendota 1
Singles: No. 1 – Pena (G) def. Lewis (M), 6-3, 3-6 (11-9); No. 2 – Salinas (M) def. Swain (G), 6-3, 6-4
Doubles: No. 1 – Bomleny-Beach (G) def. Finley-Schwaegerman (M), 6-3, 6-1; No. 2 – Wilebski-Brumbaugh (G) def. Escatel-Gonzalez (M), 6-0, 6-3; No. 3 – Pettit-Kelly (G) def. Figueroa-Krueger (M), 6-4, 6-2

Tennis team to compete in Ottawa Sectional

OTTAWA – The Mendota girls' tennis team will compete in the Ottawa Class 1A Sectional to be held Friday, Oct. 14 and Saturday, Oct. 15. Other schools in the tournament include Coal City,

Kankakee (McNamara), Kankakee (Sr.), LaSalle (L.-Peru), Morris, Ottawa (Twp.), Peru (St. Bede), Pontiac and Streator (Twp.) [Coop].

The first four places in both singles and doubles will advance to the state final tournament. The state tournament is Oct. 20-22 and will be played at Buffalo Grove High School and surrounding area courts.



Three Rivers East Division Football Standings

	TR	OA
Princeton	4-0	6-0
St. Bede	3-0	6-0
Hall	2-1	3-3
Mendota	1-2	3-3
Sterling Newman	1-2	3-3
Kewanee	1-3	2-4
Bureau Valley	0-4	1-5

Friday, Sept. 30
Mendota 49, Sherrard 35
Princeton 37, Newman 0
Hall 26, Kewanee 15

Saturday, Oct. 1
St. Bede 31, Bureau V. 20

Friday, Oct. 7
Kewanee at Mendota
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Sterling Newman at Hall



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Rock Island (Alleman) Class 1A Regional Soccer Tournament

Friday, Oct. 7

1 - (9) Princeton at (7) Port Byron (Riverdale) - 6 p.m.

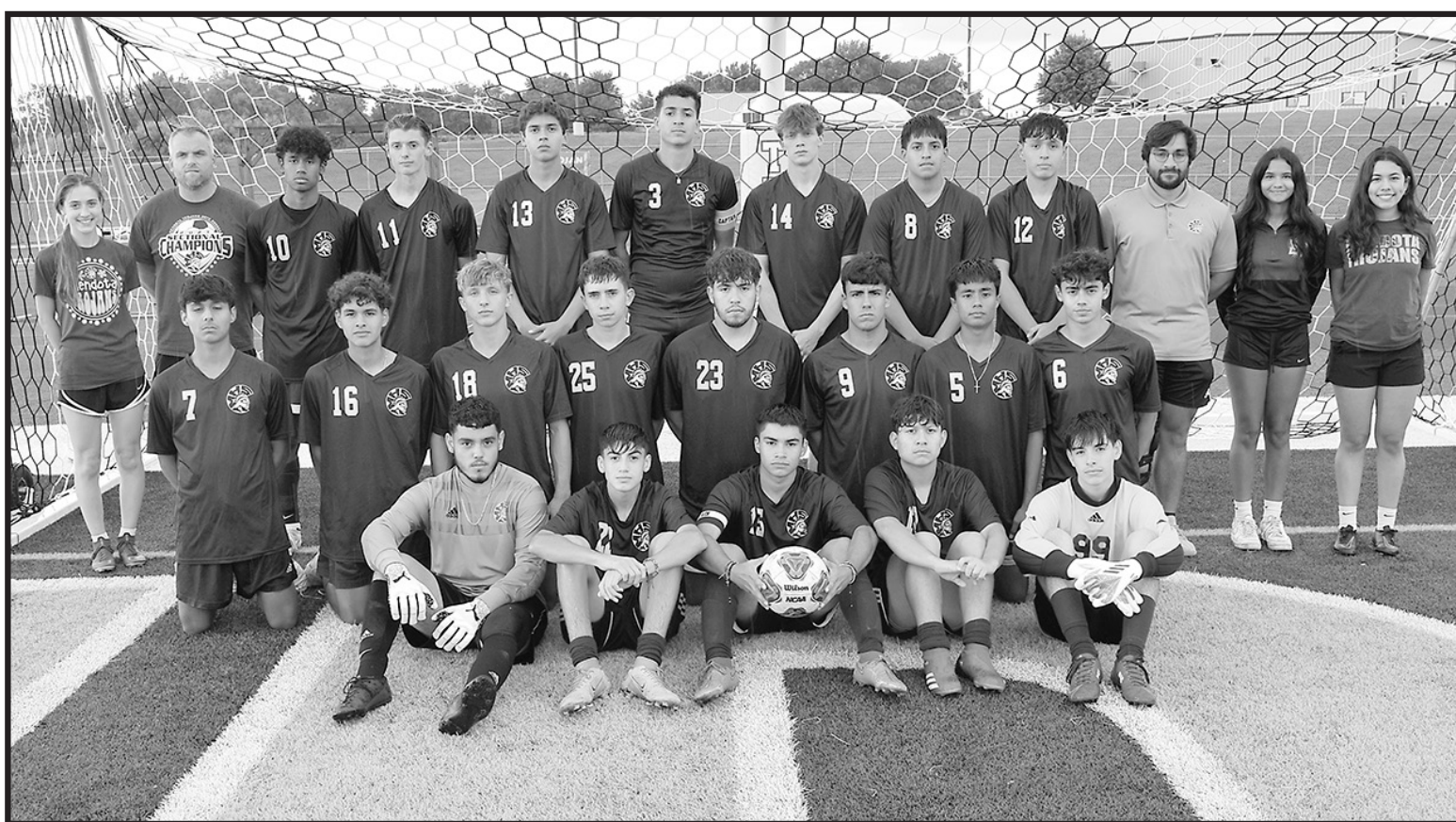
Friday, Oct. 14

4 - Winner Match 2 vs. Winner Match 3 - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 11

2 - (1) Mendota vs. Winner Match 1 - 4:30 p.m.

3 - (4) Rock Island (Alleman) vs. (6) DePue [Coop] -
6:30 p.m.



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A child's first hunting trip is a milestone moment. Parents can take steps leading up to the trip to ensure their children are ready for what's to come.

How to prepare for a child's first hunting trip

Millions of individuals across the globe are avid hunters. The passion many of those people have for hunting began on their first childhood hunting trip, and countless hunters fondly recall this milestone moment in their lives.

If there's a first time for everything, parents know that kids' initial forays into any activity comes with ups and downs. Hunting is no exception to that trend, but parents can consider these measures as they prepare their youngsters to go hunting for the first time.

- Emphasize the importance of safety. Safety is of the utmost importance on any hunting trip. Kids should be aware of all safety protocols pertaining to their guns and the hunting grounds. Hunter's education courses can teach kids about hunting safety, but parents can quiz youngsters in the days leading up to the trip to reinforce safety protocols.

- Explain how hunting trips typically unfold. Giving kids an idea of how a hunting trip may unfold is another good idea. Explain the timing of the trip and why it's beginning when it is. Kids without such knowledge may be less enthusiastic about early morning hunting excursions if they don't understand why they need to get out of bed early on a day off. But they might be more excited if they recognize they're more likely to see wildlife and enjoy a successful trip

if they're willing to sacrifice sleeping in.

- Bring some extra activities for kids to do. Screens are a no-no, as they could deter wildlife. But hunting requires patience, which is not exactly a virtue many youngsters possess. So bring some books along or encourage kids to keep a diary of their first trip, describing it in detail so they have something to look back on as they get older.

- Purchase comfortable hunting attire. Kids will likely be wearing new attire on their first trip, so parents should have them try the clothing on prior to the trip. When shopping for hunting clothing, make sure it meets all safety standards and is functional for hunters, but don't overlook comfort. Hunting involves a lot of waiting, and the trip will be more enjoyable for everyone if kids are comfortable throughout the slow periods.
- Recognize the day could be emotional. A child's first hunting trip can be an emotional roller coaster, as kids may feel excited, bored, nervous, sad, and even guilty at any point during the day. Parents must allow kids to express any of these emotions during the day and emphasize that it's alright to express their emotions.

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Illinois fall trout fishing season opens Oct. 15

SPRINGFIELD – The 2022 Illinois fall trout fishing season will open Saturday, Oct. 15, at 59 ponds, lakes and streams throughout the state.

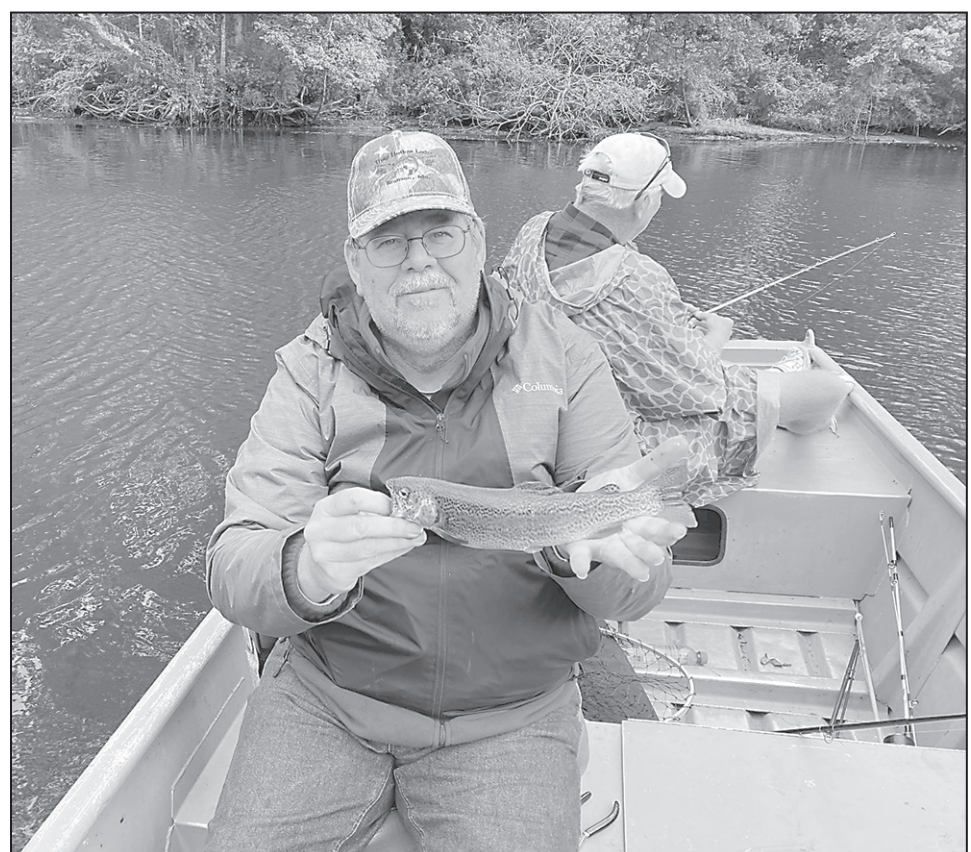
An early opportunity at select trout sites, the fall catch-and-release fishing season, will open Oct. 1. No trout may be kept during the catch-and-release period, but anglers can keep trout after the opening of the regular season beginning Oct. 15.

The Illinois Catchable Trout Program is funded by those who use the program through the sale of Inland Trout Stamps. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) stocks more than 80,000 rainbow trout each year in bodies of water where trout fishing is permitted during the fall season. An additional 80,000 trout are stocked for the spring season which begins each April.

For the 2022 fall trout season, no trout may be taken from any of the stocked sites until the season opens at 5 a.m. Oct. 15. During the season, the daily catch limit is five trout. For more information, visit www.ifishillinois.org.

The fall trout season offers opportunities for families to get outdoors and enjoy fishing. Resources are available for taking kids fishing at https://www.ifishillinois.org/Kids_Fishing/kidsfishing.html.

All anglers, including



Kevin Hieronymus of Princeton proudly shows a rainbow trout he caught on a recent fishing trip to Missouri. The fall trout fishing season in Illinois begins on Oct. 15.

those who intend to release fish caught before Oct. 15, must have an Illinois fishing license and Inland Trout Stamp, which are available at IDNR license and permit locations, including many bait shops, sporting goods stores and other retail outlets. Check the IDNR website for locations at <https://www.exploremoreil.com/agent-locator>.

Fishing licenses and trout stamps also can be purchased with a credit card online at

<https://www.exploremoreil.com/>.

For information about site regulations, anglers should contact individual sites that will be stocked with catchable-size trout. Not all sites open at 5 a.m. on opening day. Anglers should confirm the opening time of their favorite sites prior to the open date.

Area sites open for fall trout fishing season are:

Bureau County - Hennepin Canal Parkway; Ken-

dall County - Big Lake, Silver Springs State Fish and Wildlife Area (SFWA); LaSalle County - Illinois and Michigan Canal Lock 14, LaSalle; Ogle County - Pine Creek, White Pines Forest State Park **, Whiteside County - Centennial Park Pond, Rock Falls, Coloma Park District; Winnebago County - Baumann Lake, Cherry Valley

(*Denotes sites open for catch-and-release early fall season fishing)

IDNR announces 2022 waterfowl hunting updates

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) is reminding waterfowl hunters of key dates and other information regarding the 2022-2023 waterfowl seasons.

2022-2023 waterfowl seasons

This is the second year of a five-year waterfowl season plan that was developed in 2020. This fall, Illinois will open the regular duck, Canada goose and snow goose seasons on Oct. 22 in the North Zone, Oct. 29 in the Central Zone, Nov. 12 in the South Central Zone, and Dec. 3 in the South Zone.

White-fronted goose (specklebelly) seasons will open Oct. 24 in the North Zone, Nov. 5 in the Central Zone, and on the same dates as duck season in the South Central (Nov. 12) and South zones (Dec. 3).

The daily limit is six ducks of any species, however, daily limit can consist of no more than the following: four mallards (of which no more than two can be hen mallards), three wood ducks, two redheads, two canvasbacks, two black ducks, one pintail and one mottled duck.

Scaup (bluebills) will have a daily limit of two for the first 45 days of the season in each zone and one for the last 15 days of the season in each zone.



The daily bag limit of mergansers is five, only two of which may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit for ducks and mergansers is three times the daily bag limit (18 and 15, respectively) by species and sex.

During the regular season, Canada goose daily limits will be three with a possession limit of nine. White-fronted goose daily bag limits will be two with a possession limit of six. The snow goose daily bag limit is 20 birds, with no possession limit, during the fall and winter seasons.

The spring Light Goose Conservation Order will open Jan. 20 in the North Zone and Feb. 1 in the Central, South Central, and South zones, ending April 30 in all zones. There is no daily bag or possession limit on snow, blue, and Ross' geese during the spring conservation order.

Waterfowl seasons currently open

Rail (Sora and Virginia only) is open statewide in all zones from Sept. 10 through Nov. 18, with a daily limit of 25 and possession limit of 75. Snipe is open statewide in all zones from Sept. 10 through Dec. 25, with a daily limit of eight and possession limit of 24.

Additional details on waterfowl seasons are included in the Illinois Digest of Hunting and Trapping Regulations 2022-2023, available on the IDNR website at <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/hunting/Pages/HuntTrapDigest.aspx>

The Illinois waterfowl hunting zone maps and anticipated season dates for the 2021-2025 seasons are available on the IDNR website at <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/news/Documents/IDNR-Waterfowl-2021-2025.pdf>

Note that sunrise and sun-

set times are not included in the Hunting and Trapping Digest again this year. Hunters should refer to this website for their local sunrise and sunset: <https://www.weather.gov/dvn/sunrise-sunset>

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) reminder

In coordination with other state and federal agencies, IDNR continues to monitor for outbreaks of the H5N1 strain of HPAI that was observed in Illinois during spring 2022. Similar mortality events may occur as waterfowl arrive in Illinois from northern breeding grounds during the fall migration.

IDNR reminds waterfowl hunters to take precautions and thoroughly cook game meat to an internal temperature of 165 degrees Fahrenheit. Avoid handling sick or dead waterfowl found in the field. Do not allow dogs and other pets to consume waterfowl that died from unknown causes. Further guidance for hunters can be found at the following link: https://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal_health/fsc_hpai_hunters.pdf

If five or more wild birds are found deceased of unknown causes in one location, please contact an IDNR district wildlife biologist at: <https://www.wildlifeillinois.org/sidebar/contact-an-idnr-district-wildlife-biologist/>

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LOCAL AND AREA

Winning the battle in your mind

If you have received Christ as your Savior, then you have an enemy. Did you know that? I know some people feel uncomfortable talking about the devil, but he is real and it's important for us to face the truth about him so we can have a victorious life in Christ.

Now, we don't need to be afraid of him because as believers in Jesus, the

Holy Spirit who lives in us is greater than our enemy in the world (1 John 4:4). But we can't ignore the enemy's attacks and overcome him. And the Word of God tells us how to "fight the good fight of the faith" (1 Timothy 6:12 NIV) using the weapon of the Word.

We Are in a War
Ephesians 6:12 says, "For our struggle is not

against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." And 2 Corinthians 10:4-5 says, "The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ."

There is a battle raging and the battlefield is the mind. That's why it is critical for us to learn how to renew our minds with the weapon of God's Word.

Romans 12:2 exhorts us to "not be conformed to this world...but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind..." (AMPC). The Word of God is the most powerful thing on the earth, and if we will really learn the truth in it, then the power of the Word will literally transform our lives by "demolishing strongholds" in our minds.

Know Your Enemy
The Bible teaches us that the devil "is a liar [himself] and the father of lies" (John 8:44 AMPC). He comes against us by bombarding our minds with cleverly



devised patterns of nagging thoughts that lead to suspicion, doubt, fear, reasoning and theories that refute the truth of God's Word. When these thoughts get rooted in our minds, then we have strongholds that give the enemy control.

A stronghold is an area where the enemy entrenches himself and takes control. So when the Bible talks about strongholds in our mind, it's referring to areas where the enemy has become entrenched in our thoughts, causing us to believe something that's absolutely not true, but because we believe it's true, it has become a reality for us.

Before I learned about being transformed by the renewing of my mind according to God's Word, I believed things that weren't true, and they created a mess in my life. I remember thinking things like, "Nobody cares about me or loves me. Nothing good is going to happen in my life, so I might as well not expect anything good. I'm always going to have a second-class life because I was abused by my father and I'm damaged goods."

It's taken years of diligently studying God's Word and prayer, but God has set me free from those

strongholds and I have come to the place where I can live in His righteousness, peace and joy every day. And like John 8:32 says, the truth has set me free!

Wield Your Sword

Let's go back to Ephesians 6. Verses 12-18 tell us who our enemy is and that we need to put on the armor of God so we can stand our ground and resist him. Verse 17 says to "take the helmet of salvation and the sword that the Spirit wields, which is the Word of God" (AMPC).

So how do we "wield the Word"?

It's simple: When we hear the Word, speak the Word, meditate on the Word and sing praises from the Word of God, we are doing spiritual warfare. And as we study the Word, it becomes a filter in our mind that reveals the lies of the enemy and gives us the truth. That's why the devil will do everything he can to distract us from spending time with God and studying the Word.

I want to encourage you today to make a determined decision to keep your relationship with God and His Word your number one priority. Look up every scripture you can find about renewing the mind, then meditate on

those scriptures and say them out loud. Ask God to reveal any strongholds in your mind and help you tear them down with His Word. Then, when the enemy comes against you, you won't be deceived. And like me, your testimony will be: Thank You, God! Your Truth has set me free!

For more on this topic, order Joyce's CD audiobook *Battlefield of the Mind*. You can also contact us to receive our free magazine, *Enjoying Everyday Life*, by calling (800) 727-9673 or visiting www.joycemeyer.org.

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If I Can

By William Arthur Ward

If I can write one verse of truth today
Or give my fellow man a song to sing;
If I can push one needless cloud away
And help men live as children
of the King:
If I can lend someone a helping hand
Or warm a place where friendship
needs to be;
If I can build a bridge where
fences stand
And light a lamp that other men
might see;
If I can open doors of hope this day
By letting someone know that
others care;
If I can speak in words that seem
to say:
I know the heavy burdens that
you bear.
If I can guide a pilgrim on his way
Or pause to bid him stay for food
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If I can do these, Father, this I pray:
"O let me do them with my very best."

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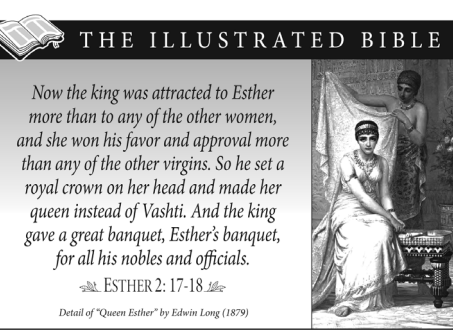
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—ESTHER 2: 17-18

Detail of "Queen Esther" by Edwin Long (1879)

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Abimelech in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From John 15:5, Jesus said, "I am the vine, ye are the ..." Water, Wind, Tree, Branches
3. According to Paul, what kind of giver does God love? Loving, Generous, Cheerful, Reluctant
4. What wicked queen wanted to kill the prophet Elijah? Athaliah, Herodias, Maachah, Jezebel
5. From Exodus 13, who was Moses' personal servant? Joshua, Zilpah, Gehazi, Elisha
6. Which of these describes Amos the prophet? Priest, Herdsman, Carpenter, Fisherman

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Branches, 3) Cheerful, 4) Jezebel, 5) Joshua, 6) Herdsman

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No. 20160 9283, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 30, 2016, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0375, Use Period Number(s) 14, Phase 3
JERRY B LEWIS, A SINGLE MAN, C/O MEYER CHAPEL, 306 W CHURCH ST, CHAMPAIGN, IL, 61820, according to the Mortgage dated November 10, 2017 and recorded under File No. 20180 9891, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 20, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0436 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 7
JERRY B LEWIS, A SINGLE MAN, 303 E HILL ST, CHAMPAIGN, IL, 61820, according to the Mortgage dated November 10, 2017 and recorded under File No. 20180 9891, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 20, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0436 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 7
AUBREY LENARD LUCAS AND ALEXIS BLOSSOM LUCAS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 45 DOGWOOD ST, PARK FOREST, IL, 60466, according to the Mortgage dated July 09, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 14596, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 21, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0119 Frequency Even, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 2
AUBREY LENARD LUCAS AND ALEXIS BLOSSOM LUCAS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 17750 DEVON DR, COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, IL, 60478, according to the Mortgage dated July 09, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 14596, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 21, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0119 Frequency Even, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 2
MARGARET PAMILA LUCAS, A SINGLE WOMAN, C/O NEALLY LAW, 122 PARK CENTRAL SQ, SPRINGFIELD, MO, 65806, according to the Mortgage dated June 17, 2017 and recorded under File No. 2017 17588, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on November 01, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0221 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 4
MARGARET PAMILA LUCAS, A SINGLE WOMAN, 1551 MILLBROOK DR, ALGONQUIN, IL, 60102, according to the Mortgage dated June 17, 2017 and recorded under File No. 2017 17588, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on November 01, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0221 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 4
HARVEY L MC KELVIN AND ROSIE B MC KELVIN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT

TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 5422 W RICE ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60651, according to the Mortgage dated February 04, 2016 and recorded under File No. 20180 7493, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 19, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0423 AB Side, Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 7
JAMES J MOORE AND ELLA WARD MOORE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 5248 W CONGRESS PKWY APT 2, CHICAGO, IL, 60644, according to the Mortgage dated May 14, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2016 14445, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 28, 2016, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0284 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 4
FRANCISCO J PAIZ AND KARLA JOHANNA CHACON MORALES, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 9335 FIRESIDE CIR, INDIANAPOLIS, IN, 46250, according to the Mortgage dated June 27, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2016 14593, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 30, 2016, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0144 Frequency Odd, Use Period Number(s) 36, Phase 2
JILL C PARKER, A SINGLE WOMAN, 110 VIXEN CIR APT F, BRANSON, MO, 65616, according to the Mortgage dated November 11, 2017 and recorded under File No. 20180 9084, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 06, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0078 Frequency Even, Use Period Number(s) 46, Phase 1
NICHOLAS W PAROJCIC AND ASHLEE L PAROJCIC, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 743 GOVERNOR RD, VALPARAISO, IN, 46385, according to the Mortgage dated February 11, 2018 and recorded under File No. 20180 9719, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 17, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0064 Frequency Even, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 1
BEVERLY M PERKINS, 8430 S WINCHESTER AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60620, according to the Mortgage dated July 08, 2019 and recorded under File No. 2019 16338, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on November 27, 2019, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0209 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 4
JOEY PETERSON M U H A M M A D AND CAROL E M U H A M M A D , HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 4277 N 28TH ST, MILWAUKEE, WI, 53216, according to the Mortgage dated January 22, 2017 and recorded under File No. 20180 8815, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 05, 2018, are the

owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0152 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 2
WILLIAM R P I E C H O W S K I AND AMBER L P I E C H O W S K I , HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 11 BROADWAY STE 1515, NEW YORK, NY, 10004, according to the Mortgage dated February 18, 2018 and recorded under File No. 20180 7718, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 20, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0376 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 3
WILLIAM R P I E C H O W S K I AND AMBER L P I E C H O W S K I , HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 441 GREENVIEW LN, OSWEGO, IL, 60543, according to the Mortgage dated February 18, 2018 and recorded under File No. 20180 7718, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 20, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0376 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 3
JAMES L PURHAM AND BETTY J PURHAM, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 9036 S MAY ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60620, according to the Mortgage dated September 08, 2017 and recorded under File No. 20180 2450, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 02, 2018, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0438 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 7
HALI RAFFERTY A/K/A HALI N RAFFERTY AND TYLER MOORE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 518 W ERIE ST, SPRING VALLEY, IL, 61362, according to the Mortgage dated April 18, 2019 and recorded under File No. 2019 10397, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 20, 2019, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0055 Frequency Even, Use Period Number(s) 31, Phase 1
LUIS REBOLLEDO AND LYDIA I REBOLLEDO, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 4914 W WOLFRAM ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60641, according to the Mortgage dated December 30, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2017 14417, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 19, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0439 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 27, Phase 7
LUIS REBOLLEDO AND LYDIA I R E B O L L E D O , HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 4914 W WOLFRAM ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60641, according to the Mortgage dated August 18, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 20272, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle

County, Illinois, on December 21, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0286 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 14, Phase 4
DEBORAH G R I C H A R D S O N AND WILLIE C RICHARDSON, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 359 DANIELLE RD, MATTESON, IL, 60443, according to the Mortgage dated June 26, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 12075, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 09, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0375 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 52, Phase 3
DIANITZA RIVERA, A MARRIED WOMAN, 752 N SUNRISE DR, ROMEVILLE, IL, 60446, according to the Mortgage dated November 27, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 17431, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 31, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0056 Frequency Odd, Use Period Number(s) 22, Phase 1
JOSE A ROSSEL AND JESSICA KAYE ROSSEL, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF S U R V I V O R S H I P , 609 CIRCLE DR, DIAMOND, IL, 60416, according to the Mortgage dated September 11, 2016 and recorded under File No. 20170 8498, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 14, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0041 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 43, Phase 1
SANDRA P SANTIZO, A SINGLE WOMAN, 228 LONGFORD CT, ELGIN, IL, 60120, according to the Mortgage dated March 20, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2016 10765, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 27, 2016, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0129, Use Period Number(s) 47, Phase 2
LAREIA C SMITH AND JAMES SMITH, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 2121 171ST ST, HAZEL CREST, IL, 60429, according to the Mortgage dated December 30, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2017 14428, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 19, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0431 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 51, Phase 7
LAREIA C SMITH AND JAMES SMITH, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 2121 171ST ST, HAZEL CREST, IL, 60429, according to the Mortgage dated July 24, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 11164, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 27, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0431 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 09, Phase 7
THESHA L TERLUNEN AND DAVID ALAN TERLUNEN, WIFE

AND HUSBAND, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, N6534 STATE ROAD 89, WHITEWATER, WI, 53190, according to the Mortgage dated May 14, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2017 16253, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 13, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0438 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 05, Phase 7
ERIC A THOMAS AND LINDA R THOMAS, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 428 S BARNEWOLT DR, PEORIA, IL, 61604, according to the Mortgage dated January 04, 2019 and recorded under File No. 20190 6099, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 24, 2019, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0377 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 51, Phase 3
CAROLYN A TYLER-GARCIA AND OMAR A GARCIA CANO AKA AGCAS, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 1759 N MAYFIELD AVE APT 2, CHICAGO, IL, 60639, according to the Mortgage dated July 11, 2016 and recorded under File No. 2016 2103, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 30, 2016, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0130 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 31, Phase 2
SARAY VEGA-COOPER AND PAUL BRIGANDI, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 65 MALDEN ST UNIT B, WORCESTER, MA, 01606, according to the Mortgage dated October 01, 2019 and recorded under File No. 20200 5384, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 21, 2020, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0406 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 42, Phase 6
JONAS TIANGSON VIRAY AND EDEN S VIRAY, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, C/O RICHARD FRED JOHNSON LAW, 701 W MADISON ST STE 4000, CHICAGO, IL, 60602, according to the Mortgage dated February 26, 2017 and recorded under File No. 2017 15422, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 03, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0288 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 4
JONAS TIANGSON VIRAY AND EDEN S VIRAY, HUSBAND

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AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, 6902 N KARLOV AVE, LINCOLNWOOD, IL, 60712, according to the Mortgage dated February 26, 2017 and recorded under File No. 2017 15422, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 03, 2017, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as, Unit No. 0288 Frequency Annual, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 4

TERMS OF SALE: At the time and location noted above, the timeshare estates listed above will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash. Purchase price shall be paid in full at the time of sale by cash or certified and immediately available funds. In the event the holder of the mortgages or its authorized agent is the purchaser of one or more of the timeshare estates, the holder of the mortgages or its authorized agent may offset against the purchase price of the timeshare estate(s) an amount equal to all or a portion of the amount due under the mortgage(s) (and thus, credit bid).

Other terms may be announced at the public auction.

Holiday Inn Club Vacations Incorporated
A Delaware corporation
By: Deb Quirk
Its: Agent
Legal No. 1001 (10/5, 10/12, 10/19 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LA SALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FIRST)No.
STATE)2022
BANK,)FC00
Plaintiff,)0009
v.)Non-
)Residential

ILLINOIS)
HORSE)
PARK)
FOUNDATION))
NFP,)
A not-)
for-profit)
corporation,)
DANIEL T.)
SAMPSON,)
individually,)
(UNKNOWN) TENANTS)

(OR)
(OCCUPANTS,))
(UNKNOWN)
(OWNERS AND))
(NON-)
(RECORD)
(CLAIMANTS,))
(Defendants.)

RE-NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment heretofore entered by the said Court in the above-entitled cause, on May 12, 2022, in favor of First State Bank in the amount of \$50,306.42 (\$41,689.35 in principal, \$1,643.01 in interest, \$50.00 in late fees and \$6,924.06 in other charges) + \$3,147.50 in attorneys' fees + \$1,998.33 in costs (the "Judgment"), Adam Diss, Sheriff of Lee County, or his Deputy, will on October 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., at the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office, 707 Etna Road, Ottawa, IL (or by "virtual sale" - call the Sheriff's Office for details) sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described premises and real estate in the said judgment mentioned,

situated in the County of LaSalle, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment to wit:

PARCEL 1: THE EAST 70 FEET OF LOT 2 IN BLOCK 1 IN THE VILLAGE OF TRIUMPH, SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF TRIUMPH, SITUATED IN LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 2: LOT 2 IN BLOCK 4 IN THE VILLAGE OF TRIUMPH. IN LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 3: LOT TEN (10), EXCEPT THE WEST 41.3 FEET OF LOT 10 IN BLOCK 5 IN HALL'S SECOND ADDITION, ALL IN THE TOWN OF TRIUMPH, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF LASALLE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Permanent Index Numbers: 07-17-402-017 (Parcel 1); 07-17-405-002 (Parcel 2); 07-17-406-018 (Parcel 3). COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

3908 E. 752nd Road, Triumph, Illinois
3904 E. 752nd Road, Triumph, Illinois
765 N. 39th Road, Triumph, Illinois

The person to contact for information regarding this property is: Michael A. O'Brien, Esq. (630) 871-9400

The terms of sale are: Ten percent (10%) due by cash or certified funds at the time of the sale and balance is due by noon the following day after the sale to the LaSalle County Sheriff. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "As Is" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

The properties are improved by: homes, horse barns and related buildings

The properties may be inspected prior to sale: No. Together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenants thereunto.

NOTICE-PUBLICATION- JUDICIAL SALE

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124A South County Farm Road

Wheaton, Illinois 60187
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Fax: (630) 871-9435

Atty. No. 6216625/6224495

WITNESS:
s/ Greg Vaccaro
Greg Vaccaro, Clerk of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Court, and

the seal thereof, LaSalle, Illinois

Date: September 20, 2022

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION AUCTION OF REAL ESTATE

Case No. 2022 FC 9

On October 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. certain real estate commonly known as:

3908 E. 752nd Road, Triumph, Illinois

3904 E. 752nd Road, Triumph, Illinois

765 N. 39th Road, Triumph, Illinois

Will Be Sold at Public Auction to the highest bidder for cash:

The properties consist of: homes, horse barns and related buildings

Contact: Michael A. O'Brien at 630-871-9400

Formal Notice of this Judicial Sale of Real Estate will be found in the Legal Notices section of this

newspaper with the above-mentioned case number.

Legal No. 0907 (9/28, 10/5, 10/12 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 19, 2022 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of LaSalle County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Above Board Handyman Services located at 19 Cedar Lane Sandwich, IL. 60548.

Dated: September 19, 2022. Edward Koley Applicant.

Legal No. 1002 (10/5, 10/12, 10/19 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LA SALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE)
OF) C a s e
Betty J.)No.
Worple,)2022

Deceased) P R - 1 7 5
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Betty J. Worple of Mendota, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on September 22, 2022 to Patsy J. Kresal of 10606 Matthews, P. O. Box 61, Huntley, IL 60142, whose attorney is Guilfoyle & Stevenson, LLP, 1316 Meriden Street, Mendota, IL 61342.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, LaSalle County Courthouse, Ottawa, IL 61350, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 15, 2023. If a claim notice is mailed or delivered personally to a creditor of the decedent, the creditor's claim may be filed on or before the date stated in the notice, if later than the date shown above. Any claim not filed within the time allowed is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the Attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Legal No. 1003 (10/5, 10/12, 10/19 2022)

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Tonja Greenfield,
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Legal No. 1004 (10/5 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 16, 2022 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of LaSalle County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Personalitee's located at 721 LaSalle Street Ottawa, IL. 61350.

Dated: September 16, 2022. Joshua Callaway & Mary Kaye Partridge Applicants.

Legal No. 0906 (9/21, 9/28, 10/4 2022)

NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 12, 2022 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of LaSalle County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Magnum Opus located at 1003 1st Avenue Mendota, IL. 61342.

Dated: September 12, 2022. Debra Diane Lewis Applicant.

No. 0905 (9/21, 9/28, 10/5 2022)

511 STORAGE UNITS

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

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105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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113 FINANCIAL

NOTICE Advance Fee Loans or Credit Offers

701 HELP WANTED

Mendota High School is currently seeking a Head Boys' and Girls' Bowling Coach for the 2022-23 season.

If interested, please contact Steve Hanson at shanson@mendotahs.org for more information.

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501 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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123 MOVING & STORAGE

1500 sqft Machine Shed With High Ceilings in Rural Steward for Rent. Call 815-298-9300. (10-03-22)

127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

JNJ JUMPERS Indoor/Outdoor Bounce House Rentals Available Year Round. Please Call 815-784-4256 For Availability or Visit us on Facebook.

203 HELP WANTED

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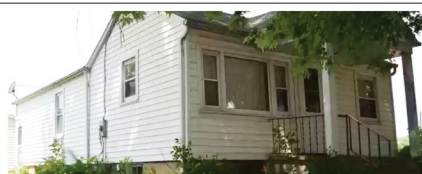
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