

# Gov. Pritzker signs rental assistance bill

Support available to eligible applicants

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SPRINGFIELD-Gov. JB Pritzker announced the state will plan to “phase out” its moratorium on pandemic-related evictions by August and launched a new program to provide assistance to renters and homeowners financially impacted by COVID-19.

The announcement regarding the planned end of the eviction moratorium came as Pritzker signed House Bill 2877, a bill that expands the Illinois Rental Payment Program to a total of \$1.5 billion, and requires the sealing of eviction records filed due to financial hardship through August of 2022.

Funding for the program, which has been made available by the federal government, will be administered through the Illinois Housing Development Authority.

The assistance is nearly four times the amount offered under the previous assistance program, which distributed more than \$280 million to more than 260,000 households across the state that were financially impacted by COVID-19, officials said.

Through the bill’s signing, eligible tenants and landlords can apply to receive a one-time grant totaling up to

\$25,000 to cover a maximum of 15 months of missed rent from June 2020 through August 2021, or until funds are exhausted. Funds will be distributed directly to housing providers and landlords.

Pritzker called the launch of the new support program and bill signing “momentous,” as officials aim to provide additional assistance to over 120,000 households statewide.

“The Illinois Rental Assistance Program is a testament to how good government can make a life-changing difference for people when our dollars follow our values,” Pritzker said. “This program expansion will allow us to take that impact to new heights for tens of thousands of Illinoisians.”

In order to receive assistance through the Illinois Rental Payment Program, tenants must be able to prove financial difficulty as a result of COVID-19, provide proof of housing instability due to missed rent, and have a household income below 80 percent of their area median income. Eligible tenants and landlords can apply to receive assistance at [illinoishousinghelp.org](http://illinoishousinghelp.org).

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Mendota High School principal Denise Aughenbaugh gives the welcome address as members of the Class of 2021 look on during the MHS commencement ceremony on May 29 at the MHS sports stadium. (Reporter photo)

## MHS Class of 2021 perseveres through most difficult school year

MENDOTA – In a school year filled with uncertainty from day-to-day, 110 Mendota High School seniors persevered and made it to the end – graduation day. Those seniors were rewarded when they walked up the ramp and across the makeshift stage to accept their diplomas during the commencement ceremony on a coolish sun-splashed May 29 day at the MHS sports stadium.

Once the seniors were seated following the processional, principal Denise Aughenbaugh delivered the welcome address. Aughenbaugh said:

“The Class of 2021 has achieved great success, and they have especially worked hard to persevere through the last 15 months of a global pandemic. Thankfully, our district was already a

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–Principal Denise Aughenbaugh

1:1 district with Chromebooks for all students. However, none of us were prepared for remote learning. We had to learn how a student who is at home for an extended period of time can still be a functioning part of the classroom. We had to learn how to deepen relationships with students in new ways as students took greater responsibility for their learning. Students were also asked to be stronger community members as they were expected to learn with COVID

stipulations like masks and dividers to protect themselves and others. Students were given opportunities to be leaders in school and at home. They were responsible for greater outside obligations by providing for the health and welfare of family members, contributing to additional financial obligations, and caring for younger siblings. Class of

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## Memorial Day

After a one-year absence because of the pandemic, the Mendota Memorial Day service returned on May 31 and a large crowd showed up at Restland Memorial Gardens to pay their respects to our wartime heroes. The Veterans’ Memorial Council, The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4079, its Auxiliary and American Legion Post 540 participated in the program, the purpose of which is to honor and remember all veterans resting on domestic or foreign soil for their commitment and unselfish contribution to our present way of life with liberty and freedom for all. (Reporter photos)



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# LOCAL AND AREA

## 2021 Excellence Awards presented to OSF Saint Paul providers

MENDOTA – David Scholl, MD recently received the OSF HealthCare Saint Paul Medical Center Staff Physician Excellence Award. The award was presented by Leonardo Lopez, MD, Chief Medical Officer at OSF Saint Paul.

Scholl's nomination included, "Dr. Scholl has given service to the Mendota community for over 30 years and has a deep love and care for patients. Doctor serves as a liaison between the providers and nursing management and works closely with Medical Group leadership to ensure that all aspects of the office are taken care of appropriately. During a recent survey, which certifies our offices to maintain Rural Health Clinic status, the surveyor expressed that doctor's documentation was the most complete and should be modeled for all providers in the office."

Stacy Piller, APRN, was the recipient of the OSF HealthCare Saint Paul Medical Center Staff Advanced Practice Provider Excellence Award. Piller was recognized as a great communicator who connects with patients to provide the best possible care.

OSF Saint Paul Mission Partners submit nominations and the awards were presented during Health Care Week activities.



Stacy Piller, APRN, left & David Scholl, MD

## Stage 212 seeks directors for summer 2022

LASALLE - Stage 212 in LaSalle is currently seeking submissions from directors for the summer slot of the 2022 season.

The organization is looking for a well-known, highly recognizable musical for the summer slot and will consider all submissions, including repeats of past shows if the shows have not been performed within the last 15 years.

Anyone interested in submitting a musical for consideration should visit the Stage 212 website at [stage212.org](http://stage212.org) for application information.

Visitors to [stage212.org](http://stage212.org) will find a reference list of all productions Stage 212 has put on in their history, as well as a director's resume and application to be completed and submitted online.

Applications are due by

July 1. A final selection will be made for recommendation to the management committee of Stage 212 in August. Any questions should be e-mailed to [stage212web@gmail.com](mailto:stage212web@gmail.com).

Stage 212 has been the Illinois Valley's community theater since 1968 and welcomes anyone interested in participating in a stage production, regardless of previous experience.

## HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

### Holy Cross School – 4th Quarter Honor Rolls

MENDOTA - Holy Cross School in Mendota has announced their 4th Quarter honor rolls for the 2020-21 school year.

#### 8th High Honor Roll

Lily Bokus—4.0, Kirby Bond—4.0, Benjamin Bresley, Alondra Delao—4.0, Ava Eddy—4.0, Bailey Engels—4.0, Cassie Gonzalez, Lauren Holland—4.0, Libby Huffaker—4.0, Ella Martin, Korinne Miars—4.0, Isabela Rosales, Grace Royer—4.0, Kenley Wilson—4.0.

#### 8th Honor Roll

Garrett Connelly, Natalie Hanaman.

#### 7th High Honor Roll

Addyson Allensworth, Maren Atherton, Alex Beetz, Anna Cyrocki, Laylie Denault, Dane Doyle, Mae Hagenbuch, Brody Hartt, Alex Holland, Addisyn Jones, Grady Jones, Gabriella Lewis, Peri Manning, Kooper Novak, Lily Soliman, Ryan Soliman, Aden Tillman.

#### 7th Honor Roll

Breanna Martinez, Nick Sheridan, Joe Stewart.

#### 6th High Honor Roll

Emily Diaz, Emma Huffaker, Elaina Koch, Kara Miars, Lex Tillman, James Whitmore.

#### 6th Honor Roll

Abbie Kreiser.

#### 5th High Honor Roll

Charlee Dankenbring, Komen Denault, Hayley Diaz, Corbin Doll, Karson Doyle, Giselle Gonzalez, Leah Henkel, Kaylee MacDonald, Abby Magallanes, Gaby Martinez, Leah Schwemlein, Elsie Soliman, Ross Sondgeroth, Cole Tillman, Charles Wilson.

#### 5th Honor Roll

Diego Diaz, Ashlynn Rickels.

#### B.U.G. Roll

##### 5th Grade

Diego Diaz.

##### 4th Grade

Eva Beetz, Abby Delao.

##### 3rd Grade

Emme Beetz, Leo Engels, Linda MacDonald, Lillee Monterastelli, Camden Pawlowski, Kayne Phillips, Ellye Reppin, Molly Wilson.

##### 2nd Grade

Mason Atherton, Brady Aughenbaugh, Paul Hochstatter, Sofia Lemus, Brooklyn Shakespeare, Jaxson Zimmerlein.

##### 1st Grade

Addison Mathesius, Ellynn Schmidt.

#### Kingergarten

Candice Boysen, Adan Delao, Daniel Escatel, William Hornung, Summer Lauer, Alexia Lerma, Cecilia Ortiz, Brooks Pawlowski, Kohen Piller, Jase Reppin.

## Mendota H.S. Class of '21 Top Students announced

MENDOTA - The top 13 students of the Mendota High School Class of 2021 are Amanda Barrett, Amellia Bromenschenkel, Daisy Contreras, Mary Elizabeth DeFore, Samuel Lawrence, Grace Leifheit, Lily Linden, Twila Martinson, Ella Massey, Madi Mikolasek, Jenna O'Donnell, Madison Pappas, and Rosevelia Rocha.

## EDUCATION BRIEFS

### SIU Carbondale Graduation, Deans' Lists

CARBONDALE – Southern Illinois University Carbondale has announced its spring 2021 degree candidates and Deans' lists members. Commencement ceremonies were May 7-9 at Saluki Stadium.

Area students named to the Dean's List include Josef P. McKee, senior, Earlville; Lucas P. Leffelman, senior, Amboy; Thomas J. Stamberger, junior, LaMoille; and Pearl A. Taylor, junior, West Brooklyn.

Students earning degrees include Leffelman, BA in Radio, Television and Digital Media; and Alexis R. Diaz, Mendota, BS in Behavior Analysis and Therapy.

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## NORTHBROOK STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - APRIL & MAY



### 5th Grade

Northbrook School's fifth grade Students of the Month for April and May, front row left to right, are Issac Wonders, Janell Olguin, Karlee Organ and Adrian Trejo; back row, Khloe Henry, Riley Carlson, Viktor Angulo, Shelby Armstrong and Dalton Gallagher. Not pictured are Anthony Martinez-Morales and Anahi Perez.

(Photos contributed. Please note: Photos of the students were taken individually for safety and then grouped together digitally.)



### 6th Grade

Northbrook School's sixth grade Students of the Month for April and May, front row left to right, are Kelly Falcon, Alexys Melendez, Addison Perryman, Alaina Audia and Ian Cole; back row, Stormie Whildin, MaKenzie Mumm, Bailey Ryan, Tyler DeWaele and Berat Imeri.



### 7th Grade

Northbrook School's seventh grade Students of the Month for April and May, front row left to right, are Stephanie Medina, Vivian Begley, Damein Kimes, Kate Mikolasek and Payton Gagliardo; back row, Hector Gonzalez, Anthony Seablom, Jayden Wehrs and Vivian George.



### 8th Grade

Northbrook School's eighth grade Students of the Month for April and May, front row left to right, are Fernando Arteaga, Samantha Ascensio and Jorge Arteaga; back row, Ivan Espinoza and Christopher Kimes. Not pictured are Jada Nelson and Karina Coronel.

## CARL'S QUIZ

Which of the following artists had a five-week run at #1 during the summer of 1991?

- 1.) Paula Abdul, 2.) Mariah Carey, 3.) Gloria Estefan, 4.) Whitney Houston or 5.) Wilson Phillips

The answer to last week's quiz is: An apple floats because 25% of its volume is air.

Answer next week in The Mendota Reporter and online at [www.mendotareporter.com](http://www.mendotareporter.com)

## Register now for Walnut 5K Run/Walk for ALS

WALNUT - The Walnut 5K Run/Walk for ALS Research (Lou Gehrig's Disease) will be held on Saturday, July 3. The run/walk will start at 8 a.m. in front of the Bureau Valley Elementary Walnut Campus.

The entry fee is \$15 if received by June 25 and T-shirts are guaranteed to all who register by that date. Race day registration will be held prior to race from 6:45-7:45 a.m.

Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place

overall male and female finishers and medals will be presented to the top 3 finishers (male & female) in each of 13 age groups. Trophies will also go to the first male and female Walnut finishers. Walkers are encouraged to participate. Bib chip timing, professional road race scoring team, and an accurately

measured course will be in place.

This race typically has approximately 300-400 participants. Everyone is invited to join in the event's 10th year of raising money to support ALS research. Over the past nine years, the Walnut Run/

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## Mendota Weather

June 2, 2021

### Seven Day Forecast

**Wednesday**  
Few Showers  
High: 69 Low: 56

**Thursday**  
Chance T-storms  
High: 76 Low: 58

**Friday**  
Mostly Sunny  
High: 81 Low: 63

**Saturday**  
Mostly Sunny  
High: 85 Low: 64

**Sunday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 84 Low: 65

**Monday**  
Cloudy  
High: 83 Low: 61

**Tuesday**  
Few Showers  
High: 81 Low: 62

### In-Depth Forecast

Wednesday we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 50% chance of showers, high of 69°, humidity of 62%. East northeast wind 3 to 10 mph. The record high for Wednesday is 92° set in 2002. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday night with a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 56°. East wind 2 to 7 mph. The record low for Wednesday night is 40° set in 1993.

### Last Week's Local Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip
Monday	89	67	72/50	0.00"
Tuesday	83	69	72/50	0.13"
Wednesday	80	65	73/51	0.51"
Thursday	67	53	73/51	0.00"
Friday	48	46	73/51	0.13"
Saturday	64	43	74/52	0.00"
Sunday	70	42	74/52	0.00"

### Regional Cities

City	Hi/Lo	Wx
Aurora	71/56	sh
Champaign	72/59	sh
Chicago	66/59	sh
Freeport	74/55	t
Joliet	70/57	t
Moline	72/57	t
Peoria	69/58	sh
Rockford	74/56	sh
Springfield	70/59	sh

Wednesday	Thursday
Hi/Lo	Hi/Lo
Wx	Wx
76/57	t
76/59	t
70/60	sh
78/57	t
76/57	t
78/60	pc
76/59	sh
77/57	t
75/60	t

Rainfall	0.77"
Normal rainfall	0.90"
Departure	-0.13"
Average temp	63.3°
Average normal	62.0°
Departure	+1.3°

Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	5:24 a.m.	8:25 p.m.	1:57 a.m.	12:57 p.m.
Thursday	5:23 a.m.	8:25 p.m.	2:21 a.m.	2:00 p.m.
Friday	5:23 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	2:43 a.m.	3:01 p.m.
Saturday	5:23 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	3:05 a.m.	4:01 p.m.
Sunday	5:22 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	3:27 a.m.	5:01 p.m.
Monday	5:22 a.m.	8:28 p.m.	3:50 a.m.	6:02 p.m.
Tuesday	5:22 a.m.	8:28 p.m.	4:16 a.m.	7:03 p.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 isolated rain, highest temperature of 81 in Easton, Md. The Southeast will experience partly to mostly cloudy skies with scattered showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 90 in Albany, Ga. The central United States will see partly to mostly cloudy skies with isolated showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 94 in Canutillo, Texas. In the Northwest there will be mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 103 in Richland, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 110 in Bullhead City, Ariz.

### Weather History

**June 2, 1989** - Thunderstorms produced severe weather across much of the south central United States through most of the day and night. Thunderstorms spawned 12 tornadoes and there were 123 reports of large hail and damaging winds.

**June 3, 1987** - Six days of flooding in south Texas culminated with five to six inches of rain from Bexar County to Bandera County and five to nine inches of rain in Gonzalez and Wilson Counties. Damage to crops was estimated at a total of 500 million dollars.

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# OBITUARIES / LOCAL NEWS

## Donna M. Cooper

MENDOTA - Donna M. Cooper, 81, of Mendota, passed away unexpectedly May 22, 2021 at OSF St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Ottawa. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 3 at Holy Cross Church, Mendota with Father Peter Pilon officiating. Burial will be at Holy Cross Cemetery, Mendota. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 2 at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota.

Donna was born April 18, 1937 in Peru to Elmer and Dorothy (Locke) Trattner. She married Robert "Bob" L. Cooper. He preceded her in death on Nov. 28, 2019 after 54 years of marriage.

Survivors include two sons, Michael (Trisha) Cooper and Mark (Sally) Cooper and four grandchildren, Anthony, Jonathan, Seth and Gabrielle, all of Ottawa.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents and one sister, Geraldine Asal.

Donna was the wife of the late MHS principal Robert L. Cooper and loving mother of Mike and Mark Cooper.

Donna grew up in LaSalle and was a 1955 graduate of LaSalle-Peru Township High School. After graduating from L-P, she attended Western Illinois University where she received her degree. She spent several years as a lab technician before settling in as a full-time mom to her two sons. She and Bob, who was a former Mendota High School principal, were big supporters of the high school and the community. They attended events both big and small for many years. They also became full-time supporters of Ottawa High School, Ottawa Pirate athletics and other events involving their sons and grandkids. Donna, who loved attending her grandkids' activities, was also an avid tennis player and she enjoyed reading and watching current events news stories on television.

Memorials may be directed to the Ottawa Booster Club or Mendota High School. Online condolences may be left at [www.merrittfh.com](http://www.merrittfh.com).

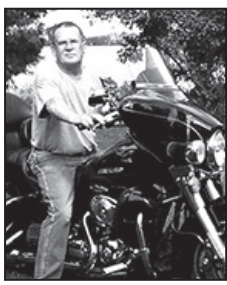


## Michael L. Arjes

EARLVILLE - Services have been scheduled for Michael Lee Arjes, 68, of Earlville, who passed away June 27, 2020 at his residence surrounded by his family.

Military honors will be accorded by Mendota VFW Post 4079 at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 5 at Veterans Park, Mendota. A celebration of life will follow from 1-4 p.m. at Mendota VFW Post 4079, 610 6th St., Mendota.

Contributions in Mike's memory may be directed to Mendota VFW Post 4079. Please visit [www.TormanFuneralHome.com](http://www.TormanFuneralHome.com) to sign the online guest book.



## Franklin Grove Historical Society plans open house events

FRANKLIN GROVE - Ever wanted to fire a flintlock? Throw a tomahawk? Be a blacksmith? Well, you can at Chaplin Creek Historical Village in Franklin Grove during open house events on July 17 and 18. The hours on Saturday, July 17 will be 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; and on Sunday, July 18, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Chaplin Creek Historical Village is 10 miles east of Dixon on Illinois State Route 38. This event is sponsored by Franklin Grove Area Historical Society, Chaplin Creek Muzzleloaders, Ye Olde Haggis Shoppe, and blacksmiths Brian Cheshier and Stan Brandon of the Upper Midwest Blacksmith

Association.

The Chaplin Creek Muzzleloaders are a group of local antique and historic gun collectors who call their home Chaplin Creek Village, Franklin Grove. As a charter member of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association, the Chaplin Creek group "promotes, supports, nurtures and preserves NMLRA's and the rich historical heritage in the sport of muzzleloading through recreational, educational, historical, and cultural venues such as match competition, gun making and safety, historical re-enactments, exhibits, museums, libraries, and other related programs."

## LaSalle Library to host NASA ambassador for evening stargazing event at Rotary Park

LA SALLE - Join NASA Solar System Ambassador James Joel Knapper as he assists the public in touring the night sky during a Star Party to be held at Rotary Park in LaSalle. Hosted by the LaSalle Public Library, the evening event will take place on Saturday, June 12 from 8 to 10:30 p.m.

Stargazing has been around since humans first looked up. Whether you are an amateur astronomer or someone who just wants to enjoy the stars and planets and learn a bit about them, the LaSalle Public Library's Star Party will be a fun opportunity close to home. Telescopes will be available for observation, as well as astronomy binoculars. Red flashlights, used to maintain night vision, as

well as planispheres and tablets with night sky apps will be available to locate objects, constellations, asterisms and planets.

The Star Party is a free, family-friendly event open to the public. All city park rules will apply and masks will be required for all who attend. Registration is required. To sign up online go to <https://bit.ly/3upDRgS>. Registrants will receive additional information at the e-mail they provide after registering. If there is inclement weather, the Star Party will be cancelled.

Rotary Park is located at 2837 E. 5th Road, LaSalle. For more information regarding the Star Party, please call the Library at (815) 223-2341.

## Great news for WIC participants

LA SALLE COUNTY - As a reminder, Illinois WIC has converted to EBT for food benefits, which has been advantageous for participants in the WIC program. With this change has come

more food choices. Although WIC is a supplemental food program, it supplies foods from all food groups, including fresh fruits and vegetables. Normally, the monthly cash value benefit for fruits and vegetables is \$9 per child and \$11 for pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women.

The LaSalle County Health Department is excited to announce that thanks to the passage of the American Rescue Plan, Illinois WIC has chosen to temporarily increase the Cash Value Benefits for the purchase of fruits and vegetables up to \$35 per child and adult per

month for four months.

The additional benefits started June 1 and continue through Sept. 29. This will increase the ability of WIC participants to buy and consume more healthy fruits and vegetables during this difficult time. WIC benefits can be used along with SNAP benefits. Eligibility includes women (pregnant, breastfeeding or postpartum), infants and children up to age 5.

If you have SNAP, Medicaid or meet current income guidelines, you qualify. Please call the LaSalle County Health Department at (815) 433-3366 to sign up.

## IVCC

### IVCC announces graduates, honor students for spring 2021

OGLESBY - A total of 420 students graduated this spring at Illinois Valley Community College. The 55th annual commencement ceremony video may be viewed at [www.ivcc.edu/commencement](http://www.ivcc.edu/commencement) or on the IVCC Eagles YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/656sdJEPa0I>.

#### Graduates

Local graduates listed by hometown and their degrees or certificates include:

**Mendota:** Grace Brandner, AS; Mayela Bugarin, AAS in Nursing; Tatyana Carreon, CNA; Bradyn Chandler, CNA; Itzel Corona, AAS in Nursing; Ludwig Costas Guerrero, Phlebotomy; Kevin Cuevas, AS; Gisselle Diaz, AA; Chris Gambrel, Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC); Fabian Gomez, AA, AS; Jo'Hanna Hass, AS; Ilian Hernandez, CNA; Debra Johnson, AAS in Nursing; Lauryn Kelly, CNA; Oscar Martinez, TDT Advanced Proficiency; Mercedes Melgarejo, AAS in Nursing; Greggorie Munson, Phlebotomy; Sara Munson, Phlebotomy; Gabriela Nanez, AS; Allison Olczak, AS; Aaron Perryman, AAS in Engineering Technology; Jannely Romero, AA; Guadalupe Ruiz, HVAC; Juliana Sarabia, AA; Madelyn Van Horn, AA;

**Compton:** Amber Sparks, CNA;

**La Moille:** Grace Bertalot, AS; Hannah Weeks, AS;

**Paw Paw:** Sheyanne Tipsord, CNA;

**Troy Grove:** Krysta Naudman, AAS in Nursing;

**West Brooklyn:** Haley Fittanto, AA, AS.

#### Presidential Honors

For the spring 2021 semester, 172 students were named to the Presidential Honors list at Illinois Valley Community College.

Local students who earned a grade point average of 3.75 to 4.0 in 12 or more semester hours listed by hometown are:

**Mendota:** Edwin Angulo, Uriel Arellano, Victoria Arteaga, Aaron Brandner, Francine Brandt, Daisy Con-

terras, Jason Donahue, Lauryn Kelly, Madison Kleinert, Samuel Lawrence, Jada Pulver, Lizbeth Quintana, Octavio Rocha, Guadalupe Ruiz, Juliana Sarabia, Theran Schmitt, Derek Sheaves, Cole Stremmlau;

**La Moille:** Grace Bertalot, Calvin Deering, Hannah Weeks;

**Earlville:** Hayden Boms-tad, Alexander Hoelzer.

#### Academic Honors

For the spring 2021 semester, 529 students were named to the Academic Honors list at Illinois Valley Community College.

Local students who earned a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.74 in six or more semester hours, listed by hometown are:

**Mendota:** Hector Arredondo, Daisy Arteaga, Keina Arteaga, Rene Arteaga, Piper Artman, Amanda Barrett, Zackery Billhorn, Marlie Boelk, Grace Brandner, Jenny Brown, Kevin Cuevas, Mary Defore, Josephine Eager, Alondra Espinoza Farias, Chris Gambrel, Jose Godina, Julian Godina, Lizandra Hernandez, Zeke Hessenberger, Yulissa Juarez, Leilani Landeros, Grace Leifheit, Oscar Martinez, Twila Martinson, Ella Massey, Madison Mikolasek, Greggorie Munson, Izabella Nanez, Jenna O'Donnell, Natalie Orozco, Esmeralda Perez, Raul Perez, Emilio Raya, Rosevelia Rocha, Valerie Rodriguez, Christopher Sandoval, Laney Saylor, Patience Stallings, Nolan Stombaugh, Janet Varela, Harvey Vela, Abbie Wheeler, Maren Wise;

**Compton:** Amber Sparks;

**La Moille:** Casen Cherry, Melanie Harden, Kailee Keighin, Morgan Sadnick, Jordan Shaw;

**Earlville:** Brandon Bruce, Catherine Fasking, Brian Heistone, Emma Kamin, Lorraine Koltunczyk, Hannah Kuter, Jady Pickert, Davis Sweeney;

**Paw Paw:** Sheyanne Tipsord;

**Troy Grove:** Noah Trumper;

**West Brooklyn:** Aaron Schmidt.

## ALS

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Walk has raised \$82,000.

Due to COVID, the event organizers will strive to make this year's run/walk a safe racing environment for all

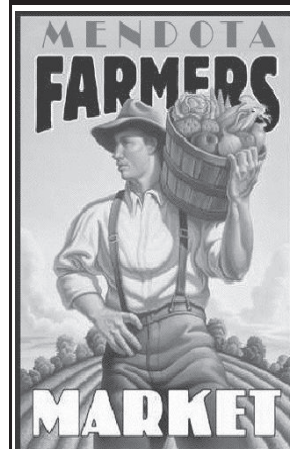
participants.

To request an entry form or a link to the online registration, contact Brad Monier, co-race director, at (815) 303-9346 or e-mail [walnut5kals@gmail.com](mailto:walnut5kals@gmail.com).

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# LOCAL AND AREA

## K. Grim graduates from Northbrook School

MENDOTA – Northbrook Middle School held its eighth-grade graduation ceremony on May 20 at the Northbrook track.

The Mendota Reporter published a story about the ceremony in its May 26 issue, however, one name of a graduate was inadvertently omitted from the list. That student is Keith Grim. Northbrook School and The Reporter apologize for the omission.

Members of the Class of 2021 are:

Eric Aranda, Aiden Arjes, Fernando Arteaga, Gabriel Arteaga, Jorge Arteaga, Noemi Arteaga, Samantha Ascensio, Alivia Avila, Marco Balcazar, Makenzie Bean, Ava Beetz, Shelby Bentley, Ryn Booth, James Bradley, Ashley Caracheo, David Casas, Conner Chambers,

Dejuan Colon Jr., Katelyn Cook, Jaxon Cooper;

Karina Coronel, Ella Coss, Nathaniel DeWaele, Sofia Duarte, Gavin Elston, Cameron Escatel, Jasmin Escatel, Jesus Escobar, Ivan Espinoza, Aidan Fisher, Jacqueline Flores, Braiden Freeman, Ashley Garcia, Crystal Garcia, Jack Gillespie, Joseph Gomez, Heaven Gonzalez, Rosa Gonzalez, Keith Grim, Claire Hanson, Loralie Hart;

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## MHS

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2021 – you did all of this with hard work and perseverance. Class of 2021 – you did all of this and achieved a 90% graduation rate.

“These efforts have only been possible because of parent and community support and involvement. From their first day of preschool through their last day in high school and graduation, you have been the foundation of their learning and nurtured them to develop into the great people they are today. We would like to thank all of the parents and family members here for your continued support and dedication.”

Following a speech by Student Council president Perris Stachlewitz, scholarships and awards were presented to members of the Class of 2021. Recipients were:

James Dankenbring Scholarship – Ella Massey; First State Bank Scholarship – Jack Beetz and Sabrina Belmonte; American Legion Award – Jack Beetz and Perris Stachlewitz; Aaron Olsen Scholarship – Derek Nanez; Ben Bokus Memorial Scholarship – Jenna O'Donnell; Clara Cypreans & Alfred O. Jacob Scholarship – Javier Perez; Jason Kent Johnson Memorial Scholarship – Jenna O'Donnell; Morris Morgan Scholarship – Amanda Barrett; Oden Jordal/Kiwanis Club Scholarship – Javier Perez; Scott Rider Scholarship – Samuel Lawrence;

State Seal/Commendation of Biliteracy Award – Daisy Arteaga, Keina Arteaga, Keina Barrett, Sabrina Belmonte, Amellia Bromenschenkel, Janice Gonzalez, Janeth

Hermosillo, Leilani Landeros, Samuel Lawrence, Twila Martinson, Madison Mikolasek, Derek Nanez, Izabella Nanez, Natalie Orozco, Madison Pappas, Javier Perez, Rosevelia Rocha, Ramiro Salinas; High Honor Academic Graduates – Amanda Barrett, Amellia Bromenschenkel, Daisy Contreras, Mary DeFore, Samuel Lawrence, Grace Leifheit, Lily Linden, Twila Martinson, Ella Massey, Madison Mikolasek, Jenna O'Donnell, Madison Pappas, Rosevelia Rocha.

Next, Madison Pappas addressed her classmates as High Honor speaker. Superintendent Jeff Prusator followed with the presentation of the Class of 2021, and then the granting of diplomas was done by Megan Faber, District 280 Board member, as Aughenbaugh read the graduates' names.

Senior class president Leilani Landeros concluded the ceremony with a speech to her classmates, who then were official graduates of MHS, having fulfilled their obligation as high school students. The MHS Band played the recessional as the new alums exited the stadium.

Students receiving their diplomas were:

Alexis Arteaga, Daisy Arteaga, Felicia Arteaga, Keina Arteaga, Piper Artman, Eli Avila, Jesus Bakr, Alayah Bass, Amanda Barrett, Kody Becket, Jack Beetz, Lauren Beetz, Sabrina Belmonte, Marlie Boelk, Amellia Bromenschenkel, Hope Brown, Joshua Buchanan, Ashley Calamaco, Isabella Caruso, Andres Castaneda;

Brian Castaneda, Ty Connelly, Daisy Contreras,

Abigail Daugaard, Dylan Davidson, Christian Dean, Mary DeFore, Lilianna Delgado, Dylan Denault, Ashton Dewey, Taylor Diaz, Shea Doughty, Olivia Eddy, Mateo Escatel, Andrew Fittanto, Jaelyn Fitzgerald, Rheanna Fitzgerald, Brandon Franklin, Kelle Frey, Samantha Furar;

Dugann Gatlin, Julian Godina, Morgan Gonda, Janice Gonzalez, Salma Gonzalez, Matthew Grenter, Abel Guerra, Bonnie Hall, Lindsay Harper, Janeth Hermosillo, Rigoberto Hermosillo, Selina Hernandez-Diaz, Zeke Hessenberger, Cody Jenner, Camille Jones, Kennedy Kaiser, Charles Kaufman, Matthew Kurdenok, Gaige Lampson, Leilani Landeros;

Samuel Lawrence, Noah Lee, Grace Leifheit, Lily Linden, Alexis Majka, Kelsie Martin, Michael Martin, Crystal Martinez, Twila Martinson, Ella Massey, Jasmine Matheson, Eve McDowell, Madison Mikolasek, Angel Montalvo, William Munson, Derek Nanez, Izabella Nanez, Kasen Novak, Jenna O'Donnell, Amaya Olivas;

Natalie Orozco, Madison Pappas, Javier Perez Jr., Kylie Plock, Malik Preston, Lizbeth Quintana, Silver Quiroga, Emilio Raya, Sara Reasor, Tara Reasor, Rosevelia Rocha, Angel Roman Jr., Nicolas Rosales, Tanya Rosas, Alexander Rummery, Helena Rupp, Ramiro Salinas, Faith Schafer, Joshua Schmidt, Jocelyn Serrano;

Hunter Siebert, Madison Smith, Perris Stachlewitz, Trent Stamberger, Julissa Terrazas, Delaney Tooley, Joseph Turner, Mariela Valdez, Kaysee Villegas, Cole Zimmerman.

## Rent

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Rep. Delia Ramirez, D-Chicago, chief sponsor of HB 2877, said the legislation is “a critical first step” to avoiding a housing crisis as a result of the pandemic.

“The provisions in this bill will ensure that the federal rental assistance is administered effectively and efficiently while targeting those most in need,” Ramirez said.

Ramirez said the sealed eviction record provision is key to providing “a clean slate” for renters who may have lost their homes and allow them to find stable housing in the future.

According to information from the Illinois Department of Human Services, an estimated 60,000 Illinois households are vulnerable for eviction in 2021 as a result of the pandemic.

Pritzker has issued monthly executive orders prohibiting evictions due to pandemic-related financial hardship since March of 2020.

According to Housing Action Illinois, the bill requires the sealing of all eviction records between March 2020 and March 2022 upon filing, with limited unsealing allowed if a judgment is entered and the case is unrelated to nonpayment of rent.

The bill also requires the sealing of older eviction records if the court finds that doing so is in the interests of justice, the case is dismissed, the tenant did not breach the lease, or the parties agree to seal the record. The provision sunsets on July 31, 2022.

Bob Palmer, policy director for Housing Action Illinois, said in a phone call that the governor's announcement regarding the eviction moratorium was expected as the state has met adequate criteria to do so. But he also said his organization would continue to advocate for phasing out the moratorium in a responsible manner.

Palmer added the new round of assistance would be important to continue to support renters and homeowners facing financial challenges due to the pandemic.

“We knew this was coming sooner rather than later,” Palmer said. “We look forward to IHDA and the Illinois Department of Human Services getting as much of that rent assistance out as possible between now and August.”

“We're going to be developing some recommendations for his office about how to responsibly (lift the moratorium),” he added. “We will ask his office continue to monitor the status of that pandemic and ask them to reevaluate that decision based on current public health needs and how well IHDA is able to get these rental assistance dollars out.”

## Police seek identity of man who allegedly stole vehicle

MENDOTA – On May 30 at approximately 5:14 a.m., the Mendota Police Department received a call of a suspicious vehicle dragging something behind it and a suspicious person in the 400 block of 12th Street. Once on scene it was found the driver, a male, wearing a blue-colored sweatshirt and dark-colored pants had left the area on foot westbound.

In the early stages of the investigation, it was found the vehicle had been stolen from the area of North 42nd

Road and East 4th Road. This matter is under investigation, if you have any information regarding this incident, please contact the Mendota Police Department at (815) 539-9331.

The Mendota Police Department is seeking any outdoor video surveillance footage in the residential areas west of 12th Street and Stroble Avenue of a male 5-6 to 5-7 tall, approximately 140 pounds, wearing a blue-colored sweatshirt and dark-colored pants.

## Police investigate Spartan Tool burglary

MENDOTA – On May 28 at approximately 11:54 p.m., the Mendota Police Department was conducting a business check of Spartan Tool located at 1506 Division St., Mendota.

While conducting this business check it was found a burglary had taken place earlier in the night and a Spartan

Tool box truck was taken. The Spartan Tool box truck was located a short distance away and an investigation into the burglary was opened.

This burglary is under investigation. If you have any information regarding this burglary, please contact the Mendota Police Department at (815) 539-9331.

## Report of firearm threat unfounded

MENDOTA – On May 31, the Mendota Police Department received a call from a female stating she was being threatened by another female with a gun. After an investigation into this incident, it was determined there

was no firearm involved and there wasn't even a threat of a firearm.

This matter is being referred to the Juvenile Division of the LaSalle County State's Attorney's Office for charges of disorderly conduct.

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### OSF HealthCare: Let's come together and finish what we started

History books are filled with people accomplishing what once was believed impossible.

In 1962, President Kennedy challenged us to reach the moon by the end of the decade. On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong took "one giant leap for mankind."

Today, we stand similarly on the brink of a historic breakthrough in the fight against COVID-19. Unsung heroes in the scientific, academic and medical communities have developed safe, effective vaccines. The collective effort is unprecedented.

But the war to end this pandemic that has claimed well over half a million lives in this country alone is not over. One missing link remains: You.

Without you, millions of research hours could ultimately be wasted. It would be like stopping the moon quest with an orbit: Wave as you go by, because we've decided not to get out and walk around.

We need to finish what we started and ensure all of us can enjoy healthier lives and a return to normalcy.

COVID-19 has taken so much from so many. The last year has been hard – untold deaths, disrupted families, uncelebrated milestones and holidays, isolation from family members, community lockdowns, a battered economy.

You can help end the suffering. You, your family, friends, neighbors, colleagues and everyone you don't know – all of us – can help by getting vaccinated. If you're uncertain, it's understandable. But accepting a new vaccine to stop the spread of deadly disease is something we as a society have done before. And it's paid off.

Through the first half of the 20th century, we battled polio. Most of those affected were children. Public places were shut down, hospital wards were filled with iron lungs, and afflicted youngsters struggled with leg braces and crutches. Thankfully, research produced a vaccine that virtually eradicated polio.

Ending polio was a national campaign. A lot of pride and patriotism went into protecting one another. We did it together – standing up as one for our children, to end the death and suffering.

Now we find ourselves in an even greater fight. Many of those most at risk for serious illness or death from COVID-19 are among those who stepped up to be vaccinated against polio. They did their part to secure a healthier existence for the generations that followed.

We urge you to educate yourself about the risks and benefits of the vaccines. Make an informed decision. Talk to your primary care provider. Review the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention research and the safety evidence of thousands of vaccinations given in clinical trials and many millions given since.

Vaccination of most of us is our best shot to get us back to the things we love – hugging family, enjoying friends, growing our businesses, attending big events and worship services.

This is the moonshot moment of our generation. But this time, we aren't being asked to watch in awe. This time, all of us are called to be the heroes – for ourselves, parents, children and future.

Let's take this giant leap for mankind together.

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## Reporting a storm – 100 years ago, 1902

*(The following is from Jessica Nashold's Backtracks & Sidetracks column reprinted from June 5, 2002.)*

**By Jessica Nashold**

A hundred years ago, on June 2, 1902, Mendota experienced one of its major storms. Mr. Newport called it "the worst storm in his 34 years here." The Reporter was quick to add:

**We believe he is right.**

Starting at eight in the evening, the storms raged until a late hour. The creek through the center of town was "a roaring torrent," overflowing its banks, flooding streets and yards, basements and cellars. Bridges washed out. The railroad pond was "brimful," and anxious observers feared the dam would break. Both lumber yards were under water.

At the fairgrounds, lighting struck the judge's stand, causing considerable damage. Boettcher's wagon shop, on the west bank of the creek, as it crossed Jefferson Street, reported high water within the building. "Acres and acres" of farmland suffered damage to growing crops, especially corn.

After brief relief on June 3, the rain returned June 4. Starting about three o'clock in the afternoon, it continued two more hours and finally subsided.

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Memorial Day 1902, still called Decoration Day by many, was observed on May 30, the traditional day. It was launched in Mendota by a procession to the cemetery, led by the Mendota Band. The line of march included Civil War veterans of Mendota's C.A. Address Post, members of the fire department, students of the East and West side school with their drum corps and city officials. Each school child was supplied with a small flag. Even though it was a school day, it was remarked:

**Their presence on this occasion is highly proper.**

At the cemetery, graves of deceased veterans were decorated by members of the Grand Army of the Republic, assisted by "larger students" of both schools.

One of the speakers that day was Dr. E.P. Cook. He directed attention to the dilapidated wooden Soldiers Monument, which had been erected in 1868. After more than 30 years of exposure to wind and rain –

**The names of the heroes are almost effaced.**

### Backtracks & Sidetracks

Dr. Cook said the cemetery trustees had authorized use of a one-acre tract, at the junction of the old and new cemetery grounds, as a site for a new soldiers' monument or a memorial building. Such a building could carry the names of the old soldiers on the wall.

Since those present that day favored creation of a fundraising committee to carry out this plan, it was decided to name a committee made up of veterans, sons of veterans and interested citizens.

**SIDETRACK** – In the end it was the Women's Relief Corps, widows and daughters of veterans who remained active on the project. The Soldiers' Monument, which stands between Restland and the first addition, was dedicated in 1913.

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A Memorial Day ball game with LaSalle attracted a good crowd.

**Mendota 16 – LaSalle 9**

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Figures covering the cost of the Memorial Day activities in 1902 were published June 6 in The Mendota Reporter over the signatures of James Skiles, Post Commander, and E.F. Shepley, finance chairman. Of the \$79 collected in donations, the largest item was \$28 for the band. The principal speaker was paid \$10. Flags for the school children cost \$8.99. After accounting for all the minor expenses, there was a surplus of \$6, which was contributed to the fund being raised by the fire department to finance a wider cement walk to the cemeteries. Adjacent property owners were paying for half of a four-foot wide walk and the city for the other half. The fund collected by the fire department would finance an additional foot, a walk five feet wide.

Some had feared this walk would be laid on 13th Avenue. They were assured the cement walk would simply replace the old wooden walk, where it had always been, east of the Illinois Central tracks. Shade trees were already in place along the old walk.

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Austin & Stueve placed a timely ad warning that they would run their scavenger wagon to clean catch basins only two more weeks during the 1902 season. Catch basins were supposed to be cleaned annually.

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Emil Baushardt, secretary of the German-American Historical Society, was in Mendota in early June 1902 enrolling German immigrants living here to work on a projected History of German Immigration in Mendota. The names collected on this trip were John Goedtner, Otto Kieselbah, Joseph Weidner, Christian Henning, Caspar Fischer, J.G. Pohl, Max A.F. Haass, Phil Erlenborn, Joseph Stenger, Joseph Schwartz, August Katzwinkel, J.G. Reul and Henry Schweitzer.

**Additional visits are planned.**

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Assessor Scheidenhelm released figures for personal property taxes in Mendota Township. The total value was \$982,890, and the assessment at 1/5 value was \$196,580.

**Exclusive of telephones.**

Among interesting entries: manufacturers' tools & machinery - \$13,339; farming tools & machinery - \$11,370; household furnishing - \$75,665; money & credit - \$540,820.

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Mayor E.S. Browne announced the city had \$7,858.83 on hand at the start of the fiscal year. He said citizens would be responsible for keeping trees on their property, near streets or sidewalks, trimmed to a height of 15 feet.

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A fire at the Glen Park summer resort destroyed the bowling alley and dance hall. Manager George C. Poundstone said loss was \$3,000, partially covered by insurance.

**They will be rebuilt.**

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Jack Downs and William Barrett captured a turtle at the railroad pond on June 3, 1902.

**It weighed 35 pounds.**

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Henry Kohl, while looking at a cow on Herman Kutter's farm south of town, was bitten by "an old black dog." After a painful night, he was treated by Dr. Charles E. Cook the following morning.

## The GOP future is bright

**By Rich Lowry**

Republicans have had a brutal news cycle over the past month, between the ouster of Liz Cheney from leadership and the intraparty jousting over a January 6 commission.

The overwhelming sense of the coverage is that the party is descending into madness and civil war and is a husk of its former self.

There's no denying that much of the party has been too willing to indulge or look away from wild theories about the 2020 election and the Capitol riot, but this shouldn't obscure the fact that the Republicans are well-positioned to take the House next year.

All indications are that GOP voters are united and energized and the party is doing what's necessary to make Kevin McCarthy the next speaker, which would instantly squash the never-very-plausible talk of Joe Biden being the next FDR.

The foundation of the GOP's unity, of course, is that Donald Trump effortlessly maintained his control of the GOP. The anticipated civil war came and went with barely a shot fired.

Cheney is certainly a casualty, although she is now less a leader of a significant faction of the party and more a voice crying in the wilderness. That is an honorable role, and she may well be vindicated in the fullness of time.

But the party will pay no electoral price for the drama over her leadership role or, likely, for its continued loyalty to Trump.

Despite Trump's grip, he's not front and center for average voters. He isn't president and he isn't on the ballot. The focus inevitably will be on Biden and his agenda, which will loom larger than anything the former president can do from Mar-a-Lago.

The Democratic polling outfit Democracy Corps just did a battleground survey that confirmed this picture. As Stanley Greenberg writes in a memo about the poll, among Republicans: "the percent scoring 10, the highest level of interest in the election, has fallen from 84-68%. But Democrats' engagement fell from 85- 57%."

Greenberg calls the GOP base "uniquely unified and

engaged."

More evidence is the boffo fundraising by the National Republican Campaign Committee so far. Meanwhile, GOP candidate recruitment is ahead of the pace of prior midterm cycles, whereas Democrats are seeing worrisome retirements.

It's not as though there's a high bar for the GOP. Republicans will need to flip about half-a-dozen seats in the House, when in the post-World War II era the president's party has lost on average 27 seats in midterms.

On top of this, the playing field is tilting the GOP's way. Reapportionment gave more seats to Republican states and based on its strength in state legislatures, the GOP also has the upper hand in redistricting.

The Biden theory is that \$6 trillion in spending will deliver a roaring economy that diminishes any midterm losses. But the latest jobs and inflation numbers show that it might not be so simple, and there is considerable doubt whether Biden can get his spending.

Greenberg derives some comfort from his belief that, in contrast to 2020, "this time, Democrats cannot fail to see how early Trump's party is fully engaged with its ongoing culture war, focused on crime, open borders, and defunding the police."

Yet, there is no indication of any effort to seriously defuse these issues. Biden's policies have needlessly created a crisis at the border, and murder rates continue to climb in major cities, even as much of the left still talks of the police as if it's a racist occupying force.

There are miles to go before November 2022. Biden might find a way to thread the needle of cooperating with Republicans on infrastructure and police reform without alienating his own base, and unforeseen events always take a hand.

But the story of 2021 is not a Republican meltdown. Despite what you read, the party stands a good chance to end its bout in the wilderness after two short years.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Celebrity Extra

**By Dana Jackson**  
**Q:** Is the series “Yellowstone” returning with new episodes? If so, when? -- **L.Z.**  
**A:** Yes! “Yellowstone,” starring Kevin Costner, is a huge hit. According to “Variety” magazine, its last-season finale was the most-watched scripted cable telecast. Filming has wrapped up on season 4, and new episodes should begin airing on the Paramount Network this summer, possibly as early as June. (Note: The Paramount Network is not the same as Paramount+, the streaming service formerly known as CBS All Access.) “Yellowstone,” which premiered in 2018, chronicles the Dutton family, with Costner as its patriarch, who controls the largest contiguous cattle ranch in the U.S. Actors Luke Grimes, Wes Bentley, and Kelly Reilly play his grown children. The gorgeous scenery can be attributed to the state of Montana, where “Yellowstone” films at the Chief Joseph Ranch in the town of Darby. You can visit its official website at chiefjosephranch.net.

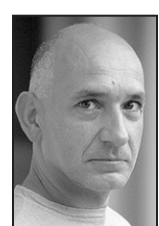


Costner

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**Q:** I saw that the HBO series “In Treatment” is back, but Gabriel Byrne isn’t the counselor in it. Why didn’t he return? -- **C.C.**  
**A:** “In Treatment” returns to HBO after a decade-long hiatus with a new creative team and a new star. Uzo Aduba plays Dr. Brooke Taylor, a role that is quite different than her Emmy-winning role of “Crazy Eyes” on “Orange Is the New Black.” The original series with Byrne aired five nights a week, with each day assigned to a particular patient. It was an exhausting filming schedule with season one having 43 episodes alone. This time around, HBO will show two episodes on Sundays and two on Mondays. Dr. Taylor’s patients will be played by actors John Benjamin Hickey, Anthony Ramos, Quintessa Swindell, and Liza Colón-Zayas. Next up for Byrne is the Western film “Murder at Emigrant Gulch.”  
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**Q:** I’m really going to miss the TV show “Last Man Standing.” I love traditional sitcoms like this. I do have a question though. Why was Boyd off the air for so many years? -- **W.G.**  
**A:** “Last Man Standing” recently ended after nine

seasons. It starred Tim Allen and Nancy Travis, and was canceled by ABC in 2017 before being picked up by Fox the next year. Recently, showrunner Kevin Abbott addressed the absence of grandson Boyd, who was only mentioned in passing in the final seasons. Abbott told TVLine.com that, “Every week, we struggle to give all the characters something to do, and another regular just eats up real estate.” Abbott said they also were out of ideas for parenting storylines and didn’t think it was fair to ask actor Jet Jurgensmeyer, who played Boyd, to come to the set only on an as-needed basis. One of the show’s standouts was Kaitlyn Dever, who played Eve. She quickly landed roles on other projects, including the film “Booksmart” and Netflix’s “Unbelievable,” which earned her a Golden Globe nomination. You can see her in the upcoming film “Dear Evan Hansen,” which is based on the Tony award-winning Broadway musical. Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

**By Tony Rizzo**  
**HOLLYWOOD**--“Gandhi” Oscar-winner Sir Ben Kingsley was last seen in the rom-com “Locked Down,” with Anne Hathaway, Chiwetel Ejiofor and Mindy Kaling, in January via HBO Max. Now he has completed director Terrence Malick’s film “The Way of the Wind,” with “Bridge of Spies” Oscar-winner Mark Rylance, and is currently before the cameras playing the great artist Salvador Dali in “Daliland.” I once met Salvador Dali in New York City and asked for his autograph. He took my pen and literally attacked the white index card I gave him to sign, which turned out to be a very valuable miniature piece of art. He did, however, obliterate my pen in the process. I can always get another pen, but a signed Dali more than makes up for it.  
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Amy Adams and Jake Gyl-



Kingsley

## Hollywood

lenhaal are producing their next film, “Finding the Mother Tree,” about the scientist who discovered how trees communicate underground. Adams, a six-time Oscar nominee, has had several films out, including “Hillbilly Elegy,” Zack Snyder’s “Justice League” (as Lois Lane), and “The Woman in the Window,” with Oscar-winner Gary Oldman and Anthony Mackie, now available for streaming on Netflix. Adams is currently shooting two films: “Dear Evan Hansen,” the Broadway musical with Ben Platt re-creating the role that won him a Tony Award, also with Oscar-winner Julianne Moore; and “Disenchanted” (the sequel to “Enchanted”) for Disney+. Gyllenhaal has completed “The Guilty” for Netflix, with Ethan Hawke, as well as the action thriller “Ambulance” for director Michael Bay, opening in February.  
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Facebook seems to breed people who’ll attack anyone, famous or not. Take superstar Robert Redford, who often has problems with people taking him to task for what he

writes on his Facebook page, and sometimes expressing disappointment about his views. Redford addressed the issue saying, “I don’t sugarcoat my views or beliefs ... never have, never will. Money cannot buy class, or make you happy. Nor will it buy you real friendship or loyalty. Like anything else, you can use power, fame and wealth for good or bad. It’s your choice.” “Honestly, I fail to see why so many are disappointed or let down by my opinions or postings. I’ve always been vocal and maintained who I am and what I believe. I’m not sorry you’re disappointed, but I’m sorry you can only see me as the characters I portrayed and not the person I’ve always been. Maybe it’s best not to put people on pedestals ... no one is perfect, especially me. I hope you are still a fan after you read this, if not ... peace and happiness to you.” If Robert Redford gets called out for his views, what chance do the rest of us have? Still wanna be famous? (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Couch Theater

**By Amy Anderson**  
The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts another surging storm season for 2021, with a whopping 13-20 named storms and three to five major hurricanes in the Gulf and Atlantic. The hurricane season started officially on June 1, although we’ve already had a named storm in the Atlantic in May. Are you making preparations? Along with medicines, canned food, water and flashlights for that inevitable power failure, grab some DVDs to prepare for an internet outage. Need some inspiration? How about 2012’s “Alien Tornado” -- featuring electrical windstorms and an unusual group of heroes that includes a farmer and a blogger? Or 2010’s “Burning Bright,” in which a girl and her autistic brother are trapped in their house during a hurricane -- with a man-eating tiger that was purchased by their no-good dad! Here are some more mainstream choices:

“Crawl” (R) -- Haley (Kay Scodelario) is a small-town Florida girl sitting in the track of a monster hurricane. Under evacuation orders, she finds her dad trapped in the crawlspace of his home. Injured and vulnerable, the rising waters threaten their lives -- but that’s not even the worst thing. There, in the brackish maelstrom, lurk giant alligators. “The Perfect Storm” (PG-13) -- A tropical storm meets cold front, creating 100-foot waves that pound a fishing boat in the North Atlantic in this terrifying true tale of the Andrea Gail, starring George Clooney and Mark Wahlberg. “Sharknado” through “The Last Sharknado: It’s About Time” (NR) -- Whether you indoctrinate with the original, featuring the City of Angels under siege, or skip with to the sixth and final installment, relax with hero Ian Ziering as Fin Shepard. This tragedy of cheese keeps giving and

giving. “Adrift” (PG-13) -- Shailene Woodley and Sam Claflin star in a tale of disaster, resilience and romance on the (literally) high seas. In the path of their yacht sailing from Tahiti to San Diego, a category 5 hurricane develops, which they miraculously survive. Against all odds and adrift in the middle of nowhere, they must survive. It’s inspirational nightmare that is based on a true story. “Hours” (PG-13) -- Paul Walker plays Nolan, a young father whose wife gives birth to a baby girl just hours before Hurricane Katrina hits New Orleans. The mother dies, the baby is struggling and requires a ventilator as the hospital loses power and staff. Nolan is left alone to fend for his child, keeping her alive by hook or crook. It’s surprisingly poignant for a thriller, with Nolan overcoming an endless string of adversities. (c) 2021 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Strange But True

**By Lucie Winborne**  
\* The word hundred is derived from the word “hundredth,” which actually means 120 and not 100.  
\* New Yorkers went through a bizarre phase of wearing chameleons as living ornaments in 1894. They were fastened to cushions, scarves and women’s bodices with tiny chains and collars as little “jeweled playthings,” but thankfully the trend was shut down by the SPCA, which banned their sale -- though not until over 10,000 of the creatures were already running loose in the city.  
\* The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.  
\* Any photo you’ve ever seen of the Milky Way from space is either of another galaxy or an artist’s rendition, since we’re inside the galaxy and can’t take an aerial view.  
\* Kangaroos hop because their leg structure doesn’t permit them to walk independently.  
\* A 6-year-old Chinese boy named Ming Ming fell from an eight-story window, only to catch his ears in a metal grate, thereby saving his life.  
\* In 2019, the Wendy’s fast-food chain released a tabletop board game titled “Feast of Legends.” It’s played in a similar fashion to Dungeons and Dragons, with Wendy as the Queen and main character.  
\* Bananas are a natural source of radioactive isotopes. Just a few can often trigger radiation sensors used at U.S. ports to detect smuggled nuclear material.  
\* The Sistine Chapel contains a small side room nicknamed the “Room of Tears.” This is where the new Pope is taken after winning the election, to relieve the emotion of that process.

## • Trivia Test •

- TELEVISION: What were the names of the six children on “The Brady Bunch”?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which of the Earth’s oceans is the smallest?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the lowest rank in the U.S. Air Force?
- LANGUAGE: What is the American version of the British plimsolls?
- LITERATURE: Which one of Shakespeare’s plays is the longest?
- MEASUREMENTS: What time period is a decennial?
- MOVIES: Which actor played himself in the movie “Zombieland”?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many eyes does a bee have?
- ANATOMY: What are rascata?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which 20th-century president’s Secret Service code name was Timberwolf?

Answers  
1. Greg, Marcia, Peter, Jan, Bobby and Cindy  
2. Arctic  
3. Airman basic  
4. Sneakers  
5. “Hamlet”  
6. 10 years  
7. Bill Murray  
8. Five  
9. Deep creases at your wrists  
10. George Herbert Walker Bush  
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22 Also  
26 “It’s a Wonderful Life” director  
29 French article  
30 “— how!” (rodeo cry)  
31 “Hi, sailor!”  
32 Follower (Suff.)  
33 Nota —  
34 Airline to Sweden  
35 “Today” rival, briefly  
36 Fragrant wood  
37 Typically  
39 X-ray’s cousin  
40 — de France  
41 Oregon city  
45 Apple computer  
48 Prescription phrase  
50 Opulent  
51 Attic buildup  
52 Historic time

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6 Dogpatch adjective  
7 Graceful  
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9 Sashimi fish  
10 Young bloke  
11 Frank McCourt memoir  
16 Tired  
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23 Kept tabs on  
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25 Ogler’s look  
26 Juan’s home  
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28 Stance  
29 G8 member  
32 “Let’s do this!”  
33 Ecu  
35 Solidify  
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# LOCAL AND AREA

## Lawmakers pass \$42.3 billion budget

By **PETER HANCOCK**  
*Capitol News Illinois*

SPRINGFIELD—Illinois lawmakers worked into the early hours of June 1 to pass a \$42.3 billion state budget plan for the upcoming fiscal year that Democrats say would fully fund K-12 education and the state's pension obligations while also paying down a sizeable portion of the state's debt.

Lawmakers have been working on the budget since Gov. JB Pritzker delivered his proposal in February, and it passed on mostly partisan lines.

The job became easier with better-than-expected tax collections this year as well as passage of the federal American Rescue Plan Act, or ARPA, which will provide about \$8.1 billion that the state can spend over the next four fiscal years.

Lawmakers said they plan to use the money for one-time projects such as affordable housing development, public health improvements, violence prevention programs and infrastructure projects.

Republicans, however, complained that the infrastructure spending was entirely directed by Democrats.

Presenting the budget to a committee Monday afternoon, House Majority Leader Greg Harris, D-Chicago, contrasted the situation Illinois faces now with the dire conditions it faced one year ago at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Here we sit today. We are back in our state Capitol," he said. "We have vaccines. The world is beginning to open back up. We are seeing a bright, sunny day outside and there's a lot to talk about that we have accomplished in the last year as a state that has put the state of Illinois in a far more stable place financially and a responsible place fiscally."

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It also calls for spending about \$7.5 billion in state general revenues on Medicaid, plus another \$7.4 billion for other human services; \$1.9 billion for higher education; another \$1.9 billion for public safety; and \$1.4 billion for general services.

In addition to those regular items, Harris said, the plan calls for spending about \$2.5 billion of the ARPA money Illinois expects to receive. Of that, \$1.5 billion would go for things like economic recovery programs to help businesses hardest hit by the pandemic, public health, affordable housing and violence prevention programs like after-school activities, and summer youth employment.

Another \$1 billion of the ARPA funds would be directed into the ongoing Rebuild Illinois capital improvements program to accelerate some of the projects slated for construction.

That stirred controversy in a House committee when Rep. Tom Demmer, of Dixon, the Republican caucus' chief budget negotiator, asked how the \$1 billion in capital projects had been selected.

"Through the normal process by which all capital costs of projects are chosen," Harris said. "Members make requests and departments make requests, and they are fulfilled within an order

depending on the category. For instance, IDOT has a five-year plan, members might have a request where they have a first, second third priority. And as funds are available, they would be funded."

Demmer then asked whether any of the requests had come from Republican lawmakers and Harris replied that he didn't know of any.

"We have a billion dollars of new capital projects that have been available, but it appears that it was only known that those projects were available or eligible for requests from Senate Democratic and House Democratic caucuses," Demmer said.

"Certainly would be happy to talk," Harris replied.

Demmer raised the same concerns during the floor vote.

Harris also said the proposal calls for paying down about \$2 billion of bonded indebtedness as well as paying off all of the state's internal, or "interfund" borrowing.

Republicans opposed the plan because it also relies on eliminating or delaying the implementation of roughly \$660 million worth of corporate tax cuts and business incentives, which Democrats have termed corporate "loopholes."

One of those calls for delaying any further phase-out of the corporate franchise tax, which was a concession Democrats had made to Republicans in 2019 to reach bipartisan agreement on the budget and a \$45 billion "Rebuild Illinois" capital improvements plan.

The budget bill passed the House minutes before midnight, 72-24. But it took until the early hours of Tuesday morning, June

1, for the package to come up for a vote in the Senate, thereby triggering a constitutional requirement that it pass by at least a three-fifths majority, or 36 votes.

It passed the Senate with 37 votes after a short debate during which Sen. Chapin Rose, R-Mahomet, called it "an unparalleled spending spree of epic proportions."

He specifically noted the limited contributions to the state's unemployment trust fund, which he said had a deficit of about \$5 billion due to the COVID-19 pandemic, while the budget only contributes about \$100 million to that.

"You know who makes up that difference? I know your side of the aisle will say, 'The employer. The businessman will eat that difference,'" He said. "Wrong. Who picks that up? The employee that doesn't get rehired, that's who picks it up. The employee that's laid off. That's who eats that sandwich."

But Sen. Elgie Sims, D-Chicago, who chairs the Senate Appropriations Committee, defended the spending plan for its investments in health care, youth employment and a host of other services.

"This budget absolutely funds our priorities," he said, "because we are fighting for individuals who cannot fight for themselves."

The budget package next goes to Pritzker for his consideration.

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## IVCC selects auditor, considers adding a sport

OGLESBY—The Illinois Valley Community College board's audit finance committee on May 3 discussed the selection of an auditor and heard updates on emergency state and federal funding and the plan to reopen the fitness center.

The committee also learned athletics is considering adding men's and women's cross country as intercollegiate sports in fall 2022 and moving all teams up to Division II within the National Junior College Athletic Association.

In a memo shared with the committee, Vice President for Student Services Mark Grzybowski and Athletic Director Cory Tomasson said Arrowhead Conference schools Carl Sandburg, Kishwaukee and Sauk Valley have cross country teams and Highland will add it this fall. The lone remaining college, Black Hawk, is considering adding it.

A survey of district high schools revealed 18-of-20 compete in boys' cross country and 17-of-20 have girls' teams. Rosters of 10-to-20 runners are anticipated.

"Athletics enriches the student experience and is an enrollment incentive for some who might not otherwise have considered IVCC," Grzybowski said.

Athletics is also recommending moving all teams to Division II in 2022-23 to allow each to offer tuition waiver hours. The move would align IVCC with other Arrowhead schools, make it easier for athletes to compete in more than one sport and enhance coaches' ability to recruit, Tomasson said.

If each sport's roster is maximized—with each athlete required to enroll in a minimum 15 hours—the net gain in tuition and fees would be nearly \$160,000.

The college is considering reopening its fitness center in the fall for noncredit use by athletes, teams, students, employees and retirees. The college has received feedback on fitness center operations from 17 community colleges. IVCC's center closed in April 2020 when the pandemic forced most instruction online.

In other business, the committee recommended board approval of the proposal from Sikich, LLP for auditing services for 2021 through 2023. Year one cost is \$39,500, year two \$40,685, and year three \$41,950.

Sikich audits more than 20 higher education institutions including several community colleges. Wipfli LLP performed the audit the previous six years.

The committee reviewed how IVCC is spending \$1.3 million from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). As of March 31, IVCC had spent over \$900,000, including \$686,561 in aid to 1,087 students.

IVCC has received an additional \$3.2 million in HEERF II funding and plans to spend it on student aid and academic technology and software.

The college is using \$130,000 in Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds to assist more than 100 students.

Finally, the business office shared fiscal 2022 budget assumptions including flat state funding.

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# PETS ARE

## Beat the heat: How to keep pets safe from heatstroke

Summer is a time for barbecues, picnics, and other outdoor fun with family, friends, and pets. But with summer comes high temperatures, making it more important for owners to know how to recognize the symptoms of heatstroke and heat exhaustion in pets.

Heat exhaustion is a general term for the lethargy, discomfort, and weakness caused by high heat, while heatstroke is an actual illness caused by increased body temperature.

Dr. Dalton Hindmarsh, an emergency and critical care resident at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, says that while some pets are more susceptible to heatstroke, any pet can develop the illness under certain conditions.

"Heatstroke is most commonly caused when pets are left outdoors during the hot, humid summer without adequate access to shade and water or when pets are left in vehicles without ventilation at any time of the year," Hindmarsh said. "Heatstroke can also develop any time of the year in pets with respiratory conditions or obese pets, especially when the weather changes abruptly and becomes more humid."

Animals with prolonged seizure activity or full body tremors may also develop heatstroke because of the increased body temperature caused by muscular activity.

Heatstroke is extremely dangerous because it has the potential to harm the body in

multiple ways and causes increasing damage as an animal's body temperature rises.

"Body temperatures above 105 degrees Fahrenheit can result in life-threatening blood clotting problems, shock, severe dehydration, kidney and liver damage, and neurologic changes," Hindmarsh said. "Literally every cell in the body is affected as the extreme temperature damages proteins."

If the body temperature rises above 107 degrees Fahrenheit, the animal may also experience multi-organ dysfunction and even death.

For this reason, it is very important for pet owners to be aware of and watch for the signs of heatstroke whenever a pet is outside for an extended period of time. These signs include collapse; a sudden onset of vomiting and/or diarrhea; respiratory distress and nonstop panting; drooling; and bright red, purple, or blue gums.

If you notice that a pet has any of these signs, Hindmarsh suggests taking immediate action. "Remove the pet from the environment, start the cooling process with a fan, and seek veterinary care as soon as possible," he said. "I would caution owners against placing them in an ice bath or submerging them in water because it may drop their temperature too low."

In addition to carefully monitoring pets, there are other steps owners can take to prevent heat exhaustion and heatstroke.



Hindmarsh recommends making sure pets always have access to fresh water and shade when outdoors, avoiding exercise during the hottest and most humid times of the day, and never leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle.

"Owners should consult their family veterinarian and always start slow when reintroducing activity to a previously inactive pet, especially in the spring," he said.

Your veterinarian can also provide further

advice on keeping your pet safe from heatstroke and heat exhaustion.

Summer heat has the potential to be dangerous, but by carefully monitoring an animal's condition and the environment, owners can enjoy this time of year with their beloved pets.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University.

## Prevent pets from wandering to avoid the stress of a lost furry friend

Wandering is a common complaint among pet parents. The urge to wander is inherent to many animals. Cats, dogs and animals in the wild naturally wander to claim new territory, find greater comfort and even seek out mates. However, companion animals that wander can land themselves in hot water. Some may scuffle with feral animals, while others may be permanently lost or suffer severe injuries.

In 2012, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals surveyed 1,015 households that had cared for a dog or cat within the past five years. Fifteen percent of participants had lost a dog or cat in the past five years.

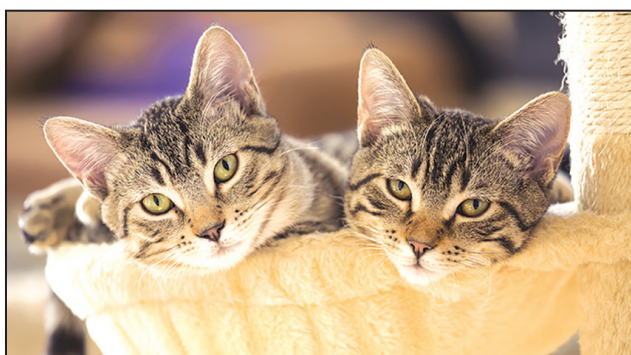
To avoid the upset of losing a beloved animal, pet owners may wish to consider employing various strategies to keep their pets safe at home.

### Fencing

Physical fences can provide barriers from egress, but they aren't foolproof. Some pets can get under or over fences, which means additional precautions may be needed. Pet owners can try burying chicken wire under the ground at the base of the fence or install a tall or smooth-faced fence that cannot be jumped or scaled.

### Wireless pet containment system

Wireless systems use sensors on pet collars that are triggered when pets breach the perimeter barrier set on the



fences. Certain systems use an audible correction on the collar, while others may employ a static correction that is startling but not harmful.

### Spaying and neutering

Curtail wandering to find a mate by having pets spayed and neutered. This will greatly reduce the urge to roam and also may cut down on other nuisance behaviors such as urine marking or baying. Generally, vets recommend desexing animals before they are able to breed, which also reduces overpopulation.

### Designate a safe room

Pets may attempt to escape when they hear loud noises

or become confused. This may occur during a house party, when fireworks are going off or even during thunderstorms. During storms or celebrations, keep a skittish pet in a dark, quiet room with comforting bedding and toys.

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**MONDAY, 10 AM -**

**To appear in Wednesday's Reporter**

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## POLICE BLOTTER

**WARRANT ARREST**  
 Myron A. Eddie, 41, of Kewanee, was arrested at 6:06 a.m. May 27 at 205 Sandra Ave., Apt. L-4, on two valid Henry County failure to appear arrest warrants for burglary and driving while license suspended. The subject posted bond and was released with a Henry County court date.

**WARRANT ARREST**  
 Asia L. Cordova, 25, of 907 Monroe St., Mendota, was arrested at 6:42 p.m. May 28 near the intersection of Monroe Street and Indiana Avenue on a valid Lee County warrant for failure to appear/speeding. The subject posted bond and was released with a Lee County court date.

**WARRANT ARREST**  
 Tony Munoz Jr., 31, of 111 S. 13th Ave., Trailer

D10, Mendota, was arrested at 2:44 a.m. May 30 near the intersection of Washington Street and Indiana Avenue on a valid Lee County warrant for failure to appear/contempt of court. The subject posted bond and was released with a Lee County court date.

**DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED**  
 Christopher L. Baldrige, 42, of Warsaw, Ind., was charged with driving while license suspended after a traffic stop at 13th Avenue and Tom Merwin Drive at 11:36 p.m. May 30. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

**BATTERY**  
 Connor J. Carreon, 28, of 1309 Guiles Ave., Mendota, was charged with battery at 8:53 p.m. May 31 after the Mendota Police Department

received a 9-1-1 call of shots fired in the 400 block of Fourth Avenue. During the course of the investigation, Mendota police received information of a battery that had occurred in the 800 block of Main Street. The investigation is still ongoing and additional charges may be pending. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

**SEVERAL CHARGES**  
 Tiara A. Gaines, 28, of Ottawa, was charged with battery, disturbing the peace, aggravated battery and resisting a peace officer after police officers responded to a 9-1-1 call of a large fight in the 800 block of Main Street at 11:37 p.m. May 31. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County Jail to appear before a judge.

## Be alert for bicyclists on roadway

MENDOTA – The Mendota Police Department urges motorists to pay attention, be alert for bikes and share the road. MPD urges bicyclists to be predictable and observe traffic laws. Your actions affect public opinion.

**Illinois Bicycle Laws**  
 Traffic laws apply to persons riding bicycles. Bicyclists riding on a highway are granted all of the rights and are subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle, with few exceptions.

**Lane Positioning** – When riding on roadways and bicycle paths at less than normal traffic speed, ride as close as practicable and safe to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway, except, when overtaking and passing another bicycle or vehicle proceeding



in the same direction, or, when preparing for a left turn, or, when reasonably necessary to avoid fixed or moving objects, parked or moving vehicles, bicycles, motorized pedal cycles, pedestrians, animals and surface hazards.

**Lights on Bicycles** – For night riding, a front lamp with a white light visible from at least 500 feet to the front and a red reflector on

the rear visible from 100 feet to 600 feet are required. A rear light visible from 500 feet may be used in addition to the red reflector.

**Two or More on a Bike** – Bicycles shall not be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped, except that an adult rider may carry a child securely attached to his person in a backpack device or sling.

**Parental Responsibility** – The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize the child or ward to violate any of the provision of this code.

The Mendota Police Department encourages bicyclists to wear a helmet for protection against head injuries.

## City Ordinance

### Grass clippings, etc. in streets

No person shall throw, place or leave, or cause or permit to be thrown, placed or left, any ashes, dirt, filth or rubbish, grass clippings, or foreign matter in or upon any street, alley or sidewalk of the City of Mendota.

Penalty: Any person violating this section shall be subject to the penalty of not less than \$50 nor more than \$500. Imposition of any penalty for a violation of this section shall not be construed as a waiver of the right of the City to collect the cost of removal of such nuisance where it is necessary for the City to remove such nuisance.

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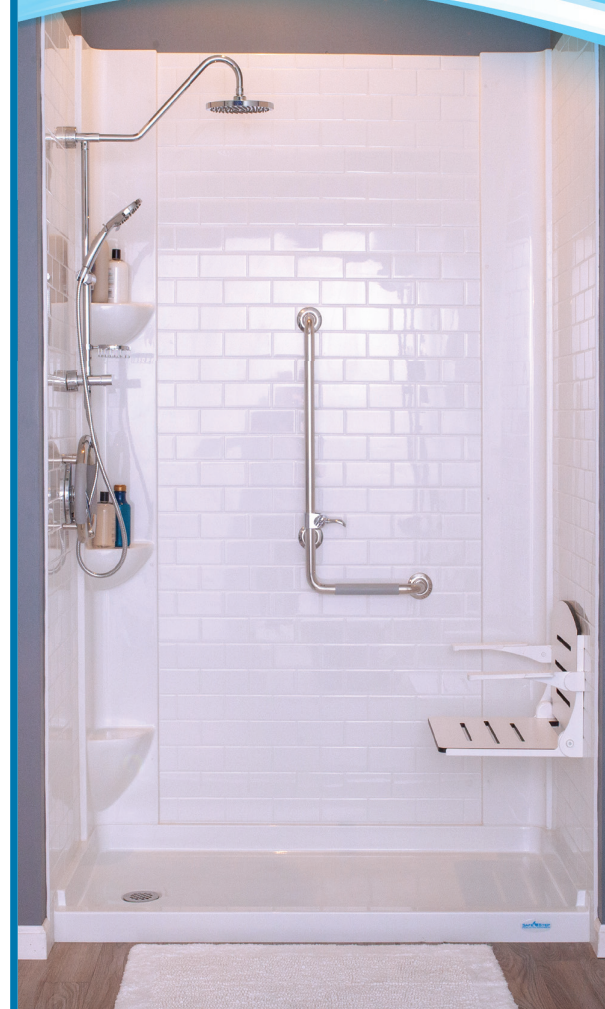


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 5-5:45 5K Stampede Registration  
 6:00 Prairie Princess Pageant - tent  
 6:00 5K Stampede, High School  
 Dusk Outdoor Movie "BABE" - Park Lawn

### SATURDAY, JUNE 12

8:00 Tractor Show  
 10-4 Vendor Fair  
 10:00 Food, Beer Opens  
 10:00 Parade Registration – HS Parking Lot  
 11:00 Main Street Parade  
 1-4 Fun Games for Kids: Nerf Wars &

### Measner's Magic Show (3 show)

12:00 Adult Waterlights Registration, Sheldon Street by Park  
 1:00 Waterlights Begin  
 1:00-5 AMJ Spectacular Events Zipline (\$) 4-7 pm MUSIC – VALLEY KATZ - Beer Tent  
 8-12 MUSIC – Aika Arlynn - Beer Tent

### SUNDAY, JUNE 13

10:00 Community Church Service  
 10:30 Bags Tournament Sign In-Age 16+ Beer Tent  
 11:00 Food, Beer Opens  
 Bags Tournament begins  
 Kiddie Waterlights Registration, Sheldon St.

### 11:30 Kiddie Waterlights, Sheldon St.

12-2 Fire Dept Open House  
 1:00 Kids' Bags Tourney  
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# SPORTS

## Lady Trojans end regular season at 8-7

Mendota had plenty of offense and superb pitching, which was the right ingredient to take down Dixon, 7-0, in a Big Northern Conference varsity softball contest on May 25 at Dixon.

The Lady Trojans had two big innings when they were at the plate and got seven strong innings from winning pitcher Paige Manning when they were in the field. Mendota collected 11 hits in the game in scoring three runs in the third inning and four runs in the seventh, while Manning shut the door on the Duchesses.

Manning gave up just three hits in the route-going performance and only allowed one Dixon baserunner to get as far as third base. She struck out the side

in the first two innings on her way to recording 13 whiffs for the game. The junior righty issued two free passes.

The Lady Trojans scored all the runs they needed in the top of the third. With one out, Zoe Finley reached on an error to get things started. Katie Jenner and Lauren Martin followed with consecutive singles to load the bases for Mary DeFore, who also singled to drive in the first run. One out later, Jenna O'Donnell ripped a double to drive in a pair.

Mendota put the game away with four runs in the top of the seventh. A two-run single by Ryleigh Sondgeroth was the big blow in the inning. Jenner drove in a run with a fielder's choice and DeFore plated another on a sacrifice bunt.

Jenner, Martin and DeFore finished with two hits apiece for the Lady Trojans.

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Stillman Valley posted a 5-1 confer-

ence victory over the Lady Trojans on May 26 at the MHS field.

Stillman Valley scored single runs in the second, third and fourth innings, and then added two more in the fifth to take a 5-0 lead.

Mendota only had a couple of scoring chances through six innings and then finally avoided the shutout with a run in the bottom of the seventh. Jenna O'Donnell led off with a double and raced home on a ground out by Ryleigh Sondgeroth.

The Lady Trojans had just four hits—a single and a double by O'Donnell and two singles by Paige Manning.

Mary DeFore pitched all six innings for Mendota, giving up 10 hits and striking out three.

Mendota finished the regular season with an 8-7 overall record and ended with a 6-6 conference mark.

## Landgraf rips 3 homers in slugfest with S. Valley

MENDOTA — The Mendota and Stillman Valley baseball teams had a final score more like a football game as the Cardinals survived a huge Trojan rally to claim a 25-17 victory in Big Northern Conference action on May 26 at the MHS field.

Stillman Valley moved out to a 12-1 lead heading to the bottom of the third, with Mendota's running coming on a solo homer by Ted Landgraf. Landgraf struck again in the bottom of the third when he walloped a two-run homer as part of a five-run inning and the Trojans closed the gap to 12-6.

Mendota plated four more runs in the fourth to make it 12-10, and then the Trojans were able to overcome the big double-digit deficit in the bottom of the fifth when Landgraf belted his third homer of the game, this one a three-run shot that lifted Mendota to a 15-12 lead.

It was Stillman Valley's turn to rally when it had a five-run sixth to forge in front 17-15, but Mendota got a two-run single off the bat of Connor Engel in the bottom of the seventh to send the game to extra innings.

Both teams went scoreless in the eighth, but the Cardinals exploded for eight runs in the top of the ninth to put the game away.

Each team combined for 34 hits, with the Trojans getting 16. Landgraf was a perfect 5-for-5 with three home runs, two singles and seven runs batted in. Dominik Stamberger picked up three singles, while Andres Castaneda singled, tripled and had four RBI, Abel Guerra singled twice and drove in three, and Engel also singled twice and had two RBI. Krew Bond added a double for Mendota.

Bond was the starting pitcher for the Trojans (2-10), followed by Stamberger and Landon Kreiser, who took the loss. Stillman Valley sent four pitchers to the hill.



O'Donnell



Landgraf

## Hunters harvest 13,383 wild turkey during spring

SPRINGFIELD—Turkey hunters harvested a preliminary statewide total of 13,383 wild turkeys during the 2021 Illinois Spring Turkey Season. This year's preliminary harvest total compares with the 2020 statewide turkey harvest of 15,831.

The statewide preliminary total includes the 2021 Youth Turkey Season harvest of 1,283 birds, which compares with the 2020 youth harvest of 1,733 turkeys (the record for youth season harvest). The statewide record total harvest for the spring turkey season was set in 2006 when 16,569 turkeys were harvested.

Spring turkey hunting was open in 100 of Illinois' 102 counties. The 2021 season dates were April 5-May 6 in the South Zone and April 12-May 13 in



the North Zone. The Youth Spring Turkey Season was March 27-28 and April 3-4 statewide.

The top five counties for

spring wild turkey harvest in 2021 were Jefferson (421), Pike (353), Jo Daviess (352), Marion (332), and Wayne (298).

Totals for area counties include: Bureau 149, DeKalb 9, LaSalle 110, Lee 83, Marshall/Putnam 104, Ogle 152, Whiteside 106.

## How to get kids involved in golf

When a global pandemic was declared by the World Health Organization in March 2020, parents were left scrambling for fun and healthy ways to keep their kids occupied. Virtual learning sessions replaced days spent in the classroom, and many extracurricular activities were canceled in an attempt to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Parents tried to find activities that kids could enjoy while still adhering to social distancing guidelines, and that led many moms and dads to consider golf.

Golf is an outdoor activity that does not require a large group of people, making it an ideal recreational activity during the era of social distancing. In fact, the number of youth golfers skyrocketed during the first six months of pandemic. According to Youth on Course, a nationwide program for children between the ages of 6 and 18 that offers access to more than 1,000 golf courses for a nominal fee, the number of rounds played by program members between January 2020 and July 2020 increased by 76 percent over the same period a year earlier.

Golf isn't just beneficial during the age of social distancing. It's also a great way for parents to get kids to exercise and keep them off of their devices as they enjoy the great outdoors. Golf is a difficult game, and that difficulty may discourage some youngsters from playing. However, parents can overcome that hurdle and others as they try get their kids excited about

playing golf.

- Enroll kids in a youth organization. An organization like Youth on Course excites many youngsters because they see children their own age playing golf. That means they can go golfing with friends and talk about the game when they're not on the course. Parents concerned about COVID-19 can let their youngsters play with friends while wearing a mask without risking kids' health. Public health agencies like the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have noted that outdoor activities are significantly safer than indoor gatherings. When wearing a mask outdoors, kids' risk of getting COVID-19 is even lower.

- Get the right gear. PGA of America recommends getting kids a putter and a wedge that are made for kids their height, noting the availability of clubs specifically made for juniors. An age-appropriate wedge is short and easy to get in the air. That should make it easier for kids to play, increasing the chances they'll enjoy themselves.

- Keep it light and fun. Golf can frustrate even the most skilled professionals. It's important to downplay any frustration kids feel. Parents playing alongside their children must avoid growing frustrated if their own rounds aren't going well. PGA of America advises parents to not put any expectations on youngsters as they learn the game, focusing instead on how much fun it is to play a round at a beautiful course.



**Golf isn't just beneficial during the age of social distancing. It's also a great way for parents to get kids to exercise and keep them off of their devices as they enjoy the great outdoors.**

## MHS netters in Geneseo Sectional

GENESEO — The Mendota boys' tennis team will participate in the Geneseo Class 1A Sectional on Friday, June 4 and Saturday, June 5.

Other schools in the sectional include Dixon (H.S.), Galesburg (H.S.), Geneseo, Rochelle, Rock Falls, Rock Island (Alleman), Sterling (H.S.) and Sterling (Newman Central Catholic).

Athletes are competing for chance to advance to the IHSA State Tennis Tournament to be held June 10-12 at various courts in the Chicago suburbs.

## MHS girls' track team assigned to Geneseo Sectional

GENESEO—The Mendota girls' track team will compete in the Geneseo Class 2A Sectional on Thursday, June 3. Field events begin at 3 p.m. and running events will start at 5 p.m.

Other teams in the sectional include Chillicothe (Illinois Valley Central), Galeana (H.S.) [Coop], Galesburg (H.S.), Geneseo, Kewanee (H.S.), LaSalle (L.-Peru), Monmouth (M.-Roseville), Morris, Princeton, Rock Falls, Rock Island (Alleman), Sterling (H.S.) and Streator (Twp.).

Athletes are competing for a chance to advance to the IHSA State Track Meet, which will be held Friday, June 11 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

## MHS boys' track to compete in Rochelle Sectional

ROCHELLE—The Mendota boys' track team has been assigned to the Rochelle Class 2A Sectional to be held Thursday, June 10. The event will start with field events at 3 p.m. followed by running events at 4:30 p.m.

Other schools competing in the sectional include Dixon (H.S.), Freeport (H.S.), Galena (H.S.) [Coop], Genoa (G.-Kingston), Plano, Rochelle, Rock Falls, Rockford (Boylan Catholic), Sandwich, Sterling (H.S.), Stillman Valley and Sycamore (H.S.).

Athletes are competing for a chance to advance to the IHSA State Track Meet, which will be held Friday, June 18 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

## Registration open for 2021 virtual IHSA Officials Conference

BLOOMINGTON — The IHSA is excited to announce its first-ever virtual Officials Conference, which will take place July 12-31.

Registration is now open for the event. For the conference schedule, session list, and to register, visit [www.ihsofficial.com](http://www.ihsofficial.com).

The virtual conference concept is a buffet-style event where officials pay one price and can take advantage of as many sessions and

sports as they'd like over the course of two weeks.

Officials will be able to:

- Learn from keynote presenters about a variety of big-picture topics related to officiating.

- Earn IHSA clinic credit in at least 12 different sports, including sports that are not normally featured at the in-person conference.

- Multi-sport officials will be able to earn clinic credit in all of their sports.

- Gain knowledge from mini-sessions in multiple sports.

- Learn more about sports they do not currently officiate, but may be interested in starting.

Many of the clinics and sessions will be pre-recorded and available throughout the two-week conference duration. Officials can select the clinics and presentations they want to watch at any time during those two weeks.

Officials from Chicago to Cairo, Quincy to Danville... and everywhere in between will be able to learn the same information from the convenience of their own home or office.

Conference agenda:

Monday, July 12 @ 7 p.m. - Live Session with the IHSA's Sam Knox and Craig Anderson

Tuesday, July 13 @ 7 p.m. - Live Session with Referee Magazine/NASO



Wednesday, July 14 @ 7 p.m. - Live Session with Jude Kiah

Thursday, July 15 @ 7 p.m. - Live Session with the

IESA's Steve Endsley and Nicole Schaefferbauer

For more on the clinics and sessions, or to register, visit [www.ihsofficial.com](http://www.ihsofficial.com).



# LOCAL AND AREA

## Praying without a doubt!

Prayer is a vital part of our relationship with God, and it's a great privilege, not an obligation. When you really think about it, it's amazing to know that the God who created everything and knows everything actually wants us to come to Him boldly—through Christ—to have a relationship with Him.

Hebrews 4:16 (NKJV) says, "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." It's so important for us to trust God's love for us and know that He's merciful and sees us as righteous because of what Jesus has done for us (2 Corinthians 5:21). If we don't, we will struggle to have confidence that He hears our prayers and wants to help us.

The truth is God

knows everything about us—what's right with us and what's wrong with us. He loves us unconditionally and He wants to have a relationship with us and meet every need in our lives. Our imperfections have nothing to do with His ability and willingness to answer our prayers.

### You Have to Believe

Doubt is a common hindrance to answered prayer, and when we experience it, it's usually because we're focusing on us—our weaknesses and mistakes. The key is keeping our focus on God, trusting Him to give us wisdom and discernment so we know what to believe and what to do. James 1:5 (NKJV) says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him."

True wisdom comes from God, and He wants to give it to us "liberally and without reproach." "Liberally" means He gives more than enough, and "without reproach" means that even when we're in messes we've created ourselves, we can still go to God and He will help us.

Now, this doesn't mean He won't correct us, teach and train us when we've made a mistake. Like any parent who loves their children, He disciplines us because He loves us and wants what's best for us. But when we're in trouble, He doesn't decide whether to help us or not based on our performance. His love is unconditional.

Here's an example to demonstrate what I'm talking about: If my son was in trouble with the neighborhood bully and



called for his dad and me to help him, we wouldn't respond to him based on whether he had done all of his chores at home. It would be ridiculous if we heard him crying for help, yet we took time to check the list first to see if he had done everything he was supposed to do before we intervened.

As parents, we don't refuse to help our children because they don't do everything right, perfectly or the way we want them to all the time. God is our Father, and He knows we are not perfect. He wants to be involved in every part of our lives and we don't ever have to doubt that!

### Be Single-Minded

When we doubt God, we're left midway between believing and not believing—we're double-minded. But first Corinthians 2:16 says we can live with the mind of Christ. In other words, we can learn to think the way God thinks so we're not led by the mind of the flesh, "which is sense

and reason without the Holy Spirit" (Romans 8:6 AMPC).

James 1:6 says when we come to God for wisdom, it must be in faith "with no wavering (no hesitating, no doubting). For the one who wavers (hesitates, doubts) is like the billowing surge out at sea that is blown hither and thither and tossed by the wind." This doesn't mean we won't ever feel doubt, but when we do, we can know how to stand up to it.

Sometimes when I'm teaching, I doubt whether I'm sharing the "right" message based on how people seem to be responding to me. That's when I have to trust God and tell myself, "I've prayed about this. I've sought God about the teaching, and I'm not going to be double-minded. I trust God!"

I want to encourage you to ask God for the desires in your heart and then stand in faith for Him to do His will. Decide to trust Him and His Word, no matter

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MATTER )No.  
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ESTATE )P 43  
OF )  
SEAN W. )  
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DECEASED.)  
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ESTATE )  
OF ) Case  
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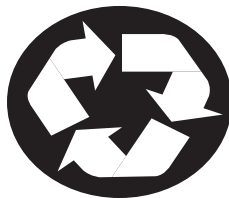
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