

New historical marker in Troy Grove honors abolitionist, educator Crandall

Woman’s rights advocate educated girls of all skin colors

By **BRANDON LaCHANCE**
Staff writer

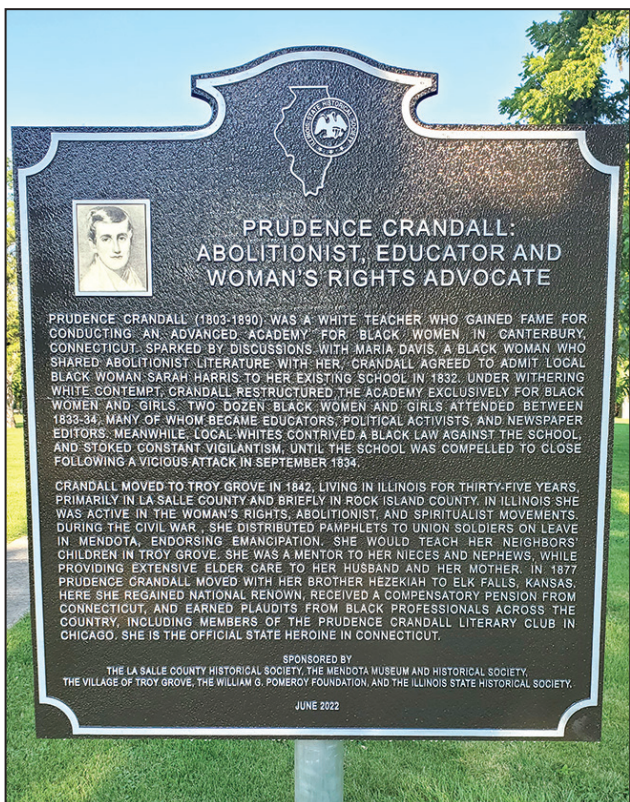
TROY GROVE – If you were playing a word association game and the village of Troy Grove came across, the first, easy answer is Wild Bill Hickok.

However, the gunslinger and his family of abolitionists were not the only ones creating chatter around town, making headlines in newspapers, or creating history.

Prudence Crandall, originally from Rhode Island, moved to Troy Grove in 1842 after she had led a female academy in 1831 in Canterbury, Conn. Crandall is reported to be the first or one of the first teachers to have an integrated classroom.

Once white leaders in Canterbury pulled their children from the academy because they didn’t want them in the same classroom as African American, Crandall opened the Canterbury Female Academy for Young Ladies and Little Misses of Color in order to prove all children deserve an education.

Infuriated Crandall would open a black school, the townspeople went to the state capitol and had a black law outlawing education for out-of-state-black people. After the white school teacher continued teaching African Americans, the school was egged, had rocks thrown through windows, cow manure placed on the front steps and in the well water, and it was set on fire in 1834.



Prudence Crandall was honored with an historical marker on June 25 in Troy Grove. The abolitionist white school teacher educated black girls across America including in Troy Grove where she lived for 30 years. (Reporter photo by Brandon LaChance)

The school didn’t close until Crandall didn’t feel the students had a safe environment when a riot broke out 1 ½ years after it opened.

Crandall’s father Pardon Crandall bought 600 acres in Troy Grove in 1838 and built a cabin. After he passed away from malaria, his daughter took residence in his cabin in 1842 at 38 years old.

Along with passing out activist pamphlets across La

Salle County, she continued doing what she had in Rhode Island and Connecticut, educating girls of all skin color.

For her efforts, the La Salle County Historical Society installed a 44”x51” historical marker costing \$3,700 in Troy Grove recognizing Crandall for her efforts and being an impactful part of history.

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Mendota Dist. 289 Board, MEA solidify new five-year contract

MENDOTA – The Mendota Elementary CCSD 289 Board of Education voted 6-0-1, solidifying a five-year contract with the Mendota Education Association (MEA) on Thursday, July 21. All board members who were on the board throughout the negotiation process voted to ratify the new contract. The Association membership voted entirely in favor of ratifying the contract the day prior. The agreement was reached after several months of negotiation sessions including members of the MEA, the Board of Education, the district Superintendent, and advisors.

“This period of negotiations between the MEA and Board was both positive and efficient. It was important to the Board that past experiences not shadow this process, and that both sides were building on a foundation of transparency and trust,” said Board President Theresa Komitas.

The agreement represents both parties’ commitment to attracting and retaining great educators, and brings the district in-line with area schools in terms of competitive pay and benefits. “We are extremely happy with our new contract and feel

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–Theresa Komitas, Board president

Mendota Elementary Schools are finally in a place where we can compete within our area to recruit and retain quality educators,” said Association Co-Vice-President Brandon Scheppers.

The agreement now includes bereavement and personal days for members, the option to participate in vision insurance, an increase in the Board contribution to the retirement fund contribution, and several language changes to simplify and modernize terminology and practice.

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Council agrees to union contracts

By **KIP CHEEK**
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MENDOTA – The Mendota City Council approved union contracts and several requests at its Aug. 1 regular meeting.

Alderman Jim Fitzpatrick informed the council of three requests, all of which were approved. The Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce and the Mendota Lions Club will use the Strouss Park basketball courts for a 3-on-3 basketball tournament to be

held Aug. 12-13 during the Sweet Corn Festival. Love Church will hold a music and food event the evening of Saturday, Aug. 20 at Veterans Park. Also, Mendota Youth Football will conduct its annual Tag Days on Friday, Oct. 7 and Saturday, Oct. 8 at the intersection of Main and Meriden streets.

Alderman Kyle Kim presented four union contracts for the council’s consideration. They included the Mendota Fire Fighters Local

4200 successor contract, the FOP Mendota Patrol Officers contract, the FOP Mendota Sergeant/Lieutenants contract and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 150 contract. The council approved all four contracts.

Alderman John Holland presented four ordinances and a resolution. The council passed amendments to

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Who will wear the crown? Sweet Corn Festival Queen to be crowned Aug. 12

10 candidates going through final preparations for the big night

MENDOTA – Preparations by the candidates are winding down as the Queen Pageant for the 75th annual Sweet Corn Festival is fast approaching. Ten young ladies will participate in this year’s pageant set for Friday, Aug. 12 at 7:30 p.m. on the First State stage on U.S. 34 in downtown Mendota.

All of the candidates will be receiving Mendota Gift Certificates. The certificates are gifts from Mendota Chamber member businesses who are participating in the Mendota SCF Queen Gift Certificate Program. The gift certificates are redeemable for goods and merchandise in participants businesses. The Chamber would like to thank those members who have participated.

Here are the final two contestants who will be vying to wear the crown as the 2022 Sweet Corn Queen.

Paige Manning is being sponsored by the Women of the Moose in this year’s pageant. She is the daughter of Steve and Valerie

Manning of Mendota. She stands five feet, seven inches tall with blond hair and blue eyes.

Manning is a 2022 graduate of Mendota High School. While in high school, she was very active in softball, basketball and volleyball all four years. She was also the captain of all three sports her senior year. She was a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society and was also on the math team and academic team. Manning was also an Illinois State Scholar and all-conference athlete and all-conference academic. She also received the Lions Club 4.0 award.

In the fall, Manning plans on attending the University of Dubuque where she will continue to play softball. She plans on getting her bachelor’s degree in Biology, with a goal of being a Physician’s Assistant in orthopedics and sports medicine. She is very interested in science, sports and how those two can work together. She just wants to treat athletes so they can get

back to playing the sport they love.

This summer you will find Manning either working at the Mendota Swimming Pool as a life guard or playing a lot of travel softball. She will be teaching kids swim lessons and making sure they stay safe in the pool. She also loves to hang out with friends, walk her dog and teach younger kids how to play softball.

The Mendota Fire Department has selected Kendra Frey as its queen candidate. She is the daughter of Kent Frey and Tammy Sterling. She is five feet, five inches tall with blue eyes and blond hair.

Frey is a 2022 graduate of Mendota High School where she was a football and basketball cheerleader.

In the fall, she plans to attend IVCC to major in Business.

This summer, Frey will be enjoying time with her friends and family. She is also be working as a waitress. She enjoys doing photography and weightlifting. She hopes to get some traveling in before one day starting a family.



Paige Manning, left, and Kendra Frey are two of the 10 candidates vying for the title of Sweet Corn Festival Queen. (Photo contributed)



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LOCAL AND AREA

Health on the road

Community Health Partnership of Illinois welcomes mobile health care

BY BRANDON LaCHANCE
Staff Writer

MENDOTA – American society in 2022 has two unwritten wants or needs that most of us follow with everything we do, now and convenience.

We want things with a snap of our fingers, and we want it in the best, easiest, most convenient way possible.

Community Health Partnership of Illinois is going to provide quick, thorough health care at your door step, at your work place, or where ever it is you need to see a doctor with its new mobile unit.

“We have a medical exam room, dental exam room, and behavior health inside of the bus,” said Beth Whalen, Community Health’s Operations Manager for the Mendota, Princeville, and Harvard locations. “Most of everything we can do at the clinic, we can do on the mobile unit. We take care of migrant seasonal farm workers, so we’ll be using that in

all of our outreach efforts. We go and actually take it places and service people.

“We’ve never had a mobile unit before. We’ve always done it by tents and now we’ll have a bus to travel and do all of this work.”

Whalen has been with the partnership for 13 years and in the health industry for 21 after owning and operating a vision center in the Peru Mall for the previous 28 years.

Along the way she has been proud of many aspects of her career, but the ribbon cutting ceremony of the mobile unit at 10-11 a.m., August 9 in front of 1202 E. Main St. in Mendota (the old True Hardware building) during National Community Health Center Week, August 7-13, will be toward the top of the list.

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- Community Health Partnership in Illinois of Mendota Operations Manager, Beth Whalen

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Eleace Sawyers, Community Health Partnership Chief Executive Officer since Dec. 2019, has been itching to release the mobile medical unit because it was scheduled to hit the road in 2020.

Covid-19 delays and the push backs it caused in manufacturing and delivering moved the release date to August 9, 2020.

Although it’s later than planned, the mobile unit is still sticking to the health agency’s mottos.

“Our slogans are, ‘To reach our patients where they are’ and ‘Nobody gets turned down because of their inability

to pay.’ Even if you don’t have the \$20, which is where cost starts on our slide-in-fee scale, we’re always looking at the social determinates of health,” Sawyers said. “We’re one of 1,400 health centers nationally. We’re supplemented by federal government funding to make sure this population, especially the uninsured and the underserved, know we exist.

“Anyone can come to our clinics. It is a great passion of ours to identify where our services are most needed and that we make sure we are situated in locations where we can serve the majority.”

The mobile unit will be set up in same fashion as a clinic in a brick and mortar building, and will have a large

dish on the roof for uninterrupted Wi-fi connectivity.

The office on wheels will offer medical, dental, and behavior health to the Mendota, Harvard, Aurora, Princeville, Champaign and the Kankakee area. Mendota will house and showcase the vehicle in the early stages, but the mobile unit will serve all six areas until each one has its own.

“We are going to even more rural areas to serve even more population. Most importantly, we want to make sure we can reach our patients where they are. A lot of our patients are from the Latin community and quite a bit of them are from Migrant Seasonal Farm Workers Community.

“We go to where they work and where they live. We

serve the uninsured and underserved patients as well as the seniors who cannot leave their homes to get care. Anyone is welcome. There will be a licensed medical nurse practitioner on the van as well as a nurse, a dental hygienist, and a dental assistant.”

The funding for the mobile unit came from grants received from Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker.

The grant was for the mobile unit and the purchase of the building at 1202 E. Main St. as Community Health Partnership is slowly moving from their current location at 1009 Main St. Both the mobile office and the building will be available for viewing during the ribbon cutting.

Estrada-O’Brien new to OSF

MENDOTA – OSF HealthCare is pleased to add a new family medicine physician to its staff to better serve the community of Mendota and surrounding areas.

The addition of Maritza Estrada-O’Brien, MD, on Aug. 1 ensures increased access for patients in need of a primary care provider at the OSF Medical Group – Primary Care at 1405 E. 12th St., Ste. 600, Mendota.

Dr. Estrada-O’Brien joins the care team in Mendota and offers a number of primary care services. She was born and raised in Mendota and is looking forward to giving back to the community she grew up in. As a primary care provider, she enjoys getting to know her patients and working with them throughout their lives.

She received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Illinois and a medical degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Peoria.

New or existing patient appointments with Dr. Estrada-O’Brien or a member of her care team can be made by calling (815) 538-7200.



Ross promoted to FSB’s Executive Vice-President

MENDOTA – First State Bank is pleased to announce the promotion of Kirk Ross to Executive Vice-President. Formerly Senior Vice-President, Commercial Lending, Ross has been in banking for 33 years.

His career started in 1989 at First of America, Kankakee, as a Loan officer. Since 1994, Ross has been a pivotal part of the success of First State Bank’s Loan Department and the growth it has experienced. He will continue to serve as part of the First State Bank Executive team, as a First State Insurance

Board member, a First State Mortgage Board member, and Secretary for Tri-County Financial Group, Inc.

“Kirk has been an exceptional leader for our First State Bank team,” said Tim McConville, President/CEO of First State Bank. “His years of experience and commitment to the community represents the core values of our company and we are pleased to have him continue to lead in this new capacity.”

Ross was born and raised in Mendota where he currently resides with his wife, Kathy. They have three children, Em-



ily, Luke and Olivia. He is a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mendota Lions Club, Treasurer of Mendota Education Foundation and a Mendota Police Pension Trustee.

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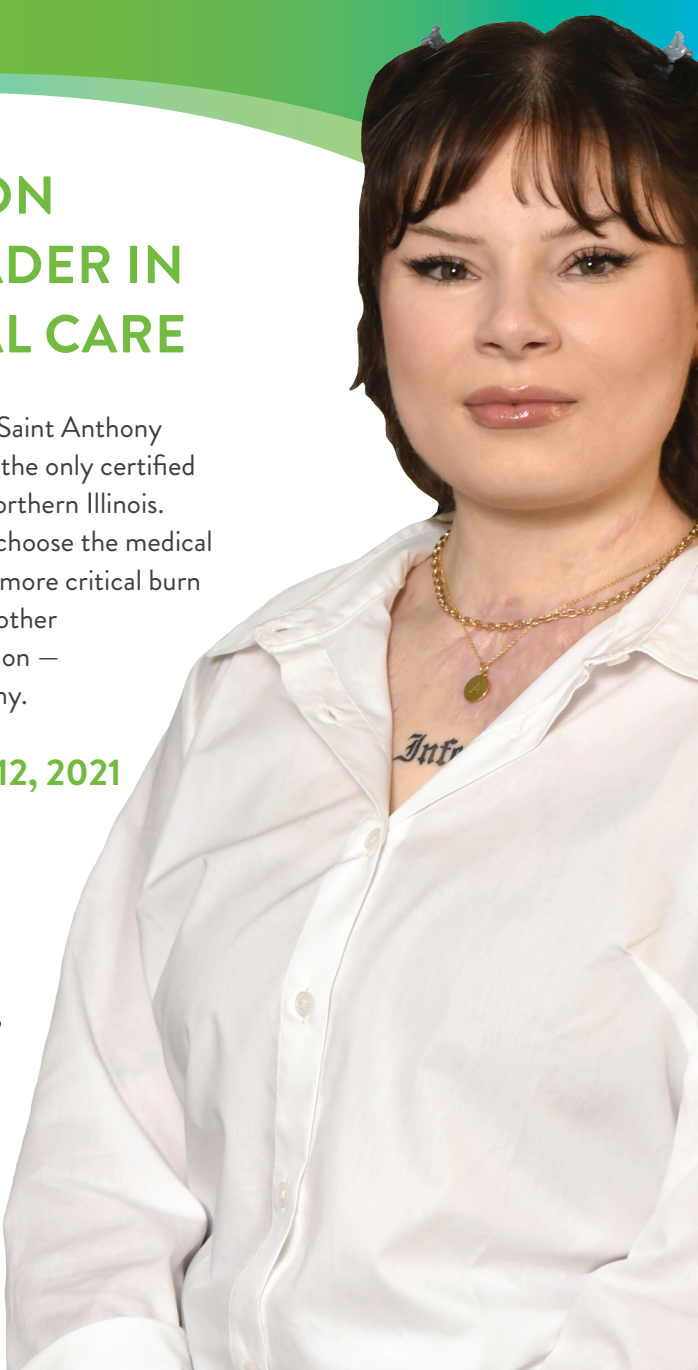
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LOCAL AND AREA

Dr. Galloway memorial service during SCF

MENDOTA – A memorial ceremony to honor the life and legacy of Mendota native Dr. Jerry Galloway is planned for 8:45 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 13 on the Sweet Corn Festival main stage on Washington Street next to the Hume-Carnegie Museum. Ken Gehler has orchestrated some Galloway family members and others to speak at the ceremony.

Galloway is a 1956 graduate of Mendota High School. All class members are encouraged to attend and members of Galloway's family have been invited. The general public is also welcome to the ceremony.

After becoming a doctor, Galloway joined the Peace Corps and he was sent to Zaïre (now the Democratic Republic of the Congo) in Central Africa from 1974-77. God had a plan and purpose for Galloway's life, and in 1979 he entered the Missionhurst Novitiate in

Arlington, Va. He took vows to become a Brother in 1980 in the Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (CICM). CICM sent him to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, where he lived and worked at the remote Pendjua mission serving the Pygmy and Bantu people for 27 years.

Galloway faced many challenges from government officials, hostile soldiers, witch doctors, cultural beliefs, oppression, betrayal and corruption. Still, he persevered and left his mark in the African jungle when he trained "barefoot doctors" to treat patients in villages connected only by footpaths through the jungle. He also worked tirelessly to build schools and boarding homes for the Batwa Pygmies, whom he described as the "poorest of the poor."

His work in the Congo was recognized in 2005

when the Medical College of Wisconsin/Marquette Medical Alumni Association presented him with the Humanitarian Award. The award recognized his unselfish service to thousands of Pygmy and Bantu people.

Galloway always stated that his years in the Congo were the happiest, most fulfilling in his life. He shared the good, bad and ugly with his family by writing a letter to them each week. Jerry's transformation, his great faith and his dedication is an encouragement to many, and his ability to overcome the many challenges he faced in a remote rain forest is truly inspiring.

Kent Galloway, a second cousin to Jerry, received over 1,200 letters that Jerry wrote and has shared those letters in a book, "Courage in the Congo: A Doctor's Fight to Save the Pygmies," which tells more of Jerry's amazing life story.

Piontek offers assortment of rock favorites at Mendota Sweet Corn Festival

MENDOTA – Local entertainer John Piontek will be playing music from the Beatles, America, and Tom Petty plus more from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday Aug. 12 at Mendota's Annual Sweet Corn Festival. His performance is courtesy of

Edward Jones Investments of Mendota.

Piontek has played in such area bands as Longshot, Big Kids and Justus to name a few. He is currently playing in a band 3 Day Weekend along with doing solo performances.

What a great way to spend your lunch hour, sampling some of the tasty treats that the Sweet Corn Festival has to offer and relaxing in the First State Bank Hospitality Tent listening to John Piontek perform some of the great hits of the past.

Mendota School District #289 plans preschool screenings

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 Monday, Aug. 15, and Tuesday, Aug. 16. An appointment can be made by calling Maria at 815-539-7362 ext. 1310.

The screenings are for children who are 3 (by Sept. 1, 2022) 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. Only one parent/caregiver should bring the child to the screening.

All children must be screened to be eligible for the Mendota District #289 Preschool Program. If your child is currently enrolled

in the Mendota District Preschool for All Program, he/she does not need to be screened again. Applications for Mendota District #289 Preschool will be at the screenings. The applications and screenings will be reviewed by the preschool team, and you will be contacted as to whether your child qualifies for preschool.

Mendota Elementary District #289 offers three need-based programs for 3- and 4-year-olds. One is a Developmental Program for students who qualify for Special Education Services due to a delay in one or more areas and two Preschool for All Programs that are funded through a State Grant and have specific qualifiers as "need-based" programs.

Illinois extends Driver's License and ID Card expiration dates until Dec. 1, 2022

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced that expiration dates for driver's licenses, ID cards and learner's permits are being extended until Dec. 1, 2022. The previous extension was set to end on July 31, 2022. As a result, expired driver's licenses, ID cards and learner's permits will remain valid until Dec. 1, 2022, so customers do not need to rush into Driver Services facilities. This extension does not apply to commercial driver's licenses (CDL) and CDL learner's permits.

White's office expanded online renewals for expired driver's licenses and ID cards and continues to mail letters to eligible customers. The letter provides driver's license and ID card holders with a unique PIN needed to renew online instead of visiting a facility and waiting in line. Customers may call 217-785-1424 to confirm their eligibility for online renewal or to obtain their PIN. They may also visit <https://apps.ilsos.gov/renewaldlid/>

eligible.jsp to look up their eligibility status.

Customers who must visit a facility include first-time driver's license or ID card applicants, first-time REAL ID applicants and drivers ages 75 and older who are required by state law to visit a facility when renewing their license.

White continues to encourage people to conduct other business online at ilsos.gov. In addition to driver's license and ID card renewals for those who qualify, online services include obtaining a duplicate driver's license or ID card, ordering a driver record and purchasing license plate stickers.

White noted his office is also extending the expiration dates of Restricted Driving Permits (RDPs) to Dec. 1, 2022 for those that expired on or after Dec. 1, 2021 through Dec. 1, 2022.

As a reminder, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has extended the federal REAL ID deadline to May 3, 2023.

Creative cooks needed for 2022 Sweet Corn Festival Food Contest

MENDOTA – It is time to get out your favorite sweet corn recipes, as the popular Sweet Corn Festival Food Contest will take place Saturday, Aug. 13 of Sweet Corn Festival weekend. The event is sponsored by Nightingales Thrift Shop of Mendota.

The Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for some creative cooks to serve up special dishes using sweet corn as the main ingredient. Chairpersons of the Food Contest, Audrey Becker-Moreno and Kathy Barnard, have begun preparations for this special event.

"There will be a Grand Prize winner chosen by the judges," announced Becker. "Prizes will also be awarded for Queen's

Choice, Grand Marshal's Choice, Most Creative and Best Presentation.

Contest rules and regulations are:

- Contestants must prepare the food ahead of time.

- All categories are open to all types of food dishes, as long as the main ingredient is sweet corn.

- Multiple entries from one contestant will be accepted, but only one award per contestant.

- All entries must be taken to the Mendota Elks Lodge, 707 Indiana Ave., Mendota. They can be dropped off between 1:15 and 1:45 p.m. Judging starts promptly at 2 p.m.

- All entries must bring a recipe card for the judges.

- There are no entry fees to participate in the SCF

Food Contest.

- Times may vary due to the number of participants.


The Grand Prize winner will receive \$250 in Mendota Gift Certificates, which can be used for services or merchandise in over 50 Mendota Businesses. The other awards will be \$50 Mendota Gift Certificates.


Applications for the SCF Food Contest are available at the Mendota Chamber Office, and at www.sweetcornfest.com website or by calling (815) 539-6507.


Nightingales Thrift Shop of Mendota and the Mendota Chamber ask all creative cooks to come forward and prepare some fantastic dishes for this year's event.


Mendota Weather


Seven Day Forecast


**Wednesday**
Scattered T-storms
High: 91 Low: 70


**Thursday**
T-storms Likely
High: 83 Low: 61

**Friday**
Sunny
High: 82 Low: 65


**Saturday**
Mostly Sunny
High: 89 Low: 70

**Sunday**
Partly Cloudy
High: 88 Low: 71

**Monday**
Partly Cloudy
High: 87 Low: 67

**Tuesday**
Sunny
High: 91 Low: 73

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0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

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Weather Trivia

Who coined the term "forecast"?

Answer: The Army Signal Corps changed the word "indicator" to "forecast" in 1948.

Weather History

Aug. 3, 1970 - Hurricane Celia struck the coast of Texas producing wind gusts to 161 mph at Corpus Christi. The hurricane was the most destructive of record along the Texas coast causing 454 million dollars in damage and claiming 11 lives.

Aug. 4, 1882 - A vivid aurora was visible from Oregon to Maine, down the East Coast as far as Mayport, Fla. and inland as far as Wellington, Kansas. Observers at Saint Vincent, Minn. noted it was probably the most brilliant aurora ever seen at that location.

Aug. 3, 2022

In-Depth Forecast

Wednesday we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 55% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high of 91°, humidity of 61%. South southwest wind 10 to 16 mph. The heat index for Wednesday could reach up to 101°. The record high for Wednesday is 98° set in 1991. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday night with a 75% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 70°.

Regional Cities

City	Hi/Lo	Wx	Hi/Lo	Wx
Aurora	92/70	t	88/63	t
Champaign	94/73	s	90/66	sh
Chicago	94/72	t	89/67	t
Freeport	91/67	t	83/59	s
Joliet	93/71	t	90/64	t
Moline	94/70	t	88/64	t
Peoria	96/72	t	88/65	sh
Rockford	92/68	t	87/60	t
Springfield	94/73	pc	91/68	sh

Last Week's Local Almanac


Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip	Rainfall
Monday	78	61	81/61	0.00"	0.00"
Tuesday	79	62	81/61	0.00"	0.76"
Wednesday	84	65	81/61	0.00"	-0.76"
Thursday	79	62	81/61	0.00"	
Friday	79	57	81/61	0.00"	
Saturday	82	57	81/61	0.00"	
Sunday	81	60	81/61	0.00"	

Average temp. 70.4°
Average normal 71.0°
Departure -0.6°

Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
First 8/5	5:53 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	11:43 a.m.	11:14 p.m.
Thursday	5:54 a.m.	8:10 p.m.	12:51 p.m.	11:39 p.m.
Friday	5:55 a.m.	8:09 p.m.	2:03 p.m.	Next Day
Saturday	5:56 a.m.	8:07 p.m.	3:18 p.m.	12:08 a.m.
Sunday	5:57 a.m.	8:06 p.m.	4:33 p.m.	12:45 a.m.
Monday	5:58 a.m.	8:05 p.m.	5:46 p.m.	1:32 a.m.
Tuesday	5:59 a.m.	8:04 p.m.	6:49 p.m.	2:32 a.m.

**New 8/27**

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 101 in Moline, Ill. The Southeast will experience mostly clear t partly cloudy skies with isolated showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 97 in Midway, Ga. The central United States will see mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 108 in Zapata, Texas. In the Northwest there will be mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 95 in Torrington, Wyo. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 106 in Bullhead City, Ariz.


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OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

Jerroll K. Swope

COMPTON — Jerrold “Jerry” K. Swope, 76, of Compton, passed away July 22, 2022 at Heritage Health, Mendota.

Funeral services were Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 10 a.m. at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota with Rev. Ken Foster officiating. Burial was in Melugin Grove Cemetery. Visitation was Wednesday, July 27 from 4-7 p.m. in the funeral home.

Jerrold was born Dec. 31, 1945 in Compton to Wendell and Elizabeth (Kehm) Swope. He was married to the mother of his children, Constance “Connie” Yenerich for 31 years and never remarried. She survives.

Jerry is survived by his daughter Michelle Borell-Morris of Compton; his son Mark Swope of West Brooklyn; sister Marilyn “Toots” Ehlers of Princeton; two brothers, Donald “Doc” Swope of Compton and Marvin “Butch” Swope of Michigan; five grandchildren, Bryan (Andrea) Borell, Kayli Borell and Zachary Borell, and Jacob and Kevin Swope; and four great-grandchildren, Bradley Borell, Nicole Borell, Emersyn Borell and Wyatt Adams.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Lavila Archer and a brother Elroy Swope.

Jerrold was a member of Mendota High School FFA. He graduated from Paw Paw High School in 1963. He was a member of Lee County Farm Bureau. He raised hogs and farmed in the West Brooklyn and Compton area. He was a deputy and detective for the Lee County Sheriff’s Department. He was owner/operator of Swope Trucking and was a Brooklyn Township Road Commissioner for 12 years. He was a member of Mendota Elks Lodge and Mendota Moose Lodge. Jerrold was one of the people that if you met him once you’d never forget him with distinctive hearty laugh. He was very well known and always had a story to tell and was a big kid at heart.

Memorials may be directed to the Compton Fire Department. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.

Daniel O. Tastad Jr.

LaSALLE — Daniel “Danny” Otis Tastad, Jr., 60, of LaSalle passed away July 25, 2022 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 30, 2022 at 11 a.m. at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota with Rev. Jeremiah Parker officiating. Cremation rites were accorded after the funeral and private burial with military honors by Mendota VFW Post 4079 will be at Troy Grove Cemetery at a later date. Visitation was held one hour prior to the funeral.

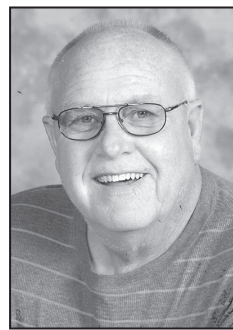
Daniel was born Jan. 21, 1962 in Mendota to Daniel and Dora (Callahan) Tastad, Sr.

He is survived by his mother Dora Planthaber; his daughter Lindsey Tastad of Ottawa; his granddaughter Layna Farrell; two sisters Diane (Jeff) Barhum of El Paso and Melissa Zwart of Streator; the mother of his daughter, Rhonda Noto of Ottawa; and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1998, his stepfather Harold Planthaber in 2021 and his brother Kenny Bauer.

Danny was a 1980 graduate of Mendota High School and attended Illinois Valley Community College. He served in the United States Army. He worked as a machine operator for Nabisco in Marseilles for over 10 years. He was a member of Mendota Moose Lodge. He loved fishing and being outdoors.

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



Robert G. Criss

MENDOTA — Robert G. Criss, 83, of Mendota, passed away July 25, 2022 in his home.

A memorial visitation was held Friday, July 29, 2022 from 4-6 p.m. at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota.

Robert was born April 4, 1939 in Joliet to George and Mary (Manning) Criss. He married Sandra Sharp.

He is survived by his wife of Mendota; his son Deric (Kerry Johnson) of Chicago; his daughter-in-law Dena Criss of Marion; his sister Georgia Faga; and his grandson Robert Ryne Criss.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters Martha, Daisy, Marian, Lucille and Beverly; a brother Bruce; and his sons Robert, Jeffrey and Bradley.

Robert graduated from Danville High School with the class of 1957 and attended Danville Junior College. He received his bachelor’s degree in 1966 from Illinois State University followed by his master’s degree in school psychology in 1967. His post graduate studies were taken at Northern Illinois University. Bob taught at Potomac Grade School. He was the school psychologist in Mendota and other area schools. He loved traveling with his wife Sandy, especially on cruises. He was an avid Chicago sports fan including the Cubs, Bears, Bulls and Blackhawks. Bob always looked forward to talking to his grandson Ryne on the phone frequently.

Memorials may be directed to the Mendota Food Pantry. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.



Bridge work begins on I-39

OTTAWA — The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that construction is underway on the bridges carrying Interstate 39 over Tomahawk Creek in LaSalle County. The work zone is three miles north of I-80.

The work consists of concrete removal and replacement, expansion joint replacement and a bridge deck overlay. One lane in each direction will be closed

during the project, which is expected to be completed this fall.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,535 miles of highway and 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. View area construction details at www.gettingaroundillinois.com.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Area students graduate from Augustana College

ROCK ISLAND — Augustana College, Rock Island, held its commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 22. U.S. Senator Dick Durbin delivered the address. The graduating class totaled 508.

Among the graduates who participated in the ceremony were Elizabeth Frame of Earlville, major in Biology, and Bryson Prusator of Mendota, major(s) in History Education and Middle Grades Education-Social Science.

Those graduating were given advice by Senator Durbin, who reflected on the resilience and hard work of this year’s graduates and commended Augustana’s commitment to preparing the next generation of peacemakers and problem solvers.

Eager named to Palmer College Dean’s List

DAVENPORT, Iowa — Madeline Eager of Mendota has been named to the spring 2022 Dean’s List at Palmer College of Chiropractic’s Main campus in Davenport, Iowa.

Master Gardener program offers 2 online training options

URBANA — For 46 years, University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners have measured success by gardens planted, insects identified, produce harvested, and the millions of hours volunteers have logged by helping others learn to grow.

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This year, there are two online training options — self-paced or hybrid with live sessions.

“Our online training is a great opportunity for folks who need more flexibility to participate,” said State Master Gardener Specialist Candice Hart. “Both options have self-paced components that can be completed at your own pace.”

Both training options may be taken from the comfort of home on a desktop, laptop, or tablet. Participants will be introduced to in-depth horticulture content through 13 modules including soils and fertilizers, plant diseases, entomology, pest management organic gardening and more. The training includes videos, a manual, reading materials and quizzes. A strong internet connection is highly recommended. The Henry office has a computer lab available for those without internet.

After completing their training, volunteers participate in educational programs in their communities. Those opportunities may include speaking at garden clubs, civic groups, or schools; answering calls or emails at garden help desks; establishing demonstration gardens that serve as educational tools; and educating citizens on how to establish community gardens.

The self-paced course starts Oct. 3 and can be completed in 14 weeks with approximately four to six hours of weekly work. The course costs

\$300 and registration is open until Sept. 13.

The hybrid course starts Sept. 13 and includes 12 weeks of hybrid online materials and live sessions on Tuesday mornings. The live sessions are attended in-person at the Henry Extension office. The cost of the course is \$300, and registration is open until Sept. 1.

Both Master Gardener training programs are coordinated by Extension staff at the county level. For more information or to fill out an application form, contact your local Illinois Extension Office at go.illinois.edu/ExtensionOffice. Residents in Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall or Putnam counties can contact Bettyann Harrison, Master Gardener & Master Naturalist program coordinator, by calling 309-364-2356 or by email at bettyann@illinois.edu.

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LOCAL AND AREA

MHS registration ends Aug. 9; freshman orientation set for Aug. 4

MENDOTA — Mendota High School will hold registration through Aug. 9. Parents are asked to complete the paper registration packet that was mailed home, or they may visit www.mendotahs.org for online forms. All MHS students need to have updated registration forms for the 2022-2023 school year.

Parents and students may view online information such as schedule and any students' fees. MHS encourages you to complete the free

and reduced meal application that was recently mailed home in order to determine if a family qualifies for free or reduced breakfast or lunch. The MHS Board of Education again waived all registration fees. Parents should pay for optional Chromebook insurance if interested.

Freshman orientation will be Thursday, Aug. 4. Students will attend anytime between 9 a.m. and noon. During this process, students new to the district will receive locks, schedules, and Chromebooks. The

Mendota High School Chromebook agreement form must be signed by both a parent/guardian and student before receiving the Chromebook. In addition, students will have an opportunity to tour the building, return any forms, and place cafeteria funds on their account with a check or cash. During this time, any sophomores, juniors, or seniors may also return forms.

All academic registration forms can be found at www.mendotahs.org. The first day of school is

Wednesday, Aug. 10. Questions regarding bus routes may be directed to 815-538-6211. Please visit various MHS social media accounts for updates. The Mendota High School Mobile App is available for download on Apple or Android devices by using the QR Code at www.mendotahs.org or by searching for Mendota HS at the app stores. All Mendota High School sanctioned social media accounts are linked to the Mendota HS custom app for your convenience.

Crandall

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"We actually started the process for the Prudence Crandall marker last year. We were approached by a gentleman through the Illinois State Historical Society because they had a matching grant to place a historical marker," said Amanda Carter, the La Salle County Historical Society's Museum Director. "They knew of the story of Prudence Crandall and thought that would be a really great fit for a marker."

"The Illinois State Historical Society funded half of the marker cost and then the La Salle County Historical Society, the village of Troy Grove, the Mendota Museum and Historical Society, and the William G. Pomeroy Foundation all pitched in for this marker."

"The village of Troy Grove donated funding and assisted in placing the marker. The marker is located at the Wild Bill Hickok Park on the other side of the Wild Bill Hickok monument that sits out there. It's a large plaque installed on a pole that tells the story of Prudence Crandall's life and what she accomplished in La Salle County."

The county's historical

society has implanted history in many towns, but Carter believes this is the first time it has enlightened Troy Grove because the society wasn't involved in the Wild Bill Hickok Monument.

Carter feels Crandall is an important part of history and should be accredited for her work teaching African American students throughout the Civil War.

"It's important for history to be out there. We learn from the past and what has been done in the past," Carter said. "I think it creates more of a sense of community when you know your roots, where you came from, and who came before you."

"In La Salle County, I think we have a very interesting history that is not only relevant to the local community, but it's nationally significant as well. For those living in the community, I think it's extremely important for them to know their history."

Troy Grove Mayor Chuck Mammen, who is also a member of the La Salle County Historical Society Board of Directors, believes Crandall's historical marker is long overdue and he's happy the village played a part in having it displayed.

"I'm happy we were able to help out with the sign. It's nice to have markers explaining the history of the area to people who live here and to those who visit," Mammen said. "This area is rich in history."

"People say it's a nice sign and they're glad we worked with the La Salle County Historical Society to get it installed. It's good that we can preserve history for future generations."

"Everyone wants to think about Wild Bill as a gunslinger, but his family were abolitionists. That's another reason this sign is so important to this town because Prudence Crandall was an abolitionist also."

"It's good for the village when people stop. The Wild Bill Hickok monument is on the state map as a stop and we have a lot of people stop here. Not only are they going to see the history of Wild Bill, but they're going to see the history of Prudence Crandall."

There was a celebration and unveiling of the historical marker on June 25 in which Elise Ellinghausen and Dr. Jennifer Rycenga spoke about Crandall and elaborated on her life and story found on the marker.



A future chemist creates a "bouncy ball" at a recent science camp at IVCC. (Photo contributed)

IVCC, Carus host science camp

OGLESBY — Illinois Valley Community College's Continuing Education Center recently hosted a one-day science camp in partnership with Carus, LLC.

Students learned science fundamentals from Carus chemists Rachel Dawson and Akila Karunanayake such as the periodic table of elements and lab safety. Participants were quizzed on the states of matter and performed an experiment.

"They walked through

each step of the scientific methods needed to create bouncy balls," said CEC Director Jennifer Scheri.

"We are thankful for our partnerships with local business and industry and the benefits it brings to youth in our community," said Scheri, adding, "We plan to expand our partnerships next summer."

Companies interested in partnering with the CEC and bringing their expertise to the community can call the CEC at (815) 224-0547.

IVCC offers water, wastewater classes

OGLESBY — Illinois Valley Community College's Continuing Education Center is offering four Water and Wastewater classes this fall to help individuals prepare for specific Water/Wastewater exams or to meet required Renewable Training Hours.

Classes offered live, via Zoom include:

- Beginning Drinking Water Class C & D beginning Aug. 15;
- Advanced Drinking Water Class A & B beginning Aug. 9;
- Beginning Wastewater

Class 3 & 4 beginning Aug. 9; and

- Advanced Wastewater Class 1 & 2 beginning Aug. 11.

Participants must meet specific experience, education, and examination requirements to qualify for certification. Upon completion of the course, participants schedule their own exam.

To register, go to www.ivcc.edu/waterclasses.

For information, contact Business Training Specialist Jennifer Sowers at jennifer_sowers@ivcc.edu or (815) 224-0280.

Contract

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It was shared during negotiations how important it was to the Association that staff members who reside outside district residential boundaries have the option to enroll their children in the district's schools. The Board completed the first of several steps in the process of applying for the waiver with the state to allow for this benefit for all staff members.

"We entered this negotiation process with some alternative ideas to curb the loss of quality staff, and we appreciate the board's vision in embracing this as a solution. Our educators take great pride in the high standards and rigor of District 289 and are grateful that all of our children may share in that experience," said Association Co-Vice-President Rachel Sabin.

"The coordination, honest, and open communication between the Association and Board allowed for the teams to work together on things important to each side, and to find a place of common ground," said President Komitas. "This was a time of change, with the majority of the Board members seated after the last contract, new Board leadership, a new Superintendent, and new legal team; it was an opportunity to approach negotiations differently and it resulted in a very positive outcome for all involved."

Sabin added, "The Mendota Elementary Education Association would like to thank the current Board of Education and Superintendent Cox for the time, commitment, and respect demonstrated throughout these negotiations. Historically, it's been rare for Mendota elementary teachers to begin a school year under a new contract, and we greatly appreciate the Board for listening to and addressing teacher concerns that have been brought up for a number of years. It is because of these efforts that we were able to settle this contract before school starts and with so much success."

Council

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the annual wage ordinance, the annual appropriations ordinance and the prevailing wage ordinance, and approved an ordinance authorizing establishment of 2022 TIF.

Also, the council approved an inducement resolution for Prescott Brothers. The car dealership is planning an approximately 15,000-square foot, \$2.4 million building project contingent upon the creation of a TIF District. If the TIF District is approved, the city will form a redevelopment agreement with Prescott Brothers when the TIF is created. If, for some reason, the TIF is not created, the redevelopment agreement may be null or renegotiated.

Alderman Jay Miller presented a request from Arteaga's Liquor for a Class E liquor license, which was approved by the council subject to a building inspection by the fire chief. The building is located at 605 Sixth St.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor David Boelk announced that a TIF public meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22 at the Mendota City Building, 800 Washington St., to discuss a Mendota 2022 proposed TIF District.

Also, the mayor proclaimed Tuesday, Aug. 9 as Community Health Partnership of Illinois Day.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Monday, Aug. 15 at 5:30 p.m.



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Politicians choosing opponents

By Scott Reeder

Two of the biggest contributors to hard-core, Trump-supported candidates are not who you might guess: Gov. J.B. Pritzker and U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

Pritzker and his allies spent \$30 million trying to help Sen. Darren Bailey, a Trump devotee, to be the Republican gubernatorial nominee. Pelosi worked hard to see that two Colorado Make America Great Again candidates won the Republican primary.

I'm not a fan of Pritzker, Pelosi or Trump.

As New York Times columnist David Brooks pointed out June 30, the Democratic Party is behaving recklessly and unpatriotically.

They think far-right Trumpist candidates will be easier to beat in the general election than more moderate opponents. So, they are intervening in the other party's primary to ensure that voters have the worst possible choices.

It's not even a remotely patriotic thing to do. Folks who love their country ought to want the very best candidates to advance – not the worst.

But here is the problem. These far-right yahoos whom Democrats are supporting could end up winning.

A retired state lawmaker took me aside recently and gave his objection to this relatively new phenomena.

"You've heard because of redistricting that politicians are choosing their voters rather than voters choosing their politicians. Well, this is even worse. The politicians are choosing their opponents."

And there is the rub. Democracy is based on a vigorous competition of ideas.

When the system is rigged to deter competition and limit voter choices, we no longer have a democracy.

Some Democrats believe that the U.S. Supreme Court's decision overturning Roe v. Wade will motivate pro-choice voters to come out en masse to support their candidates.

Sigh. How often in a lifetime does the average voter contemplate whether to have an abortion? How often do they fill their car with gasoline or their shopping cart with groceries?

In a world of hyper-inflation, voters will be voting their pocketbooks. And that does not bode well for Democrats, the party in power. It's also worth noting that the party controlling the White House almost always loses seats during the mid-term elections.

The more the Democratic Party becomes a group of Prius-driving vegans intent on fighting cultural battles, the less they understand working-class voters. You know, those folks who bag our groceries, pick up our garbage and babysit our kids.

They are hurting. Escalating gas prices have made their drive to work expensive and skyrocketing food prices have made feeding their families difficult. And no, they don't want a handout from the government. They just want to make ends meet.

An unbelievable 83% of Americans believe the economy is poor or not so good, according to a May Wall Street Journal-NORC poll. And an equally staggering 83% of Americans are dissatisfied with the way things are going in the country, according to a Gallup Poll.

And what kind of nonsense are we seeing debated? Whether mothers should be called child-bearers, and whether menstruators should be called "people with vaginas" rather than "female." Academics love such debates. But working-class folks find it off-putting. They see "mother" as a term of endearment, a point of pride – not a word of exclusion.

When a centerist candidate, Bill Clinton, defeated George H.W. Bush, he did it with the campaign mantra: "It's about the economy, stupid."

Increasingly, party elites have lost touch with this message.

And before you think I'm defending Republicans, I'm not. Increasingly, the GOP has descended into cult-like devotion to a man who seeks to divide and for at least one day posed a threat to democracy itself.

But that doesn't mean his disciples won't do well at the polls. Voters are angry and his politics of grievance will play well in November. If they win, Democrats like Pritzker and Pelosi, who donated to their campaigns, deserve the blame.

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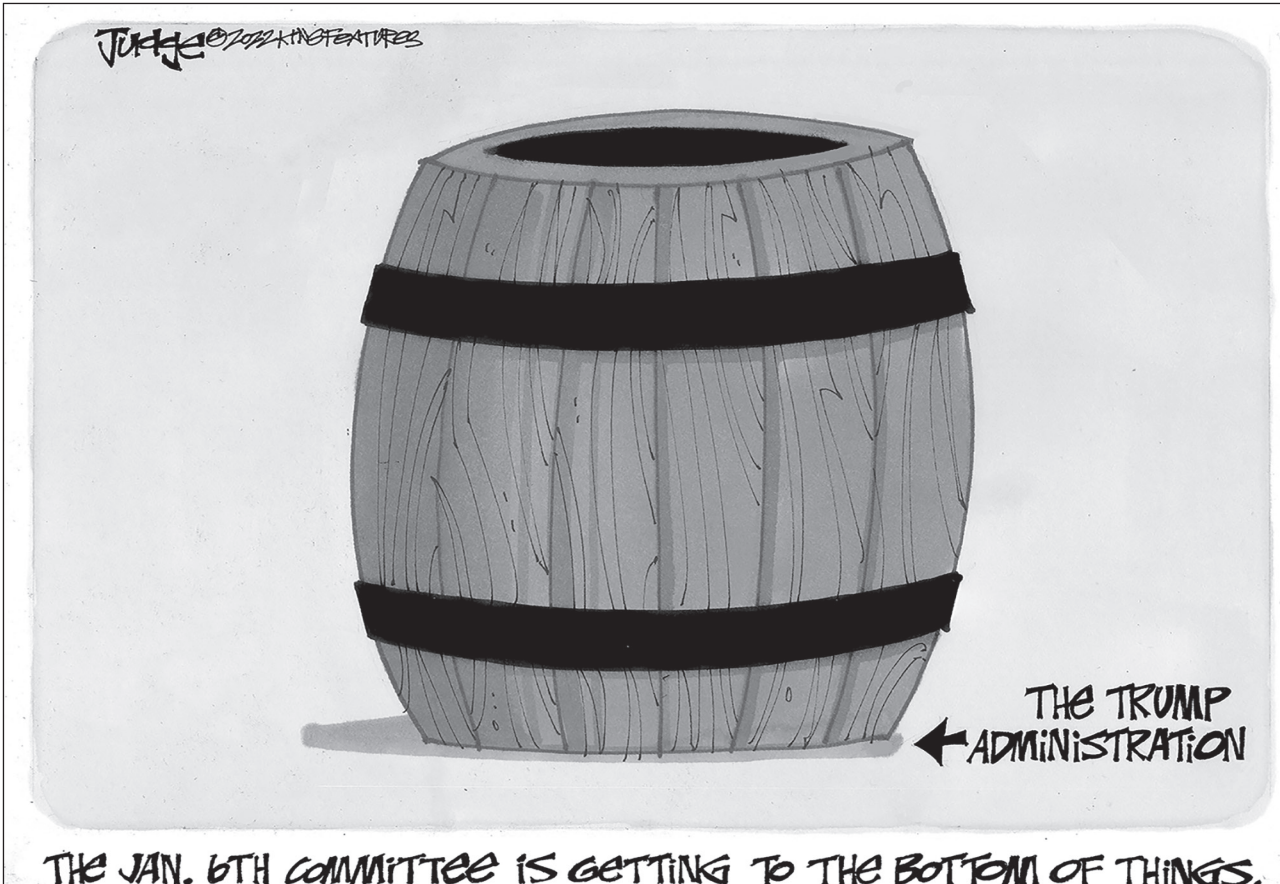
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Thirteenth Avenue subway opens – 1936

(The following is from Jessica Nashold's Backtracks & Sidetracks column reprinted from Aug. 7, 1996.)

By Jessica Nashold

Sixty years ago, on Aug. 8, 1936, the Thirteenth Avenue subway under the CB&Q tracks was opened to the public. C.O. Watkins, the state engineer in charge of the project, issued a word of caution. He asked that the public drive slowly as there would still be some men at work.

The "gang" had persevered all through the cold winter months. Cement was poured during some of those cold days.

Now that the subway was in operation, it was highly praised.

The subway is considered to be one of the finest pieces of work of this character in the state.

The Mendota Fire Department announced that the American LaFrance truck, in service since 1917, was being overhauled. The company sent a field service engineer to do the work. He was being assisted by Victor Riegel, a mechanic at the Cannon Ball garage.

For 19 years, excellent care had been taken of the truck.

The motor has been started each morning by the driver of the truck to see if it is ready to respond to a call at any hour of the day.

During those 19 years, it had been driven 20,000 miles, including both fire calls and practice drills.

Arrangements were made to use the community fire truck while the American LaFrance was out of service. If needed, the Peru Fire Department could supply a truck and power pump.

A near tragedy occurred at the Norval Truckenbrod farm when Larry Truckenbrod, age 3, was catapulted into a well undergoing repair. The platform over the well had been removed, and the little boy stepped on a loose board, which sent him sailing into 12 feet of water.

Remarkably, Larry was able to stay afloat and call for help.

A ladder was lowered, held at the top by several well repair men, and the father descended.

Backtracks & Sidetracks

He grabbed his son, but near the top the boy slipped back in again. The father had to make a second attempt, which succeeded. Outside of a lump on his jaw, Larry suffered no ill effects.

It was remarkable how a tiny child managed to keep floating while the men above were hurrying here and there trying to get something to save him.

The J.B. Inderrieden plant was preparing to start the 1936 corn canning season. Some changes had been made. Sorting would be done on the first floor of a new building north of the cannery. This had previously been done on the third floor. Equipment had been installed to remove 60 percent foreign matter, which had been causing trouble at the filter beds.

This has cost them a nice sum of money.

Also, a "stacker" would take care of husks and cobs as they came in from the husking room.

They will later be hauled away by farmers or feeders.

An ice cream social at Blackstone Park on the east side netted \$65 to finance a wading pool at the park. Fifty donated cakes and pies and 20 gallons of ice cream were consumed while Bill Carney sang and played a guitar over an amplifying system. Miss Frances Wintrode also spoke, inviting everyone to return for a Labor Day party she was planning.

Miss Wintrode was raising funds for a public rest room and recreation building she hoped to see erected in City Park. Although alderman were considering her request, they had not yet given approval.

A combined Farmers' Picnic and 4-H Club livestock show drew a crowd of 3,000 to the fairgrounds on Aug.

12, 1936. It was later agreed that a two- or three-day event would have been better.

Since some 4-H members brought their entries in the night before, overnight housing for about 100 was sought in private homes.

Because traffic around Blackstone Park had increased since work had begun on the wading pool, the city was asked to oil the streets in that area.

There has been so much travel the dust in almost unbearable.

But the oiling would oblige property owners to "pay considerable," too. Nothing was done near Blackstone Park.

However, a number of major streets were oiled and motorists were instructed to keep their cars off those streets until work was completed.

As 85,000 "employables" in Illinois were receiving direct relief, a movement was started to have able-bodied recipients work on WPA projects in exchange for their relief money. Their compensation would not add to the cost of the projects since WPA would not be paying them.

Several township supervisors have already ordered all able-bodied relief clients to work for their relief.

Ray Possley, manager of the Mendota Milk Products Co., said that during the four years the company had been in Mendota, it had paid more than a million dollars to farmers for milk. He further stated that 70 percent of all checks had been cashed at Mendota banks or business houses.

Four 18" electric fans were installed at the Mendota post office in August 1936. Postmaster Etta Lutz was elated. She explained –

Hereafter, there will be air-conditioning in the federal building.

The council agreed to let buses park at the curbing east of Hotel Faber, which was a regular bus stop. The street department was instructed to mark out a space for one bus.

The joy of 61 is now in play

By Rich Lowry

Baseball is a game of numbers, and one of the most iconic of them, 61, is now in play.

New York Yankees outfielder Aaron Judge remains on pace to match or eclipse the single season home-run mark set by Roger Maris in 1961.

Technically, a trio of sluggers obliterated the Maris record in the late 1990s and early 2000s. But their gaudy totals are a testament to performance-enhancing drugs and baseball's willingness to look the other way rather than genuine achievement.

The legitimate record is still held by Maris, an irony since the standing of his own feat was called into question at the time. He hit 61 in the American League's first 162-game season, whereas Babe Ruth had hit 60 in the traditional 154-game season.

This pettifogging line of attack led to commissioner Ford Frick suggesting what became the infamous asterisk for Maris. This slighting treatment wasn't given to any other record, though, and reflected more a protectiveness of Ruth and his handiwork -- and an unfounded belief that Maris wasn't worthy -- than a commitment to static purity.

Baseball doesn't have the hold it once did on the national imagination, yet the home run is arguably still the signature American sports play. The sound of the ball off the bat, the rising anticipation as it traces its path, the roar of the crowd, the excited call of the broadcasters, the home-run trot -- the home run has retained its power even as baseball itself has changed.

It was, of course, Babe Ruth who gave us the home run as we know it. Prior to him, no one had hit more than 27 home runs in a season. From 1919 to 1933, he hit more than 27 every year save one. He'd hit more home runs than entire teams.

Ruth launched 60 for the famous "Murderer's Row" Yankees in 1927. This record stood for decades when along came this .260 hitter recently traded to the Yankees from

the Kansas City Athletics named Roger Maris to challenge history from out of nowhere.

It didn't go well. Maris encountered a wave of derision and abuse as his long balls piled up. Shy and self-effacing, he wasn't mediagenic enough for the media, at least not after the press got through with him.

Such was the pressure on Maris that his hair began falling out and he wanted to sit out games near the end. All the focus was on what he could do in 154 games and when he'd "only" hit 59 by that juncture, he was deemed a failure.

The season hadn't ended, though, even if the air had come out of the balloon. Maris pulled No. 61 into the right-field seats the last day of the season in front of a small Yankee Stadium crowd of roughly 23,000. The TV broadcaster Red Barber called the home run with only slightly more enthusiasm than a sacrifice fly in the middle of May. But the crowd warmly greeted the landmark, and his appreciative teammates pushed Maris out of the dugout for a curtain call.

In theory, 60 home runs shouldn't be an untouchable record like Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak. Hitting 10 home runs a month for six months sounds very doable. There have been dozens of 50-homer seasons (Yankee slugger Giancarlo Stanton hit 59 with the Miami Marlins back in 2017). But the grind of the long season, the inevitability of slumps, and the factor of injuries make 60 a formidable barrier.

Now, Aaron Judge is in a position to challenge the record. If he keeps gaining on it, he won't have a mediagenic problem. He's 6-foot-7 with a million-watt smile playing for the most storied franchise in the sport. A Yankee gaining on two other Yankees -- it couldn't be cued up better.

Sixty-one has, cheating aside, lasted more than half a century. Time for a new number.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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LOCAL AND AREA

IVCC approves tentative FY23 budget

OGLESBY – The Illinois Valley Community College board approved a tentative \$37.5 million budget for fiscal 2023 at its July 14 meeting.

The budget represents an 8 percent increase in revenue over 2022, due mainly to \$4.1 million in Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF). Expenditures are \$39 million, a 13 percent increase, again due primarily to HEERF expenses.

At an audit finance committee meeting prior to the full board meeting, Vice President for Business Services and Finance Matt Seaton said, “The roughly \$1.5 million difference between revenue and expenses will be covered by fund balances for ongoing PHS projects.”

The operating budget is balanced at \$24 million, an 11 percent hike over 2022.

IVCC President Jerry Corcoran said the college is “controlling costs by freezing tuition, offering students more scholarships, significant financial aid” and “using fund balances for much-needed facility enhancements.”

A public hearing and final budget approval are Aug. 18. View the tentative budget at: https://www.ivcc.edu/businessservices/financial-budgets/FY2023_Tentative_Budget.pdf.

In other action, trustees approved:

- The appointment of Mary Beth Herron as Director of Human Resources effective Aug. 8. Herron was director of human resources at St. Margaret’s Health-Peru and the former Illinois Valley Community Hospital.
- The appointment of Shannon Slight-Brown as full-time art instructor effective Aug. 11. Slight-Brown was a

part-time instructor at Illinois Central College and an instructional assistant at Illinois State University.

- The retirement request of manufacturing technology instructor Tim Bias effective Aug. 10.

- Student athletic insurance coverage with 1st Agency for \$25,064 and student athletic catastrophic insurance coverage with Zevitz Student Accident Insurance for \$2,990.
- An updated risk management policy.

- The \$1,050,000 bid of P.J. Hoerr of Peoria and Bloomington-Normal for exterior building work.
- Furniture bids for the D201 CET-LA/Performing Arts room from KI for \$79,278 and Wenger for \$18,921.

- Reimbursement of \$236 in expenses for trustee Jane Goetz to attend the June 10-11 Illinois Community College Trustees Association Convention in Chicago. Goetz was recognized for participating in 15 or more ICCTA professional development seminars. She was joined at the awards banquet by IVCC Paul Simon Essay Contest winner Ty Perin, 2022 Distinguished Alumnus Dr. Holly Novak (with sister Dr. Kim Novak), and Corcoran.
- Annual ICCTA membership renewal for \$11,550.
- Closed session minutes from June 9. Trustees learned:

- A total of 28 IVCC students will be honored this month at the NECA-IBEW graduation banquet. The electricians completed apprenticeships while also earning IVCC AAS degrees.
- Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a “Business Before

Hours” at IVCC’s Ottawa Center at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9.

- The first IT department newsletter, “IT Tech Tidbits,” features a thank you to former interim director Jim Carlson. “Dr. Carlson has done an incredible job addressing a number of IT objectives in a short time,” said Corcoran. IT is now led by Justin Denton.

- The “Summer Explore IVCC” was attended by about 35 prospects and parents.

- IVCC will close Nov. 8 for the general election to comply with Public Act 102-0015.

- Network administrator Terry Wallin will retire Oct. 28. “I have enjoyed working with and learning from my colleagues the past 24 years and I am ready to move to the next phase of my life,” Wallin said.

- Assistant controller/bursar Carolyn Chapman resigned July 8. “I would like to thank IVCC for the 20+ year career I have enjoyed here. The people I have worked with are some of the most caring and hard-working individuals I have ever met,” Chapman said.

- Resignations were received from part-time academic support technologist Zander Sampo effective June 15, administrative systems lead Diane Lane effective June 23, and course materials specialist Alyssa Boaz effective Aug. 19.

- IVCC’s 71-credit AAS degree in dental hygiene was approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

- IVCC’s Business office received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for its 2022 budget.

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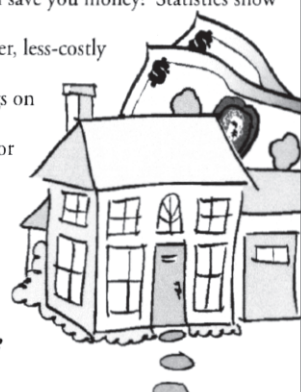
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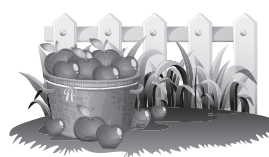
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Eureka Savings Bank is a proud sponsor of the Mendota High School Band during the Mendota Sweet Corn Festival Queen Pageant on Friday, Aug. 12. Eureka's Anna Arteaga, third from left, honors the sponsorship with Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce officials, left to right, Jennifer Masini, Michelle Barkman, Shelby Weide, Marion Quintana and Tina McPheeters.



Sullivan's Foods is providing the butter used for the free sweet corn offered at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14 during the Mendota Sweet Corn Festival. Jason Finkboner, third from left, and Sullivan's Foods are also sponsoring Shriners Tebala Clowns during the parade. Celebrating with Finkboner are Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce officials, left to right, Jennifer Masini, Marion Quintana, Michelle Barkman, Tina McPheeters and Shelby Weide.



McDonald's wants you to laugh at the 2022 Mendota Sweet Corn Festival as it is sponsoring Mr. Steve's Comedy Show at noon, 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 13, at the corner of Illinois Avenue and Jefferson Street. Members of the McDonald's staff join Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce officials, left to right, Marion Quintana, Jennifer Massini, Tina McPheeters, Caryn Wheeler, Shelby Weide, Adam De La Paz and Trisha Clark.



RSG Millwright is co-sponsoring the new Mendota Sweet Corn Festival Bags Tournament at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 13 in the beer garden. Kelly Gloria, third from left, of RSG, joins Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce officials, left to right, Jennifer Masini, Marion Quintana, Michelle Barkman, Tina McPheeters and Shelby Weide.



Financial Plus Credit Union is co-sponsoring the South Shore Drill Team during the 2022 Mendota Sweet Corn Festival at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 14 and for a performance at 3:30 p.m. in front of the Elks Lodge. Members of Financial Plus' staff mingle with the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce officials, front row, left to right, Tina McPheeters, Celina Garza, Shelby Weide, Rose Bonnell, Ale Hernandez, Marion Quintana, back row, left to right, Michelle Barkman, Laurie Eich, Audrey Holocker, and Jennifer Masini. Not pictured for FPCU are Jennifer Truckenbrod and Nancy Faber.



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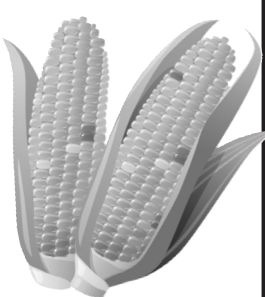
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Cast announced for Stage 212 Children's Theater Production

LaSALLE—Summer continues at Stage 212 with the Children's Theater production of "Disney's The Lion King, Jr." the hit musical by Tim Rice and Elton John. "Disney's The Lion King, Jr." follows Simba, Rafiki and an unforgettable cast of characters as they journey from Pride Rock to the jungle and back again in this inspiring coming-of-age tale.

Featured in "Disney's The Lion King, Jr." are Leah Dziki as Rafiki, Romeo Cabrera as Mufasa, Nina Leffler as Scar, Carter Dziki as Simba, Liliana Cabrera as Nala, Jackson Layhew as Banzai, Gabby Smith as Shenzi, Payton Wren as Ed, Lainey Johns as Timon, Landon Balestri as Pumbaa and Ruby Stash, Clara Vaske, Jadyne Leone, Mary Craven and Ci Ci Verucchi as the Lionesses. Featured in the Ensemble are Bryson Boudreau, Dylan Kofoid, Gabe Hedgepeth, Bradley Betz and Gus Maier.

Production staff includes director Ella Johns, producer Jessica Kreiser, music director Nora Maier, choreographer Maddie Stanbury, costumer Mary Mauck, director/choreographer mentor Reid

Tomasson and music director mentor Kevin Alleman.

"Disney's The Lion King, Jr." will be presented Thursday, Aug. 11 and Friday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 13 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 14 at 1 p.m. at Stage 212, 700 First St., LaSalle. Tickets will be available to the general public for \$10 each beginning July 25, and may be purchased by visiting the box office Monday 4-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon or by calling 815-224-3025 during the same hours. Tickets may also be purchased online by visiting www.stage212.org. Stage 212 will be following IDPH guidelines for Phase 5.

Thanks to a generous donation, "Disney's The Lion King, Jr." is produced in partnership with Jaiden's Tree of Hope Foundation. Funding is also provided in part by the Illinois Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Starved Rock Country Community Foundation.

"Disney's The Lion King, Jr." is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com.

Local DAR chapter to meet on Aug. 6th

MENDOTA—The next meeting of the Fort du Rocher Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be on Saturday, Aug. 6 at 10 a.m. at Graves-Hume Public Library.

The speaker will address the needs of women served by the PADS shelter. All guests are welcome to attend.

Mendota First UMC to host Notes of Rest worship service

MENDOTA—Julian Davis Reid will lead a service of music and retreat from the everyday stresses of life during the regular 9:30 a.m. worship time Sunday, Aug. 14, in the sanctuary of Mendota First United Methodist Church, 100 E. Sixth St.

Notes of Rest is a contemplative-musical retreat hosted by Davis Reid. It places meditations from the Bible on a bed of music in order to cultivate stillness, contemplation and creativity in communities so that humanity and earth may find rest.



Davis Reid

Davis Reid is an artist-theologian who uses words and music to invite us into the restful life we were created to live. He is a founding member of the jazz-electronic fusion group The JuJu Exchange and hosts spiritual retreats called Notes of Rest. He has performed and spoken throughout the country and around the world, and he has released three studio albums, the latest being Rest Assured, a collection of hymns on solo piano.

He earned his M.Div. at Candler School of Theology at Emory University and his B.A. in philosophy at Yale University. He and his wife Carmen are based in his hometown Chicago. You can learn more about him at juliandavisreid.com.

CLASS REUNIONS

Class of '67 gathering at golf course Aug. 12

MENDOTA—The Mendota High School Class of 1967 will hold its 55th class reunion on Friday, Aug. 12 at the Mendota Golf Club.

Doors will open at 5 p.m. A class photo will be taken at 6:15 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Music and socializing will be at 8 p.m.

Friends of the class of '67 from other classes are welcome to join the celebration at 8 p.m.

Class of '56 to reunite Aug. 13 at Main St.

MENDOTA—Members of the Mendota High School Class of 1956 will reunite for an 11 a.m. brunch on Saturday, Aug. 13 at Main Street Station in Mendota.

Class members wishing to attend may make reservations by calling Mary Ann (Rollins) Stremlau at 815-434-3740 or Pat (Howarth) Des Rocher at 815-638-2015.

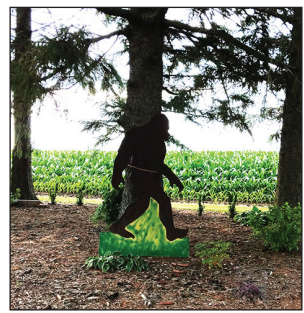
Paw Paw Library winding up summer reading program

PAW PAW — The Paw Paw Library summer reading theme this year was "Read Beyond the Beaten Path." Big Foot was chosen as the reading mascot. He hid around town, encouraging readers to find him and report to the library when they went in for another book. "Little-foot" was also hiding inside the library for the kids to find.

Participants were invited to place a leaf on Big Foot's tree in the library for every book they read. Everyone received a raffle ticket for each book they completed. Readers ages 7-12 years received a goody bag full of prizes for each reading level they completed. They would be entered into a drawing for a prize basket full of books and games.

Dan Gogh kicked off the program presenting an interactive experience with magic and art, called "Magical Camp Adventure."

Activities conducted during the months were



Summer reading program participants were invited to place a leaf on Big Foot's tree in the library for every book they read.

crafts making beaded bracelets, wood cookie necklaces, foam binoculars; learning about how to plant pollinator-friendly plants in your yard, and bird watching and identification.

On July 20, the children's special stuffed animals were invited to spend the night at a camp-out in the library for their own camping adventure.

The summer program will wind up Aug. 4 with Bingo and a Raffle.

Bureau Co. Fair sets entry deadlines

PRINCETON—The entry deadline for entries in the Bureau County Fair Fine Arts building is Aug. 8. This includes photography, art, baking, canning, textiles, and hobbies and collections. Entry blanks can be found online at <http://www.bureaucountyfair.com> or copies can be picked up at the Fair office.

An exhibitors ticket is \$10 and individual entries are 50 cents each. Late entries are an additional \$1.

Livestock entries are due by Aug. 15.

Office hours are 5:30-7p.m. Tuesday; 10 a.m.-noon Wednesday; 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Life membership passes are also ready and can be picked up. Tickets for the Justin Moore concert, the tractor pull and the two demo derbies are also available.

The 167th annual Bureau County Fair will be held Aug. 24-28 in Princeton.

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IN MEMORIAM

In Loving Memory of Mom and Dad Arlene (Gam) (passed 6-27-1996) and Bob (Bomps) Knopp (passed 5-8-2002)
Dear Mom & Dad,
So gentle, good and kind, look down from Heaven above and know that the care you gave is returned in our love forever more.
We do not need a special day to bring you to our mind, the days we do not think of you are

very hard to find.
There are moments in life when you wish you could bring someone back, spend the day with them just one more time, give them one more hug, kiss them good-bye or hear their voice again. One more chance to say I LOVE YOU!
Loved & missed deeply every day, Cheryl, Matt, Maurine, Mason, Morgan, Michelle, Tony, Ava, Addisyn Mike & Amanda

GARAGE SALES/NOTICES

BIG TWO-DAY SALE
MASS Senior Center
1901 Tom Merwin Drive
Mendota Civic Center
Aug. 4 & 5
9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Jewelry sale, book sale & bake sale.
2t30msr

HUGE MULTI-FAMILY BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALE
906 Carolyn St.,
Mendota
(north of Northbrook School)
Aug. 4, 4-6 p.m.
Aug. 5, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Aug. 6, 8 a.m.-noon
(1/2 price day)
Tons of name-brand back-to-school clothes for girls size baby-adult and boys size 7/8-14/16.
We will also have loads of Disney items, bedding, households, décor, shoes, name-brand purses and lots and lots of quality toys.
Too many items to list. Something for everything. All items are spot-free and in perfect condition.
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GARAGE SALE
1710 Indiana Ave.,
off East Main
Thursday, Aug. 4
4-7 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 5
8-11 a.m.
Clothing: men's shirts-pants sizes medium-2XL, several name brands, women's sizes 22/24, 2X and 3X, some young girls, housewares, Hallmark ornaments, toys, cookbooks, plus many more items.
Stop in to see them.
1t31msr

MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE
306 14th St.
Saturday, Aug. 6
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Toys, clothes and misc.
1t31msr

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POLICE BLOTTER

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE REVOKED
Trevor M. Johnson, 24, of 1110 Fifth St., Mendota, was charged with driving while license revoked after a traffic stop at Lakeview Drive and Hillcrest Drive at 8:27 p.m. July 21. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

SEVERAL TRAFFIC OFFENSES
Skylar D. Gloston, 24, of Opelousas, La., was charged with no valid driver's license, speeding and three counts of children not being in a child seat after a traffic stop at 12th Street and First Avenue at 10:33 p.m. July 23. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

NO VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE
Raul Cabrera-Cobix, 37, of 905 ½ Illinois Ave., Mendota, was charged with no valid driver's license after a traffic stop at 12th Street and Third Avenue at 8:20 p.m. July 24. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

DOMESTIC BATTERY
Jaslyn S. Kinder, 20, of 812 Main St., Apt. 8, Mendota, was charged with domestic battery near the intersection of Main and

Monroe streets at 11:04 a.m. July 25. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County jail.

WARRANT ARREST
Rene R. Garza, 30, of 907 Illinois Ave., upstairs apartment, Mendota, was arrested at 6:34 a.m. July 26 on a valid LaSalle County warrant for failure to appear/leaving the scene of a crash. The subject posted bond and was released with a LaSalle County court date.

NO VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE
Angel Juarez, 18, of Plainfield, was charged with no valid driver's license after a traffic stop at Meriden Street and Pennsylvania Avenue at 10:49 p.m. July 26. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED
Jennifer M. Hampton, 29, of 722 ½ Main St., Mendota, was charged with driving while license suspended after a traffic stop at Indiana Avenue and Jefferson Street at 9:45 p.m. July 27. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

DOMESTIC BATTERY
Nikko A. Tooley, 29, of 1555 W. Main St., Mendota,

was charged with domestic battery after police officers responded to a 9-1-1 call of a physical domestic occurring in the 1500 block of West Main Street at 9:57 p.m. July 27. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County jail for a bond hearing.

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED
Luis Delao, 21, of Spring Valley, was charged with driving while license suspended after a traffic stop at Route 251 and North 41st Road at 7 p.m. July 29. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

WARRANT ARREST
Edward W. Pickford, 24, no address, was arrested at 6:55 a.m. July 30 on a valid LaSalle County warrant for failure to appear/child sex offender in a school zone. The subject was unable to post bond and was transported to the LaSalle County jail.

CARDS OF THANKS

I would once again like to extend my thanks to the Mendota ambulance crew for quickly coming when I needed them. Also, thanks to the Mendota hospital ER, St. Anthony's in Rockford, Dr. Schwartz and of course the helicopter crew that took such good care of me during my recent medical scare. I also want to thank my family and friends for all of the additional help and well wishes. I am happy to report I am doing much better and could not have done it without the dedication of everyone involved. I am truly grateful.

Love,
Cathy Betz

GARAGE SALE/ NOTICE DEADLINES
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IVCC extends fall tuition deadline to August 10th

OGLESBY – Fall semester tuition payment deadline has been extended to Wednesday, Aug. 10 at Illinois Valley Community College.
The move allows students more time to prepare for the start of classes Monday, Aug. 15, said Vice President for Student Services Mark Grzybowski.
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SPORTS

Mendota Volleyball Camp



The Mendota Volleyball Camp was held July 25-28 at the Mendota High School gym. The camp was for incoming fifth- through ninth-graders. Instructors for the camp were MHS coaches and players. Participants learned MHS volleyball in preparation for the upcoming season. Sessions included the fundamentals of hitting, setting, passing, serving and game play. Campers had a lot of fun and gained much volleyball knowledge. (Photos contributed)



IDNR accepting applications for youth hunting opportunities on private land through IRAP

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) is accepting applications from youth shotgun and youth and adult archery hunters for fall 2022 deer hunting on private land through the Illinois Recreational Access Program, commonly known as IRAP.

IDNR has leased more than 16,400 acres of private land for the fall 2022 deer season through IRAP, creating 380 public access deer hunting sites in 42 counties. Sites are available during the youth shotgun period in October and for archery deer hunting during the entire month of October and the latter half of December. There is no cost to participants.

IRAP deer hunting applications are accepted online only and must be submitted by 5 p.m. Aug. 10. Hunters may submit up to three IRAP deer hunting applications per year, one for each IRAP deer hunting period (youth shotgun, second and third IRAP periods).

Applications for IRAP youth shotgun deer hunting sites can be found at <https://bit.ly/IRAPyouthshotgun>. Applications for IRAP youth and adult deer hunting sites can be found at <https://bit.ly/IRAParchery>.

Deer hunting on IRAP-leased property is offered during the following 2022 hunting periods:

- Youth shotgun: Oct. 8-10
- Youth and adult archery: Period 1: Oct. 1-15; Period 2: Oct. 16-31; Period 3: Dec. 16-31

A lottery will take place when more applications are received than there are sites available.

To participate, youth hunters must not have reached their 18th birthday by the first day of the hunting period, and they must be accompanied by an adult who is at least 21 years old.

Adult archery deer hunters must be at least 18 by the start of the archery deer period for which they're applying. All adult hunters born in 1980 or later must have completed an IDNR-approved hunter education course and must have an Illinois hunting license and a valid IDNR archery deer hunting permit for the county in which they're applying to hunt (if awarded a site).

Successful applicants will be notified by mail about three weeks prior to their assigned hunting period, upon which they will receive a map with coordinates, driving directions and an IRAP site permit allowing them to hunt on their assigned, privately owned deer hunting site.

IRAP is funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service. To date, IRAP has leased more than 27,000 acres in more than 50 counties to offer various public access opportunities, such as turkey, archery deer, youth shotgun deer, small game, waterfowl and upland bird hunting, and pond and riverbank fishing.

IRAP provides hunters and families opportunities to participate in time-honored outdoor traditions while restoring the quality of Illinois' private lands.

For more information, visit https://bit.ly/IDNR_irap or email dnr.irap@illinois.gov.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo
HOLLYWOOD -- The #MeToo movement is not a trial by judge or jury, but a condemnation in a court of public opinion. The subject of a #MeToo judgment could lose everything, even if they can prove their innocence, because the retraction never catches the front-page headline. Recent case in point is Arnie Hammer who, despite such successes as "The Social Network" (2010) and "Call Me by Your Name" (2016), was accused of sexual abuse in an anonymous Instagram post. Even though it was never proven, he was dropped by his agency and cut from co-starring opposite Jennifer Lopez in "Shotgun Wedding" (replaced by Josh Duhamel). Hammer also lost "The Offer" (replaced by Miles Teller) and was dropped from the series "Gaslit" (replaced by Dan Stevens), the film "Billion



A. Hammer

Dollar Spy" and a Broadway play titled "The Minutes." His role in "Death on The Nile" -- completed before the pandemic shutdown -- was impossible to reshoot, but Taika Waititi replaced him with Will Arnett in "Next Goal Wins." Needless to say, Hammer's marriage fell apart, and when his wife, Elizabeth Chambers, moved to the Cayman Islands with their two children, he soon followed. However, Arnie received no assistance from his famous family (you know, Arm & Hammer), so in order to support his family, he took a job at a Cayman Island resort selling timeshares from a cubby-hole office. As of now, no papers have been filed against him in any court, and no settlements of any kind were made. So much for "innocent until proven guilty!" ***
"The Fall Guy" was an ABC series from 1981-86 starring Lee Majors as Colt Seavers, a Hollywood stuntman by day and a bounty hunter by night. In 1981,

Milton Bradley created a "Fall Guy" board game. A comic strip based on the series appeared in a "Look-in" magazine, and a British video game was developed by Elite Systems in 1984. In 2013, Dwayne Johnson was in talks to star in a film, but it never happened. Now, "The Fall Guy" will be a \$100-million film starring Ryan Gosling as Colt Seavers. But here's the catch... this American-made series-turned-film about a Hollywood stuntman is going to be shot in Australia! The government in New South Wales is providing \$14.5 million, and the Australian Federal Government is ponying up \$30 million. Paul Fletcher, member of parliament, expects "The Fall Guy" will inject more than \$244 million into the Aussie economy by employing 1,000 Australians who will make up the cast and crew, as well as over 3,000 locals as background extras. With those figures, "The Fall Guy" is a man for all seasons!
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Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson
Q: I heard that "Quantum Leap" is returning. Will Scott Bakula star in it again? Also, what channel or streaming service will air it? -- S.D.



S. Bakula

A: It's the era of the reboot. Most of these modern takes have been in the form of sitcoms, such as "Fuller House," "The Conners" and "Will & Grace," as well as the upcoming "Night Court," with John Larroquette returning as attorney Dan Fielding. The sci-fi drama "Quantum Leap" aired on NBC from 1989 to 1993, with Scott Bakula playing time traveler Dr. Sam Beckett. NBC will also serve as the home of the new "Quantum Leap" series this fall, which stars Raymond Lee ("Top Gun: Maverick") as a scientist named Dr. Ben Seong, who makes a leap of his own 30 years after Dr. Beckett's disappearance. TV Insider.com reports that "Ben is joined on his journey by decorated Army veteran Addison (Caitlin Bassett), appearing in the form of a hologram that only Ben can see and hear." This is Bassett's first major Holly-

wood role. She herself is an Army vet who spent seven years as an intelligence analyst. Rounding out the cast are Ernie Hudson ("Grace and Frankie"), Mason Alexander Park ("Cowboy Bebop") and Nanrisa Lee ("Bosch"). Perhaps Scott Bakula will make a surprise appearance at some point, but nothing official has been announced yet. ***
Q: I was surprised to see a commercial for a new series based on Anne Rice's novel "Interview With the Vampire." I didn't recognize the lead actor. Who is he? -- B.K.
A: "Interview With the Vampire" was written by Anne Rice in just five weeks, and was first published in 1976. The film, which debuted in 1994, starred two Hollywood powerhouses -- Tom Cruise and Brad Pitt -- as Lestat and Louis, as well as an impressive performance from 10-year-old Kirsten Dunst, who portrayed a child vampire. In the upcoming television series of the same name, Sam Reid plays Lestat, and Jacob Anderson is Louis. Reid, who is Australian and studied at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, is best known to American audiences for playing

John Glenn in the short-lived ABC series "The Astronaut Wives Club." Anderson, who is British, played Grey Worm, the chosen commander of the Unsullied in HBO's "Game of Thrones." "Interview With a Vampire" premieres on Oct. 8 on AMC and AMC+. ***
Q: Who is Bradley Cooper's new girlfriend? She looks a lot like George Clooney's wife. Is she an actress? -- K.K.
A: Actor Bradley Cooper has been quietly seeing Huma Abedin, who was Hillary Clinton's vice-chairperson during her 2016 presidential campaign. Abedin was previously married to disgraced former congressman Anthony Weiner. Abedin's memoir "Both/And: A Life in Many Worlds" is being adapted into a series starring Freida Pinto ("Slumdog Millionaire"), but Abedin herself is not an actress. She and Cooper were introduced by a mutual friend, "Vogue" magazine editor-in-chief Anna Wintour. Their courtship is only in the beginning stages. Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFW5, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

Couch Theater

"Lightyear" (PG) -- As a spinoff of the "Toy Story" franchise, this movie focuses on Space Ranger Buzz Lightyear, the real astronaut who would come to serve as inspiration for the Buzz Lightyear toy that we've all come to know very well. Human Buzz and his Star Command crew have been marooned on the planet of T'Kani Prime for a year, as they attempt to find a way home with hyperspace fuel. Buzz volunteers to test the fuel, not knowing how life-altering each test will be for the future; thus, an adventure of time travel ensues, all leading up to a climatic face-off with Emperor Zurg. Chris Evans is the voice of Buzz in "Lightyear," premiering Aug. 3. (Disney+)
"A Day to Die" (R) -- If you're in the mood for high stakes and action, look no further than this new heist film out now. Kevin Dillon ("Entourage") portrays Connor, a disgraced police officer who used to be part of a ghost squad. Finding himself with a large debt to drug kingpin Tyrone Pettis, Connor is

forced to take desperate measures to pay up when Tyrone kidnaps Connor's pregnant wife, Candice. So, Connor assembles his old ghost squad teammates to pull off a few drug heists to settle his debt and save Candice. Newly retired action-film legend Bruce Willis also co-stars as the police chief, Alston. (Hulu)
"Purple Hearts" (NR) -- Aspiring musician Cassie (Sofia Carson) and third-generation Marine Luke (Nicholas Galitzine) hatch an idea to get married, even though they aren't romantically involved. With Luke's military benefits, Cassie -- whose health problems have been holding her back from creating music -- is eligible to receive a year of free health insurance. So, they decide to get hitched, just before Luke gets deployed. But when Luke gets wounded in action and faces a long road of recovery, Cassie must step up to be the wife she agreed to be in his time of need. As Cassie and Luke learn to rely on each other as a true couple does, unexpected love

begins to bloom, and the two must grapple with the fact that falling in love with each other wasn't in the original plan. (Netflix)
"Last Night in Soho" (R) -- The latest movie from director Edgar Wright ("Baby Driver," "Ant-Man" and "Hot Fuzz") takes on uncharted territory in Wright's repertoire as his first film in the horror/thriller genres. In the film, a young woman named Ellie (Thomasin McKenzie) moves to London to study fashion, when she begins having vivid dreams that always take place in the 1960s. Ellie's dreams also include Sandie (Anya Taylor-Joy), a fashionable woman who dreams of becoming a singer, and Jack (Matt Smith), Sandie's romantic interest. These life-like dreams quickly turn from fun to sinister, when the dreams blur into Ellie's real life as visions, and she envisions a terrifying murder. It's just a matter of time before Ellie realizes that the story unfolding before her is far from imaginary. (HBO Max)

• Trivia Test •

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 6. LANGUAGE: What is a funambulist?
 7. HISTORY: Who was the first woman to complete the Boston Marathon (unofficially)?
 8. TELEVISION: What was the name of the cruise ship on the sitcom "The Love Boat"?
 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which colors make up the five-ring Olympic symbol?
 10. FOOD & DRINK: Which plant produces cacao beans, which are used to make chocolate?
- Answers
1. Crest.
2. The Battle of Thermopylae.
3. One. Franklin D. Roosevelt.
4. About 10-20 feet.
5. Cape Town.
6. Tightrope walker.
7. Bobbi Gibb, 1966. The race was opened to women in 1972.
8. Pacific Princess.
9. Blue, yellow, red, green and black.
10. Cacao trees.
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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne
* A fan of the Detroit Pistons who also happened to design the video game NBA Jam detested the Chicago Bulls so much that he embedded a special code causing them to miss last-second shots when playing the Pistons in the game.
* Heat waves kill more Americans than tornadoes, hurricanes, or floods.
* In nuclear physics, a "shake" (equivalent to 10 nanoseconds) is an informal unit of time measuring events in a nuclear explosion.
* Fans of the Philadelphia Eagles have a longstanding reputation for rowdiness, but when a 1997 game between the team and the San Francisco 49ers saw around 60 fistfights in the stands, with someone even shooting a flare gun, the response from both worried families and local law enforcement prompted the installation of "Eagles Court," a functional courtroom and jail at Veterans Stadium.
* Calling a man bald qualifies as sexual harassment in the United Kingdom.
* When Salvador Dali bought a castle for his wife, Gala, in 1968, she accepted it with one condition -- that the artist would gain written permission from her before visiting.
* One of the oldest recorded tattoo ink recipes consists of Egyptian pine bark, corroded bronze, vinegar, vitriol, leek juice and insect eggs.
* The movie term "blockbuster" was originally a military term to describe bombs in World War II that could destroy an entire city block.
* You've undoubtedly watched the Oscars at some point, but have you heard of the Pawscars? That's an annual show put on by American Humane, celebrating the "furry, winged, and scaled" actors of TV and film, both past and present.
* As he lay dying of blood poisoning, the last words of whiskey distiller Jack Daniel were, fittingly, "One last drink, please."

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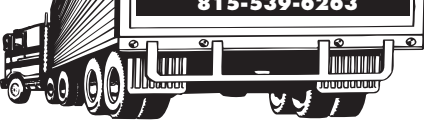
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Three keys to true happiness

I believe everyone has a desire to be happy. In fact, much of what we do is motivated by that desire, yet there are so many people who are not happy with their lives because they are striving to get happiness in the wrong way.

Through studying God's Word, I've discovered several principles we must live by to be happy or to increase our level of joy.

It's Your Choice

The truth is, you'll never be truly happy if you don't make a decision to be happy, no matter what your

circumstances may be. Because true godly joy is not based on what is happening around us.

One definition I've read describes happiness as the product of expecting something good to happen to you. I love this because it means that even if something good isn't happening to me right now, I can have hope and expect that something good will happen. We don't have to wait for our circumstances to dictate whether we should be happy or not.

I realize we can't always control our circumstances or what happens

to us, but we can choose our attitude. And no one can take away our hope in Christ if we don't let them. The key to this is believing what God's Word says about us, especially about who we are as His creation and through the salvation we have in Jesus. (Psalm 139:13-14, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 and Ephesians 1 are just a few great scriptures to study about this topic.)

Live to Give

Another biblical principle that guarantees our happiness is found in Matthew 16:24 (AMPC): "Then Jesus said to His disciples, If anyone desires to be My disciple, let him deny himself [disregard, lose sight of, and forget himself and his own interests] and take up his cross and follow Me [cleave steadfastly to Me, conform wholly to My example in living and, if need be, in dying, also]."

This scripture is saying that if you want to be happy, you have to learn to give your life away, or "live to give." This is not easy in the beginning because we are naturally selfish people, accustomed to thinking about ourselves first. But in order to really live, you have to die to yourself first. I'm not talking about physical death, but being willing to give up what you want all the time to be a blessing to



others.

I know what this is like because I used to think I was the center of my universe, and I was miserable! But when I learned the truth about what Jesus meant when He said we must deny ourselves, lose sight of our interests, forget about ourselves and take up our cross to follow Him, it was life-changing.

To forget yourself doesn't mean you shouldn't take care of yourself or that you never get to do anything you want to do; it just means you don't have yourself on your mind all the time. And taking up our cross to follow Jesus is all about losing sight of ourselves and our own interests so we can say, "Here I am, God. I give my life to You and I want You to use me in any way that You want to work in and through my life."

Be a God Pleaser

We also have to understand that if we let other people run our lives, we won't be happy. God created you as a unique individual with a special plan and purpose in this world. And you have to be who He created you to

be—not what others may want you to be—in order to fulfill your destiny.

Being yourself is all about learning to follow your heart and the leadership of the Holy Spirit in your everyday life. But many times, we find ourselves doing what others say we're supposed to do and worrying about what they think or what they will say.

The apostle Paul understood this. In Galatians 1:10 (AMPC), he said, "Now am I trying to win the favor of men, or of God? Do I seek to please men? If I were still seeking popularity with men, I should not be a bond servant of Christ (the Messiah)." He was saying here, "If I was living to please people instead of God, I would have lost the opportunity to be an apostle of Jesus Christ."

Refuse to give in to a fear of rejection and give up the destiny God has for you. Remember that God loves you and He always has your best interest at heart, so whatever He shows you to do, it's for your good. Sometimes being obedient to Him requires us to do things we don't

feel like doing or that are hard to do. But if we trust Him, we'll find that doing things His way, by His grace, leads us to the happiest life we could ever have.

For more on this topic, order Joyce's teaching resource Ways to Increase Your Happiness. 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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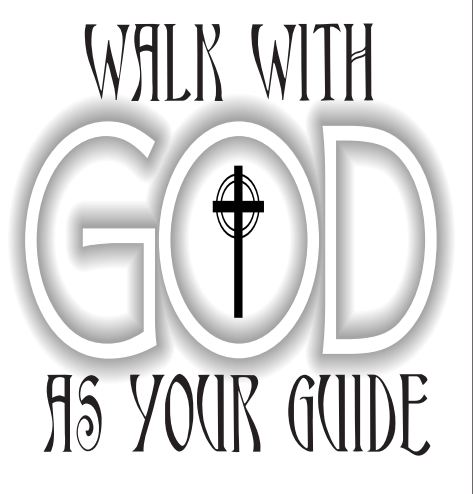
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2. From Proverbs 22:15, what is bound up in the heart of a child? Foolishness, Joy, Love, Warmth
3. Where was Paul on receiving his "Macedonian vision"? Troas, Gilgal, Petra, Rome
4. What Phoenician city was home to Hiram? Endor, Patara, Tyre, Sardis
5. From Genesis 2, what did God use to form man? Water, Dust, Robe, Wind
6. What was a publican in biblical times? Priest, Laborer, Carpenter, Tax Collector

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Foolishness, 3) Troas, 4) Tyre, 5) Dust, 6) Tax Collector

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BRYAN BARRON, 560 Evangeline Dr, Vidor, TX 77662, according to the Mortgage dated August 11, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 18833, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 23, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0412, Use Period Number(s) 41, Phase 7
BRYAN BARRON, C/O CLAPP BUSINESS LAW 9040 TOWN CENTER PKWY, LAKEWOOD RANCH, FL 34202, according to the Mortgage dated August 11, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 18833, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 23, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0412, Use Period Number(s) 41, Phase 7
NORMAN BASCOMB, 613 Ingraham Ave, Calumet City, IL 60409, according to the Mortgage dated September 20, 2009 and recorded under File No. R2009 25206, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 07, 2009, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0281, Use Period Number(s) 42, Phase 4
NORMAN BASCOMB, C/O CLEGG & FAULKNER PC 15 LAWNDALE ST, HAMMOND, IN 46324, according to the Mortgage dated September 20, 2009 and recorded under File No. R2009 25206, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 07, 2009, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0281, Use Period Number(s) 42, Phase 4
SHERRY BLAIR AND JOHN A MUCHA, 1249 LAKEVIEW

AVE, WHITING, IN 46394, according to the Mortgage dated September 22, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2012 21999, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 12, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01230, Use Period Number(s) 11, Phase 2
SHERRY BLAIR AND JOHN A MUCHA, 6537 CALIFORNIA AVE, HAMMOND, IN 46323, according to the Mortgage dated September 22, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2012 21999, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 12, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01230, Use Period Number(s) 11, Phase 2
REBECCA BOWDEN, 6670 Gladys Ave, Beaumont, TX 77706, according to the Mortgage dated October 06, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 20829, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 28, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0423, Use Period Number(s) 04, Phase 7
REBECCA BOWDEN, C/O BARTLETT & BECK 1103 N 1ST ST, CONROE, TX 77301, according to the Mortgage dated October 06, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 20829, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 28, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0423, Use Period Number(s) 04, Phase 7
RICHARD DARDEN AND LASHAWNDR FOUNTAIN, 1501 E 71ST PL APT 1, CHICAGO, IL 60619, according to the Mortgage dated July 12, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 15806, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 19, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0428, Use Period Number(s) 09, Phase 7
RICHARD DARDEN AND LASHAWNDR FOUNTAIN, 151 S ALBANY AVE UNIT 1, CHICAGO, IL 60612, according to the Mortgage dated July 12, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 15806, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 19, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0147E, Use Period Number(s) 48, Phase 2
M A T T H E W DEVERNA AND SARAH DEVERNA, C/O ROBERT S GITMEID & ASSOC 11 BROADWAY STE 1677, NEW YORK, NY 10004, according to the Mortgage dated December 14, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 28650, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for

LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 31, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0147E, Use Period Number(s) 48, Phase 2
MAUREEN ELLIOTT, 1157 Thatcher Trl, West Dundee, IL 60118, according to the Mortgage dated March 06, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 05268, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 24, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0407, Use Period Number(s) 05, Phase 6
MAUREEN ELLIOTT, C/O ABRAMS LAW FIRM 1401 MARVIN RD NE STE 307, LACEY, WA 98516, according to the Mortgage dated March 06, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 05268, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 24, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0407, Use Period Number(s) 05, Phase 6
WINIFRED FRENCH, 627 E 84th St, Chicago, IL 60619, according to the Mortgage dated April 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07714, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 24, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0392, Use Period Number(s) 35, Phase 6

WINIFRED FRENCH, C/O TAYLOR MOORE LAW LLC 431 S JEFFERSON AVE STE 116B, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65806, according to the Mortgage dated April 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07714, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 24, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0392, Use Period Number(s) 35, Phase 6
WINIFRED FRENCH, 627 E 84th St, Chicago, IL 60619, according to the Mortgage dated April 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07714, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 24, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0399, Use Period Number(s) 01, Phase 6
WINIFRED FRENCH, C/O TAYLOR MOORE LAW LLC 431 S JEFFERSON AVE STE 116B, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65806, according to the Mortgage dated April 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07714, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 24, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0399, Use Period Number(s) 01, Phase 6
VINCENT GRECO, 44 Oak St Apt 1, Harrison, NY 10528, according to the Mortgage dated March 15, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09076, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 14, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0390, Use Period Number(s) 02, Phase 6
VINCENT GRECO, C/O FINN LAW GROUP 8380 BAY PINES BLVD, ST PETERSBURG, FL 33709, according to the Mortgage dated March 15, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09076, in the Office of

the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 14, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0390, Use Period Number(s) 02, Phase 6
S H A R L I N E HAUGHTON, 1808 Hartrey Ave, Evanston, IL 60201, according to the Mortgage dated December 04, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 28135, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 24, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0416, Use Period Number(s) 16, Phase 7
S H A R L I N E HAUGHTON, C/O SHIMANOVSKY MOSCARDINI LLP 130 S JEFFERSON ST STE 350, CHICAGO, IL 60661, according to the Mortgage dated December 04, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 28135, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 24, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0416, Use Period Number(s) 47, Phase 7
S H A R L I N E HAUGHTON, C/O SHIMANOVSKY MOSCARDINI LLP 130 S JEFFERSON ST STE 350, CHICAGO, IL 60661, according to the Mortgage dated December 04, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 28135, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 24, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0416, Use Period Number(s) 47, Phase 7
SUMMER HEINE AND JEFFERY HEINE, 1611 LARSON ST, SYCAMORE, IL 60178, according to the Mortgage dated May 06, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 11048, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 24, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0145E, Use Period Number(s) 34, Phase 2
MARIA HERNANDEZ, 500 W Huntington Commons Rd Apt 158, Mount Prospect, IL 60056, according to the Mortgage dated June 29, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 15599, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 17, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0116E, Use Period Number(s) 07, Phase 2
MARIA HERNANDEZ, C/O ROBERT S GITMEID & ASSOC 11 BROADWAY STE 1677, NEW YORK, NY 10004, according to the Mortgage dated June 29, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 15599, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 17, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0116E, Use

Period Number(s) 07, Phase 2
NOAH LARSON, 2002 Windy Trl, San Antonio, TX 78232, according to the Mortgage dated July 05, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13712, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 21, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0427, Use Period Number(s) 09, Phase 7
NOAH LARSON, C/O SCRIVNER LAW FIRM 1440 STATE HIGHWAY 248 STE Q # 451, BRANSON, MO 65616, according to the Mortgage dated July 05, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13712, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 21, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0427, Use Period Number(s) 09, Phase 7
VICTOR MAYA AND NORMA MIRANDA, 637 Glenview Ave, Highland Park, IL 60035, according to the Mortgage dated May 23, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 10892, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 10, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0219, Use Period Number(s) 32, Phase 4
VICTOR MAYA AND NORMA MIRANDA, C/O ABRAMS LAW FIRM 1401 MARVIN RD NE STE 307, LACEY, WA 98516, according to the Mortgage dated May 23, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 10892, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 10, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0219, Use Period Number(s) 32, Phase 4
EDWARD C PETERSON, 8123 S Oglesby Ave, Chicago, IL 60617, according to the Mortgage dated March 27, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 06768, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 16, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0424, Use Period Number(s) 21, Phase 7
EDWARD C PETERSON, C/O NEALLY LAW 122 PARK CENTRAL SQ, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65806, according to the Mortgage dated March 27, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 06768, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 16, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0424, Use Period Number(s) 21, Phase 7
JOYCE THOMPSON AND DERWIN JOHNSON, 1043 W 103rd Pl, CHICAGO, IL 60643, according to the Mortgage dated September 20, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 19519, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 09, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0222, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 4
JOYCE THOMPSON AND DERWIN JOHNSON, C/O ROBERT S GITMEID & ASSOC 11 BROADWAY STE 1677, NEW YORK, NY 10004, according to the Mortgage dated September 20, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 19519, in the Office of the

Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 09, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0222, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 4
SIDNEY TURNER AND PAULETTE TURNER, 402 JEFFERY AVE, CALUMET CITY, IL 60409, according to the Mortgage dated April 27, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 08875, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 14, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0088, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 2
CALVIN WHITELOW, 11328 S Prairie Ave, Chicago, IL 60628, according to the Mortgage dated October 19, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 24395, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 31, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0393, Use Period Number(s) 27, Phase 6
CALVIN WHITELOW, C/O FREDRICK & ROGERS 1903 E BATTLEFIELD ST, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804, according to the Mortgage dated October 19, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 24395, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 31, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01060, Use Period Number(s) 49, Phase 2
JOHN W WILLIAMS AND VANESSA A WILLIAMS, 4021 W ARTHINGTON 1ST FL, CHICAGO, IL 60624, according to the Mortgage dated March 16, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 06808, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 16, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0424, Use Period Number(s) 22, Phase 7
TROY WINSTON, KENYETTA FERRELL-WINSTON AND PIERSE FERRELL, 9335 S EAST END

Park Rd, Lombard, IL 60148, according to the Mortgage dated May 12, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 14692, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 08, 2011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0374, Use Period Number(s) 30, Phase 3
NAOMI S WIERINGA-BOGYO AND ROBERT A BOGYO, C/O FREDRICK & ROGERS 1903 E BATTLEFIELD ST, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804, according to the Mortgage dated May 12, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 14692, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 08, 2011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0374, Use Period Number(s) 30, Phase 3
DANIEL WILK AND BRENDA WILK, 6321 GAYNELLE RD, TINLEY PARK, IL 60477, according to the Mortgage dated March 08, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 06953, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 14, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01060, Use Period Number(s) 49, Phase 2
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AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60617, according to the Mortgage dated June 19, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 15014, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 08, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0016, Use Period Number(s) 26, Phase 1

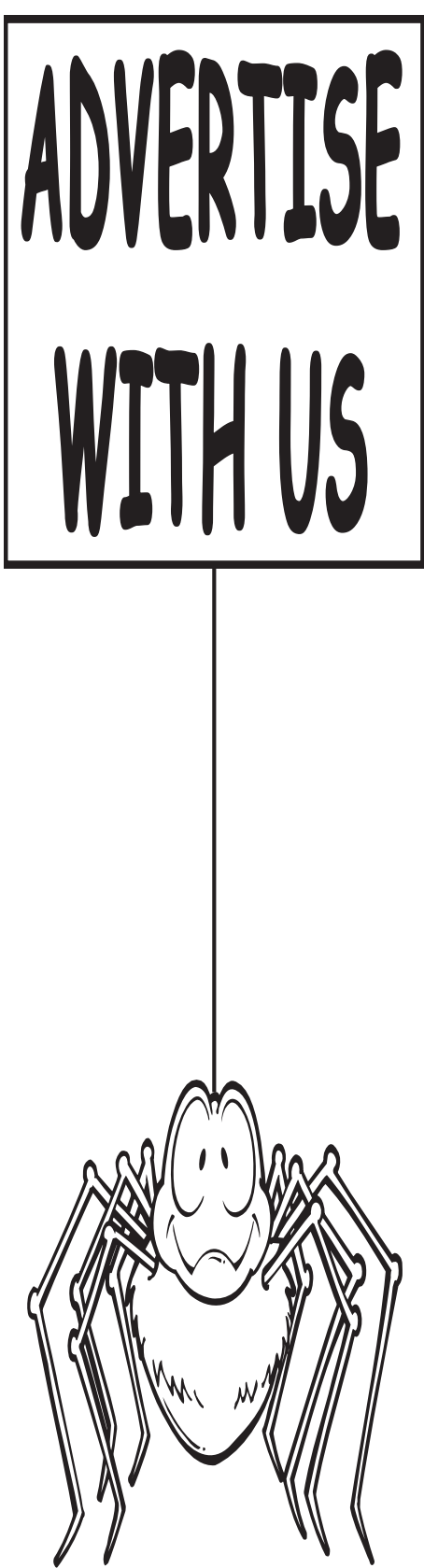
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2031 Richardson Rd., Amboy \$250,000

BACK ON THE MARKET. Buyer financing fell through!!

Don't let this one get away! Charming 3 bedroom 2 bath ranch style manufactured 1990 Patriot mobile home and 3 car attached garage is waiting for you! Multiple storage areas, laundry room, work area. Seller has repainted and put vinyl flooring throughout. All appliances and a freezer stay. Furnace and central air (11-2018), generac generator for shop and house, extra deep 24x36 Amish built Shop with 2 overhead doors (9x10 & 7x10) has lots of storage/work area and well pump room. Flaggpole and flag. This beautiful country setting has many mature trees, garden and flowering trees. 1-12x18 storage shed & 1-12x42 shed, firepit, back deck, patio and landscaping throughout! LP TANK IS RENTED. All ready for you to move into! You won't find another yard this spacious at this price!



221 N. Mason Ave., Amboy \$149,000

Beautiful family home that has been used for a business. Zoned residential. Gorgeous hardwood floors, with 3 bedrooms, 1.5 bath front enclosed area for entertaining, kitchen with an island and oak cupboards, refrigerator is negotiable, dishwasher, water softener, central air/furnace, furnace(2021), main floor laundry, central vac needs a new hose, large living room, office with 1/2 bath. The French doors lead to porch and office area. The back deck over looks the extra lot, in the back yard is grape vine, dog run, amazing circle drive and lots of parking, a 2.5 car detached garage that's heated with a big workshop area. Call today for a private showing.



27858 2600 East St., Van Orin \$63,400

Ranch style home with curb appeal. Why Rent when you can own! This open living/dining area, kitchen, 2 bedroom, one bath home comes with all appliances and is ready to move into. Features an attached garage that can be converted into a family room/master bedroom. There is a car port for parking, shed in back for all your storage. Call today for a showing!



NEW LISTING!!!!!!

838 Tonti Street, LASALLE

2BDR, roof 4 yrs old, deck added 4 yrs, furnace 2 yrs old, hot water heater 1 yr old, w/d less than 2 yrs, vinyl replacement windows, fireplace!!



605 2nd St., MENDOTA

2 BDR, 2 car garage, brick ranch



100 N. Peru, TROY GROVE

.9 acre 20x48 structure ready to complete for a home.



15 Abbaallee, MENDOTA

.67 acre building lot