

# Gov. expecting to hit 100,000 daily vaccines in mid-March

**By JERRY NOWICKI**  
*Capitol News Illinois*  
SPRINGFIELD – Gov. JB Pritzker said the state expects to be receiving up to 100,000 doses of a COVID-19 vaccine daily by mid-March, up from the approximately 60,000 it is currently receiving on average.

That’s counting only the already-approved Moderna and Pfizer-BioNtech vaccines, and is not including a dosage spike that is expected now that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved a Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

The FDA released an analysis showing the Johnson & Johnson vaccine has met the requirements for Emergency Use Authorization, which is the same approval given to the two existing vaccines. The analysis showed the vaccine is 66 percent effective against moderate to severe COVID-19 globally.

Pritzker said during a stop at a vaccination site in West Peoria that even without the new vaccine, White House projections and promises from vaccine manufacturers indicate the state will receive the 100,000 daily doses by mid-March. That number could be increased by 20 percent with approval of the new vaccine.

Peoria County Public Health Administrator Monica Hendrickson said the 66 percent effectiveness rate is less than the roughly 95 percent rate seen with the first two vaccines, but it’s still more effective than the seasonal flu vaccine, which hits roughly 40-60 percent depending on the year. The Johnson & Johnson shot is also a one-dose vaccine, unlike the two existing vaccines, which require two doses.

“You’re looking at a distinction that from a clinical standpoint, or from an epidemiological standpoint, is very minor compared to what we really are hoping for, which is decreases in death and decreases in severe illness where they all match up between the three vaccines,” she

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# Legislation calls for rapid on-site visit policy after deadly outbreak at LaSalle Veterans’ Home

□ House resolution requests auditor general Mautino investigate LaSalle facility deaths

**By SARAH MANSUR**  
*Capitol News Illinois*

SPRINGFIELD — Two Republican lawmakers on March 1 unveiled legislation to strengthen internal policies at state-run veterans homes in the case of a disease outbreak, such as the COVID-19 outbreak at the LaSalle Veterans’ Home that resulted in 36 resident deaths since the pandemic began.

The bill, sponsored by Republican Sen. Sue Rezin, defines an outbreak at a state veterans home as two or more staff or residents at the facility contracting an infectious disease within 48 hours of the first diagnosis.

Senate Bill 2251 would require the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs and Illinois Department of Public Health to conduct an on-site visit at a veterans home where an outbreak has occurred no later than the following business day after the home staff or administrator was notified.

Rezin, of Morris, said state officials with IDPH and IDVA were too slow to react at LaSalle because they did not conduct an on-site visit there until 12 days after the outbreak was reported on Nov. 1.

By Nov. 7, test results



A bill has been introduced that would strengthen internal policies at state-run veterans homes in case of a disease outbreak.

showed 22 residents and seven staff were positive. By Nov. 8, 59 residents and 64 staff tested positive for COVID-19. The facility reported seven resident deaths on Nov. 11.

“I would say that if we were able to go on site immediately and recognize that mitigation protocol was not being followed, we could have slowed this outbreak,” Rezin said.

SB 2251 would also mandate that IDVA post

online the findings of its on-site inspection, as well as corrective actions needed, the dates of follow-up visits, and the initial and follow-up reports from the on-site visit.

Rep. David Welter, also of Morris, introduced a House resolution calling for the Illinois auditor general to conduct an investigation into the deaths at LaSalle, rather than the acting inspector general of the Illinois Department of Human Services, who is currently tasked with the

investigation.

Welter said Auditor General Frank Mautino should take over the investigation because the auditor general is appointed by the Legislative Audit Commission, a bipartisan committee of House and Senate members, not the governor.

“That is really where we want to see this investigation go — an independent party

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# Be bold and get cold

□ Special Olympics Illinois holding Plunge At Home benefit

MENDOTA – This winter, Special Olympics Illinois invites you to “be bold and get cold” at home for the athletes of Special Olympics Illinois.

Registration is now open for the 2021 Law Enforcement Torch Run Polar Plunge At Home at [www.plungeillinois.com](http://www.plungeillinois.com). To support your local Plunge At Home, please visit <https://soill.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=839>. The 2021 Polar Plunge season

will run through Saturday, March 14. All proceeds collected by plungers benefit the more than 23,000 traditional athletes and 13,000 Young Athletes of Special Olympics Illinois.

This year, all plunge locations have gone virtual. What does an at-home plunge look like? The options are endless. Please check out our Plunge At Home page to learn more. It isn’t how you plunge. It isn’t where you plunge. It is that you plunge in support of those athletes.

The fundraising minimum is \$100 for all Plungers. Participants receive a Polar Plunge hooded sweatshirt. Throughout the past 22 years, more than 84,000 plungers have raised more than \$23.5 million.

Plunge At Home anytime now through March 14, and don’t forget to commemorate your Plunge with photos and videos on social media. Tag Special Olympics Illinois on Facebook/Instagram/TikTok: @specialolympicsillinois; Twitter: @so\_illinois, and use the official Plunge hashtag: #beboldgetcold.

The more fun you are having the better. You can submit your videos for a chance to be a part of our Plunge Recap on March 14. Just email them to [videos@soill.org](mailto:videos@soill.org).

Special Olympics Illinois encourages participants to exercise safe Plunge At Home choices. Special Olympics Illinois is not responsible for any injuries that occur while participating in the Plunge At Home option.

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Disinfection improvements will be made to the waste water treatment plant.

# Council awards bid for improvements to city’s waste water treatment plant

**By KIP CHEEK**  
*Staff writer*

MENDOTA – The Mendota City Council awarded a bid and handled several other items of business at its March 1 regular meeting.

Alderman Jim Fitzpatrick announced that four bids were received for disinfection improvements to the city’s waste water treatment plant. The low bid from Whittaker Construction of Earlville was accepted in the amount of \$507,150.

Fitzpatrick also informed the council that the Mendota incinerator burn pit will open for the season on Saturday, March 27. Burn pit hours this year are: Monday from 3-6 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The incinerator burn pit is located south of

Mendota near the sewage treatment plant.

During Mayor David Boelk’s report, he proclaimed that April will be Fair Housing Month in Mendota. This is the 53rd anniversary of the passing of the Fair Housing Act. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination by direct providers of housing, such as landlords and real estate companies as well as other entities, such as municipalities, banks or other lending institutions and homeowners insurance companies whose discriminatory practices make housing unavailable to persons because of race or color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or disability.

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



Polar Plungers from last year’s event at Lake Mendota.



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# LOCAL AND AREA

## Aurora University to hold virtual discussion of school's Mendota origins

AURORA - Aurora University will present a virtual discussion of "Occupy till I Come: The Origins of Aurora University in Mendota, Illinois, 1893-1912" at 7 p.m. on March 9.

University president Rebecca L. Sherrick will lead the Zoom discussion with "Occupy" author Susan Palmer of Aurora, an Aurora College alumna, professor emerita of history and curator, Jenks Memorial Collection of Adventual Materials.

Palmer's book chronicles how Mendota College's leaders, faculty, students and supporters "occupied" - reconciled deeply held religious beliefs with a modernizing society

**Susan L. Palmer of Aurora poses with her book, "Occupy till I Come: The Origins of Aurora University in Mendota, Illinois, 1893-1912." (Photo contributed)**



that called for clergy to be more highly educated. The book also tells how the college occupied financially - constantly struggling and sacrificing to make ends meet to preserve its religious mission.

Mendota College was created in 1893 by the Western Advent Christian Publication Association, a publishing arm of the Advent Christian denomination, to prepare Advent Christians for the ministry. Including liberal arts courses with religious studies, Mendota College existed until 1912 when it moved to Aurora and became Aurora College. The college became Aurora University in 1985.

Palmer researched the Jenks Collection and catalogs, newspapers, photos, student publications and other source materials in the university's archives to write the book. A 1971 Aurora College graduate, she taught

history at the college and university from 1973 to 2010. Palmer grew up in an Advent Christian home with Adventist roots going back four generations.

"I tried to put the history of the college, denomination and Millerism - named after William Miller, a New York farmer who founded the 1840s Millerite movement from which the Advent Christian denomination grew - in the broader context of American history," Palmer explained.

The online discussion is part of AU's spring Celebrating Arts and Ideas series, 10 virtual events continuing a tradition of presenting engaging discussions and cultural experiences. Questions for Sherrick and Palmer may be e-mailed to artsandideas@Aurora.edu. Call (630) 844-4924 to register or for more information.

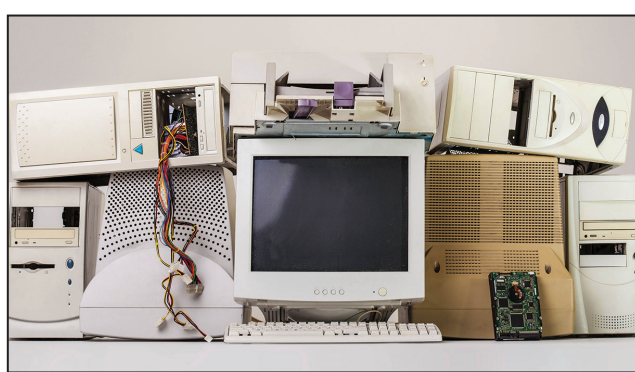
## LaSalle County schedules E-Waste recycling event

OTTAWA - LaSalle County will hold a free electronics recycling event on Saturday, March 20 from 8 a.m. to noon. The event will be held at the LaSalle County Government Center, 707 E. Etna Road, Ottawa. Pre-registration is required at <https://lasallecounty.as.me/> (preferred) or phone (815) 630-4308 weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Friday 8 a.m.-noon.

This event is limited to LaSalle County residents only and is not open to businesses. There is a limit of two televisions per vehicle. Oversized loads may be refused.

**ACCEPTED** items include:

Televisions and Monitors (all types), Computers and parts (laptop, notebook, netbook, tablet, desktop), DVD/VHS Players, Video Game Consoles, Computer Servers, Cable and Satellite Receivers, Cameras, Cash Registers and Credit Card Readers, Cell Phones and Accessories, Circuit Boards, Copiers/Printers/Scanners/Fax/Typewriters, External Drives, Ferrous and Non-Ferrous Metals, Ink and Toner Cartridges, Mice and Keyboards, Microwaves, MP3/iPods/etc., Networking Equipment, Projectors, Rechargeable Batteries (Lithium Ion, Ni-Cd, Lead Acid, Ni-Mh), Stereos/Radios/



Speakers, Uninterrupted Power Supplies, Wire Cables and Christmas Lights.

**NOT ACCEPTED** items include:

Loose alkaline batteries (unless inside electronic device), liquid containing items, Freon containing

items (A/C units, dehumidifiers), refrigerators, freezers, thermostats, light bulbs.

For questions, not regarding registration, contact the LaSalle County Environmental Services and Land Use Department at (815) 434-8666.

## EDUCATION BRIEFS

### St. Ambrose University dean's list

DAVENPORT, Iowa - Four local students, Gillian Sondgeroth of Troy Grove and Katie Beetz, Kathryn McNally and Annah Scholl, all of Mendota, have been named to the St. Ambrose University dean's list for the fall term.

To qualify, full-time students must achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

St. Ambrose is a private, coeducational university with a firm grounding in the liberal arts, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and member of the

North Central Association. For information about St. Ambrose go to [www.sau.edu](http://www.sau.edu).

### Manchester University dean's list

NORTH MANCHESTER, Ind. - Paige Collins of Earlville has been named to the Manchester University fall 2020 dean's list, one of 382 students included on the dean's list. Collins is majoring in accounting.

Students earning a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher who have completed at least 12 semester hours with no more than three hours of Pass/Not Pass grades are included on the dean's list.

## OSF Saint Paul Medical Center to host blood & plasma drive, March 12

MENDOTA - Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center (MVRBC) will hold a blood drive from noon until 5 p.m. on Friday, March 12 in Conference Room C at OSF HealthCare Saint Paul Medical Center in Mendota.

Volunteer blood donors are invited to support the local blood supply by scheduling an appointment to give blood. Please call the Community Health Services

Department at (815) 539-1411 to schedule (appointments required) and bring a photo ID for use in donor registration.

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center is also accepting referrals from individuals who have recovered from a COVID-19 infection and would now like to be scheduled for plasma donation to help newly diagnosed patients fight the disease. Potential donors

who can provide documentation of a laboratory-confirmed positive test for COVID-19 and meet other health and safety criteria, will be scheduled for a COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma (CCP) donation.

Individual donors and care providers may refer themselves or their patients via the referral form available at [www.bloodcenter.org](http://www.bloodcenter.org) or by calling (833) 610-1025. For additional information, potential

donors or physicians may send inquiries to [patientservices@mvrbc.org](mailto:patientservices@mvrbc.org).

CCP donors must be fully recovered from their COVID-19 infection and must meet all standard eligibility criteria for blood donation. Plasma will only be collected from donors with laboratory-confirmed tests showing they had a COVID-19 infection and must be at least 28 days from the last date

they experienced symptoms. These donors will have antibodies to help fight COVID-19 and will be scheduled for a plasma donation at a nearby donor center or mobile blood drive.

MVRBC is based in Davenport, Iowa with regional operations in Urbana (Community Blood Services of Illinois) and Springfield (Central Illinois Community Blood Center).

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# LOCAL AND AREA

## 'Band of Sisters' author Lauren Willig shares the story behind her new novel

LASALLE - The LaSalle Public Library's next virtual program will take place on Tuesday, March 9 featuring author Lauren Willig, who will discuss her newest novel, "Band of Sisters." This free program will begin at 6 p.m. and is open to the public.

Willig's novel is based on the remarkable true story of the Smith College Relief Unit, a group of Smith College graduates who charged off to France at the height of World War I to bring humanitarian aid to French villagers crushed between two armies. She will discuss the challenges the Smith College Relief Unit faced, share the exciting process of uncovering the story from the thousands of letters written home by members of the Unit, and explain why it is important that these American heroines not be forgotten.

Willig is the New York Times and USA Today bestselling author of more than 20 works of historical fiction, including "The Summer Country," the RITA Award winning "Pink Carnation" series, and three novels co-written with Beatriz Williams and Karen White. An alumna of Yale University, she has a graduate degree in history from Harvard and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. She lives in New York City with her husband, two young children, and vast quantities of coffee.

This program will be presented via Zoom and registration is required to receive the Zoom link. To register online, go to <https://bit.ly/3rqTljk>. Those who prefer to connect using an iPad or smartphone, need more information, or have questions, please contact Rachael Blomquist, Digital Content Librarian, at [rblomquist@lasalle.lib.il.us](mailto:rblomquist@lasalle.lib.il.us) or call the Library at (815) 223-2341.

### More about "Band of Sisters"

A group of young women from Smith College risk their lives in France at the height of World War I in this sweeping novel based on a true story - a skillful blend of "Call the Midwife" and "The Alice Network."

A scholarship girl from Brooklyn, Kate Moran thought she found a place among

Smith's Mayflower descendants, only to have her illusions dashed the summer after graduation. When charismatic alumna Betsy Rutherford delivers a rousing speech at the Smith College Club in April of 1917, looking for volunteers to help French civilians decimated by the German war machine, Kate is too busy earning her living to even think of taking up the call. But when her former best friend Emmeline Van Alden reaches out and begs her to take the place of a girl who had to drop out, Kate reluctantly agrees to join the new Smith College Relief Unit.

Four months later, Kate and 17 other Smithies, including two trailblazing female doctors, set sail for France. The volunteers are armed with money, supplies, and good intentions - all of which immediately go astray. The chateau that was to be their headquarters is a half-burnt ruin. The villagers they meet are in desperate straits: women and children huddling in damp cellars, their crops destroyed, and their wells poisoned.

Despite constant shelling from the Germans, French bureaucracy, and the threat of being ousted by the British army, the Smith volunteers bring welcome aid - and hope - to the region. But can they survive their own differences? As they cope with the hardships and terrors of the war, Kate and her colleagues find themselves navigating old rivalries and new betrayals which threaten the very existence of the Unit. With the Germans threatening to break through the lines, can the Smith Unit pull together and be truly a band of sisters?

"Band of Sisters" was released on March 2. To read the first three chapters of the book, go to <https://bit.ly/36J7osS>.

**Coming up:** On Saturday, March 13 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., LaSalle Public Library will host Father Dominic Garramone, aka the Bread Monk. Father Dominic will demonstrate three delicious Easter recipes to make using any basic white bread dough.

To register online for this program, go to <https://bit.ly/3aaCwU1>.

## KISHWAUKEE COLLEGE

### Kish offering four short-term training programs

#### ◆ Online and hybrid formats available

MALTA - The Kishwaukee College Continuing Education department is offering four Short-Term Training programs during the summer 2021 semester. Two are offered online and two are in a hybrid format (online learning/in-person practice). Participants are required to have access to a computer and internet to participate in the programs.

Short-term training programs prepare people for a variety of entry-level positions in a wide range of career fields. The programs are a great way to explore a career before committing to a degree. Short-term training programs range from 11 to 20 weeks. Some include an externship. The programs prepare students to work in their field and pass their national certification exam, if available. Completion of a short-term training program provides an entrance into a career path that begins with a skilled, entry-level position with the opportunity for further career advancement.

The Short-Term Training programs are:

**Online Pharmacy Technician:** May 9-Aug. 21

Pharmacy Technicians assist pharmacists to dispense prescription medication. Pharmacy Technicians may

also manage third-party billing, answer telephones, direct customers to items or to the pharmacist for medication consultation, receive written prescriptions, clean and sterilize dispensing bottles and instruments, answer questions regarding non-drug products and collect payments. Instruction is provided via D2L/Bright Space in an asynchronous format.

**Sterile Processing Technician:** May 9-Aug. 14

Sterile Processing Technicians provide support to all patient care services in a health care facility. They are responsible for decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care, especially during surgery. Instruction is provided via D2L/Bright Space in an asynchronous format.

**Hybrid (Online Lecture/In-Person Practice) Dental Assistant:** May 9-July 31

Dental Assistants are skilled health care professionals who work closely with dentists and dental hygienists to provide quality preventive and corrective dental care and administra-

tive support in dental offices. Dental assistants are trained in the history of dentistry and dental assisting, oral anatomy, dental equipment, operation and maintenance, proper patient positioning, dental anesthesia, and sterilization as well as an introduction to the dental office legal aspects of dentistry. Instruction is provided via D2L/Bright Space in an asynchronous format. In-person practice will be conducted on Tuesdays (6-9 p.m.) in a local dental office.

**Phlebotomy Technician:** June 13-Sept. 3

Phlebotomists are skilled health care professionals who have been trained to collect, transport, handle and process blood and other specimens for laboratory analysis using venipuncture and micro collection techniques. Instruction is provided via D2L/Bright Space in an asynchronous format. In-person practice will be conducted on Monday/Tuesday/Thursday (6-8:30 p.m.) at Kishwaukee College.

Registration opens on April 5. Prospective students should contact Melissa Gallagher, Director of Short-Term Training & Continuing Education, at [mgallagher1@kish.edu](mailto:mgallagher1@kish.edu) as soon as possible to schedule a phone meeting.

## LaMoille School Board poses question to voters

### ◆ Virtual public hearing will take place on March 18

LAMOILLE - The LaMoille C.U.S.D. #303 Board of Education passed a resolution to eliminate the township requirement for all board members.

This action allows voters the opportunity to decide during the spring election if they wish to have "at large" school board positions, instead of the current township format.

The reason for this pos-

sible change to be placed on the ballot is the difficulty the district has experienced in filling school board positions. Currently there can be no more than three school board members from each township, and this has limited the district's ability to have a full school board.

The district has had one open seat for almost two years, and the "at large" format would allow the school

district a better opportunity to fill all board seats. The LaMoille Board of Education will hold a virtual public hearing at their March 18 board meeting from 6:45 to 7 p.m. to answer questions pertaining to this potential change for the school board election process. A link to this hearing will be on the LaMoille schools' website at [home.lamoilleschools.org](http://home.lamoilleschools.org). Anyone with questions

regarding this action, please feel free to call the school at (815) 638-2144.

As always, the school board's goal is to continue serving the needs of students and families, creating the best educational opportunities for everyone.

## CARL'S QUIZ

A leprechaun is really an Irish:  
(a) Shoemaker, (b) Thief, (c) Dancer,  
(d) Magician

The answer to last week's quiz is: The legal term for a voluntary written statement made under oath is affidavit.

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

## Mendota Weather

March 3, 2021

Seven Day Forecast	In-Depth Forecast	Regional Cities
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**Wednesday**  
Sunny  
High: 51 Low: 28

**Thursday**  
Sunny  
High: 45 Low: 27

**Friday**  
Sunny  
High: 48 Low: 26

**Saturday**  
Sunny  
High: 45 Low: 24

**Sunday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 46 Low: 23

**Monday**  
Cloudy  
High: 48 Low: 27

**Tuesday**  
Cloudy  
High: 49 Low: 26

Wednesday we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 51°, humidity of 58%. Northwest wind 9 mph. The record high temperature for Wednesday is 67° set in 1974. Expect clear skies Wednesday night with an overnight low of 28°. Southwest wind 8 mph. The wind chill for Wednesday night could reach 22°. The record low for Wednesday night is -6° set in 1996.

City	Hi/Lo	Wx	Hi/Lo	Wx
Aurora	52/27	s	44/25	s
Champaign	54/30	s	49/28	s
Chicago	45/29	s	39/30	s
Freeport	47/24	s	43/23	s
Joliet	53/28	s	45/26	s
Moline	50/28	s	48/28	s
Peoria	56/31	s	51/30	s
Rockford	51/26	s	45/25	s
Springfield	56/30	s	51/31	s

### Last Week's Local Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip	Rainfall
Monday	42	27	34/17	0.00"	0.01"
Tuesday	46	36	34/17	0.00"	0.51"
Wednesday	41	29	35/18	0.00"	0.50"
Thursday	39	24	35/18	0.00"	
Friday	43	27	35/19	0.01"	Average temp. 37.6°
Saturday	55	31	36/19	0.00"	Average normal 26.6°
Sunday	49	37	36/19	0.00"	Departure +11.0°

Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

### Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:27 a.m.	5:49 p.m.	11:16 p.m.	9:02 a.m.
Thursday	6:25 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	Prev Day	9:35 a.m.
Friday	6:24 a.m.	5:52 p.m.	12:31 a.m.	10:14 a.m.
Saturday	6:22 a.m.	5:53 p.m.	1:43 a.m.	10:59 a.m.
Sunday	6:20 a.m.	5:54 p.m.	2:50 a.m.	11:53 a.m.
Monday	6:19 a.m.	5:55 p.m.	3:48 a.m.	12:54 p.m.
Tuesday	6:17 a.m.	5:56 p.m.	4:36 a.m.	2:00 p.m.

### National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see partly cloudy skies with isolated rain, highest temperature of 56 in Metropolis, Ill. The Southeast will experience partly to mostly cloudy skies with scattered rain, highest temperature of 85 in Immokalee, Fla. The central United States will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 79 in Rio Grande City, Texas. In the Northwest there will be mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated rain, highest temperature of 56 in Tacoma, Wash. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 74 in Indio, Calif.

### Weather History

**March 3, 1988** - A small but intense low pressure system roared across west central Mississippi at 90 mph. A tornado in southern Mississippi picked up an automobile, carried it 150 feet, and tossed it through the brick wall of an unoccupied retirement home.

**March 4, 1909** - Though fair weather was forecast, President Taft was inaugurated amidst a furious storm. About 10 inches of wet snow disrupted travel and communications. The storm drew much criticism against the U.S. Weather Bureau.

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# OBITUARIES

## Gerald Reeser

ROCHELLE - Gerald "Jerry" Reeser, passed away Feb. 25, 2021 on his 81st birthday at Liberty Village in Rochelle.

Funeral mass was held at 11 a.m. on March 1 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Rochelle with Father Jesus Dominguez officiating. Burial was at St. Patrick Cemetery in Rochelle with military honors provided by the Eastern Lee-Ogle Honor Guard.

Jerry was born Feb. 25, 1940 to Charles and Geraldine (McCoy) Reeser. He married MaryLou Gehant on May 18, 1963 in West Brooklyn. She preceded him in death on Feb. 5, 2020.

Survivors include two children, Mark (Denise) Reeser of Rockford and Margaret (David) Lundquist of Loves Park; one brother, Pat (Kathy) Reeser of Hedgesville, W.V.; one sister, Teresa (Mark) Lane of Earlville; a sister-in-law, Karen Reeser of Oregon; and four grandchildren, Hayley and Nolen Reeser and Cameron and Mary-Margaret Lundquist.

He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents and one brother, Dan Reeser.

Jerry was drafted by the U.S. Army and served during the Vietnam War. He retired from Del Monte at 50, and then worked at Grennan Meats and volunteered at St. Patrick Catholic Church filling many different roles. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. While family and friends enjoyed their time by the pool, he was known to cook a Headon's pork chop or two. Vacationing with MaryLou for several years at Marco Island was always a highlight for both of them. He loved his Chicago teams, the Bears and the Cubs.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Patrick Catholic Church or Serenity Hospice and Home. Visit [www.underhorner.com](http://www.underhorner.com) to sign the online guest book.

## Dean M. Cannon

SHERWOOD, Ore. - Dean M. Cannon, 65, of Sherwood, Ore. found eternal life on Feb. 21, 2021 surrounded by his loving family after a valiant battle with cancer.

A service of remembrance with be held in Colorado Springs, Colo. in late summer.

Dean was born in Milwaukee, Wis. to G. Dean and Theresa Cannon.


Survivors include the love of his life, Eileen; four children, Patti Cannon of Denver, Colo., Liz Cannon of Denver, Colo., Brian Cannon (fiancée Natalie Florio) of LaSalle and Michael Cannon of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one sister, Katie Cannon (husband Ryan Johnson) of Maple Plain, Minn.; aunts, an uncle and numerous cousins.

Dean moved to Mendota at age 9 and graduated from Mendota Township High School in 1973. He graduated from Western Illinois University, where he was a proud member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He worked in the material handling industry and was passionate about his career. He retired in 2020. Dean enjoyed spending time with his family, sports, travel, reading and playing pool. He will be missed by all who knew him because of his dry sense of humor and love of life.

Those who wish to remember Dean in a special way may donate in his memory to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or the charity of the donor's choice.

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## James R. Smith

LA MOILLE - James Raymond Smith, 69, of LaMoille, passed away Feb. 22, 2021 at his home.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 27 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Arlington with Father Patrick Fixsen officiating. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery. Visitation was from 4-7 p.m. on Feb. 26 at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota. Additional visitation was held for one hour prior to Mass at church. Mask wearing was required.

Pallbearers were Mike and Brian Hewitt, Paul, Dustin and Logan Smith and Todd Dannis.

James was born Aug. 13, 1951 in Spring Valley to Francis and Mary Jane (Neidatcher) Smith. He married Cecelia Cassidy Aug. 14, 1971 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife of LaMoille; two sons, Nathan (Amber Heider) Smith and Toby (Mirella Correa) Smith, both of LaSalle; two sisters, Jo Alyce Hewitt and Tammy (Mark) Manijack; three brothers, Bruce Smith, Mark (Julie) Smith and Tom Smith; a brother-in-law, Mike Cassidy; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Dianne Smith; his father- and mother-in-law, Michael and Loretta Cassidy; three brothers-in-law, Tommy Hewitt, Eddie Cassidy and Brian Cassidy; and a sister-in-law, Jo Ann Cassidy.

James was a 1969 graduate of LaMoille High School. He was a carpenter and a member of Carpenters Local #174. He worked for Ladd Construction, was the manager of Casino Bingo and the owner of Jack Pot Bingo, both in Peru. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, LaMoille Lions Club and Mendota Knights of Columbus. He also volunteered as a LaMoille Boy Scouts leader and LaMoille Little League coach. He received the Melvin Jones Fellow award for humanitarian service from the Lions Club International and was a former grand marshal of the Buffalo Days Parade.

Memorials may be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the LaMoille Lions Club. Online condolences may be left at [www.merrittfh.com](http://www.merrittfh.com).

## Desiree A. Czerniuk

MENDOTA - Desiree Ann (Van Ryswyk) Czerniuk, 63, of Mendota, passed away Feb. 24, 2021 at home surrounded by her family.

There will be no services at this time. A celebration of life will take place at a later date. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is assisting the family.

Dee was born March 10, 1957 in Evanston to Gerald and Anita (Wollin) Van Ryswyk. She married James Czerniuk, the love of her life.

Survivors include her husband; three children, Ken Foerster, Jessica (Chris) Cox and Dawn (Ryan) Furar; 16 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Dee was one of eight children. She loved growing up in a big family and loved her family more than anything. She volunteered at the Sauk Valley Humane Society for over seven years and spayed and neutered over 60 feral cats. Her artistic hobbies included barrel racing, painting and glass etching. She was an artist in all she did, whether crafting or cooking and she loved flying kites with her grandchildren every year. Her grandchildren were asked to describe Dee in one word: Tyler - kind, Mercedes - hardworking, Alexis - compassionate, Cyrus - laugh, Samantha - genuine, Jasmine - loving, Corbin - beautiful, Chloe - hugger, Keagon - good cook, Paris - snuggler, and Blake, Hailey, Aubree and Amelia - loving, caring woman.

Dee loved going to the kite festival every year with her family. In her honor, memorial donations may be made to Jessica Cox - either kites or financial gifts - and the kites will be distributed to children at an upcoming festival in her memory. Online condolences may be left at [www.merrittfh.com](http://www.merrittfh.com).

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## Eileen Y. Swanlund

NORMAL - Eileen Y. Swanlund, 87, of Normal, formerly of LaMoille, passed away Feb. 26, 2021 at OSF St. Joseph's Hospital in Bloomington surrounded by her loving family.

A private family funeral service will be held on March 16 at Community United Methodist Church, LaMoille with Pastor David Jungnickel officiating. Burial will follow at Union Cemetery in LaMoille. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is assisting the family.

Eileen was born Feb. 13, 1934 in LaMoille to Kenneth and Treasie (Wirth) Einsele. She married Scott A. Swanlund on June 7, 1953 in LaMoille. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include one daughter Debbie (Don) Henderson; one son, Mark (Melodie) Swanlund; two grandsons, Aaron (Amy) Henderson and Paul (Ashley) Swanlund; two granddaughters, Christine (Rodney) Fundell and Teresa (Shane Seesengood) Yousef; six great grandchildren, Traven Henderson, Reid and Blake Henderson, Leena Yousef, Ethan Swanlund and Aiden Swanlund; one brother-in-law, Donald (Beverly) Swanlund; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one grandson, Michael Swanlund; and two sisters, Donna Jean Kearns and Mary Ann Hubbard Bullington.

Eileen was adored by her family, her friends and her church. She enjoyed reading and was always up for going out for ice cream. She showed her love for family and friends by sending cards for every occasion and sharing the many "goodies" she baked. She maintained a positive outlook through all the trials of her life and never failed to see the good in people. She was so very proud of her family and experienced no greater joy than spending time with them. Her church was also a very important part of her life. She was a long-standing member of the Community United Methodist Church and was involved with many groups and activities. Most recently, she was a member of the women's Love Circle group. She spent several years as a choir member and especially enjoyed organ music during worship.

Memorials may be directed to Community United Methodist Church or LaMoille Ambulance Service. Online condolences may be left at [www.merrittfh.com](http://www.merrittfh.com).

## Eugene A. Leffelman

SUBLETTE - Eugene "Gene" A. Leffelman, 78, of Sublette died on March 1, 2021 at his home with his sons by his side following a short illness.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, March 4 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Sublette Community Building in Sublette. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 5 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Sublette followed by burial at St. Mary Cemetery in Sublette. Arrangements were handled by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Gene was born June 21, 1942 in Sublette to Charles and Mildred (Kuebel) Leffelman. He married Wanda Sue Fischer on Nov. 7, 1964 in Sublette. She preceded him in death on Sept. 2, 1995. He then married Faye E. Chesley on Jan. 30, 1998 in Amboy and she preceded him in death on April 12, 2013.

Survivors include his children, Shawn (Nancy Heller) Leffelman of Sublette, Scott (Jamie Rodriguez) Leffelman of Amboy and Sara Leffelman of California; three step children, Randall (Brenda) Chesley of Rochelle, Rodney (Jennifer) Chesley of North Aurora and Raymond (Erin) Chesley of Dixon; 11 grandchildren, Whitney (Brandon) Miller, Tyler and Ryan Leffelman, Abby O'Malley, Max and Andy Wertz, Megan and Nathan Chesley, Samantha Chesley, Madelyn and Sydney Chesley; three great-grandchildren, Emersyn and Sloan Miller and Lincoln Chesley; his siblings, Larry (Rose) Leffelman of Sublette and Diane (Jim) Flaherty of Mendota; two brothers-in-law, Harold (Maryann) Fischer of Mendota and Ronald (Sharon) Laws of Belvidere; a sister-in-law, Lanita Stiles of Dixon; and special friend, Joyce Green of Amboy.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter and son-in-law, Stacey and Rich Wertz; and one brother-in-law, John Stiles.

Gene was a lifelong farmer and mechanic at the VO Bonnell and Sons in Sublette. He was a devoted member of the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Sublette, a 20-year member at the Sublette Fire Department and a 20-year director of the Sublette Farmers Elevator Board. He was also a member of the Dixon Elks Club and a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserves.

Donations in Gene's memory can be made to the Sublette Fire Department and Hospice of the Rock River Valley. Condolences can be sent at [www.thejonesfh.com](http://www.thejonesfh.com).

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## Vaccine

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said. “The most important thing, though, is that when these vaccines come on the market, if you have an option to any of these three, get one of them.”

While Pritzker said nearly one in seven Illinoisans has had at least one dose of a vaccine, he said he could not predict when the state can progress from Phase 4 of reopening to Phase 5, which is essentially back to normal with larger public gatherings allowed.

Entering Phase 5 is dependent on a widely available vaccine or treatment, or the end of the virus’ spread.

“I’ve said from early on that what we need is an effective vaccine that we can widely distribute or a very effective treatment that we could widely distribute and we’re getting there,” he said. “We need to get closer to herd immunity for everybody to feel that we are beyond Phase 4, and for us to actually be able to reopen everything entirely.”

Database statistics show the state is 20th of all the 50 states in first doses given per capita, yet 49th for those having received two doses. Pritzker attributed that to the state’s delay in opening up the vaccination effort to Phase 1B, noting officials intentionally remained in Phased 1A an extra week in what he said was an effort to ensure all health care workers received their first shot.

Health departments are now receiving a majority of second doses, he said.

The state is also planning on expanding Phase 1B eligibility to include individuals older than 16 years of age who have comorbidities and preexisting conditions.

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## IVCC gets support for manufacturing academy

OGLESBY – Illinois Valley Community College received strong local support in its quest to create the Central Illinois Manufacturing Academy with three other community colleges.

IVCC, Illinois Central, Lincoln Land and Spoon River recently applied for a \$7.5 million Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) grant to establish the academy.

“Illinois Central College President Sheila Quirk Bailey deserves tremendous recognition for her vision in pulling us all together,” said IVCC President Jerry Corcoran. “If funded, this will have a profound effect on the current and future workforce needs of central Illinois manufacturers.”

Corcoran credited 17 district manufacturers, nine mayors, five chambers of commerce, five community-based organizations, an economic development director, two legislators and 15 superintendents for writing support letters for the initiative.

DCEO is expected to choose two academy sites by early spring so they can be underway in the fall.

The board approved:

- Tenure for instructors Kevin Hermes, criminal justice, Amber Fox, accounting, and Jessie

Bouxssein, nursing.

- Changes to 100 course fees including 81 increases, 12 new courses, one decrease, removal of course fees from five courses and the assignment of course fees to one existing course.

- A resolution designating the fiscal year as July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 and the budget calendar.

- Transfer of \$539,063 to a Capital Development Board trust account at Midland States Bank to cover the anticipated local match for the air moisture infiltration deferred maintenance project.

- A 16-credit Agricultural Studies certificate to provide basic understanding of the industry. “Businesses need qualified employees to fill entry-level positions,” said Corcoran.

- The May 31 retirement of art instructor Karen Zeilman after 17 years. “I have enjoyed my time at IVCC and look forward to using skills I have developed at the college in my own private artwork. It is with a deep sense of appreciation that I make plans to leave this position.”

The board learned:

- “Quality calendars key for tracking year-end to-dos,” an article written by IVCC controller Kathy Ross, was published in Keep Up to Date

on Payroll, a twice-monthly business magazine.

- More than 50 area children received free dental care through Dental Assisting’s participation in the American Dental Association’s “Give Kids a Smile” campaign. Dental Assisting is considering launching a dental hygiene program. Dental Assisting “Turns away 12–18 students a year who would like to enroll in dental hygiene,” said Corcoran.

- IVCC is a COVID-19 vaccination site. “We are happy our facilities are being used by the LaSalle County Health Department and that so many of our employees and students have volunteered to help,” said Corcoran.

- The college’s 55th annual commencement will premier online at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 22. Chemistry instructor Dr. Promise Yong will deliver the keynote address. The virtual event will be produced by Matthew Klein Films.

- On-call librarian Katrina Bromann has resigned.

- Student organization budgets were included in the board packet.

- Three student-athletes have been removed from their teams for violating the student athletic contract.

## Legislation

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who is impartial on this and not being paid or hired by the governor,” Welter said.

Both Welter and Rezin represent districts that include the LaSalle home.

During the initial Nov. 12 visit at the LaSalle home, a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs official noted several violations of protocols mandated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, including the use of hand sanitizer containers that had a non-alcohol-based product.

That site visit report also documented examples of staff failing to follow proper protocol for personal protective equipment. In one instance, staff were seen eating with masks below their chins in the kitchen within six feet of one another. In another example, staff were observed touching patients and multiple surfaces without using a new pair of disposable gloves.

Rezin said the legislation she filed is meant to enforce the recommendations made in the March 2019 Auditor General’s report on the outbreak of Legionnaires’ disease at the Quincy Veterans Home, which resulted in 13 resident deaths at Quincy between 2015 and 2018.

Two of those recommendations are that IDPH and IDVA “ensure that State facilities, such as the Quincy Veterans Home, implement all recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control following confirmed outbreaks such as Legionnaires’ disease,” and that IDPH “revisit its policies and determine what response timeframe is adequate to conduct on-site monitoring visits in response to a confirmed disease outbreak such as Legionnaires’ disease.”

She said Gov. JB Pritzker

failed to follow those recommendations.

“It’s very troubling to both Rep. Welter and I that these recommendations have not been implemented to date with this administration. If it had, we would have been in the site on day three at the LaSalle Veterans Home and caught all of these errors that were happening within the home. And we could have stopped the outbreak within the home, and we could have saved veterans’ lives,” Rezin said.

A spokesperson for the governor said in a statement Monday evening “the administration will work with lawmakers to both strengthen the emergency response to pandemic-related outbreaks at our veterans homes and ensure IDPH has the resources it needs to rebuild their hollowed out state agency that has been on the front lines of this pandemic response.”

In the statement, the governor’s office indicated an independent investigation is underway into the pandemic response at the veterans homes and a report will be made public when it is completed. Pritzker has said all those who did not follow proper procedures and protocols will be held accountable, the statement said.

As it pertains to the audit specific to Legionnaire’s disease, the governor’s office said, IDPH has implemented all recommendations from the Quincy Veterans Home, including a site visit from the agency within 24 hours of when legionella was detected.

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## Scholarship is created at IVCC for students wanting to teach in fine arts

OGLESBY – A scholarship for students planning to teach in the fine arts has been established in memory of Christine Jordan Kalil.



Christine Jordan Kalil

The \$1,000 annual award will support students pursuing teaching careers in art, music, theater or other fine arts. Demonstrated financial need and a minimum 3.0 GPA are also required.

Kalil of Lexington Park, Md., died Jan. 27, 2020 at age 42 after a courageous two-year battle with cancer.

The scholarship was created by her parents Lynne and Alan Weber of Princeton and husband David Kalil of Lexington Park. Lynne Weber teaches Early Childhood Education part-time at IVCC.

The former Christy Jordan graduated from Princeton High School in 1995. She attended IVCC and graduated from Bradley University in 1999 with a bachelor’s in art. She later



Christine Jordan Kalil’s mother Lynne Weber with IVCC President Jerry Corcoran. (Photo contributed)

earned a master’s in school guidance counseling from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

She was employed for a year by Disney World as the character Chip, and sometimes Dale. At Disney, Kalil discovered her love for children and her desire to enter the educational system.

She taught art in Nashville for five years before moving to southern Maryland where she worked as an elementary school guidance counselor.

Kalil had a passion for theater and was actively

involved on stage from high school through adulthood. She and David were also active in music ministry at their church. The Kalil’s fostered three children prior to her illness.

“Christine would have been so proud of her family’s decision to establish a scholarship in her name so that others could benefit from a college education,” said IVCC President Jerry Corcoran.

To create an IVCC Foundation scholarship, contact Fran Brolley at (815) 224-0466 or [fran\\_brolley@ivcc.edu](mailto:fran_brolley@ivcc.edu).

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## Giving help Down Under

By Scott Reeder

SPRINGFIELD – At first, Olivia Hayse received an email from a stranger in Australia that claimed he wanted to donate more than \$15,000 to her Springfield employer – but first he needed their bank account and check routing numbers.

“We thought this is a scam for sure and just ignored it. More emails came. And they ignored them too.

Hayse works for the James Project, a Springfield charity that helps foster children. And she couldn’t imagine why a couple they didn’t know, in a country on the other side of the planet would want to send them a big check.

But the Aussies became more persistent and kept leaving messages on the office phone.

“He had a thick Australian accent and we didn’t know what to think,” Hayse said,

Finally, they connected with the fellow.

“It turns out that his family wants to start a ministry that helps foster families in Australia and they wanted to call it the ‘James Project.’ When they googled the name, they found out there was a ministry in Springfield with the same name that is essentially doing the same thing they want to do. They prayed about it and said they felt called to first give to our ministry before starting their own.”

The Springfield ministry affiliated with more than a dozen area churches has since received a check for \$15,800 from the family Down Under, who has said they wish to remain anonymous.

Both the James Projects in Springfield and Brisbane are named after the Bible verse James 1:27 which says: “Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.”

One of the folks who have taken this verse to heart is Kasey Miller.

Both she and her husband, Ryan, first fostered and then adopted four children, now between the ages of 2 and 6, who they are rearing along with their 13-year-old biological child.

“There is no way we would be able to do this without the assistance of the James Project,” she said. “We didn’t have a house big enough for this many kids. But the James Project provides us with a five-bedroom, three-bathroom house rent free,” she said.

Kasey is a teacher at Calvary Academy and Ryan is a youth pastor at Clear Lake Church of Christ.

The James Project also pays for enrichment activities. For example, for the Miller children, the organization pays for gymnastics, karate and piano lessons.

“We are saving during this period that they have no rent or mortgage payments. We hope to use those savings to someday build a house for our family,” Kasey said.

The James Project provides four families with houses to live in at no cost and is in the process of providing a fifth house. Since 2014, the ministry has helped 78 foster children. They also provide clothes, toiletries, beds, diapers and other items for foster families.

“This donation came through at a critical time for foster families,” Hayse said. “A year ago, there were 515 foster kids in Sangamon County. Today there are 625. At the same time, we have fewer families willing to foster because of the demands of home schooling during COVID and other pandemic-related issues.”

Hayse said the Springfield ministry is providing guidance to the Australian family as they work to form their outreach.

“They are really a wonderful family who feels called by God to help. And we are happy to help them,” she said.

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## Four candidates for mayor of Mendota – 1949

*The following is from Jessica Nashold's Backtracks & Sidetracks column reprinted from March 3, 1999.)*

By Jessica Nashold

There were four candidates for mayor in Mendota elections of 1949 – 50 years ago. Glenn Momeny, completing a four-year term, was a candidate for re-election. He was challenged by John Woods, proprietor of a grocery store on West Sixth Street; Frank Seno, well-known Mendota athlete; and J.R. Selby, longtime supervisor of mechanical departments for the railroad.

The Mendota Reporter predicted an exciting race –

**Who will be backing the various candidates is fast becoming the leading topic of conversation.**

Woods used advertising space to express concern for the well-being of the town. He wrote that Mendota’s well-being was basically dependent on how well area farmers were doing. Farmers shopped in Mendota and sent their children to school in Mendota.

**Let us make him happy in his hometown.**

Among other measures, Woods favored a referendum on parking meters, which he contended were “not working.”

Seno, the youngest candidate, at 28, had played pro football with the Washington Redskins, Chicago Cardinals and New York Bulldogs (formerly Boston Yanks). He had been offered a contract to play with the Bulldogs in the 1949 season, but –

**He will await the results of the election before signing.**

According to “rather authentic rumors” some more petitions were said to be circulating.

SIDETRACK – There were no additional candidates, and Momeny was re-elected.

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The field supervisor for the state school lunch program paid a surprise inspection visit to the MHS cafeteria on March 3, 1949. She was impressed by “the tastiness, sanitary preparation, appetizing flavor and color” of the dishes offered.

**Also by the low price of 35 cents for complete plate lunch with dessert.**

## Backtracks & Sidetracks

The menu on the day of the inspection included vegetable soup, spaghetti, spinach, deviled eggs, peach upside down cake, bread & butter, fruit juice and milk.

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Six Mendota Protestant congregations sponsored an observance of the World Day of Prayer on March 4, 1949 in the Masonic Hall. Churches represented were Advent Christian, Baptist, Evangelical, Methodist, Presbyterian and Nazarene.

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Mendota hosted a district speech contest in which five Mendota participants qualified for sectional. They were Lester Kramer, Bob Waller, Jane Laws, Joanne Oester and Bob Holler. Coaches were Mrs. Lloyd Doenier, Hazel Payne and Reeve Norton.

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The Kanteen held its sixth anniversary celebration in the Kanteen rooms on Main Street, a few doors north of Washington. Birthday cake was donated by the Lions Club, first sponsor of the youth recreation center. It was served by Maralyn Ashley, Kanteen president in 1949. Advisor was Mrs. A.E. (June) Claus.

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The octagon house at 1208 Washington St. was included in a book describing 88 historic Illinois houses. Published in 1949, “Old Illinois Houses,” by John Drury, was sent without charge to members of the Illinois State Historical Society to celebrate its 50th anniversary.

The Mendota octagon house was built in 1854 by Warren Clark. Current owner is Betty Durham.

SIDETRACK – A copy of “Old Illinois Houses” can be seen at Graves Hume Library.

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Richard J. Leiser, editor of The Mendota Reporter, was invited to take part in the first School Public Relations Conference held at Illinois State Uni-

versity in Normal on March 6, 1949. Eleven representatives of public schools attended and 18 newsmen – 12 from weeklies, six from dailies. Theme of the conference was “Improvement of School Press Relations.”

**It was voted to make the conference an annual event.**

With better understanding of press deadlines, it was hoped schools would be better able to publicize their concerns.

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At a city council meeting on March 7, 1949, bids were opened for a concrete floor in the section of the city building where fire trucks were housed. Lobbins & Bauman entered a bid on 1500-square feet of cement for \$972.40, but did not include installation of drains or removal of the old floor.

Henry Zolper’s Sons entered a bid of \$795, but excluded a section of the floor, 11 feet by 13 feet, which they didn’t think needed replacing. Because of these variations, the bids were placed with the Buildings & Grounds Committee for further discussion and a report at the next meeting.

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It was found that a street between 15th and 16th streets in Rust’s addition did not have a name. It was voted to investigate records in Ottawa to determine if it was given a name when the property was platted.

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In Cub Scout news, Ron Jones reported for Pack 109, Den 4. In a walking race, Jerry Merritt was fastest. In a checker tournament, Jerry Galloway was the winner. In the broad jump, Frank Metzen made the longest jump.

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At the State Theatre, March 3-4, 1949, the feature was “Mr. Peabody & The Mermaid,” starring William Powell and Ann Blyth.

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The Health Center at 718 Main St. was operated by Edward L. Ward, masseuse. He advertised electric light cabinet baths, ultra-violet and infra-red treatments, scientific Swedish massage and remedial gymnastics. His slogan

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## Press swapped the script on Cuomo vs. DeSantis

By Rich Lowry

Throughout the pandemic, the press has been excoriatingly harsh on a governor who was slow to act, unnecessarily endangered the lives of the elderly, alienated experts and cooked the numbers.

It just thought the governor in question was Florida’s Ron DeSantis rather than New York’s Andrew Cuomo.

After it has become clear that Cuomo’s handling of the pandemic was not just criminal in the metaphorical sense, but perhaps in the literal sense, the press has begun, only reluctantly and belatedly, to abandon its long-running Cuomo hagiography.

It never made any sense to lionize Andrew Cuomo at the expense of Ron DeSantis, except that one had a “D” after his name and the other didn’t, and one hated Trump and the other didn’t. The national media also labors under the assumption that New York must be competent while the Sunshine State is the preserve of the embarrassingly boorish “Florida Man.”

Finally, the media loved the way Cuomo talked about the pandemic at his take-charge press conferences. This was taken as the opposite of Trump’s approach, which it was -- Cuomo talked a good game, while utterly botching the substance of the response, while Trump talked irresponsibly about the pandemic, while handling the substance pretty well (or, certainly, not as badly as advertised).

All this meant that the press made both Cuomo and DeSantis into something they were not -- a hero and a villain, respectively -- when it should have been obvious all along that this wasn’t remotely justified.

From the outset of the pandemic, New York state has had the highest number of deaths of any state and still does (47,000), and the second highest deaths-per-million of anywhere in the country. In contrast, Florida is right around the national average for deaths-per-million. Journalists brushed right by these top-line numbers in the interest of their tendentious narrative-building.

They erupted in outrage when DeSantis was allegedly slow to close the beaches last March, but didn’t dwell much on Cuomo saying, when the virus was already spreading

throughout his state: “The facts defeat fear. Because the reality is reassuring.”

They accused DeSantis of unnecessarily endangering seniors when the Florida governor took steps to protect the nursing homes, and Andrew Cuomo, infamously, ordered nursing homes to accept COVID-19 patients.

They claimed DeSantis was rejecting the “science” by, among other things, pushing to reopen the schools, an approach that has proved out. Meanwhile, experts have fled the New York public health bureaucracy in response to Cuomo’s high-handedness.

They bought the bogus story of a Florida data manager who was supposedly persecuted for blowing the whistle on the state’s manipulation of its COVID numbers, when, of course, this is exactly what Cuomo was doing.

And so, the media’s anointed hero of the pandemic -- who wrote a book on his own exemplary pandemic response, who won a Grammy, who was elevated to an authority with the standing to comment on how the country was handling COVID-19 -- is facing calls to resign or face impeachment and is the subject of multiple investigations, while his routine bullying of critics is now out in the open.

Not only are none of these things happening to Ron DeSantis, his policy of avoiding strict lockdowns, which occasioned so much criticism, has avoided the educational and economic downsides of Cuomo’s policies. According to Florida data, the state offers more in-person education than any other state and it has a lower unemployment rate than the national average and other populous states. This matters greatly to the well-being of Floridians.

All of this said, the virus has presented enormous challenges and excruciating choices to policymakers around the country. It’s not healthy to be overly invested in red state versus blue state comparisons. But the media gleefully went all-in on this game -- and managed to pump up the wrong governor and run down the wrong one, in a failure for the ages.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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# SOCIAL SCENE

## BIRTHDAYS

### F. Swan - 90th birthday



Swan

PAW PAW - Franklin Swan of Paw Paw will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 12.

Franklin was born in Kankakee and attended Stubben Elementary School, Kankakee High School and Moody Bible Institute ('57) majoring in radio technology.

From 1951-1953 during the Korean War, he served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army, helping secure freedom for millions of South Koreans. Though he had a young

wife and baby daughter, his National Guard unit was activated. Franklin received the United Nations Service medal for Korea, the first international medal created by the U.N. recognizing multi-national defense forces. In the military, he received electronics training, becoming an expert in radio technology, which upon return he taught to hundreds of students at Moody Bible Institute during his 21 years as a faculty member. He

also worked for 21 years as the transmitter engineer for Channel 38.

Franklin has resided in Paw Paw for 24 years and is actively involved with Paw Paw Bible Church, the Gideons and the American Legion. He is married to Lynn Swan and is the father of six children and stepfather to five. He has 32 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

Birthday wishes may be sent to Franklin at P.O. Box 376, Paw Paw, IL 61353.

### E. Henkel - 90th birthday



Henkel

MENDOTA - Elaine Henkel of Mendota will celebrate her 90th birthday on March 9.

Elaine was born March 9, 1931 and was married to the late Donald Henkel for 64 years. They lived in West Brooklyn. She has four children, 10 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

A card shower will be held in celebration of her birthday. Cards may be sent to: Elaine Henkel, 1700 Burlington St., Apt. 24, Mendota, IL 61342.

## Mendota Elks names PHS student January Teen of the Month

MENDOTA - The Mendota Elks has announced their January Teen of the Month, Carli Wright, a senior at Princeton High School.

Carli is the daughter of Todd and Joann Wright. She is currently 16th in her class and has been on the high honor roll every year of high school and in National Honor Society since junior year.

She has been a cheerleader all four years, played softball and volleyball freshman year, has been in track since sophomore year, and in wrestling and tennis since junior year. Carli was a co-captain in volleyball freshman year, in wrestling junior year and in cheerleading senior year.

She received the Perfect Attendance Cheerleading Award freshman and sophomore years and earned the Freshman Volleyball Hustle/Attitude Award and the Junior Varsity Sportsmanship Award. As a junior, she was All Academic Girls Tennis, All Academic Wrestling, Girls Wrestling State Qualifier, All Academic Cheer, Scholastic Achievement Award (track, tennis and choir), TRAC All Academic Track, Girls Wrestling Sportsmanship Award, and Randy Swinford Built for Life Award (wrestling).

Carli earned the First Class Award and High Honor Roll Award every year. She



Wright

was a Student of the Month sophomore and junior years and was given the Certificate

of Service Award for 24-plus service learning hours as a junior.

She was a member of FFA all four years, was part of Year I Mentorship as a junior and senior, in Spanish Club sophomore and junior years, on the Yearbook staff sophomore year and in Student Council since sophomore year. As a freshman, she was FFA Agronomy Greenhand Top Scorer, FFA Judging Livestock Greenhand Top Scorer, FFA Envirothon MVP Greenhand Team and STAR Greenhand Award. As a sophomore, she was FFA Envirothon MVP Varsity Team, FFA Agronomy Judging Varsity Top Scorer and

STAR Chapter Award. As a junior, Carli was FFA Agronomy Varsity Top Scorer.

Carli has been in chorus since sophomore year. As a freshman, she was also in band, marching band, concert band and pep band. She was Class B Music Sweepstakes 3rd place as a sophomore, and as a junior was Class B Music Sweepstakes 2nd place.

She has volunteered at the PIT Wrestling Tournament (2020), sold wrestling T-shirts (2019) and PIT wrestling concessions (2018). She volunteered with at the Farm Bureau with the Farmer for a Day and the FFA Kiddie Tractor Pull in 2018 and

2019, helped with TTT Wrestling Concessions (2017) and also helped with Operation Christmas Child Boxing, Bradford Hog Roast, Vacation Bible School, Tiskilwa Strawberry Festival, PYFL Admissions and AG in the Classroom in 2018. She also helped at Annie's Little Pots in 2017.

In her free time, Carli enjoys fishing, taking pictures of livestock, hanging out with friends and family, and simply enjoying life. She is also a part of the Shelby Senior Program of Washington, Ill., where she was able to meet many incredible and inspiring girls and had a blast spending time with them.

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# LOCAL NEWS/OBITUARIES

## 2021 Women in Agriculture Conference exclusively online

MENDOTA - Farm women and all those involved in the agriculture industry should plan to attend the Women in Agriculture Conference, scheduled for Friday, March 26. This year's mini conference is being held exclusively online to help women become empowered in agriculture.



*Medows*

The conference, now in its ninth year, will feature keynote speaker Jason Medows, host of the popular Ag State of Mind podcast. Medows' presentation will be "MENTAL HEALTH: What it is, how it affects us in agriculture and what we can do to improve." Using real-life examples from his own experience, he will discuss the mental health challenges faced in agriculture. His focus will be on strategies and solutions for improving

mental health and he will conclude by speaking directly to women about how they can positively influence the men in their lives.

Medows was born and raised on his family's cow calf operation outside of Cuba, Mo. He grew up playing football and baseball and was involved in his local 4-H. In 2002, he left the farm for St. Louis College of Pharmacy. After graduating with his Doctor in Pharmacy in 2008, he returned home to work at a local hospital and continue the cow-calf operation he started in college. At that local hospital, he met his future wife, Keri. Twelve years later, they have four boys and have purchased another farm of their own.

In 2019, Medows began his podcast Ag State Of Mind, in which he combined his medical background with his passion for agriculture to help break the stigma surrounding mental health in agriculture.

The conference will wrap up with Rita Frazer, Director of Network and Audio Services for the RFD Radio Network, and Adam Nielsen, Director of National Legislation and Policy Development in the Governmental Affairs and Commodities Division of the Illinois Farm Bureau. Frazer and Nielsen's topic will be "Advancing Farm Bureau's Issues in the 117th Congress" with a discussion on how to effectively communicate agriculture's message with a new administration.

Frazer and her team gather farm news and information and cover issues that are important to the Illinois Farm

Bureau. RFD reports and programs are heard first on-the-air of affiliated stations, and most programs can be found later in the day on the web or as podcasts. She is a 30-year member and immediate past president of the National Association of Farm Broadcasting and an award-winning broadcaster who has covered farm news and events on a state and national basis. She uses her farm roots and years of broadcasting experience to communicate effectively with listeners and has devoted her career to serving agriculture.

Nielsen plans and executes the organization's national legislative programs, acts as a liaison with the Illinois Congressional delegation and federal agencies, and organizes the association's fly-ins to Washington, D.C. He is also responsible for the implementation of IFB's policy development program, coordinates the Illinois Agricultural Legislative Roundtable, a group of all agriculture associations and organizations within Illinois, and serves as assistant secretary of ACTIVATOR, IFB's political involvement committee. He joined Illinois Farm Bureau in 2000 and served three terms as a member of the Normal Town Council.

There is no cost to attend. Registration is now open by contacting any of the sponsoring county farm bureaus in Illinois or by registering online at [womeninagricultureconference.com](http://womeninagricultureconference.com).

The Conference is sponsored by the Farm Bureau Women in Agriculture Conference Committee and COUNTRY Financial.

## Obituaries

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### C. W. Dickey



SOMONAUK - C. W. Dickey, 81, of Somonauk, formerly of Mendota, passed away Feb. 26, 2021 at Northwestern Delnor Hospital in Geneva.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is assisting the family.

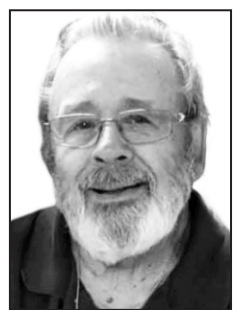
C. W., better known as "Bill," was born April 6, 1939 in Oak Brook to Earl and Veronica (Drager) Dickey. He married Brenda Burley on May 6, 1961.

Survivors include his wife of Somonauk; one son, William "Bill" (Lori) Dickey of Apache Junction, Ariz.; one daughter, Paula (Lari) Gibson of Oswego; one brother, Michael Dickey of Mendota; a special sister-in-law, Cora Larsen of Flossmoor; grandchildren, including Nevada (Brian) Toner, Trent (Sarah) Gibson, Morgan (Mike) LeCuyer and Noah Dickey; 10 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother and a brother, Tom.

Bill graduated from Mendota High School in 1957, where he enjoyed playing football and track. He joined the U.S. Army in 1959 and was stationed in Verdun, France for two years and played football. In 1962, he was called back to duty for the Berlin Crisis. He and Brenda lived most of their married life in Oswego. Bill started his first ride rental business, Dickey & Dickey Rides, in 1963 followed by two other ride rental businesses, Illinois Entertainment & Attractions (IEA) and B&G Amusements. He was also the owner of a rental store in Las Vegas, Nev. from 1981-1989.

Memorials may be directed to Mendota Area Senior Services, Mendota VFW Post 4079 or St. Jude Children's Hospital. Online condolences may be left at [www.merrittfh.com](http://www.merrittfh.com).



## Farm Bureau sponsored 'Restaurant Bingo' begins in Bureau County

PRINCETON - Bureau County Farm Bureau is sponsoring Restaurant Bingo throughout the month of March. This program is being held to help support local restaurants and to celebrate National Ag Month.

To participate, simply dine-in,

drive-through, carry-out or get delivery from restaurants on the Bingo card until you get five-in-a-row horizontally, vertically or diagonally (must spend a minimum of \$15 before tax and tip at each restaurant to complete the Bingo).

Eligible receipts must be dated March 1 through March 31.

When a completed Bingo card is received, it will be entered into the drawings. Prizes include one \$100 gift card to Sullivan's and one \$100 gift card to Walnut Acres Country

Store. Two winners will be drawn on April 5.

To obtain a Bingo card, either download and print one from the Bureau County Farm Bureau website or visit the Farm Bureau office at 1407 N. Main St., Princeton,

Monday through Friday. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Drop-off or mail the card and receipts to the Bureau County Farm Bureau. Completed Bingo cards and receipts are due by April 2 and the drawing will be on April 5.

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### EXISTING SENIOR HOMESTEADS

Renewal forms for existing Homesteads were mailed out in early February 2021. All recipients should read the form, answer all questions completely and return them to the Township Assessor's Office. (See address below.) If needed, one of our staff members can help you fill out the form.

### ASSESSMENT FREEZE

Renewal forms for the Assessment Freeze Exemption are included in the mailing with the regular Senior Homestead Exemption. Your total gross household income must be **\$65,000 or less**. This exemption freezes your assessed valuation, **not** your taxes. Forms must be filled out, signed, and returned to the respective township offices. Staff members can assist you with all of this. If your income is between \$55,000 & \$65,000 or shows a loss, we will need a copy of your 2020 form 1040 and the loss schedule.

### NEW HOMEOWNERS

If you bought a new home, this past year and were living in it by January 1, 2021, you will need to fill out an owner occupied exemption form with your local assessor. Your signature on this form must be notarized.

### VETERANS

Exemptions for Veterans were created by House Bill 664 – one for disabled veterans and one for returning servicemen. Forms are available at our office.

### DISABLED PERSONS

An exemption created by House Bill 664 allows a \$2,000 exemption for a Class II disabled person. Forms are available at our office. The Mendota Township Assessor's Office is located at the Mendota Township Offices at 602 S. Main St. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, 9am-12pm & 1:30pm to 3 pm or by appointment. Completed forms may be mailed to Mendota Township Assessor, PO Box 465, Mendota, IL 61342. Staff members can make home visits for homebound individuals. Bilingual assistance is available by appointment. If you have any questions, call the office at 815-539-3201.

### ALL NEW APPLICANTS

All New Exemption Applications must be Notarized. There are (2) Notaries in the Mendota Township Assessor's Office.

### OWNER-OCCUPIED EXEMPTION

New Home Owners have to file an Owner-Occupied Exemption Form to get this Exemption. These forms are available at the Mendota Township Assessor's Office. This form has to be Notarized.

### CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS

If the tax bill is to be mailed to a different address, a Change of Address Form must be filled out. These are available at the Mendota Township Assessor's Office. This form must be Notarized.

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## WEEKLY RECORD

**LaSalle County (marriage licenses)**  
 Aaron B. Hollocker and Audrey L. McConville, both of Mendota, issued Feb. 24, 2021.

**GARAGE SALE/ NOTICE DEADLINES**  
 • Thursday 5 p.m. to appear in Monday's Money Saver.  
 • Monday 10 a.m. to appear in Wednesday's Reporter.

## Fundamentals of Fabrication set

OGLESBY – Illinois Valley Community College's Continuing Education Center offers "Fundamentals of Fabrication" (CEU-5204-603) from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, March 25 through April 29. The first three sessions will be held at IVCC and the last three at Streator High School.

This course is a blend of lecture and lab covering basic fabrication skills to create prototypes.

Participants will focus on shop safety, safe tool use, measurement and measuring devices, blue print reading, shearing, bending and rolling, along with press brake use. They will also practice hands-on training using saw and plasma materials, as well as completing a project making their own tool box.

This course has been approved by a group of manufacturers in Streator as a preferred course and will enhance chances for hire with these companies. It also qualifies for 1.8 CEU credits.

Students should come to class with safety glasses, long pants, closed toe shoes

and leather gloves.

Call Jennifer Sowers at (815) 224-0280 or email her at jennifer\_sowers@ivcc.edu for information.

## CNA 8-week course added

OGLESBY – Another CNA section has been added to Illinois Valley Community College's second eight-week course schedule beginning March 22.

Certified Nursing Assistant (ALH-1214-155) meets with an online lecture 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Lab meets in Room B327 from 4 to 9 p.m. Monday and Wednesday March 22 to April 14. Clinical meets 4 to 8:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at Heritage Health in Peru April 19 to May 22.

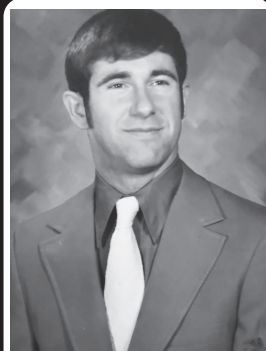
Students who need an evening lecture should contact CNA program coordinator Christine Blaydes, at

Christine\_Blaydes@ivcc.edu for accommodations.

Call (815) 224-0447 for registration information.

## Seats open in 8-week courses

OGLESBY – Seats are open in several second eight-week Illinois Valley Community College courses beginning March 22 in Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), criminal justice, office professional, psychology, health, welding and warehousing.



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Law, Wellness, Personal and Community Health, and Basic Forklift Operation also have openings.

Another CNA section has been added and there are slots open in various second eight-week welding courses.

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# SPORTS



Deer hunters in Illinois took more deer during the 2020-21 seasons than last year.

## Deer hunters take preliminary total of 162,575 deer in Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Hunters in Illinois harvested a preliminary total of 162,575 deer during all 2020-21 archery and firearm seasons, which concluded Jan. 17, 2021. The total preliminary deer harvest for all seasons compares with a total harvest for all seasons of 153,174 deer in 2019-20.

During the 2020-21 deer seasons, hunters took 45.4 percent does and 54.6 percent males.

• **Archery:** Archery deer hunters in Illinois took a preliminary total of 75,544 deer (new record) during the season which began on Oct. 1, 2020 and concluded on Jan. 17, 2021. The total archery harvest during the 2019-20 season was 67,743 deer.

• **Youth:** Youth deer hunters harvested a preliminary total of 2,321 deer during the three-day Illinois Youth Deer Season (Oct. 10-12, 2020), compared to 3,774 in 2019.

• **Traditional Firearm Season:** Hunters took a preliminary total of 76,579 deer during the Illinois Firearm Deer Season on Nov. 20-22, 2020 and Dec. 3-6, 2020, compared with 75,417 deer taken during the 2019 firearm season.

• **Muzzleloader:** Hunters using muzzle-loading rifles harvested a preliminary total of 3,447 deer during the Muzzleloader-Only Deer Season on Dec. 11-13, 2020, compared with harvest of 3,076 deer in the 2019 muz-

zleloader season.

• **Late-Winter Seasons:** The 2020-21 Late-Winter Antlerless-Only and Special CWD deer seasons concluded on Jan. 17, 2021 with a combined preliminary harvest total for both seasons of 4,684 deer, compared with a harvest of 3,164 deer taken during those seasons in 2019-20. Season dates for the seven-day Late-Winter and CWD seasons were Dec. 31, 2020-Jan. 3, 2021 and Jan. 15-17, 2021.

There were 15 northern Illinois counties open to the Special CWD Season, which is used to assist in slowing the spread of chronic wasting disease in the Illinois deer herd.

There were 20 counties open for the Late-Winter Antlerless Season in 2020-21. Counties that are at or below their individual deer population goal for two consecutive years may be removed from the Late-Winter season.

For more information on Illinois deer harvest in recent years (prior to 2020-21), check the IDNR website at <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/hunting/deer/Pages/AnnualDeerHarvestReports.aspx>

Preliminary totals for area counties are: Bureau – 1,908; DeKalb – 365; LaSalle – 1,789; Lee – 1,155; Ogle – 1,665; Putnam – 687; Whiteside – 1221.

## Lady Trojans top Oregon for second win of season

MENDOTA – The Mendota Lady Trojans put together their best offensive game of the season and downed Oregon, 56-47, on Feb. 24 at the MHS gym.

Mendota had been struggling to score 26 points in an entire game, but it did that in one half against Oregon. The two teams were tied at 26-all at the break thanks to a 10-0 run by the Lady Hawks to end the half.

The third quarter proved to be the difference when the Lady Trojans pulled away with 14 points in the frame compared to just five for Oregon.

“Aside from a three-minute turnover-fest that led to a 10-0 Oregon run to end the second, we played nearly a perfect game on offense,” said Mendota coach John Hansen. “This was a nice team win.”

Daisy Arteaga pumped in 21 points, with 15 coming in the second half, to lead the Mendota offense. Jenna O’Donnell was next with 15 points, including a big three-pointer late in the game, while Izabella Nanez chipped

in with 12 points and paced the team with 13 rebounds. O’Donnell, Nanez and Arteaga each had three steals.

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Stillman Valley raced out to a double-digit lead in the first quarter and never looked back in posting a 58-25 verdict over the Lady Trojans on March 1 at the MHS gym.

The Cardinals connected on three shots from three-point land in the first period and built up a 21-10 lead at the conclusion. They added two more treys in the second quarter while Mendota scored just two points in the frame and trailed 39-12 at intermission.

MENDOTA 56, OREGON 47				
Oregon (47)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
K. Bowers	1	0-0	2	2
Lutz	5	0-0	1	13
Drake	2	4-4	3	8
Mois	4	1-5	4	9
Kitzmiller	1	0-0	1	3
S. Bowers	0	2-2	3	2
Martin	4	0-0	1	10
Totals	17	7-11	15	47

Mendota (56)				
	FG	FT	Reb	TP
O'Donnell	7	0-0	6	15
Nanez	6	0-4	13	12
Manning	1	0-0	5	2
Arteaga	8	5-6	3	21
Fitzgerald	2	0-2	6	4
Bodmer	1	0-0	4	2
Totals	25	5-12	37	56

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Oregon	10	26	31	47
Mendota	14	26	40	56
Three-point goals: Mendota - O'Donnell 1; Oregon - Lutz 3, Kitzmiller 1, Martin 2				

“You have to give credit to Stillman Valley on this one,” said Hansen. “They shot the ball extremely well and we didn’t. They’re a really good offensive team and we had trouble slowing them down.”

Stillman Valley outscored Mendota, 14-9, in the third quarter to move in front by over 30 points, which kicked in the running clock.

Arteaga and Jaelyn Fitzgerald had eight points apiece to lead Mendota (2-8). Paige Manning grabbed six rebounds to top that category, while O’Donnell had three assists and three steals.

STILLMAN V. 58, MENDOTA 25				
Stillman Valley (58)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Shelburne	3	2-2	0	9
Gace	3	0-0	3	6
Barger	1	0-0	0	3
McCammond	3	1-2	0	10
Lichty	2	1-1	2	5
P. Barger	2	0-0	0	6
Jannsen	2	0-0	0	4
Fowler	6	0-0	2	13
Rodgers	1	0-0	0	2
Totals	23	4-5	7	58

Mendota (25)				
	FG	FT	Reb	TP
O'Donnell	2	0-0	1	0
Nanez	0	0-0	4	5
Manning	1	0-0	6	2
Arteaga	3	0-0	0	8
Fitzgerald	4	0-0	4	8
Salinas	0	0-0	3	0
Bodmer	1	0-0	0	2
Totals	11	0-0	18	25

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Stillman Valley	21	39	53	58
Mendota	10	12	21	25
Three-point goals: Mendota - O'Donnell 1, Arteaga 2; Stillman Valley - Shelburne 1, Barger 1, McCammond 3, P. Barger 2, Fowler 1				

## F-S girls fall to Oregon, Stillman V.

MENDOTA – Oregon pulled away in the second half to topple Mendota, 36-20, in freshman-sophomore girls’ basketball action on Feb. 24 at the MHS gym.

The Lady Trojans were down 10-3 after the opening stanza, but closed the gap in the second period and trailed by just three (15-12) at intermission. Then in the third quarter, Oregon outscored Men-

dota, 13-5, to grab a double-digit lead.

Emily Stewart dropped in 13 points to lead the Lady Trojans, while Katie Jenner added six markers.

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Mendota mounted a second-half comeback, but it wasn’t enough in falling to Stillman Valley, 32-25, on March 1 at the MHS gym.

The Lady Trojans put up just five points in the

first half and were down 18-5 at the break, but they outscored Stillman Valley, 13-5, in the third frame to climb back to within five points with one quarter left to play. Mendota could not complete the rally in the fourth.

Garcia led the scoring column for the Lady Trojans with nine points, all in the second half, while Jenner supplied eight tallies.

## BOWLING

### Thursday Elks Youth League

Standings as of Feb. 18 – 1. Team 5 22-2; 2. Team 3 17-7; 3. Team 1 15-9; 4. Team 2 11-13; 5. Tea, 4 7-17

High team game (scratch) – Team 5 890, Team 4 609, Team 1 426

High team game (hdcp) – Team 1 1086, Team 5 1071, Team 2 1037

High team series (scratch) – Team 5 2546, Team 4 1740, Team 2 1160

High team series (hdcp) – Team 5 3089, Team 1 3052, Team 2 3044

Boys high game (scratch) – Paxton Bauer 255, Kasen Novak 212, Alex Holland 178

Boys high game (hdcp) – Paxton Bauer 285, Cooper Klein 246, Kasen Novak 236

Boys high series (scratch) – Kasen Novak 550, Paxton Bauer 533, Alex Holland 424

Boys high series (hdcp) – Oliver Turner 687, Delaney Tucker 664, Paxton Bauer 623

Girls high game (scratch) – Lauren Holland 192, Lexie Saylor 162, Gracie Smith 68

Girls high game (hdcp) – Lexie Saylor 270, Lauren Holland 257, Gracie Smith 217

Girls high series (scratch) – Lauren Holland 509, Lexie Saylor 367, Gracie Smith 181

Girls high series (hdcp) – Lauren Holland 704, Lexie Saylor 691, Gracie Smith 628

### Monday Night Mixed League

Standings as of Feb. 15 – 1. Bad Kats 33-17; 2. CM Farm 27-23; 3. Mendota Agri-Products 23-27; 4. Sports-N-Stuff 20-30

High team game (scratch) – Mendota Agri-Products 977, Bad Kats 723

High team game (hdcp) – Bad Kats 1184, Mendota Agri-Products 1165

High team series (scratch) – Mendota Agri-Products 2747, Bad Kats 2017

High team series (hdcp) – Bad Kats 3400, Mendota Agri-Products 3311

Men’s high game (scratch) – Luke Ross 229, Bob Thomas 216, Jose Sarabia 189

Men’s high game (hdcp) – Luke Ross 243, Bob Thomas 237, Jose Sarabia 227

Men’s high series (scratch) – Luke Ross 575, Bob Thomas 547, Jose Sarabia 528

Men’s high series (hdcp) – Jose Sarabia 642, Luke Ross 617, Bob Thomas 610

Women’s high game (scratch) – Kassidi Guerrero 206, Gail Sessler 183, Emily Thomas 171

Women’s high game (hdcp) – Connie Yost 270, Kassidi Guerrero 261, Gail Sessler 237

Women’s high series (scratch) – Kassidi Guerrero 606, Emily Thomas 491, Gail Sessler 469

Women’s high series (hdcp) – Kassidi Guerrero 771, Connie Yost 738, Debbie Berger 681

**Monday Night Mixed League**

Standings as of Feb. 22 – 1. Bad Kats 38-17; 2. CM Farm 27-28; 3. Sports-N-Stuff 25-30; 4. Mendota Agri-Products 23-32

High team game (scratch) – Mendota Agri-Products 843, Sports-N-Stuff 775, Bad Kats 707

High team game (hdcp) – Sports-N-Stuff 1186, Bad Kats 1168, CM Farm 1141

High team series (scratch) – Mendota Agri-Products 2469, Sports-N-Stuff 2285, Bad Kats 2049

High team series (hdcp) – Sports-N-Stuff 3518, Bad Kats 3432, CM Farm 3389

Men’s high game (scratch) – Bob Thomas 234, Jose Sarabia 159, Carl Reistad 130

Men’s high game (hdcp) – Bob Thomas 259, Carl Reistad 247, Jose Sarabia 198

Men’s high series (scratch) – Bob Thomas 609, Jose Sarabia 424, Carl Reistad 365

Men’s high series (hdcp) – Carl Reistad 716, Bob Thomas 684, Jose Sarabia 541

Women’s high game (scratch) – Brenda Westphal 204, Emily Thomas 191, Kassidi Guerrero 191

Women’s high game (hdcp) – Brenda Westphal 288, Sarah Westphal 262, Connie Yost 261

Women’s high series (scratch) – Brenda Westphal 535, Kassidi Guerrero 519, Gail Sessler 515

Women’s high series (hdcp) – Brenda Westphal 787, Connie Yost 728, Sarah Westphal 721

## Trojan rally comes up short to Oregon

Mendota and Oregon hooked up in a tight game throughout that finally went to the Hawks, 62-58, on Feb. 24 at Oregon.

Oregon owned a 32-25 halftime lead, but the Trojans fought back in the third quarter and got to within one (45-44) at the end of the frame. Krew Bond scored 11 of Mendota’s 19 points in the period.

The Trojans held a one-point advantage on one occasion in the fourth, but Oregon regained the lead and held on for the four-point win.

Rafa Romero paced Mendota’s offense with 19 points. He connected on three shots from three-point range. Bond ended with 18 tallies, while

Josue Arteaga provided 15 markers.

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A second-half surge propelled Stillman Valley to a 66-48 victory over the Trojans on March 1 at Stillman Valley.

The Cardinals held a 12-10 margin after the opening quarter and stretched the lead to seven (30-23) at the break. Stillman Valley finally broke the game open in the third frame and owned a 49-36 cushion with three quarters in the books.

Bond had 19 points and Romero connected for 10 to lead the Trojans.

Mendota dropped to 1-9 on the season.

### OREGON 62, MENDOTA 58

Mendota (58)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Bond	5	6-10	0	18
Romero	8	0-0	3	19
Perez	1	0-2	4	3
Landgraf	1	1-2	4	3
Arteaga	7	1-4	4	15
Stamberger	0	0-0	1	0
Nanez	0	0-0	1	0
Totals	22	8-18	17	58

Oregon (62)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Dickson	2	0-0	1	5
Nelson	2	2-4	0	6
Caposey	2	0-2	5	5
Ketter	5	0-0	2	14
Vigliando	0	2-4	3	2
Reber	3	0-1	3	6
Gelander	9	3-6	1	22
Bell	1	0-0	0	2
Totals	24	7-17	15	62

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Mendota	12	25	44	58
Oregon	14	32	45	62
Three-point goals: Mendota - Bond 2, Romero 3, Perez 1; Oregon - Dickson 1, Caposey 1, Ketter 4, Gelander 1				

### STILLMAN V. 66, MENDOTA 48

Mendota (48)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Bond	8	2-2	2	19
Romero	5	0-1	3	10
Perez	1	0-2	1	3
Arteaga	2	0-0	1	4
Stamberger	1	0-0	0	2
Nanez	3	0-0	0	8
Figueroa	1	0-0	1	2
Totals	21	2-5	8	48

Stillman Valley (66)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Johnson	8	1-2	1	19
Viverito	7	0-0	2	15
Gerig	3	2-2	2	9
Ogden	6	0-0	2	12
King	1	0-0	3	2
Wilhite	2	0-0	0	4
Jennings	2	0-0	1	5
Totals	29	3-4	11	66

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Mendota	10	23	36	48
Stillman Valley	12	30	49	66
Three-point goals: Mendota - Bond 1, Perez 1, Nanez 2; Stillman Valley - Johnson 2, Viverito 1, Gerig 1, Jennings 1				

## Strong 4th quarter lifts Trojan sophs

A strong fourth quarter propelled the Mendota sophomore boys’ basketball team to a 46-35 win at Oregon on Feb. 24.

The Trojans held a 29-25 halftime lead and were up by just one (34-33) heading to the fourth frame. In that final period, Mendota outscored the home team, 12-2, to secure the victory. The Trojans nailed three shots from beyond the three-point arc in the fourth.

Cale Strauss hit two of those three-pointers in the fourth quarter and had five in the game to lead Mendota in scoring with 15 points. Izaiah Nanez drained a pair of treys and finished with 11 points.

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Mendota kept it close with Stillman Valley for one quarter, but then the home team pulled away for a 54-29 triumph over the Trojans on March 1 at Stillman Valley.

The Cardinals were on top 16-12 at the conclusion of the opening stanza, but Mendota’s offense went cold the rest of the contest. The Trojans trailed 28-19 at the half and then did not score in the third quarter and were behind 45-19 entering the fourth.

Landon Kreiser paced Mendota scorers with nine points. Nanez, Jose Rocha and Johnathan Cortez added five points apiece.



# Hollywood

Lionsgate, producers of the upcoming Jennifer Lopez film "Shotgun Wedding," which was to have co-starred Hammer, moved swiftly to remedy the situation, replacing Hammer with Josh Duhamel. How Hammer's other films, already completed and awaiting release, will be affected is anyone's guess. "Crisis," with Gary Oldman, Evangeline Lilly, Greg Kinnear, Michelle Rodriguez and Luke Evans, was due Feb. 26, followed by "Death on the Nile," due Sept. 17. The sports comedy "Next Goal Wins," with Michael Fassbender and Elisabeth

Two of Josh Duhamel's recent successes were "Transformers: The Last Knight" (2017) and "Love Simon" (2018). Due to COVID, his next projects, "The Lost Husband," with Leslie Bibb (Christine Everhart in "Iron Man" 1 and 2) and "Think Like a Dog," with Megan Fox, went to Video On Demand, while "Buddy Games," which he wrote/produced/directed and starred in, with Dax Shepard, Kevin Dillon and Olivia Munn, has been caught in the COVID distribution mess as well. He's also got the Netflix streaming series "Jupiter's Legacy," with Ben Daniels, Leslie Bibb and Matt Lanter, with the first episode due May 7.

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## Couch Theater

"Whale Rider" -- Paikea Apirana ("Pai") was born into a New Zealand tribe that awards its leadership to the first-born male. Pai is first-born and in the line of succession, and feels that being chief is a destiny and right, but she is a 12-year-old girl. However, through word and deed, she proves her feelings right again and again, despite a grandfather who rebuffs her attempts to

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## Celebrity Extra

As for Anthony Edwards, who played Dr. Mark Greene on "ER" from 1994 to 2004, he's starred in a few TV series since, but none have achieved the ratings success

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## Press past guilt and shame

How do you feel about yourself? Do you waste time feeling guilty about things in the past that you can't change?

I used to live with a constant, underlying sense of guilt. Because I was sexually abused by my father during my childhood, I grew up feeling that something must be wrong with me for him to want to do the things he did to me. This damage in my soul caused me to become ashamed of myself.

Guilt and shame are dangerous. Because

when you live this way, you aren't just ashamed of something you've done or that's been done to you, you're ashamed of yourself. And it poisons everything else in your life.

But Romans 8:1 says, "There is now no condemnation [no guilty verdict, no punishment] for those who are in Christ Jesus [who believe in Him as personal Lord and Savior]" (AMP). This means it is not God's will for us to live with guilt and shame every day of our lives!

### *Facing the Truth That Led Me to Freedom*

Giving up guilt and shame was not easy for me. I had a really hard time believing that God loved me and that He wanted me to love myself. I don't mean that He wanted me to love myself in a selfish, self-centered, prideful way, but I had to accept God's love for me and love myself in a healthy way before I could love others.

I came to realize that most of the problems I had—the personality issues and unhealthy relationships—stemmed from the fact that I was ashamed of myself. The truth is when you don't like yourself, it's very difficult to get along with anyone else.

It was a life-changing revelation when God showed me that it was religion—not relationship with Christ—that makes us believe that it's right or good to feel bad about ourselves... to beat ourselves up for our mistakes and weaknesses.

God doesn't want us to live under the burden of guilt and condemnation because all this does is make us believe that we need to pay for our sin. And Jesus has already paid



for it!

### *The Path to Move Forward*

Second Corinthians 5:17 says, "If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" (NIV). And verse 21 says that "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

When we come to God and confess our sin, asking Him to forgive us, we become new creations in Him because of what Jesus has done. Jesus, who was perfect and never sinned, took the punishment for our sin so we could be made right with God and have a personal relationship with Him.

So when we refuse to give up guilt and shame by believing in what He's done for us, we're essentially saying, "Jesus, I don't think You did a good enough job, so I need to add my effort to try and make up for the mistakes I've made and get over this guilt."

Our way of "paying" is feeling miserable and guilty.

The tragedy is, as long as we live this way, we will never enjoy the freedom we can have in Christ of being forgiven of our sin, and enjoy the good life He came to give us (John 10:10).

### *The Power to Change*

The key to pressing past guilt and shame was discovering the power in God's Word to overcome it. Eventually, as I spent time in prayer and Bible study, the truth renewed my mind and set me free (Romans 12:2; John 8:32).

I want to encourage you to read the scriptures I've shared in this teaching. Pray and ask God to help you agree with what He says more than how you feel or what you think about yourself based on your past. Study verses about His love for you, like John 3:16-17 and 1 John 4:8-16. Confess what God says about you: He loves you; He forgives you; He creat-

ed you to be a unique, special, one-of-a-kind individual; and He has a wonderful plan for your life! (See Psalm 139:13-14; Jeremiah 29:11; Ephesians 2:8-10.)

If you will embrace who you are as a new creation in Christ and do your best each day to grow in your faith in God by studying His Word and seeking Him in prayer, you will make progress in becoming everything He made you to be. You will be free from guilt and shame... and have the life Jesus died to give you!

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

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By: Deborah A. Quirk  
Its: Agent  
No. 0301  
(3/3, 3/10, 3/17 2021)

### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LA SALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF  
Bruce A. Smith,  
Deceased  
Case No. 2021-P-29

#### CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Bruce A. Smith of Mendota, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on February 4, 2021 to Claudia Carstens Smith of 1808 Washington NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418 whose attorney is Guilfoyle & Stevenson, LLP, 1316 Meriden Street, Mendota, IL 61342. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, LaSalle County Courthouse, 119 W. Madison, Ottawa, IL 61350, or with the representative, or both, on or before August 20, 2021. If a claim notice is mailed or delivered personally to a creditor of the decedent, the creditor's claim may be filed on or before the date stated in the notice, if later than the date shown above. Any claim not filed within the time allowed is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the Attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

No. 0206  
(2/17, 2/24, 3/3 2021)

### STATE OF ILLINOIS CIRCUIT COURT LASALLE COUNTY PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT)

Request of:  
Virginia Lyn Hanson  
Case Number:  
2021MR000045  
There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from: Virginia Lyn Hanson to the new name of: Virginia 'Jenny' Lyn Zinke  
The court date will be held:  
On April 30, 2021 at 10:00 am, at 119 W. Madison St. Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois in courtroom #305.  
Dated: February 22, 2021.  
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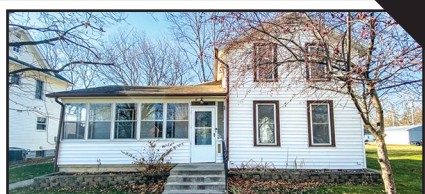
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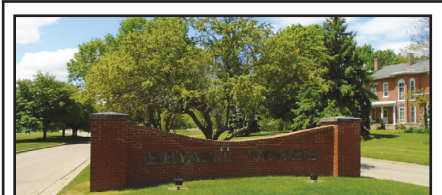
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