

Railroad Crossing & Country Fair Day



The annual Railroad Crossing & Country Fair Day featured plenty of family-fun activities on June 18 in downtown Mendota, including the new “Union Depot Express” barrel street train, top, children’s games and an art show in the Country Chapel showcasing works of local artists. Mother Nature gave a respite from the sizzling hot temperatures preceding the event as sunny skies and pleasantly mild temperatures settled in over the area to make it a perfect day to celebrate Mendota’s railroad heritage. (Reporter photos)

Celebrating 50 years of marital bliss

□ MASS honors half-a-century couples

By **BRANDON LACHANCE**
Staff writer

MENDOTA – Not many can lay to the claim they have been married for 50 years.

But, if you can, it’s time to celebrate with your soulmate at the 50th Anniversary Party hosted by Mendota Area Senior Services (MASS) at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 29 at the Feik Senior Parlor at the Mendota Civic Center.

“We would like to have every couple in Mendota that has been married 50 or more years come out and have some fun. We try to do some little things with them,” said MASS Executive Director, Rayanne Sester. “They love to reminisce. In the past, we played a game similar to the Newlywed Game where we would ask questions like, ‘What kind of flowers did your wife carry at your wedding?’

“Some of them can remember and some of them



can’t. They’ll still branch off and tell stories about their wedding day. They talk about chivalries. Back then they didn’t go on honeymoons. They stayed in a house somewhere. People would go where the couple was staying and beat on pans and make a lot of noise. They’d make them come out.

“It’s always fun and interesting to hear them talk about their wedding experiences.”

Sester, who has been with the organization for 29 years, remembers stories of horse

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Mendota fireworks show set June 25 at Lake Mendota Park

MENDOTA – Mendota will commemorate Independence Day with its Fourth of July fireworks celebration on Saturday, June 25 at Lake Mendota Park. Gates will open at 6 p.m. and the fireworks show will start at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Other highlights of the evening will include a concession stand, glow merchandise available for purchase, famous Lions Club corn dogs, Tacos Guzman and Paulie’s Snack Shack.

Admission to the fireworks show is free. Free will donations will be accepted at the gate.

The Fourth of July fireworks celebration is sponsored by the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce.

Wolf adds to Toon Town – Jessica Rabbit gets a story of her own

□ Love & imagination still flow for Earlville native who created Roger Rabbit

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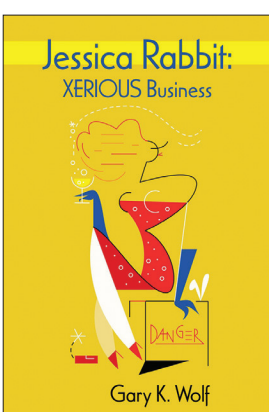
MENDOTA – Earlville doesn’t have a lot of connections with published novels, motion pictures, or Hollywood.

Except for one individual – Gary K. Wolf.

Wolf, 81, developed his creativity in the rural Illinois town before writing a novel called ‘Who Censored Roger Rabbit?’ in 1981. The novel was then turned into the June 22, 1988 hit film, ‘Who Framed Roger Rabbit?’, which celebrates its 34th birthday, today.

The love and imagination for his creations – Toon Town, Roger Rabbit, Jessica Rabbit, Baby Hermon, Eddie Valiant, and more – still flow today as his latest novel, ‘Jessica Rabbit: Xerious Business’ was published May 4.

“Everything really started when I was in the second or third grade. My teacher gave us a picture to color. The whole purpose of the exercise was to stay inside of the lines,” said Wolf, who also wrote ‘Who P-P-P-Plugged Roger Rabbit?’ (1991) and ‘Who Wacked Roger Rabbit?’ (2013). “That was the only requirement and there was nobody better at staying inside the lines than I was. I took the picture home and it was a farm scene with a typical fence, meadow, farmhouse, a barn, and one cow standing by itself in the middle of a field.



“I colored the farmhouse yellow, the barn red, the fence brown, and the grass green. I saw the cow by itself in the middle of the field and thought about something my mother (Hattie Wolf) had told me, ‘When people are all by themselves, they get sad, lonely, and blue.’ I saw the lonely cow and colored it blue.

“I handed it in and when they returned, everyone got theirs except for me. She told me to go to the front of the class and face my classmates. I was thinking, ‘I stayed inside of the lines better than anyone.’ She held the picture over my head and said, ‘Class, look at this stupid, stupid, stupid picture. Everyone knows cows are brown, black, white, and sometimes brown, black, and white at the same time. But never, never, never are they blue.’”

The teacher called his parents, Ed and Hattie, and then he was spoken to about the preposterous blue cow.

After Gary told them why the cow was an unorthodox hue, Ed and Hattie decided he could color any object any color he wishes. They shared their decision with the school and said he should be allowed to take full advantage of the color wheel and his outside-of-the-box thinking.

A week later, an assignment called for summer vacation stories and what the students did while not in school. Many listed lake swims, the Wisconsin Dells, and Starved Rock State Park hikes.

Gary wrote about building a rocket ship in his back yard out of tin cans and aluminum cans before he flew to the moon.

“That was my first validation that I had creativity and I could be creative. I still have the cow picture hanging over my desk,” Wolf said. “My father ran the pool hall in Earlville




On June 22, 1988, Gary K. Wolf’s creative masterpiece was unleashed as ‘Who Framed Roger Rabbit’ was released in theaters and drew \$750 million in a year. Now, on May 4, 2022, he added to the story with ‘Jessica Rabbit: Xerious Business.’

and my mother worked in the school cafeteria. They lived through the Great Depression and came from a tough mindset generation.

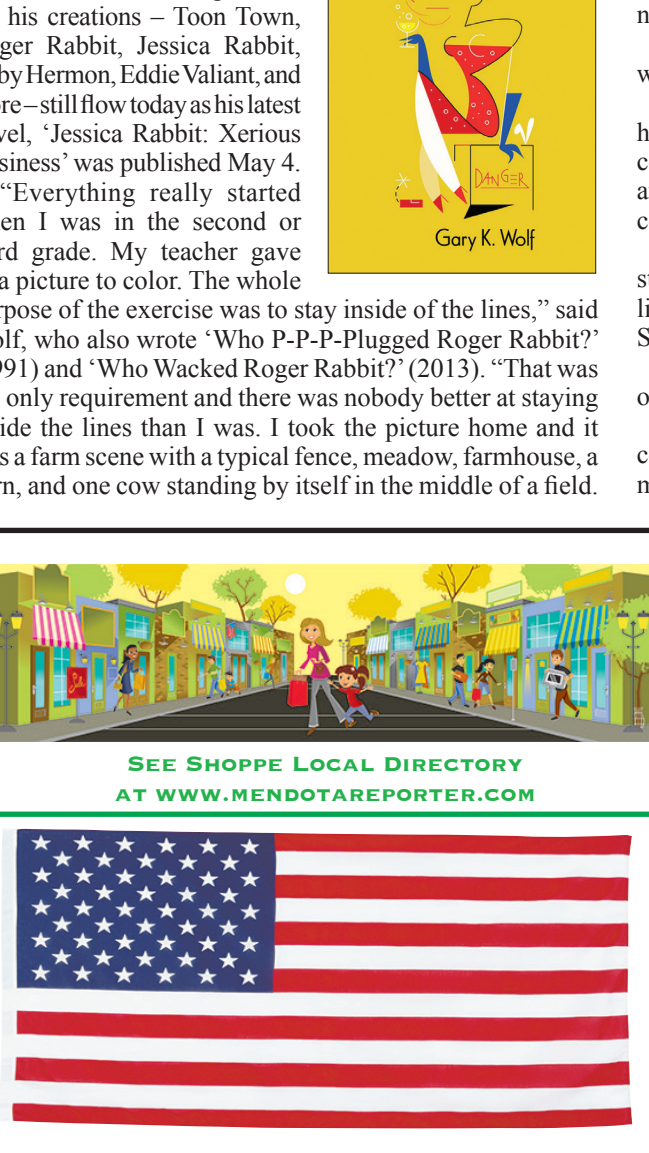
“My mother told me, ‘If you want to get out of this town and don’t want to wind up staying here for the rest of your life running your dad’s pool hall, the one thing you could do to


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LOCAL AND AREA

Graves-Hume Public Library to end late fee collection on overdue items

MENDOTA – To eliminate a common barrier to library services, beginning July 1, Graves-Hume Library District will no longer collect late fees on overdue materials. All past overdue fines will be cleared by July 5 (fines incurred on other libraries' items and replacement bills will not be cleared).

Just as before, library users will be expected to return materials by their due date. Reminder notices for overdue items will continue to be sent. To ensure borrowed items are brought back, cardholder privileges will be temporarily blocked when items are not returned 21 days past their due date. Once the later materials are returned, the library account will be cleared and can be used again. Borrowed items that are lost, damaged or 42+ days overdue will be automatically billed. These new policies apply to all who use the library, including cardholders from other libraries. When using



a Graves-Hume Library card at another library, different rules may apply.

All of the Graves-Hume Public Library District's borrowing limits remain the same, with most having a two-week checkout and a two-time renewal limit. Items may be renewed online, over the phone, or in person at the library, unless someone has placed a hold to request material. Overdue fines still apply to WiFi Hotspots due to their popularity.

Taxpayers will not pay more to the library as a result of this change, instead, the library will save staff time and supplies as a result of eliminating overdue fines. Graves-Hume Public Library District joins more than 32

other area libraries in going fine free.

The Board of Trustees approved this policy in order to make the library experience more positive and to encourage more Mendota and surrounding area residents to use their library for books, movies, programs, and information. The Graves-Hume Public Library District looks forward to welcoming back those who have not returned back due to their overdue fines.

It has long been assumed that imposing late fees encourages people to bring back materials before they're due. In fact, research suggests that fines have no such effect on borrowers' behavior and can actually discourage people from returning materials at all because they don't want to pay the late charges they have incurred.

Director Emily Kofoid said, "By going fine free, the Graves-Hume Public Library hopes it will make an immediate and impactful difference for the community."



Festival 56 to present mini-musical June 30th at Graves-Hume Library

MENDOTA – Piggie and Elephant are visiting the library. You won't want to miss this.

Festival 56 Theatre Company in Princeton is visiting Graves-Hume Public Library in Mendota on Thursday, June 30 at 1 p.m. No registration is required. Enjoy this mini-musical performance up close and stay for a book read by Ms. Carolyn and Holly.

If you're interested in seeing their play in Princeton, visit www.festival56.com for more information. Tickets are available June 25-July 2.

LaSalle Co. mails out real estate tax bills

OTTAWA – LaSalle County real estate tax bills were mailed to 66,266 property owners on May 27. The first installment is due Thursday, July 7 and the second installment is due Wednesday, Sept. 7.

The LaSalle County Treasurer's office offers convenient payment options.

Pay Online: (credit card) Go to www.lasallecountytreasurer.com and under the payments tab click on "pay property tax online." Credit card payments may also be made in the Treasurer's office. A convenience fee of approximately 2.5 percent is charged by the credit card processor.

(e-check automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account) To sign up for this service go to www.lasallecountytreasurer.com and under the payments tab click "pay property tax online." There is a \$1.50 per parcel fee for this service. Taxes will be withdrawn on the day before tax due dates.

Pay by Phone: Call 1-833-975-2500 with credit card or e-check. A convenience fee of approximately 2.5 percent is charged by the credit card processors when paying by credit card. There is a \$1.50 per parcel fee when paying by e-check.

Pay by Check: Make checks payable to LaSalle County Collector at local financial institutions. Payment options at the Treasurer's office include drive-through drop box in the east parking lot of East Etna Road (24 hours), delivered inside during office hours or mail to the Treasurer's office.

Steps to stay safe during extreme heat conditions

CHICAGO – With the onset of oppressive heat and humidity in the area, the FEMA Region 5 office in Chicago is encouraging residents to avoid the dangers of extreme heat by taking some simple steps to stay safe.

"We all need to take precautions when temperatures soar to potentially dangerous highs," said Tom Sivak, FEMA Region 5 acting regional administrator. "Extreme heat makes the body work extra hard to maintain a normal temperature. Regularly check yourself and those you care about—especially children, older adults and pets—for the signs and symptoms of heat-related illnesses and be ready to respond to them."

After weeks of comfortable temperatures, don't be caught unaware as extreme temperatures spike.

• Watch for heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a list of warning signs and

symptoms of heat illness and recommended first aid steps.

• Stay indoors as much as possible and limit exposure to the sun. If you don't have access to air conditioning at home, find places in your community with AC, such as a local cooling center.

• Keep your home as cool as possible. Roughly 40% of unwanted heat buildup in our homes is through windows. Use awnings or curtains to keep the heat out, and check the weather stripping on doors and windows to keep the cool air in.

• If you must be outside, find shade. Avoid strenuous activity, cover your head with a hat wide enough to protect your face and wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.

• Drink plenty of water, even if you don't feel thirsty.

• NEVER leave people or pets in a parked car.

For more information and tips on being ready for extreme heat, visit www.ready.gov/heat.



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Farm Bureau issues scholarships

PRINCETON – Six Bureau County students will receive financial assistance from the Bureau County Farm Bureau Foundation to help cover costs associated with continuing their education. The Foundation Board of Directors has named Stephanie Gripp of Sheffield, Alex Jagers of Princeton, Lauren McMillan of Tiskilwa, Andrew Stamberger of LaMoille, Thomas Stamberger of LaMoille and Aubreanna Vogel of Princeton as the 2022 recipients of the Bureau County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarships.

For the past 27 years, the Bureau County Farm Bureau Foundation has made a financial commitment to assist individuals interested in pursuing a career in agriculture. To date, \$111,250 has been provided in scholarships to individuals who are Bureau County Farm Bureau members or their dependents. The Foundation funding is supported by private contributions, including those from Bureau County Farm Bureau members.

This year's recipients are:
Stephanie Gripp, daughter of Chad and TeNeille Gripp. She is finishing her junior year at Oklahoma State University. She has chosen to pursue a degree in Animal Science with a business concentration and minor in law and legal studies and agricultural economics. After school she hopes to advocate for the industry that has not only raised her but also has given her many opportunities to learn and grow.

Alex Jagers, son of Tom and Gail Jagers. He is a recent graduate of Princeton High School. He looks forward to furthering his education at Illinois Valley Community College and then transferring to the University of Illinois where he will major in Farm Management and Agronomy. His goal for the future is to mentor with his uncle and continue his family's farming operation.

Lauren McMillan, daughter of Kyle and Jodi McMillan. She is finishing her Junior year at the University of Illinois. She has chosen to pursue a degree in Organizational and Community Leadership with a double minor in Agribusiness and Media. She adds that her interests have expanded, causing her to possibly pursue career options in event planning, advertising, marketing, recruitment, and maybe even sales as options for the future. She plans to attend graduate school.

Andrew Stamberger, son of Jayson and Rebecca Stamberger. He is a recent graduate of Mendota High School. He looks forward to furthering his education at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville where he will major in Agricultural Engineering. After college, he plans to use his ag background from the farm and his technical experiences from school to help improve the tools that farmers use each day. Ultimately, he would love to own his own business.

Thomas Stamberger, son of Tim and Susan Stamberger. He is finishing her junior year at Southern Illinois University. He has chosen to major in crop, soil, and environmental management with a specialization in crop production management and soil science. His professional goals include becoming a Certified Crop Advisor in Illinois, acquiring a crop advising job and continuing to contribute to the family's farm operation.

Aubreanna Vogel, daughter of Cristin and Mac Kruse, and Brent Vogel. She is a recent graduate of Princeton High School. She looks forward to furthering her education at Illinois Valley Community College where she will major in Agriculture Business Management. She is already chipping away at her degree by taking advantage of dual credit and online classes offered through her high school and IVCC.

All these students were extremely active in extracurricular activities with strong backgrounds in a variety of programs such as FFA, 4-H, Collegiate Farm Bureau, Young Leaders, as well as church and other school-related programs.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

T. McNally makes Monmouth Dean's List

MONMOUTH – Timothy McNally, an elementary education major from Paw Paw, has made the Dean's List at Monmouth College. To qualify, students need to have taken at least 3.0 academic credits and attained a GPA for those courses of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. McNally is the child of Kristina McNally of Paw Paw.

Founded in 1853 and affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Monmouth College provides a transformative educational experience within a caring community of learners. A residential liberal arts college that is the birthplace of the women's fraternity movement, Monmouth College empowers students to realize their full potential, live meaningful lives, pursue successful careers, and shape their communities and the world through service and leadership.

M. Mikolasek on U. of Iowa President's List

IOWA CITY, Iowa – Madison Mikolasek of Mendota was among the more than 1,000 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the President's List for the 2022 spring semester.

Mikolasek is a second-year student in Iowa's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and is majoring in Biology.

President's List status was earned by 73 first-year undergraduates during the 2022 spring semester at Iowa, 199 second-year students, 285 third-year students and 463 fourth-year students.

The President's List was established in the fall of 1983 to recognize academic excellence. In order to be included on the list, a student must have a minimum 4.0 grade-point average (4.0 is an A) in all academic subjects for the 2022 spring semester, and a minimum of nine graded hours with a 4.0 grade-point average (4.0 is an A) in all academic subjects for the 2022 fall semester.

K. Anderson named to U. of Iowa Dean's List

IOWA CITY, Iowa – Katherine Anderson of La Moille was among the more than 5,500 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the Dean's List for the 2022 spring semester.

Anderson is a third-year student in Iowa's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and is majoring in English and Creative Writing.

Dean's List status was earned by 714 first-year undergraduates during the 2022 spring semester at Iowa, 1,268 second-year students, 1,559 third-year students, and 2,045 fourth-year students.

Undergraduate students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, the College of Engineering, the Tippie College of Business, and University College who achieve a grade-point average (GPA) of 3.50 or higher on nine semester hours (spring 2022) or more of UI graded coursework during a given semester or summer session and

who have no semester hours of "I" (incomplete) or "O" (no grade reported) during the same semester are recognized by inclusion on the Dean's List for that semester.

Local students named to NIU Dean's List

DeKALB – Northern Illinois University has announced its spring 2022 Dean's List students. To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts.

Area students who achieved this honor include:

Harrison Vallaro of Earlville, College of Engineering; Hannah Ambler of Mendota, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Katee Johnson of Mendota, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Paxton Kennedy of Mendota, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Elizabeth Medina of Mendota, College of Education; Katherine Wohrley of Mendota, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Northern Illinois lists Spring 2022 graduates

DeKALB – Over 2,200 students received their degrees from Northern Illinois University in May. Included among the graduates are:

Sandra Kofoed of Earlville, Bachelor of Science in Marketing; Kyle Stephens of Earlville, Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology-Applied Manufacturing Technology; Jennie Espinoza of Mendota, Master of Science in Applied Human Development & Family Sciences and Marriage & Family Therapy; Paxton Kennedy of Mendota, Bachelor of Science in Economics; Amy Kofoed of Mendota, Master of Science in Electrical Engineering; Diana Nanez of Mendota, Bachelor of Science in Marketing.

B. Carroll named to Marquette Dean's List

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis., has announced its Dean's List students for the Spring 2022 semester.

Among the students making the list is Brooke Carroll of Mendota, who is pursuing a Master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies.

To make the Dean's List, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the spring 2022 semester and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college - for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences, undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7 to be named to the Dean's List. The undergraduate GPA requirement is 3.5 for the following colleges: the Diederich College of Communication, the College of Business Administration, the College of Health Sciences, the Opus College of Engineering and the College of Nursing. All other programs have a 3.75 GPA minimum.

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Mendota Weather

June 22, 2022

Seven Day Forecast



Wednesday
Chance Showers
High: 88 Low: 64



Thursday
Mostly Sunny
High: 87 Low: 65



Friday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 89 Low: 69



Saturday
Isolated T-storms
High: 90 Low: 70



Sunday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 83 Low: 64



Monday
Sunny
High: 81 Low: 60



Tuesday
Mostly Sunny
High: 80 Low: 61

In-Depth Forecast

Wednesday we will see mostly sunny skies with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 88°, humidity of 40%. Northwest wind 9 to 14 mph. The record high temperature for Wednesday is 99° set in 1988. Expect mostly clear skies Wednesday night with an overnight low of 64°. West southwest wind 5 to 11 mph. The record low for Wednesday night is 42° set in 1992.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	94	61	79/57	0.00"
Tuesday	96R	78	79/57	0.00"
Wednesday	95	80	79/57	0.00"
Thursday	93	73	80/57	0.01"
Friday	87	66	80/58	0.00"
Saturday	81	60	80/58	0.00"
Sunday	86	50	80/58	0.00"

City	Wednesday		Thursday	
	Hi/Lo	Wx	Hi/Lo	Wx
Aurora	89/62	s	88/64	s
Champaign	95/67	pc	91/66	s
Chicago	87/66	s	79/67	s
Freeport	87/61	s	88/64	s
Joliet	90/64	s	88/64	s
Moline	90/65	s	92/68	s
Peoria	91/65	pc	91/67	s
Rockford	87/61	s	88/64	s
Springfield	92/68	pc	91/69	s

Rainfall	0.01"
Normal rainfall	0.95"
Departure	-0.94"
Average temp	78.6°
Average normal	68.5°
Departure	+10.1°

Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
New 6/28	Wednesday	5:22 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	1:44 a.m.	2:36 p.m.	Full 7/13
	Thursday	5:23 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	2:05 a.m.	3:40 p.m.	
	Friday	5:23 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	2:28 a.m.	4:44 p.m.	
First 7/6	Saturday	5:23 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	2:54 a.m.	5:48 p.m.	Last 7/20
	Sunday	5:24 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	3:24 a.m.	6:50 p.m.	
	Monday	5:24 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	3:59 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	
	Tuesday	5:24 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	4:41 a.m.	8:44 p.m.	

Local UV Index



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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National Weather Summary This Week



The Northeast will see partly to mostly cloudy skies with isolated showers, highest temperature of 101 in Metropolis, Ill. The Southeast will experience mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 104 in Dublin, Ga. The central United States will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 103 in Zapata, Texas. In the Northwest there will be mostly clear skies with isolated rain, highest temperature of 92 in Torrington, Wyo. The Southwest will see clear skies with the highest temperature of 113 in Laughlin, Nev.

Weather Trivia

Do hurricanes spawn tornadoes?

Answers: Yes, indeed this phenomenon is quite common.

Weather History

June 22, 1972 - Hurricane Agnes deluged Pennsylvania and New York State with the most costly flood in U.S. history. At Wilkes-Barre, Penn., the dike was breached destroying much of the town. Flooding resulted in 117 deaths and 3.1 billion dollars damage.

June 23, 1944 - Four tornadoes killed 153 people and caused five million dollars damage in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland. The tornadoes formed during the evening and moved southeast along parallel paths, flattening everything in their way.

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OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

Florence L. Epps

LANCASTER, Texas – Florence Louise Epps, 87, formerly of Mendota, passed away June 12, 2022 at Millbrook Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Lancaster, Texas after a long and heartbreaking decline from dementia.

She is to be cremated and interred at Olive Cemetery in southern Illinois.

Louise was born Feb. 10, 1935, in Wood River, to Fred and Lula (Gross) Meyers. She married Frank “Dale” Epps on Sept. 26, 1952. Dale and Louise moved to Mendota in 1955 and lived in the same house until 2017. He preceded her in death on June 25, 2020.

Survivors include three daughters, Pam (Mike) Rumsey, Bendy (Louie) Schuhler, and Connie Skilling; nine grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, her siblings, and her beloved daughter, Tena Davis in 2003.

The family would like to thank Millbrook Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Lancaster Texas for their compassionate care of Louise for the last five years of her life.

Amy L. Snuffin

SPRING VALLEY – Amy Lynn Snuffin, 55, of Spring Valley, passed away June 9, 2022 at her residence.

There will be a private family service held at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota with Rev. Mary Bohall officiating. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Amy was born Jan. 19, 1967 in Ottawa and adopted by Sam and Betty (England) Snuffin.

She is survived by her mother Betty (Jim Cosby) of Mendota; her sister Susan (Carl) Ambler of Mendota; her brother Mike (Amy O’Malley) Snuffin of Barrington; nieces Mariah (Dylan Norton), Hannah and Kaylee; and a great nephew Jameson.

She was preceded in death by her father Sam Snuffin, a great niece Emma, and her maternal and paternal grandparents.

Amy grew up in Mendota and graduated from Mendota High School in 1985 where she graduated with perfect attendance. She worked at Mendota Lutheran Home for several years and enjoyed her co-workers and the residents. She loved pets and always seemed to have a cat or dog as a companion. Amy also had a great memory and loved to share her “remember when” stories.

She loved music and was a huge fan of the band KISS. She knew the names of all the members of her favorite rock bands and loved to read about them. Amy also loved Christmas music and could listen to it any time of the year. She was usually a quiet, shy person who loved a simple life. She didn’t possess much, but she was happy with what she had.

Memorials may be directed to the family or Illinois Valley Animal Rescue. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.

Delores A. Haller

MENDOTA – Delores A. Haller, 73, of Mendota passed away June 7, 2022 at Allure of Sterling.

There will be no services. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Delores was born March 22, 1949 in Elmhurst to Melburn and Waneta (Thompson) Davidson.

She is survived by her son Charles, her daughter Mary, three sisters, a niece and many grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to the donor’s choice.

Charles W. Foster

EARLVILLE – Charles W. Foster, 85, of rural Earlville, passed away June 8, 2022, surrounded by his loving family.

Please join us in a celebration of Charles’ life as we rejoice in knowing that he is with his Lord and Savior whom he served all his life. Visitation will be held Thursday, June 30, from 5-7 p.m. at Rollo Congregational Church, Rollo. Funeral service will be held Friday, July 1, at 10 a.m. at Rollo Congregational Church, officiated by Reverend David Fraccaro. Interment will be at Stevens Cemetery on Hyde Road, Earlville, for the family at a later date.

Charles was born Aug. 20, 1936. He was raised on the family farm near Rollo and attended Rollo Elementary and High School. He graduated with the last class from Rollo High in 1954. Charles married his high school sweetheart, Gloria Dawn Haines, in 1957 at Rollo Congregational Church. They had 64 years of creating happy memories together.

Charles is survived by his wife Gloria; his children Lori (Tim) McConville, Tami (Mike) Johnson, Curt (Susan) Foster and Teresa Alexander; his grandchildren, Megan (Jason) Mahaffey, Craig (Jani) McConville, Courtney (Luke) Anderson, Valarie (Tony) Bognanno, Laura (Chris) Walters, Sara (Andrew) Lyons, Heidi (Doug) Brand, Hilary (Matt Bermes) Foster, Rachel Foster, Erik (Alice) Alexander, AbbyAnn (Ben) LoCascio and Amy Alexander. His great-grandchildren include Ava and Macy Mahaffey, Claire and Liam Anderson, Cole and Hunter Walters, and Olivia, Madelynn, and Mitchell Lyons.

In addition to his parents, Charles was preceded in death by his sisters, Shirley McDowell, Wilma O’Kane Marr, Ardith in infancy, and brother Bruce Foster.

He enjoyed sports and excelled at basketball. He is the all-time leading scorer at Rollo High School. He participated in FFA and achieved the State Farmer Degree. After high school, he volunteered to serve in the United States Navy and attended Bradley University.

Charles spent his professional life farming the Foster Family Farms and living in the home his parents built the year he was born. Charles enjoyed being busy. He also sold DeKalb seed products and worked with Martin, Goodrich and Associates appraising farm land, which he relished. He was a founding member of Baby Bacon. He served on many boards including DeKalb Area Pork Producers, DeKalb County Farm Bureau and Shabbona School Board. He also served as a 4-H Leader for the Rollo Variety 4-H Club.

Charles’ hobbies included restoring antique John Deere tractors and driving them in parades proudly displaying the American and Christian flags. He and Gloria enjoyed many trips visiting friends, relatives, and historical sites. They traveled to Europe and researched family genealogy. He wrote a book about his relatives making the voyage from Europe to eventually settling in Illinois in 1835. Charles loved hosting hay rack rides in his woods for high schoolers, church youth groups, and grandkids. Charles found great enjoyment being a member of Golden Harvesters Kitchen Band.

Although Charles had many interests, his primary focus always remained his family, farm, church, and community. Charles was baptized at Rollo Congregational Church and was a lifelong member. He served in many leadership roles including Moderator, Trustee, Deacon and in later years as a member of the Church Choir.

The family would like to express their thanks and appreciation to the staff at Heritage Health Nursing Home and Unity Hospice for the loving care provided to Charles.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Rollo Congregational Church. Please visit www.TormanFuneral-Home.com to sign the online guest book.



Carol J. Rockwood

MENDOTA – Carol J. Rockwood, 83, of Mendota, passed away June 18, 2022 at OSF Saint Paul Medical Center, Mendota.

A private Celebration of Life will be held at a later date with burial at Precinct Cemetery, Earlville. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is assisting the family.

Carol was born Dec. 19, 1938, in Earlville to August and Rose (Gulde) Flicker. She married Bernard “Rocky” Rockwood on Jan. 28, 1971.

She is survived by her children Cyndie (Michael Swanson) Veith of Mendota, Lance Pointer of Streator, Steve (Julie) Pointer of Marseilles and Kay (John) Roda of Peru; her sister Betty Peters of Ottawa; grandchildren Carley, Gracie, Travis, Ryan, Brandy, Andy, Aubrie and Drew; and a great granddaughter Charlotte.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 2018 and a brother Bob.

Carol was a graduate of Earlville High School. She worked as a beautician at Heritage Manor in Mendota for over 40 years. She enjoyed doing crossword puzzles. She loved her family dearly and loved watching her grandkids excel at anything they did.

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



Kerry L. Rex

MENDOTA – Kerry L. Rex, 60, of Mendota, passed away June 18, 2022 at her home.

Cremation rites have been accorded and no services will be held. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota assisted the family.

Kerry was born Feb. 10, 1962, in St. Charles to Clarence and Peggy (Walker) McGowen. She married David Rex.

She is survived by her parents; her husband of Mendota; two daughters Megan and Elisha; three grandchildren whom she loved dearly; two brothers and one sister.

Kerry graduated from St. Charles High School. She was a former lifeguard and worked at Eakas in Peru for over 15 years.

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AgView FS manager David Horras, left, with IVCC ag student Jolene Bobinski, IVCC agriculture program coordinator Willard Mott and President Jerry Corcoran. Bobinski was AgView’s first “Earn and Learn” intern. (Photo contributed)

Deadline extended to apply for “Ag & Learn” program

OGLESBY – The deadline to apply for 2022 GRAINCO FS and AgView FS “Earn and Learn” programs at Illinois Valley Community College has been extended to June 30.

The program provides paid internships, summer jobs and two years’ reimbursement of all education expenses while completing

IVCC’s Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in agriculture. Participants are also guaranteed three years’ full-time employment with GRAINCO or AgView.

For information, contact IVCC ag program coordinator and instructor Willard Mott at (815) 224-0413 or Willard_mott@ivcc.edu.



Compeer Financial’s Jacob Chapman, left, Ryan Leifheit, Buck Hill and Karen Schieler with IVCC ag coordinator Willard Mott and President Jerry Corcoran. The symbolic check represents Compeer’s recent \$13,000 donation to the college’s agriculture program to benefit future phases of the ag complex. (Photo contributed)

IVCC receives ag donation

OGLESBY – Illinois Valley Community College’s agriculture program recently received a \$13,000 donation from Compeer Financial’s Fund for Rural America for future phases of its ag complex.

Since December 2019, IVCC has received four Compeer Financial grants totaling \$53,000 in addition to two annual scholarships.

“Compeer’s investment in IVCC agriculture helped us increase enrollment to 67 students. Their gifts are

significant and meaningful,” said IVCC President Jerry Corcoran.

Compeer Financial representative Karen Schieler said, “Supporting vocational ag at community and technical colleges is a focus of our business. Colleges like IVCC provide the quality, hands-on experiences that excite young people to pursue ag careers,” Schieler said.

The donation will purchase instructional equipment for the new ag complex south of campus.

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Wolf

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make that happen is to read.' She didn't put any restriction on my reading. I read comic books at the smoke shop on the corner of Main Street. I read everything I could before the owner would kick me out. Then I would buy other comics – Donald Duck, Uncle Scrooge, early Superman, Batman, and Wonder Woman – with my allowance and trade those with my friends.

"I would go to the theater and watch movies every night because it was only 14 cents. They always played a cartoon. I loved cartoons like Woody the Woodpecker, Porky Pig, Heckle and Jeckle, and especially Donald Duck. He was my favorite."

Wolf, who graduated from the University of Illinois and was an Air Commando for the United States Air Force during Vietnam, lived in Boston for three years while in the Air Force before moving to San Francisco for 14 years. After he was paid for the 1988 movie, Gary and his wife Bonnie (married in 1969) decided to move back to Boston, which is where they first met.

Living in cities has helped his Toon Town story telling as he mixes city-generated concepts with his cartoon and noire mystery background. His father had a love for true crime magazines that Wolf picked up on as he dove into noire mysteries when the comic books were closed.

His newest book, a Jessica Rabbit origin story, shows exactly how everything was manifested in print and in Wolf's mind.

"During the pandemic, I thought Jessica Rabbit needed a book of her own, so I wrote Jessica Rabbit: Xerious Business. It tells how Jessica Rabbit turned from a poor shop girl whose working for nothing and living with an abusive mother and nasty stepsisters and stepbrothers, to becoming the Jessica Rabbit we all know and love," Wolf said. People always want to know how she met Roger, so the story is told in this novel. It also shines light on where the toons came from and how Toon Town came to be. This book answers all of these questions.

"If people are going to read it looking for a 1940s

"I'm still just Ed and Hettie's kid from Earlville. I always will be. Everything that I've ever done in my life – while they were alive or even after they died – I've done to make them proud of me. I have never developed a Hollywood attitude. I like living in the city because there is so much to do and it's so exciting. But basically, I'm just an Earlville boy at heart."

—Gary K. Wolf

noire type of thing; this isn't it. In my mind, Toon Town is timeless. Toons can exist at any time and any place. This book is set in modern day, it's not set in the 40s like 'Who Framed Roger Rabbit' was. I justify that by the fact that Jessica, Roger, Baby Hermon, and all the characters are actors. After they came to Toon Town, they made a movie set in the 1940s.

"As the high almighty creator of Toon Town, it's my rules. I make the rules."

Wolf's rule making started in 1980 when he finally had the opportunity to write something he truly cared about. His cartoon and noire mystery background hadn't previously been fused together in his short stories or the first three books of a four-book deal.

'Who Censored Roger Rabbit' was the project he always envisioned.

"I was taken, not with the cartoons themselves, which were pretty simplistic back then, but with the commercials," Wolf said. "There were cartoon characters: Tony the Tiger, Captain Crunch, Snap, Crack, and Pop (Rice Krispies), and Trix Rabbit. They were cartoon characters talking to real kids. Nobody thought that would be odd.

"A light bulb went on in my head. I said, 'Geez, what a great idea for a book. I could write a book about a world where cartoon characters are real.' I spent a year researching. I researched all of the conventions of cartoons that would be funny if they were translated into a real human world."

After 110 rejections, Wolf's novel was bought by Roy Disney of Walt Disney Productions to be turned into a film, although the author didn't think it could become a movie because of the word balloons and other conventions he had used.

Disney had issues from 1980-85 as it didn't have the

technology or the horsepower to make a movie where cartoons interacted with human beings. The idea of having people wear character costumes (like you'd see at Disney World) for the movie was spoken, and then never spoken again.

Then things changed as Roy Disney was forced out of Disney. Michael Eisner (CEO of Disney) and Jeff Kastenber (movie producer), who teamed together to make Jaws, were brought in.

"They threw out every movie Disney had in development except for one... Roger Rabbit. They both said, 'We have to make this movie.' They did something at Disney no one had done ever before," Wolf said.

"They brought in an outside producer, who of course was a little-known guy named, Steven Spielberg.

"In 1983, Roy Disney went to Warner Bros. and said, 'We're doing a live-action and we're going to have all of our Disney characters in it. We would like to use Bugs Bunny in a cameo. We just want him to say, 'What's up doc,' eat a carrot, and he'd be on screen for no more than 30 seconds.

"Warner Bros. told him to get lost because there was no way that Bugs Bunny is going to be in a Walt Disney picture. It's never going to happen. In 1986, Steven Spielberg goes to Warner and makes the identical request. They looked at him and said, 'Of course, of course. What about Porky Pig, Wile Coyote, Road Runner, Sylvester, Tweety, and Yosemite Sam. Spielberg got all of the characters."

Although Bugs Bunny had a contract that said he must have the same amount of screen time, be in the same shots, and have the same number of lines as Mickey Mouse, the deal was done. The movie went on to make \$750 million in 1988 and won four Academy Awards

in 1989.

With all of his success, whether it be career, financial, marriage, knowing he sculptured a timeless classic based on Toon Town and its habitants, Wolf knows where his talents came from.

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"I never lost that small-town attitude. It hasn't changed me as a person. I'm certainly proud of what I've done and what I've created – I can't say I'm not – but it hasn't changed me as a person."

It hasn't changed his story – the story of Gary K. Wolf – either.

The blue cow will forever be the symbol that gave birth to Roger Rabbit, Jessica Rabbit, and Toon Town.

"When we were making the movie, Spielberg wanted everybody to have his or her favorite cartoon character in the movie. When he asked me, I said, 'I got Roger, Jessica, and Baby Hermon. I think I'm covered.' He smiled and told me he was going to do something special. If you watch the movie, when Eddie Valiant is going through the tunnel the Town Town – the dark, dark, dark, tunnel – and all of a sudden, the curtain comes open and there is singing, dancing, laughter, and bloopers of happiness.

"If you freeze frame it for six frames, you got to be quick, look over to the left and you'll see that there is a yellow farm house, a red barn, a green pasture, and a blue cow standing all by itself in the middle of a field."

Couples

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and carriage weddings, and weddings of all sizes and all over the country.

The couples are influenced to bring photos of their special day 50 or more years ago to the party.

The event, which didn't take place for two years because of COVID-19, will feature cupcakes, coffee and punch.

Before March 2020, MASS would see 12-14 couples annually but figure to have a few less this year because of the pandemic.

But in April, Sester was reminded one set of signif-

icant others will be there to celebrate – Dick and Ida Bergmark.

"We did a fraud program in April. They came and if she didn't tell me once, she told me 10 times, 'We're going to be married 70 years this year,'" said Sester. "I told her, 'I'm so happy for you. We're going to do the 50th Anniversary party. She confirmed they'll be there. She's pretty proud of that 70-year mark, as she should be because that's a huge thing."

"It honors them because anymore, it's a pretty rare thing to hit a mark like 70 years of marriage."

Council OKs license and donation requests

By KIP CHEEK
Staff writer

MENDOTA – The Mendota City Council approved a license addition and a donation request at its June 20 regular meeting.

Alderman Jay Miller informed the council of a request from Mendota Banquet Center LLC for a Class H rental hall license, which was approved by the council subject to the passing of life-safety code requirements for the building. The facility will be located at the old Classon's Foods building on Meriden Street.

Alderman John Holland presented a donation request from Mendota Area Senior Services. The council agreed to donate \$5,000 to MASS.

Holland also called for a finance committee meeting to be held Monday, June 27 at 5 p.m. The purpose is to discuss employee wages.

Alderman John Hensenberger said a Plan

Commission meeting will be held Monday, July 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers to discuss Zoning Text Amendments pertaining to solar farms.

Police Chief Greg Kellen played a video for the council pertaining to mental illness and prepared by Arukah Institute of Healing based in Princeton. Arukah serves LaSalle, Bureau, Putnam and Marshall counties. Arukah provides client-centered, complementary health and counseling services to foster prevention, wellness and mental health in rural communities.

Kellen said that approximately 20 percent of the calls answered by the Mendota Police Department are associated with mental health issues. He added that MPD officers are trained in crisis intervention for handling mental health cases.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Tuesday, July 5 at 5:30 p.m.

New Illinois highway map is on the streets

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced the release of the new Illinois Official Highway Map. The map includes route updates as well as a new feature that shows mileage between towns and marked route junctions to help residents and visitors alike plan their travels throughout Illinois.

"While many of us now use smartphones for directions, paper maps remain an important resource," said Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. "When your phone dies or you drive out of range, paper maps will show you the way. What's more, they provide valuable information about our great state to help you make the most of your travels."

The new map's cover features a beautiful shot of the capitol building in autumn. The photograph was the winner of IDOT's employee map cover contest, submitted by Andrew Bolinger, an office assistant.

For those with a smartphone, QR codes printed on the maps provide easy access to information on IDOT's Getting Around Illinois site for travel conditions, Amtrak, the Office of Tourism's Enjoy Illinois campaign as well as Illinois Department of Natural Resources historic sites and parks.

The Illinois Official Highway Map is paid for with funds from the Federal Highway Administration and published by IDOT every two years on recycled paper with soybean oil-based inks. To request a map, contact DOT.maps@illinois.gov. Free copies also will be available soon at interstate rest areas and other IDOT facilities.



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Reflecting on Ryan

By Scott Reeder

He was a tough-as-nails-prosecutor who rose to become a two-term Illinois Attorney General. But despite his success at the ballot box, he was not a natural politician. He hated the glad-handing part of retail politics. When reporters interviewed him, he was often stiff and uncomfortable.



Reeder

But more significantly, Jim Ryan suffered from the hubris of not wanting to admit a mistake. His life was filled with so much woe that shortly after his June 12 death his own family issued a press release comparing him to the Biblical character Job. He lost a 12-year-old daughter, Anne, to an undiagnosed brain tumor in 1997. His 24-year-old son Patrick killed himself in 2007. His wife suffered from heart disease. And Ryan himself battled multiple bouts of Type 2 Hodgkin’s lymphoma.

“From the time I met him until his death, Jimmy always was striving to do the right thing and to help people,” his wife of 54 years, Marie, said in a prepared statement. “That was who he was and he was very successful at it.”

When I read those words, I just cringed. He didn’t always strive to do the right thing.

The Jim Ryan I knew sent two innocent men to death row. And even when evidence began piling up that a mistake had been made, he just ignored it. The men’s names were Rolando Cruz and Alejandro Hernandez. They were convicted in the 1983 abduction and killing of 10-year-old Jeanine Nicarico.

The two men initially were convicted and sentenced to death, but after several appeals and two retrials each, both were exonerated and another man ultimately was convicted of the girl’s slaying.

John Hanlon, a Springfield lawyer who represented Cruz and Hernandez, recalls travelling to Wheaton to meet with Ryan in 1995.

“I thought there was evidence that the two were wrongly convicted. I suggested that we try to do this new thing called DNA testing to see if it would match them to the crime. But he wasn’t interested and he refused to go along with it. If he had agreed to it, this case would have been resolved years earlier than it ultimately was.”

That wasn’t the action of someone driven by a desire for truth – or justice. Nor was it as his widow claims a desire to “do the right thing.” He was blinded by the arrogance of power.

It was the biggest case of his career and he protected that conviction and used it as a foundation to build a political career. As he sought higher office, two innocent men languished on death row for a crime they had nothing to do with.

I last spoke to Ryan in 2002 when he dropped by my office to chat and discuss his run for governor. Even then, he was unwilling to admit he made a mistake. And after more than a dozen men on Illinois’ death row had been found to have been factually innocent, he still clung to the idea that society should be able to kill its own citizens.

That arrogance of not admitting a mistake may well have cost him a chance to be governor.

In 2002, he was the Republican nominee for governor facing Rod Blagojevich. The Chicago Tribune relentlessly criticized his handling of the Nicarico case. “They said being governor is all about judgement,” lawyer Hanlon said. “And if his judgement was this poor in the biggest case of his career, how good would it be as governor?”

Ultimately, Blagojevich won the race. But his judgement didn’t prove too great either.

Suffering is the mother of empathy. In the years following his return to the political wilderness, I often wondered about Ryan. Did he reflect on his mistakes and rethink his own political positions in the wake of his son’s death and his own declining health? There is reason to think so.

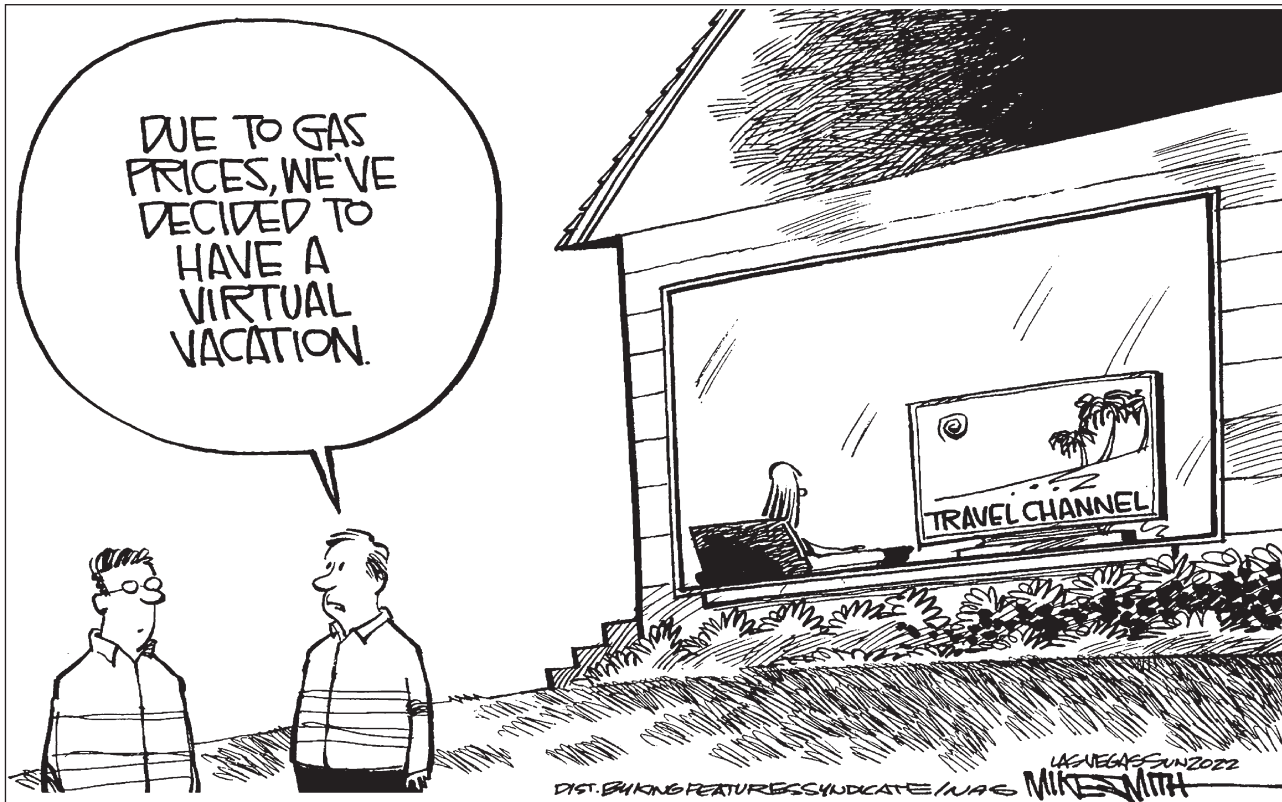
In 2010, he again made an unsuccessful bid for governor. But he failed to capture the Republican nomination. For the first time he apologized for his role in the wrongful prosecutions. He said he “acted in good faith and still came up with the wrong result.” He added, “The system and I failed to achieve a just outcome.”

I doubt those words provided much solace to either Cruz or Hernandez after spending years on death row. But at least he said them.

His spirited defense of capital punishment dimmed over the years as well. Ultimately, he said he had “grave concerns” about the institution.

If even a hard as nails prosecutor can change his mind, perhaps there is hope for us all.

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



The bicentennial summer – 1976

(The following is from Jessica Nashold’s *Backtracks & Sidetracks* column reprinted from June 20, 2001.)

By Jessica Nashold

In the month of June, in the Bicentennial Year 1976, The Mendota Reporter was filled with coverage of Bicentennial celebrations in all the neighboring towns.

On June 12-13, both West Brooklyn and Troy Grove marked the nation’s 200th birthday. In Troy Grove, it was combined with the traditional Strawberry Festival and a horse show.

Sublette’s Bicentennial included the Miss Flame contest. The dates were June 18-19. This was followed on June 20-21 by the celebration in Triumph. On June 25-27, both Compton and LaMoille celebrated. In LaMoille, the event was christened a Bisontennial and was combined with Buffalo Days.

Reporter photographers recorded major happenings at all these celebrations. Mendota’s Bicentennial observance was held on the Fourth of July at the Tri-County Fairgrounds and Paw Paw’s July 9-11 birthday party was given detailed advance notices in the June 20, 1976 issue of The Reporter.

Mendota’s Sweet Corn Festival, Aug. 13-15, also had a Bicentennial theme.

In mid-June 1976, the Mendota grade school board was dealing with the fate of Blackstone and Compton schools. Although both were slated for closing because of financial shortfall, a proposal had been made for alternate use of Blackstone. This had to be considered. An offer had been made to rent four classrooms, cooking facilities and washrooms to be used as a nursery school. After factoring in heating and utility costs, and custodial care, the board determined monthly rental would have to be \$3,650. David Bourgeois, who had submitted the nursery school proposal, termed the rental figure –

Out of the question for me – ridiculous.

The board made a final decision to close Blackstone for the 1976-77 school year with minimal heating. The fate of Compton School was tabled for later consideration.

Backtracks & Sidetracks

A group of businessmen organized Task Force Survival in an effort to improve the business climate in downtown Mendota. Endorsed by both the Chamber of Commerce and city council, the members were listed in alphabetical order in The Mendota Reporter: Kenneth B. Butler, Robert Dempster, Walter Dietman, Gaylon Ehlers, Lowell Eveland, Herb Goslin, Dwight Heckert, Don Holdenrid, Richard Leiser, Tom Merwin, Mike O’Connor, Mayor Murray Reeser, Michael Ross, Robert Shafer, Robert Stafford, Dave Westerman.

A meeting was held June 24, 1976, in the fireman’s building. Featured speaker was Robert Waits, representing General Design Partnership, from Greenville, Ill. Herb Goslin was moderator for talks by Robert N. Shafer, president of the First State Bank, and Jack Westerman, a former Mendotan, currently heading a marketing firm in South Carolina.

Shafer explained a \$10,000 pledge by Mendota’s three financial institutions, to launch a program of improvements. It would be contingent on receiving a like amount from property owners and tenants in the nine-block downtown area.

Westerman spoke on the threat of losing retail trade to competing markets. **It is not too late, but you should act now.**

Waits showed slides of improvements in Rantoul, Pontiac, Henry and other communities following a General Design Partnership master plan. Pledge cards were passed out to be used by Task Force Survival members in garnering additional local support.

Mendota’s 1976 summer recreation program started in June 21, directed by Cindy Bogue. Her assistants were Pat Ege, Shelly Eichorn, Sue Etheridge, Barb Guilfoyle, Cindy Seward, Holly Schlesinger and Lori Sutton.

On opening day, the youngsters brought their bicycles to Blackstone

Park and were preceded by a police car as they pedaled to Lake Mendota.

The summer program included crafts, games, splash parties, fishing and even a field trip to Starved Rock. **Registration fee was \$2.**

Among Bicentennial preparations here was a project by the street department. On June 18, 1976, the Reporter camera caught Greg LaShonse and Marty Cassidy applying red, white and blue paint to the parking meter poles and fire hydrants.

The MHS band opened its summer season June 18, 1976, with an ice cream social and band concert under the direction of Robert Baile. For the first time, incoming freshmen who had been practicing with the high school band during June, were included. Co-chairmen for the ice cream social were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Elsesser and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dunlap.

The Illinois Department of Conservation reported that when Lake Mendota had been “shocked” for an hour in May the following varieties of fish had been tabulated: largemouth bass, bluegill, green sunfish, white crappie, catfish and carp.

All appeared fat and healthy.

A driver’s ed refresher course on Rules of the Road for senior citizens was conducted in the First State Bank community room by Lois Dinges, Leon Berg and Elsie Jensen. Eighteen completed the three-day course.

In the June 18, 1976 issue of the Reporter, Fred Bazzoli, feature writer, left a permanent record of a June heat wave in Mendota. In the second week of June, the thermometer in his apartment was registering 90 before mid-day. By night it had dropped two degrees, but sleeping was “all but impossible.” Installation of a window fan enabled Fred to substitute fresh hot air for stale hot air. Convinced at first he would be able to “weather the weather,” his closing lines implied he might soon be “listening to the steady hum of air conditioning” while sipping a Coke.

The Kamala Harris problem

By Rich Lowry

The media taboo against talking about Joe Biden’s age and the obstacle it presents to his running again in 2024 is finally off.

Which should put a lantern on another looming problem for the Democrats -- waiting in the wings is a deeply unpopular officeholder, who makes Biden look like a prospective electoral juggernaut by comparison.

Democrats can be forgiven for considering the possibility of only Kamala Harris standing between them and a return of Donald Trump and telling themselves, “Well, maybe 80 is the new 75,” or, “Biden’s always been gaffe-prone, so what’s a few more gaffes between friends?” or, “Biden campaigned from a basement in 2020 -- surely, he can campaign from some similarly secluded and safe space in 2024.”

Harris is the single best argument for Democrats trying to prop up Biden no matter what. She has been a disaster as vice president, even as she’s done nothing particularly noteworthy either good or bad. She’s simply a political black hole, whose abysmal ratings reflect not just Biden’s troubles but her own profound, inherent flaws as a political figure.

Kamala Harris has the authenticity of Hillary Clinton, the charm of Al Gore, and the common touch of Adlai Stevenson.

She could have been engineered in a lab as a conviction-less opportunist lacking basic political horse sense -- and she more or less was. She came up in a California where the dominance of TV ads makes retail politicking all but unnecessary, and internal Democratic politics is largely based on identity politics. Compared to her, Biden really is Middle Class Joe. The contrast with Chuck Schumer, another Democratic leader from a deep blue state, is instructive -- Schumer had a tough statewide race against a Republican within memory and is aware that not all voters are extremely online “woke” progressives.

Harris could have run as an ideologically interesting, tough-minded former prosecutor in the 2020 Democratic nomination fight -- a little like Eric Adams in the New York City mayoral primaries last year. Instead, she got sucked into

the idea that the winning lane would be a couple of ticks to the right of Bernie Sanders. She co-sponsored his “Medicare for All” proposal, before making a confusing hash of her position when she realized the political implausibility of the plan.

She seemed defensive about her record as a prosecutor, which came under withering assault from Rep. Tulsi Gabbard from the left.

Her signature moment -- attacking Joe Biden for his opposition to busing based on her own experience getting bused -- didn’t pay the expected dividends because of its self-evident calculation.

Harris is a politician who always seems to be reading stage directions out loud. Her laugh, a target of critics, usually sounds forced and highly deliberate, at times bordering on inappropriate affect. It’s a valuable political skill to seem at ease even when reaching for the brass ring at the highest level of American politics. Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama all had this ability. Harris has shown no indication that she has it or will develop it.

Biden has done her no favors with her assignments as vice president. Given the foolhardiness of the underlying Biden policies, there was no realistic way she was going to diminish migration at the Southern border. Nor was she going to do anything to get a voting rights bill passed. That said, Harris hasn’t mastered any particular issue area and gives the impression of seeking tableaux that will lend to her gravitas without ever succeeding.

On top of all this, she hasn’t managed to secure a close, trusted relationship with the president.

Any rational observer could have predicted that Biden’s VP pick was going to be particularly sensitive given that, as de Gaulle famously said, “Old age is a shipwreck.” Instead, Biden played identity politics by choosing Harris, and it’s understandable now that some Democrats would like, against all evidence, to bank everything on Biden’s youthful vigor.

Rich Lowry is editor-in-chief of the National Review.

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SOCIAL NEWS

LaSalle Co. 4-H Show & Jr. Fair set

OTTAWA – 4-H is celebrated throughout the world, hence this year's fair theme, "Around the World with 4-H" for LaSalle County 4-H Show & Junior Fair. Come explore the world with 4-H from July 14-17 at the LaSalle County fairgrounds on the south side of Ottawa.

4-H members are busy completing projects and cleaning up the fairgrounds in preparation of putting on a great exhibit show. This year's 4-H Show will represent the 4-Hers year-round projects, service learning and community activities the 4-H members participate in. Come on out to the LaSalle County Fairgrounds to experience 4-H. Stay to enjoy the night events too. This year, many new events and activities can be enjoyed.

Daily schedules are:

• **Thursday, July 14** – Judging starts on non-livestock projects. This includes everything from aerospace to zucchini. There are also visual arts exhibitions, natural resources, interior design, food science, cake decorating and so much more. The Dog Show and a Style Revue Show will also take place on Thursday. The night event will welcome the Illinois State Pullers Truck and Tractor Pull.

• **Friday, July 15** – The Swine, Poultry and Dairy shows begin in the morning. Following the Dairy Show, the Sheep venue will begin. The Public Presentation speaking contest will be held at 5 p.m. in Exhibit Hall 3. Included with this presentation is a "Share Your Talent" impromptu show. Youth will be stage front to entertain and share their creative talents. The Broken Horse Rodeo will close the evening events starting at 7 p.m.

• **Saturday, July 16** – The Horse, Rabbit and Beef

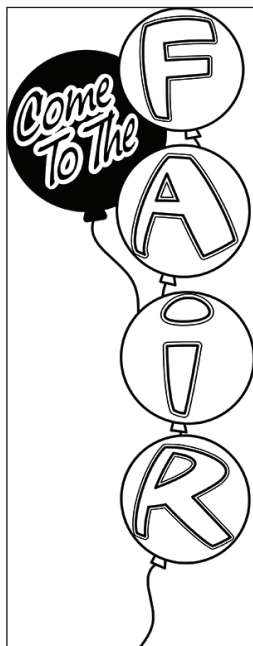
Showmanship shows start the morning events, with the Beef show following directly after. Many fun activities and events will be taking place throughout the day: Funny Magic Guy, Rob Thompson, will provide three shows throughout the afternoon. The evening will offer a Fair Auction at 4:30 p.m. in the show arena, with numerous items for bidding and proceeds benefiting LaSalle County 4-H programming. Evening entertainment will be the Demolition Derby at 7 p.m.

• **Sunday, July 17** – The Horse and Goat shows begin at 8 a.m. The ADM Master Showman contest will start at 11 a.m. in the Show Barn. As a special closing ceremony, graduating 4-H age youth and Cloverbuds are recognized in addition to the announcement of this year's Hall of Fame recipient. Fairgoers and 4-H youth will meet in building 3 in the afternoon to congratulate all exhibitors and honor graduates. At the close of the fair, the projects are released at approximately 4 p.m.

Bring the family and come on out to see the fabulous projects young people from all over the county have completed, see all the animals, enjoy good food and have a great time at the 4-H Show and Junior Fair. You may forward 4-H questions to University of Illinois – LaSalle County Extension at 815-433-0707. For information regarding entry and night events call the Junior Fair at 815-200-3913.

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Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kilmartin

Kilmartins observe their 50th wedding anniversary

MENDOTA – Michael and Toni (Zomboracz) Kilmartin of Mendota celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 17. They were married on June 17, 1972, at Holy Family Church in Oglesby.

Mike and Toni have four children, Kelli (Kilmartin) and Eric Abar of Minneapolis, Minn., Jason and Missy Kilmartin of Naperville, Derek and Laura Kilmartin of Oglesby and Vanessa (Kilmartin) and Dave Bartley of Peru. They have five beautiful grandchildren,

Abby, 16, Cade, 14, Cara, 11, Aria, 10, and Saige, 10.

Mike and Toni keep busy by watching sports, especially live, and spending time with their friends and family. They truly appreciate it when friends, former students, and athletes stop by to say hi and share memories from the glory days at Mendota High School.

Those wishing to honor Mike and Toni on this special milestone may send cards and special messages, or stop by and say hi at 1011 Third Ave., Mendota, IL 61342.

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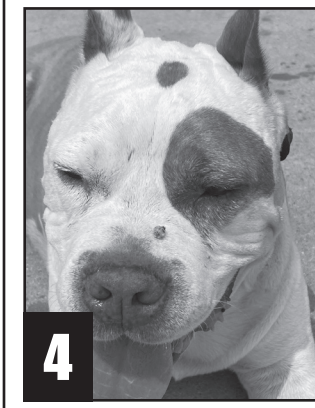
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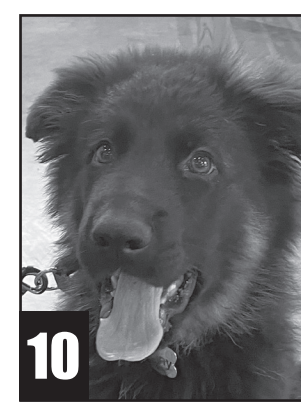
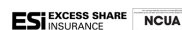
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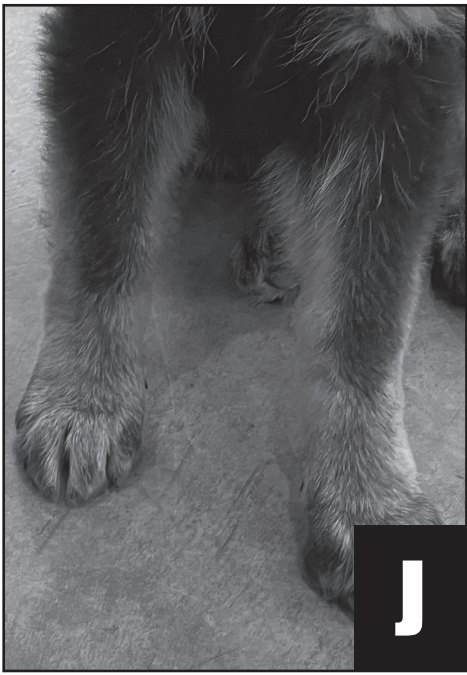
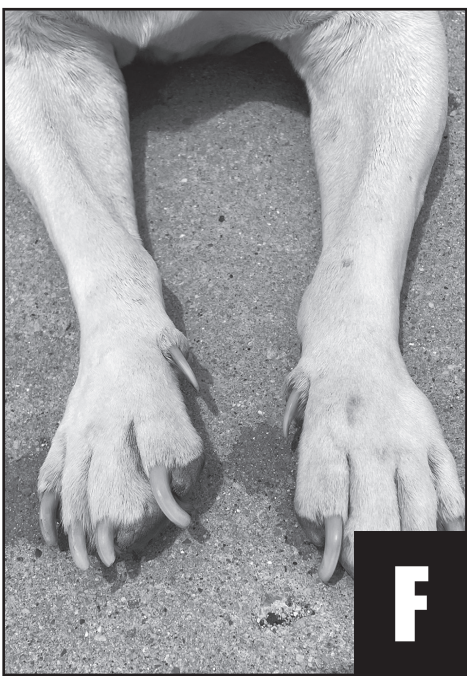


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ENTERTAINMENT

Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo
HOLLYWOOD -- Great news! "Book Club 2: The Next Chapter" is currently shooting in Italy. Diane Keaton (76), Jane Fonda (84), Candice Bergen (76) and Mary Steenbur-



D. Keaton

gen (69) have returned, as have Andy Garcia, Don Johnson and Craig T. Nelson. But the men now have competition from Giancarlo Giannini, Hugh Quarshie and Vincent Riotta when the ladies take a long-desired trip to Italy, where things go off the rails and secrets are revealed. The first film cost \$14 million to produce and grossed \$104 million.

Keaton has "Mack & Rita," with Simon Rex, premiering Aug. 5, and "Maybe I Do," with Emma Roberts, Richard Gere and William Macy. Fonda, whose last seven new episodes of "Grace & Frankie" are now streaming, voices the Dragon in Apple's animated "Luck," with Whoopi Goldberg and Simon Pegg, also Aug.

5, and the sports comedy "Eighty for Brady," with Sally Field, Rita Moreno and Lily Tomlin. Bergen stars in the Mayim Bialik-directed film "As They Made Us," with Dustin Hoffman and Simon Helberg, which is now streaming; and Steenburgen followed up the NBC series "Zoey's Extraordinary Playlist" with two episodes of "Grace & Frankie."

It's kind of ironic, but for as long as pictures have been talking, actresses have been complaining that when they reach a certain age there are no good roles for them anymore. But times have changed and there are many actresses who've blown up that theory. In addition to the aforementioned actresses, the British royalty of acting, four Dames Judi Dench (87), upcoming in "Alleluiah," with Jennifer Saunders; Maggie Smith (87), currently in "Downton Abbey: A New Era"; Helen Mirren (76), "White Bird: A Wonder Story," out Oct. 14, and "Shazam: Fury of the Gods," Dec. 21; and Julie Andrews (86), who supplies her golden voice to "Minions: The Rise

of Gru," premiering July 1. Then there's Sophia Loren (87), who scored last year in "The Life Ahead"; Shirley MacLaine (88), upcoming in "American Dreamer," billed behind star Peter Dinklage; and Ann-Margret (81), recently in "Queen Bees," with Ellen Burstyn, Jane Curtin, Christopher Lloyd and James Caan.

Jerry Bruckheimer's been very coy about plans for a sequel to "Top Gun: Maverick." In view of the ginormous Memorial Day weekend grosses, the Paramount Pictures lot is buzzing that Bruckheimer has already assigned scribes to cook up plots for a sequel.

"Home Alone" star Macaulay Culkin is returning to filmmaking, co-starring with Rosamund Pike and Daniel Bruhl in Spanish director Galder Gaztelu-Urrutia's pandemic-themed thriller "Rich Flu," about a deadly disease that starts killing off the richest people in the world. It first strikes billionaires, then multi-millionaires, etc. How does the flu know who is rich? (And thank heavens I'm not!)

Couch Theater

"The Matrix Resurrections" (R) -- The fourth installment of "The Matrix" film franchise is available once again on streaming for those who missed its original premiere in December. "Resurrections" takes place 60 years after the last film, following the beloved duo of Neo (Keanu Reeves) and Trinity (Carrie-Anne Moss), whose memories, since their resurrections, have been suppressed. Outside of the Matrix, Bugs, captain of a hovercraft called the Mne-mosyne, recognizes Neo in his suppressed form and is able to extract him from the Matrix's grip, awakening his true memories and identity. Now, with the help of Bugs and her crew, Neo can help to free Trinity and once again overcome the mind-bending Matrix. Overall, this installment maintains the essence of the previous films while adding interesting new characters and plotlines, but it also has a lot of lighthearted, comedic moments that, at times, feel quite Marvel-esque. (HBO Max)

"Eternals" (PG-13) -- Speaking of Marvel-esque! As the 26th film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU), "Eternals" takes place in Phase Four of the MCU, after the Avengers succeeded in bringing back the missing half of the population that Thanos snapped away. Because of the population's return, the energy on Earth brought on an apocalyptic astronomical event called the emergence. The only ones with knowledge of it are 10 superheroes, the Eternals, who were brought to Earth in 5,000 B.C. to ensure that the emergence happens. After so many years on Earth that fostered a great love for humankind, the Eternals as a team now face great inner conflict about doing what's right versus doing what they were told. Hopefully, they'll prevail in time to save our planet! (Disney+)

"Windfall" (R) -- This Netflix thriller features a cast of three characters who are never named, just described by their general roles: CEO, Wife and Nobody. Easy

enough. CEO and Wife enter their vacation home and quickly discover a robber (Nobody), who holds CEO and Wife hostage until he receives \$500,000 in cash. A battle of mind games between the three characters commences, until it's impossible to guess who will actually make it out alive. Director Charlie McDowell's witty trio includes his own wife, Lily Collins, as well as actors Jason Segel (Nobody) and Jesse Plemons (CEO). (Netflix)

"Good Luck to You, Leo Grande" (R) -- Nancy Stokes (Emma Thompson) is a middle-aged widow who finally feels ready to take the leap and kickstart her love life, so she decides to hire a young sex worker named Leo Grande (Daryl McCormack) to assist her. Nancy makes it clear to Leo beforehand that her late husband didn't really take her pleasure into account during their marriage, so this is the time for her to ... take advantage and figure herself out. Now streaming on Hulu.

Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: I saw that Leah Remini is replacing Matthew Morrison as a judge on "So You Think You Can Dance." I've always liked her, but does she even have professional dancing or choreography experience? -- N.E.



L. Remini

A: I have to say I was puzzled when I first heard that sitcom actress and anti-Scien-tology crusader Leah Remini will be judging a dance competition, but Fox is confident in her abilities. She's also been a contestant on "Dancing with the Stars" and even served as a guest host and judge on that same program. She's also best friends with someone who certainly knows a lot about dance, the multitasking Jennifer Lopez.

Remini doesn't appear to have any reservations about accepting the job just in time for its 300th episode, saying that she's a fan of the show and "can't wait to see the artistry that the contestants bring to the stage!"

In my opinion, Remini

should make an excellent judge. She's opinionated and hilarious, and she should fit right in with fellow panelists JoJo Siwa ("Dance Moms") and "SYTYCD" alum Stephen "tWitch" Boss. Gone from the show are judges Nigel Lythgoe and Mary Murphy. For those seeking familiarity, longtime host Cat Deeley has returned for the show's 17th season.

Q: I heard that "Live PD" is finally coming back. Why did it go off the air in the first place? -- H.S.

A: "Live PD" was canceled two years ago during a time of national protests against police brutality, and also was accused of destroying video footage of a suspect who died in police custody. The A&E channel on which "Live PD" aired has stated, however, that it never was asked to turn over its footage, but that instead, the Austin Police Department investigated the incident using its own officers' body cam footage. Whatever the reason, "Live PD" was canceled.

Host and producer Dan Abrams recently announced that a new program is on

the horizon, but it'll have a different title and format. "One Patrol: Live" will air Friday and Saturday nights this summer on the Reelz Network. According to "Entertainment Weekly," changes to the show include giving "local residents, within the communities of the departments appearing on the show, a first-hand perspective as they ride along with officers followed by 'One Patrol: Live' cameras on live nights." Abrams also promises that the new series will "promote transparency."

Q: What is Jason Bateman going to do next now that "Ozark" has ended? -- A.M.
A: Now that his hit Netflix series "Ozark," in which he starred and directed, has concluded, Jason Bateman isn't staying idle for long. He's part of an all-star cast in an upcoming untitled movie about the history of Nike's pursuit of its partnership with NBA superstar Michael Jordan. Ben Affleck will double duty this time as star and director, with Bateman co-starring as longtime Nike executive Rob Strasser. The film will be available on Amazon once it's released.

• Trivia Test •

1. TELEVISION: Which TV show is set at UC-Sunnydale?
2. FOOD & DRINK: What is an affogato?
3. MOVIES: Which famous movie features a character named Almira Gulch?
4. HISTORY: Which U.S. state was the first to legalize marijuana for medicinal use?
5. ENTERTAINERS: What rapper/songwriter's real name is Calvin Cordozar Broadus Jr.?
6. SCIENCE: What part of the brain controls hunger?
7. GEOGRAPHY: The Gulf of Cadiz lies off the coasts of which two countries?
8. LITERATURE: Who are the best friends of Nancy Drew in the mystery series?
9. LANGUAGE: The archaic

term "grippe" was used to describe what common ailment?
10. ASTRONOMY: What kind of star is the sun in our solar system?

- Answers
1. "Buffy the Vampire Slayer"
2. Italian dessert of coffee and ice cream
3. "The Wizard of Oz"
4. California, 1996
5. Snoop Dogg
6. Hypothalamus
7. Portugal and Spain
8. Bess and George
9. Influenza
10. Yellow dwarf
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King Crossword

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5 Clothing protector
8 Greet
12 Well-read folks
14 Celestial bear
15 Beatles drummer before Ringo Starr
16 Algeria's neighbor
17 Occupation, for short
18 Straw hat
20 Young horses
23 Printer's blue
24 New York canal
25 Talkers' marathon
28 Bankroll
29 North African capital
30 Josh
32 Doctor's order
34 Trellis climber
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

* Bugs Bunny's relaxed manner of eating carrots was inspired by a scene from the movie "It Happened One Night," in which Clark Gable crunches on the vegetable while chatting with Claudette Colbert.

* Caliginophobia, also known as Venustaphobia, is the fear of beautiful women.

* Pale skin was such a big fad in the 1700s that some French women even drew over their veins in blue pencil to accentuate their ethereal look.

* The first guidebook for Stonehenge, published in 1823, claimed the formation was one of the few ancient structures that survived the Old Testament flood.

* On average, less than 18 minutes of a baseball game is actual action.

* While many people are attracted by the promise of greener pastures, more than 100,000 are ready for those of a redder hue -- they've applied for a one-way trip to Mars as part of The Mars One project.

* Vampire squid, which live in Monterey Bay, get their name not from drinking blood (they live on plankton), but their intelligence: They've been known to create complex geometrical patterns on the ocean floor.

* The New York City Ballet has an annual shoe budget of \$780,000! Dancers go through 500-800 pairs of pointe shoes just while performing "The Nutcracker" over a period of six weeks, and use even more pairs in two weeks performing "Swan Lake."

* Singer Billie Holiday babysat actor/comedian Billy Crystal, even taking him to his first movie.

* Researchers at California State University discovered that the self-control needed to suppress the urge to urinate can produce a more convincing liar, something known as the inhibitory spillover effect.

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SUMMER PET CARE



Keeping it cool this summer: Tips for taking dogs swimming

When the weather heats up, many people and pups love getting in the water to cool down. Whether a dog enjoys swimming or just splashing in the shallows, there are several things to keep in mind to ensure they stay safe this summer.

While it's a common belief that all dogs can swim, this is actually a myth, according to Dr. Lori Teller, a clinical associate professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences.

"Most dogs will make a paddling motion when in the water, but some are not able to propel themselves forward or even keep their heads above water," she said.

In particular, brachycephalic dogs with large heads and flat faces, like pugs and bulldogs, tend to have the most trouble swimming.

"If your dog is not interested in swimming, don't force it," Teller said. "Never toss your dog in the pool to make it swim. For dogs that want to get in the pool but cannot swim, or if you have a dog that may be at risk of drowning, use a doggie life jacket. If your dog falls in or can't swim, this will allow your dog to float in the pool until it can be rescued."

Dogs that enjoy swimming should be provided a bowl of fresh water to drink even though the small amount of chlorine in swimming pools is usually not strong enough to cause harm. Chlorine tablets and undiluted chemicals, however, can cause serious danger and should be kept out of reach.

Lakes and rivers can also be a fun swimming spot, as long as owners take care to avoid areas with cyanobacteria, also known as blue-green algae.

"These algae bloom most commonly in stagnant, shallow, warm water and produce some toxic substances," Teller said. "It takes a very small amount of the toxins to cause serious illness or death in a dog."

The toxins cause a range of symptoms, including bluish mucus membranes (gums and inside the nose), vomiting, muscle rigidity, seizures, and liver failure. Because the effects are so serious, many state agencies have monitoring programs for public recreational water locations and post announcements about blue-green algae on their websites.

Some dogs that aren't interested in swimming in pools or lakes can still enjoy splashing at the beach and running into the waves, but the salty water can bring its own set of issues.

"If your dog ingests a small amount of sea water while playing, it may develop a little diarrhea but otherwise be OK," Teller said. "However, if your dog ingests large quantities of sea water, it can potentially be fatal. The increased level of salt can disrupt the function of multiple organs and lead to seizures and kidney problems."

Therefore, it is important that owners always provide fresh water at the beach and seek emergency veterinary care if a dog begins vomiting or exhibiting abnormal behavior after drinking sea water.

"After swimming—whether in a pool, river, lake, or ocean—rinse off your dog with clean water to remove chlorine, other chemicals, and any debris," Teller said. "Dry your dog well, especially any skin folds and the ears, to avoid inflammation or infection. If your dog gets ear infections after swimming, ask your veterinarian about a medicated cleanser that can help prevent problems."

Teller reminds owners to be cautious when bathing or rinsing dogs with a hose during the summer.

"Be sure to run the water in the hose for a few minutes before wetting your dog," she said. "The water that remains in the hose between uses gets extremely hot, and if it contacts your dog's skin, it can cause second- or third-degree burns. These are extremely painful, require intensive veterinary care, and can lead to permanent scarring."

Finally, for every dog that loves swimming, there is another that wants nothing to do with it.

"Dogs that don't like to swim may still enjoy hanging out at the water's edge, sharing a float with their owner, cooling off in a kiddie pool, or playing with kids on a slip-n-slide," Teller said.

Owners can also help their dogs enjoy the summer by going on walks during the cooler parts of the day and making dog-safe popsicles out of frozen chicken or beef broth.

Whether a dog loves the water or prefers dry land, there are many ways to stay cool while having fun in the sun. This summer is the perfect time to discover new activities that the entire family, including dogs, will enjoy.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the web at vetmed.tamu.edu/news/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm.tamu.edu.

Considerations for camping with canines

Summer presents a wonderful opportunity to spend time in the great outdoors with your pet. From long hikes to relaxing nights sitting around a campfire, there are many fun camping activities dogs enjoy being a part of.

D'Lisa Hidalgo, a veterinary technician at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences' Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, has several tips for owners who want to bring their furry friends camping.

"Much like providing for your own basic needs, you're going to have to think about providing for your dog's basic needs while on a camping trip," she said.

This includes packing everything—from food and water to bedding and toys—that a dog might need while away from home.

"You want to be sure to bring your dog's food in an air- and watertight container," Hidalgo said. "Make sure that you have enough for the number of days that you're going, plus a little bit extra, just in case. If your car breaks down on the way home and you have to stay in a hotel, it's pretty easy to run to the store and get food for yourself, but you want to make sure that you have enough food for your pet, too."

If a dog is taking any medications on a regular basis, those need to be packed as well. Special preparations may need to be made for medicines like insulin that have to stay refrigerated.

Many state and national parks require dogs to be kept leashed and some even have



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a leash length requirement. Another tool for keeping pets contained at the campsite is a wire kennel with soft bedding.

"A lot of dogs are really comfortable in these kennels because they can see, hear, and smell everything going on around them," Hidalgo said. "Plus, if your pet gets spooked by thunder or strange sounds in the middle of the night and tries to bolt, a kennel will keep them safe."

Hidalgo also recommends packing a canine first aid kit containing bandages, styptic powder or corn starch to stop bleeding, Benadryl for bug bites, eye wash, and a spare slip lead.

One of the less pleasant aspects of a camping trip is bugs, which can also be a bother for pets. Ticks, espe-

cially, can transmit diseases like Lyme disease if a pet is not appropriately protected.

"If your pet's regular heartworm and flea prevention does not include tick prevention, you might want to consider adding it on," Hidalgo said. "One of the quickest and easiest things to add would be an over-the-counter flea and tick collar."

Before camping, owners should also make sure their pet is vaccinated against rabies and leptospirosis, two diseases that can be spread by wild animals.

Finally, knowing the signs of heatstroke or hypothermia, depending on the season, can help owners make sure their pet gets treatment as soon as possible if these conditions arise.

No matter how prepared an owner is, accidents and emergencies can still happen, so Hidalgo recommends locating in advance the animal emergency hospital closest to the campsite.

Whether camping is a one-time experience or a regular outing, a small amount of time devoted to packing and preparing will ensure that you and your pet can spend your camping trip enjoying quality time outdoors.

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What to do when your pet is lost

Pets are beloved members of the family. Pets provide unconditional love and companionship to their owners. When a pet goes missing, it can be devastating for their owners, who want to bring their companion animals home to safety as soon as possible.

Lost Pet Research & Recovery and PurringPal indicate at least 14 percent of dog owners lose their pets in a five-year period, while 15 percent of cat owners lose their pets. The ASPCA indicates that around one in three pets will go missing in their lifetimes. While Lost Pet Research & Recovery says only 6 percent of dogs are not recovered, a much larger percentage of cats (34) are never found. Therefore, pet owners should take certain steps to prevent lost pets and to help recover them quickly.

Train your dog

Well-trained dogs who respond well to basic commands like "sit," "stay" and "come" may be recovered more easily. That's because you can call for your dog—who may not have ventured too far—and have him or her return to you, according to Pasadena Humane. Also, people who come across your dog can offer simple commands to sit and stay, and then the dog can be safely leashed.



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Update identification

The more forms of identification a pet has, the better the chances for recovery. While a collar with ID tags is essential, microchipping is an additional safeguard. Be sure to routinely update the microchip database with your current phone number and address.

Act quickly

Don't waste hours or days waiting for a pet to return home. The sooner you begin searching the area, the better the odds of finding the pet. Start with the immediate area

right outside your home and branch out from there.

Check nooks and crannies

Pets may become frightened of noises or escape homes to chase other animals. American Humane urges owners to look for places the pet may become trapped, such as in basements or garages. Other places to

look include under vehicles. Pets may hide during the day, so return to areas at night. Bring along a toy or treat that may lure the pet out of hiding.

Check with shelters

Pets can be picked up and brought to animal welfare organizations or even law enforcement agencies. Pets that are wearing tags or are microchipped may have their owners notified. Animals without identification will sit unless the owner comes to recover the pet. Check shelters every two days.

Activate a lost pet alert

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DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED
Claudia Ibanez, 29, of Spring Lake, N.C., was charged with driving while license suspended after a traffic stop at Pennsylvania Avenue and Meriden Street at 9:24 a.m. June 10. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED
Jamie L. Lewis, 37, of 4413 E. 694th Road, Mendota, was charged with driving while license suspended after a traffic stop at 13th Avenue and Meriden Street at 10:14 a.m. June 11. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

WARRANT ARREST
Ashley M. Vickrey, 29, of

95 US Highway 52, Mendota, was arrested at 1:09 p.m. June 11 on a valid LaSalle County warrant for failure to appear/battery. The subject posted bond and was released with a LaSalle County court date.

DOMESTIC BATTERY
Eric C. Eagleston, 22, of Wyoming, Ill., was charged with domestic battery after police officers were dispatched to the 1800 block of Lincoln Avenue for the report of a domestic incident at 10:20 p.m. June 17. After an investigation, it was learned Eagleston had fled the scene. He was later located and arrested, with additional charges pending. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County jail.

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Father's Day feast

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Valley Immigrant Advocates plans grand opening July 2

OTTAWA – Valley Immigrant Advocates (VIA) will host a grand opening on Saturday, July 2, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the office, 1400 LaSalle St., Ottawa. This will be an opportunity to meet the staff and board, learn more about the services, and enjoy some refreshments.

VIA, was started in 2020 by local attorney John Breslin to provide free and low-cost legal immigration services in the area. The closest provider of similar services is at least an hour's drive away, and Breslin saw a real need right here in LaSalle County.

After 30 years devoted to criminal law practice, both as a public defender and a prosecutor, Breslin started practicing immigration law in the area in 2017. Octavia

Davis has worked with Breslin as a Spanish interpreter and translator since that time. Before working with VIA, she was a university professor. She is now training to become a Department of Justice accredited representative and expects to be accredited by the end of the summer.

Breslin has been active in the local bar and law enforcement since 1975 and is able to provide referrals to other attorneys and local service providers. VIA works closely with several local organizations to offer services to people in need. Illinois Valley Community College, Safe Journeys, Youth Service Bureau and the Hispanic Partnership Council have all provided referrals.

The types of services provided include visa renewals, citizenship and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), and humanitarian visas for people who have been victims of crimes. In addition, Breslin, with Davis's help as an interpreter, has presented immigration seminars to the naturalization prep and English as a Second Language classes at Illinois Valley Community College since 2017. Breslin, Davis and some members of the board of directors have been working to secure grant funding to be able to continue to offer legal services pro bono or at low cost including to Ukrainian and Afghan refugees who are in the Illinois Valley communities now.

VIA is a member of the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (ICIRR), Ottawa Chamber of Commerce, and American Immigration Attorneys Association.

Members of VIA's Board of Directors include Dave McClure, Susan Brysztynsky, Robert Eschbach, Sara Escatel, Aurora Medina, Luke Olivero and Steve Malinsky.

IVCC Board hears examples of cost advantages to attend its college

OGLESBY – Highlighting “another cost advantage of attending IVCC,” Financial Aid Director Eric Johnson said 1,776 students received Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds this spring and over 800 of those students also received financial aid.

“The percentage of students who fulfilled their tuition and fee obligations and subsequently received a refund check was nearly 80 percent in fall and over 97 percent in spring,” Johnson said.

Last fall and spring, 2,653 students received \$6.7 million in Pell, MAP, loans, veteran benefits and IVCC Foundation scholarships. In fiscal 2021, 3,460 students received \$8.3 million.

“Our office is helping make higher education more accessible to students and families,” Johnson said.

In other business, trustees approved a four-year collective bargaining agreement with 74 faculty represented by the American Federation of Teachers Local 1810.

The contract for full-time teachers and counselors provides increases ranging from 3.5 to 4.25 percent, professional development, early retirement and health incentives and more opportunities for counselors to serve during peak demand periods.

IVCC President Jerry Corcoran credited the negotiating teams for reaching agreements before the existing CBAs expire June 30. Last month, trustees approved a five-year CBA with SEIU Local 138 representing 16 members of the maintenance and custodial staff.

In addition, compensation for 256 employees “not affected by a negotiated labor agreement” was approved. The group, made up primarily of support staff and administrators, will receive 4 percent increases. Special adjustments were made for several individuals.

“To remain competitive and provide a sustainable wage, it was determined about 30 individuals war-

ranted adjustments,” said Vice President for Business Services and Finance Matt Seaton.

In other action, board members approved submission of three projects totaling over \$14 million to the state's Community College Capital Resource Allocation Management Program (RAMP) including:

- A Library/Student Success Center for \$6.5 million (IVCC's share is \$1.6 million). The Center will include tutoring, student help desk and library services.

- Nursing program expansion – including a simulation lab in B201 – for nearly \$2.7 million; IVCC's share is \$674,800.

- A \$5.2 million Agriculture Center (IVCC's share is \$1.3 million) to house a classroom and lab.

Trustees also approved:

- Appointment of Anna Bruch as interim director of nursing. Bruch began teaching nursing at IVCC in August 2000.

- Hiring Justin Denton as Director of Information Technology Services effective June 20. Denton is Senior Director of IT Support Services at Collegis Education in Oak Brook and formerly program chair and interim dean for Rasmussen College's School of Technology – also in Oak Brook. He worked earlier at Centure Bank in Streator in IT infrastructure.

- Hiring agriculture instructor Dr. Jennifer Timmers. Timmers earned a Ph.D. in agronomy from the University of Florida and a master's in agriculture from Western Kentucky University.

- The resignation of Promise K. Yong, chemistry instructor since 2008. A native of Cameroon, “PK” was IVCC's commencement speaker in 2021 and co-winner of the Stephen Charry Memorial Award for Teaching Excellence in 2017. IVCC alumnus Devanshi Patel, who graduated in May from Northern Illinois University with a degree in biochemistry said, “Dr. Yong's organic chemistry course set me up for success at NIU. He was one of the best professors I've ever had.”

- Placing the “Leadership Elevation Framework” certificate on inactive status.

- Authorization to continue payment for standard operating expenditures from July 1 through budget adoption.

- A three-year, rolling contract for President Jerry Corcoran.

- Contracts for Seaton, Vice President for Academic Affairs Gary Roberts and Vice President for Student Services Mark Grzybowski.

- Insurance renewals of nearly \$220,000, a 10.3 percent increase over the previous year.

- Upgrading the phone system with Burwood Group for nearly \$130,000 plus \$2,885 a month over three years. The HEERF-funded system is cloud-hosted; each office will receive new phones.

- A \$35,000 Lifepak Cardiac Monitor for the EMS program from Stryker Sales of Portage, Mich.

- Mechanical upgrades totaling \$335,500 from Dodson Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning of Pontiac.

- A Dell server for \$241,000 paid for through HEERF.

- Approval of closed session minutes from May 12.

Trustees learned:

- A moment of silence was held for Patrick Solon of Streator who died May 16 of ALS. Solon was a brother of board chair Everett Solon.

- Overall GPA for student athletes was 3.02 this spring; 3.2 for women and 2.89 for men.

- There were 372 spring graduates earning 477 degrees and certificates compared to 420 graduates earning 520 degrees and certificates in spring 2021.

- Utility assistant Diane Bishop retired May 12 after 16 years. “I truly enjoyed the variety of assignments as I worked in many different areas. I always thought I had the best job at the college,” Bishop said in her retirement letter.

- Accounting clerk Maryann Kettman resigned May 20. “I am grateful for everything I have learned but will mostly miss the many friends I made here,” Kettman said.

- Golf coach Sean Kennedy resigned May 26 and part-time CNA instructor Kathy Jakubek also resigned. Adjunct sociology instructor Christine Dove resigned May 19 after 15 years of full- and part-time teaching at IVCC.

- Corcoran received a card from Illinois Valley Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Zens and Chamber Operations/Membership director Penny Volkert recognizing IVCC's 48 years of IVAC membership. “Looking forward to working together to serve our communities for years to come. Go Eagles! –Bill and Penny.”

AUCTION ALERT!

Farm Equipment Auction

To settle the estate of Doug Heine, we will offer the following farm machinery, related items and tools at public auction. The auction will be conducted live onsite at the farm located at **1036 S. Stone Hill Rd., Chana IL 61015**. Directions: East of Oregon IL approx. 6 Miles on IL Rt#64 to Stone Hill Rd., or, West of I-39 and Rt# 64 approx 9 miles to sale site. (Parking on Stone Hill south of Rt 64 only) We will also offer live internet bidding on many items simulcast on EquipmentFacts.com. There will be lunch and a comfort station available. The auction will take place on,

Saturday June 25th 2022
10:00 a.m.

Auctioneers note: This sale offers something for everyone! Plan now to attend. Auction starts with hayrack and small items at 10:00 a.m., Machinery and Tractors will begin at 11:00a.m. central time when the simulcast internet bidding begins.

Tractors: 1990 Duetz Allis 9170 FWA, 5003 Hrs., 18.4x42 w/axle duals, 16.9 x 28 frts, large 1000 PTO, 3 pt, 3 valves, frt weights; 1968 John Deere 4020, diesel, wide frt, 3 pt, engine work been done, 6 wheel weights, tractor was purchased new; 1969 Case David Brown Loader Tractor, SN# 817122, 4163 hrs, 540 PTO, 16.9x30 tires, with full hydraulic loader, and 2 buckets, 1 is 5 1/2 ft., 1 is 42”;

Combines & Heads: John Deere 8820 Combine, SN # 465306, 3738 hrs, chopper, after market field tracker monitor, 11 1/2 ft unloading auger, cab, air, heat; John Deere 643 Corn Head, sn# 333740; John Deere 216 Platform on gear; New Idea 708 diesel / Hyndro Uni-Harvester, 3625 Hrs, 18.4 x 26 drives, with 717 Combine w/chopper & spreader, rear wagon fill auger attachment, 713 Platform, (all sold as 1 unit); NI 815 grain head; NI 4x38 corn head for parts; NI 713 Grain Head;

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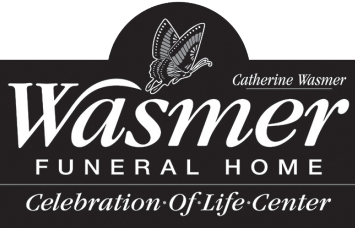
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When God called me to teach His Word, my extended family and friends were not pleased. The church I attended was not pleased, and many people tried to change my mind by making it clear that if I chose to move forward with a ministry of teaching God's Word, I would no longer be welcome in their midst.

I was asked to leave my church because God had called me to do something for Him that did not fit into their traditional theology. At the time it hurt me deeply, but later I realized that God used their rejection to get me to a place where I could

learn what He wanted me to learn and go on to become the person He wanted me to be.

In Galatians 1:10, the apostle Paul said, "Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ" (NIV).

Before he became an apostle of Christ, Paul had been a zealous and committed Pharisee, which often caused him to persecute Christians. And he understood that initially after he accepted Christ as his Savior, if he

sought people's approval, he might not get it because of his reputation as a man who had hunted Christians in order to arrest and persecute them.

Even though Paul was now a changed man, just as many believers are today, people don't always believe we have changed. Instead they see us as we have been in the past and refuse to see us as new creations in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17). But God sees who and what we will become.

The account of Paul's conversion is in Acts 9:1-19, and I think it is important to include it in this section so we can see how completely he was changed by an encounter with the living Christ. I am sharing his story in my own words, but I also recommend that you read it for yourself.

Paul (known as Saul at this point in his life) was still making threats of persecution and murder against the disciples of the Lord. He was a bystander in the crowd when Stephen, who was an esteemed disciple in the church, was stoned and perhaps threw some stones himself. He had gotten permission from the high priest of the local synagogue to capture and bring people he found to be believers in Christ to Jerusalem for trial.

As he traveled and approached Damascus, suddenly a light shone



from heaven all around him. "He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?'" (Acts 9:4). Saul asked who was talking to him, and the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do" (Acts 9:5-6).

Those traveling with Saul were astounded because they saw no one, yet they heard the voice of Jesus and witnessed what happened to Saul. When he rose from the ground, Saul was blind although his eyes were open. So they led him by the hand into the city of Damascus. For three days, he could see nothing and he did not eat or drink anything.

Now, the Lord had spoken to a disciple named Ananias in Damascus and told him where to find Saul and what to do. Ananias was afraid because he had heard of Saul's violent reputation, but the Lord assured him that He had chosen Saul as His instrument, so Ananias

left to find him.

He went into the house where Saul was and did what God had instructed him to do. He laid his hands on Saul and told him he had been sent by Jesus to lay hands on him so he might regain his sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he regained his sight, arose, and was baptized. For some days after that, he remained with the disciples at Damascus and began immediately to proclaim the gospel he had previously persecuted. He declared Jesus to be the Son of God, and all who heard him were amazed.

What a transformation! I would imagine that many of us wish our experience had been so astounding, but God knows what each of us needs and He provides it. I am sure Saul needed something quite spectacular to change his mind, and God met him where he was and gave him what he needed.

As we do our best to live for God and follow

His leading in our lives, He will do the same for us. God has an amazing plan for you, and He wants you to succeed in becoming everything He created you to be. You can fulfill His purpose when you choose to please God first and foremost, and set yourself free from pleasing people.

For more on this topic, order Joyce's teaching resource A Bible Study of Galatians Action Plan. 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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DANIEL DELUNA AND IVONNE DELUNA, 2558 WEST ST, RIVER GROVE, IL 60171, according to the Mortgage dated June 29, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 15567, 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. 0143E, Use Period Number(s) 49, Phase 2
DERRICK DIAMOND AND JARRET DIAMOND, PO BOX 498081, CHICAGO, IL 60649, according to the Mortgage dated March 15, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 05996, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 01, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0139O, Use Period Number(s) 26, Phase 2
DERRICK DIAMOND AND JARRET DIAMOND, 9037 S KINGSTON, CHICAGO, IL 60617, according to the Mortgage dated March 15, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 05996, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 01, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0139O, Use Period Number(s) 26, Phase 2
CARLETHA S DONLEY AND ANTHONY DONLEY, 11300 S PARNELL AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60628, according to the Mortgage dated February 12, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03812, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 03, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0378, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 3
CARLETHA S DONLEY AND ANTHONY DONLEY, 11300 S PARNELL AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60628, according to the Mortgage dated February 12, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03812, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 03, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0407, Use Period Number(s) 07, Phase 6
SUSAN GARNER AND MATTHEW GARNER, 1235 HARVEY AVE, BERWYN, IL 60402, according to the Mortgage dated May 18, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 11659, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 24, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0425, Use Period Number(s) 36, Phase 7
SUSAN GARNER AND MATTHEW GARNER, 3447 N OSAGE, BERWYN, IL 60634, according to the Mortgage dated May 18, 2014 and recorded

under File No. 2014 11659, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 24, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0425, Use Period Number(s) 36, Phase 7
SUSAN GARNER, MATTHEW GARNER AND LORI A O NEILL, 1235 HARVEY AVE, BERWYN, IL 60402, according to the Mortgage dated October 22, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 24976, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 26, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0419, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 7
SUSAN GARNER, MATTHEW GARNER AND LORI A O NEILL, 3447 N OSAGE, BERWYN, IL 60634, according to the Mortgage dated October 22, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 24976, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 26, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0419, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 7
CHIQUITA GRIFFIS AND CRYSTAL NOREY, 432 GRANT ST, GARY, IN 46404, according to the Mortgage dated March 14, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 06008, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 01, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0008O, Use Period Number(s) 35, Phase 1
DEBRA HAMILTON AND PAUL S HAMILTON, 2451 ANZIO DR, DALLAS, TX 75224, according to the Mortgage dated April 15, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 09268, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 02, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0026E, Use Period Number(s) 20, Phase 1
EULA M HARRIS AND TANEKIA S HARRIS, 840 N LARAMIE AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60651, according to the Mortgage dated January 22, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 03820, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 20, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0380, Use Period Number(s) 18, Phase 3
KIRBY HENDERSON AND DONTA DARDEN, 10903 MAPLE ROCK DR, HUMBLE, TX 77396, according to the Mortgage dated July 26, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 15272, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 11, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0201O, Use Period Number(s) 42, Phase 4
KIRBY HENDERSON AND DONTA DARDEN, 13339 BRIANHEAD CT, VICTORVILLE, CA 92394, according to the Mortgage dated July 26, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 15272, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 11, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0201O, Use Period Number(s) 42, Phase 4
MAURICE HILL AND

JACQUELYNN HILL, 1038 BRADFIELD CT, UNIVERSITY PARK, IL 60484, according to the Mortgage dated April 07, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 08576, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 23, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0088O, Use Period Number(s) 06, Phase 2
J E N N I F E R H O L L E N B A C K, 2231 GARDEN RD, AURORA, IL 60506, according to the Mortgage dated November 7, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 23549, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 5, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0394, Use Period Number(s) 21, Phase 6
J E N N I F E R H O L L E N B A C K, 2231 GARDEN RD, AURORA, IL 60506, according to the Mortgage dated November 7, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 23549, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 5, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0401, Use Period Number(s) 07, Phase 6
CHAD HOLLER AND FELICIA STRAUCH, 4 ORIOLE CT, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702, according to the Mortgage dated June 27, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13277, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 15, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0114O, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 2
CHAD HOLLER AND FELICIA STRAUCH, 1308 N RUTLEDGE ST, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62702, according to the Mortgage dated June 27, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13277, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 15, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0114O, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 2
JAMES A HOWDESHELL SR AND KATHLEEN MARY HOWDESHELL, 6005 ISAAC WAY, CEDAR HILL, MO 63016, according to the Mortgage dated April 11, 2010 and recorded under File No. R2010 08918, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 28, 2010, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0090O, Use Period Number(s) 01, Phase 2
LESLEY JACKSON, 18609 MAPLE AVE, COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, IL 60478, according to the Mortgage dated October 12, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 20978, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0065, Use Period Number(s) 27, Phase 1
MANDY JAMES AND SHEILA ROBINSON-DARKE, 4733 TORRANCE BLVD UNIT 501, TORRANCE, CA 90503, according to the Mortgage dated July 12, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 16411, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 01, 2012, are the owners

of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0215, Use Period Number(s) 09, Phase 4
MICHAEL A JOHNSON AND ROBIN WHITE, 452 GAIL LN, CHICAGO HEIGHTS, IL 60411, according to the Mortgage dated February 28, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 05584, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 15, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0117O, Use Period Number(s) 47, Phase 2
WILLIE JONES AND TIFFANY WILKINS, 2261 JASON DR, MONTGOMERY, IL 60538, according to the Mortgage dated February 09, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 03209, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 21, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0107, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 2
WILLIE JONES AND TIFFANY WILKINS, 2201 GALLANT FOX CIRCLE, MONTGOMERY, IL 60538, according to the Mortgage dated February 09, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 03209, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 21, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0107, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 2
BEVERLY KUOPPALA, 6540 CIRCLEVIEW DR, NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TX 76180, according to the Mortgage dated November 24, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 24618, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 19, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0167, Use Period Number(s) 48, Phase 1
ALLEN LEE, 6509 S PEORIA ST APT 2R, CHICAGO, IL 60621, according to the Mortgage dated May 18, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 12194, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 07, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0391, Use Period Number(s) 33, Phase 6
MARVIN LEVI AND YOLANDA JOHNSON, 14 LOCUST CT, CALUMET CITY, IL 60409, according to the Mortgage dated December 06, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 24990, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on December 26, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0037E, Use Period Number(s) 44, Phase 1
RICHARD MOBLEY JR AND ANDREA GRANT, 101 SIGLER RD, MC DAVID, FL 32568, according to the Mortgage dated July 22, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 17017, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 08, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0037E, Use Period Number(s) 44, Phase 1
PAULETTEA MOODY AND CARLIS MOODY, 17 N WATERFORD DR, ROUND LAKE, IL 60073, according to the Mortgage dated August 30, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 21006, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0116O, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 2
JUAN PEREZ-CORIA AND REGINA BERNAL-SANCHEZ, 5648 S PAULINA ST, CHICAGO, IL 60636, according to the Mortgage dated September 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 20239, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 06, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0214E, Use Period Number(s) 29, Phase 4
JENNIFER MAGANA AND RAPHAEL JEFFRIE, 1126 KAREN DR, JOLIET, IL 60431, according to the Mortgage dated June 05, 2014 and recorded

under File No. 2014 11751, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 25, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0011, Use Period Number(s) 28, Phase 1
JENNIFER MAGANA AND RAPHAEL JEFFRIE, 10204 SOUTH SANGAMON ST, CHICAGO, IL 60643, according to the Mortgage dated June 05, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 11751, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 25, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0011, Use Period Number(s) 28, Phase 1
MARTIN MIRANDA AND BERENISSE MIRANDA, 948 PRINSTON AVE, ROMEVILLE, IL 60446, according to the Mortgage dated September 23, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2012 22345, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 17, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0048, Use Period Number(s) 20, Phase 1
MARTIN MIRANDA AND BERENISSE MIRANDA, 13911 ROCKBLUFF WAY, HOMER GLEN, IL 60491, according to the Mortgage dated September 23, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2012 22345, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 17, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0048, Use Period Number(s) 20, Phase 1
RICHARD MOBLEY JR AND ANDREA GRANT, 101 SIGLER RD, MC DAVID, FL 32568, according to the Mortgage dated July 22, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 17017, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 08, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0037E, Use Period Number(s) 44, Phase 1
RICHARD MOBLEY JR AND ANDREA GRANT, 2641 STEFANI RD, CONTONET FLORIDA, FL 32533, according to the Mortgage dated July 22, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 17017, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 08, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0037E, Use Period Number(s) 44, Phase 1
PAULETTEA MOODY AND CARLIS MOODY, 17 N WATERFORD DR, ROUND LAKE, IL 60073, according to the Mortgage dated August 30, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 21006, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0116O, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 2
JUAN PEREZ-CORIA AND REGINA BERNAL-SANCHEZ, 5648 S PAULINA ST, CHICAGO, IL 60636, according to the Mortgage dated September 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 20239, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 06, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0055O, Use Period Number(s) 17,

Phase 1
DENISE C PITCHFORD, 10121 S CARPENTER ST, CHICAGO, IL 60643, according to the Mortgage dated February 19, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 04476, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 13, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0406, Use Period Number(s) 30, Phase 6
RAMONA RACHAL, 2253 N LAPORTE AVE 1, CHICAGO, IL 60639, according to the Mortgage dated March 16, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 05774, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 2, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0017E, Use Period Number(s) 30, Phase 1
RAMONA RACHAL, C/O SCHROETER GOLDMARK BENDER, 401 UNION ST, STE 3400, SEATTLE, WA 98101, according to the Mortgage dated March 16, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 05774, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 2, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0017E, Use Period Number(s) 30, Phase 1
BILLY RANDLE AND YOLANDA LAND, 13905 PARK AVE, DOLTON, IL 60419, according to the Mortgage dated February 18, 2006 and recorded under File No. R2006 07059, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 22, 2006, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0164E, Use Period Number(s) 49, Phase 1
MANUEL REYES, 6301 NEWCASTLE AVE, WESTCHESTER, IL 60154, according to the Mortgage dated November 02, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 25875, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on November 20, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0126E, Use Period Number(s) 01, Phase 2
RENAUARD E RICHIE AND JOYCE RICHIE, 17049 VOLLBRECHT RD, SOUTH HOLLAND, IL 60473, according to the Mortgage dated July 09, 2009 and recorded under File No. R2011 03126, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 07, 2011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0381, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 3
JANICE M ROBERTS AND BARBARA J WILLIAMS, 1647 W LAKE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60612, according to the Mortgage dated February 13, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03847, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 03, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0369, Use Period Number(s) 32, Phase 3
JANICE M ROBERTS AND BARBARA J WILLIAMS, 1647 W LAKE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60612, according to the Mortgage dated February 13, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03847, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 03, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to

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be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0393, Use Period Number(s) 36, Phase 6
PEDRO S ROSA AND JEANETTE FOO-ROSA, 22 IRVING RD, SCOTIA, NY 12302, according to the Mortgage dated September 14, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 19134, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 03, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0012, Use Period Number(s) 15, Phase 1
VIVIAN MAIRIM SIERRA AND JONATHAN TALLY, 5524 COURT Q, HANOVER PARK, IL 60133, according to the Mortgage dated July 05, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13813, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 22, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0284, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 4
VIVIAN MAIRIM SIERRA AND JONATHAN TALLY, 5480 ARLINGTON DR E, HANOVER PARK, IL 60133, according to the Mortgage dated July 05, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13813, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 22, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0284, Use Period Number(s) 23, Phase 4
HEATHER STUPAY AND MICHAEL STUPAY, 1006 MOUNTAIN VIEW DR # D, JOLIET, IL 60432, according to the Mortgage dated August 24, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 17163, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 09, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0123, Use Period Number(s) 13, Phase 2
ALEXANDER SWOOPE AND ASIA GEORGE, 1919 S WOLF RD APT 305, HILLSIDE, IL 60162, according to the Mortgage dated April 04, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 09396, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 21, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0069E, Use Period Number(s) 43, Phase 1
ALEXANDER SWOOPE AND ASIA GEORGE, 2021 S WOLF RD APT 117, HILLSIDE, IL 60162, according to the Mortgage dated April 04, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 09396, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 21, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0069E, Use Period Number(s) 43, Phase 1
DONTA TAYLOR AND DEBRA JAMES, 14831 LANGLEY AVE, DOLTON, IL 60419, according to the Mortgage dated January 24, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 02590, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 10, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0061O, Use Period Number(s) 31, Phase 1

January 24, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 02590, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 10, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0061O, Use Period Number(s) 31, Phase 1
JAMAAL WALKER, 911 KRYSTAL LN, NEW LENOX, IL 60451, according to the Mortgage dated December 20, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2015 00397, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on January 08, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0049, Use Period Number(s) 26, Phase 1
JAMES WATKINS, 10805 S SANGAMON ST, CHICAGO, IL 60643, according to the Mortgage dated February 13, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03859, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on March 03, 2015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0210O, Use Period Number(s) 31, Phase 4
LUIS ZUNIGA AND MELISSA ZUNIGA, 8449 LECLAIRE AVE, BURBANK, IL 60459, according to the Mortgage dated June 27, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 13543, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 18, 2014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0125O, Use Period Number(s) 25, Phase 2

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701 HELP WANTED

Employment Opportunity
Information & Assistance Specialist
Immediate full-time position available
Assists elderly and disabled clients with various local, state, and federal programs.
Must be self-motivated, organized, and enthusiastic. Ability to handle a busy environment with multiple tasks and changing deadlines. Basic computer skills are required and proficiency in Word, Excel and use of on-line databases is preferred.
Some occasional travel and a background check is required.
Previous experience working with aged and disabled population preferred.
Submit letter of interest and resume to:
Rayanne Sester,
mendotaseniors1978@yahoo.com
Mendota Area Senior Services
P.O. Box 376
Mendota, IL 61342
NO PHONE CALLS ACCEPTED
Deadline is June 24, 2022

Employment Opportunity
Transportation Coordinator
Immediate full-time position available
Requires daily coordinating and scheduling of transportation routes, oversees maintenance of vehicle fleet, record keeping.
This individual must be able to handle heavy telephone and walk-in traffic. Ability to multi-task is essential. Basic computer skills are required and proficiency in Word, Excel is preferred.
Substitute driving will be expected and a background check is required.
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Have you considered a career in law enforcement?
The Mendota Police Department is testing now!



Benefit Package:

Starting Pay: \$28.39 Hourly / \$59,041.63 Yearly	Compensatory Time
Pension Plan	Holiday Time
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Are you ready to join our dedicated team?
Job applications are now ready for pickup at the Mendota Police Department, 607 8th Avenue, Mendota, Illinois, 61342. If you can't make it, call (815) 539-9331 and request one via mail. Testing will take place on Sunday, July 17th, 2022 at Mendota High School, 2300 West Main Street, Mendota. The P.O.W.E.R. test will be at 7:30 a.m. and the written test will be at 9:30 a.m. Application deadline is MONDAY, July 11, 2022 at noon.
06/20/2022

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT GRAVES-HUME PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

REVENUE SUMMARY: Property taxes - \$228,020; Replacement tax - \$4,913; Membership fees - \$4,730; Fines and fees - \$3,206; Donations and memorials - \$6,306; Interest income - \$20,922; Grants - \$9,215; TIF income - \$16,920; Library service contract - \$5,762; Program fees - \$6,005; Other - \$862.

TOTAL REVENUES: \$306,861

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:

COMPENSATION: \$25,000 and over: Emily Kofoid, Pamela Schmidt; \$15,000 to \$24,999: Carolynn Ohlendorf; Under \$15,000: Jenifer Bresley, Holly Christman, Alexis Haegle, Makai King, Tara Hass, Angelica Ortiz, Brenda Schroeder, Jean Simkins.

TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$161,158

VENDORS: Baker & Taylor, Inc. - \$4,237; Bridges Electric - \$2,000; Comcast - \$1,618; Com Ed - \$5,578; Echols & Associates - \$1,900; First State Bank - \$1,561; First State Bank (Visa) - \$16,736; Frontier - \$1,477; Gale/Cengage Learning - \$5,972; Getz Fire Equip Co. - \$1,083; Internal Revenue Service - \$12,187; I.M.R.F. - \$28,076; Johnson Controls - \$3,120; Marco Inc - \$1,127; Nicor Gas - \$1,593; PrairieCat - \$9,020; Republic Services - \$1,049; Shannen Mattenklodt \$1,250; United Fire Group - \$7,090; Walter Bros. - \$1,750; W.T. Cox - \$4,701; All other vendors under \$1,000 - \$18,018.

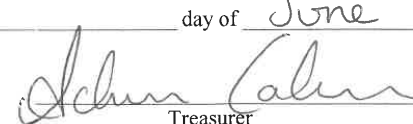
TOTAL VENDORS: \$131,143

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$292,301


	General	Special Revenue	Fiduciary Fund Type Trust	Total
Beginning fund balance	\$ 868,119	\$ 83,529	\$ 96,749	\$ 1,046,397
Revenues	\$ 212,068	\$ 55,133	\$ 985	\$ 268,186
Expenditures	\$ 240,736	\$ 51,567	\$ -	\$ 292,303
Other financing sources	\$ 39,660	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,660
Other financing uses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 985	\$ 985
Ending fund balance	\$ 877,111	\$ 87,095	\$ 96,749	\$ 1,060,955

The Library's investment in fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation, was \$354,771 as of June 30, 2021.

I, Adriana Calamaco, Treasurer of the Graves-Hume Public Library District, LaSalle County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.


Subscribed and sworn to this 09 day of June, 2022.

Treasurer
Legal No 0606 (June 22, 2022)

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2020 Chevy 1500 Double Cab, LTZ, 4x4, 44K miles, 1-owner, Silver..\$46,500	2017 Chevy 1500 Double Cab LTZ, 4x4 Z71, 40K Miles, Silver.....\$37,900

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2020 Chevy Equinox LT, AWD, Leather, 2.0L, Black.....\$26,900	2015 Chevy Spark LS, 63K Miles.....\$9,500
2018 Chevy 3500 Crew Cab LTZ 4x4 Z71 Diesel, Red.....\$57,900	2014 Chevy Malibu LTZ, 55K Miles, Black.....\$16,900
2018 Chevy Cruz Hatchback LT, Remote Start, Power Seat, Blue.....\$16,900	2014 Chevy Equinox, LTZ, 4-Cyl, 104K Miles, Black.....\$13,900
2016 Chevy 1500 Reg. Cab, 4x4, 8 Ft. Box, 60K Miles, Blue.....\$26,900	2012 Chevrolet K-1500 Crew Cab, LT, 4X4, Z71, Blue.....\$19,900
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**746 Commercial St., Marseilles
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**408 12th St., Mendota
\$129,900**

Wait til you see this unique home with 6 bedrooms 3 full baths. 1/2 bath in basement. Open stairway, deck on the back of home. Large newer 2 car garage. Nice location. Freshly painted and some new flooring ready to move into. Call McConville for all the amenities.

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FEATURE HOME



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2517 Woods St., West Brooklyn \$94,900

Lovely Dutch Colonial 2 story home with hardwood floors on the first floor with nice woodwork. The foyer leads to a gorgeous open staircase that takes you to 3 large bedrooms. 1st floor master bedroom, Bright airy and clean home with lots of storage. Detached Big 18x30 garage.

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**27858 2600 East St., Van Orin
\$64,400**

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!



**804 W. Prairieview St., Sublette
\$269,900**

CALLING ALL INVESTORS! This property is located on a high traffic count and high visibility Road! Great opportunity to start your own business! Paved area for parking. Used to be a trailer sales. Parcel 19-22-09-300-008 is vacant commercial land .077, and 19-22-09-402-006 is improved commercial with 1.62 Ac of land. Wick building 30x88 used for storage with 3 season porch and deck with durability roof. Misc. building 24x34 with garage area, old septic, natural gas and bath room! Great for storage. Both buildings sold as is. Office building 36x46 with two overhead doors, storage area, 250 gal propane tank, 3 ton air conditioner, bath room, desks included and a septic. Built in 2007. Call today for a showing!



**4 W. Division St., Amboy
\$125,000**

Great 1900 sq ft building on approximately 1/2 acre, that can be used for storage, office, or store front. There is blacktop for parking in front and grassy area in back for storage or conversion to more parking. This property is being sold AS IS.



**25 W. Milton St., Amboy
\$28,500**

Build your dream home on these 4 lots with another lot available on Commercial to add to the Milton Street lots. Garage located on one lot. * Same lot owner for the lot on Commercial 02-15-22-179-010 RE taxes \$61.24 Buy all 5. Call today for a showing! This includes for all 5 lots!



**919 Missouri Drive, Dixon,
Lost Nation \$17,000**

A HOME BUILDERS DREAM! (917 & 919 Missouri) Double lot located in Lost Nation. This is the perfect land to build your dream home on. Lots are wooded and close to Lost Lake, Lost Nations private 80 acre stocked lake. Lost Nation is a gated community with so many opportunities, schedule an appointment to see it's true beauty! Active HOA.



**812-814-816 Missouri Drive,
Dixon \$19,500**

Three lots for you to build your dream home on. Call for a viewing today. Lots 141, 142 & 143 are located in Lost Lake Lost Lake is surrounded by 1,700 acre of woodlands that includes a 90 acre spring fed lake that is kept stocked with fish. It features 2 swimming beaches, boat launches, sport fishing and campground. There is a tennis court, basketball court, fitness trail, softball field and playground facilities throughout. So much to offer! 814 lot size 70x158.9x69.8x163.7 and 816 lot size 71.9x163.7x82.10x168.7 Assoc dues \$430 ea lot



NEW LISTING!!!!!!

**605 2nd Street
MENDOTA
\$125,000**

Neat and tidy! Nice kitchen, 2 BDR Brick ranch with very nice 2 car garage!!! Newer vinyl replacement windows too!!!



**906 1ST AVENUE MENDOTA
\$74,500**

Be surprised when you enter this 2 BDR home! Vaulted ceilings, open concept, updated kitchen, SGD's to the fenced backyard. Quiet neighborhood.

**15 ABBALLEE WAY, MENDOTA
\$24,900**

BEAUTIFUL SUBDIVISION LOT NEAR MGC!! GORGEOUS COUNTRY VIEWS!



**100 N. PERU STREET
TROY GROVE
\$140,000**

Idyllic lot for building in the bucolic town of Troy Grove. New septic, well and electricity already on site, small pond with waterfall.

**703 WASHINGTON ST., MENDOTA
\$34,900**

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