

City health insurance cost goes up

By KIP CHEEK
Staff writer

MENDOTA – The Mendota City Council renewed the city’s health insurance and discussed several requests at its Jan. 20 regular meeting.

Alderman John Holland presented the health insurance renewal information for the council’s consideration. The insurance premium with Blue Cross and Blue Shield was approved at a 4.5 percent increase for health, 7 percent increase for vision and 6 percent increase for dental.

In other action from Holland’s report, the council approved intergovernmental agreements with Mendota Elementary District 289 for TIF 2017A (Starved Rock Wood Products) and TIF 2017B (ADM project).

In action from alderman Jay Miller’s report, the council voted to allow a Class A liquor license for The Chalet at 2104 Main St.

Alderman Jim Fitzpatrick informed the council of a pre-annexation request from Michael and Barbara Bokus. A public hearing was scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 17.

A request was made by Carl Patterson to vacate an alley on part of Third Avenue. The council authorized preparation of the necessary documents to proceed with the request.

Jim Strouss spoke to the council on behalf of the Friends of the Track Fund Committee. The committee is attempting to raise half of the \$188,000 needed to pay for the recent resurfacing of

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American soybean exports to China dropped 75 percent between 2017 and 2018.

Illinois farmers helped by latest U.S. trade deals, but many questions remain

□ Experts say gains from China agreement and USMCA need to be proven

By BEN ORNER
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois farmers will get a much-needed lift from two international trade agreements approved by the federal government last week, but experts are uncertain if their situations will improve in the long term.

After exchanging hundreds of billions of dollars of tariffs for more than a year, the U.S. and Chinese governments agreed to the first part of trade deal on Jan. 15.

On Jan. 16, Congress passed the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, better known as USMCA, sending it to President Donald Trump to sign.

The average Illinoisan will likely not be much affected by the deals, experts say. Instead, the largest beneficiaries will be corn and soybean farmers who have been caught in President Trump’s trade conflicts with China and Mexico since 2018.

A cautious step forward
Illinois farmers have been especially hurt by China’s

retaliatory tariffs in the ongoing U.S.-China trade war, forcing the federal government to issue \$28 billion in aid nationwide.

The more recent trade agreement with China, however, is more of a ceasefire than a peace agreement, said Jonathan Coppess, director of the Gardner Agriculture Policy Program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

“Really what it does is kind of stop the damage that was initiated with this tariff conflict that the president started,” he said.

The deal should play out in two phases. Phase One, which began Jan. 15, requires China to purchase \$200 billion in U.S. goods over the next two years, including \$32 billion of agricultural products.

Chief among them are soybeans and pork, in which Illinois ranks first and fourth, respectively, in U.S. production.

American soybean exports to China dropped 75 percent between 2017 and 2018, as China bought soy-

beans from other countries while exchanging tariffs with the U.S.

President Trump, however, said he will not lift America’s \$360 billion of tariffs on Chinese goods until Phase Two is negotiated and implemented.

“We see this as a sign of brighter days to come,” Illinois Soybean Growers President Doug Schroeder said in a statement. However, he added, “A long-awaited win for the soybean industry will come when the soybean tariffs are fully rescinded.”

Unfortunately, that could be awhile, said Todd Hubbs, a professor of agriculture economics at UIUC.

“It doesn’t sound like Phase Two is going to get done anytime soon,” Hubbs said, because U.S. leadership could change after November’s presidential election.

“I don’t think there’s any desire on either side right now to ruin the deal, ... (but) I don’t see it happening before the election,” he said.

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District 280 projects sizeable decline in enrollment numbers

□ Tentative calendar set for 2020-21 school year

By BONNIE MORRIS
Editor

MENDOTA – The days of 600-650 students at Mendota High School are over in the opinion of Superintendent Jeff Prusator.

Reporting at the Jan. 20 District 280 Board of Education meeting, Prusator said he knew there was going to be a steady, but small, decline in enrollment, and then it would start to level off again. “I didn’t do this to alarm you, but it’s a little bit more of a decline than I first anticipated,” he told the board.

Using current enrollment numbers from District 289 and Holy Cross School, Prusator gave the probable enrollment numbers at MHS for the next decade. “Just a few years ago, we were pushing 650 students at MHS. Next school year, 2020-21, we’re going to start with 517 students,” he said. “We have to come to terms that we’re going to be a high school with anywhere from 520-530 students on average.”

In some years, enrollment will drop even lower, particularly the 2023-24 school year with a projected enrollment of only 494 students. “And this is assuming every Holy Cross student comes to MHS but typically, two to four of their students go St. Bede,” he noted.

Prusator said he did an enrollment projection two years ago using actual numbers and at that time, he was expecting 580 students at MHS next school year. “So somehow, 63 students have left the district, probably left the community,” he said.

“Hopefully that attrition is over but numbers are definitely in a downward trend. We’ll keep an eye on it.”

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Tentative calendar 2020-21

• A tentative 2020-2021 school calendar was presented by Prusator. A teacher institute will be held Aug. 12-13 and the first day for students will be Friday, Aug. 14. “This is the same as we’ve done the last 10 years or so,” he said.

Christmas break will be two full weeks starting Monday, Dec. 21. Teacher institute will be on Jan. 4, 2021 and students return Jan. 5. Lincoln’s Birthday will be observed as a school holiday on Friday, Feb. 12, 2021. Spring break will be April 2-9.

Graduation will be held May 15, 2021. The latest possible day of school will be May 27, and the earliest will be May 20. “We’ll work with District 289 on early dismissals,” Prusator said. “But I believe these are pretty firm numbers and not going to change.”

The school calendar will be brought back to the board next month for official approval.

School Resource Officer

• Prusator said the high school has been very pleased with Officer Hochstatter and the School Resource Officer program and he recommended continuing it next year. “He’s been a nice addition to our staff and it has worked

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Another wetter-than-normal spring predicted as Illinois farmers recover from crop losses

□ Stressful planting seasons could become routine, hurting farmers and economy

By BEN ORNER
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The state’s climatologist is predicting Illinois farmers are likely to endure more burdensomely wet weather while they try to plant cash crops this spring after suffering major losses as a result of a record-wet planting season last year.

April through June is likely to be wetter than normal in Illinois, according to rainfall projections from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, posing a challenge to corn and soybean farmers in the heart of planting season.

Right now, those farmers are calculating their losses after suffering through the wettest January to June in state history last year.

Wettest of those months was May, which pushed planting of Illinois’ top two crops into June and July, when in an ideal year they can be in the ground in April.

The result: Corn and soybean production dropped 18 percent and 20 percent, respectively, according to final yield numbers from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

“Farmers should expect to deal with an increased frequency of wet winters and springs,” said Illinois’ State Climatologist Dr. Trent Ford, who expects wetter-than-normal conditions to become routine.

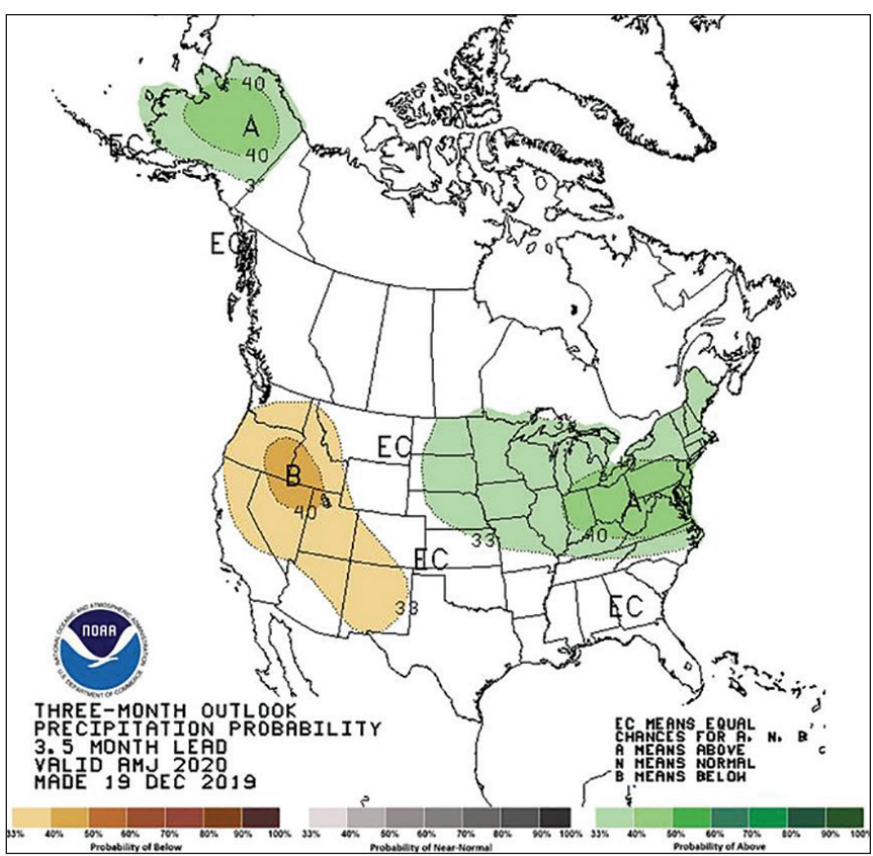
After recent rainstorms, Ford said all but far northwest Illinois has had above-average January precipitation with part of the month still to go. NOAA also projects a wetter-than-average February and March.

“The last couple of decades especially we’ve seen our winters be wetter than previous decades,” Ford said. “That doesn’t mean more snow necessarily, it just means overall more precipitation.”

For example, he says 20 of the past 25 winters in Peoria have been wetter than the city’s 120-plus-year average.


“Preparing for wetter-than-normal conditions to be more common or happen more frequently is something that farmers should be doing in Illinois,” Ford said.


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■ MFD Card Party Feb. 1

MENDOTA – The Mendota Fire Department’s 147th annual Card Party & Dance will be held on Saturday, Feb. 1.

The day will begin with a Texas Hold ‘Em Deep Stack Tournament at the Mendota Moose Lodge starting at noon. The buy-in is \$120.

The card party will begin promptly at 1 p.m. at the Moose Lodge. Euchre, 500 and Pinochle will be played. Sandwiches, pie and coffee will be available for purchase.

Vegas Night will be held at the Moose Lodge from 8 p.m. to midnight. Craps, Blackjack and more will be featured.

Also at the Moose, there will dinner served from 6-8 p.m. and then the band “Free Beer & Chicken” will perform from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Tickets for the MFD Card Party & Dance are \$6 and may be purchased at the door. Proceeds from the event are used to keep firefighting and emergency equipment efficient and up-to-date.



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LOCAL AND AREA

Naloxone Program continues to save lives in LaSalle County

OTTAWA – The LaSalle County Naloxone Program has issued its 2019 Annual Report, which shows significant success in lowering the number of overdose deaths in the county.

In 2019, a total of 62 doses of Narcan Nasal Spray were used by LaSalle County law enforcement agencies and other



partners in 37 distinct overdose response incidents. This effort in responding to overdoses saved 37 lives throughout the course of 2019. An important note is that zero deaths were reported to the program by partner agencies, highlighting the fact

that increased availability and use of naloxone within the community saves lives.

The report points out that these are preliminary numbers and only used data from the LaSalle County Naloxone Program, so broader county-level data (when available) will be useful in providing greater context to the county opioid crisis.

Naloxone use by first responders in 2019 shows a marked decrease from 2018, from 54 to 37. However, 2019 naloxone use was still higher than 2016 and 2017. In the coming years, LCNP hopes to provide more data which will show more detailed trends and track the program's impact on addressing the crisis. Specifically, they hope to determine whether the high number in 2018 was an outlier.

Cost

The 62 doses used last year required 31 boxes of Narcan nasal spray (2 doses per box) at a total cost of \$2,325. In total, 79 boxes of Narcan Nasal Spray were given to partner agencies to replace both used Narcan and expired doses. Without the LaSalle County program providing free Narcan, a cost of \$5,925 would have been incurred by the departments.

Additionally, due to new grant funding from the Illinois Department of Public Health, the LaSalle County Health Department was able to purchase 48 new boxes costing \$3,600 and they intend to purchase more this spring to replace any doses that are expiring. (Narcan Nasal Spray has a 2-year shelf life; earlier doses from the program are near that lifespan).

The LCNP and health department also expressed their appreciation to the Human Service Center of Peoria, which provided 24 boxes of free Narcan to LCNP in September 2019. Due to that donation, the LaSalle County Naloxone Program was able to bridge the gap between earlier grant funding and the upcoming IDPH Narcan funding.

Officer training

LaSalle County's award-winning Naloxone Program was initiated in 2015 from a training request to the Health Department by the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office. The request was referred to the LaSalle County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Coordinator, making the LaSalle County MRC the point organization. The unit developed an Opioid 101 course and gained approval from the Illinois Department of Human

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IVCC fall graduates

OGLESBY - A total of 153 students graduated this fall at Illinois Valley Community College.

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

Mendota: Erik Aguilar, AA; Abbie Aldenhoff, AS; Paityn Barkman, CNA; Rachel Beetz, AS; Omar Castaneda, TDT; Eve Herbert, CNA; Flanagan Hogan, CNA; Brittany Huhn, CNA; Guadalupe Mandujano, CNA; Angelica Medellin, Phlebotomy; Nicole Molina, Phlebotomy; Jeremy Morey, CNA; Abby Motter, CNA; Jocelyn Perez, AA, AS; Chandler Schultz, AAS in Criminal Justice; Natalie Theobald, Phlebotomy;

Compton: David Peterson, TDT; Jennifer Skaggs,

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Blackstone School Report

Stacy Kelly, Principal

As part of the school-wide behavior plan at Blackstone, classes are able to earn Paw Pride certificates by "getting caught" making good choices. We have a goal each quarter that all classrooms try to reach.

Each quarter there will be a reward party for the classes that meet their goal. We are so happy to announce that all of our classes met their goal in the 2nd quarter. The students were all able to enjoy a movie and snack with me this past week for their reward. Classes will be working toward a dance party reward for the 3rd quarter.

Our students at Blackstone have recently completed winter benchmark assessments in reading and math using FastBridge. The data will be used by staff to determine students who need Tier 2 or Tier 3 interventions to support reading and/or math classroom instruction. The results will come home with students in their second quarter report card.

The end of the second quarter was Friday, Jan. 17. Teachers are currently preparing grades for report cards. Parents in

the district can expect their child's report card to come home on Friday, Jan. 24.

The students nominated for the Principal Award last week included Caia Cacanour, Miguel Valencia, Charlee Fordham, Liam Venegas, Lyncoln Daley, Grayson Goodlow and Kaden Haun.

The winners were Xander Swanson, Easton Pyse, Angel Rivera and Jesse Lopez. Congratulations to all of you.

Blackstone students brought home information on the Six Flags Read to Succeed program. This program runs Jan. 6-Feb. 17. Students have the opportunity to keep a reading log at home of the time they read outside of school.

Students who read a minimum of six hours during the program time will qualify for a free admission ticket to Six Flags Magic Waters for the summer of 2020. Students who successfully complete their reading log will receive their ticket in May.

Elementary yearbook order forms have gone home with all students. The cost of the yearbook is \$15 and orders are due by Feb. 7. Parents can order online with the code that is on the order form.

Extension schedules Regional Beef Cattle meeting

OGLESBY - University of Illinois Extension - Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam Unit invites the public to a Regional Beef Cattle Meeting and dinner taking place on Wednesday, Jan. 29.

The event will take place from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Illinois Valley Community College, Oglesby in Room CTC 124.

Various topics will be covered intended to help beef cattle producers make profit driven decisions. Understanding factors influencing cattle production along with a look into what to expect in the coming year will be discussed.

Travis Meteer, Beef Specialist, University of Illinois Extension, said many producers will find interest in cow nutrition discussions and the subsequent effects they have on reproduction.

"Let's face it, getting cows bred should be at the top of everyone's list," Meteer said. "Calving season is always an important, exciting time. Come and get some calving season tips and gain more knowledge about your herd health's role in profit."

Speakers and topics include: Calving Season Tips, Biosecurity on a Cattle Farm by Dr. Buzz Iliff, Wyoming Veterinary Service; Agronomic Factors for High Producing Pastures by Russ Higgins, University of Illinois Extension; Utilizing Cover Crop Forages in Beef Cow Rations/Successful Heifer Development Programs and Illinois Performance



Tested Bull Sale Update, both by Travis Meteer, University of Illinois Extension.

Advance registration is required by Jan. 24. Call the University of Illinois Extension at (815) 224-0889. The cost for the program is \$10 per person, payable at the door and includes dinner.

If you need a reasonable accommodation, call the Extension office at (815) 224-0889.

For questions regarding the program, contact Daryle Wragge at (309) 364-2356.



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LOCAL AND AREA

Published CPR study based on research done at IVCH

PERU - A published study based on research done at Illinois Valley Community Hospital in Peru shows that frequent self-directed CPR training for nurses and other healthcare professionals done on a mobile simulation station is more effective than traditional classroom CPR recertification instruction.

Recently published in the Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety, the study showed that clinical staff significantly improved and had greater confidence in their CPR skills by practicing them every three months on a mobile simulation station rather than by taking a formal CPR class every two years as IVCH nurses had been doing previously.

Data for the study was gathered when IVCH began using the new CPR recertification method in 2016 and through responses by healthcare workers who participated in the new training to a survey mailed to them in 2018.

The mobile simulation station used at IVCH was purchased with a \$25,000 grant from the IVCH Foundation. IVCH was one of the first hospitals in Illinois to use this new CPR training program.

"It's all about repetition," said Maureen Rebholz,



Education nurse Ashley Freitag, left, and Renee Rebholz RN, Director of Education, display a CPR RQI training cart that IVCH uses for recertification CPR training. (Photo contributed)

IVCH education director. "In the past, nurses were required to take CPR certification classes every two years. Now they recertify by demonstrating their skills on the simulator four times a year. The data collected in the study demonstrates that the more often they practice, the more confidence they have in their CPR skills and that means they'll be better able to use CPR on a patient

if that becomes necessary."

Lorna Dudzik, a professor of nursing at Lewis University in Romeoville, developed the study as a completion for her doctoral nursing degree under the preceptorship of Rebholz. The two are listed as co-authors of the Joint Commission Journal article along with Debra G. Heard, Russell E. Griffin, Mary Vercellino, Amanda Hunt and Adam Cates.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Saint Mary's College dean's list

NOTRE DAME, Ind. - Whitney Lewis of Mendota has been named to the Saint Mary's College dean's list for the 2019 fall semester.

To earn this academic honor, a student must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.6 on a 4.0 scale, have a minimum of 12 graded credit hours, no incompletes, and no grades lower than a C.

For over 175 years, Saint Mary's has empowered women to make a difference in the world and is recognized as a pioneer and continued force in the education of women. A Catholic, liberal arts institution, the college offers over 50 undergraduate academic programs and a growing number of co-educational graduate degrees.

Iowa State dean's list

AMES, Iowa - Mari Biers of Mendota is among 10,066 Iowa State University students who have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the fall semester 2019 dean's list. Biers, a senior at Iowa State, is majoring in kinesiology and health.

To be included on the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.0 scale while carrying a minimum 12 credit hours of graded course work.

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OSF Saint Paul Medical Center requesting public to limit visits

MENDOTA - To protect patients, family members and staff during this time of increased seasonal flu activity and other upper respiratory illnesses, OSF HealthCare Saint Paul Medical Center is asking the public to limit visits as a precautionary measure.

Guidelines are based on recommendations from the Illinois Department of Public Health:

- Visitors should be at least 18 years of age and older. This will minimize exposure of patients to children, who are known to be high risk for transmission of viral infections, and will protect children from contracting an illness while visiting the hospital.

- Please do not visit hospitalized patients if you are not feeling well, particularly if you have had flu-like symptoms during the past seven days. Symptoms include a fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, cough, and/or sore throat.



- Remember to cough and/or sneeze into your arm or shoulder or use a tissue. The spread of germs can be reduced by coughing into your clothing. Avoid covering your mouth with your hands, as the germs can easily be passed through direct contact with surfaces or people.

To assist in limiting the spread of disease, please wash your hands with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand foam/gel when entering and leaving a patient's room or after coughing, sneezing or using a tissue.

For tips on staying healthy during flu season, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/prevent/actions-prevent-flu.htm>.

Mobile home tax bills mailed

OTTAWA - LaSalle County mobile home tax bills were mailed on Jan. 10. The due date for the Mobile Home Local Services Tax is Monday, April 1.

Payment by check should be made payable to "LaSalle County Collector" and sent or delivered to: LaSalle County Treasurer, 707 East Etna Road, P.O. Box 1560, Ottawa, IL 61350.

There is a penalty for late payment so it is especially important that the Mobile Home Local Services Tax be paid in a timely fashion. The penalty for delinquency is \$25 per month beginning the day after the due date.

If mobile home owners have any questions about the Local Services Tax, please contact the LaSalle County Treasurer's office at (815) 434-8219.

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AAS in Computer Aided Engineering and Design; William Tyler, Associate in Engineering Science;

LaMoille: Kaleb Hebert, Gas Metal Arc Welding; Jonathon Hohertz, TDT Advanced Proficiency; Matthew Silfies, TDT.

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CARL'S QUIZ

No surprise that dogs rank as the most popular pets among Americans. But what type of pet came in second in a recent survey?

1.) Cats, 2.) Birds, 3.) Reptiles, 4.) Fish, 5.) Chickens

The answer to last week's quiz is: Bo Jackson is the only professional athlete in history to have been named an All-Star in both baseball and football. Jackson played pro football 1987-91 and pro baseball 1987-91 & 1993-94.

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

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Mendota Weather

Jan. 22, 2020

Seven Day Forecast

	Wednesday Cloudy High: 33 Low: 25
	Thursday Scattered Snow High: 34 Low: 24
	Friday Rain & Snow Possible High: 32 Low: 26
	Saturday Scattered Snow High: 34 Low: 28
	Sunday Mostly Cloudy High: 32 Low: 26
	Monday Cloudy High: 35 Low: 29
	Tuesday Cloudy High: 37 Low: 31

In-Depth Forecast

Wednesday we will see cloudy skies, high temperature of 33°, humidity of 65%. South wind 10 to 14 mph. The record high temperature for Wednesday is 54° set in 2017. Expect cloudy skies Wednesday night with a 50% chance of scattered snow, overnight low of 25°. South wind 7 to 10 mph. The wind chill for Wednesday night could reach 22°. The record low for Wednesday night is -18° set in 1963.

Regional Cities

City	Hi/Lo	Wx	Hi/Lo	Wx
Aurora	34/30	mc	35/33	sn
Champaign	35/30	mc	35/33	sn
Chicago	34/31	mc	35/33	rs
Freeport	32/30	sn	34/32	sn
Joliet	35/30	mc	35/33	rs
Moline	33/32	sn	35/33	rs
Peoria	36/32	cl	36/33	sn
Rockford	32/30	cl	34/32	sn
Springfield	37/32	cl	35/33	sn

Last Week's Local Almanac

Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip	Rainfall
Monday	34	30	27/11	0.00"	0.47"
Tuesday	42	27	27/11	0.00"	Normal rainfall 0.36"
Wednesday	35	25	27/11	0.00"	Departure +0.11"
Thursday	21	10	27/11	0.00"	Average temp 22.4°
Friday	29	15	27/11	0.13"	Average normal 19.0°
Saturday	34	1	27/11	0.34"	Departure +3.4°
Sunday	10	0	27/11	0.00"	Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

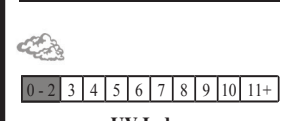
Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
New 1/24	7:17 a.m.	4:59 p.m.	5:35 a.m.	2:57 p.m.
Thursday	7:16 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	6:30 a.m.	3:52 p.m.
Friday	7:15 a.m.	5:01 p.m.	7:18 a.m.	4:51 p.m.
Saturday	7:14 a.m.	5:03 p.m.	7:58 a.m.	5:52 p.m.
Sunday	7:14 a.m.	5:04 p.m.	8:32 a.m.	6:54 p.m.
Monday	7:13 a.m.	5:05 p.m.	9:02 a.m.	7:54 p.m.
Tuesday	7:12 a.m.	5:06 p.m.	9:28 a.m.	8:53 p.m.

National Weather Summary This Week

The Northeast will see partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 40 in Jeffersonville, Ind. The Southeast will experience partly to mostly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 67 in Hialeah, Fla. The central United States will see partly to mostly cloudy skies with scattered rain, highest temperature of 70 in Laredo, Texas. In the Northwest there will be mostly cloudy skies with isolated rain and snow, highest temperature of 52 in Coquille, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 74 in Brawley, Calif.

Local UV Index



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Weather Trivia

Which way does a zonal wind flow?



Answers: West to east.

Weather History

Jan. 22, 1989 - Low pressure brought heavy rain and gale force winds to Florida. Daytona Beach, Fla. was drenched with 5.48 inches of rain in 24 hours to establish a January record for that location. Winds at Titusville, Fla. reached 63 mph.

Jan. 23, 1988 - Northeastern Colorado experienced its most severe windstorm in years. A wind gust to 92 mph was recorded at Boulder, Colo. before the anemometer blew away. In the mountains, a gust to 120 mph was reported at Mines Peak.



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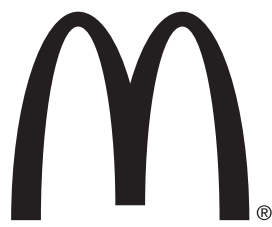
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Robert E. Olson

AMBOY - Robert E. Olson, 82, of Amboy peacefully passed away surrounded by his family on Jan. 14, 2020 at OSF St. Anthony Medical Center in Rockford.

Visitation was held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Jan. 16 at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Funeral services were on Jan. 17 with a 9:45 a.m. prayer service at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy, followed by a 10:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Catholic Church in Walton with Rev. Richard Kramer officiating. Burial was at St. Patrick Cemetery, Maytown.

Bob was born Dec. 17, 1937 in Amboy to Louise Cardot. He was raised by his loving mother and stepfather, Fred Olson, who later adopted Bob. He married Mary Lou Friel on Jan. 10, 1959 in Maytown.

Survivors include his wife; three children, Joyce (Rick) Schamberger of Amboy, Jan (Don Phelps) Bonnell of Amboy and Bob (Wendy) Olson of Harmon; 10 grandchildren, Nathan (Katie) Schamberger, John (Meghan) Schamberger, Catherine (Greg) Knecht, Jason Bonnell, James (Rebecca) Bonnell, Jake (Stephanie) Bonnell, Ashley (Nick) Brokaw, Courtney (Tyler) Kennedy, Kristen (Chris) Ely and Cole (Olivia Pilgrim) Olson; 14 great-grandchildren; one his sister-in-law, Dolly (Kenneth) Cardot; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Lori Lynn Olson; one son-in-law, Jeff Bonnell; a great-grandson, Baby Bonnell; his parents, Fred Olson and Louise (Cardot) Olson; four brothers, Henry Cardot, Jr., Gilbert Cardot, Kenneth Cardot and Forrest Cardot; and one sister, Mary Rippentrop.

Bob was a life-long farmer and he also owned and operated the Long Branch Saloon in Amboy with his wife, son and daughter-in-law. He is admired and remembered by his friends and family for his work ethic, kindness, and sense of humor. In addition to his family, Bob leaves many lifelong friends and business acquaintances behind.

A memorial has been established to the Amboy Fire Department in honor of Bob's memory. Condolences may be sent online at www.thejonesfh.com.

Larry D. Pritchard

DIXON - Larry D. Pritchard, 70, of Dixon, passed away suddenly Jan. 9, 2020 at home.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Services will be held at a later date. Arrangements were completed by Preston-Schilling Funeral Home in Dixon.

Larry was born Sept. 22, 1949 in Sterling to Herbert and Ruby (Meyer) Pritchard.

Survivors include his partner of 26 1/2 years, Judith Barrett; one daughter, Laurie (Jim Rodriguez) Pickett of Dixon; three stepchildren, Jodi (Glen) Hall of Ishpeming, Mich.; Blaine Barrett and Heather (Kyle) Zinke, both of Mendota; two grandchildren; 12 step grandchildren; one great-grandson; three step great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Herbert Pritchard and Roger Pritchard, both of Savanna.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Bill Pritchard; and one sister, Carol Stewart.

Larry retired from Raynor in May of 2016 after 42 years and was a member of the Carpenters Union. He was a member of the Northern Illinois Jeep Alliance Club for several years. In recent years, he enjoyed restoring old cars to their former glory, collecting and showing them. His grandkids were his life and he enjoyed spending time with them and teaching them many different things about life.

A memorial has been established. Condolences may be sent to www.prestonschilling.com.



Montie L. Melau

TROY GROVE - Montie L. Melau, 61, of Troy Grove passed away unexpectedly Jan. 16, 2020 at OSF Saint Paul Medical Center, Mendota.

Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 23 at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota. A celebration of life will follow the visitation at 7 p.m. with Father Peter Pilon officiating. Cremation rites will be accorded afterward. Private burial will be at a later date. Please bring any photo memories or stories you would like to share to help in keeping Montie's legacy alive.

Montie was born July 27, 1958 in Mendota to Donald and Mildred (McLaughlin) Melau. He married his high school sweetheart, Marlene Donovan on Jan. 29, 1977 at Holy Cross Church in Mendota.

Survivors include his wife of Troy Grove; one son, Mitchell (Melissa) Melau of Troy Grove; one daughter, Marissa (David) Trumper of LaSalle; one brother, Gary Melau of Leland; his mother, Mildred Morel of Leland; his father- and mother-in-law, Edward and Irene Donovan of Mendota; one brother-in-law, Gary (Donna) Donovan of Rockford; four grandchildren, Noah Trumper, Chelsea Kman, Jesse Trumper and Anthony Childs; four great-grandchildren, Logan, Lucy, Lyla and Amelia; and his faithful four-legged companion, Dick, his Chesapeake Bay Retriever.

He was preceded in death by his father, Donald Melau and stepfather, Vernon Morel.

During high school, Montie worked for Linne Brother's Sales and Service in Troy Grove and at the Del Monte Farm Shop. He graduated from Mendota High School in 1976 and immediately took up employment with Manley Brothers, Incorporated in Troy Grove, where he dedicated 44 years of his life. During his time there, he served as a member of Local 427 and USW Local 31-G. He served on the Troy Grove Volunteer Fire Department from 1978-2014, during which he held office for several years and served as chief for about 10 years. Montie enjoyed many things that life had to offer. He earned his pilot's license and flew his own private plane. Building, restoring, and racing anything on two or four wheels came naturally to him and he could often be found on a lake fishing or out in a blind or stand hunting. His most valued interest was to spend as much time as he could with his family and friends.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

James E. LeMat

COMPTON - James E. LeMat, 71, of Compton passed away Jan. 11, 2020 at his home.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

James was born Jan. 5, 1949 in Saginaw, Mich. to Lee and Dorothy (Hemingway) LeMat. He married Lynda Langworthy on June 3, 1972 and they spent the next 47 years happily together.

Survivors include his wife of Compton and two children, Leslie Ellinger of Craigsville, Va. and David LeMat of Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lee LeMat and his mother, Dorothy (Hemingway) Smith.

Pastor LeMat served the congregation of the First Baptist Church of LaMoille. He was a loving husband, father, and friend who will be deeply missed.

Arrangements were handled by Nelson Funeral Homes & Crematory, www.NelsonFuneralHomes.com, (630) 553-7611.



Robert F. Moffett, Jr.

MENDOTA - Robert F. Moffett, Jr., 66, of Mendota passed away Jan. 18, 2020 at his home.

Graveside services will be held at a later date. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is handling the arrangements.

Robert was born Nov. 22, 1953 in Carbondale to Robert F. and Shirley (Treese) Moffett, Sr. He married Gail Law on May 9, 1999.

Survivors include his wife of Mendota; three sons, Robert (Billie) Moffett III of Belvidere, John (Becky) Henson of Streator and James Law of Mendota; two daughters, Robin (Justin) Badger of Fairview Heights and Stacy Law of Mendota; one sister, Sheila Neff of El Paso; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Robert served in the U.S. Army. He enjoyed board games and card games with his family.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Community input needed on natural hazard survey

OTTAWA - LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency is working with LaSalle County Environmental Services and North Central Illinois Council of Governments on the review and updating of LaSalle County's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The natural hazard mitigation plan outlines hazards that LaSalle County is vulnerable to and addresses measures to help mitigate or lessen the overall burden of those hazards. The current plan was written and approved in 2015 by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and can be accessed at <https://lasallecounty.org/natural-hazard-mitigation-plan/> and has to be reviewed and updated every five years.

Communities, townships and counties that actively participate in an approved plan process become eligible to apply for federal grant dol-

lars for various pre-disaster or flood mitigation projects.

As part of the review and update process, input is needed from the citizens who live and/or work in LaSalle County. LaSalle County Emergency Management has created an online survey to allow for the citizen input. The survey asks the public's opinion on topics such as identified hazards, personal impacts, personal preparedness, etc. The survey can be completed at <https://tinyurl.com/20HazardMitigationSurvey> and is open to any citizen who lives and/or works in LaSalle County. The survey is also available on LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency's website www.lasallecountytyma.org.

For more information or questions, please contact the Emergency Management Agency office at (815) 433-5622 or lasallecoema@lasallecounty.org.

Naloxone

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Services Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse as well as the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board in January 2016. Full implementation for the program occurred in February 2016.

LCNP requires that officers and employees of partner agencies attend a two-hour Opioid 101 course taught by dedicated Medical Reserve Corps volunteers. The course is scheduled through the Illinois Valley Crime Prevention Commission and was updated last March to include updated statistics, policies, and laws.

Conclusion

From a program that started as an idea from the sheriff's office to a fully functional and implemented program, the LaSalle County Naloxone Program has exceeded the expectations of those involved. It continues to train officers, works to change misconceptions

about opioid addiction, improves relations with law enforcement and the Medical Reserve Corps, provides avenues for expansion, and most importantly, saves lives.

The program looks forward to continuing its work in helping first responders address the opioid crisis in LaSalle County and hopes to train more individuals and add more agency partners in the coming year.

The complete summary report for the 2019 calendar year is now available by visiting the Health Department's website at www.lasallecounty.org.

LaSalle County Medical Reserve Corps

The LaSalle County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a volunteer organization. MRC programs are community-based and operate as a way to organize and utilize volunteers, medical professionals and non-medical professionals, who want to donate their time and expertise to promote healthy living throughout the year and to prepare for and respond to emergencies. MRC volunteers supplement existing local emergency and public health resources.

For information on becoming a MRC volunteer, please contact the MRC Coordinator at (815) 433-3366, ext. 74316.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Alcoholics Anonymous

MENDOTA - The Mendota Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 10 a.m. Meetings are at 812-1/2 Washington St., Mendota (upper level, entry door on the west side).

Meetings are anonymous, no cost and open to anyone with a desire to stop drinking or wishing to avoid both alcohol and any other substance.

Possibilities/DBSA

PERU - Possibilities/DBSA, the local depression and bipolar support group, will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 3 in Conference Room "C" at Illinois Valley Community Hospital in Peru. The group meets on the first and third Monday of the month.

For more information, call Kathy Brown at (815) 252-0200.

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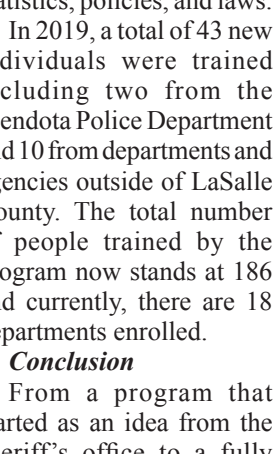
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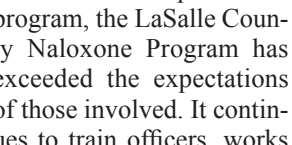
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LOCAL AND AREA

Farmers

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Carson Varner, a professor of international business at Illinois State University who also owns soybean land, says farmers like him are willing to suffer in only the short term.

"We'd much rather make our money selling soybeans" than receiving tariff aid, he said.

Varner is hopeful, though, that China and the U.S. can strike a deal. He predicts Phase Two will also allow Illinois to export more pork and agriculture equipment.

"(Trump) knows how to negotiate," Varner said. "I think he told the Chinese he's willing to walk away from a bad deal, and so I am optimistic that this thing is going to move forward."

USMCA helps corn farmers, hurts car buyers

Despite President Trump calling the USMCA "one of the biggest trade bills ever made," not much has actually changed from its beginnings as the Clinton-era North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Coppess said.

"We're not talking about major reform of the trade agreement," Coppess said. "If anything, the president has his trade agreement, so we can be assured at least for his time in office that maybe he won't threaten these trading partners again."

The agreement mostly reinforces trade the U.S. already does with Canada and Mexico, especially corn, of which Mexico is America's top buyer and Illinois is America's second-most producer.

"Every step toward USMCA passage is cause for celebration," Illinois Corn Growers Association President Bill Leigh said in a statement.

The USMCA also increases U.S. dairy exports to Canada, but that will impact more dairy-heavy states like Wisconsin.

Both U.S. senators from Illinois, Democrats Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth, voted for the bill.

In statements, Durbin applauded its "bipartisan" support, while Duckworth said it "works for farmers and manufacturers and features enforceable labor standards to support American workers."

Duckworth added, however, the deal "is not perfect" because it does not tackle climate change. But Varner argues enforcing U.S. environmental standards on Mexico is demanding too much.

"Don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good," he said.

One negative for regular Illinoisans is that the USMCA could increase the prices of new cars, because it ups the percentage of North American auto parts that vehicles must have to avoid tariffs.

Because companies often pass on increased production costs and losses from tariffs to consumers, the average American could see car prices increase between \$470 and \$2,200, according to the Center for Automotive Research.

Varner argues, however, the USMCA's requirements regarding auto parts and higher wage standards are designed to spur investment in the U.S. and increase domestic manufacturing.

"I think it would cost a lot more if we abandon these deals," he said.

President Trump is expected to sign the USMCA this week. Mexico approved it last year, while Canada is expected to approve it later this year to officially make it binding.

Wet

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Harm to farmers and crops

Continuous wet planting seasons present a challenge to farmers, as late planting pushes back their entire farm timeline.

Rep. Charlie Meier, R-Okawville, grows 1,600 acres of corn and soybeans on his farm east of St. Louis.

"Our planters started rolling on June 8, and it was not pretty," he said.

Delayed planting causes delayed harvest, which can lower end-of-year yields like farmers saw in 2019. Late harvests also leave farmers less time for tilling fields before it gets too cold, which breaks up compacted soil and deep field ruts that can hold too much water.

Unfortunately for Meier, a lot of his tillage this fall "just did not happen."

"Those factors will all go into next year's crop," he said.

Now in winter, Meier and other Illinois farmers are focused on getting tractors and equipment ready for planting season and hope they can better prepare their fields in the spring.

"Any sort of pre-planting or field preparation, that gets delayed if we have a wetter-than-normal March or early April," Ford said.

Climate connection

Scientists point to climate change, also referred to as global warming, as a main contributor to increased rainfall.

As humans emit green-

house gases such as carbon dioxide, they become trapped in the atmosphere. The more carbon in the atmosphere, the more moisture it can hold, increasing precipitation.

"The connections there are pretty strong," Ford said of wetter planting seasons and climate change.

"In wet regions such as this, there's abundant water supply at the surface," he explained. "So as the atmosphere can take in more water, it does."

Scientists also expect heavy downpours to increase.

"If we get a large amount of precipitation in one single event, what that can do is inundate the soil very quickly and then cause a lot of runoff and flooding," Ford said.

Impact on the bottom line

Decreases in crop production not only hurt farmers, but trickle down into other industries like corn elevators and trucking companies, says Mike Doherty, a senior economist at the Illinois Farm Bureau.

"Most of our ag businesses off the farm, which are a big part of the downstate ag economy, they all have lower revenues as well," Doherty said.

A soggy spring could also spell danger for Illinois farmers vulnerable to further crop losses, he said.

"You have costs no matter how much of a crop you raise," Meier said, including rent, equipment and supplies.

Government aid and insurance payments helped lessen the impact of low crop

production last year, but they do not fix the problem.

"There is a legitimate concern here," Doherty said, as to the ability of some farmers to make debt payments on capital investments like machinery and land improvements.

"That percentage of farmers is going to be a higher percentage than it was last year at this time," he said. "We are poorly poised to deal with that."

Adapting to a wetter future

"There are strategies that can be taken to adapt to a wetter spring," Ford said, including soil conservation, field treatments and improving drainage.

Meier said farmers may adapt by planting earlier, managing fields differently or using strains of crops that respond better to wet fields.

"You learn to start planning," he said, adding that proactiveness helped him through periods of drought in the 1980s.

Constantly adapting to worsening weather conditions, though, might not work in the long term, especially since crop production is what brings in a farm's income.

"Agriculture, especially here in the middle of the Grain Belt, is a volume business," Doherty said. "You cannot make money off bushels you don't grow or that you don't have."

Being at the mercy of Mother Nature, he said, will always be part of the job.

"This is the nature of farming. You can't control the weather."

Insurance

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the track at Doenier Field (old Mendota High School football field). Strauss asked that the city consider being a Diamond contributor, which is \$10,000 and above.

The track is owned by Mendota Elementary District 289, which will fund the other half of the cost. He said many city residents use the track to walk or run, and because the committee believes 80 percent of the track usage comes from city residents and only 20 percent from the school, the committee is encouraging donations. He added that donations will be accepted in increments over a two-year period for convenient budgeting purposes.

Strauss said the committee has raised \$38,000 so far. The city will take the request into consideration. Anyone interested in donating to the track fund can call 815-539-7631.

In an unrelated item from Strauss, who is the city's code enforcement officer, he

told the council that he will be going to court to appear before a judge in regard to possible action taken on two abandoned properties in Mendota — one on Third Avenue and one on Sixth Avenue.

OTHER ITEMS

Police Chief Greg Kellen presented the council members with the Mendota Police Department's 2019 annual report.

Kellen added that he has received much positive feedback from city leaders and the public about the outstanding job being done by police department officer Chad Hochstatter in his role as school resource officer at Mendota High School.

City attorney Mike Guilfoyle said the deed to the former Campbell's Cleaners building on Illinois Avenue has been turned over to the city, making it city property.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Monday, Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m.

District 280

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out as well as we thought it would," Prusator said.

After receiving the cost of the program for next year from Mendota Police Chief Greg Kellen, Prusator will present it to the board next month for approval.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Music Festival

On Jan. 20, 26 MHS music students attended the BNC Music Festival. The BNC is organized with 11 high schools—Genoa-Kingston, North Boone, Rockford Christian, Byron, Dixon, Oregon, Rock Falls, Rockford Lutheran, Stillman Valley, Winnebago and Mendota.

Directors nominate up to 10 percent of the total band and up to 20 percent of the total choir to participate in this honor festival. Principal Denise Aughenbaugh said students were there all day to rehearse until the concert at 7 p.m. Lori Schrock, choir director, traveled with the BNC Honor Band.

Although MHS usually sends students to the Augustana Honor Band during the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend, Augustana made a scheduling change so MHS will not be able to attend this event in the future. Aughenbaugh said they will look for another opportunity for the band.

Athletic Committee

The board approved a request from the Athletic Committee for the purchase of boys' track uniforms and warmups costing \$3523.95. They also accepted a recommendation from athletic director Steve Hanson to hire Steve Villegas as assistant boys' track coach.

IL 5 Essentials Student Surveys

Aughenbaugh thanked the parents who completed the IL 5 Essentials Survey. MHS has now met the threshold number of responses (20

percent) to have its results printed on the school report card.

PACE Framework Committee

The MHS PACE Framework Committee met for the first time on Jan. 15. The committee will work on developing postsecondary and career expectations that can be individualized for students as they progress from grades 8 through 12. Aughenbaugh said they hope to provide more assistance to students in making decisions about career and post-secondary education or training, to plan a course of study, and to make financial aid assessments with family.

Informational Items

* Spanish Honor Society inductions (5:30 p.m.) and National Honor Society inductions (7 p.m.) will both be on Monday, Feb. 3 in the cafeteria.

* Freshman Welcome Night for the Class of 2024 will be Thursday, Feb. 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. at MHS. Parents and students will confirm the registration process and receive informational items on activities and events.

* Sadies Dance is Saturday, Feb. 15.

* Symphony Band Concert is Sunday, Feb. 16 at 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

The board approved minutes from the Building Committee's Jan. 7 meeting. Discussions included several large-scale projects including the parking lot, the connection of the vocational and main buildings, and the roof. Prusator said he hopes the Building Committee will have a recommendation on the projects to present to the entire board for possible approval at next month's meeting.

The next regular board of education meeting will be held at the high school on Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 6 p.m.

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The life in politics

By Scott Reeder

SPRINGFIELD — It's got to be rough to be the child of a politician.

I was thinking about that this past week after reading the obituary of former Illinois State Sen. Pat Welch.

Welch was a politician I covered for many years when I was a statehouse bureau chief for a chain of newspapers. For much of that time he was also a single dad raising a son who had an ornery streak a mile long.

It can't be easy to be raising a kid in an environment where everyone knows your family's business.

One oft told tale in LaSalle County was how Pat took his then-young son, Danny, to a political function where then-U.S. Sen. Alan Dixon was speaking. When the event was over, Welch and Dixon spoke quietly and a waist-high Danny kept tugging on his Dad's shirtsleeve asking to go home.

When his Dad kept putting him off, Danny walked behind Dixon, reached between the senator's legs, gripped his crotch and tugged hard.

Welch ended up taking his son home, and was left with a story to share.

It's not so bad when a parent tells the story, but when a child of a politician becomes the subject of vicious gossip the repercussions can be devastating.

For years, I would receive phone calls from Welch's political adversaries about his boy.

The malicious calls were an effort to hurt the senator by attacking his child.

I never printed any of the assertions. Why? Because the child isn't the one holding public office and none of us get to choose our parents. Besides that, it's got to be hell to be raised in a fishbowl where everyone knows your mistakes.

Former State Sen. Mike Jacobs of East Moline is the child and grandchild of state lawmakers and he knows that feeling well.

"You always know people are watching you," he said. "Sometimes I think politicians' kids think they have to live up to an impossible standard. It's tough."

Danny Welch didn't live up to that impossible standard. In 2007, his Dad returned to his Springfield home and found his 25-year-old son hanging from a tree in his backyard.

After learning of the suicide from the Sangamon County coroner, I declined to write about it. After all, the kid wasn't a public figure and by that time Welch was no longer in office.

In case you are wondering why I am writing about it now, it's because Danny and both of his parents have died. It serves as a cautionary tale of why it's a good idea to afford youngsters of public figures their privacy and a little bit of kindness.

That's been my policy for more than 30 years. The only exception I make is if the parent somehow uses their elective office to get their child special treatment.

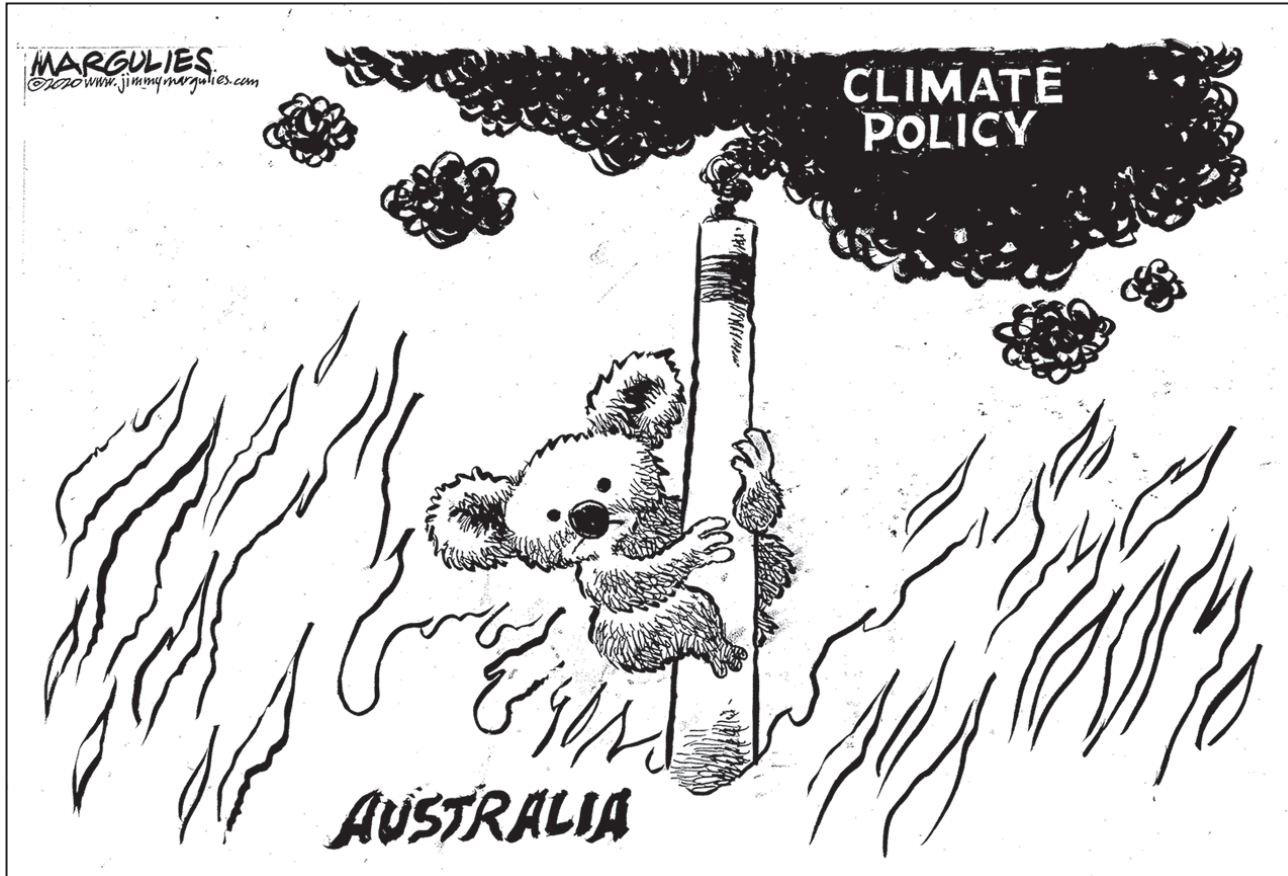
Jacobs noted that despite the challenges there are also blessings to growing up in a political family.

"I got to observe the give and take of politics at a young age. Whenever I would go out with my Dad, people would be buttonholing with concerns. I learned a lot. There are plenty of negatives, but I tell the children of elected officials to embrace the positives."

Recently, Ronald Reagan's daughter Patti Davis wrote in the Washington Post: "Unfortunately, for political sons and daughters, the fear of how you will be perceived as you go about your life, as you pursue your dreams and goals, underlies everything. It's a toxic way to live. You have to constantly second-guess yourself, as in, 'If I were anyone else, this would be a great opportunity, but it's probably just being offered because of who my father is, and even if it isn't, it could look that way.'"

No one should be forced to live that way.

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Fifty years ago – January 1940

(The following is from Jessica Nashold's *Backtracks & Sidetracks* column reprinted from Jan. 24, 1990)

By Jessica Nashold

It was 50 years ago that trained donkeys used in softball and basketball games across the country were unloaded at the Mendota fairgrounds. Their owner planned to stable them there for a time.

The basketball games were usually staged in school gymnasiums as fundraisers. The donkeys were equipped with special rubber shoes to protect the floors.

WPA workers were digging trenches along Route 51 to extend water service for the pond project. Warning flares were posted along the ditch.

Richard Briggs brought a silver fox to the Reporter office. He had shot the animal near Mendota as it was running from field to field in company with a red fox. He wanted to know if the silver fox was a wild cross breed or if it might have escaped from a fox farm.

Forrest Tower, who had once attempted to enter the silver fox raising business, was consulted. He said cubs on a fox farm usually had indelible blue marks in their ears. No mark was found on the fox shot by Briggs. The nearest fox farms, according to Tower, were in Princeton and Dixon.

Among 116 young men recruited in LaSalle County to attend Civilian Conservation Corps camp were 11 from Mendota: John Reeder, Charles Nance, Harry Mahar, Joseph McDonald, Harold Leifheit, Robert Kaufman, Burton Gladfelter, John Denault, Nelson Crane, William H. Druen and Charles Boisdorf.

M.E. Steele, superintendent of Mendota schools, suffered an unusual car accident in LaSalle. His new Buick sedan, parked on Chartres Street near LaSalle-Peru High School, started down the hill with no one at the wheel. It careened from curb to curb, finally crashing

Backtracks & Sidetracks

through a fence and striking a large tree.

Just how it happened to start is something Mr. Steele cannot understand. The gear was in reverse and something uncanny must have taken place.

Damage estimate was \$200.

In Mendota, George Sibigroth, a senior at Mendota High, was employed at the Mendota News Agency. One morning while delivering papers on Ninth Avenue, he had to wait for a Burlington freight traveling west on the north track.

He stopped his bicycle with the front wheel overlapping the south rail of the south track.

He started folding papers and placing them in his bag, not noticing a fast passenger train bearing down on him from the west.

On impact, he was thrown clear and the train immediately stopped. George was lifted to the baggage car and taken to the depot. From there he was transferred to Harris Hospital. His injuries were a concussion and a scalp wound.

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birthday on Jan. 30 was marked by theater parties in 1940 rather than the birthday balls of previous years. The Lions Club volunteered to canvass Mendota, selling tickets at \$1 each, which was admit two to any theater in LaSalle County. Fifty percent of proceeds were retained in the county and 50 percent forwarded to the National Foundation for Research on Infantile Paralysis.

At the State in Mendota, the picture shown was "20,000 Men a Year," a film

about "America's modern men with wings" starring Randolph Scott and Margaret Lindsay.

Actually, the cost of \$1 for two admissions represented a generous contribution to the cause as admission at the door that night was 10 cents.

Cooperation between the Mendota school boards and the Distributive Education Department of Illinois resulted in the offer of a course on salesmanship at \$1 for 10 weekly sessions.

Jean Redmon of Peoria was the instructor. The classes were held from 7 to 8 p.m. at Lincoln School and both the employed and unemployed could attend. It was not necessary to preregister. The dollar was collected at the first session and 35 took advantage of this opportunity.

Mrs. Walter Truckenbrod had to postpone her farm sale for a week because of severe cold weather.

There were about 25 men present and they could not have stood out in the barnyard for more than 15 to 20 minutes at a time.

The farm had been rented to Elman Pohl. Mrs. Truckenbrod and her daughters moved to a house on Fifth Avenue.

Illinois Concrete Crib Co. leased an additional 85 feet east of its factory from the CB&Q to allow for expansion.

William Faber Jr. took the agency for Hudson cars. Prices began at \$730 delivered in Mendota.

Carl Wret opened a shop for radio repair in the Reiter building on Jefferson Street. He came from Rockford.

The Mendota News Agency offered tickets to "the last big band dance before Lent" to be held January 24 at the Auditorium in LaSalle. The band was Lawrence Welk's. Advance sale price: Ladies 40 cents, Gents 90 cents, plus tax.

Neither neocon nor isolationist

By Rich Lowry

Donald Trump isn't George W. Bush.

That should be obvious to everyone by now, but his critics and even some of his supporters immediately acted as if it were 2003 on the cusp of the Iraq War when Trump took out Iranian commander Qassem Soleimani.

Suddenly, the neocons had cachet again (Vox warned that "the Iraq War hawks are back"), and we were about to launch yet another endless war. Trump's decision to kill Soleimani, New York Times columnist Michelle Goldberg wrote, repeating a common refrain, "has brought the United States to the brink of a devastating new conflict in the Middle East."

There's no doubt that the operation against Soleimani carried risks, but it didn't transform Trump into a conventional interventionist. In fact, taking out Soleimani was wholly consistent with the president's approach to the world that can't be plotted on a simple hawk/dove or neocon/isolationist axis. As a Jacksonian, Trump is none of the above, combining a willingness to whack our enemies with a distaste for ambitious foreign interventions.

The Jacksonian label is the famous construction of foreign-policy analyst Walter Russell Mead, who traces the tradition back to Andrew Jackson and the cultural influence of the American backwoods. Jacksonians are content to let the world sort itself out, except if they perceive a threat, in which case they react with great ferocity.

Trump's victory overturned the reigning Republican foreign-policy consensus, but it didn't herald a lurch to isolationism pure and simple.

Even when Trump sounded most hostile to U.S. commitments and alliances abroad in 2016, he promised, in one of his most Jacksonian sentiments, to "bomb the s---" out

of ISIS. No matter how much Trump disdained being in the Middle East, it wouldn't be possible to follow through on this threat without military assets, an intelligence network and allies on the ground. Once elected, Trump did, sure enough, bomb the s--- out of ISIS.

Killing Soleimani is keeping with this general orientation rather than a departure from it. In fact, the whole thing is shot through with Jacksonian attitudes.

Trump's red line to Iran didn't have to do with our values or shipping lanes. It reflected the most basic imperative of a nation protecting its own: Don't harm Americans.

When a rocket attack by an Iranian-supported militia killed an American contractor and injured other Americans at a base in Iraq, Trump's response was also characteristically Jacksonian: a stunning, bolt-out-of-the-blue droning of an enemy commander who was thought to be safely out of bounds, designed to create the maximum deterrent bang for the buck.

For his most loyal backers, the killing of Soleimani is likelier to add to the legend of Donald Trump instead of give them pause. In their view, here is President Trump once again doing what no other president would do, taking an inordinate amount of criticism for it, often from a perpetually hysterical press corps, and having it work out (so far).

The Jacksonian impulse alone is not enough to solve the complex foreign-policy problem presented by Iran. But it can be useful in a contest of intimidation and escalation. The killing of Soleimani isn't a deep-state or neocon project, rather an unmistakable expression of Trump's distinctive worldview.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: What is Tim Gunn doing now that he is no longer on "Project Runway"? I won't even watch the show anymore since he left. It's just not the same. -- *E.S.*



Heidi Klum

A: If you subscribe to Amazon Prime, come March you'll be able to see Tim Gunn and former "Project Runway" host Heidi Klum in a new series that is very similar. It's called "Making the Cut," and 12 designers will compete in three different cities across the globe to build a "global brand."

According to Deadline.com, "Each week, two episodes will debut, and the winning 'look' of each episode will be available for purchase on Amazon (each look will go for under \$100) immediately after the show in 200 territories where the series will be available." So if you see something you like on the show, buying it will be as simple as clicking "add to cart" on Amazon.com. Also, the winning designer will take home \$1 million "to invest in their brand" and the opportunity to create an

exclusive line available on Amazon Fashion.

Joining Klum and Gunn as judges will be actress Nicole Richie, model Naomi Campbell and designer Joseph Altuzarra. "Making the Cut" debuts March 27 on Amazon Prime.

Q: When will the new "West Side Story" directed by Steven Spielberg come out? I really hope it's great and not a disaster like "Cats." -- *M.Y.*

A: The new film adaptation of "West Side Story" wrapped up production last fall, but isn't set to be released until Dec. 18, 2020, according to Spielberg himself. It stars Ansel Elgort ("Baby Driver") as Tony and newcomer Rachel Zegler as Maria. Zegler was a high-school student in New Jersey when she auditioned for "West Side Story" and was cast in the role.

The original movie premiered in 1961 and starred Richard Beymer and Natalie Wood as the star-crossed lovers. These days film adaptations of musicals are very risky. "La La Land," starring Emma Stone and Ryan Gosling, is an example of how to do it right, while the almost universally panned "Cats,"

starring Rebel Wilson and Judi Dench, is an example of a gamble that failed.

A new, separate production of "West Side Story" will be on Broadway beginning Feb. 20. It stars Isaac Powell as Tony and Shereen Pimentel as Maria. Powell injured his knee in December, so the musical's premiere date had to be postponed for two weeks.

Q: Is there really going to be a remake of "Walker, Texas Ranger"? If so, will Chuck Norris be in it at all? -- *P.T.*

A: Yes, like many series and movies these days, a "reboot" is in the works for "Walker, Texas Ranger." Jared Padalecki ("Supernatural") will begin filming the first episode in Austin, Texas, this spring for the CW Network. The original series aired for eight years on CBS.

As of yet there has been no announcement of Norris being part of the regular cast or making a guest appearance, so you'll just have to stay tuned.

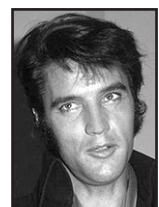
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Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- Once upon a time in the mythical kingdom of Las Vegas, superstars' names lit up



Elvis

the Vegas Strip in neon lights. Stars like Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Elvis Presley, Prince, Wayne Newton, Tom Jones and Barbra Streisand, and the great comics like Redd Foxx, Phyllis Diller, Totie Fields and Rich Little. Sinatra left us at age 82 in 1998, Dean Martin at 78 in 1995, Sammy Davis 64 in 1990, Elvis 42 in 1977 and Prince 57 in 2016. Great stars such as Rich Little, 81, Wayne Newton, 77, Tom Jones, 79, and Barbra Streisand, 77, hardly appear anymore.

They have been replaced by pop singers, classic-rock acts and country superstars: Santana, Jan. 22-Feb. 1; Foreigner, Jan. 24-Feb. 1; Van Morrison, Jan. 31-Feb.

8; The Doobie Brothers, Feb. 7-22; Chicago, Feb. 28-March 14. The singers include Keith Urban, January-November; Shania Twain, March 13-28; Gwen Stefani, Feb. 7-22; Mariah Carey, Feb. 14-29; Christina Aguilera, Feb. 27-March 7; Rod Stewart, March 6-21; Kelly Clarkson, April 1-11; Lady Gaga, April 30-May 16; Sting, May 22-June 6; and showgirl replacements in RuPaul's Drag Race Live, Jan. 30-Aug. 1.

Once I drove from Los Angeles to Las Vegas, across the desert, during 100 degree heat, in July 1969, for Elvis Presley's grand opening in Vegas. He gave the most spell-binding show ever seen to this day. But you couldn't get close to Elvis because he had six or eight guys called The Memphis Mafia who were his bodyguards and surrounded him wherever he went.

I knew his chauffeur, and one night I tore a \$100 bill in half and gave it to him, saying he could have the other half

if he'd let me know when Elvis was going somewhere without his bodyguards. I returned to L.A., and five days later he called and promised me that The King was going on a secret date that Saturday, alone. I drove across the desert again, without air conditioning, and arrived at the secret exit, which was like a "Star Wars" location without windows and doors. I gave him the other half of the \$100 and waited for Elvis.

Earlier at his press conference, I had asked Elvis, "As the survivor of twins, some of your closest friends say you act like one twin on stage and the other off stage, can you comment?" He was stunned and offered, "I've often wondered about that!" My frontpage Vegas newspaper story read, "Elvis Presley, One Man or Two People."

When he finally came out, I asked to photograph him and he said, "Great story man, I really liked it!" I was thrilled. They'll never be a Vegas like that again!

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Couch Theater

(Movies reviewed in this week's column have just been released on video and DVD.)

"Maleficent: Mistress of Evil" (PG) -- Five years have passed since Maleficent (Angelina Jolie) and Aurora (Elle Fanning) awoke to a better relationship as godmother and goddaughter. Five years of courting, too, has prompted a proposal from Prince Philip, which Maleficent opposes. When it's time to meet the in-laws, things start to get a little dicey, as Philip's mother, Queen Ingrith (Michelle Pfeiffer), moves to claim Aurora as her own. Maleficent is blamed for a host of evil deeds, the punishment for which will lead her to a group of outcast creatures and her own eventual salvation. I'm surprised this was a simple PG, not so much that there's any overt or bloody violence, but there's a lot of dark, brooding scenes that small children might not enjoy.

"Gemini Man" (PG-13) -- Will Smith faces off

against a younger Will Smith in the long-awaited -- seriously, this concept has been knocking around Hollywood for about 20 years -- story of an assassin who finds out he was cloned, and that he is on the clone's hit list. Smith plays Henry Brogan, a recently retired Marine sniper whose last target was no bad guy at all. When he finds out, the knowledge puts Brogan in the crosshairs of Junior (also Smith), a product of a secret government experiment to create clones who feel no pain and have no emotions. Director Ang Lee holds his own, but it's not as rewatchable as some of his other films.

"Jexi" (R) -- If you're addicted to your phone, this awkward rom-com might do double duty as a scared-straight course in digital management. Consider Phil (Adam Devine), a cell-obsessed "loser" who gets an upgraded phone that includes an AI life manager named Jexi (voiced by Rose Byrne).

First she gets him out of his shell -- for instance, calling Phil's crush and not letting him hang up -- but then she turns jealous virtual girlfriend once he's out. Treat it for the cupcake cinema it is -- cute and sweet, and over quickly -- and you won't be disappointed.

"The Death and Life of John F. Donovan" (R) -- Kit Harington plays the titular Donovan, an actor in a teen drama who enjoys the heights of success that can be achieved with a willing media and good looks. Jacob Trembley (as the child) and Ben Schnetzer (as a young adult) play Rupert Turner, a young boy with a celebrity crush that endures bullying and mocking but who also maintains an unexpected pen pal relationship with his idol Donovan. The film explores the ravages of exhaustive celebrity and repercussions of homosexuality.

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Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

* It was noted Irish author and wit Oscar Wilde who made the following sage observation: "There are only two tragedies in life: one is not getting what one wants, and the other is getting it."

* The very first CD of a musical recording was made in 1982. The album was "The Visitors" by Swedish pop superstars ABBA.

* Immigrants arriving at New York's Ellis Island in the early years (1892-1920s) were given bananas to eat. Many had never seen a banana and didn't know how to eat one -- some ate the whole thing, peel and all.

* In the small African nation of Swaziland, the Civil Aviation Authority has set a ceiling of 500 feet on light aircraft. These aircraft, as well as kites and remote controlled toys, are not allowed to go above that limit. Also included in the category of light aircraft are broomsticks. Any witch who flies on a broomstick above that limit is subject to a fine of more than \$50,000 and possible arrest.

* If you're thinking about moving to another country, you might want to consider Finland. In that country, employees are offered, on average, 44 paid vacation days every year. Of course, you might want to consider that even in the warm southwestern part of the country, winters last about 100 days, with snow covering the ground from mid-October to early May.

* The name of the state of Iowa (unsurprisingly) comes from a Native American language. The original word, "ayuxba," means "sleepy ones."

* Early science-fiction author E.E. "Doc" Smith wasn't just a writer; he also was an engineer. He's the guy who figured out how to get powdered sugar to stick to doughnuts.

Thought for the Day: "To be capable of embarrassment is the beginning of moral consciousness. Honor grows from qualms." -- John Leonard

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King's Crossword

Solution time: 27 mins.

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• Trivia Test •

1. U.S. STATES: Which two states share no borders with any other U.S. state?
2. TELEVISION: What is Richie's last name in the 1970-80s series "Happy Days"?
3. FOOD & DRINK: What is whey?
4. GAMES: What are "bed-posts" in bowling?
5. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature is an ocelot?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: By how many Senate votes was President Andrew Johnson spared removal from office after he was impeached by the House?
7. LITERATURE: What is the end of the nursery rhyme that starts: "Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall/ Humpty Dumpty had a great fall..."?
8. ASTRONOMY: Which is the

- largest planet in our solar system?
9. BIBLE: Who was John the Baptist's father?
 10. MUSIC: How many Top 10 songs were released on Michael Jackson's "Thriller" album?
- Answers
1. Hawaii and Alaska
 2. Cunningham
 3. The watery part of milk that remains after cheese curds have formed
 4. A 7-10 split
 5. A small, wild cat
 6. One vote short of the necessary two-thirds majority to convict
 7. "... All the king's horses and all the king's men/ Couldn't put Humpty together again."
 8. Jupiter
 9. Zechariah
 10. Seven

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Venomous viper
- 4 Incense
- 8 Pop
- 12 Ball-bearing item
- 13 Beelzebub's doings
- 14 From square one
- 15 Supreme Court Justice
- 17 Calm before the storm
- 18 Comedian
- 19 Refuge
- 20 Downright
- 22 Road's shoulder
- 24 Hard to find
- 25 Almond confection
- 29 "— Got a Secret"
- 30 Left-hand page
- 31 Ostrich's cousin
- 32 Union
- 34 Valhalla VIP
- 35 Loathe
- 36 Loses traction
- 37 Drive away
- 40 "Wozzeck"
- 41 Summertime treats
- 42 — Thatcher
- 46 Command-

DOWN

- 1 \$ dispenser
- 2 Vast expense
- 3 Storyteller in court
- 4 Detox center
- 5 Terrible guy?
- 6 "— Abner"
- 7 Right angle
- 8 Sandwich sausage
- 9 Burden
- 10 Place to buy
- 11 Piercing tools
- 16 Slightly
- 19 Ricelike pasta
- 20 — and proper
- 21 Volcanic spillage
- 22 Cleopatra's boat
- 23 Gaelic
- 25 Vegan's no-no
- 26 Distinguished ancestry
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- 33 Variety of macaque
- 34 Gumbo base
- 36 Music transition
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by Linda Thistle

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FOR THE HOME



There are many affordable ways to revamp a kitchen. Affordable features to consider when revamping your kitchen

Kitchens are popular gathering spots in many homes. That popularity is reflected in various ways, including how many homeowners choose to remodel their kitchens.

A 2019 report from the home renovation and design resource Houzz found that kitchens were the most popular room to renovate in 2018. Homeowners considering kitchen remodels should know that the Houzz report also indicated that spending on kitchen remodels increased by 27 percent in 2018.

Homeowners concerned by the cost of remodeling a kitchen should know that there are ways to give kitchens a whole new feel without breaking the bank.

Appliances

Consumer Reports notes that luxury home buyers expect high-end features, including professional ranges and built-in refrigerators that match the surrounding cabinetry. However, many mainstream brands offer “faux pro” features that can equal more expensive alternatives. Consumer Reports even notes that many budget-friendly faux pro appliances outperformed their high-end counterparts in terms of reliability.

Countertops

Countertops tend to capture the eye’s attention when

walking into a kitchen. Outdated and/or damaged countertops grab that attention for all the wrong reasons, while updated countertops made from today’s most popular materials provide that wow factor homeowners seek. If granite is a must-have, Consumer Reports notes that homeowners can save substantial amounts of money by choosing granite from remnants at the stone yard. If marble is your ideal countertop, save money by choosing a domestic product as opposed to one imported from overseas.

Cabinets

Custom-built cabinets may be a dream, but they tend to be a very expensive one. Such cabinets are designed to adhere to the dimensions of the kitchen, and Consumer Reports notes that they can cost tens of thousands of dollars. If that estimate would bust your budget, examine the current layout of the existing cabinets. If the layout is fine but the cabinets need work, you can give them a whole new look by refinishing them. If the cabinets must go, stock units or semi-custom cabinets can provide a new look without busting the budget.

Kitchen remodels can be expensive. But there are many affordable ways to revamp a kitchen.



“Cozy” and “warm” are trending keywords for interior design, according to experts, with luxurious textiles, inviting color palettes, and warm mixed metals found across all design styles.

2020 interior design trends on the horizon

(StatePoint) The beginning of the new year is a natural time to think about refreshing the look of your home, and in 2020, “cozy” and “warm” are trending keywords for interior design, according to experts, with luxurious textiles, inviting color palettes, and warm mixed metals found across all design styles.

While a maximalism approach is on the horizon, clean and modern design schemes continue to reign.

“Use a minimalist approach, allowing patterned décor to add pops of color,” advises Eliza Alkire, trend expert and product designer for leading lighting company. “Accent this with hanging planters and potted greenery to enhance the character of any room with an organic look.”

To make the most of your space this year, consider this design advice from Alkire:

Materials, Shapes and Finishes

While neutral color schemes are tried-and-true, in 2020, you’ll want to turn to an updated palette consisting of warm, earthen undertones. Choose lighting finished in mixed metals to accent the neutral scheme while adding visual interest and depth.

Recent years have seen lighting combine black chrome and gold finishes. Now, warm tones of natural brass, bronze and copper mixed with silver and black will be found across lighting designs, cabinet pulls and plumbing hardware. Move over, stainless steel! Just remember to keep the look uncluttered by not mixing more than two or three metals in one space.

Geometric shapes are dominating design trends. Adding lighting in triangle, diamond, hexagonal or combination of geometric shapes is one of the easiest ways to transform a space and add wow-factor. Make sure to balance statement-making lighting with clean, classic patterns and colors on furnishings and accessories.

Create warmth with tactile elements. Luxurious, richly-textured fabrics like velvet, suede and leather work nicely with clean, contemporary interiors as well as rustic farmhouse spaces. Try vibrantly-colored velvets furnishings, pillows and throws. Wallpaper is making a comeback: use it in small areas like powder room walls, or make a splash with a floral accent wall.

Style Evolution

Overall design trends are evolving. Homes that were previously traditional are now termed “new traditional” as they take on fun, youthful elements that keep the design fresh. Lighting fixtures have mixed metal finishes or are designed in new takes on classic silhouettes, such as large lanterns and chandeliers done in linear shapes.

Mountain style goes beyond a rustic, cabin look to take on a modern form with clean lines, neutral color palettes and uncluttered interiors. With open layouts and tall ceilings, sweeping views command attention. Lighting is oversized, with airy, open designs meant to cast light without obstructing views from the plentiful windows in the space.

For fans of farmhouse style, this look has taken a delightful turn, with fewer rustic details and more modern charm. Subtle hues go beyond a white and gray palette into the realm of soft greens and blush pinks. Lighting is inspired by historical design with industrial details like working pulleys, but is combined with clean lines for a relaxed, casual vibe.

To stay on-trend in the new year, think cozy, warm and inviting.

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Knowing what to expect during a bathroom renovation project can help homeowners handle all the twists and turns that may arise.

Knowing what to expect during a bathroom remodel

There are many reasons to renovate a home. Some homeowners purchase fixer-uppers and commit to making major renovations before they even move in, while others may renovate their homes with an eye on resale value. But many homeowners also take on renovation projects to make the homes more livable for themselves.

Bathroom renovations are popular projects. In fact, a 2018 survey from the National Association of Home Builders found that bathroom remodels are the most popular remodeling projects. But just because bathroom remodeling projects are popular doesn’t mean they’re easy to endure. Knowing what to expect during a bathroom remodel can help homeowners get through the renovation process.

Cost

Bathroom remodeling projects can be expensive. According to Remodeling magazine’s “Cost vs. Value 2019” report, a mid-range bathroom remodeling project cost an average of \$20,420 in 2019, while an upscale remodel cost just under \$64,000. Homeown-

ers should develop budgets for their bathroom renovation projects to determine which type of project they can afford. In addition, setting aside a little extra money for overruns is a wise move that can help homeowners handle any unforeseen expenses that arise during the project.

Noise

Few home renovation projects can be undertaken quietly, and bathroom renovations tend to generate a lot of noise. The noise can be difficult to overcome for professionals who work from home full-time, and it also can be hard on parents of young children who still nap and don’t yet go to school. Parents of young children may find it best to delay bathroom renovation projects until their children are school-aged and out of the house for most of the day on weekdays.

Mess

The debris generated by bathroom renovation projects is another thing homeowners must prepare for. In addition to preparing for the waste generated by the project, first-time renovators must realize that dust might

be a big issue once the project begins. Dust can pose a threat to residents’ overall health, particularly the health of youngsters whose bodies haven’t yet fully developed. As a result, parents of young children may want to schedule renovations during family vacations so their children are exposed to as little dust as possible.

Changes

Few renovations go off without a hitch. Once a project begins, contractors often uncover issues that weren’t noticeable to the naked eye. These issues may increase the cost of completing a project or force homeowners to change their plans to make the project stay as close to their budgets as possible. Recognizing that these decisions may have to be made on the fly can help homeowners feel more prepared when unexpected issues arise.

Bathroom renovation projects are worthwhile investments. Knowing what to expect during a bathroom renovation project can help homeowners handle all the twists and turns that may arise.

FOR THE HOME



Renovation projects that aim to conserve energy can save homeowners substantial amounts of money.

DIY projects that can help conserve energy around house

Home renovation projects can pay numerous dividends. Renovations can have a positive effect on resale value, make homes more livable for residents and, in some ways, make homes more affordable.

Renovation projects that aim to conserve energy can save homeowners substantial amounts of money. Such projects don't often require considerable effort or even sizable financial investments, which can make homeowners skeptical as to just how much they can save after completing the project. But the scale of a project may have little to do with how much homeowners will save. For example, the U.S. Department of Energy notes that a relatively effortless task like turning back a thermostat between 7° and 10° F for eight hours per day can save homeowners as much as \$83 per year. A more labor-intensive task like planting shade trees saves homeowners an average of between \$35 and \$119 per year.

When looking for ways to conserve energy around the house and save money, homeowners need not necessarily commit to expensive projects. The DOE notes that the following are some energy-saving projects and details what homeowners can expect to save after completing them. While each individual project may not result in jaw-dropping savings, homeowners who follow many of these recommendations may end up saving more than \$1,000 per year.

- Project: Install exterior low-e storm windows.

What is it? Low-e windows reflect infrared heat back into a home. Such windows are coated with an ultra-thin layer of metal that improves the window's insulation ability.

How much can I save? Homeowners who install low-e windows can save between 12 and 33 percent on their annual heating and cooling costs.

- Project: Seal uncontrolled air leaks.

What is it? Air leaks let cool air in during winter and warm air in during summer. Caulking, sealing and weather stripping all cracks and large openings can cut back on air leaks that are costing you money. The DOE recommends hiring a contractor to

seal any leaks on heating and cooling ducts.

How much can I save? Homeowners who seal uncontrolled air leaks can save between 10 and 20 percent on their annual heating and cooling bills.

- Project: Plant shade trees.

What is it? If you plant a deciduous tree between six and eight feet tall near your home, it will begin to shade your windows within a year of being planted. Depending on the species of the tree and the home, the shade tree will begin shading the roof within five to 10 years. The DOE notes that shading is the most cost-effective way to reduce air conditioning costs.

How much can I save?

Properly planted shade trees can reduce air conditioning costs by anywhere from 15 to 50 percent.

- Project: Insulate the water heater tank

What is it? New water tanks are likely already insulated. But homeowners with older hot water tanks can insulate their tanks with a water heater insulating blanket kit.

How much can I save? Insulating a water heater tank can save homeowners as much as 16 percent on their annual water heating bills.

Even the smallest DIY projects can produce big savings. More information about energy-saving home improvement projects can be found at www.energy.gov.

De-stress by bringing the outdoors in

(BPT) – This year you might have goals like ramping up your workout routine, increasing your self-care regimen or finding time to de-stress.

The EPA reports we spend 90 percent of our time indoors, but most people feel that spending time in nature has a positive effect on their mental well-being and stress level, according to a recent YouGov study commissioned by Velux. So, if your goal is to de-stress, here are some healthy behaviors and design tips to help you bring nature's sanctuary indoors.

- 1) Fill your home with photos of nature

Surrounding yourself with images of nature can have a positive effect on wellness. Try framing some photos of special memories in nature like a hike with your family, beach sunset or mountain view.

- 2) Let in more fresh air and natural light

Today's homes are built tighter and more sealed, which means they can trap toxins from daily living – such as cooking, cleaning, pets and more – inside. Adding skylights that can open is a simple home renovation project to improve fresh air flow, helping rid indoor air of pollutants. Additionally, studies show that exposure to natural light helps to sync your circadian



It's easy to turn your home into a natural oasis

rhythm, allowing for better sleep at night.

- 3) Fill your home with natural scents

Up your chef game by using fresh herbs in your cooking that will fill your kitchen with natural fragrance. Making an indoor herb garden ensures you'll always have some on hand. You can also incorporate fresh herbs into bouquets or wreaths for a natural air freshener throughout your home.

- 4) Meditate or do yoga in the morning

Waking up with stretching or meditating is a great way to prepare yourself for a successful day. Open the blinds or curtains on your windows and skylights to let in early morning light and help you feel invigorated and refreshed.

- 5) Go green with your

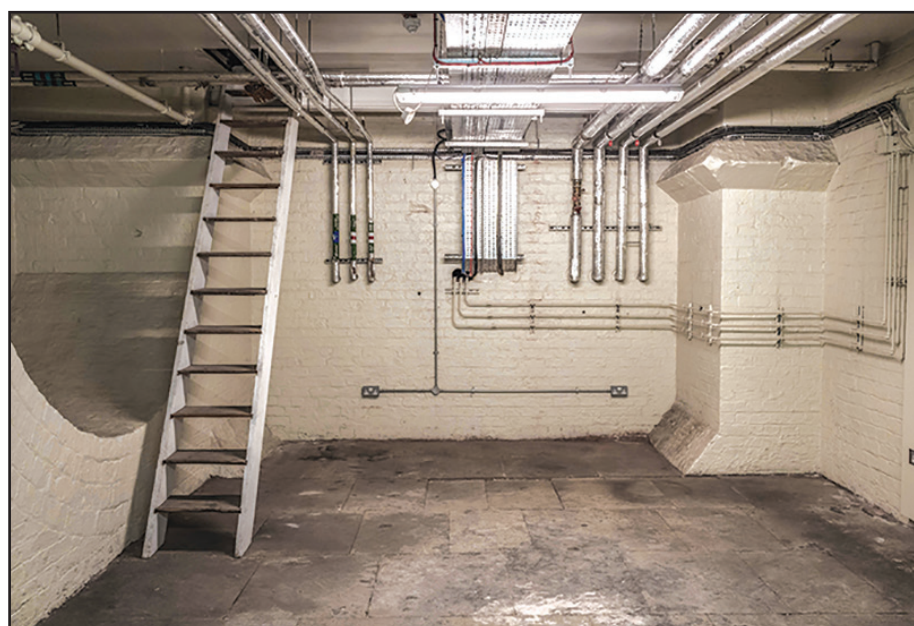
décor

Reap the benefits of nature by bringing it inside, adding greenery or even fruit into your décor. The possibilities are endless – use a bowl of fresh fruit as a centerpiece or mix different sizes of pots to create a succulent gallery. Little touches of green in each room will go a long way.

- 6) Use natural cleaning products

Many common cleaning products have harsh chemicals that can be inhaled or absorbed into your skin. Combat the dangers of these toxins by switching to natural cleaning products. You'll feel safer and more relaxed when your home is chemical-free.

From boosting your home's natural light to going green and adding plant life, it's easy to turn your home into a natural oasis with these simple steps.



While many homeowners have attempted to address basement water issues on their own, many times it is a job best left to the professionals. Because water penetration can have multifaceted causes, a professional can best assess the situation and create solutions that fit with homeowners' budgets and needs.

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Winter Ordinances

MENDOTA—During winter weather conditions, the Mendota Police Department reminds residents to obey the following ordinances:

• Ordinance 41.38—Parking After Snowfall

It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on any public street in the city at any time after a snowfall of two inches or more has occurred, unless the snow has ceased and has been plowed off or otherwise removed from the street.

Any person, firm, partnership, corporation or association found violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$25 for each violation of this ordinance and may be subject to towing said vehicle away. The cost of said towing shall be the obligation and expense of those violating this Section.

• Ordinance 6.21—Depositing Snow in Streets

No person within the city shall remove any snow from his private property or from offstreet parking lots or right of way parking into any of the city streets or alleys. This Section does not apply to removal of snow from sidewalks. This Section is specifically directed to, but not limited to gasoline stations, medical and dental clinics, or any other business or corporation which has private parking on the property or in those areas where the berm of the city has been dedicated or given over for parking facilities. The above ordinances are in place to assist the city of Mendota with snow removal from the city streets.

POLICE BLOTTER

TWO ARRESTED AFTER CAR FIRE

Hugo Garcia, 38, of 605 Ninth Ave., Mendota, was charged with no valid driver's license after police officers investigated a fire to a vehicle at Casey's General Store at 6:14 p.m. Jan. 14. In addition, a passenger in the vehicle, Mayra H. Cordoba, 39, of 605 Ninth Ave., Mendota, was arrested on a failure to appear warrant. Garcia was released with a LaSalle County court date. Cordoba was unable to post bond and was transported to the LaSalle County Jail.

RETAIL THEFT

James R. Grissom, 31, of 100 Ninth St., Mendota, was charged with retail theft at 1:25 p.m. Jan. 15. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

MAN CHARGED

Antonio Escatel, 43, of 180 U.S. Highway 52, Mendota, was charged with attempting to flee or elude a peace officer at 11:04 p.m. Jan. 17. Police officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a vehicle near the intersection of Illinois Avenue and Jefferson Street, and after a brief vehicle pursuit, the driver fled on foot. Officers were able to locate the subject at a residence in the 1000 block of Indiana Avenue. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

RETAIL THEFT

Brandon E. Thompson, 21, of 1200 22nd St., Mendota, was charged with two counts of retail theft at 4 p.m. Jan. 18. The charges were the result of two complaints into alleged theft of merchandise from Sullivan's Foods in Mendota. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

County court date.

DRIVING WITH SUSPENDED LICENSE

Corey E. Scholl, 30, of 1301 Gilman St., Mendota, was charged with driving while license suspended after a traffic stop at Illinois Avenue and Jefferson Street at 8 p.m. Jan. 18. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

BURGLARY, TRESPASS TO VEHICLES

Brandon E. Thompson, 21, of 1200 22nd St., Mendota, was charged with a Class 2 felony burglary to a motor vehicle and criminal trespass to a motor vehicle after police officers investigated the report of a male entering vehicles in the area of Guiles Avenue and Carolyn Street at 2:30 a.m. Jan. 19. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County Jail.

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SPORTS



Mendota's Daisy Arteaga battles for a rebound with Winnebago's Renee Rittmeyer (No. 11) and Sarah Seger on Jan. 14 at the MHS gym. (Reporter photo)

MHS girls claim 2 of 3, improve to 16-7

□ Bromenschenkel pours in school-record 51 points in rout over North Boone

A deep and solid Winnebago club proved to be too much for Mendota to handle as the Indians rolled up a 53-41 triumph over the Lady Trojans in Big Northern Conference action on Jan. 14 at the MHS gym.

Winnebago quickly built a double figure lead in the first quarter, and while Mendota hung tough and got the margin back to single digits, the Indians ended the first half on a 12-0 run to take a 35-17 lead at intermission.

"We just didn't get enough going offensively out of the gate," stated Mendota coach John Hansen. "We never stopped battling and I was proud of our effort."

Amelia Bromenschenkel was the bulk of Mendota's offense, scoring 35 of the team's 41 points. She also led with 16 rebounds and five steals. Daisy Arteaga had six rebounds and two assists, while Jenna O'Donnell also picked up two assists.

Bromenschenkel's single-game scoring record didn't even stand two weeks before she shattered her own mark. The junior sharpshooter poured in an amazing 51 points as the Lady Trojans walloped North Boone, 71-22, in a conference matchup on Jan. 16 at Poplar Grove.

Back on Jan. 4, Bromenschenkel burned the nets for 41 points against Rochelle, which is believed to have been a new school record. Against North Boone, she

scored 28 points in the first quarter alone, then tacked on 12 more in the second half as Mendota built a 54-6 halftime lead.

"We came out on fire and very aggressive on defense," said Hansen. "Bromenschenkel just had a monster first quarter."

Bromenschenkel finished off her record-setting performance with 11 tallies in the third frame. She went to the bench midway through the quarter and then sat the entire fourth period. Mendota held a 70-14 advantage heading to the fourth.

In addition to her offensive fireworks show, Bromenschenkel led the team with 12 rebounds, five assists and eight steals. O'Donnell dropped in eight points and Arteaga provided seven markers, while Bianca Espinoza collected seven rebounds.

Mendota quite possibly saved its best game of the season for one of the best teams on its schedule. The Lady Trojans had everything working as they stunned Rock Falls, 42-31, in a BNC battle on Jan. 18 at Rock Falls.

Bromenschenkel scored all nine first-quarter points as Mendota moved out to a 9-3 lead after the opening eight-minute session. The junior added eight more tallies in the second period, but Arteaga and Anna Bokus also got in on the scoring as each dropped in a three-pointer to propel Mendota to a 22-9

halftime margin.

But Rock Falls regrouped at halftime and came out a different team in the third quarter. The Lady Rockets heated up with 14 points while Mendota could only muster five in the frame, and the Lady Trojan lead was down to four (27-23) with one quarter to play.

Rock Falls continued its rally until the game was knotted at 29-all with four minutes to play. But Mendota (16-7, 4-2) responded with a 13-2 run over the remainder of the contest, including nailing eight of eight free throws, to seal the victory.

"This was a huge win," Hansen said. "We came out shooting and moving the ball really well. This was definitely our best game of the season."

WINNEBAGO 53, MENDOTA 41				
Winnebago (53)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Johnson	4	0-0	3	10
Re. Rittmeyer	5	0-1	3	10
Provi	0	0-0	3	0
Speltz	0	1-2	1	1
Seger	3	1-2	0	7
Brown	7	2-5	3	18
Ra. Rittmeyer	0	0-0	2	0
Zimmerman	2	0-0	3	4
Bielskis	1	0-0	0	3
Totals	22	4-10	18	53

Mendota (41)				
	FG	FT	Reb	TP
O'Donnell	4	0-0	3	0
Brmschnkl	12	10-13	16	35
Espinoza	0	1-2	4	1
Bokus	1	0-0	1	3
Arteaga	1	0-0	6	2
Nanez	0	0-0	4	0
Bodmer	0	0-0	1	0
Totals	14	11-15	35	41

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Winnebago	20	35	47	53
Mendota	7	17	31	41
Three-point goals: Mendota - Bromenschenkel 1, Bokus 1; Winnebago - Johnson 2, Brown 2, Bielskis 1				

Bromenschenkel ended with 29 points and 10 rebounds. Bokus had six markers, while Espinoza snared eight rebounds and O'Donnell had four assists.

MENDOTA 71, NORTH BOONE 22				
Mendota (71)				
	FG	FT	Reb	TP
O'Donnell	3	1-2	1	8
Brmschnkl	16	16-18	12	51
Espinoza	0	2-3	7	2
Bokus	0	0-0	2	0
Arteaga	3	0-2	4	7
Nanez	1	1-4	2	3
Totals	23	20-29	28	71

North Boone (22)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
O'Hara	0	1-2	1	1
Richardson	0	0-0	1	0
Fernandez	0	0-2	5	0
Osterberg	1	0-0	2	3
Belvidere	3	0-0	3	6
Marx	0	0-0	3	0
Adame	0	0-0	1	0
Olsen	1	0-2	2	2
Alvarez	4	0-0	3	10
Witte	0	0-0	2	0
Totals	9	1-6	23	22

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Mendota	33	54	70	71
North Boone	4	6	14	22
Three-point goals: Mendota - Bromenschenkel 3, O'Donnell 1, Arteaga 1; North Boone - Osterberg 1, Alvarez 2				

MENDOTA 42, ROCK FALLS 31				
Mendota (42)				
	FG	FT	Reb	TP
O'Donnell	0	0-0	6	0
Brmschnkl	9	9-10	10	29
Espinoza	0	0-0	8	0
Bokus	2	0-0	2	6
Arteaga	1	2-2	4	5
Nanez	1	0-0	1	2
Totals	13	11-12	31	42

Rock Falls (31)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Sands	0	1-2	0	1
Shaw	0	1-2	4	1
Ky. Fischbach	1	0-0	5	2
Peyton	5	0-0	2	14
Ka. Fischbach	1	0-0	3	2
Moeller	5	0-0	1	11
Totals	12	2-4	15	31

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Mendota	9	22	27	42
Rock Falls	3	9	23	31
Three-point goals: Mendota - Bromenschenkel 2, Bokus 2, Arteaga 1; Rock Falls - Peyton 4, Moeller 1				

Somonauk, Rock Falls put up big numbers to roll over MHS

Somonauk and Rock Falls each put up big numbers in the first quarter and both teams went on to outgun Mendota in varsity boys' basketball contests last week.

Somonauk came out smoking and ran away with a 69-50 victory over the Trojans on Jan. 15 at the MHS gym.

The Bobcats connected on four three-pointers and poured in 26 first-quarter points to grab a 26-15 advantage after the opening stanza. Somonauk's lead ballooned to 22 (42-20) at the half and the count stood at 56-35 after three.

Emiliano Arteaga pumped in 15 points and Cole Stremlau provided 14 markers to lead the Trojans. Somonauk had four players reach double figures, led by Liam Roberts with 25.

The Trojans were overwhelmed by Rock Falls, 69-42, in Big Northern Conference action on Jan. 18 at Rock Falls. Mendota fell to 2-19 overall and 0-3

in league play.

The Rockets blasted off to a 28-6 first-quarter lead and set the dial on cruise control over the remainder of the game. They led 43-16 at intermission and 56-28 after three frames.

SOMONAUK 69, MENDOTA 50				
Somonauk (69)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
B. Roberts	4	2-6	2	11
Wyant	1	1-1	1	3
Sexton	3	0-0	0	8
Krejci	8	3-3	1	20
L. Roberts	10	5-7	0	25
Zimmerman	1	0-0	1	2
Olson	0	0-0	3	0
Salgado	0	0-0	1	0
Totals	27	11-17	9	69

Mendota (50)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
E. Arteaga	6	1-2	1	15
Glazebrook	1	0-0	0	2
Landgraf	0	2-2	0	2
Hughes	1	0-0	4	3
A. Guzman	1	0-0	0	2
Stremlau	6	2-4	2	14
G. Guzman	1	0-0	1	2
J. Arteaga	2	0-0	0	4
Stamberger	0	0-0	1	0
Quintana	3	0-0	2	6
Schmidt	0	0-0	3	0
Romero	0	0-0	2	0
Totals	21	5-8	16	50

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Somonauk	26	42	56	69
Mendota	15	20	35	50
Three-point goals: Mendota - E. Arteaga 2, Hughes 1; Somonauk - B. Roberts 1, Sexton 2, Krejci 1				

Chris Sandoval's six points topped Trojan scorers, while Stremlau, Emiliano Arteaga and Emilio Perez had five points apiece.

ROCK FALLS 69, MENDOTA 42				
Mendota (42)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
E. Arteaga	2	0-0	2	5
Glazebrook	1	0-0	0	3
Stremlau	2	1-2	0	5
Quintana	2	0-0	0	4
C. Sandoval	2	0-0	1	6
Landgraf	1	0-0	1	2
Adame	1	0-0	0	2
Perez	2	0-0	1	5
J. Arteaga	1	0-0	0	2
Stamberger	2	0-0	2	4
Escatel	0	0-0	1	0
Schmidt	1	0-0	0	2
Romero	1	0-0	0	2
Totals	18	1-2	8	42

Rock Falls (69)				
	FG	FT	Fls	TP
Bickett	3	0-0	1	9
Schutz	1	0-0	0	3
Laws	7	3-4	1	17
Matthews	1	0-0	0	2
Johnson	6	0-0	2	14
Davenport	1	2-2	1	4
George	4	0-0	1	8
Chappell	1	0-0	0	3
Mulnix	1	0-0	0	3
Moore	3	0-0	0	6
Totals	28	5-6	6	69

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
Mendota	6	16	28	42
Rock Falls	28	43	56	69
Three-point goals: Mendota - E. Arteaga 1, Glazebrook 1, C. Sandoval 2, Perez 1; Rock Falls - Bickett 3, Schutz 1, Johnson 2, Chappell 1, Mulnix 1				

MHS's Ross qualifies for bowling sectional

JOLIET – Mendota High School senior Luke Ross kept his bowling season alive after the Trojans competed in the Plainfield (North) Boys' Regional Bowling Tournament on Jan. 18 at Town & Country Lanes in Joliet.

The top 10 individual scorers not on an advancing team earn berths to the sectional round and Ross was the leader among those bowlers with a score of 1325.

Ross will move on to the Lockport (Twp.) Sectional to be contested on Saturday, Jan. 25 at Strike and Spare II in Lockport. The competition begins at 9 a.m.

The top four advancing teams include Lockport (Twp.) at 6191, Oswego (East) at 6126, Oswego at 6018 and Plainfield (South) at 5985. Mendota finished ninth in the team standings with a 5191. There were 13 teams in the competition.

The individual regional champion was Isaak Izzi of Oswego (East) with a 1434.



L. Ross

Matmen suffer 3 losses

OREGON – After a long holiday break, the Mendota Trojan wrestlers returned to the mat for a quadrangular meet at Oregon on Jan. 14.

The Trojans were shutout by Sherrard (76-0) and Oregon (78-0), and dropped a 30-18 decision to Sterling Newman.

Mendota winners against Newman were Kailyn Jezewski (138), Javon Preston (145) and Sam Lawrence (152) all by forfeit.

Jan. 14

Oregon 78, Mendota 0
106 – Halverson (O) won forfeit; 113 – Stendel (O) won forfeit; 120 – Minnts (O) won forfeit; 126 – Peterson (O) won forfeit; 132 – double forfeit; 138 – Altherr (O) pinned Kailyn Jezewski (M), 0:22; 145 – Eckerd (O) pinned Javon Preston (M), 3:50; 152 – Cardenas (O) pinned Sam Lawrence (M), 4:55; 160 – Sewell (O) pinned Ty Connelly (M), 0:44; 170 – Reimu (O) won forfeit; 182 – Hyde-Jones (O) won forfeit; 195 – Dominguez (O) won forfeit; 220 – Batt (O) won forfeit; 285 – Flaherty (O) won forfeit

Sherrard 76, Mendota 0
106 – Park (S) won forfeit; 113 – double forfeit; 120 – Byrum (S) won forfeit; 126 – Jones (S) won forfeit; 132 – Fratzke (S) won forfeit; 138 – Russell (S) pinned Jezewski (M), 1:10; 145 – Wilson (S) dec. Preston (M), 12-2; 152 – Ryckegham (S) pinned Lawrence (M), 2:35; 160 – Anderson (S) pinned Connelly (M), 1:11; 170 – Frere (S) won forfeit; 182 – White (S) won forfeit; 195 – Bynum (S) won forfeit; 220 – Vand (S) won forfeit; 285 – double forfeit

Sterling Newman 30, Mendota 18
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The home team jumped out to an 11-2 lead behind some early three-pointers, but after a defensive adjustment, the Trojans controlled the game for the next 20 min-

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Mendota's Emiliano Arteaga goes under a pyramid formed by Somonauk's Garrett McNurlan, left, and Liam Roberts on Jan. 15 at the MHS gym. (Reporter photo)

SPORTS

Blumhorst recognized with officiating honor

□ Mendota woman chosen as Volleyball Official of the Year

BLOOMINGTON – The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) is proud to announce its 2019-20 Officials of the Year in 22 IHSA sports.

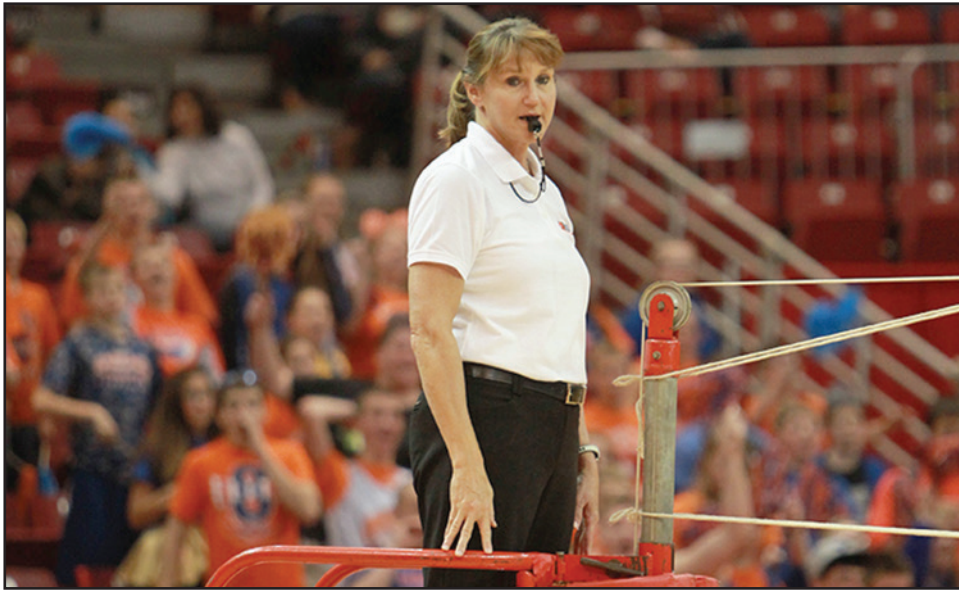
Patti Blumhorst of Mendota has been chosen as the Volleyball Official of the Year.

To be considered for this honor, an official must first be nominated by an Officials Association recognized by the IHSA. IHSA staff members then vote on the winners based on factors such as character, skill as an official, and levels worked in the IHSA State Series.

Blumhorst began her officiating career after graduating from college in 1985. At the time, there was no formal training or local associations to help get officials started or to learn the rules and mechanics, so she gave it up after one season.

Then in 1992 while working for Martin Engineering in Neponset, she was approached by Vicki DeMay of Princeton, a state volleyball official and mentor, who persuaded Blumhorst to give officiating another try. Four years later, she refereed her first regional tournament at Lena-Winslow.

In 2000, Blumhorst started the Illinois Valley Officials Association (IVVOA) with two fellow volleyball officials because there were no local associations for training and recruiting. The IVVOA has grown from four members to over



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50 members today from throughout northern Illinois. Blumhorst currently serves as president.

Blumhorst has now worked five state tournaments – two as a line judge and three as a floor official. She was the head official on three state championship games. She has also officiated numerous Illinois Elementary School Association state tournaments and has been the officials' coordinator at the IESA state tournament the past four years.

In addition, Blumhorst has officiated USAVB club ball for nearly 10 years, has been an IHSA volleyball clinician for 10 years, putting on IHSA clinics several times a year, including the state clinic. She also is an assignor for nearly 40 junior high and high schools throughout

northern Illinois for the spring and fall seasons.

"I love the game of volleyball, having played, coached and officiated it," said Blumhorst. "I love working with new officials and getting them started in the officiating world."

"I was very fortunate to be taken under the wing of many great volleyball officials when I started the second time, like Vicki DeMay, Linda Vanderleest, Karen Taylor, Jackie Woodley, Vicki Litherland and many of the veterans in the Princeton/Sheffield/Geneseo area."

"I am blessed with so many wonderful officials in the area who have become some of my best friends. And I am thankful for my family's flexibility and support, and to the IHSA for this honor."

Blumhorst also passed her passion for the game down to

two of her children, Chance and Brianne, who have both been IHSA registered volleyball officials.

This year's Official of the Year winners will be recognized at a banquet during the 2020 IHSA Officials Conference, which will be held on Saturday, July 11 at Normal Community West High School.

"Thank you to all IHSA officials who dedicate their time and talent to high school athletics in Illinois," said IHSA Assistant Executive Director and Officials Department administrator Sam Knox. "We understand that these individuals do not officiate for awards or recognition, but it remains a very special tradition for the IHSA to be able to honor its Officials of the Year. Congratulations to these deserving individuals."

Winnebago, N. Boone too much for F-S girls

Mendota went up against a strong Winnebago squad and came out on the short end of a 40-20 score in a Big Northern Conference freshman-sophomore girls' basketball game on Jan. 14 at the MHS gym.

Winnebago owned a 10-6 lead after the first quarter and then had a solid second period by outscoring the Lady Trojans, 14-4, to take a 24-10 halftime advantage. The count stood at 29-16 after three.

"We held a team that came in with a 16-3 record to 30 points after three," said Mendota coach Brian Blumhorst. "We went almost four minutes in the second quarter without a shot and had too many turnovers."

Kya Delao dropped in eight points, while Katie Jenner and Isabella Tolentino added four apiece. ***

North Boone barreled over the Lady Trojans, 48-21, in a BNC contest on Jan. 16 at Poplar Grove.

The home team jumped out to a 16-4 first-quarter lead and coasted to the win. North Boone led 30-12 at the break and 38-17 after three.

"North Boone shot the ball better than us, and again, we had too many turnovers, which led to too many easy baskets," stated Blumhorst.

Natalie Bodmer led Mendota (4-17, 0-5) with seven points and Tolentino chipped in with six markers.

BOWLING

Monday Night Mixed League

Standings as of Jan. 13 – 1. Mauch Carpentry 22-3; 2. CM Farm 14-11; 3. High Rollers 15-12; 4. Sully's 13-12; 5. Bad Kats 9-16; 6. Sports-N-Stuff 4-21

High team game (scratch) – High Rollers 968, Mauch Carpentry 876, Sports-N-Stuff 842

High team game (hdcp) – Mauch Carpentry 1327, High Rollers 1220, Sully's 1212

High team series (scratch) – High Rollers 2827, Sports-N-Stuff 2483, Mauch Carpentry 2377

High team series (hdcp) – Mauch Carpentry 3730, High Rollers 3583, Bad Kats 3544
Men's high game (scratch) – Tyler Schmitt 244, Josh Roulston 244, Jose Sarabia 238

Men's high game (hdcp) – Aaron Holocker 322, Josh Robeson 309, Josh Roulston 303

Men's high series (scratch) – Josh Roulston 667, Tyler Schmitt 632, Jose Sarabia 630

Men's high series (hdcp) – Josh Roulston 844, Josh Robeson 817, Aaron Holocker 811

Women's high game (scratch) – Jessica Robinson 202, Gail Sessler 201, Debbie Berger 192

Women's high game (hdcp) – Debbie Berger 278, Shelby Weide 270, Jessica Robinson 266

Women's high series (scratch) – Gail Sessler 535, Jessica Robinson 535, Steph Westphal 507

Women's high series (hdcp) – Sarah Westphal 740, Tara Schneider 735, Jessica Robinson 727

Mendota Mat Masters

Results from Mendota Mat Masters meet at Oregon.

1st place – Angil Serrano; 2nd place – Ethan Escatel, Nataliya Durvin; 3rd place – Trayon Rucker, Keegen Stewart; 4th place – Serenity Johnson, Keith Grim

Somonauk rally sinks MHS sophs

MENDOTA – Mendota let a big early lead slip away and dropped a 58-45 decision to Somonauk in sophomore boys' basketball action on Jan. 15 at the MHS gym.

The Trojans raced out to a 19-9 first-quarter advantage before Somonauk closed the gap down to five (30-25) at intermission. The second half was all Somonauk as it outscored

Mendota, 33-15, to post the double-digit win.

Krew Bond (16) and Emilio Perez (10) paced the Trojans in scoring. Damien Magallanes chipped in with seven markers.



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SPORTS

IVCC softball team schedules youth clinic for Feb. 15 & 16

OGLESBY – Illinois Valley Community College's softball team hosts the 21st annual IVCC Eagles Softball Clinic Saturday, Feb. 15 and Sunday, Feb. 16 in the gym.

Coaches and current players will offer softball instruction in hitting, bunting, fielding, throwing, base running and communication.

There are two sessions each day. On Saturday, participants in grades 2-4 meet from 8-10:30 a.m. Grades 5-8 meet from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

On Sunday, grades 2-4 meet from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with grades 5-8

meeting from 1:30-4 p.m.

The cost is \$40 per player and includes five hours of instruction and a T-shirt. If a player can only come one day, the cost is \$25.

All players should bring a glove and tennis shoes (no spikes or cleats allowed). If a player has her own bat, she is allowed to bring it. Please make sure all items have the player's name on them for identification purposes.

To register, contact softball coach Cory Tomasson at (815) 224-0471 or the athletic department at (815) 224-0472.

IDNR News Bits

Starved Rock Bald Eagle Watch Weekend: The Bald Eagle Watch Weekend in and around Starved Rock State Park is set for Jan. 25 and 26. Activities are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. both days at the Illinois Waterway Lock and Dam Visitor Center, Starved Rock Visitor Center and Starved Rock Lodge. The Bald Eagle Watch Weekend is hosted by the Illinois Audubon Society, Illinois Raptor Center, IDNR, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Starved Rock Lodge, and is sponsored in part by Ameren Illinois. For more details, visit <https://bit.ly/2QNa2VR>

Lake Le-Aqua-Na Improvement Projects: Lake Le-Aqua-Na State Rec-

reation Area in northern Illinois is closed as of Jan. 1 for site improvement projects that will continue through 2020. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will oversee a road improvement project that will include culvert replacements, road realignments, pavement removal and replacement, dump station replacement, and campsite improvements for the park. The scope of the projects requires closing the park throughout 2020, with the park reopening with improved facilities and amenities following completion of the work.

Cocoa the Bison: Fifth graders in Mr. Bacidore's class at Trinity Catholic

Academy in La Salle named the newest bison to live at Buffalo Rock State Park. Cocoa has become fast friends with the park's resident bison, Pebbles, who was named by schoolchildren after she was born at the park in 2005. Cocoa arrived at Buffalo Rock in November from the bison herd at Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie. She was relocated to Buffalo Rock following the passing of Pebbles' mother, Holly, last September.

Ice Fishing Safety: Ice fishing can be great fun, but safety should be taken seriously. Review important ice fishing safety information on the I Fish Illinois website: <https://www.ifishillinois.org/programs/ice.php>

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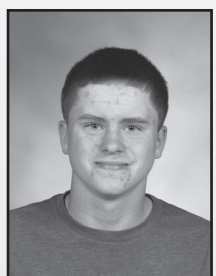
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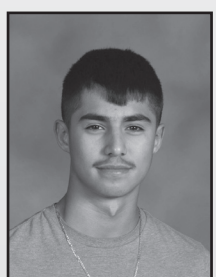
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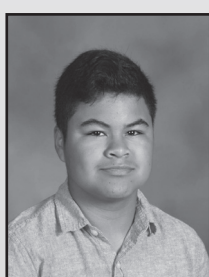
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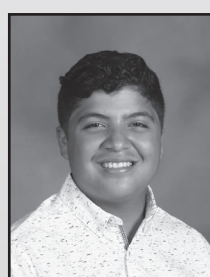
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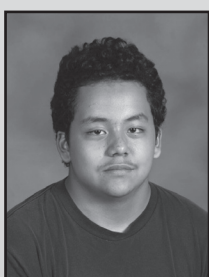
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LOCAL AND AREA

The changing seasons of life

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV) says, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." This is true in every area of our lives—in our relationships, jobs, personal growth, our walk with Christ, and even in our hobbies and interests. I've been through many different seasons at this point in my life, and each one has been challenging and rewarding in some way. For example...

As parents, Dave and I have gone through different seasons with our four children. There was a period when we had to help them with everything and give them guidance

in every decision. Then, as they grew, we let them begin making decisions on their own. And later on, when it was time for them to leave home, we had to disengage from them so they could pursue their own lives.

We've also gone through different seasons in our relationship. Dave and I used to be together most of the time, building the ministry we have today. Now, after 53 years of marriage, we still love being together and are closer than we've ever been, but we can also give each other more space to do things we each enjoy.

There are friends I used

to spend a lot of time with and now I don't see them often or at all. And I've had different jobs through the years with various types of responsibilities to manage.

I like change because life gets boring if everything is always the same. But change isn't always easy, especially when it comes to our inner life and our spiritual growth.

Knowing When You Need a Change

It's important to be able to discern when it's time for a change. Because if we hang on to something that God is done using—a place He no longer needs us to be or something He no longer wants us to do—then we'll become miserable.

I've discovered that just because I've done something for years, it doesn't mean God won't give me a new direction in life. And as I've aged the last few years, I've really been impacted by this statement: Only a fool thinks he can always do what he's always done. I've had to make some big changes in recent years because of issues I was having with my physical health. I was tired all the time and realized I needed to stop doing everything I'd been doing because it was just too much for me.

I'd reached a crisis point and was forced to make some changes. That meant trusting others to take care of some responsibilities I didn't need to keep managing so I could



focus on the things God wants me to do.

I remember one instance when the thought crossed my mind, "Well, I guess I'm not really needed anymore." But the truth is I just needed to let some things go so I could be free to do what God has called me to do. And that's a wonderful place to be!

The Seasons for Your Inner Life

More than any other area of your life, God is concerned about your inner life—your character, godly mindsets and attitudes. 1 Samuel 16:7 (NIV) says, "...The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

We need to pay more attention to our inner life. What the world would be like if every Christian spent more time getting spiritually ready for their day than they did showering, shaving, getting dressed, fixing their hair, putting on makeup, etc.? I remember when I didn't spend time alone with God at the beginning of my day, and although I looked good on the out-

side, I looked ugly to God because my heart wasn't right. I didn't treat people right, I had bad attitudes and was hard to get along with.

I went through years of waiting on God, letting Him work in my heart and mind to change me from the inside out before He put me in a position to help many people. At the time, it was so frustrating, and I didn't understand what He was doing. But looking back now, I am so glad that God made me wait until He knew I was ready before He gave me the opportunity to teach His Word to people all over the world. It's scary to think about how I could have hurt people more than helped them had I been given this ministry too soon.

What season of life are you in right now? Are you facing a major change in your family, your friendships, your work, or your health? Are you in a season of waiting on God to work in you so He can do something through you?

Wherever you are today, I want to encourage you to trust God's timing for change, knowing that He will cause all things to

work out for your good as you follow His lead. More than anything else, pursue a closer relationship with Jesus, and He'll guide you through every season of your life.

For more on this topic, order Joyce's three-teaching CD series *When, God, When?* You can also contact us to receive our free magazine, *Enjoying Everyday Life*, by calling (800) 727-9673 or visiting www.joycemeyer.org.

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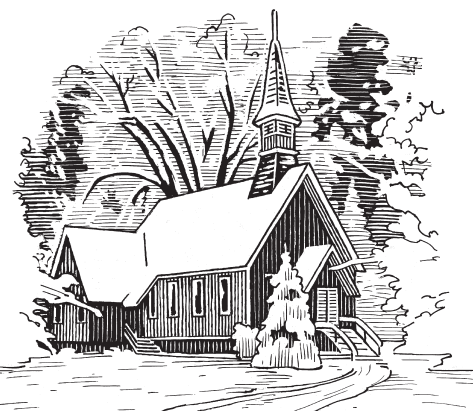
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BIBLE TRIVIA by Wilson Casey
1. Is the book of Judges in the
Old or New Testament or
neither?
2. Which member of David's
army murdered two generals
and was slain at a tabernacle
altar as punishment?
Heliz, Elik, Joab, Zalmon
3. From Acts 28, who got a
snake bite on the hand as he
laid sticks on a fire?
Noah, Moses, David, Paul
4. What prophet did mouth-to-
mouth on a dead boy,
restoring him to life?
Jonathan, Silas, Elisha, Nahash
5. From Genesis 21, who put
her child under a bush to die?
Hagar, Miriam, Ezra, Sarah
6. What grandmother got com-
mended by Paul for her
great faith?
Rachel, Lois, Dorcas, Delilah
♦
ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Joab; 3) Paul; 4)
Elisha; 5) Hagar; 6) Lois
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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE
*I put on righteousness,
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JOB 29:14
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Monday, January 27: Celebrating Our Nation

Book Fair open from 1:00pm to 5:00pm in room 105 at school*
9:15am – Patriotic Program in the gym*
Wear a Patriotic accessory and/or attire/non-uniform day**
8th Grade raffle tickets for sale - \$0.25 each or 5 for \$1.00

**Tuesday, January 28:
Celebrating Our Students and Families**

Book Fair open from 10:00am to 3:00pm in room 105 at school*
No Homework
Parent/Student Lunch 11:30 -12:30pm - Open to HCS Parents
Jungle Day/non-uniform day – Book Fair theme**
1:00pm Bags tournament for students and staff
Day 100
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Wednesday, January 29: Celebrating Our Community

Book Fair open from 9:00am to 12:00pm in room 105 at school*
Non-uniform day**
8:00am School Mass
Act of Kindness to our Parish – Church Cleaning by K-8
8th Grade raffle tickets for sale - \$0.25 each or 5 for \$1.00

Thursday, January 30: Celebrating Our Religious and Clergy, Vocations and our Volunteers

Wear a red shirt to remember the Holy Spirit's call for our vocation/non-uniform day**
8:00-8:45 Vocations letters, cards and video
Book Fair open from 1:00pm to 5:00pm in room 105 at school*
8th Grade raffle tickets for sale - \$0.25 each or 5 for \$1.00

Friday, January 31: Celebrating Our Faculty & Staff

Non-uniform day - Holy Cross School Spirit Wear Day**
8th Grade Raffle Winners announced
Breakfast for the staff
Book Fair open from 8:00am to 9:00am in room 105 at school*
Bowling activity for students – Grades K-5 take their PE shoes with them to the Elks
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SOCIAL SCENE

Navigating garden catalogs to plan for the season ahead

By Melinda Myers

As garden catalogs are piling up and online versions fill your inbox, your thoughts may turn to the growing season ahead. With so many choices of beautiful flowers and scrumptious vegetables it can be overwhelming and hard to resist buying more seeds and plants than you have space to grow and time to tend.

Start by flipping through the pages of various catalogs and searching gardening websites and online catalogs to gather ideas and inspiration. Narrow down your search by selecting plants suited to your climate and growing conditions.

Quality catalogs will list the cold hardiness zone of trees, shrubs and perennials and often include the Plant Hardiness Zone Map developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. These hardiness zones are based on the



LaSalle County, Zone 5b



average minimum winter temperature. The lower the number, the more cold-tolerant the plant.

Sunset Climate Zones for North America may be new to many gardeners. A variety of factors beyond high and low temperatures were considered when the 45 hardiness zones were created. Microclimates, growing season, rainfall, humidity, wind patterns, and ocean currents were some of the other factors that went into defining these zones.

Read the plant description and select plants that match the light, soil and moisture in your garden. Make sure annual flowers and vegetables you select have time to flower and produce before your season ends. Those with a longer time to harvest than your growing season allows will need to be started indoors. You will need time

and indoor growing space to start your own long-season plants from seed indoors.

Select the most disease resistant and low maintenance varieties whenever possible. Make sure you have enough space in the garden or containers for all the plants you select and for each of them to reach their mature size. Overcrowding plants increases the risk of disease and can reduce flowering and productivity.

Look for award-winning plants when reviewing the catalogs. All-America Selections' winners (AAS) are tested nationally and selected for improved growth habit, flowering, pest resistance or some other unique feature for the home garden. Perennial Plant, Hosta and Daylilies of the Year are selected by members of the various organizations for their outstanding performance.

Consult your local University Extension service. Most create lists of plants and varieties that are best suited to your region. They often recommend planting dates based on the average local soil and air temperatures.

Your next step—inventory any leftover seeds saved from last season. When properly stored in a cool dark location many seeds can last for years. Longevity does vary with the type of seed, but you may be surprised to find you can get years of planting from one packet of seeds. Onions, parsley, verbena and salvia usually last about a year, whereas properly stored Brussels sprouts, cabbage and zinnias can last an average of five years.

Create your list and set it aside for a day or two before placing your orders. A bit of planning can save you money and increase success as you grow plants best suited to your climate and gardening space.

About - Melinda Myers has written numerous books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.



Family & Adult events

• Game Night - Jan. 28

MENDOTA – The Graves-Hume Public Library will host their next Game Night for adults and teens on Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. Game Night is a great way to try new games, meet new people and have a great time. Bring your friends and have a blast trying new games and fun favorites.

Everyone is welcome to bring a favorite board game or modern card game for the group to try out. The games are just for fun - no experience is necessary.

Additional game nights will be held on Feb. 25, March 31, and April 28.

• Family Fun Night - Jan. 30

MENDOTA – The Graves-Hume Public Library will host a Family Fun Night on Thursday, Jan. 30 at 6 p.m. The evening will be packed with fun activities for all ages. Space is limited; registration is necessary.

This month's theme is board games.

Upcoming Family Fun Nights are planned for Feb. 27, March 26, and April 23.

• Family Outing - Feb. 1

MENDOTA – The Graves-Hume Public Library will hold a special program for families on Saturday, Feb. 1 from 12-12:45 p.m. This monthly event features a craft and pizza. Pizza is provided by Rosati's of Mendota.

All ages are welcome to attend this family-friendly event. Sign up is required by calling the library at (815) 538-5142.

The next First Saturday Family Outing is scheduled for March 7.

Kids events

• Read with GiGi - Jan. 28

MENDOTA – Snuggle up with a good book and GiGi the Labradoodle at the Graves-Hume Public Library on Tuesday, Jan. 28 from 6:30-7:15 p.m. Bring or borrow a book from the library to read with GiGi, a therapy dog.

Registration is required for this program. Children must be in kindergarten or older.

GiGi will return to listen to children reading aloud on March 31.

• Tween Pinterest Party - Feb. 5

MENDOTA – The Graves-Hume Public Library has scheduled a Tween Pinterest Valentine's Party on Wednesday, Feb. 5 from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

This program is open to kids in grades 5-8. Space is limited; please register for this event.

Upcoming tween events: Library Iron Chef on March 4 and Fun Outdoor Games on April 1.

IV Activity Directors meet

PRINCETON - Illinois Valley Activity Director's Association met Jan. 13 at Greenfield in Princeton.

Hostess Chris Thompson served a meal. President, Rhonda Griffin, Perry Memorial, Princeton opened the business meeting and Chris Biagi Roscoe, Heritage Health, Peru, read minutes from the previous meeting. Education Chairperson, Chris Thompson reported on 2020 meeting locations and the treasury report. Jackie Latsch, LaSalle County Nursing Home,

discussed social media and made bi-laws available. Kathy Conner, Heritage Health, Streator gave a publicity report.

Kristi Christiansen, Vitas Hospice Representative, addressed members on Elder Sensitivity. Activity calendars and new ideas were shared by directors.

The next meeting will be at noon on Monday, Feb. 10 at Perry Memorial Hospital, Princeton with speaker Chris Thompson on, "It's All in Your Head: Focus on Cognition."

Women At Our BEST schedules February event

OGLESBY - Women At Our BEST (Building, Encouraging, Strengthening, Teaching) will host speaker/consultant and author Carole Ledbetter of Ottawa on Saturday, Feb. 8 at Oglesby Union Church, Oglesby. Her topic will be "A Captured Heart." The event will run from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Ledbetter is a speaker/consultant for Stonecroft, an international women's ministry, and is the author of two books, "Who Am I Now?" published in 2007, and "Carole's Columns" published in 2016. She is also a frequent writer for an Ottawa newspaper. She and her husband, Don, are the parents of three sons and they have six grandchildren.

February is Heart Health Month and the special feature for this month will be presented by Sandy Marini, who will share some tips on heart health.

Music will be provided by Isabel Lueck, who will be playing the violin. The theme song for this year will be "The Heart of Worship" by Matt Redman and other spiritual selections will be performed.

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy a light refreshment and a time of conversation with friends. The Prayer room will be open from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Please register for this event by Monday, Feb. 3. To RSVP, call Oglesby Union Church at (815) 883-3450, e-mail Women. At.Our.Best@gmail.com or respond to their facebook event. There is never a fee to attend. Free childcare is available at the church upon request.

Learn the benefits of Aromatherapy & the Healing Arts

PRINCETON - The Princeton Public Library will host Certified Clinical Aroma Therapist and Instructor for the Institute for Spiritual Healing and Aromatherapy Kate Brown on Saturday, Jan. 25.

Brown is also a Healing Touch for Animals Certified Practitioner and instructor. She founded Kate Brown Healing Essentials, a private practice for humans and animals. She specializes in the use of essential oils and energy work for people and animals through education, coaching, and personal consultations and sessions.

Brown will share her personal journey to aromatherapy and healing arts at 11 a.m. on Jan. 25 She will provide information on the health benefits of essential oils and healing touch for animals. The program is free and all are welcome to attend.

Starved Rock announces upcoming winter events

TOURS

Guided Winter Hike - Saturdays and Sundays in January. Hike leaves from Starved Rock Lodge at 11 a.m. \$15 per person includes guided hike, snack, a bottle of water, backpack, voucher for a hot chocolate or coffee upon return and interesting facts along the way. Reservations required. Call (815) 220-7386 to book.

Bald Eagle Trolley Tours - Saturdays & Sundays at noon & 1:30 p.m. Starved Rock Lodge, Utica. Adults: \$12, Seniors \$10, Children \$8. Learn about the rich history and legends of Starved Rock State Park and Lodge. Travel to the Lock and Dam and the Starved Rock Visitors Center. Reservations are recommended. Call (815) 220-7386 to book.

MUSIC

Live Music at the Back Door Lounge - Jan. 24, 8-11 p.m., Cody Calkins (country); Jan. 31, 8-11 p.m., Jim & Tommy.



Eagle Watch Weekend, Jan. 25-26

THEATER

"Dueling Pianos" - Feb. 3 & 4 at 11:30 a.m. Starved Rock Lodge, Utica. An experience like no other! Don't miss this wildly entertaining music and comedy dueling piano show. Our interactive musical comedy experience will have you singing, shouting, dancing and laughing so hard you'll be doubled over. Call (815) 220-7386 for more information. \$44 per person.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sled Dog Demos & Seminars - Feb. 16 - Seminars

10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. in the LaSalle Room. Outdoor demos 9:30 a.m., noon & 3 p.m., northwest corner of Visitor Center parking lot.

"Euchre Tournament" - Jan. 23 & 30 - 6 p.m. Back Door Lounge at Starved Rock Lodge. Register at 6 p.m.; play begins at 6:30 p.m. Bring your friends and join the fun at the Back Door Lounge for this progressive, individual play Euchre Tournament. (Must be at least 18 years of age.) Weekly winners: 1st place - \$200, 2nd place - \$100, 3rd - \$50. Grand

prize overall winner wins a travel voucher - amount determined by weekly sign-up. Entry fee: \$15. Reservations required.

Eagle Watch Weekend - Jan. 25-26 - Please visit www.illinoisaudubon.org for activity times, locations and details.

Northern Ill. Raptor Rehab & Education - Feb. 9 - 1:30 p.m. Live birds of prey. Limited seating will be available on a first come, first seated basis. Doors will close when the auditorium is full.

French Explorer, LaSalle - Feb. 16 - 1:30 p.m. Park historian Mark Walczynski will give a program on the French explorer, LaSalle, in Illinois

"Owl Prowl Hoo Haven" - March 14 & 15 - 10 a.m., noon & 2 p.m. at Starved Rock Lodge. "Hoo" Haven Wildlife and Education Center of Durand will bring their owls for a presentation. Adults \$5, Children \$3. Call (815) 220-7386 to reserve.

Area Girl Scouts launch 2020 Cookie Season with new cookie & packaging

Girl-led program has two new ways to celebrate young leaders

NORTHERN ILLINOIS - Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois (GSNI) officially launched the local 2020 Girl Scout Cookie season on Jan. 8.

This season, Girl Scouts across northern Illinois are becoming entrepreneurs as they earn money to power their own leadership opportunities and adventures. New this year, GSNI is announcing two ways to celebrate young female leaders with a new lemon cookie and refreshed packaging that reflects the amazing experiences cookie earnings make possible for girls.

Local Girl Scouts will take cookie orders in-person from Jan. 8-Feb. 2. The new Girl Scout cookie is called Lemon-Ups, a crispy lemon cookie baked with messages inspired by Girl Scout entrepreneurs. Among the cookie's eight phrases are, "I am a go-getter" and "I am an innovator," which bring the experience of Girl Scouting to life.

The new cookie joins the 2020 lineup including refreshing Thin Mints, caramel-y Samoas, peanut butter-stuffed Tagalongs, crunchy Do-si-dos, buttery Trefoils, sweet S'mores, and toffee-chipped Toffee-tastics

(gluten free). Cookies are on sale for \$5 per box.

The refreshed cookie packaging (with the same great taste) continues to emphasize what the cookie program encompasses. Updated images feature current Girl Scouts taking part in a diverse range of experiences available to members - from adventure-packed camping and canoeing, to exploring space science and designing robots, to taking action to improve their communities. Every purchase of Girl Scout Cookies makes experiences like these possible for girls in local communities.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program teaches girls about entrepreneurship as they have fun learning essential skills such as money management, public speaking and decision making, which set them up for a lifetime of success.

Nine in 10 Girl Scouts say the cookie program has built their entrepreneurship skills and their interest in pursuing entrepreneurship as a career path, so every cookie purchase is an investment in the world-changing business leaders of tomorrow. What's more, each and every purchase stays local to power amazing



experiences and leadership opportunities for girls in communities across the United States.

Girl Scout Cookies can only be purchased from a registered Girl Scout. If you do not know a Girl Scout, e-mail cookies4you@girlscoutsnl.org to be connected to a local entrepreneur who would love to add you to her customer list or visit www.girlscoutsnl.org/buycookies.

About the Girl Scout Cookie Program

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois uses cookie earnings to power amazing experiences

for girls through their programming, while girls and their troops decide how to invest in impactful community projects, personal enrichment opportunities, and more. Skills girls learn in the cookie program also influence later success as data shows more than half (57 percent) of Girl Scout alumnae in business say the cookie program was beneficial to skills they possess today.

We're Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois

We believe every girl can change the world. With us, Girl Scouts develop the independence and confidence to guide their own lives and build a better world. We put girls in the driver's seat and encourage them to customize their own experience. With programs focused on the outdoors, career and interest exploration, travel and global community, and practical life skills, in addition to community service projects, every girl can unlock her full potential.

GSNI serves 16 counties including parts or all of Boone, Carroll, Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside and Winnebago. To volunteer, reconnect, donate or join, visit www.girlscoutsnl.org or call 844-GSNI-4-ME (844-476-4463).

SOCIAL SCENE

Holy Cross School announces 2nd quarter honor roll

MENDOTA – Holy Cross School recently announced second quarter honor rolls and B.U.G. (Bring Up Grades) Roll. One student, Ryleigh Sondgeroth, earned a 4.0 for the semester.

Eighth Grade High Honors: Maddy Dalton, Linnea Escatel, Isabella Hagenbuch, Macy Hartt, Mason Koch, Kaelyn Schwemlein, Haden Shakespeare, Ryleigh Sondgeroth, Ryan Stevenson, Marly Tillman

Eighth Grade Honor Roll: None

Seventh Grade High Honors: Lily Bokus, Kirby Bond, Alondra Delao, Ava Eddy, Bailey Engels, Cassandra Gonzalez, Lauren Holland, Libby Huffaker, Ella Martin, Korinne Miars, Izzy Rosales, Grace Royer,

Kenley Wilson

Seventh Grade Honor Roll: None.

Sixth Grade High Honors: Maren Atherton, Alex Beetz, Laylie Denault, Dane Doyle, Mae Hagenbuch, Alex Holland, Grady Jones, Ella Lewis, Peri Manning, Kooper Novak, Lily Soliman, Ryan Soliman, Aden Tillman

Sixth Grade Honor Roll: Addy Allensworth, Anna Cyrocki, Brody Hartt, Joe Stewart

Fifth Grade High Honors: Emily Diaz, Emma Huffaker, Elaina Koch, Kara Miars, Lex Tillman, James Whitmore

Fifth Grade Honor Roll: Daniel Garcia, Nolan Hagenbuch, Abbie Kreiser, Carter Wujek

Fifth Grade B.U.G. Roll: Emily Diaz, Daniel Garcia, Carter Wujek

Fourth Grade B.U.G. Roll: Gabriel Bunch, Komen Denault, Leah Henkel

Third Grade B.U.G. Roll: Eva Beetz, Cal Doyle, Quinn Eddy, Cathi Moench

Second Grade B.U.G. Roll: Emme Beetz, Brody Cuniff, Blake Cyrocki, Scout Fitzpatrick, Linda MacDonald, Camden Pawlowski, Molly Wilson

First Grade B.U.G. Roll: Henry Happ, Sophia Lemus, Armani Quintana, Jaxson Zimmerlein

Kindergarten B.U.G. Roll: Cameron Cuniff, Carissa Doll, Juliana Ortiz

Scholarships offered to museum & historical society workers

BELOIT, Wis. - The Center for Collections Care at Beloit College is offering several scholarships for small history museum professionals and volunteers outside of Wisconsin to attend any course confirmed to run in 2020.

Four \$600 scholarships are available for any three-day course and four \$700 scholarships are available for any four-day course, thanks to generous support from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation.

To be eligible, applicants must be employed by or demonstrate sustained volunteer work at a small history museum, historical society, historic site, or historic house outside Wisconsin. The application deadline is March 31.

Visit <https://www.beloit.edu/summer-programs/center-for-collection-care/registration-funding/> to register or for more information.



RURAL RESIDENTIAL PUBLIC AUCTION

The following described Real Estate will be offered at Public Auction to be held at Holy Trinity Church, Main Street, Cherry, IL 61317. Look for this and upcoming Auctions on www.rickrediger.com

THURSDAY, March 5, 2020 - 10:00 A.M.

Tract 4 of Losey Family Farm Auction



GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Located at 19992 3050 E. St., Arlington, IL 61312, Bureau County. Improvements include 2 homes. A 2 story home w/approximately 1050 sq. ft. on the main level consisting of a large kitchen, laundry, living room and 2 baths. There are 3-4 bedrooms on the 2nd story and a full basement. There is a single story home w/ approximately 1200 sq. ft., consisting of an open area to include the kitchen, dining and living room, there is a master bedroom with bath and walk-in closet, 2 bedrooms and an additional bath. Each home has LP forced air heat, central air conditioning, and septic system and shared well. Included on the property is a large livestock barn w/box stalls & tack room, concrete feed floor, stave silo, hog house, heated shop, 16,000 bu. Drying bin with fan and floor all situated on 3.04 +/- acres. The Tax I.D. is part of #15-06-300-001.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- 1) The successful bidder will be required to enter into a standard real estate purchase contract with 10% of the purchase price due immediately following the auction. The balance will be due and payable on or before March 12, 2020.
- 2) The 2019 real estate taxes, due and payable in 2020 will be credited to the buyer by the seller. The 2020 real estate taxes will be prorated to the date of possession.
- 3) The seller shall provide a title insurance policy in the amount of the purchase price of the subject property.
- 4) The property is being sold in "AS IS" condition, with no warranties of any kind.
- 5) The information is believed to be accurate. However, we strongly urge all prospective buyers to thoroughly research all pertinent data and to draw their own conclusions.
- 6) All announcements made the day of the sale take precedence over any previously printed advertised terms or conditions.
- 7) To view the property contact Rick Rediger - Auctioneer at 815-699-7999.

Seller: LOSEY FAMILY FARM

Kathleen Cain, Patricia Mitchell, Angela Kempfius, Frances Reusch, Vickey McKee, Beth Fonderoli

Attorney for Seller: John Isaacson, 111 Park Ave. E., Princeton, IL 61356 815.875.6551

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Bernick to headline Women in Agriculture Conference

ROCK ISLAND - The Women in Agriculture Conference committee has announced Jeanne Bernick as the headliner for the 9th annual Women in Agriculture Conference. This year's conference will take place on Friday, March 27 in Rock Island.

Bernick is the co-author of a women's ag leadership book, "Ceres Rising: How Women are Leading Farm Business." Her presentation will focus on how women across the world and at home are impacting their

communities and what we can learn from their inspirational stories.

The keynote will be followed by a variety of informative breakout sessions and a buffet lunch.

Closing out the conference will be Dr. Kim Kidwell. Kidwell is Dean and Robert A. Easter Chair in the College of Agricultural Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) at the University of Illinois. She is a proud Alumna of ACES where she earned a bachelor's degree in both genetics,

development and agriculture sciences. She received her masters and Ph.D. in plant breeding and genetics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Kidwell will speak on "Women Changing Agriculture," which highlights how women have served as the heartbeat of agriculture throughout history.

Pre-registration for the event is open. More details can be found at womenagricultureconference.com. This Conference is sponsored by the several county farm bureaus in western



Bernick

Illinois and the Farm Bureau Women in Agriculture Conference Committee.

TRI-COUNTY NEWS

SUBLETTE

Super Bowl Shuffle fun run Feb. 1

SUBLETTE - Sublette 365 is sponsoring a "Super Bowl Shuffle" fun run on Saturday, Feb. 1. Sign-up will be held at 1 p.m. at the Ellice Dinges Center. The Super Bowl Shuffle will take place from 1-4 p.m.

Participants will run/walk a mile around Sublette Centennial Park and then go inside and warm up with free hot dogs, hot chocolate, pop and water. There will also be a bonfire on the baseball diamond for those who want to eat and drink outside.

This will be Sublette's first Super Bowl Shuffle, so everyone is invited to come and have a good time on a boring Saturday before the big game. The food and drinks are compliments of HD Seed and Sublette 365, but freewill donations will be accepted.

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Lee County: Report changes in your farm operation

AMBOY - The Lee County Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Amboy reminds all farmers and farm landowners who participate in FSA programs of the importance of making sure their records with the county office are accurate.

Any change to the list below requires those changes be shared with the Lee County FSA Office:

- Mailing address and email address changes
- Direct deposit and bank account changes
- Death of a farmer or associate on the farm (Successor-in-Interest).
- Entity status (Individual, Trust, Partnership, Estates, etc.)
- Change in operator, tenant or land ownership
- Farm changes when land

is sold or purchased (copy of Recorded Deed)

- Changing administrative counties
- Land brought into production or clearing of brush and trees
- Before new tile is installed

Updating these changes in your record will save time during contract sign-up. Farm changes will also significantly impact your acreage reports, which are filed annually with the Farm Service Agency and your crop insurance agent. These records are only as accurate as you report them.

For more information regarding FSA programs, contact the Lee County FSA Office or visit the USDA website at <http://www.usda.gov>.

Guided winter hikes at Franklin Creek State Natural Area

FRANKLIN CREEK - It may be cold, but don't let that stop you from getting outside. The Franklin Creek Conservation Association is hosting a guided winter hike at Franklin Creek State Natural Area on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 10 a.m.

Guided hikes are a great way to learn about the plants, animals, and geology of Franklin Creek State Natural Area. Hikes are typically less than two hours over varying terrain.

An additional hike date is scheduled for March 8.

Cost is \$3 per person. RSVP is required at least two days prior to the hike. For more information or to reserve a spot, call (815) 456-2718.

FCCA staff asks that anyone who plans to attend dress appropriately for the weather.

Bureau Co. Fairgrounds schedules special events

PRINCETON - Several events have been scheduled at Bureau County Fairgrounds in Princeton.

The Sauk Trail Gun Collectors Show and Sale will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 25-26. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. with new and used guns, ammo and collectible items.

On Sunday, Feb. 9, an indoor Flea Market will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free and a concession stand will be open inside the building.

The next event will be a Model Train Fair and Farm Toy Show and Sale on Saturday, Feb. 15. Doors will open at 9 a.m. The show features

large working model railroad layouts and lots of trains and farm equipment for sale, plus die cast cars and other toys as well.

To reserve a selling space for the flea market or the toy show, call Kathy at (815) 866-3606 after 4 p.m.

Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet will take place on Sunday, Feb. 16 with all types of bikes, leathers, jewelry and motorcycle parts for sale. Show hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Bureau County Fairgrounds is located at 811 W. Peru St., Princeton. For more information about these events, see bureaucountyfair.com.

PUBLIC AUCTION

BUREAU COUNTY FARMLAND

200 +/- ACRES

The following described farmland real estate will be offered by PUBLIC AUCTION on:

Thursday, March 5th, 2020

10:00 A.M.

Sale Day Location: Holy Trinity Church Hall, Main Street, Cherry, IL

Tract 1: 40.39 +/- acres located NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 30, Westfield Twp., (T.17N.-R.11E.) Bureau County, IL. 39.53 +/- tillable acres. **A 139.6 +/- Productivity Index as per Surety.** Tillable soils include Muscatine, Sable & Catlin. **Tax ID #12-30-400-004.**

Tract 2: 77.41 +/- acres located E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section 30, Westfield Twp. (T.17N.-R.11E.), Bureau County, IL. 76.62 +/- tillable acres. **A 138.6 +/- Productivity Index as per Surety.** Tillable soils include Muscatine, Sable, and Catlin. **Tax ID (part of) #12-30-200-002.**

Tract 3: 80.04 +/- acres located W 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Section 29, Westfield Twp. (T.17N.-R.11E.), Bureau County, IL. 77.38 +/- tillable acres. **A 139.3 +/- Productivity Index as per Surety.** Tillable soils include Muscatine, Sable, Sawmill and Catlin. **Tax ID #12-29-100-001.**

Tract 4: 3.2 +/- acres located at 19992 3050 E St., Arlington, IL 61312. Improvements include: A 2 story home w/approx. 1050 sq. ft. on the main level consisting of a large kitchen, laundry, living room & 2 baths. There are 3-4 bedrooms on the 2nd story, & a full basement. There is a single story home w/approx. 1200 sq. ft. consisting of a combination kitchen/dining/living room, large master bedroom with bath and walk-in closet, 2 bedrooms and an additional bathroom. Each home has LP forced air heat, central air, septic system and shared well. Included on the property is a large livestock barn w/box stalls & tack room, concrete feed floor, stave silo, hog house, heated shop, 16,000 bu. drying bin with fan and floor. **Tax ID (part of) #12-30-200-002.**

Taxes:

Tax ID #12-30-400-004	2018 taxes paid in 2019	\$1,773.88	Tract 1
Tax ID #12-30-200-002	2018 taxes paid in 2019	\$4,471.96	Tract 2 and 4
Tax ID #12-29-100-001	2018 taxes paid in 2019	\$3,457.76	Tract 3

Plot locations, Aerial Photos, Soil Maps and improvement information available @ rickrediger.com

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- 1.) Tracts 1, 2 & 3 will be sold by the surveyed acres, Tract 4 by total dollar. Survey will be provided by Seller.
- 2.) The successful bidder will be required to enter into a standard purchase agreement contract. 10% of the contract purchase price will be due immediately following the auction. The balance will be due and payable on March 12, 2020 at closing.
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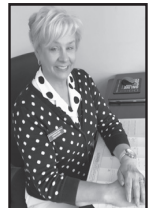
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NOTICE OF SALE OF TIMESHARE ESTATE OR ESTATES UNDER SECTION 10-50 OF THE ILLINOIS REAL ESTATE TIMESHARE ACT OF 1999

By virtue of 765 ILCS 101/10-50 and in execution of certain mortgages on the timeshare estates given by the owners of the timeshare estates set forth below for breach of the conditions of said mortgages and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at public auction starting at 11 o'clock a.m. on January 28, 2020, at the east entrance of Etna Road Government Complex, 707 Etna Road, Ottawa, IL 61350, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgages.

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

CAROLYN ADAMS, DAN ADAMS, 1601 BOOTY RD, GEORGETOWN, TX, 78628, according to the Mortgage dated October 04, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 20151, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10272015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0405, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 6 CAROLYN ADAMS, DAN ADAMS, 1601 BOOTYS CROSSING RD, GEORGETOWN, TX, 78628, according to the Mortgage dated October 04, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 20151, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10272015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0405, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 6 The Estate of JAMES ADDINGTON, 1806 OLD HIGHWAY 15, ECRU, MS, 38841, according to the Mortgage dated January 24, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 02547, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2112014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0397, Use Period Number(s) 09 Phase 6 ARIADNA ALONSO, 3507 N NEVA AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60634, according to the Mortgage dated September 13, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 18591, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for

LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9292015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0114E, Use Period Number(s) 25 Phase 2 ADRIAN ALVARADO, MICHELLE RAMOS, ADRIAN ALVARADO, 1114 N 17TH AVE, MELROSE PARK, IL, 60160, according to the Mortgage dated November 02, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 23794, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12092014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0133O, Use Period Number(s) 34 Phase 2 ADRIAN ALVARADO, MICHELLE RAMOS, ADRIAN ALVARADO, 2737 N AVERS ST APT 2, CHICAGO, IL, 60647, according to the Mortgage dated November 02, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 23794, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12092014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0133O, Use Period Number(s) 34 Phase 2 MAYRA ARROYO-SANDOVAL, BRIAN GILES, 726 N WAYNE PL, WHEELING, IL, 60090, according to the Mortgage dated April 24, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09054, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5142015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0082O, Use Period Number(s) 39 Phase 2 MAYRA ARROYO-SANDOVAL, BRIAN GILES, 726 N WAYNE PL, WHEELING, IL, 60090, according to the Mortgage dated May 08, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09808, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5262015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0211E, Use Period Number(s) 29 Phase 4 MARTIN L BATTS, 8447 S HOYNE AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60620, according to the Mortgage dated May 02, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 09223, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8112015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0171, Use Period Number(s) 37 Phase 1 PAMELA BEAN, LATESHA ALLEN, PO BOX 404, TANGIPAHOA, LA, 70465, according to the Mortgage dated July 22, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 15234, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8112015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0171, Use Period Number(s) 37 Phase 1 PAMELA BEAN, LATESHA ALLEN, 172 TECUMSEH DR, BOLINGBROOK, IL, 60490, according to the Mortgage dated July 22, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 15234, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County,

Illinois, on 8112015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0171, Use Period Number(s) 37 Phase 1 MELODY BETTS, 1742 N LOCKWOOD AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60639, according to the Mortgage dated March 11, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 05966, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4012015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0154, Use Period Number(s) 45 Phase 2 The Estate of SHEFFRIE BUTLER, 2337 DUNWOODY XING APT F, ATLANTA, GA, 30338, according to the Mortgage dated March 12, 2009 and recorded under File No. R2009 08058, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3312009, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0206, Use Period Number(s) 24 Phase 4 BARBARAJCARROLL, DINA V SMITH, 435 W 101ST STREET, CHICAGO, IL, 60628, according to the Mortgage dated May 30, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 11256, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0419, Use Period Number(s) 16 Phase 7 BARBARAJCARROLL, DINA V SMITH, 435 W 101ST STREET, CHICAGO, IL, 60628, according to the Mortgage dated May 30, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 11256, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0419, Use Period Number(s) 08 Phase 7 DAVID CASTANEDA, 2520 K AVE STE 700 # 262, PLANO, TX, 75074, according to the Mortgage dated June 13, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 12169, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6302015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0210O, Use Period Number(s) 26 Phase 4 CARLA C. CORDI, ROBERT ARRINGTON III, 1145 NORTH ST, SUFFIELD, CT, 06078, according to the Mortgage dated February 19, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 12173, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6302015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0423, Use Period Number(s) 13 Phase 7 CARLA C. CORDI, ROBERT ARRINGTON III, 20 RIVERVIEW TERRACE, SUFFIELD, CT, 06078, according to the Mortgage dated February 19, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 12173, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6302015, are the

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more particularly described as Unit No. 0416, Use Period Number(s) 05 Phase 7 SONYA EASLEY, 4849 W FULTON ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60644, according to the Mortgage dated April 09, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07706, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4242015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0044, Use Period Number(s) 31 Phase 1 C H R I S T O P H E R EDISON, 3806 GLENHILL DR, PEARLAND, TX, 77584, according to the Mortgage dated July 31, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 16721, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9012015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0114O, Use Period Number(s) 40 Phase 2 JERRY FAUST, MISTI R. FAUST, 4000 WINSTON DR, HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL, 60192, according to the Mortgage dated February 28, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 07888, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4052011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0400, Use Period Number(s) 36 Phase 6 JERRY FAUST, MISTI R. FAUST, 1109 TALL TIMBERS RD APT 201, SCHAUMBURG, IL, 60173, according to the Mortgage dated February 28, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 07888, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12112014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0400, Use Period Number(s) 36 Phase 6 ROBERTO FIGUEROA, 2947 N 76TH AVE, ELMWOOD PARK, IL, 60707, according to the Mortgage dated September 25, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 19861, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10152014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0133O, Use Period Number(s) 37 Phase 2 VICTOR FISHER, S H A U N E I C E MOORE, 11423 S ADA ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60643, according to the Mortgage dated September 14, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 18987, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10022014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0028, Use Period Number(s) 18 Phase 1 BARBARA PALMER FORBES, LAURA BARBARA HELMS HILL, TX, 78642, according to the Mortgage dated May 09, 2009 and recorded under File No. R2009 15466, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6162009, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0201, Use

Period Number(s) 03 Phase 4 GABRIEL FREEMAN, 3333 CUMMINS ST APT 102, HOUSTON, TX, 77027, according to the Mortgage dated March 16, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 08060, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4182012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0214E, Use Period Number(s) 32 Phase 4 MACK L FRIDAY JR, EMILY FRIDAY, 2047 E 84TH ST APT 1B, MERRILLVILLE, IN, 46410, according to the Mortgage dated June 25, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 21459, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10192011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0401, Use Period Number(s) 21 Phase 6 MACK L FRIDAY JR, EMILY FRIDAY, 2047 E 84TH ST APT 1B, MERRILLVILLE, IN, 46410, according to the Mortgage dated June 25, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 21459, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10192011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0401, Use Period Number(s) 08 Phase 6 DAVID T FULKERSON, KAY J FULKERSON, 32368 N 750 EAST RD, CORNELL, IL, 61319, according to the Mortgage dated November 23, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 24062, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12112014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0207, Use Period Number(s) 33 Phase 4 GLORIA GARBER, KURT GARBER, 17391 W CHESTNUT LN, GURNEE, IL, 60031, according to the Mortgage dated December 15, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2015 02548, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2102015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0061, Use Period Number(s) 52 Phase 1 CARLOS GARCIA, ARACELI GARCIA, ALEJANDRA CHIO, 5416 S MOZART ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60632, according to the Mortgage dated July 31, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 15984, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8262014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0099O, Use Period Number(s) 09

Phase 2 MARIO GERENAHALL, 100 N RIVER CIR UNIT 301, OCEANSIDE, CA, 92057, according to the Mortgage dated November 23, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 27278, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12102013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0116E, Use Period Number(s) 10 Phase 2 MARK A GOMEZ, NORMA A GOMEZ, 13751 BRANFORD GREENS DR, HOUSTON, TX, 77083, according to the Mortgage dated November 17, 2010 and recorded under File No. R2010 26922, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12132010, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0054O, Use Period Number(s) 05 Phase 1 ALISTINE GOODWIN, The Estate of GIOVONNI ADAMS, 20001 LAKE LYNWOOD DR, LYNWOOD, IL, 60411, according to the Mortgage dated July 04, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 14885, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8072014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0381, Use Period Number(s) 04 Phase 3 RICHARD GUGER, KATHLEEN GUGER, 529 WAUBONSEE CIR, OSWEGO, IL, 60543, according to the Mortgage dated May 31, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 11276, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0279, Use Period Number(s) 45 Phase 4 ZORISHA HARRY, RESHARD BARNES, 7809 RED SPRING RD, DALLAS, TX, 75241, according to the Mortgage dated August 14, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 16981, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9032015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0406, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 6 C L I F T O N HENDERSON, 700 CEDAR RAPIDS LN, DESOTO, TX, 75115, according to the Mortgage dated July 14, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 16401, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8012012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0102E, Use Period Number(s) 43 Phase 2 DENISE HICKS, 15911 KINGS CYPRESS LN, CYPRESS, TX, 77429, according to the Mortgage dated August 04, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 16330, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8282014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0384, Use Period Number(s) 02 Phase 3

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DR, DALLAS, TX, 75227, according to the Mortgage dated February 28, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 04711, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01390, Use Period Number(s) 25 Phase 2 FELICIA JOHNSON, ANTHONY BAILEY, 4025 HUFFINES BLVD APT 2224, CARROLLTON, TX, 75010, according to the Mortgage dated February 28, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 04711, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01390, Use Period Number(s) 25 Phase 2 MAURICE JOHNSON, KYLIA TERRELL-COLQUITT, 6929 LYDIA LN UNIT J204, HAMMOND, IN, 46323, according to the Mortgage dated August 23, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 16985, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9032015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0100, Use Period Number(s) 23 Phase 2

QUINN JOHNSON, NATASHA ANDREWS, 20007 ORCHARD AVE, LYNWOOD, IL, 60411, according to the Mortgage dated July 12, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 14175, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7292015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00550, Use Period Number(s) 44 Phase 1 QUINN JOHNSON, NATASHA ANDREWS, 16914 GLEN OAKS CT, COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, IL, 60478, according to the Mortgage dated July 12, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 14175, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7292015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00550, Use Period Number(s) 44 Phase 1 COLLEEN KELLY-MOHRING, RICHARD MOHRING, 5946 W LELAND SECOND FLOOR, CHICAGO, IL, 60630, according to the Mortgage dated January 30, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 04180, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2282013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01560, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 2 COLLEEN KELLY-MOHRING, RICHARD MOHRING, 5824 N TALMAN AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60659, according to the Mortgage dated January 30, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 04180, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2282013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No.

01560, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 2 LATOYA LANE, LATONYA LANE, 17781 HARVARD LN, COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, IL, 60478, according to the Mortgage dated June 14, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 12278, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7012015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00990, Use Period Number(s) 50 Phase 2 JOSE LOPEZ, SANDRA LOPEZ, 8202 LAMON AVE, BURBANK, IL, 60459, according to the Mortgage dated May 02, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09546, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5202015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0405, Use Period Number(s) 18 Phase 6 JOSE LOPEZ, SANDRA LOPEZ, 3536 W 61ST PL, CHICAGO, IL, 60629, according to the Mortgage dated May 02, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09546, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5202015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0405, Use Period Number(s) 18 Phase 6 JOSE LOPEZ, SANDRA LOPEZ, 8202 LAMON AVE, BURBANK, IL, 60459, according to the Mortgage dated May 02, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09546, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5202015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0409, Use Period Number(s) 10 Phase 6 JOSE LOPEZ, SANDRA LOPEZ, 3536 W 61ST PL, CHICAGO, IL, 60629, according to the Mortgage dated May 02, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09546, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5202015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0409, Use Period Number(s) 10 Phase 6 KYM LYNCH, BONNIE LYNCH, 105 FOWLER ST, WESTFIELD, MA, 01085, according to the Mortgage dated March 14, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07744, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4242015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0421, Use Period Number(s) 04 Phase 7 ADRIAN MARTINEZ, GENARO ZAMARRIPA, MANUEL ZAMARRIPA, 858 E CHESTNUT ST, HOOPESTON, IL, 60942, according to the Mortgage dated January 23, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 02570, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2102015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00210, Use Period Number(s) 31 Phase 1 AARON MCCORMICK, YANA MCCORMICK,

1849 PEARSON CROSSING, KELLER, TX, 76248, according to the Mortgage dated January 25, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 02572, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2102015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0082, Use Period Number(s) 26 Phase 2 BEVERLY MCGEE, LOUIS MCGEE, 130 N LOCKWOOD AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60644, according to the Mortgage dated June 29, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13791, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7222015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0427, Use Period Number(s) 36 Phase 7 BEVERLY MCGEE, LOUIS MCGEE, 130 N LOCKWOOD AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60644, according to the Mortgage dated June 29, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13791, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7222015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0427, Use Period Number(s) 38 Phase 7 WENDY MITCHELL, JERRY MITCHELL, 4661 FM 1836, KAUFMAN, TX, 75142, according to the Mortgage dated April 11, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09103, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5142015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0372, Use Period Number(s) 29 Phase 3 CHRISTINA MORAN, 7743 CRONIN AVE, JUSTICE, IL, 60458, according to the Mortgage dated March 07, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 05358, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3252015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0124, Use Period Number(s) 14 Phase 2 L E O N A R D O MORROBEL, DAISY MORROBEL, 3717 E ADAMS AVE, CUDAHY, WI, 53110, according to the Mortgage dated January 24, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 04735, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0123, Use Period Number(s) 26 Phase 2 L E O N A R D O MORROBEL, DAISY MORROBEL, 4574 S 20TH ST APT 2, MILWAUKEE, WI, 53221, according to the Mortgage dated January 24, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 04735, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0123, Use Period Number(s) 26 Phase 2 ORLINDA NATHAN, ARLINDA NATHAN, 13820 S WENTWORTH

AVE, RIVERDALE, IL, 60827, according to the Mortgage dated February 07, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03326, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2232015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0423, Use Period Number(s) 32 Phase 7 ORLINDA NATHAN, ARLINDA NATHAN, 13820 S WENTWORTH AVE, RIVERDALE, IL, 60827, according to the Mortgage dated February 07, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03326, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2232015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0398, Use Period Number(s) 32 Phase 6 JEREMY NELSON, KAYLA BELL, 815 N 13TH ST, DEKALB, IL, 60115, according to the Mortgage dated June 28, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13343, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7162015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0017E, Use Period Number(s) 24 Phase 1 JEREMY NELSON, KAYLA BELL, 1305 N ANNIE GLIDDEN RD #1123, DEKALB, IL, 60115, according to the Mortgage dated June 28, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13343, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7162015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0017E, Use Period Number(s) 24 Phase 1 PHUONG NGUYEN, 2217 RICHLAND DR, GARLAND, TX, 75044, according to the Mortgage dated February 07, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03328, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2232015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0152, Use Period Number(s) 25 Phase 2 MICHAEL NORFLEET, C O N C H E T T A DELEON, ANNETTE WASHINGTON, 3825 W HURON ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60624, according to the Mortgage dated December 27, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2015 00863, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1152015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0217, Use Period Number(s) 27 Phase 4 BERNICE PERKINS, R I C H A R D PERKINS JR, 394 BLOOMFIELD CIRCLE EAST, OSWEGO, IL, 60543, according to the Mortgage dated March 23, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 06921, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4142015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0425, Use Period Number(s) 29 Phase 7 TIANA PLEDGER, 9113 S UTICA AVE, EVERGREEN PARK,

IL, 60805, according to the Mortgage dated September 07, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 25871, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 11202013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0052E, Use Period Number(s) 03 Phase 1 ANA POGGIO, ANNA LOPEZ, JOSE FELICIANO, PO BOX 35183, ELMWOOD PARK, IL, 60707, according to the Mortgage dated January 18, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 02155, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2052015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0102, Use Period Number(s) 14 Phase 2 ANA POGGIO, ANNA LOPEZ, JOSE FELICIANO, 416 46TH AVE, BELLWOOD, IL, 60104, according to the Mortgage dated January 18, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 02155, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2052015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0102, Use Period Number(s) 14 Phase 2 ANA PONCE, 5801 S. ST. LOUIS AVE., CHICAGO, IL, 60629, according to the Mortgage dated August 15, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 16753, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9012015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00870, Use Period Number(s) 48 Phase 2 M A R T I N I Q U E POWELL, 948 N LOREL AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60651, according to the Mortgage dated May 24, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 10971, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 6112015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00530, Use Period Number(s) 38 Phase 1 BHARATI RALLAN, 21340 S JEFFREY DR, MATTESON, IL, 60443, according to the Mortgage dated January 12, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 02048, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1302013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0380, Use Period Number(s) 22 Phase 3 MIGUEL RIVERA, MICHELLE FLORES, 3612 S 55TH CT, CICERO, IL, 60804, according to the Mortgage dated May 05, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 11217, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5252012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0135E, Use Period Number(s) 34 Phase 2 MIGUEL RIVERA, MICHELLE FLORES, 3640 S 55TH CT, CICERO, IL, 60804, according to the Mortgage dated May

05, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 11217, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5252012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0135E, Use Period Number(s) 34 Phase 2 DION ROACH, TAMEKA CLAUDIO, 1940 JACKSON AVE APT 2, EVANSTON, IL, 60201, according to the Mortgage dated April 04, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07313, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0170, Use Period Number(s) 45 Phase 1 DION ROACH, TAMEKA CLAUDIO, 5427 S JUSTINE, CHICAGO, IL, 60609, according to the Mortgage dated April 04, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 07313, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 4172015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0170, Use Period Number(s) 45 Phase 1 AARON RODRIGUEZ-OROZCO, 1272 SANTA FE RD APT 302, ROMEVILLE, IL, 60446, according to the Mortgage dated April 25, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 09123, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5142015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0174, Use Period Number(s) 25 Phase 1 GARY S ROSEBORO, PHYLLIS E ROSEBORO, 3604 MIDDLEBURG LANE, ROCKLEDGE, FL, 32955, according to the Mortgage dated July 05, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 17010, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8012013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0410, Use Period Number(s) 33 Phase 7 GARY S ROSEBORO, PHYLLIS E ROSEBORO, 173 LIBERTY CROSSING, O FALLON, IL, 62269, according to the Mortgage dated July 05, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 17010, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8012013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0410, Use Period Number(s) 33 Phase 7 SAMANTHA SELBY, VICTOR TORRES, 3024 N NEENAH AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60634, according to the Mortgage dated August 09, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 16969, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9052014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 01090, Use Period Number(s) 19 Phase 2 VINNETTE SHIM, ORPHEA TILLMAN, PHONGPHASITH LU-ANGSAYSONGHAM, 2019 E 171ST CT,

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL, 60473, according to the Mortgage dated February 15, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 03857, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 3042014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0413, Use Period Number(s) 20 Phase 7 C Y N T H E L I A SIMPSON, SUSAN AMADI, SANDRA WATSON, BETTY KING, 7317 AMBER DRIVE, DALLAS, TX, 75241, according to the Mortgage dated July 17, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 14857, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8052015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0016, Use Period Number(s) 24 Phase 1 CYNTHELIASIMPSON, SUSAN AMADI, SANDRA WATSON, BETTY KING, 735 DEERWOOD DR, DALLAS, TX, 75232, according to the Mortgage dated July 17, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 14857, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8052015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0016, Use Period Number(s) 24 Phase 1 The Estate of SOPHIA SMITH, WILLIE AUSTIN, 6938 S ROCKWELL ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60629, according to the Mortgage dated January 04, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 01168, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1212015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0085E, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 2 DOROTHY TILLMAN, ALFRED TILLMAN, 2605 CHAPEL TOWN RD, COURTLAND, MS, 38620, according to the Mortgage dated December 19, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2013 00590, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1092013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00320, Use Period Number(s) 21 Phase 1 DOROTHY TILLMAN, ALFRED TILLMAN, 726 NORTH GRAND AVE APT 303, WAUKEGAN, IL, 60085, according to the Mortgage dated December 19, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2013 00590, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1092013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00480, Use Period Number(s) 39 Phase 1 KATRINA ULLBERG,

Number(s) 07 Phase 3 TARA TALMADGE, 137 BROOK ST, GARDEN CITY, NY, 11530, according to the Mortgage dated October 03, 2014 and recorded under File No. 2014 20599, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 10242014, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0173, Use Period Number(s) 50 Phase 1 ROBERT TERCALL, 342 S MICHIGAN AVE, ADDISON, IL, 60101, according to the Mortgage dated August 23, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 17099, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9032015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0010, Use Period Number(s) 25 Phase 1 MARGO THEUS-MURRAY, 11351 S COTTAGE GROVE AVE, CHICAGO, IL, 60628, according to the Mortgage dated July 19, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 14863, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 8052015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0109, Use Period Number(s) 28 Phase 2 VELVET MICHELE THOMPSON, 801 RIVER RD APT 104C, MONTGOMERY, TX, 77356, according to the Mortgage dated April 21, 2012 and recorded under File No. R2012 10049, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 5102012, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0085E, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 2 DOROTHY TILLMAN, ALFRED TILLMAN, 2605 CHAPEL TOWN RD, COURTLAND, MS, 38620, according to the Mortgage dated December 19, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2013 00590, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1092013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00320, Use Period Number(s) 21 Phase 1 DOROTHY TILLMAN, ALFRED TILLMAN, 726 NORTH GRAND AVE APT 303, WAUKEGAN, IL, 60085, according to the Mortgage dated December 19, 2012 and recorded under File No. 2013 00590, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 1092013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00480, Use Period Number(s) 39 Phase 1 KATRINA ULLBERG,

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

JUSTIN GORRE, 919 TANGLEWOOD DR, WHEELING, IL, 60090, according to the Mortgage dated January 04, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 03362, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 2232015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00480, Use Period Number(s) 39 Phase 1 MISAEAL VALLEJO, HILDA RAMIREZ VILLEGAS, 536 LAUREL AVE, ROMEOVILLE, IL, 60446, according to the Mortgage dated August 16, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 16773, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9012015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0062, Use Period Number(s) 32 Phase 1 MISAEAL VALLEJO, HILDA RAMIREZ VILLEGAS, 2125 N SPRINGFIELD ST, CHICAGO, IL, 60647, according to the Mortgage dated August 16, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 16773, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9012015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0062, Use Period Number(s) 32 Phase 1 CONCEPCION VARGAS, DAWNIA VARGAS, 412 W 7TH ST, BEARDSTOWN, IL, 62618, according to the Mortgage dated August 15, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 20686, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 11032015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 00770, Use Period Number(s) 43 Phase 1 DEREK WALKER, 177 HOLMES PL, MONTGOMERY, IL, 60538, according to the Mortgage dated November 02, 2013 and recorded under File No. 2013 25891, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 11202013, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0105E, Use Period Number(s) 47 Phase 2 LINDA L WALKER, TEDDY R WALKER, 2038 S 2ND AVE, MAYWOOD, IL, 60153, according to the Mortgage dated September 10, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 18677, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 9292015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0374, Use Period Number(s) 49 Phase 3 TITUS WEATHERSBY, JASMINE VAZQUEZ, 5834 W MONTROSE AVE APT 2, CHICAGO, IL, 60634, according to the Mortgage dated November 12, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 25052, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12062011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0039E, Use Period Number(s) 20 Phase 1 TITUS WEATHERSBY,

JASMINE VAZQUEZ, 1658 BLACKWELL LN, AURORA, IL, 60504, according to the Mortgage dated November 12, 2011 and recorded under File No. R2011 25052, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 12062011, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0039E, Use Period Number(s) 20 Phase 1 JUDY ZABA, 4851 DEL MONTE AVE APT 6, SAN DIEGO, CA, 92107, according to the Mortgage dated June 28, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 13381, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7162015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0222, Use Period Number(s) 39 Phase 4 HENRY ZAYAS, 1253 W 49TH PLACE FLR 2, CHICAGO, IL, 60609, according to the Mortgage dated July 11, 2015 and recorded under File No. 2015 14227, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for LaSalle County, Illinois, on 7292015, are the owners of the timeshare estate to be foreclosed, more particularly described as Unit No. 0428, Use Period Number(s) 31 Phase 7 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. By: Donald W. Larson, Jr. Its: Agent No. 0101 (Jan. 8, 15, 22, 2019)

NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on January 9, 2020 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of LaSalle County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Kenny's Red Hots located at 701 Washington St., Mendota, IL 61342. DATED January 9, 2020 Kenneth Skaggs Applicant

No. 0102 (Jan. 15, 22, 29, 2020)

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

ESTATE OF)
Dixie K. Summers,)
Deceased)
Case No. 2019-P-253
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Dixie K. Summers of Mendota, Illinois. Letters of Office

were issued on December 20, 2019 to Megan Yastrab of 9827 Prairie Willow Pl., Roscoe, IL 61073 and Shawn Ballard of 3028 Nichols Rd, Kalamazoo, MI 49004 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, Ottawa, IL 61350, or with the representative, on both, on or before July 25, 2020. 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. 0104 (Jan. 15, 22, 29, 2020)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF)
THE ESTATE OF)
ALBERT WILLIAM)
BUTLER, II,)
Deceased.)
No. 2020 P 3
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given to creditors of the death of Albert William Butler, II, late of Mendota Lutheran Home, Mendota, LaSalle County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued to Albert William Butler, III, 2101 Pine Avenue, Mendota, Illinois 61342, as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is Gary R. Gehlbach, Ehrmann Gehlbach Badger & Considine, LLC, 215 E. First Street, P.O. Box 447, Dixon, Illinois 61021. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at 119 W. Madison, Room 201, Ottawa, Illinois 61350, or with the representative, on both, on or before the date which is six (6) months after the date of the first publication of this Claim Notice, or, if mailing or delivering of a notice from the representative is required by section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. By: Albert William Butler, III, Independent Executor Gary R. Gehlbach (ARDC No. 3122825) Ehrmann Gehlbach Badger & Considine, LLC Attorneys for Independent Executor 215 East First Street, Suite 100 P.O. Box 447 Dixon, IL 61021 (815) 288-4949 (815) 288-3068 (FAX) gehlbach@egbclaw.com No. 0105 (Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2020)

NOTICE
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LEGAL NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LASALLE COUNTY, OTTAWA, ILLINOIS

OSCAR LEMUS,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.)
MARIA DE ROSARIO)
LEMUS,)
Defendant.)
Case No. 2020 L 1.)
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No. 0107 (Jan. 22, 2020)

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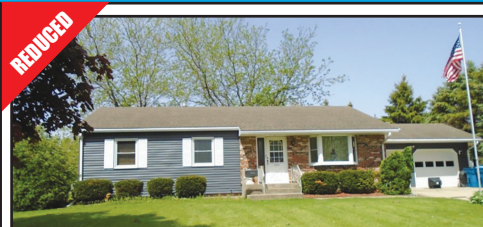
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