

Illinois on track to lift all COVID-19 restrictions June 11

By **JERRY NOWICKI**
Capitol News Illinois
 SPRINGFIELD – The state’s COVID-19 metrics continued to improve June 7 ahead of the planned statewide reopening on Friday, June 11.

Gov. JB Pritzker’s office confirmed last week that Phase 5 will begin Friday, essentially lifting all of the COVID-19 capacity restrictions that have been in place for over one year. That means businesses, large-scale events, conventions, amusement parks and seated-spectator venues can all return to full capacity beginning Friday.

That announcement came as the state’s COVID-19 case positivity rate – a disease spread indicator that has been widely used to determine what level of restrictions would be in place throughout the pandemic – continued to plummet, hitting a new low of 1.1 percent Monday.

That’s far from the recent 4.4 percent peak from April 12 and well below its 13.2 percent height since June 2020, when testing became more widespread.

“After a tremendously challenging year, Illinois has now reached a defining moment in our efforts to defeat COVID-19,” Pritzker said. “Thanks to the hard work of residents across the state, Illinois will soon resume life as we knew it before – returning to events, gatherings, and a fully reopened economy, with some of the safety

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–Gov. Pritzker

guidelines we’ve adopted still in place.”

While businesses will still be allowed to have stricter masking and social distancing policies than the state, the new guidance follows the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendation that face coverings are not needed indoors for vaccinated individuals.

Masks are still “recommended” for unvaccinated individuals, according to the governor’s office.

Masks will still be required for people traveling on public transportation, in congregate settings, in health care settings, as well as in schools, day cares and educational institutions, according to the governor’s office.

“This pandemic has robbed us of many of our freedoms such as going to ball games and concerts, celebrating graduations, weddings, and birthdays, going to dinner with friends, and even sharing a hug with loved ones

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Route 251 to be resurfaced this summer

MPD K-9 officer training in Iowa
 By **KIP CHEEK**
Staff writer

MENDOTA – A major roadway in Mendota is getting a makeover and a new police officer in training will soon join the force, it was learned at the June 7 regular meeting of the Mendota City Council.

Alderman Jim Fitzpatrick presented several resolutions in regard to street maintenance in Mendota. The council approved a resolution to fund appropriation for the motor fuel tax street maintenance program in the amount of \$300,000 and approved a resolution for Rebuild Illinois funds in the amount of \$102,000.

The council also approved the non-motor fuel tax street maintenance program bidding process, which will begin on June 21. Fitzpatrick said the Illinois Department of Transportation will resurface Illinois Route 251 this summer. Work will likely commence in August or September and the roadway will be redone from near the cemeteries at the north end to one-quarter mile past the railroad viaduct on the south end. The city will be responsible for replacement of some curbs and gutters along the way.

In other items from Fitzpatrick’s report, the council approved a request from the Mendota Elks Lodge to use Veterans Park in downtown Mendota for its Flag Day ceremony at 7 p.m. Monday, June 14. A request from Manning Miracles/ALS was also approved to hold a Tag Day on Saturday, June 12 at the intersection of Main and Meriden streets.

Finally, the council authorized Mayor David Boelk to sign the Certification of Community Water System Risk and Resilience Assessment.

The only other action from the aldermen was from John Hessenberger, who presented an ordinance updating adopted codes, which was approved.

Police Chief Greg Kellen informed the council that Officer Josh Sarver is currently in a four-week training in Iowa with the department’s newest member, K-9 Johnny, a German Shepherd, who will be on duty after the training period is completed.

Kellen and Officer Seth Martin gave a brief presentation on a new device to help detain people who have committed a criminal act or that are a possible risk to the safety of a police officer. The



Illinois Route 251 will be resurfaced this summer from near the cemeteries at the north to just past the railroad viaduct at the south. (Reporter photo)

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Also from Chief Kellen, he said people using Strouss Park for the basketball court

or other activities are not properly disposing of garbage. He asked that those individuals please be respectful of the park and dispose of their garbage in the trash cans that are located in the park.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Monday, June 21 at 5:30 p.m.

Mendota man dies in kayak incident on Vermilion River

OGLESBY – Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Conservation Police are investigating the circumstances of a fatal incident involving a kayak operator that occurred on the Vermilion River in Oglesby on Tuesday, June 1.

LaSalle County Coroner Richard

Ploch identified the victim as Ralph W. Frey, 61, of Mendota.

Conservation Police received a call at approximately 11:45 a.m. regarding a missing kayaker on the Vermilion River. A fisherman in the area located an unoccupied kayak near the Oglesby canoe launch.

Conservation Police officers (CPOs) searched upstream of the canoe launch and at approximately 12:53 p.m. located the body of the

presumed victim in the river about 400 yards downstream of the low head dam in Oglesby. The body was recovered by CPOs and personnel from the IDNR Fire team, Oglesby, Streator, Utica and Ottawa fire departments, and Oglesby Police Department.

An autopsy will be conducted as part of the investigation with further information to be released when it becomes available.



Pritzker signs redistricting plans for state legislative, appellate court districts

By **PETER HANCOCK**
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Gov. JB Pritzker signed a pair of bills on June 4 that redraw state legislative and appellate court districts, despite the fact that official U.S. Census data needed to ensure equal representation has not yet been delivered.

In a statement released Friday afternoon, Pritzker said he signed the measures after reviewing the maps to make sure they complied with state and federal law by ensuring minority representation.

“Illinois’ strength is in our diversity, and these maps help to ensure that communities that have been left out and left behind have fair representation in our

government,” Pritzker said in the statement. “These district boundaries align with both the federal and state Voting Rights Acts, which help to ensure our diverse communities have electoral power and fair representation.”

Reaction to Pritzker’s announcement was swift. House Speaker Emanuel “Chris” Welch called the signing “a win for the people of this great state.”

“With Governor Pritzker’s signature, people of Illinois can be confident in a legislative map that is reflective of the diversity that we see in every corner of our state,” Welch said. “Not only does this map adhere to state and federal laws, but it is a product of more than 50 public hearings where



U.S. Rep. Rodney Davis and Republican state lawmakers urge Gov. JB Pritzker to veto a bill redrawing state legislative and judicial districts. (Capitol News Illinois photo by Peter Hancock)

citizens came to tell us what their communities look like to them.”

But Republican Sen. Jason Barickman, of Bloomington, the minority spokesman on the Senate Redistricting Committee, accused

Pritzker of going back on his campaign pledge to support an independent mapmaking process.

“The people of Illinois deserve a fair, transparent process that allows them to choose their representatives

in government,” Barickman said. “Pritzker turned his back on them and chose instead to use his signature to further enshrine the broken status quo of politicians picking their voters.”

The redistricting process is highly political, even in a normal year, because it gives the majority party the ability to draw district maps that will favor them for the next decade.

But it was especially heated in the General Assembly this year, not just because the release of detailed census data has been delayed, but because, as a candidate running in 2018, Pritzker supported creating an independent redistricting commission – the so-called “Fair Maps” proposal – and

had vowed to veto any maps drawn by lawmakers or their staffs.

“No one twisted his arm to say what he said,” Republican Congressman Rodney Davis, R-Taylorville, said. “No one told him, ‘You have to make this pledge.’ No one told Gov. Pritzker when he was campaigning, that he needed to campaign and be in favor of a fair map process.”

During a separate interview last week, however, Pritzker said the opportunity to create an independent commission had passed and that Republicans were trying to delay the process for their own political advantage.

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Mendota Elks Lodge planning Flag Day event at Veterans Park

MENDOTA – The Mendota Elks Lodge #1212 will hold its annual Flag Day ceremony at 7 p.m. Monday, June 14 at Veterans Park in downtown Mendota.

Everyone is invited to attend the ceremony in honoring the history of our grand flag.

In case of inclement weather, the event will be held at the Elks Lodge.



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J. Perez receives 2021 Jacob Family Scholarship

MENDOTA – Mendota High School senior Javier Perez was selected to receive the 2021 Clara Cypreansen and Alfred O. Jacob Scholarship, which was awarded on May 29 during MHS's graduation ceremonies.

Perez is the 24th MHS senior to receive the Jacob Family Scholarship, which carries an award of \$1,000.

Upon the death of Clara Jacob in 1997, the Jacob Family Scholarship Fund was established by Jeanne Jacob along with her husband, Gerry Frank and her brother, Tom Jacob.

The scholarship was created to honor the memories of Clara Cypreansen Jacob, who taught in Mendota public schools for more than 35 years, and Alfred Otto Jacob, a civic leader and

life-long resident of Mendota. Also, both of the Jacob children were raised in Mendota and are MHS graduates. Tom matriculated in 1958 and Jeanne in 1965. Her class would have celebrated their 55th reunion last year, but the event was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide assistance to an MHS student to attend a college of choice. Both Clara and Al Jacob strongly believed in higher education and thought that continued education was the key to future success in life.

Throughout their lives, Clara and Al Jacob were involved with Mendota's youth. Al was a founding member of the Boy Scouts of Mendota and the Mendota Athletic Boosters Society. Clara first taught physical education at Mendota high School and then third grade at Lincoln School. After retiring from teaching, she tutored children in reading and English.

Both Clara and Al helped design and raise funds to build the Mendota Com-

munity Swimming Pool in 1958 and served on the board of the Swimming Pool Association. At the time of his death in 1984, Al Jacob was the longest serving alderman in Mendota's history.

Javier Perez plans first to attend Illinois Valley Community College to obtain his Associate's degree and then continue his education at a four-year institution to become a Spanish teacher. He intends to participate in IVCC's Project Success Program, which provides first-generation college students with the one-on-one support and mentorship they need to make a successful transition not just from high school to community college, but also from community college to a university. He has worked evenings and weekends throughout high school to earn and save enough money to attend college. Receiving the Jacob Family scholarship should help ease that burden.

Clara and Al Jacob would be pleased to know that long after their deaths, they are still helping the youth of Mendota achieve their dreams.

Vacation Bible School planned

MENDOTA - A summer kids' event called "Faith Race VBS" will be hosted at the United Pentecostal Church of Mendota from Friday, June 11 through Sunday, June 13. At Faith Race, kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and dig into yummy treats, and participate in other fun activities. On Friday and Satur-

day, VBS will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. On Sunday at 10 a.m., the Faith Race Finale with awards, a kids' service, and a free lunch will be held.

Faith Race Vacation Bible School is for kids in kindergarten through eighth grade. For transportation, phone (815) 539-6861 and leave a message, or (815) 994-8414. UPC is located at 4401 State Route 251, one-half mile north of Mendota.

IV Beekeepers meeting June 11

LA SALLE - The Illinois Valley Beekeepers Association will hold their next meeting on Friday, June 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the LaSalle Knights of Columbus, 209 Gooding St., LaSalle. Please note the different location of the meeting.

Anyone who is interested in beekeeping and would like to learn more, please attend this IVBA meeting. Meetings are free and open to the public.

Block RICL: Private property rights again under attack

MENDOTA - Block RICL leaders are sounding the alarm over language in Illinois' controversial energy bill currently being negotiated in Springfield. Block RICL signs are appearing again and supporters are being called on to make their voices heard with Illinois lawmakers.

Language in the proposed Illinois Senate Bill 2896 and House Bill 4074 would change the definition of a "public utility" and would allow speculative private transmission projects like Rock Island Clean Line to have the power of eminent domain. This would reverse the 2017 Illinois Supreme Court victory of the Illinois Landowners Alliance and Block RICL.

Illinois Landowners Alliance president Mary Mauch explained their concern. "Eminent domain in the hands of private speculation wind and solar companies is a dangerous assault on our private rights," she said. "While RICL is very much not active, there are also rumblings in Iowa that big wind is also lobbying for eminent domain. We worked hard for our 2017 win at the Illinois Supreme Court. We need to come together immediately to protect it by shutting down this new assault on our private property rights."

Joe Gleespan, a Christian County landowner whose farm is in the path of RICL's sister project Grain Belt Express, said there are other options for wind and solar

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MHS scholarships and awards presented during graduation

MENDOTA – In addition to the scholarships and awards announced at the Mendota High School graduation ceremony on May 29, there were numerous other scholarship and special awards given to members of the Class of 2021.

927 Scholarship – Javier Perez; Ashley Scholarship – Bonnie Hall; Big Northern Conference All-Academic Team – Daisy Arteaga, Eli Avila, Jack Beetz, Olivia Eddy, Janeth Hermsillo, Sam Lawrence, Grace Leifheit, Twila Martinson, Ella Massey, Madison Mikolasek, Derek Nanez, Izabella Nanez, Jenna O'Donnell, Natalie Orozco, Madison Pappas, Perris Stachlewitz;

Bohn-Nielsen Scholarship – Amanda Barrett; Booster Club – Jenna O'Donnell; BPW Scholarship – Mary DeFore, Grace Leifheit, Ella Massey, Madison Mikolasek; Compeer Fi-

nancial Scholarship – Jack Beetz; DAR Recipient – Twila Martinson; DeKalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award – Jack Beetz; Elias Setchell Music Award – Ashton Dewey;

English Award – Izabella Nanez; FCS/Scholar Award – Camille Jones; FCS/Citizenship Award – Dugann Gatlin; George Diehl Ag Scholarship – Jack Beetz; Karen Fischer Scholarship – Emilio Raya; Illinois State Scholars – Amanda Barrett, Amellia Bromschenkel, Daisy Contreras, Mary DeFore, Sam Lawrence, Grace Leifheit, Lily Linden, Twila Martinson;

Illinois Valley Hispanic Partnership Council Scholarship – Sabrina Belmonte, Sam Lawrence; Jody

Herman Smith Memorial Award – Ty Connelly; Kenney Contracting Scholarship – Ty Connelly; Kilmartin 3-Sport/4-Year Awards – Izabella Nanez, Jenna O'Donnell; Klein Family Memorial Ag Scholarship – Jack Beetz; LeRette Scholarship – Jenna O'Donnell;

Lions Club Fine Arts Scholarship – Madison Pappas; Dr. Musick Scholarship – Janeth Hermsillo; Jim O'Neil Award

– Mariela Valdez; Mendota Quarterback Club/Joe Rollins Award – Derek Nanez; Mendota Quarterback Club/Dean Lubbs Award – Andres Castaneda; Nina's Market Scholarship – Javier Perez;

Pita Rey Enterprise/Snap On Tools Scholarship – Keina Arteaga, Sam Law-

rence, Natalie Orozco, Rosvelia Rocha; Pulley Awards – Eli Avila, Jaelyn Fitzgerald, Matthew Greuter, Alex Rummery; Robert Cooper Award – Perris Stachlewitz; Rotary Club Scholarship – Jack Beetz, Mary DeFore, Grace Leifheit, Leilani Landeros; SAR Recipient – Perris Stachlewitz;

Science Award – Vanessa Escatel; Sousa Award – Derek Nanez; Spanish Award – Keina Arteaga (Heritage), Amanda Barrett (non-Heritage); Student Council Scholarship – Perris Stachlewitz; Sublette Toy Show Scholarship – Piper Artman; Donald White Memorial Scholarship – Mary DeFore;

Don Whitmore Award – Jenna O'Donnell; Gerald Wood Award – Jenna O'Donnell; VFW Scholarship – Madison Mikolasek; Women of the Moose Scholarship – Madison Mikolasek, Jenna O'Donnell.



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Illinois Comptroller says state's finances heading in right direction

By **KEVIN BESSLER**
The Center Square

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza said the state's financial condition is moving in the right direction despite a structural deficit, multi-billion dollar backlog of bills and one of the highest unfunded pension liabilities in the nation.

During a virtual conversation last week with Southern Illinois University's Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, Mendoza said that wasn't the case last year when things looked dire when the COVID-19 pandemic caused a delay in tax collections.

"That is why we had to rely on borrowing from the Federal Reserve at a lower rate just to get us through April and May, which typically would be our best months," Mendoza said.

Mendoza said when she took office, the state had a backlog in bills totaling over \$16 billion, which she adds is considerably lower now.

Mendoza said Illinoisans are paying enormous property taxes, adding that Illinois is not taking in enough revenue. That's a point of contention with Republicans, who say the state is spending too much money in the wrong places.

"One of the reasons why your property taxes are so high is because the state of Illinois, because of a structural deficit, does not have enough money to invest in education at the level that we're supposed to," Mendoza said.

Mendoza did not comment on the news that a third state legislator has filed a lawsuit

against Illinois arguing he is entitled to pay raises from years past.

Mike Fortner, a former Republican representative, who voted against the pay raises while in office, is seeking back pay for himself and all current and former state lawmakers. His lawyers argue Fortner's previous votes to block his own pay raises were unconstitutional because they changed his salary during the middle of a term.

In an earlier statement, Mendoza called the suit "an ill-advised class(less) action lawsuit" that could expose Illinois taxpayers to millions in dollars in additional liability.

Her office estimates the lawsuit could cost the state more than \$10 million if the court's rule in Fortner's favor.

Mendoza applauded a provision included in the ethics bill that prohibits lawmakers from collecting a whole month's pay after resigning on the first day of the month.

"Waitresses and factory workers don't collect a month's pay for a day's work, and legislators don't deserve that luxury on the back of taxpayers," Mendoza said.

Republicans don't agree with the state's spending plans.

House Minority Leader Jim Durkin, R-Western Springs, said the Democrats' priorities in the budget were giving Democrats a billion dollars in pork projects, a pay increase and a doubling of the allotment for district offices. He said taxpayers are fed up, as was evident by the failure of the progressive income tax last year.

It was "thoroughly rejected by Democrats, independents and Republicans," Durkin said. "That was an indictment on Governor Pritzker and Democrats' spending priorities over the past many years."



Mendoza

Survey shows \$6 billion in income leaving Illinois as people move out

By **KEVIN BESSLER**
The Center Square

SPRINGFIELD – Every year, states across the country compete with each other for people and their wealth as Americans move between states.

It appears Illinois is losing that battle.

The nonprofit Wirepoints reviewed domestic migration data from 2019 provided by the Internal Revenue Service and found that Illinois was the third-worst with a net loss of \$6 billion and 82,000 people.

President Ted Dabrowski says Illinois lost \$6 billion in Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) when people moved elsewhere, behind only New York and California.

"The money that they take with them based on the base incomes in the state, Illinois was the worst," Dabrowski said. "Third worst for people and the worst for losing money."

Illinois lost 1.4% of its 2018 AGI, while Idaho was the country's big winner on a percentage



basis in 2019, gaining 2.8% of its 2018 AGI base. Florida, the nation's perennial winner, gained the most people and income overall in 2019.

Illinoisans who left the state made on average \$92,000 a year, while people who moved here made \$71,000 a year.

Many have theories as to why people have been moving out of Illinois to other states for years. Weather, government corruption and high taxes usually get mentioned.

For states with the lowest taxes, an average of four people moved in from other parts of the country for every one person who left over the last eight years, according to a report from real

estate brokerage Redfin.

According to the report, Illinois and New Jersey are both among the top four states in the country in terms of both taxes and the number of people moving away.

Nevada, Florida, South Carolina and Texas are prime examples of low-tax states that are attracting new residents.

It appears the revenue and population loss is not a one-time thing for the Land of Lincoln. Wirepoints research shows Illinois has lost residents and AGI every year since 2000.

Dabrowski points out the problem with chronic outflows, like in the case of Illinois, is that one year's losses don't only affect the tax base the year they leave, but they also hurt all subsequent years.

"When you look at the actions of the Illinois legislature, they aren't doing anything to solve the problems, so people are left with one choice, stick it out and suffer in Illinois or move to another state," Dabrowski said.

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EIA boost of fuel consumption estimate is good news for biofuels industry

By DAN GRANT
Illinois Farm Bureau
 BLOOMINGTON – The Energy Information Administration’s latest short-term outlook projects a continuation of higher energy prices, but there’s also hope for the biofuels industry in the form of stronger demand.

EIA boosted its estimate of global petroleum and liquid fuels demand for at least the second consecutive month to a current projection of 97.7 million barrels per day, up 5.4 million barrels/day compared to 2020.

“Economic activity has increased significantly after reaching multiyear lows in the second quarter of 2020,” EIA noted in its report on May 11.

EIA assumes economic growth of 6.2 percent this year after the U.S. gross domestic product tumbled 3.5 percent in 2020. The boost in activity could push U.S. gasoline consumption

to 9 million barrels per day this summer, up 1.2 million barrels per day from last summer.

That’s good news for the biofuels industry. USDA projects corn used for ethanol could rebound from 4.97 billion bushels in 2020-21 to 5.2 billion bushels in 2021-22.

“After the pains the ethanol industry felt last year due to a significant reduction in travel with the stay-at-home orders, it’s encouraging to see ethanol consumption is expected to increase in the coming months,” said Dirk Rice, chairman of the Illinois Corn Marketing Board. “Certainly, Illinois corn farmers stand to gain when we sell more ethanol, but consumers gain too with cheaper fuel that is better for the environment.”

Fuel prices remain under pressure near term, though, due in part to increased demand and supply issues caused by the temporary

shutdown of the Colonial Pipeline on the East Coast and a nationwide shortage of truck drivers.

The national gas price average hit its highest level in six years at \$3.04 per gallon May 17, up significantly from an average of \$1.87 at the same time last year, the AAA Auto Club Group reported.

“This is going to be an expensive summer for motorists,” said Molly Hart, AAA spokesperson. “However, we do not expect it to deter travelers from hitting the road.”

Meanwhile, EIA projects electricity use could increase 2.2 percent in 2021 after falling 3.9 percent last year. The outlook suggests the average U.S. household could spend \$446 for electricity this June

through August.

Electricity prices could be pressured by skyrocketing natural gas prices, which rose from \$2.03 per million British thermal units last May to a current price of \$3.05.

“We expect natural gas prices will rise this year, primarily as the result of two factors – growth in liquefied natural gas (LNG) exports and rising domestic natural gas consumption,” EIA noted.

Natural gas inventories fell 3 percent below the five-year average as LNG exports set an all-time record in March, spurred by demand from Europe.

The share of electric power generated by natural gas subsequently could fall 4 percentage points this year, replaced by everything from



solar and wind power to coal. “We expect coal’s use in U.S. electricity generation to rise to meet increased electricity demand this summer as coal displaces more expensive natural gas,” said

Steve Nalley, EIA acting administrator.

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Friday, June 11
8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, June 12
8 a.m.-noon
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& women's clothes S-2X,
household items, toys,
books, office supplies,
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104 First St., Mendota
Friday, June 11
1-7 p.m.
Saturday, June 12
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furniture items,
brand new dog toys,
nice set of dishes
and so much more.
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GARAGE SALE**
809 Warren St.,
Earlville
Friday, June 11 &
Saturday, June 12
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**MULTI-FAMILY
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Saturday, June 12
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BLESSED EVENTS

GROTE – Mr. and Mrs.
Nathan Grote (Ashley Sudaj)
of Peru, girl, May 29, 2021,
at St. Margaret's Hospital in
Spring Valley.

WEEKLY RECORD

**LaSalle County
(marriage licenses)**
Mark L. Robinson and
Jennifer M. Griffith, both of
Mendota; issued June 3, 2021.

POLICE BLOTTER

**DRIVING WHILE
LICENSE SUSPENDED**
Mariah B. Sanchez, 20, of
114 S. Third Ave., Mendota,
was charged with driving
while license suspended after
police officers responded to
812 Main St. at 11:20 p.m.
May 31 in regard to a large
group of people having a
physical altercation. During
this investigation, officers
received information of a
subject who had driven to
the scene without a valid
driver's license. The subject
was released with a LaSalle
County court date.

DOMESTIC BATTERY
John F. Giocomelli, 32,
of 726 1/2 Main St., Mendota,
was charged with domestic
battery after police officers
responded to a 9-1-1 call of
a domestic dispute in the 700
block of Main Street at 1:04
a.m. June 2. The subject was
transported to the Mendota
Police Department with an
arrest pending.

DOMESTIC BATTERY
Robert B. Martin, 63, of
LaSalle, was charged with
domestic battery near Lake
Mendota at 4:37 p.m. June 4.
The subject was transported
to the LaSalle County Jail.

**NO VALID
DRIVER'S LICENSE**
Ulises C. Lopez, 19, of
4367 E. 250th Road, Men-
dota, was charged with no
valid driver's license after a
traffic stop at Indiana Avenue
and 16th Street at 7:43 p.m.
June 4. The subject was re-
leased with a LaSalle County
court date.

WARRANT ARREST
Arturo Hermosillo, 36,
of 100 S. 13th Ave., trailer
A-13, Mendota, was arrested
at 11:14 p.m. June 5 on a valid
LaSalle County arrest warrant

for failure to appear/traffic
offense. The subject posted
bond and was released with
a LaSalle County court date.

**SUSPENDED
DRIVER'S LICENSE**
Devon C. Hall, 24, of
1305 Guiles Ave., Mendota,
was charged with suspended
driver's license after a traffic
stop at Guiles Avenue and
Meriden Street at 10:01 p.m.
June 6. The subject was re-
leased with a LaSalle County
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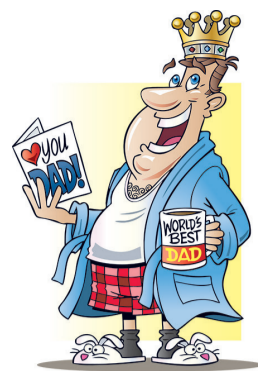
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SPORTS



Jenna O'Donnell and coach Joel Perez get ready to fist bump as O'Donnell circles the bases after smashing a two-run homer in the first round of the regional tournament on June 2. (Reporter photos)

Lady Trojans split two games in regional

□ MHS tops Byron, eliminated by Oregon

The Mendota Lady Trojans enjoyed home field advantage in the opening round of the Class 2A Regional and they made the most of it with a 13-3 triumph over Byron on June 2 at the MHS field. Mendota scored a run in the bottom of the sixth to bring the game to a close via the 10-run rule.

The Lady Trojans scored a pair of runs in the opening frame and were never headed. Lauren Martin drew a one-out walk and Jenna O'Donnell followed that with a towering two-run home run to center field to get Mendota off and running.

Mendota tacked on two more runs in the second. Izabella Nanez reached on an error, Zoe Hanson singled and Katie Jenner walked to load the bases. Martin drove in one run with a sacrifice fly, and after an intentional walk to O'Donnell, Paige Manning plated another run when she was safe on an error.

Byron tightened the score in the third when it had two singles and a double to pro-

duce three runs, but Mendota scored five times in the fourth and added three more runs in the fifth to take control.

In the fourth, Manning laced a two-run single and two more runs scampered home on a sacrifice fly by Mary DeFore. Then in the fifth, O'Donnell and Manning delivered RBI singles and DeFore lifted another sacrifice fly.

The game-winner in the sixth came after Zoe Finley led off with a single and eventually scored on a Byron error.

O'Donnell and Manning paced Mendota's nine-hit attack with two safeties apiece.

In the circle, Manning worked the first five innings and earned the victory. She permitted five hits, two earned runs, walked one and struck out nine. DeFore pitched a perfect inning in relief.

Oregon posted a 5-0 victory over the Lady Trojans in the semifinal-round of the regional on June 3 at Oregon. Mendota ended the campaign with a 9-8 record.



Mendota's Paige Manning delivers a pitch during the opening round of the regional tournament against Byron on June 2 at the MHS field.

Oregon pitcher Mia Trampel allowed just one hit, a single to DeFore in the fifth inning. That was Mendota's only baserunner in the contest.

Manning went the distance in the circle for the Lady Trojans and gave up five hits. All five Oregon runs were unearned. She walked two and struck out five.

Regional: MHS pounds Oregon, no-hit by Princeton

□ A. Castaneda has 6 RBI in victory

The Mendota Trojans scored in every inning and took down Oregon, 16-9, in the opening round of the Class 2A Regional on June 2 at the MHS diamond.



Castaneda

After Mendota took a quick 2-0 lead in the first, Oregon responded with three runs in the top of the second without the benefit of a hit. But the Trojans didn't trail for long as they answered with a four-spot in the bottom of the second highlighted by a two-run single off the bat of Ted Landgraf.

Each team plated two runs in their half of the third inning, while Oregon added two more runs in the fifth and sixth frames. But it wasn't enough to overtake the Trojans, who tallied one in the fourth, two in fifth and then put the game away with a big five-run sixth.

In the deciding sixth, Krew Bond lifted his second sacrifice fly of the game to get the first run of the inning home, and then later, Andres Castaneda supplied an inside-the-park grand slam home run to deep right-center field to stake the Trojans to a 16-9 lead.

Castaneda also had a tri-

ple in the contest to deliver two of Mendota's 11 hits. He drove in six runs. Dominik Stamberger banded out two singles, a double and drove in a run, while Abel Guerra picked up two singles and an RBI. Landgraf finished with three runs batted in.

Bond got the call on the hill for Mendota and worked into the third. He did not allow a hit and only one of the five runs off of him was earned. He walked five and struck out seven. Stamberger went the rest of the way to pick up the win. He permitted five hits, two earned runs, walked two and fanned five.

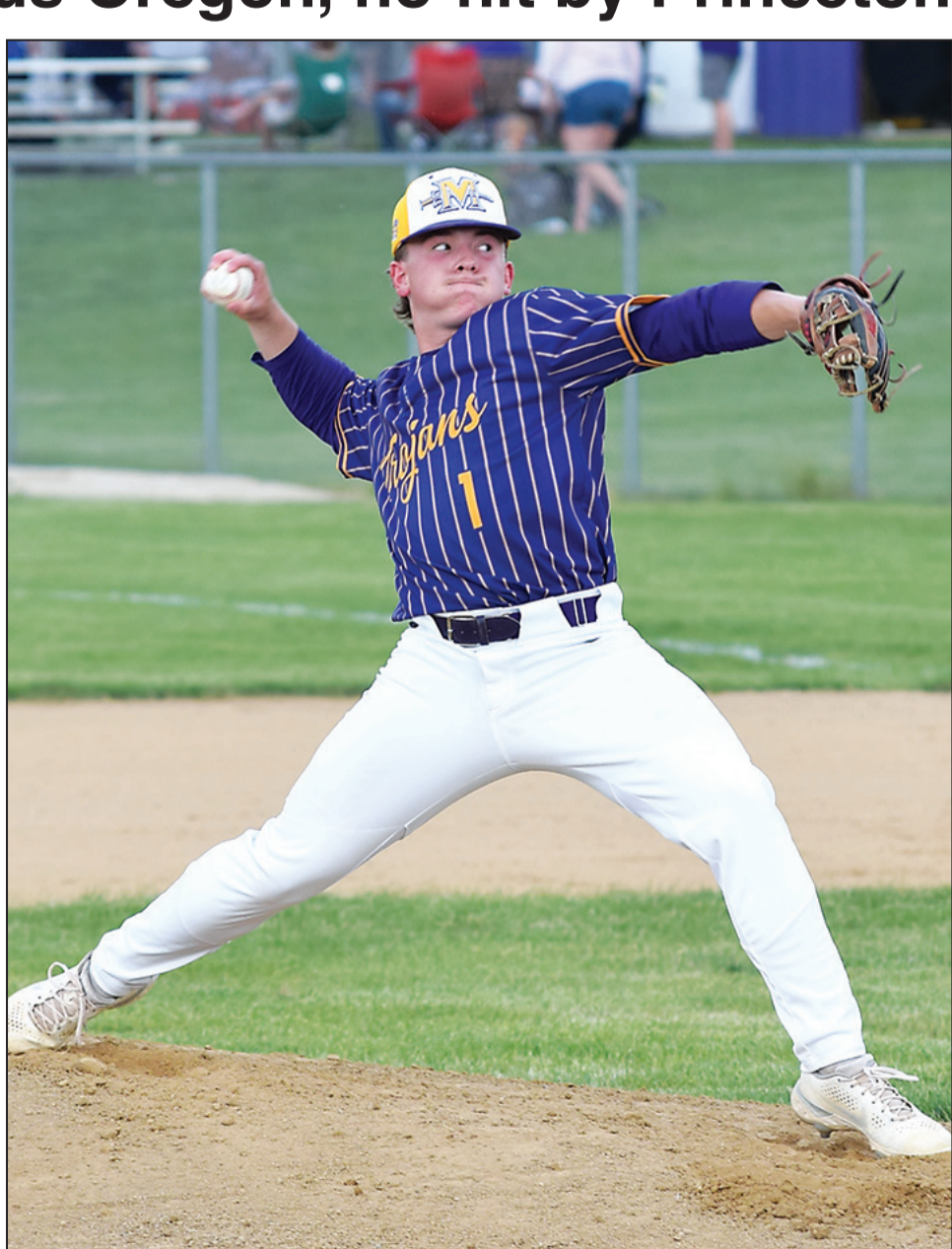
The Trojans saw their season come to a close after a 15-0 four-inning loss at Princeton in the regional semifinals on June 4.

Princeton pitcher Danny Cihocki did not allow a hit over the four-inning contest. He walked four and struck out seven.

The Tigers scored in every inning, including a six-run first.

Sean Figueroa was the starting pitcher for Mendota. He gave up five hits and 10 runs, but only one of the runs was earned as the Trojan defense committed five errors. Landon Kreiser finished up on the hill.

Mendota ended the season with a 3-11 record.



Mendota's Krew Bond grimaces as he delivers a pitch during the opening round of the regional against Oregon on June 2 at the MHS field. (Reporter photo)

MHS doubles team qualifies for state tennis tournament

GENESEO – Logan Brandner and Andrew Stamberger of the Mendota High School boys' tennis team qualified for the IHSA State Tournament after the doubles team competed in the Geneseo Sectional on June 4-5.

They won their first match 6-0, 6-0 over Daniel Pettis and Dantre Wilson of Galesburg and then the duo defeated Owen Grot and Alex Ullrich of Dixon 6-4, 3-6, 6-0 to qualify for state.

The state tournament will be held June 10-12 at various locations throughout the Chicago suburbs.

Five Lady Trojans earn all-BNC softball honors

□ P. Manning selected to BNC first team

MENDOTA – Five Mendota Lady Trojan softball players were recognized for their play by being chosen for the 2021 season.

Junior Paige Manning earned first-team honors for the Lady Trojans, while senior Jenna O'Donnell and sophomore Katie Jenner were second-team selections. Senior Mary DeFore and junior Lauren Martin both landed on the honorable mention list.

FIRST TEAM

Byron – Morgan Salisbury, Sr., 3B; Dixon – Sam Tourillott, Jr., P/SS; Genoa-Kingston – Christine Venditti, So., C; Carly Kline, Jr., SS; Mendota – Paige Manning, Jr., P/OF; North Boone – Lexi Goodman, Jr., P; Danielle Stefek, Sr., OF; Oregon – Bella Koertner, Jr., Util.; Liz Mois, So., C; Mia Trampel, Jr., P; Stillman Valley – Addison Wythe, Jr., P; Grace Lagertausen, Sr., SS; Jada Nanni, Sr., 2B; Grace Pfeiffer, Jr., OF; Winnebago – Aurora Insko, Sr., SS/P

SECOND TEAM

Byron – Maya Carlson, So., SS; Dixon – Kierstyn Mays, So., P/3B; Ge-

noa-Kingston – Kiearah Mitchell, Fr., P; Mendota – Jenna O'Donnell, Sr., SS; Katie Jenner, So., OF/IF; North Boone – Lauren Stefek, Fr., SS; Kaylee Witte, Jr., 3B/P; Oregon – Reilee Suter, So., SS; Lena Trampel, Jr., P/1B; Jessie Suter, Jr.; Rock Falls – Karli Fischbach, Sr., C; Brooke Howard, So., SS; Stillman Valley – Alayna Hanners, Sr., OF; Winnebago – Annika Bielewicz, Jr., 2B/OF; Jordyn Wogomon, Jr., C

HONORABLE MENTION

Byron – Jada O'Sullivan, Sr., P/IF; Linnea Nelson, Jr., OF; Dixon – Arienne Smith, Jr., C; Izzi McCommons, Jr., SS/2B; Genoa-Kingston – Logan Neblock, Jr., 1B; Emily Tryznka, Fr., Util.; Mendota – Lauren Martin, Jr., C/OF; Mary DeFore, Sr., P/IF; North Boone – Hannah Beran, Sr., 2B; Cyndi Vengas, Sr., OF; Oregon – Ella Martin, Sr., OF; Ava Hackman, So., OF/P; Rock Falls – Abby Whites, So., P/1B; Rockford Christian – Megan Hatton, Fr., P; Emma Hultman, Jr., 2B; Stillman Valley – Josie Larson, Jr., 1B; Winnebago – Sarah Seger, Jr., C; Reece Erdahl, Fr., OF

MHS boys to compete in Rochelle Track Sectional

ROCHELLE – The Mendota boys' track team has been assigned to the Rochelle Class 2A Sectional to be held Thursday, June 10. The meet 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], Ge-

noa (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.

Summer sports activities at MHS

MENDOTA – Information for summer sports at Mendota High School has been set.

- Football – begins at 6 p.m. June 14 at the stadium.

- Soccer – has begun at 3 p.m. in weight room.

- Tennis – tennis camp will be held from 8-10 a.m. July 26-30.

- Golf – junior camp will be held June 21-25.

- Volleyball – contact Coach Nicci at varsityvb@mendotahs.org for information.

- Cross country – if interested, contact Coach Wohrley at kwohrley@mendotahs.org.

- Cheerleading – cheer camp will be held June 19-21

- Boys' basketball – contact Coach Hanson at shanson@mendotahs.org for more information.

- Girls' basketball – contact Coach Hansen at hans_61342@yahoo.com for more information.

SPORTS

Trojans get 3 players on all-BNC teams

MENDOTA—Three Mendota Trojan baseball players were recognized by the Big Northern Conference by being named all-conference performers for the 2021 season.

Sophomore Krew Bond headed the list for Mendota by being chosen to the BNC first team. Senior Andres Castaneda and junior Ted Landgraf were both honorable mention selections.

FIRST TEAM

Byron — Braden Smith, Zach Tucker; Dixon — Eli Dever, Andrew Pollom; Mendota — Krew Bond; North Boone — Logan Emanuel; Rock Falls — Chase Chappell;

Rockford Christian — Justin Gorski; Stillman Valley — Brandt King; Winnebago — Jason Buhl, Cole Schrank, Jackson Lindquist

SECOND TEAM

Byron — Sawyer Eccles; Dixon — Ryan Pitzer, Beau Evans, Gage Burdick; Genoa-Kingston — Ben Franson; North Boone — Chandler Alderman; Rock Falls — Dillon Schueler; Rockford Christian — Devan Bruggeman; Rockford Lutheran — Preston Sanders; Stillman Valley — David Willis, Colton Parks, Cade Moraska

HONORABLE

MENTION

Byron — Luke Mathiu, Jack Lorenz; Dixon — Jacob Gaither, Ethan Van Horn; Genoa-Kingston — Nolan Perry, Rhett Kline; Mendota — Andres Castaneda, Ted Landgraf; North Boone — Andrew Dresser, Trey Braun; Oregon — Breccan Berns, Nico Giuffre; Rock Falls — Luke Akerman, Gavin Sands; Rockford Christian — Spencer Munch, Eli Varble; Rockford Lutheran — Blake Broege; Stillman Valley — David Willis, Colton Parks; Winnebago — Sam Rummel, Austin Walz

Illinois high school Shrine football game scheduled for June 19

BLOOMINGTON — The Illinois Coaches Association and the Shriners of Illinois will host the 47th annual Illinois High School Shrine Game on Saturday, June 19 at Tucci Stadium on the campus of Illinois Wesleyan University. Kick-off for the 47th annual game is scheduled for 11 a.m.

The pregame festivities will begin at the stadium starting at 10 a.m. One hundred six of the state's best football players participate in this all-star game to raise money for Shriners Hospital for Children, the official philanthropy of Shriners International. More information about scheduled events, along with rosters for both the Red and Blue teams, can be found at www.ilshrinegame.com. Admission for this all-star game is \$10 and can be purchased at the gate.

Each year at the Shrine Game, two patients from the Shriners Hospital for Children are chosen to be the prince and princess. The princess is

Hadley Holmes from Marion who is a patient at the Shriners Hospital in St. Louis. The prince is Tim Bannon from Chicago who is a patient at the Shriners Hospital in Chicago. The prince and princess are honorary representatives from each hospital that will benefit from the money raised through the game. Last year's event was unable to be played, but Shriners still raised nearly \$20,000 that went directly to providing outstanding medical care for children at the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The goal is to create a fun and exciting environment for the players, families, Shrine kids, and Shriners and to make this a signature event for the Shriners of Illinois. This year's game will be aired live on Cities 92.9, which is a part of the Great Plains Media Group. The featured banquet speaker will be Michael Bates from Divernon. Bates participated in this event in 2011 and played football at Illinois College.

3 MHS girls' soccer players chosen all-BNC

MENDOTA — Mendota High School had three girls selected as Big Northern Conference all-conference performers for the 2021 soccer season.

Sophomore Emily Stewart was chosen to the BNC second team, while senior Daisy Arteaga and junior Isabella Tolentino were named to the honorable mention squad.

FIRST TEAM

Byron — Anika Roush, Lauren Carlson, Izzy McKinley (goalkeeper);

Dixon — Taylor Harrison, Abigail Goff, Emma Evans, Paige Stees; Genoa-Kingston — Sarah Swineheart; Oregon — Leah Watters; North Boone — Olivia Adams; Rockford Christian — Jada Harvey, Stephanie Brandon, Paige Elliot; Stillman Valley — Jayda Reynolds; Winnebago — Jocelyn Harms

SECOND TEAM

Byron — Olivia Ebens, Ella Grundstrom; Dixon — Katie Drew, Hanna

Lengquist; Genoa-Kingston — Lily McPherson; Mendota — Emily Stewart; Oregon — Alyssa Mowry; Rockford Christian — Molly Henderson, Ellen Love, Ava Fischer; Rockford Lutheran — Melanie Horn (goalkeeper); Winnebago — Mya Erdahl, Hailey Westphal

HONORABLE MENTION

Byron — Grace Kultgen, Ava Kultgen; Dixon — Emily Smith, Abigail Provo; Genoa-Kingston — Bryanna

Sonntag, Cassie Winters; Mendota — Daisy Arteaga, Isabella Tolentino; Oregon — Aubrey Point, Hadley Lutz; Rockford Lutheran — Emma Elliot, Ally Lackner; Stillman Valley — Jenna Shelburne, Grace Haas

Stewart was also selected as a National High School Soccer Coaches Association (NHSSCA) all-sectional player, while Tolentino was an NHSSCA honorable mention all-sectional player.

IDNR Conservation Police step up boating patrols

(The Center Square) — More boats are expected on Illinois waterways this summer than ever before, according to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

IDNR Conservation Police are ready for summer crowds with stepped-up patrols, Sgt. Phil Wire said.

"We are out here trying to keep people safe," Wire said.

Wire says there are too many distractions out on the water — including paddle crafts and jet skis — that are easy for power boaters who are not paying close attention to see.

"If we come across boaters who are intoxicated, they will be arrested," he said.

Wire recommends naming a designated helmsman to stay sober and drive the boat, the way people choose a designated driver when they go to a party.

"A boat is a piece of heavy-duty equipment that does not have brakes," Wire said.

Every person in the boat should be wearing a life vest. Nationwide, 86% of people who drowned in boating accidents last year were not wearing life vests. Other required safety equipment on boats include a properly charged fire extinguisher, a working horn and whistle, and working navigation lights and flares.

One important piece of safety equipment

often goes unused — even by experienced boaters, Wire says. Engine cut-off switches (ECOS) and links or lanyards that shut the boat motor off if the boat operator falls or gets knocked out of the helm are now required by a new federal law that took effect in April.

"Nobody ever thinks that they will be thrown out of their boat, but it happens all the time," Wire said.

Without a helmsman, the boat will either spin in circles or just keep going straight. The driver can get run down by their own boat, or watch the boat run loose — until it runs out of gas or hits something.

A video put out by the U.S. Coast Guard shows lifelong boaters Clay and Blake Brussard's Bass Boat getting ejected from their speeding bass boat in a split second when Blake missed a warning buoy while checking his GPS.

The father and son's high-tech life jackets deployed within five seconds, saving them from drowning. Minutes later, they narrowly missed being run over by their runaway bass boat.

"The kill switch needs to be connected to your body, and not taken for granted," a chastened Blake Brussard tells boaters in the video, which has gone viral.

MHS boys' track team ends regular season

OREGON — The Mendota boys' track team concluded the regular season in the Oregon 5-Team meet on June 1.

Dixon piled up 128 points to win the event, followed by

Oregon with 111, Winnebago with 70, Byron with 52 and Mendota with 4.

Alex Hermsillo scored points for the Trojans in two events. He finished fourth in the 800-meter run with

a time of 2:20.28 and took fifth in the 1600-meter run with a clocking of 5:26.19.

Also placing for Mendota was Billy Hall, who ran fifth in the 800-meter race with a time of 2:20.55.



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Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo
HOLLYWOOD -- Superstar stand-up comic Sebastian Maniscalco, who made his film debut in the Oscar-winning picture "The Green Book" (as Johnny Venere) and then played "Crazy Joe" Gallo opposite Robert De Niro, Al Pacino and Joe Pesci in Martin Scorsese's "The Irishman," will now STAR opposite De Niro in "About My Father." The script, written by Maniscalco and based on his relationship with his real father, starts shooting later this year. When Maniscalco asked his father who should play him, his answer was, "De Niro, who else?!" De Niro, picky about what he acts in, obviously loved the script because he immediately said "Yes."

so much that he wrote the starring role (with touches of comedy) in "Spiral: From the Book of Saw" for himself.

W i t h Rock on board, Lionsgate was able to sign Samuel L. Jackson and Max Minghella to join him. It started shooting July 2019 and wrapped that August. Originally scheduled for release in October 2020, it was rushed to release May 2020, then delayed due to the pandemic. A sequel, "Saw X," is already in the works, along with a possible TV series.



Swank

 Sequels, sequels, sequels! "Knives Out 2" will again star Daniel Craig, as well as Edward Norton and Dave Bautista, when it begins shooting in Greece. Netflix has allotted \$400 million, aiming at a December 2022 release for "KO2," followed by "Knives Out 3," being shot back-to-back. And "Venom," which grossed \$855 million in 2018, has the sequel "Venom 2, Let

There Be Carnage" already shooting with Tom Hardy, Michelle Williams and Reid Scott returning, adding Woody Harrelson and J.K. Simmons to the mix.

 Two-time Academy Award-winner Hilary Swank (best supporting actress for "Boys Don't Cry" in 1999, and best actress for "Million Dollar Baby" in 2004) seemed to disappear during the pandemic, but she was in Australia in June 2019 making the sci-fi thriller "I Am Mother," with Rose Byrne; the horror/thriller "The Hunt," with Betty Gilpin, Amy Madigan and Emma Roberts (in New Orleans); as well as "Fatale," with Michael Ealy and Mike Colter (shot in L.A.). She also starred in the Netflix series "Away."

But she'll return in a blaze of glory playing racing pioneer Janet Guthrie, the first woman to compete in both the Indianapolis 500 and the Daytona 500, in "Speed Girl." If that doesn't get her career racing again, nothing will!

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By Dana Jackson
Q: I just finished watching the first installment of "True Detective" with Woody Harrelson and Matthew McConaughey. I've heard that the subsequent seasons with a different cast and mystery are not as good, so I might just skip those. Will there be a fourth season, and is there any chance that Harrelson and McConaughey will return for it? -- **E.O.**



Harrelson

A: When the anthology series "True Detective" premiered on HBO in 2014, I remember being surprised that two big movie stars were doing a TV series together. Nowadays, television and streaming services have so many quality projects, it's easy to see why stars cross over often without a second thought.

The third installment of "True Detective" did seem to win back fans and critics alike with lead actor Mahershala Ali taking home an Emmy. According to Deadline.com, a fourth season is in the works, with Casey Bloys, chief content officer at HBO/HBO Max, "working with a

couple of writers to find the right tone and take."

McConaughey seems to have shifted away from acting, at least for now. He taught a film production class at the University of Texas and recently expressed interest in running for governor of the Lone Star state. Harrelson will play Timothy Leary in an upcoming limited series "The Most Dangerous Man in America," but it's not known yet when or where that show will air.

Q: Is Jake Tapper the novelist the same man who is on CNN? -- **R.E.**

A: Yes, the multitasking Tapper hosts a weekday news program along with other onscreen duties at CNN. He has published both non-fiction and novels, and also is a political cartoonist. His latest book, "The Devil May Dance," is set during the Rat Pack world of Hollywood in the early 1960s. Tapper, 52, has said in interviews he's fascinated with that era. Right now he seems to be at ease juggling his many hats. Let's hope it continues.

Q: I saw a preview a while back for another musical by the man who created "Hamilton." I thought it was going

to be in movie theaters, but then the pandemic hit. Did they ever finish it? -- **S.T.**

A: You're thinking of "In the Heights," which Lin-Manuel Miranda created for the stage long before "Hamilton" became a Broadway sensation. The film adaptation was due out a year ago, but COVID-19 put a halt to that. Fortunately, it'll be in theaters and available to stream on HBO Max beginning June 18.

"In the Heights" the film is directed by Jon M. Chu ("Crazy Rich Asians") and stars Anthony Ramos and Leslie Grace. It's set in the largely Dominican, Washington Heights neighborhood of Manhattan. Ramos reprises his lead role of Usnavi, a bodega owner who dreams of winning the lottery and the heart of a young woman who works at a beauty salon. Jimmy Smits ("NYPD Blue"), Stephanie Beatriz ("Brooklyn Nine-Nine") and Lin-Manuel Miranda himself round out the talented cast.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFW5, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Couch Theater

By Amy Anderson
 I'm a certified believer in movie soundtracks. Music can not only trigger a great movie memory, but from where I sit, it just makes sense to have a playlist curated by an expert. Maybe it's my age -- I'm firmly Gen X, and movie soundtracks are the precursors to today's Spotify playlists. The Recording Industry Association of America ranks songs, albums, etc., and the top 20 list agrees: The majority of bestselling soundtracks are movies in the 1980s and '90s. Here are some gems from the top 20, by decade.

a young musician wrestling himself from a traditional upbringing on a path to musical success.

The 1980s feature some absolute iconic soundtracks that trigger instant recognition. Think about the biggies from this decade: "Flashdance," "Footloose," "The Big Chill," "Top Gun." But in the No. 3 spot of all time sits the soundtrack for "Purple Rain," pitting The Kid (Prince, who performs with his band, The Revolution) in all his earnestness climbing the Minneapolis club scene, against a rival band, Morris Day and The Time. Another chart-topper features music from the 1950s, '60s and '80s, but all highly associated with Patrick Swayze and Jennifer Grey in 1987's "Dirty Dancing." Then in 1989, a Disney's "The Little Mermaid" bubbled up from the bottom of the ocean to soundtrack success.

While the 1990s gave us tracks like "Don't Cry for Me, Argentina," in which Madonna sang her way to the No. 18 spot for the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical "Evita," you have

absolutely "nothing, nothing, NOTHING," if you don't have the soundtrack to "The Bodyguard." This masterpiece by Whitney Houston -- where she plays an incredibly popular and talented singer who brings on a gruff bodyguard (Kevin Costner) and falls in love -- sits as the queen of soundtracks, going platinum 18 times. Other jams from the 1990s: George Strait's "Pure Country" soundtrack, as well as albums for "The Lion King," "Forrest Gump," "Space Jam," "City of Angels" and "Titanic" (carried almost exclusively by Celine Dion's ubiquitous "My Heart Will Go On"). Rounding out the decade is 1995's "Waiting to Exhale," also populated by Whitney Houston songs.

All that's left on our journey through the top 20 selling movie soundtracks? 2000's unexpected romp through rural 1937 Mississippi, with its bluegrass and Great Depression themes in the Coen Brothers' "O Brother, Where Art Thou?"

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Trivia Test

- MOVIE: Which 1985 Rat Pack movie featured the theme song "Don't You (Forget About Me)"?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is the color of the spirit called absinthe?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which Central American country used to be called British Honduras?
- TELEVISION: What is the dog's name on "Family Guy"?
- MEDICAL: What is the common name for the condition called lateral epicondylitis?
- LANGUAGE: What does the Japanese word tsunami mean in English?
- BUSINESS: In what year did Amazon launch?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What animal has no vocal cords?
- U.S. STATES: What is the only state that borders just one other state?
- SCIENCE: What is empirical science?

Answers

- "The Breakfast Club"
- Green
- Belize
- Brian
- Tennis elbow
- Harbor wave
- 1994
- Giraffe
- Maine
- Science based on observation and experiment

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Weekly SUDOKU
 by Linda Thistle

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Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne
 * Want to test how ripe your cranberries are? Drop them on the ground! Cranberries are nature's bouncy ball -- farmers even use this technique to see if the fruit is ready for shipment.
 * In Las Vegas, it's against the law to pawn your dentures.
 * Near the end of World War I, the French built a "fake Paris" designed to throw off German bombers and fighter pilots, complete with a replica of the Champs-Elysees and Gard Du Nord. It even included a fake railway that lit up at certain points, creating the illusion from the sky of a train moving along the tracks.
 * Allergy sufferers, take note: One ragweed plant can release as many as 1 billion grains of pollen.
 * Adolf Hitler helped design (with Ferdinand Porsche) the Volkswagen Beetle, as part of an initiative to create "the people's car" -- an affordable, practical vehicle that everyone could own.
 * Tablecloths were originally designed for use as one big, communal napkin.
 * Each of the suits on a deck of cards represents the four major pillars of the economy in the Middle Ages: hearts for the Church, spades for the military, clubs for agriculture and diamonds for the merchant class.
 * A person who plays the bongo drums is known as a "bongosero."

* According to research done by MIT, the number 17 is the most common randomly chosen number between one and 20.
 * Henry Ford produced the Model T only in black because the black paint available at the time was the fastest to dry.

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You may think time is the problem—that there just isn't enough of it. But God gives everyone the same amount. We all have 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. I guess that's God's way of saying that's all the time we need to live a well-balanced life with plenty of time for work, rest and play.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV) says, "There is a time for everything, and

a season for every activity under the heavens."

Instead of dreading that you don't have enough time, you can make the decision to have more wisdom with the way you spend your time.

We spend time just like we spend money. When we spend it, it's gone, and we can't get it back. So we need to think about what we are spending it on and decide whether or not we are making the right choices.

No matter what's on your to-do list today, I want to encourage you to know God hasn't created you just to be busy. He wants you to live purposefully and be fruitful.

And the secret to being fruitful is simply to have a close, personal relationship with God.

John 15:5 (AMPC) says, "I am the Vine; you are the branches.

Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing."

No matter what you have to do to make time with God your top priority, you are never going to regret doing it. There is absolutely no better way to spend your time than to pray and study God's Word. It will bring you peace, joy, confidence, wisdom and understanding. You'll be encouraged. You can be healed. There's just no end to the good things that can happen in your life when you put God first.

You may have to wake up extra early or stay up later at night, but I encourage you to set aside time daily to spend with God. And when you do, listen for His voice. One reason people feel pressured



and under so much stress is that they're listening to every voice around them except the voice of God.

Matthew 11:28-29 (AMPC) says, "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy-laden and overburdened, and I will cause you to rest. [I will ease and relieve and refresh your souls.] Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for I am gentle (meek) and humble (lowly) in heart, and you will find rest (relief and ease and refreshment and recreation and blessed quiet) for your souls."

Even Jesus spent time alone with God before He went out into the world to do ministry, and He only did what God put before Him to do. He didn't let other people determine His schedule. If we will do the same, then our lives can be peaceful and purposeful as well as fruitful.

Are you living purposefully or just being

busy? Have you ever had a day when you were busy all day long but couldn't tell what you accomplished at the end of it? We don't have to live that way.

God wants to encourage us through His Word to live as people of purpose, making the most of the time we're given.

John 15:8 (AMPC) says, "When you bear (produce) much fruit, My Father is honored and glorified, and you show and prove yourselves to be true followers of Mine."

Following God can sometimes sound like a huge, impossible task. But you can be a great witness for God just by being productive and resting in His presence as you go about your daily life.

When you feel like you've lost your balance again and things are getting busy, don't just drag yourself through the day. Make time with God your

priority. He will give you the strength you need to live each day with peace and purpose as you accomplish everything He's calling you to do.

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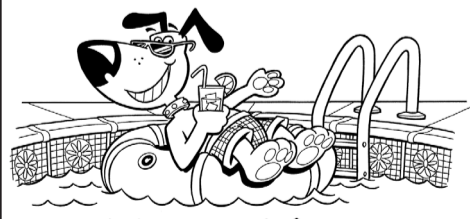
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BIBLE TRIVIA by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Balaam in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. How did the paralyzed man's friends present him through the crowds to get to Jesus? Donkey-pulled cart, Lowered through roof, Pulled up stairs, Trumpets blaring
3. From Genesis 8, what was the first thing Noah did after leaving the ark? Burned it, Built an altar, Performed a marriage, Hiked to mountains
4. What group did John the Baptist exhort to be content with their pay? Priests, Zealots, Judges, Soldiers
5. Which king of Israel had a reputation as a wild chariot driver? Jehoahaz, Jehoash, Jehu, Jehoram
6. Whose biblical name means "eagle"? Nehemiah, Timothy, Aquila, Miriam

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Lowered through roof; 3) Built an altar; 4) Soldiers; 5) Jehu; 6) Aquila

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919 MISSOURI DRIVE, DIXON LOST NATION	LOT.....	\$19,500
LOT 1 & 2 E VIRGINIA AVE., SUBLETTE		\$17,900
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