



Perris Stachlewitz, seated, was selected as the Queen of the 74th annual Mendota Sweet Corn Festival at the pageant on Aug. 13. Natalie Orozco, left, and Olivia Eddy were chosen as attendants. (Reporter photo)

A wild start to a wonderful Sweet Corn Festival weekend

❑ Mendota overcomes storm to host terrific festival

By **BONNIE MORRIS**
Editor

MENDOTA – After a one-year absence due to the pandemic, Mendota’s 74th Annual Sweet Corn Festival returned this year under sunny, blue skies. But for Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Shelby Weide who oversaw the four-day event for the first time, the lead up to opening day was anything but smooth sailing.

On Wednesday, Aug. 11, one day before the start of the festival, Mendota was hit by a major storm that caused damage in all areas of town and knocked out power for many residents and businesses including the Chamber office downtown. With no power or phones for most of Wednesday, Weide said they couldn’t really do anything.

“It was one of those, ‘I don’t know what we’re going to do’ times,” she recalled. “It was interesting trying to work in the dark.”

Thankfully, the community pitched in with clean-up and preparations so the festival could go on as planned. “Between the city, the police and fire departments, and community members, they all did tremendous work after the storm,” Weide said. “Our power was back on by Thursday but many people were still without power even on Friday.”

The Chamber phone was ringing Thursday morning

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–Shelby Weide,
Chamber President/CEO

with vendors who had heard about the storm wondering if the festival was still going to happen. Fortunately, the weather improved after the storm and caused no more problems. “As it turned out, we couldn’t have asked for better weather the rest of the weekend,” Weide said. “Everything fell into place and that was a good feeling.”

As expected, the number of vendors was down a bit this year. Weide said some of the crafters’ businesses did not survive the pandemic for one reason or another. “Some just decided to quit doing craft shows and several had been doing it for a long time and decided to retire,” she explained. “But we did have some new vendors this year and the vendors were happy with the crowd we had and they’re planning to come back next year.”

Likewise, the parade was a bit smaller than in previous years, but Weide noted that Mendota was one of the only parades that took place in LaSalle County this year.

On Friday night, the Sweet Corn Festival Queen

Pageant was held on the main stage. Perris Stachlewitz was chosen as the 2021 Sweet Corn Festival Queen. She is the daughter of Rusty and Jenny Stachlewitz and was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mendota. Her attendants were Olivia Eddy, daughter of Matt and Kirsten Eddy and sponsored by Mendota Women of the Moose #1567, and Natalie Orozco, daughter of Cruz and Valentina Orozco and sponsored by the Mendota Booster Club. Bonnie Hall, daughter of Glenn and Teresa Hall and sponsored by the Mendota Lions Club, was selected as Miss Congeniality.

Then on Saturday morning, an expanded version of the Mini King and Queen Pageant was held. Since no pageant was held in 2020, this year there was a 2020 King and Queen chosen from the 6-year-old group and a 2021 King and Queen chosen from the 5-year-old group. Weide explained that normally, the pageant is only

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Council decides to allow bee hives with restrictions

By **KIP CHEEK**
Staff writer

MENDOTA – The Mendota City Council approved several TIF-related ordinances and amended an ordinance concerning bee hives at its Aug. 16 regular meeting.

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Jay Miller presented several items for the council’s consideration, including an issue dealing with bee hives. At a July council meeting, a Mendota resident asked that the council consider adopting an ordinance allowing residents to maintain a bee hive in the city limits. A committee meeting was held earlier in August, at which time it was decided to amend the municipal code to allow bee hives with certain restrictions. The issue came

up for a vote before the full council and it passed by a 5-3 margin.

In other action from Miller, the council approved a video gaming license for Frida’s at 714 Illinois Ave.

During John Holland’s report, the council adopted at extension until Dec. 31, 2022, for the completion of Mendota TIF District I, TIF District VII and TIF District VIII redevelopment project area, plan, projects and obligations.

Jim Fitzpatrick presented a request from the Mendota VFW Auxiliary to have its annual Poppy Days on Friday, Aug. 20 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 21 from 8 a.m.-noon at the intersection of Main and

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Census data: Population drops in most counties in Illinois

❑ Detailed numbers will be used in redistricting of the state’s congressional districts

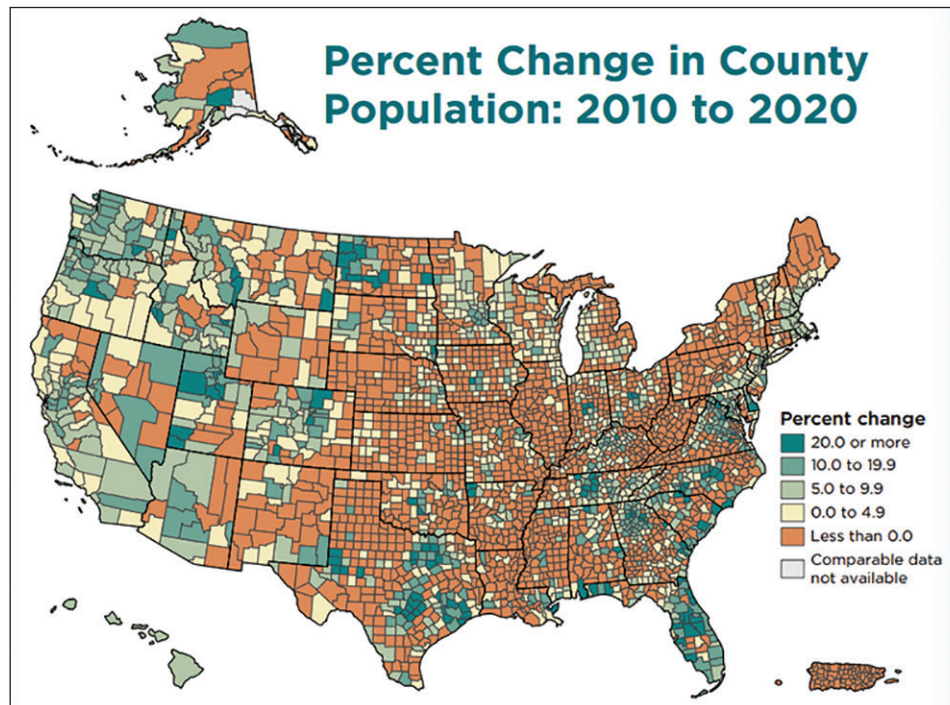
By **PETER HANCOCK**
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Nearly every county in Illinois lost population over the past decade, mirroring a national trend of greater concentrations of people leaving rural areas and moving to larger metropolitan areas.

That’s according to the latest numbers released Aug. 12 by the U.S. Census Bureau showing detailed population numbers from the 2020 census for cities, counties and small geographic areas.

In April, the Census Bureau released statewide numbers that determine how many congressional seats and Electoral College votes each state receives. That report showed Illinois’ overall population had shrunk by 18,124 people, to a little more than 12.8 million.

That was a much smaller decline than many people had expected, but it did result in Illinois losing one congressional seat, meaning



there will be only 17 districts instead of 18 when the 2022 elections are held.

The new data released shows in much greater detail exactly where the population changes occurred. Those

numbers are intended to be used to redraw congressional and state legislative district lines so that all residents are represented as equally as possible in both state and federal governments.

But the data also has a number of other purposes beyond local representation in government.

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A huge ‘Thanks’ to everyone for another successful Mendota Sweet Corn Festival!

LOCAL AND AREA



Many festival favorites returned to Mendota for the 2021 Sweet Corn Festival, Aug. 12-15. Carnival rides, colorful face painting, a wide variety of tempting foods along with a vast array of craft and novelty items were among the many attractions offered to visitors during this year's 74th Annual Mendota Sweet Corn Festival. (Reporter photos)



2021 SWEET CORN FESTIVAL

UPC plans Family Fun Day, Aug. 22

MENDOTA - On Sunday, Aug. 22, the United Pentecostal Church of Mendota will host Family Fun Day.

The festivities will begin with an inspiring family celebration service at 10 a.m. with Rev. Steve Young of Dixon speaking.

After the service, there will be a free dinner followed by games and bouncy houses for the children. Everyone is invited to attend.

United Pentecostal Church is located at 4401 State Route 251, 1/2 mile north of Mendota.

Transportation is available by calling (815) 539-6861 and leaving a message.

REUNION

Bonnell reunion

AMBOY — Descendants of Seymour and Carrie Bonnell are planning a family reunion to be held at the Green River Saddle Club, Amboy on Saturday, Sept. 11 from 4-8 p.m.

Please bring a meat dish and dish to pass. Table service and coffee and lemonade will be provided.

The Clint and Helen Bonnell family will be the hosts for this year's reunion.

Financial planning Lady Landowner's Seminar

PRINCETON - Are you a landowner or a female farmer who would like to learn more about how you can plan for your financial future? Plan to join the Bureau County Farm Bureau for the sixth annual Lady Landowner seminar on Wednesday, Sept. 8. The seminar will take place at the Bureau County Farm Bureau, 1407 N Main St., Princeton beginning at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be included.

Guest speaker for the morning will be Kelly Hardy, CPA Principal at CliftonLarsonAllen LLP. She will focus on tax strategies

for today and estate planning for tomorrow.

This free seminar is being supported by Bureau County Farm Bureau, Marshall-Putnam Farm Bureau, U of I Extension, Bureau County Farm Service Agency, Bureau County Soil and Water Conservation District, and USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Reservations are required by contacting the Bureau County Farm Bureau at (815) 875-6468 or the Marshall - Putnam Farm Bureau at (309) 364-2501 before Aug. 31.

Meeting the friends of presidents

♦ Free webinar takes place Sept. 13

LA SALLE - The LaSalle Library will be one of many Illinois libraries partnering to host lawyer and author Gary Ginsberg on Monday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m. Ginsberg will discuss, via webinar, his book, "First

Friends: The Powerful, Unsung (and Unelected) People Who Shaped Our Presidents."

"First Friends" examines White House history as told through the stories of the best friends

and closest confidants of American presidents such as Abraham Lincoln and his friend Joshua Speed, Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Daisy Suckley, Thomas Jefferson and James Madi-

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Illinois Farm Bureau: Standards ensure fresh fruits and vegetables are ripe, ready and safe to enjoy

By Katie Zelechowski,
Illinois Farm Bureau

Have you ever gotten home with a bag of fresh produce and wondered what to do with it? Do those colorful fruits and veggies go immediately in the fridge or are you supposed to wash them off first?

The short answer is that you should always wash your fruits and vegetables before eating them. Even prewashed foods, like leafy greens, should be rinsed, says Illinois Farm Bureau Associate Director of Food Systems Development Raghela Scavuzzo. She recommends washing produce with a hard, peelable skin ahead of time but waiting to clean off soft fruits, such as strawberries or blueberries, until right before you plan to eat them.

"We're not talking about extensive washing – just enough to wash the dirt off and make sure it's clean," she said.

Farmers also play a vital role in ensuring the food we eat is grown in a safe, affordable and environmentally friendly way. With help from state and national regulatory agencies, families can focus on making memories while cooking fun summer recipes, rather than worrying about the safety of ingredients.

Under the Food Quality Protection Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) establishes safe pesticide residue levels for commodities. Once levels are established, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) monitors them and the Food and Drug Administration enforces them.

"When all of these are put together, I think it should give consumers confidence that we are living up to food quality protection (standards)," said Brenda Foos, director for the USDA Agricultural Marketing Services Monitoring Programs Division.

USDA collects food samples from distribution centers near consumers and tests them for pesticide residue levels. Fresh and processed fruits and vegetables, dairy products, nuts, greens, honey and bottled water are examined in the program.



Nine states, including Illinois, participate in the collection process and state agencies help USDA test the samples. More than 600 samples of 14 different commodities are tested for pesticide residue each year, totaling nearly 10,000 samples of conventionally and organically grown foods. High-consumption commodities are rotated through the program every five years.

"We just don't have the resources to monitor all foods every year," said Foos.

Over the last five years combined, less than 1 percent of tested food samples showed levels that exceeded set tolerances, while nearly 99 percent remained within acceptable ranges. "Data continues to show that when pesticide residues are found on foods, they are nearly always at levels below the tolerances for maximum residue levels that are set by the Environmental Protection Agency," said Foos.

2019 was the first time in 30 years that the rate exceeded 1 percent. Foos said the increase, which reached 1.29 percent, was largely due to a single commodity — basil. "Basil accounted for nearly 75 percent of the samples that exceeded the tolerance," said Foos.

The EPA responded by revising tolerances for herbs and spices, including basil, which Foos said should alleviate

any concerns. Under the federal Food Safety Modernization Act, every farm that sells fruits and vegetables in Illinois must comply with industry standards and sanitation guidelines.

"There's a whole list of regulations that our farms have to follow to make sure that the product is as safe as possible before it can get into your hands," said Scavuzzo, who also serves as executive director for the Illinois Specialty Growers Association.

Training includes learning how to deal with wildlife in crop fields and how to apply pesticides safely. "While all of the things farmers do is important, it's just as important for consumers to wash their fruits and vegetables," said Scavuzzo, adding, "It's better to wash things off than to regret it later."

The best way to make sure your produce is safe is to talk with the farmers who grew it. "The reason people go to U-pick farms or farmers markets is because they like getting to know the farmers who grow their food. That's often the best opportunity to talk about why farmers make certain decisions, like choosing to raising crops conventionally or organically," said Scavuzzo. "At the end of the day, they're feeding their families the same food you're eating — food really connects us all."

SWEET CORN FESTIVAL MAJOR SPONSORS



Deuchler Engineering was a major sponsor of this year's Sweet Corn Festival. Front row, left to right, are Chamber executive board member Michelle Barkman and Chamber president/CEO Shelby Weide. Back row, executive board member Jenn Masini, past president Taylor Olsen, executive board member Evan Wixom and John Frerich of Deuchler Engineering. (Reporter photo)

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Preschool screening in Earlville

EARLVILLE – The L.E.A.S.E. Preschool Team is conducting a free screening in Earlville. Registration will be Sept. 5 by calling (815) 433-6433 during school hours. The screening date is Wednesday, Oct. 6 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Earlville.

The screening is for all 3-, 4- and 5-year-olds not enrolled in kindergarten. The child's speech, language, hearing, vision and general readiness development will be assessed. A game format is used and takes approximately 25 minutes. Parents are urged to register their child for this free screening.



CARL'S QUIZ

Who was the first film star to earn
\$1 million for a single film?

The answer to last week's quiz is: By age 60, half of
all men are bald or balding.

Answer next week in The Mendota Reporter and online at
www.mendotareporter.com

Masses resume at St. Thomas More

DALZELL - St. Thomas More Church in Dalzell resumed Sunday Masses at 5 p.m. on Aug. 15. The last chance communion has been discontinued. Please call the church office with any questions at (815) 663-6201.

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Mendota Weather

Aug. 18, 2021

Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 85 Low: 67

Thursday
Partly Cloudy
High: 84 Low: 68

Friday
Scattered T-storms
High: 86 Low: 69

Saturday
Scattered T-storms
High: 83 Low: 64

Sunday
Few Showers
High: 82 Low: 65

Monday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 85 Low: 66

Tuesday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 84 Low: 67

In-Depth Forecast

Wednesday we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 85°, humidity of 61%. Southeast wind 2 to 6 mph. The record high temperature for Wednesday is 99° set in 1988. Expect partly cloudy skies Wednesday night with an overnight low of 67°. Southeast wind 2 to 5 mph. The record low for Wednesday night is 46° set in 1963.

Regional Cities

City	Hi/Low	Wx	Hi/Low	Wx
Aurora	85/66	pc	87/67	pc
Champaign	85/68	t	85/69	t
Chicago	82/72	t	85/72	pc
Freeport	87/64	pc	88/67	pc
Joliet	85/67	pc	87/69	pc
Moline	88/68	pc	87/70	pc
Peoria	86/69	pc	86/70	pc
Rockford	87/67	pc	88/68	pc
Springfield	87/69	pc	87/71	t

Last Week's Local Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip	Rainfall	Departure
Monday	84	70	80/60	0.04"	0.32"	0.32"
Tuesday	92	73	80/60	0.20"	0.90"	0.90"
Wednesday	89	71	80/60	0.07"	-0.58"	-0.58"
Thursday	83	71	80/60	0.01"	75.2°	75.2°
Friday	81	65	80/60	0.00"	69.9°	69.9°
Saturday	79	60	80/60	0.00"	+5.3°	+5.3°
Sunday	80	55	80/59	0.00"		

Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
Wednesday 8/22	6:08 a.m.	7:51 p.m.	5:32 p.m.	1:30 a.m.	New 9/6
Thursday	6:09 a.m.	7:49 p.m.	6:28 p.m.	2:30 a.m.	
Friday	6:10 a.m.	7:48 p.m.	7:15 p.m.	3:38 a.m.	
Saturday	6:11 a.m.	7:46 p.m.	7:52 p.m.	4:50 a.m.	
Sunday	6:12 a.m.	7:45 p.m.	8:23 p.m.	6:03 a.m.	
Monday	6:13 a.m.	7:43 p.m.	8:49 p.m.	7:13 a.m.	First 9/13
Tuesday	6:14 a.m.	7:41 p.m.	9:13 p.m.	8:20 a.m.	

Local 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 scattered showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 88 in Portage, Mich. The Southeast will experience mostly cloudy skies with widespread showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 92 in Mobile, Ala. The central United States will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolate showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 101 in Roma, Texas. In the Northwest there will be partly cloudy skies with isolated rain, highest temperature of 95 in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 108 in Bullhead City, Ariz.

Weather History

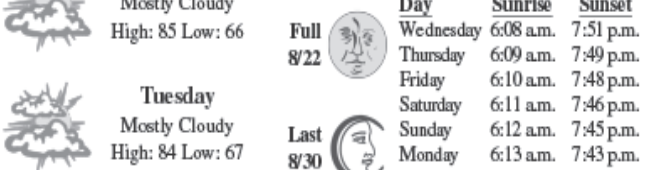
Aug. 18, 1983 - Hurricane Alicia ravaged southeastern Texas. The hurricane caused more than three billion dollars property damage, making it one of the costliest hurricanes in the history of the United States. Just 13 people were killed, but 1800 others were injured.

Aug. 19, 1788 - A small but powerful hurricane inflicted great havoc upon forests along a narrow track from New Jersey to Maine. A similar storm track today would cause extreme disaster in the now populated area.

What location in the world had the most rainfall in one year?

Answer: Cherrapunji, India had 110.42 inches of rain in 1861.

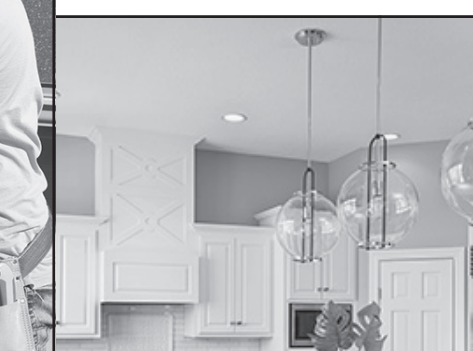
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Roberts Armory World War II Museum open for Heritage Festival, Aug. 21

ROCHELLE - The Roberts Armory World War II Museum will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 21, as part of the Lincoln Highway Heritage Festival in Rochelle.

The museum displays artifacts from World War II, specializing in the history of the 70th Tank Battalion, 10th Mountain Division of World War II as well as local veterans from World War II.

The museum is only open three times a year. There is no admission charge.

To find the museum, go to the intersection of Route 251 and Intermodal Drive in Rochelle. (An Army truck is at this intersection.) Just follow the signs, about 3 miles to the museum.

More information is available at <http://www.robertsarmory.com>.

Tips for drying flowers from your home garden

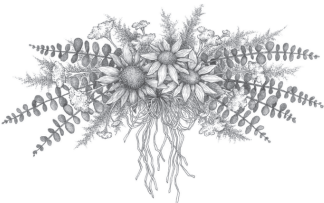
By Melinda Myers

Enjoy and share the beauty of your flower garden all year long by picking and drying a few flowers to use in flower arrangements, craft projects or as gifts for friends and family.

To get started, pick the flowers when they are at peak bloom and blossoms are dry. Cut flowers for drying mid-day when they contain less moisture to reduce the dry time.

Use a bypass pruner or garden scissors to cut the stems above a set of healthy leaves. Remove the foliage and gather them into small bundles. Secure the stems with rubber bands that contract as the stems shrink and continue holding them tight. Use a spring-loaded clothespin to hang the bundles from a hanger, clothes line or nail. Allow the flowers to dry in a warm, dark, dust-free location.

Flat-faced flowers like daisies tend to close a bit when dried upside down. Try laying them face down on a flat surface. Simply cut off the stem and place the flowers face down on newspaper in a warm, dry location. Once



dried, you can glue them in place or use florist wire to create stems for arranging.

And don't forget to pick a few seedpods from perennials and ornamental grasses. These have dried, for the most part, on the plants and make great additions to your dried flower arrangements and projects.

Consider taking a trip to your local florist or craft store for more ideas and materials for drying delicate flowers. Silica sand works well for delicate blossoms like iris as well as roses, mums and more. Simply fill the bottom inch of a container with silica sand. Remove all but an inch of the flower stem. Place the flower, stem side up or on its side, on the surface of the silica sand. Gently pour silica sand over the flowers until completely covered. Follow label directions. Most flowers dried this way maintain their beauty when dried in silica sand. Just use

a small paint brush to gently remove any remaining sand.

Test flowers for dryness before putting them in an arrangement or storing for future use. Carefully rub a piece of the flower between your fingers. If it feels dry, it is ready to use. If it still feels moist, continue letting them dry.

Store extra dried flowers in a location with low humidity and away from direct sunlight. Consider loose wrapping with newspaper or craft paper to prevent crushing and place in a box until needed.

Whichever method you choose, the result is the same – year-round enjoyment of your garden's beauty.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *The Midwest Gardener's Handbook* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses*, "How to Grow Anything," *DVDE* series and the nationally-syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment* TV and radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine. Her web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Getting to the heart of the matter: Understanding Canine Cardiac Murmurs

Dog owners do not need to be veterinarians to know that a healthy heart is as important for our furry friends as it is for humans. Yet there can be a lot of confusion surrounding cardiac issues in animals, especially when it comes to heart murmurs.

Dr. Sonya Wesselowski, an assistant professor of cardiology at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, offers insight on murmurs, given her expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular disease in animals.

Wesselowski describes a heart murmur as "an extra whooshing sound" heard during a heartbeat that is typically caused by turbulent or rapid blood flow inside the heart. Some murmurs are considered to be harmless, or "physiologic," while other murmurs are considered "pathologic," or disease-related. In dogs, the common reasons for a disease-related heart murmur include leaky or narrowed heart valves.

Not all heart murmurs are dangerous, though. "Some soft heart murmurs can be normal in young puppies under 4-6 months of age," Wesselowski said. "The majority of heart murmurs, however, do indicate that some sort of heart abnormality is present. This might be a congenital abnormality that a dog was born with or an 'acquired' heart disease that developed later in life, with these diseases ranging from mild to severe."

Luckily, if your pup is found to have a heart murmur, there are likely some good treatment options to keep their heart



healthy and pumping for as long as possible.

Step one, however, is confirming a diagnosis. "If your veterinarian identifies a heart murmur in your dog, additional testing should be pursued to determine the type and severity of any underlying heart problems," Wesselowski said. "The heart murmur itself should be thought of as a red flag that possible heart disease is present, but it can't speak to the severity of any underlying heart problems, so additional testing is needed to sort out the next best steps."

"Some types of heart disease can remain mild for the

life of a pet without ever requiring treatment, while others may result in symptoms of heart disease that require cardiac medications, lifestyle changes, and/or diet modifications to combat," she said. "Additional testing can help sort out which of these scenarios may be the case for your dog."

The heart is one of the hardest-working organs in the body. Depending on the results of diagnostic tests, your veterinarian will discuss the prognosis and treatment options available for your dog. In all cases in which heart disease is identified, it will also be necessary to monitor the condition on a regular basis and to perform periodic diagnostic testing to guide future care.

It is important for owners to not lose heart when it comes to cardiac disease in dogs. With the right treatments, monitoring, and veterinary team working together, owners can keep their beloved dogs active and happy, even in the face of heart disease.

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.

Friends

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son, and Bill Clinton and Vernon Jordan. This book is an engaging look into the lives of commanders-in-chief and how their presidencies were shaped by those they held most dear.

In this virtual program, Ginsberg provides insights into the lives of the men who held the most powerful political office in the world by looking at the friends on whom they relied. The

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open to 5-year-olds but because those kids missed out last year, they opened it to both age groups.

Selected as the 2020 Mini Queen was Ava Kelly, daughter of Logan and Heidi Kelly; Mini King was Eastyn Longmire, son of Bill and Kailee Longmire. The 2021 Mini Queen was Paisley Davis, daughter of Cera Davis and Jovany Villatoro; Mini King was Jonah Randolph, son of Josh and Jen Randolph.

This year's 50/50 drawing was held on Sunday with Steven Valdez coming away as the grand prize winner of \$15,359. The three \$500 consolidation winners were Lisa Lewis, Theresa Komitas and Tom Valdez.

As for attendance, Weide said from her perspective the crowds were pretty good throughout the festival. "Thursday and Friday mornings started out a little slow but there was still a lot of storm clean-up for local residents and some people were still without power even on Friday," she noted. "But Saturday and Sunday were good. We shucked four tons of corn and went through it all on Sunday!"

The Sweet Corn Festival is a community effort and Weide praised everyone who volunteered to help make this year's event a success. "We couldn't have asked for a better response from the local community along with the police, fire and city," she said. "When we asked for volunteers to help us shuck corn, the community really rallied and helped us out. It was a phenomenal turnout of help and it was very humbling to see the amount of people who stepped up to help in any way they could. We couldn't do this without them."

In 2022, Mendota will hold its 75th Annual Sweet Corn Festival and Weide hinted that the Chamber plans to make it bigger and better next year to mark this milestone. "We want to have some different entertainment and additions to the parade and also bring in some other new things," she said. "We usually start planning for the festival in January, but this year we're going to begin in October."

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Meriden streets. The council approved the request.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor David Boelk extended a huge thank you to everyone involved in whatever capacity in responding to the horrific storm that hit Mendota on Aug. 11. Boelk said there was so much support from so many individuals, organizations and departments in response to the immense devastation that was caused by the storm. He added, "There was a lot of neighbors helping neighbors." He also personally thanked all city employees that responded to the situation and said he was amazed at how much got cleaned up so quickly.

Mayor Boelk also issued a thank-you to everyone for putting on another successful Sweet Corn Festival.

OTHER ITEMS

Dave McNally, chairman of the Police & Fire Commission, addressed the council, stating there is a shortage of manpower in the fire department. He asked that the city look into possibly hiring three full-time employees for the department. The Public Safety committee will schedule a meeting to discuss the matter.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Tuesday, Sept. 7 at 5:30 p.m.

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"Results from the 2020 census will be used for the next 10 years to shape the future of our country," Acting Census Bureau Director Ron Jarmin said. "Local leaders can use this data to make decisions such as where to build roads and hospitals, and how to help our nation recover from the pandemic. These results will also help inform how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funds will be distributed each year nationwide."

The data were released in what the Census Bureau calls its "legacy format," meaning it can be read only in sophisticated programs that are used mainly by academics, government officials and others who work with large databases. It was distributed to state officials and legislative leaders in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

But some of the summary data that was released showed the broad trends.

For example, all 10 of the largest cities in the United States gained population since the 2010 census. That includes Chicago, which grew by a little less than 2 percent.

New York City remained the largest city in the U.S., with 8.8 million people, while Los Angeles County remained the largest county, with more than 10 million people.

Nationally, the areas with the most growth were located in the southern and western portions of the country. But more than half of all counties in the U.S. saw population declines.

Within Illinois, Cook County and its surrounding collar counties all grew by less than 5 percent. The same was true for Carroll County in northwestern Illinois, McLean and Champaign counties in central Illinois, and Effingham and Williamson counties in southern Illinois.

Grundy County, on the southwest edge of the Chicago metropolitan area, was the fastest-growing county in the state at over 10 percent. And Johnson County in southern Illinois had a growth rate between 5 and 10 percent.

Also in 2020, the Census Bureau refined the way it tracks race and ethnicity. That information is also important for redistricting in order to prevent minority populations from being broken up or diluted among districts, or from being overly concentrated in too few districts.

People who identify themselves as white continue to be the largest racial

group in the country at 61.6 percent of the population, while people who identify as white alone or in combination with some other race make up 71 percent.

Illinois is slightly less white than the nation as a whole, with 61.4 percent nationally identifying as white alone and 69.7 percent identifying as white alone or in combination with another race.

People of Hispanic or Latino origin make up the largest ethnic minority group in Illinois at 18.2 percent, or just over 2.3 million people.

Blacks make up 14.1 percent of the Illinois population, higher than the national average of 12.4 percent, while Asian Americans make up 5.9 percent and 8.9 percent identify as being from two or more races.

The Census Bureau also developed what it calls a "diversity index," which attempts to measure how racially diverse a given population is. It is based on the probability that any two people chosen at random from the population would be from different races.

Illinois' diversity index was listed as 60.3 percent, which is just below the national average but still in the second-highest quintile of states. Hawaii was ranked as the most diverse, with an index value of 76 percent, while Maine was the least diverse, at 18.5 percent.

The release of 2020 census data was delayed by several months, due in large part to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Illinois General Assembly, however, redrew state legislative and appellate court district lines anyway, using population estimates based on survey data from the Census Bureau.

Those new maps are now the subject of two federal lawsuits by Republican leaders in the legislature and the Mexican American Legal and Defense Educational Fund that are pending in the Northern District of Illinois.

But lawmakers delayed redrawing congressional district maps pending the release of the official census data while also pushing back the 2022 primary elections to July instead of March. Now that the official data is available, that remapping process is expected to begin soon.

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State announces \$250 million 'Back to Business' grant program

□ Federally funded assistance 'first in a series of economic recovery programs'

By JERRY NOWICKI
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The state announced a \$250 million "Back to Business" grant program aimed at assisting small businesses in the recovery from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and associated economic shutdowns.

The program is funded by the federal American Rescue Plan Act signed by President Joe Biden, and it includes specific set-aside amounts for certain uses. Those include \$100 million for businesses in areas disproportionately impacted by the pandemic; \$30 million for arts and entertainment businesses that haven't received previous aid; \$25 million for restaurants and taverns that didn't receive money from the Restaurant Revitalization Fund; \$25 million for hotels; and another \$25 million for businesses that didn't receive Business Interruption Grant funding.

The Business Interruption Grant program was funded through previous rounds of federal aid, distributing \$580 million to businesses and day cares. Gov. JB Pritzker said those grants helped more than 9,000 small businesses in 600 communities.

A statement from the governor's office said the Back to Business, or B2B, program, is the "first in a series of economic recovery programs set to launch by the administration." The program aims to allow companies to offset losses due to COVID-19 and bring back workers through grant funding that does not have to be repaid.

Pritzker also noted the state approved another \$9 million investment in the Community Navigator program, helping to connect "underserved businesses" with the resources available.

"This localized personalized assistance will make this program more accessible for entrepreneurs who are eligible, yet may not know just where to get started or how to get started, whether it's due to language or to staffing or any number of other reasons that shouldn't be a barrier to receiving this kind of support," Pritzker said.

The B2B funding will be administered

through the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, which has a map of disproportionately impacted areas and a list of other requirements on its website, Illinois.gov/dceo.

The application period opens Aug. 18.

The grants are available to businesses with revenues of \$20 million or less in 2019 that saw a reduction in revenue in 2020 due to COVID-19. Hotels with \$35 million or less in revenue are eligible.

Grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$150,000 will be distributed on a rolling basis, based on the losses sustained, by DCEO through its grant administrator, Allies for Community Business.

Sylvia Garcia, acting director at DCEO, said at a news conference the state was announcing the program a week early to "make sure everyone has time to ask questions and get their application materials in order."

"It's really important that this accessibility of the program and making sure businesses that have been most vulnerable have the time and space to gather the information that they need," she said.

The Community Navigator program has 13 hubs across the state and more than 100 community partners, Garcia said.

"These folks are really going to be the boots on the ground working directly in communities and making sure that they're reducing barriers for folks, whether it's a language barrier, assistance with banks and tax documents or other technical assistance that's needed as they prepare and submit their grant application for the Back to Business Program and hopefully other programs as they roll out," she said.

Along with the Community Navigator program, DCEO said it will reach out to "anyone and everyone" to raise awareness for the grants, including "chambers of commerce, economic development organizations, legislators and many other partners from around the state."

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IVCC Board approves advanced cannabis production certificate

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The landlord conundrum

By Scott Reeder

SPRINGFIELD—In the maelstrom of economic chaos roiled by the Covid-19 virus, small-time landlords are struggling to stay afloat.

“We are the only business out there that has to provide its service but doesn’t have to be paid,” said Anthony Nudo, a Springfield landlord.

While there may be a touch of hyperbole in that statement, there isn’t much. For the past 17 months, Illinois law has prohibited evicting those hurt by the downturn in the economy caused by the pandemic.

Unfortunately, some folks who are doing just fine financially have taken advantage of the situation and stopped paying their rent too. A poll conducted a month ago, by the Springfield Area Landlord’s Association, found that 24 percent of tenants were behind in paying their rent. And only half of those were because of unemployment, lost work hours or other COVID-related circumstances.

“Unfortunately, what we have found is that some people, who could afford to pay, just stopped paying anything when they found out they couldn’t be evicted,” said Stella Dean, spokesperson for the organization.

While evictions are still allowed under extreme circumstances, such as tenant vandalism and illegal activities, as a practical matter in Sangamon County and many other communities, courts are only hearing the most egregious cases, Dean said.

Before the pandemic, Sangamon County courts would hear eviction motions every Friday, Dean said. But local lawyers have been advised by the court system to curtail the number of evictions coming to the court, she said.

“What that means is that if someone has abandoned cars in their yard, unauthorized people living in the house or if they’re just refusing to mow their grass, there really isn’t anything I can do,” she said. And for all intents and purposes, cases against financially able tenants, who are refusing to pay rent, are not moving forward either, Dean said.

According to the National Association of Realtors, 42 percent of rental properties are owned and managed by individuals. These are mom-and-pop outfits who work hard painting, cleaning and maintaining properties. It may be their full-time job or a side hustle to perhaps help pay for their children’s college educations.

One thing is for sure: it’s not easy money.

“Even if our tenants are not paying the rent, we still have to pay our property taxes, we have to pay our insurance for the property and in many cases landlords are also having to pay mortgages for the properties if they haven’t been paid off,” said former East Moline mayor John Thodos, who owns several rental properties in the Quad-Cities.

“It paid my three girls’ way through college. But it is hard. Inevitably, you get calls in the middle of the night or on Christmas Day that a pipe is leaking or there is some other emergency and you have to come over and try to fix it yourself.”

The federal government has sent billions of dollars to the states to assist tenants and landlords affected by the pandemic. But the money is moving through the government bureaucracy slower than molasses in January.

“We applied for help in May and we still haven’t heard anything,” said Virgil Daugherty, who leases out nine homes on Springfield’s eastside.

“All of the houses are in really good shape and I love all of my tenants – they are good people. Since they are good people, no one is trying to take advantage of me.”

But two tenants are months behind in paying their rent, he said. During the pandemic, one lost a job and the other couple had the number of hours they could work reduced.

“In situations like that, people have to make tough decisions on what to go without – it’s hard,” he said. While such cases are what the state’s rental assistance program is designed for, it doesn’t mean money is necessarily forthcoming.

“The forms landlords and tenants have to fill out are really long and complicated. In May, I took my tenants over to my CPA’s office and he helped us fill them out there. I understand they ask all of these questions because they want to prevent fraud. But they are complicated. They even required us to send in photos of the tenants.”

Nudo said since the forms can only be filled out online, it creates an added challenge – not all of his tenants have internet access or are adept at using a computer.

“Sometimes I’ve ended up sitting on someone’s front porch and helped them fill out the forms. And I have gotten emails from the state that the forms were rejected because they were filled out incorrectly. But they don’t tell you what was done wrong and there is no one you can call to find out.”

Amy Lee, the communications director for the Illinois Housing Development Authority, which administers the rental assistance program, did not immediately return messages seeking an explanation.

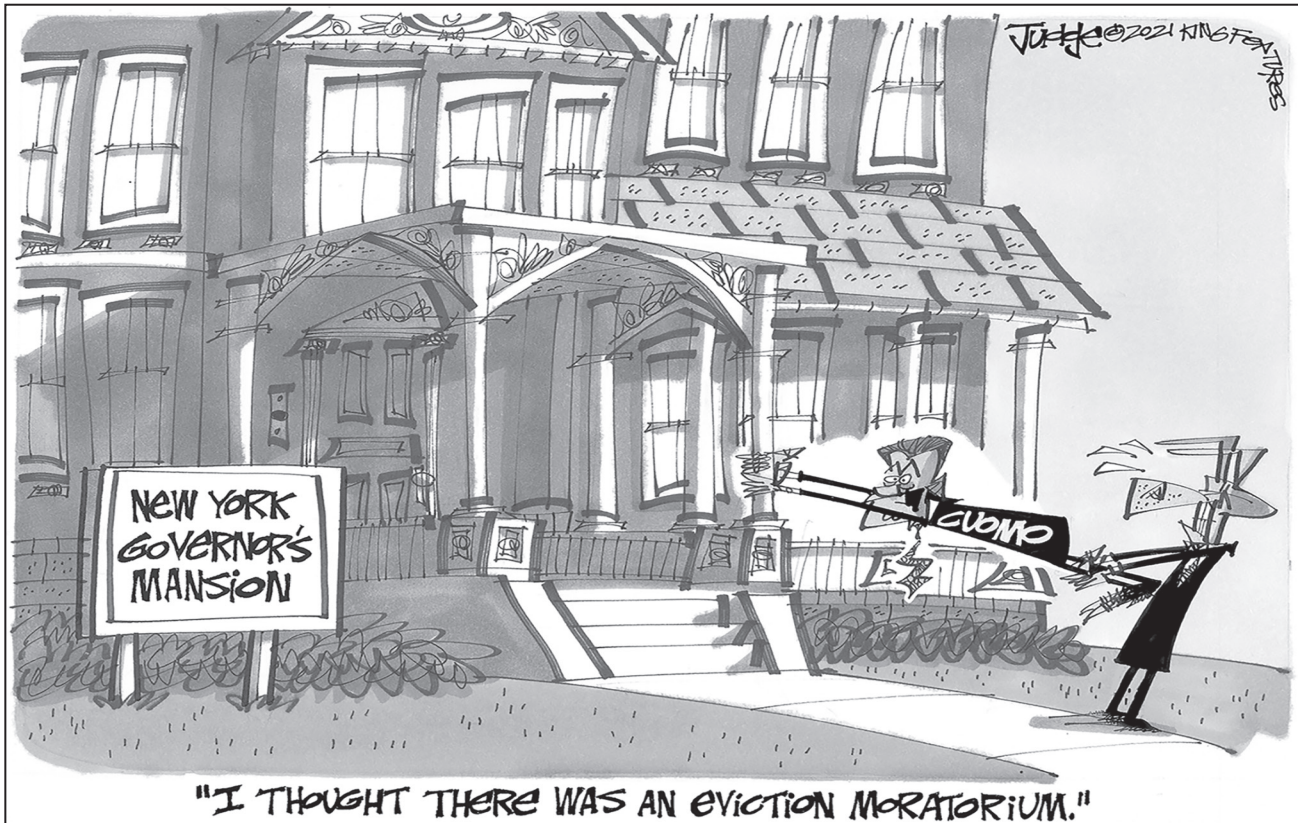
Dean added another complication is that some tenants refuse to cooperate with filling out the application.

“They are asked whether the reason they haven’t paid their rent is COVID-related. They don’t want to answer that because they know they would be committing fraud – and that’s a felony.”

While in theory landlords could eventually sue these tenants for back rent, it’s an unlikely scenario in the real world, Nudo said.

“What I have found during my years as a landlord is that once someone is more than a month behind in their rent, you are never going to see that money.”

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Dedicating Lake Kakusha – 1982

(The following is from Jessica Nashold’s *Backtracks & Sidetracks* column reprinted from Aug. 20, 1997.)

By Jessica Nashold

It was a joyous day in Mendota when Lake Kakusha was officially dedicated on Aug. 13, 1982. A representative of the Illinois Council of Watersheds, Jane Johnson, was on hand to express congratulations. She also alluded to the determination of the late mayor, Louis Koopersmith, to bring the watershed project to completion.

Glenn Momeny, mayor during the flood-plagued mid-1940s, recalled some of the worst floods when even trains could not continue. Jim Larkin said he had co-signed the first grant papers with Mayor Koopersmith on June 6, 1966. Described as ‘elderly,’ Horace Hume was quoted –

One thing that pleases me is that I’ve lived to see this lake competed.

Ebe Stamberger and former mayor Murray Reeser spoke, and Mayor Ken Roling distributed certificates to those who had been instrumental in seeing the project carried through.

The dedication ceremony took place at the shelter northeast of Lake Mendota. At its conclusion, some of those present walked over to Lake Kakusha, while others took advantage of a van ride around the new lake.

At 11 o’clock, a tree donated by the Illinois Council of Watersheds was planted at the Koopersmith memorial rock on the west bank of Lake Mendota.

Announcement was made that Mendota would be getting 20 channel basic cable TV in September. Subscribers were told that workers would present ID cards when they came to make necessary connections.

One channel will carry broadcasts from the United States House of Representatives.

No charge was being made for this addition.

The 1982 Sweet Corn Festival was held Aug. 13, 14, 15. A 10K race was won by Dan Copper, former resident and MHS graduate, whose time was 30 minutes, 37 seconds. The Sweet Corn Queen was Cynthia Cogdale. Her

Backtracks & Sidetracks

attendants were Connie Florschuetz and Manuela Bootz.

Governor Jim Thompson walked the entire parade route, answering questions along the way. Brenda Edgar, whose husband Jim was a candidate for re-election as secretary of state, appeared in his behalf.

Parade marshal was Gale Sayers, former Chicago Bear whose career had been terminated by a knee injury. He had later coached at SIU in Carbondale and was currently spokesperson for Skil power tools and Checker gas stations.

Word was received that Herbert “Fritz” Crisler, an outstanding athlete, had died Aug. 19, 1982, in Michigan at the age of 83. An Earlville area native, Crisler graduated in 1917 from Mendota High School where he was star of the football team.

At the University of Chicago, he earned nine letters in three sports and went on to coach football at the U. of C., Minnesota, Princeton and Michigan. He served as both coach and athletic director at Michigan, taking the Wolverines to a Rose Bowl win over USC in 1948. He then ceased coaching but continued as athletic director until retirement in 1968. In that year, a new sports arena at the University of Michigan was named in his honor.

Mendota Community Hospital welcomed two new doctors and their wives at a coffee in the auxiliary room on Aug. 11, 1982. Dr. William Morgan had joined the family practice of Dr. Stephen Schubert on Aug. 2, 1982. Dr. John Genter was opening a practice in internal medicine on Sept. 2.

“Beginning Experience,” a support group for widowed, divorced and separated adults, included 40-50 Mendotans in their number, of which 80 percent were single parents. Headed by Father Ambrose of St. Bede and Father Camp-

bell of Holy Cross, the program offered monthly meetings at St. Bede.

Father Campbell explained –
In the end, those who are helped return to help others.

Mendota District 280 accepted the MEA contract proposal raising base salary for the teachers from \$12,000 to \$13,200. The superintendent’s salary was advanced from \$35,700 to \$37,000 and the principal would see an increase from \$32,850 to \$34,500. Enrollment at MHS in 1982 would open at 627.

A program to improve accessibility for the handicapped is in progress.

The Class of 1932, the only class not to publish a yearbook, held its 50th reunion at LeBistro. Because of the Depression in 1932, they had voted not to ask Mendota businesses to advertise. This was the customary source of revenue to pay for the books.

The reunion committee was comprised of Bill Neuman, Bob Elsesser, Edward Kerns, Esther Beetz Koehler, June Vandre Miller, James Larkin, Gail Munson, Lois Bauman and Darlene Welsch Pohl.

On Aug. 21, 1982, a fishing derby was sponsored at Lake Mendota by the Sportsman’s Club for contestants 15 years of age and younger. There were 90 competitors. Michelle Knowlton, 11, won a prize for a bullhead 8 ½ inches long weighing 4 pounds, ¾ ounces. Jeff Holdenrid, age 5, caught a bullhead 7 ½ inches long weighing 3 pounds, 2 ounces. Prizes included rod and reel combos, a tackle box with lures and a large pizza from Mendota Pizza Hut.

A summer reading program in the Children’s Room at Graves Public Library was directed by assistant librarian Anita Sondgeroth. Second- and third-graders read books in six categories. Fourth- through eighth-graders concentrated on nature, biography and history, particularly Illinois history. There were contests on designing book-marks and posters, as well.

Books and McDonald’s hamburger certificates were the prizes.

The Biden blowout is just beginning

By Rich Lowry

A trillion dollars used to be a lot of money, even in Washington.

Now, a trillion-dollar spending bill is a trifle barely worth arguing over and the stuff of bipartisan consensus.

Oscar Wilde famously said that nothing succeeds like excess, but even he might blanch at the shameless profligacy that is America’s new normal.

In their wisdom, Senate Republicans decided to help President Joe Biden pass a portion of his blow-out fiscal agenda, a \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill that is a prelude to an even bigger, vastly more consequential \$3.5 trillion reconciliation bill.

The infrastructure bill itself is, as fiscal analyst Brian Riedl of the Manhattan Institute notes, “one of the largest non-emergency spending bills of the past 50 years.”

Republicans told themselves that only about half, \$550 billion, is new spending, and that by going along they can take the heat off of Democratic moderates Kyrsten Sinema and Joe Manchin, who are being constantly pressured to ditch the filibuster.

Perhaps, but there’s no doubt that the GOP has blessed, and lent a bipartisan imprimatur, to a portion of the president’s hoped-for historic spending spree. In so doing, they have taken at least a little ownership of an agenda they should want no part of.

Republicans will have much less influence, and perhaps none, on the next spate of spending, which is the so-called “soft” infrastructure (aka, a wish list of progressive social programs) after the “hard” infrastructure in the bipartisan bill (roads, bridges, rail).

Under the reconciliation process, tax and spending bills evade the filibuster in the Senate, so Democrats can pass whatever they want so long as they hold all 50 of their senators.

The sheer numbers here are jaw dropping. Including the \$1.9 trillion so-called COVID-19 relief bill from earlier this year, Biden wants to spend nearly \$6 trillion in three measures passed within months of each other. In 2019, by point of

comparison, the entire federal budget was \$4.4 trillion (and at the time, President Trump wasn’t exactly tightening the country’s fiscal belt).

The tide of new spending will add to already extraordinary levels of red ink.

The White House projects that the U.S. debt will reach 109.7% of GDP this year, higher than at the end of World War II when we had abandoned all fiscal restraint to win an existential struggle against two expansionistic totalitarian empires.

The Senate instructions for the reconciliation bill say that only half of it has to be paid for. Democrats will claim a dog’s breakfast of purported savings and painless revenue increases, but the bulk of the new dollars will have to come from a tax increase that easily could rank as one of the biggest ever.

The parameters of the reconciliation bill were crafted by the socialist chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, Bernie Sanders, and it shows.

The priorities read like crib notes from his old presidential campaigns. The bill would add new government programs for the young and the old, from universal pre-K to tuition-free community college, to family and medical leave, to expansions of Obamacare and Medicare.

It would make a big nod to the Green New Deal with a slew of new clean energy initiatives, including “smart agriculture” and “environmental justice,” and the creation of a Civilian Climate Corps, a climate-alarmist homage to FDR.

It is a sign of the insane ambition of Biden’s Democrats that they hope as well to include a sweeping amnesty for illegal immigrants in the bill, a measure that is sure to be struck by the Senate parliamentarian on procedural grounds.

Relatively moderate Democrats in the Senate and the House, where the party also has little margin for error, have grumbled about the size of the reconciliation bill. It will be up to them to decide whether the party steps back from the precipice or goes all-in on Biden-Sanders fiscal radicalism.

Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.

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LOCAL AND AREA

Slow down and move over: New laws aim to strengthen Scott's Law

By **JERRY NOWICKI**
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — Seventeen crashes involving Illinois state troopers or their vehicles have occurred in 2021 as a result of violations to the state's traffic law known as "Scott's Law."

Gov. JB Pritzker signed a new law Aug. 12, Senate Bill 1913, allowing judges to issue community service among other penalties to those violating the law, which requires drivers to slow down and change lanes when there is a first responder present with flashing lights stopped on the roadway. The measure was sponsored by Sen. Julie Morrison, D-Lake Forest, and Rep. Janet Yang Rohr, D-Naperville, and will take effect in January.

Pritzker was joined by a bipartisan group of lawmakers and members of the Illinois State Police for the bill signing. All participated in a silent prayer for Chicago Police Officer Ella French, who was shot to death during a traffic stop, and her partner who remains hospitalized with gunshot wounds from the attack.

The governor also signed a bill clarifying the scope of Scott's Law and one creating a database of

mental health programs for first responders. All three measures passed the General Assembly with unanimous bipartisan support.

"This is a wake-up call for every resident of Illinois — your distracted driving could be someone else's worst nightmare, and no text or other distraction is worth that," Pritzker said at a bill-signing event at the Illinois Capitol in Springfield. "So next time you hit the road — to be clear, every time you hit the road — please remember the real risks of not honoring Scott's Law."

In February, Illinois State Trooper Brian Frank was the fourth involved in a crash this year due to a violation of Scott's Law. His wife, Lauren Frank, said at the bill signing event that over the past six months, she and her husband have been on an arduous journey that has included visits to 35 doctors, four hospitals, three brain surgeries, two emergency room visits, 12 ambulance rides and eight weeks of therapy.

Lauren Frank said Brian is in a state of "unresponsive wakefulness" and remains in critical condition.

"The setbacks are devastating, and the unknowns of our future are over-

whelming," she said. "The daily grief sits heavily on us as we wait and watch Brian fight for his life, to come back to us. And again, this was all preventable."

Frank said while Scott's Law was named for Lt. Scott Gillen, a firefighter killed while assisting with a crash on the Dan Ryan Expressway in 2000, it honors every officer who has died on roadways and those who currently patrol them.

ISP reported 1,340 violations of the law during the 19-day period between Feb. 18 and March 7, according to the governor's office.

Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly noted "education and enforcement" are the best method of ensuring safety through Scott's Law, crediting Frank for her efforts to share her story.

"And maybe if they listen just a little bit to what she had to say, they'll slow down, they'll move over, they'll give a damn about what's going on around them, instead of being self-centered and being clueless about the people that are out there trying to protect public safety," he said.

Kelly said one of the

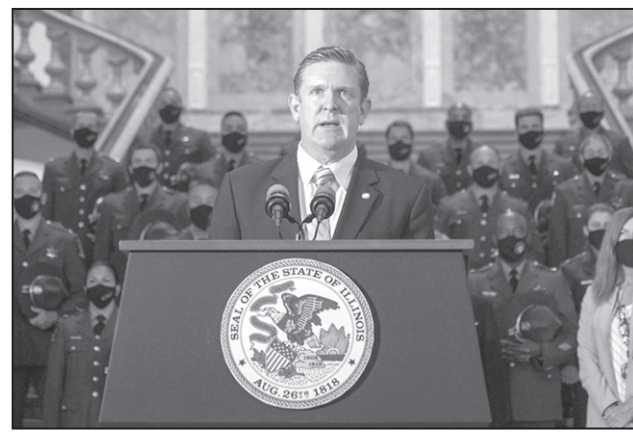
laws signed by Pritzker, House Bill 3656, makes it easier to prosecute drivers violating the law.

That language says, "Drivers of vehicles approaching a stationary emergency vehicle in any lane shall heed the warning of the signal, reduce the speed of the vehicle, proceed with due caution, maintain a safe speed for road conditions, be prepared to stop, and leave a safe distance until safely passed the stationary emergency vehicle."

That law, sponsored by Chicago Democrats Rep. Fran Hurley and Sen. Antonio Muñoz, also creates a "Move Over Early Warning Task Force" made up of members appointed by state agencies and law enforcement entities to study ways to better enforce road safety and alert drivers to hazards.

Senate Bill 1575, sponsored by Chicago Democrats Sen. Robert Martwick and Rep. Lindsey LaPointe, directs the Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health to create an online database of mental health resources geared to first responders.

The database will include information on crisis services, wellness, trauma information, nutrition,



Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly speaks at a news conference Aug. 12 about the importance of obeying Scott's Law, a state traffic law requiring drivers to slow down and move over for stopped first responders. (Capitol News Illinois photo by Jerry Nowicki)

stress reduction, anxiety, depression, violence prevention, suicide prevention and substance abuse. The goal is for that program to go live by January.

Frank, meanwhile, said more is needed to support officers, including adequate funding to ensure every squad car "is the most capable the market has to offer at withstanding damage."

"It continues after that with unparalleled medical care for officers injured in the line of duty," she said, citing costs and barriers to medical care as burdens on officers' families.

She also said society must work at "getting back to a state and a country that doesn't just see a uniform or cop, but instead sees Brian, a husband, a son, a brother, a godfather, an uncle and a best friend, someone who has already saved countless lives and who has a lifetime of saving more ahead of him."

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ENTERTAINMENT

Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- Maggie Smith wasn't sure she wanted to play the dowager countess, yet again, in "Downton Abbey 2," but by the timeshe read the script, which has been called "a lot of fun," she agreed to visit Downton at least one more time. Filming began in April, and by July 16 Elizabeth McGovern had completed filming her role. In addition to the original colorful characters returning, they've added Dominic West (upcoming in "The Crown" as Prince Charles, 2022-23), Laura Haddock (last in "Transformers: The Last Knight"), Hugh Dancy (last in "The Good Fight") and Natalie Baye (last in the French film "Garçon Chiffon"). But the Christmas opening has been scuttled in favor of March 18, 2022.

Hugh Bonneville completed work on "Downton" in time to prepare for his Netflix film "I Came By," with "1917" star George MacKay.



M. Smith

MacKay also toplines the BBC series "The Trick" and Netflix's "Munich," with Jeremy Irons. Not bad for a kid who played Peter Pan 18 years ago. Bonneville still has a date with "Paddington 3" (the first two films earned a combined \$500 million). Ironically, Bonneville was born in Paddington, London.

Here's another irony: After a disappointing appearance in Netflix's "The Prom," Meryl Streep is currently filming "Disappointment Blvd.," starring Oscar-winner Joaquin Phoenix, Patti LuPone, Nathan Lane and Parker Posey. All we know is that it's supposed to be an intimate, decades-spanning portrait of one of the most successful entrepreneurs of all time (who could that be? Florenz Ziegfeld, P.T. Barnum, Billy Rose?). Shooting began June 28 in Montreal and is expected to end in October. Meryl has "Let Them All Talk," with Candice Bergen, Lucas Hedges and Dianne Wiest, directed by Steven Soderbergh, available on HBO Max, and Netflix's "Don't Look Up," with Jennifer Lawrence,

Cate Blanchett and Leonardo DiCaprio.

When NBC canceled "Manifest" after three seasons, they left us hanging with a lot of questions. Those who've invested a lot of time in this complicated series feel cheated. When Netflix began running seasons one and two, they found a large viewership and put in a bid to Warner's TV to pick up the series for the fourth season. Here's where the fun begins ... after seeing the numbers on Netflix, NBC thought it acted too quickly in canceling the show and are again in talks with Warner's for a fourth season.

Either way, it'll be a mess, since all the actors were released from their contracts. However, the cast has participated in a #Save-Manifest campaign and have expressed a willingness to come back. NBC didn't care that they left us hanging, just that Netflix was getting big ratings. Someone's gonna be manifested with a middle finger!

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Couch Theater

"CODA" (PG-13) -- As a child of deaf adults (a CODA), 17-year-old Ruby has spent her whole life straddling the hearing and non-hearing worlds. When she realizes her dream is to go away to college to pursue her love of singing, her family doesn't understand, since they can't experience her talent. Encouraged by her choir teacher, Ruby attempts to gain her family's support to leave home. Emilia Jones' performance as Ruby is exceptionally touching and realistic. Marlee Matlin as her mother is charming, frustrating and funny all at once. Subtitles for lots of sign language, and totally worth the effort. (Apple TV+)

"100 Foot Wave" (TV-14) -- Does it really require six episodes to cover one surfer's quest to find and surf the world's biggest wave? Not really, but it sure makes for fantastic footage that I would watch for six days if it was offered. In this

docuseries, surfing legend Garrett McNamara attempts to tackle "the Everest of the ocean" by riding a 100-foot wave in the fishing village of Nazare, Portugal. The conflict of chasing this dream while confronting his own human capabilities provides drama set against an absolutely thrilling backdrop of the powerful natural force of the ocean. (HBO Max)

"The Owl House" (TV-Y7-FV) -- Luz Noceda is an adventurous, imaginative teenage human who opens a portal to another world called the Boiling Isles. There she discovers a variety of unique and weird characters, dabbles in spellcasting and sorcery, and deals with existing in a land where humans are considered lesser beings. Luz is a multifaceted character, showing determination, intelligence and introspection, but also some occasional low self-esteem. Ultimately,

though, she displays acceptance of her own quirkiness. The script is quite clever and witty, making this animated children's series tolerable for adults, too. (Disney+)

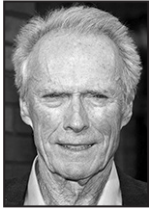
In Case You Missed It "Walk of Shame" (R) -- To anyone who's had a hot night out end up horribly wrong, this 2014 comedy is for you. Elizabeth Banks plays Meghan, a Los Angeles TV news anchor who finds herself in all the wrong neighborhoods in the wee hours of the morning after some hard partying. Alone, and with no phone or car, she has only her wits to get herself back across town to the news station in time for the evening broadcast ... and the promise of a promotion. A hilarious series of close calls and the help of some unsavory characters lead to a ridiculously funny conclusion. (Netflix)

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Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: How old is Clint Eastwood now? Is he still directing or acting? Also, is he still married to that former newscaster? -- **K.K.**



Eastwood

A: Movie star turned filmmaker Clint Eastwood has no plans to quit show business despite being 91 years old. In fact, he has a new movie due out soon, "Cry Macho," in which he plays a former rodeo star who goes on a journey driving his boss' son (Eduardo Minetti) across Mexico and finds redemption through teaching the boy what is means to be "a good man." Eastwood earned another double-hyphenated title for this project as director-actor. It's Eastwood's first acting role since 2018's "The Mule," having directed "Richard Jewell" after that, which was about the man who was wrongly accused of being the 1996 Atlanta Olympics bomber.

In an interview with People magazine, Eastwood said "Cry Macho" was 40 years in the making. He was asked decades ago to star in the film, but felt he was too young for the part. Years later he

thought about directing the movie, but it "went by the wayside" until about a year ago, and now it "feels like I'm just at the right age and I thought it'd be fun to do." ***

Q: I recently rewatched the Kevin Costner movie "Field of Dreams" on TV. I hadn't seen it since it was in theaters decades ago. What-ever happened to the actor who played his father in the film? -- **G.L.**

A: "Field of Dreams" was based on a novel by W.P. Kinsella called "Shoeless Joe," and it's recently had a resurgence in popularity because of its 30-year anniversary.

In the film, Costner plays an Iowa farmer named Ray Kinsella, who builds a regulation-size baseball field on his property abutting the cornfields. His initially wacky idea was preceded by visits from ghosts of the 1919 scandal-plagued Chicago White Sox team, including Shoeless Joe Jackson, as played by Ray Liotta.

After casting hundreds of other actors in the small but impactful role of Costner's dad, an unknown named Dwier Brown was picked for the unforgettable role, but his career never soared like Costner and Liotta's did after the movie. Most recently,

he's guest starred in prime-time dramas like "Rizzoli & Isles," "CSI" and "House," but just never really had any big long-term parts. Brown gave a heartfelt interview in a recent documentary special about the film on FOX TV, and he previously published his memoir, "If You Build It ... A Book About Fathers, Fate, and Field of Dreams." ***

Q: When is the next season of "Dancing with the Stars?" I keep thinking I'll get tired of it, but I love the gowns and choreography! -- **K.K.**

A: "Dancing with the Stars" is about to embark on its 30th season (over a 15-year period) after suffering a small dip in the ratings during its last installment. Despite a mixed reviews, Tyra Banks will return to host when it premieres Sept. 20 at 8 p.m. ET on ABC. As for the upcoming competitors, they should be announced in early September, but be sure to keep checking ABC.com/shows/dancing-with-the-stars for all the latest news.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFSW, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

* The opposite of paranoia is pronoia. A person suffering from pronoia feels that people or entities around them are plotting to do them good!

* American flags left on the moon will eventually get bleached white by the sun. * Only two animals have the ability to see behind themselves without turning around: the rabbit and the parrot. Their eyes are on the sides of their head, allowing them to swivel 360 degrees.

* Not that we ever gave any real thought to the matter, but "snow-bones" are the lines of snow or ice left at the sides of roads after the rest of the snow has melted.

* David Babcock broke a Guinness World Record for his time in the Kansas City marathon, at 5 hours, 48 minutes and 27 seconds. But not for running -- he managed to complete the race while knitting a scarf that measured just over 12 feet long. As he said later, "Knitting the whole way really did help distract me from the hard parts of the marathon."

* At the planet Neptune's highest altitudes, winds blow at more than 1,100 mph.

* Mozart sold the most CDs in 2016, beating out Adele, Drake and Beyonce, even though those artists all had Grammy-winning hits that year.

* In the 16th century, Parliament passed a law declaring the use of makeup "to deceive an Englishman into marriage" punishable as witchcraft.

* A survey of 2,000 U.S. adults by the skincare brand StriVectin found 63% admitted to spending at least half their time on video calls staring at their own face, while 58% admitted to getting so distracted by their own appearance that they sometimes stopped listening.

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• Trivia Test •

1. U.S. STATES: What is the state capital of Kansas?
2. ANATOMY: Where is the pinna located in the human body?
3. GEOGRAPHY: What is the English name for the country called Sverige by its people?
4. PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called heliophobia?
5. MOVIES: Which two films had the most Academy Award nominations without winning any of them?
6. TELEVISION: How many sons did Ben Cartwright have in "Bonanza"?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What is the most popular topping on a pizza?
8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many quills does the average porcupine have?
9. HISTORY: Which principal countries made up the Axis powers in World War II?
10. LITERATURE: What is the name of the wizard bank in the "Harry Potter" series?

Answers

1. Topeka
2. It's the outer ear
3. Sweden
4. Fear of the sun
5. "The Turning Point" and "The Color Purple," both with 11 nominations
6. Three: Adam, Hoss and Little Joe
7. Pepperoni
8. 30,000
9. Japan, Germany and Italy
10. Gringotts

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King Crossword

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- 4 Dance move
- 8 Actress Fisher
- 12 — out a living
- 13 Abode
- 14 Punch
- 15 Shares with followers on social media
- 17 Fury
- 18 MSN rival
- 19 Fuming
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- 24 Flamenco cheer
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- 26 Half a dozen
- 28 Travels by jet
- 32 Throat clearer
- 34 Jewel
- 36 Early Peruvian
- 37 Cleaning agent
- 39 Fawn's mom
- 41 Junior
- 42 Carried out
- 44 French cathedral city
- 46 Tea urn
- 50 Business mag
- 51 Pressing thing?
- 52 "The Handmaid's Tale" author
- 56 King of the

- 1 Sea, to Henri
- 2 Mamie's man
- 3 Lawyer's fee
- 4 Beach souvenirs
- 5 Water tester
- 6 911 responders
- 7 Green sauce
- 8 Haifa native
- 9 Bridge coup
- 10 Olympic sled
- 11 On in years
- 16 Misery
- 20 Sprite
- 21 Clear the decks?
- 22 Jolly laugh
- 23 Use a shovel
- 27 Deleted
- 29 Behind closed doors
- 30 Nobel Prize subj.
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Answers

King Crossword

LOCAL AND AREA

Powerful storm downs trees and power lines in Mendota

MENDOTA - A powerful storm ripped through Mendota just after the start of the work day on Aug. 11, bringing down numerous trees and power lines throughout the city.

The skies darkened to the west around 8 a.m., and soon after, the city's tornado siren sounded. That was followed by torrential horizontal rain and strong winds. The siren sounded a second time and more rain and wind descend-

ed upon Mendota.

When the storm passed, it had unleashed destruction throughout the city with trees down wherever the eye could see. Power was knocked out over much of the city, and some places were still without electricity days after the storm.

Cleanup began immediately with the sound of chainsaws and generators echoing all over town.

Structural damage was minor and there were no reported injuries.

Meteorologist Matt Friedlein of Mendota said the storm packed winds of 80-90 miles per hour as it ripped through town. He added that there was no tornado associated with the storm.

The storm came a year and a day after a derecho pounded Mendota, causing similar damage.



A tree in the front yard of the octagon house on Washington Street narrowly missed making a direct hit on the historic home.



Crews work to clean up a tree that toppled from Holy Cross Cemetery onto Route 251, blocking the road for several hours. (Reporter photos)



Part of a tree snapped off from in front of Floralcrest Florist & Greenhouse, bringing down utility lines and partially blocking 22nd Street.



The trees in Restland Cemetery almost always take the brunt of high winds, like this one that split in half.

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FIREARM VIOLATION
Oscar A. Gonzalez, 48, of 101 Cherry St., Mendota, was charged with reckless discharge of a firearm after police officers responded to a 9-1-1 call of shots fired in the 100 block of Cherry Street at 1:22 a.m. Aug. 16. During the course of the investigation, police officers received information of a male subject shooting a gun outside a residence and attempting entry. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County Jail awaiting a court date.



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BUREAU COUNTY FARMLAND - BERLIN TOWNSHIP
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The following described farmland will be offered
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Thursday, September 30th, 2021
10:00 A.M.

On line bidding available through Proxibid, call 815-699-7999,
at least 3 business days prior to auction.

Sale Day Location: The Feed Store Restaurant – 212 Main
St., Malden, IL 61337

Farm Location: Located in sections 15, 22, and 23 of Berlin
Township, the farm lays just North of Zearing, IL on Township
Road 2800E and 2100N. (Watch for signs)

Description:
Tract 1: 81.27 +/- Acres located S ½ of SE ¼ Section 15, Berlin
Township, Bureau County, IL. 76.7 +/- Tillable Acres. **A Pro-**
ductivity Index of 130.8 +/- as per Surety. Production soils
include Catlin, Muscatune, Sable, Sawmill, Varna and Lawler.
1.4 acres of CRP filter strip paying \$298. Annual payment expir-
ing 9-30-2034. Tax ID #11-23-100-001, 2020 taxes paid in
2021 were \$2,541.36.
Tract 2: 80 +/- Acres located N ½ of NE ¼ Section 22, Ber-
lin Township, Bureau County, IL. 78.76 +/- Tillable Acres. **A**
Productivity Index of 134 +/- as per Surety. Production soils
include Muscatune and Catlin. Part of Tax ID #11-22-251-002
and #11-22-276-001. 2020 taxes paid in 2021 were approxi-
mately \$37.52 +/- per acre.
Tract 3: 73.12 +/- Acres located S ½ of NE ¼ Section 22,
Berlin Township, Bureau County, IL. Lies North and West edge
of Village of Zearing. 70.48 +/- Tillable Acres. **A Productivity**
Index of 134.6 +/- as per Surety. Production soils include Cat-
lin, Muscatune, and Harpster. Part of Tax ID #11-23-100-001,
2020 taxes paid in 2021 were approximately \$8,810.36. **NO**
IMPROVEMENTS are offered with this tract.
Plat locations, Aerial Photos and Soil Maps are available
@ rickrediger.com

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
1.) All Tracts will be sold by the surveyed acres. Survey will be
provided by Seller.
2.) The successful bidder will be required to enter into a stan-
dard purchase agreement contract. 10% of the contract pur-
chase price will be due immediately following the auction. The
balance will be due and payable at closing on or before Novem-
ber 12, 2021.
3.) The seller shall provide a title insurance policy in the amount
of the purchase price of the subject property.
4.) Based upon the 2020 real estate taxes paid in 2021, the
2021 real estate taxes due and payable in 2022 will be credited
by the Seller to the Buyer at closing. All subsequent real estate
taxes will be the responsibility of the buyer.
5.) The property is being sold in **“AS IS”** condition, with no im-
plied warranties of any kind.
6.) The information is believed to be accurate. However, we
strongly urge all prospective buyers to thoroughly research all
pertinent data and to draw their own conclusions.
7.) All announcements made the day of the sale take prece-
dence over any previously printed material.
8.) Due to the Covid, safety restrictions in place.

Seller: GAYLA CHARLES,
SELLER
Attorney: John Isaacson
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SPORTS

Mendota High School Fall Sports Schedules

Varsity Football
Aug. 27 – Erie – 7 p.m.
Sept. 3 – at Port Byron Riverdale – 7 p.m.
Sept. 10 – Bureau Valley – 7 p.m.
Sept. 17 – at Princeton – 7 p.m.
Sept. 24 – Hall – 7 p.m.
Oct. 1 – Sherrard – 7 p.m.
Oct. 8 – at Kewanee – 7 p.m.
Oct. 15 – Sterling Newman – 7 p.m.
Oct. 22 – at St. Bede – 7 p.m.

Junior Varsity Football
Aug. 30 – at Erie – 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 6 – Riverdale – 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 13 – at Bureau Valley – 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 20 – Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
Sept. 27 – at Hall – 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 4 – at Sherrard – 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 11 – Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 18 – at Sterling Newman – 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 25 – St. Bede – 5:30 p.m.

Boys’ Soccer
Aug. 23 – Sandwich – 4:30 p.m.
Aug. 25 – Somonauk – 4:30 p.m.
Aug. 27 – at Oregon Tourney – 4:30 p.m.
Aug. 28 – at Oregon Tourney – 10 a.m.
Aug. 30 – DePue – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 1 – at Riverdale – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 4 – Orion – 11 a.m.
Sept. 7 – at Earlville – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 11 – Yorkville – 10 a.m.
Sept. 13 – at Streator – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 14 – Winnebago – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 16 – Stillman Valley – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 18 – at Genoa-Kingston (JV) – 9 a.m.
Sept. 23 – at LaSalle-Peru – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 25 – Monmouth-Roseville – noon
Sept. 28 – Dixon – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 30 – at Kewanee – 4:30 p.m.
Oct. 7 – at Rochelle – 4:30 p.m.
Oct. 9 – at Princeton Tourney (JV) – 9 a.m.

Cross Country
Aug. 26 – at Genoa-Kingston (B) – 5:30 p.m.
Aug. 31 – at Ottawa (B) – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 4 – at Oregon – 9 a.m.
Sept. 7 – at Winnebago – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 11 – at Princeton Invite – 9 a.m.
Sept. 14 – at Ottawa – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 18 – at Bureau Valley – 9 a.m.
Sept. 21 – Amboy, Putnam Co., St. Bede
Princeton, Hall – 4 p.m.
Sept. 25 – at Kewanee – 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 2 – at Streator – 9 a.m.
Oct. 6 – Dixon, Oregon, Marquette,
Hall, Streator – 4 p.m.
Oct. 11 – at Amboy Invite – 9 a.m.

Girls’ Tennis
Aug. 26 – LaSalle-Peru, St. Bede – 4 p.m.
Aug. 28 – at Sterling Newman Tourney – 9 a.m.
Aug. 31 – Kewanee – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 2 – at Sterling – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 4 – at Coal City Tourney – 8 a.m.

Sept. 7 – at Sterling Newman – 4 p.m.
Sept. 9 – at Princeton – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 13 – Coal City – 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 14 – Dixon – 4 p.m.
Sept. 15 – Rockford Christian – 4 p.m.
Sept. 18 – at Sterling Invite – 9 a.m.
Sept. 21 – Rockford Lutheran – 4 p.m.
Sept. 23 – at Ottawa – 4 p.m.
Sept. 25 – at L-P Invite – 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 27 – Rochelle – 4 p.m.
Sept. 30 – Morris – 4 p.m.
Oct. 4 – at Geneseo – 4 p.m.
Oct. 5 – at Streator – 4:30 p.m.
Oct. 9 – Mendota Tourney – 8 a.m.

Golf
Aug. 16 – at Putnam Co. (Princeton) – 4 p.m.
Aug. 17 – Stillman Valley, Sandwich – 4 p.m.
Aug. 19 – at L-P Cavalier Invite – 1 p.m.
Aug. 24 – at Rockridge – 4 p.m.
Aug. 26 – Sterling Newman, Orion – 4 p.m.
Aug. 31 – Riverdale, Erie – 4 p.m.
Sept. 1 – Rock Falls – 4 p.m.
Sept. 7 – at Hall (Princeton) – 4 p.m.
Sept. 8 – at St. Bede (Morrison) – 4 p.m.
Sept. 9 – at Rochelle (Amboy) – 4 p.m.
Sept. 14 – at Kewanee (Monmouth-R.) – 4 p.m.
Sept. 15 – LaSalle-Peru – 4 p.m.
Sept. 16 – Bureau Valley, Sherrard – 4 p.m.
Sept. 18 – at Princeton Invite – 9 a.m.
Sept. 20 – at Seneca (Hall) – 4 p.m.
Sept. 21 – TRAC Conference Meet at Riverdale – 9 a.m.
Sept. 23 – at Ottawa – 4 p.m.
Sept. 25 – Mendota Modified Ryder Cup – 8:30 a.m.
Sept. 28 – Regional

Volleyball
Aug. 26 – Amboy – 5 p.m.
Aug. 31 – Bureau Valley – 5 p.m.
Sept. 1 – at LaSalle-Peru – 5 p.m.
Sept. 2 – at St. Bede – 5 p.m.
Sept. 3 – at Oregon Tourney – 4 p.m.
Sept. 4 – at Oregon Tourney – 8 a.m.
Sept. 7 – Hall – 5 p.m.
Sept. 8 – at Rochelle – 5 p.m.
Sept. 9 – Princeton – 5 p.m.
Sept. 11 – Mendota Sophomore Tourney – 8 a.m.
Sept. 14 – at Sterling Newman – 5 p.m.
Sept. 15 – at Sandwich – 5 p.m.
Sept. 18 – at Ottawa Freshman Tourney – 9 a.m.
Sept. 21 – at Bureau Valley – 5 p.m.
Sept. 23 – Kewanee – 5 p.m.
Sept. 25 – at Reed-Custer Tourney – 9 a.m.
Sept. 25 – at Byron Freshman Tourney – 9 a.m.
Sept. 28 – at Hall – 5 p.m.
Sept. 30 – St. Bede – 5 p.m.
Oct. 2 – Mendota Freshman Tourney – 8 a.m.
Oct. 5 – Sterling Newman – 5 p.m.
Oct. 7 – at Princeton – 5 p.m.
Oct. 9 – at Princeton Tourney – 9 a.m.
Oct. 12 – at Kewanee – 5 p.m.
Oct. 16 – Mendota Varsity Tourney – 8 a.m.
Oct. 16 – at Fulton Sophomore Tourney – 9 a.m.
Oct. 23 – at Sterling Freshman Tourney – 8:30 a.m.

GARAGE SALE TIME!

It’s a great time to have a Garage Sale. If you’re planning to get together some of the items you no longer use around your home and set up your own sale, be sure you follow some important basic steps!

1. WHAT TO SELL
Anything that still has usability and some value.

2. HOW TO PRICE
Decide the price of each item and then tag that item.

3. LENGTH OF SALE
Sales from Thursday through Saturday seem best.

4. HOW TO SET IT UP
Make it easy for buyers to view the items and have a central place with sufficient change for them to pay.

5. HOW TO ADVERTISE
The most effective place to reach more people is in The Mendota Reporter. We will be happy to assist you in placing your sale ad.

GARAGE SALE DEADLINES*
THURSDAY, 5 PM-
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MONDAY, 10 AM -
To appear in Wednesday’s Reporter
* On a week with a holiday, deadlines may change. Please call to verify.

Call 815-539-9396 or stop in the office at 703 Illinois Ave.

LOCAL AND AREA

The Holy Spirit: Your ultimate power source

If you've ever heard me share my testimony of how I was abused by my father throughout my childhood, you know I've gone through some really difficult times. In fact, some things were so painful, I wondered if I would survive them. That's why one of my greatest desires is to help others know how to trust God and lean on Him so they can overcome their struggles too.

There's a huge difference between a Christian who just tries to make it on their own and one who really relies on the Holy Spirit to enable them to do whatever they need to do. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to take His place here in the earth. He can be everywhere, all the

time, and because He lives in us as born-again believers, He is always with us.

In John 15:26 (AMP), Jesus told His disciples, "When the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthen, Standby) comes...the Spirit of Truth who comes from the Father, He will testify and bear witness about Me."

It's so amazing to realize that the Holy Spirit is always with us and He's the Strengthen we need to get through every problem we have to face.

Victors or Grasshoppers?

In Numbers 13, the Israelites were facing a big problem. They were just outside the land of Canaan, which is the

Promised Land God led them to after they wandered for 40 years in the wilderness. Moses sent 12 spies to scout out the land, and when they returned, 10 of them had a bad report, and two had a good report.

The spies told Moses, "We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey.... But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large...." (vv. 27-28 NIV). But Caleb said, "We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it" (v. 30). In verses 32 and 33, the 10 spies "spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land which they had explored. They said, 'The land...devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of great size. ...We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them.'"

For the Israelites to possess their Promised Land, they were going to have to dispossess the current occupants—the giants. God had not cleared out all of their adversaries because He wanted to teach them how to trust Him and lean on Him for the strength they needed to overcome their enemies.

Caleb acted in faith because he had his eyes on God, but the spies who brought the "bad report" couldn't see themselves as anything but grasshoppers facing giants because they weren't trusting God.



You Can Face Your Giants

We all have giants—problems in life that we have to overcome. I don't like them any more than anybody else does, but I've discovered that we learn more about how to trust God when we go through difficulties than we do in other seasons of our lives. The truth is when we don't have anyone but God to get us through something, He can use it to make us stronger in Him, and then He can use us to do greater things than we ever imagined we could do.

God doesn't want us to live weak, wimpy, helpless, pathetic, barely-get-by lives. That's why He sent the Holy Spirit to be our "Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthen, Standby)." Acts 1:8 says, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The Holy Spirit is with you all the time, and His power gives you the ability to be a witness for Christ. This means that in Christ, you have the power to be the kind of person in this world who represents Him as a light in a dark place...who has peace in the midst of the storm...who has the power not to worry when you have a huge problem, and hope even when it looks like there is no hope at all.

I want to encourage you to take time to get to know God for yourself. Spend time with Him in prayer and through studying His Word. Wait on the Lord and receive the strength He has for you today (Isaiah 40:31). Put your focus on Him and pray, "God, I trust You. Please strengthen me today to do whatever I need to do, through Christ. I give you my will and want to know what Your will is for me. I need Your strength, wisdom and guidance in every area of my life. I believe You will work out all things for my good

(Romans 8:28). You are my strength and I won't give up!"

For more on this topic, order Joyce's four-teaching CD series The Holy Spirit. 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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Amboy Depot Days 2021

AUGUST 26, 27, 28, 29

Amboy, Illinois

Most all events held in downtown Amboy. Located just a short drive from wherever you are. Amboy is located on U.S. 52, just three miles South of U.S. 30.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, August 26

"Family Night"

5pm-10pm: Food stands open, Depot Museum Grounds
6pm-10pm: Carnival, Depot Museum Grounds - Family Night Special: All Rides \$2
6:30pm: Depot Days Little Dancers, Main Stage
7pm: Miss Amboy Pageant & Little Miss Amboy
8:30pm: Announcement of Miss Amboy 2021

Friday, August 27

8am-4pm: Community Wide Garage Sales
8am-5pm: Craft Booths, Downtown
10am-10pm: Food stands open, Depot Museum Grounds
6pm-10pm: Carnival, Depot Museum Grounds - Arm bands \$20 for unlimited rides
7-9pm: The Beaux Band, Main Stage - FREE
9:30pm-1am: K.C. Beer Garden: Class Field Trip

Saturday, August 28

7-11am: Pancake Breakfast by Amboy Fire Department, Beer Garden
8am: Sylvan Shuffle Adult 5K Run/Walk sponsored by Amboy Education Foundation - Call 815.857.2164 or register online.
8am-1pm: Amboy Farm Tractor Show, Downtown
8am-5pm: Community Wide Garage Sales
8am-5pm: Craft Booths, Downtown
10am-10pm: Food stands open, Depot Museum Grounds
11am-1am: K.C. Beer Garden, South of Bandstand
Noon-3pm: Carnival, Depot Museum Grounds - Arm bands \$20 for unlimited rides
2pm: Mr. Steve Magic Show, Main Stage - FREE
2-4pm: Whimsy Face Painting, Depot Parking Lot - FREE
3pm: Depot Days Parade sponsored by the Amboy Area Lions Club - Sign up via the Lions Club website
7-9pm: Whiskey Romance, Main Stage - FREE
9pm-1am: K.C. Beer Garden: Burn 'n' Bush

Sunday, August 29

6am-3pm: 30th Annual Depot Days Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Downtown
6:30-10am: Pancake Breakfast by Knights of Columbus, Beer Garden
8am-4pm: Community Wide Garage Sales
8am-4pm: Craft Booths, Downtown
10am-4pm: Food stands open
11:30am: Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show
Judging, Downtown
Noon-5pm: K.C. Beer Garden, South of Bandstand
Noon-4pm: Carnival, Depot Museum Grounds - Arm bands \$20 for unlimited rides
3pm: Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show
Awards Presentation & 50/50 Drawing. Last year's 50/50 winner received \$99,530. Main Stage by Depot Museum

INFORMATION BOOTHS

50/50 tickets available at Jones Berry Lumber, Two Sisters on Main, The Last Alarm, Amboy Thrift Store, The Long Branch Saloon, Depot Tap, Shell Express Lane, Mowers and More.

DAILY INFORMATION

FREE SHUTTLE on Sunday. Park at Amboy School, 11 E. Hawley St. or the Amboy Community Center, 280 W Wasson Road.
First Aid & Cooling Center at the Lee County Farm Bureau, 37 S. East Avenue.
Food Stands & Restrooms are open all weekend on Depot Grounds.
Community-Wide Garage Sales: Friday, Saturday and Sunday 8am-5pm. Garage sale maps available at City Hall or the information booth.
Museums open for viewing. Stop in and enjoy a little of Amboy's history. The Gift Shop will be open.
Car Show Registration and information - Contact Garth Dallam 815/857-2946.
www.amboycarshow.com
NO PETS ALLOWED

Depot Days is presented to benefit the Amboy Depot Museum. Your support is greatly appreciated. The Depot Days Committee wishes to give a special thank you to the many people who volunteer their time, energy and funds to ensure the success of Depot Days.

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Aug. 18 - 9 a.m.-3 p.m. L.E.A.S.E.
preschool screenings
Aug. 19 - 8:30-11 a.m. Workday for fall
garage sale - Memorial Building,
9 a.m.-3 p.m. L.E.A.S.E. screenings
Aug. 22 - 9 a.m. Rally Sunday Worship
in-person and online on Facebook Live,
Block Party, Blessing of the Backpacks
Aug. 23 - 6:30 p.m. Men's Ministry
Aug. 24 - 8:30-11 a.m. Workday for
garage sale
Aug. 25 - Pastor Mary leads Stonecroft
worship

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SUNDAY: Worship

Written by Thomas Merton, 1968:
My Lord God,
I have no idea where I am going.
I do not see the road ahead of me.
I cannot know for certain where it
will end.
Nor do I really know myself, and
the fact that I think I am following
your will does not mean that I am
actually doing so.
But I believe that the desire to
please you does in fact please you.
And I hope I have that desire in all
that I am doing.
I hope that I will never do anything
apart from that desire.
And I know that if I do this you will
lead me by the right road, though I
may know nothing about it.
Therefore will I trust you always
though I may seem to be lost and
in the shadow of death.
I will not fear, for you are ever
with me, and you will never leave
me to face my perils alone.

Posted by Rev. Susan Presley

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Then David lifted his eyes
and saw the angel of the Lord
standing between earth and
heaven, having in his hand
a drawn sword stretched out
over Jerusalem. So David and
the elders, clothed in sackcloth,
fell on their faces.

© 1 CHRONICLES 21:16

Detail of "Joshua Before the Angel with a Sword"
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Aug. 18 - 7 p.m. Bible study on Zoom
Aug. 19 - 7 p.m. Session
Aug. 22 - 10 a.m. Worship in-person
and on Facebook Live,
11 a.m. Fellowship
Aug. 24 - 5 p.m. Boy Scouts
Aug. 25 - 7 p.m. Bible study on Zoom
Aug. 26 - 10 a.m. Heritage Manor
worship

Facebook page
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Wednesday Evening Gathering:
Live Zoom at 7 p.m.
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10:30 a.m. Indoor worship at First

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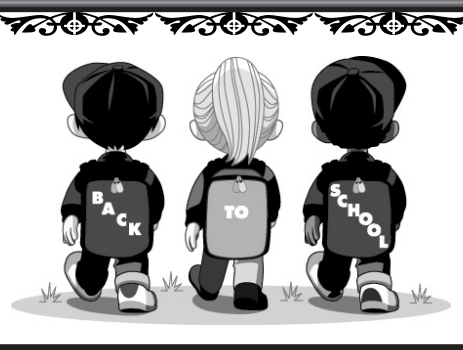
SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY NIGHT - 6:30 p.m.

BIBLE TRIVIA by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Micah in the
Old Testament, New Testament
or neither?
2. After his servants covered
him with clothes, what did King
David's servants bring to keep
him warm?
Hot bricks, Young virgin, Canopy
skins, Wool from finest sheep
3. Whose last words were,
“Turn thine hand, and carry me
out of the host; for I am
wounded”?
Paul, John the Baptist, Ahab, Job
4. From Proverbs 31, which king
was taught sayings by his
mother?
Lemuel, Neco, Ben-Hadad, Jehu
5. In Genesis 27, who said,
“Come near now, and kiss me,
my son”?
Adam, Isaac, Seth, Moses
6. Who was the father of
Gideon?
Job, Jeremiah, Josiah, Joash

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Young virgin;
3) Ahab; 4) Lemuel; 5) Isaac; 6) Joash

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*The Merchants
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NOTICE OF SALE OF TIMESHARE ESTATE OR ESTATES UNDER SECTION 10-50 OF THE ILLINOIS REAL ESTATE TIMESHARE ACT OF 1999

By virtue of the timeshare instrument of the Fox River Resort, 2558 N. 3653 Road, Sheridan, Illinois 60551 and 770 ILCS 103/1-15 et seq. establishing managing entity liens for failure to pay assessments and other costs on the timeshare estates held by the owners of the timeshare estates listed below, and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at public auction starting at 11 o'clock a.m. on August 24, 2021, at the east entrance of Etna Road Government Complex, 707 Etna Road, Ottawa, IL 61350.

Each timeshare estate is a 1.923% and/or 0.9615% undivided interest (each, a "Unit") as tenant-in-common at Fox River Resort, a vacation ownership project in LaSalle County, Illinois, as per the recorded plat(s) thereof and according to the Amended and Restated Declaration of Restrictions, Covenants and Conditions recorded under File No. R2000 31258 and any Supplemental Declarations recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, LaSalle County, Illinois, as supplemented and amended from time to time (the "Declaration"), together with the exclusive right to occupy the Unit during the designated Use Period Number(s), as said Use Period is defined in the Declaration, upon and subject to all of the terms, restrictions, covenants, conditions and provisions in the Declaration.

B H A R A N I ANANDAKRISHNAN, 907 MAYFAIR CT, ELK GROVE VLG, IL 60007, according to the Deed dated April 20, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 09708, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 07, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00610, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 1

VERA M BAINE, HOMER C BAINE JR, 1051 FLORENCE RD, MONTICELLO, AR 71655, according to the Deed dated August 11, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 17978, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 26, 2011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0204, Use Period Number(s) 49, Phase 4

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH, JASON MILEY, PRESIDENT, JUSTIN STRODE, TIFFIN MISENER, FRANK KOEHLER, GREG KNOWLES, 164 TUMA RD, YORKVILLE, IL 60560, according to the Deed dated April 20, 2001 and recorded under File No. R2001 12878, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 09, 2001, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0160, Use Period Number(s) 28, Phase 2

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH, JASON MILEY, PRESIDENT, JUSTIN STRODE, TIFFIN MISENER, FRANK KOEHLER, GREG KNOWLES, 1703 MARLBORO LN, CREST HILL, IL 60403, according to the Deed dated April 20, 2001 and recorded under File No. R2001 12878, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 09, 2001, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0160, Use Period Number(s) 28, Phase 2

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120 SHADY LN, BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440, according to the Deed dated May 28, 2000 and recorded under File No. R2000 18178, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 14, 2000, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00750, Use Period Number(s) 27, Phase 1

FELIX RAMIREZ JR, IRENE RAMIREZ, 9369 RIDGELAND AVE, OAK LAWN, IL 60453, according to the Deed dated December 15, 2010 and recorded under File No. R2011 01774, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on January 19, 2011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0398, Use Period Number(s) 28, Phase 6

MICHAEL A RAMOS, ROSA A RAMOS, 1904 WINDETTE DR, MONTGOMERY, IL 60538, according to the Deed dated June 29, 2006 and recorded under File No. R2006 18725, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 26, 2006, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0376, Use Period Number(s) 25, Phase 3

BARBARA G ROLAND, BISHOP ROLAND, 10841 S WABASH AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60628, according to the Deed dated July 01, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 15267, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 17, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0409, Use Period Number(s) 22, Phase 6

BARBARA G ROLAND, BISHOP ROLAND, 10841 S WABASH AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60628, according to the Deed dated July 01, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 15267, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on July 17, 2012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0409, Use Period Number(s) 36, Phase 6

THE ESTATE OF MARY JANE SALYARDS, LAURA SILICEO-ROMAN, JEFFREY SALYARDS, 4137 HARTFORD ST, SAINT LOUIS, MO 63116, according to the Deed dated September 26, 2001 and recorded under File No. R2001 31381, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 17, 2001, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0081, Use Period Number(s) 18, Phase 2

THE ESTATE OF MARY JANE SALYARDS, LAURA SILICEO-ROMAN, JEFFREY SALYARDS, 530 N RUMPLE LN, ADDISON, IL 60101, according to the Deed dated September 26, 2001 and recorded under File No. R2001 31381, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 17, 2001, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0081, Use Period Number(s) 18, Phase 2

ALLEN R SHUFF, PATRICIA A SHUFF,

235 ROLLING HILLS DR, CHURCH HILL, TN 37642, according to the Deed dated August 09, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 22401, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 04, 2013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0412, Use Period Number(s) 43, Phase 7

NORMAN P SMALLEY, ANN B SMALLEY, PAUL N SMALLEY, CATHERINE J COUNCILL, THOMAS M SMALLEY, LINDA A TAYLOR, 2555 GROSS POINT RD APT 104, EVANSTON, IL 60201, according to the Deed dated September 09, 1999 and recorded under File No. R99 27838, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 1999, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0089, Use Period Number(s) 34, Phase 2

NORMAN P SMALLEY, ANN B SMALLEY, PAUL N SMALLEY, CATHERINE J COUNCILL, THOMAS M SMALLEY, LINDA A TAYLOR, PO BOX 93, TULSA, OK 50153, according to the Deed dated September 09, 1999 and recorded under File No. R99 27838, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 1999, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0089, Use Period Number(s) 34, Phase 2

NORMAN P SMALLEY, ANN B SMALLEY, PAUL N SMALLEY, CATHERINE J COUNCILL, THOMAS M SMALLEY, LINDA A TAYLOR, PO BOX 93, LYNNVILLE, IA 50153, according to the Deed dated September 09, 1999 and recorded under File No. R99 27838, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 1999, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0089, Use Period Number(s) 34, Phase 2

NORMAN P SMALLEY, ANN B SMALLEY, PAUL N SMALLEY, CATHERINE J COUNCILL, THOMAS M SMALLEY, LINDA A TAYLOR, 906 W 9TH PLACE S, CLAREMORE, OK 74017, according to the Deed dated September 09, 1999 and recorded under File No. R99 27838, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 29, 1999, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0089, Use Period Number(s) 34, Phase 2

SCOTT R SMITH, DAVONNE K WADE, 821 DURUM ST, WINDSOR, CO 80550, according to the Deed dated November 18, 1999 and recorded under File No. R2000 00782, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on January 07, 2000, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0094, Use Period Number(s) 39, Phase 2

WILLIAM SMITH JR, DEBORAH SMITH, 3984 LANDSDOWN PL, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121, according to the Deed dated August 03, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008

18570, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 15, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0395, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 6

WILLIAM SMITH JR, DEBORAH SMITH, 901 N MORAN ROAD, TRIVOLI, IL 61569, according to the Deed dated August 03, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 18570, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on August 15, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0395, Use Period Number(s) 38, Phase 6

BISTRA A VASSILEVA, VASILKA P GEORGIEVA, 5207 N OAKVIEW ST, CHICAGO, IL 60656, according to the Deed dated October 09, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 24241, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on October 30, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0282, Use Period Number(s) 52, Phase 4

LORI VAUGHAN, MAURICE DAILEY, 17623 BRIAR AVE, HOMEWOOD, IL 60430, according to the Deed dated August 22, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 17176, 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. 01480, Use Period Number(s) 20, Phase 2

DONALD J VERRETTE, 127 S HICKORY ST, PALATINE, IL 60067, according to the Deed dated June 04, 2005 and recorded under File No. R2005 16883, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on June 30, 2005, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0378, Use Period Number(s) 48, Phase 3

KENNETH D WEST, ANGELA WEST, 3871 E KENT AVE, GILBERT, AZ 85296, according to the Deed dated January 18, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 02928, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 08, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0207E, Use Period Number(s) 52, Phase 4

KENNETH D WEST, ANGELA WEST, 2255 W GERMANN RD APT 1155, CHANDLER, AZ 85286, according to the Deed dated January 18, 2008 and recorded under File No. R2008 02928, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on February 08, 2008, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0207E, Use Period Number(s) 52, Phase 4

THOMAS WILLIAMS, SANDRA D WILLIAMS, 907 N MASSASOIT AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60651, according to the Deed dated July 30, 2000 and recorded under File No. R2000 24416, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 15, 2000, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed,

more particularly described as Unit No. 01640, Use Period Number(s) 37, Phase 1

DONALD WRIGHT JR, ROSEMARY DRAINE-WRIGHT, 4614 SEQUOIA CIR, ROCKFORD, IL 61108, according to the Deed dated April 02, 1999 and recorded under File No. R99 12087, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on May 07, 1999, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00560, Use Period Number(s) 30, Phase 1

M A L G O R Z A T A ZAGATA, 5110 S LATROBE AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60638, according to the Deed dated July 22, 1999 and recorded under File No. R99 23532, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on September 10, 1999, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0089, Use Period Number(s) 51, Phase 2

LEONARDO ZAPATA-FARIAS, LAURIE L ZAPATA, 116 S WESTERN AVE, AURORA, IL 60506, according to the Deed dated February 25, 2006 and recorded under File No. R2006 09200, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on April 12, 2006, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0152E, Use Period Number(s) 44, Phase 2

TERMS OF SALE: At the time and location noted above, the timeshare estates listed above will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash. The timeshare estates will be sold in individual lots unless there are no individual bidders, in which case, they may be sold as a group. In the event the managing entity lienholder or its authorized agent is the purchaser of one or more of the timeshare estates, the managing entity lienholder or its authorized agent may offset against the purchase price of the timeshare estate(s) an amount equal to all or a portion of the amount due under the managing entity lien(s) (and thus, credit bid). Other terms may be announced at the public auction.

Fox River Resort Club, An Illinois Not-for-profit Corporation
By: Deborah A. Quirk
Its: Attorney-In-Fact
Explanation
No. 0801 ((Aug. 4, 11, 18, 2021)

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF SALE of Property Owned by the City of Mendota and Invitation to Bid Thereon

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the City Council of the City of Mendota will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the fee simple interest in the following real property:

THE S 45' OF LOT 3 IN BLOCK 9 AND THE S 1/2 OF THE N 15' OF LOT 3 AND THE S 22 1/2' OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 9 ALL IN THE IL CENTRAL RR CO'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MENDOTA, LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

which property is generally located at 905 6th Avenue, Mendota, IL and is currently devoted to a vacant residentially zoned lot. Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest

in the above-described property are hereby invited and will be received by the city clerk at 800 Washington Street, Mendota, IL 61342 between the hours of 7am until 4pm on September 20, 2021, the date for the opening of bids. Said proposals shall be addressed to: City Council of the City of Mendota c/o City Clerk 800 Washington Street Mendota, Illinois 61342 and shall bear the legend "PROPOSAL - SALE OF 905 6TH AVENUE" and the name, address and phone number of the bidder.

All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Mendota at 5:30pm on Monday, September 20, 2021.

A contract may be awarded to the highest bidder whose bid is found to be in the best interests of the City of Mendota. The City of Mendota reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bidding. The City of Mendota further reserves the right to review and study any and all bids and to make a contract award within 30 days after the bids have been opened and publicly read. Copies and bidding documents may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk.

No. 0804 (Aug. 18, 25, Sept.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the City Council of the City of Mendota will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the successful bid, of the fee simple interest in the following real property:

LOT 4 AND THE S 1/2 OF LOT 5 IN BLOCK 29 IN THE IL CENTRAL RR CO'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MENDOTA, LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

which property is generally located at 1107 3rd Avenue, Mendota, IL and is currently devoted to a vacant residentially zoned lot. Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest in the above-described property are hereby invited and will be received by the city clerk at 800 Washington Street, Mendota, IL 61342 between the hours of 7am until 4pm on September 20, 2021, the date for the opening of bids. Said proposals shall be addressed to: City Council of the City of Mendota c/o City Clerk 800 Washington Street Mendota, Illinois 61342 and shall bear the legend "PROPOSAL - SALE OF 1107 3rd AVENUE" and the name, address and phone number of the bidder.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the City Council of the City of Mendota will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the successful bid, of the fee simple interest in the following real property:

Lot 8 and the south 7' of Lot 7 in Block 10 of Rust's Addition to the city Mendota, lasalle county, illinois.

which property is generally located at 1402 Lincoln Avenue and is currently devoted to a vacant residentially zoned lot.

Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest in the above-described property are hereby invited and will be received by the city clerk at 800 Washington Street, Mendota, IL 61342 between the hours of 7am until 4pm on September 20, 2021, the date for the opening of bids. Said proposals shall be addressed to: City Council of the City of Mendota c/o City Clerk 800 Washington Street Mendota, Illinois 61342 and shall bear the legend "PROPOSAL - SALE OF 1402 LINCOLN AVENUE" and the name, address and phone number of the bidder.

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NOTICE OF SALE of Property Owned by the City of Mendota and Invitation to Bid Thereon

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the City Council of the City of Mendota will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the successful bid, of the fee simple interest in the following real property:

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which property is generally located at 1209 and 1211 Washington Street, Mendota, IL and is currently devoted to a vacant Service-Business zoned lot. Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest in the above-described property are hereby

invited and will be received by the city clerk at 800 Washington Street, Mendota, IL 61342 between the hours of 7am until 4pm on September 20, 2021, the date for the opening of bids. Said proposals shall be addressed to: City Council of the City of Mendota c/o City Clerk 800 Washington Street Mendota, Illinois 61342 and shall bear the legend "PROPOSAL - SALE OF 1209 & 1211 WASHINGTON ST" and the name, address and phone number of the bidder.

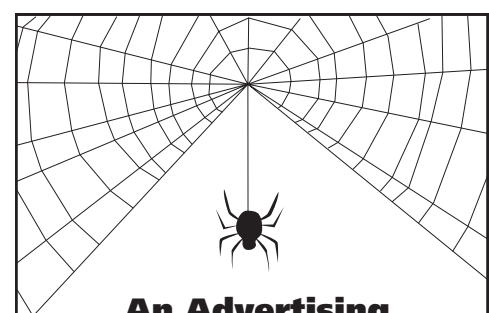
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