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## Monroe Clinic honors two employees for outstanding care

Callie Plager, a registered nurse at Monroe Clinic's Highland Women's Care in Freeport, received the DAISY Award based on a nomination from a recent patient.

Plager has been a nurse with Monroe Clinic for four years.

"Callie has been a constant through all my pregnancies," the nomination says. "I recently experienced a scary pregnancy complication and Callie was there for me even though she was off duty on a weekend. She provided immediate reassurance and counsel, which was the push I needed to face the ER during COVID-19 by myself.

"That Monday, she met my husband and I first thing at Highland Women's Care for an appointment to get some much-needed answers. We are so incredibly grateful for Callie, and she is a major reason that we continue to grow our family with the support of Highland Women's Care."

A few of Plager's co-workers attended her DAISY Award ceremony May 12, while her family attended via video chat.

The DAISY Award is a nationwide program that celebrates the clinic skill and compassionate care nurses deliver every day.

Monroe Clinic employs more than 300 nurses serving patients throughout southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois.

Meanwhile, Highland Women's Care sonographer Stacy Cassell received Monroe Clinic's BEE Award.

Cassell has been a member of the Monroe Clinic team for 17 years.

Staff members Paige Rainwater and Plager nominated Cassell.

"Sonographers are with our patients when they are finding out life-changing news, whether good or bad, so it takes a very special person," Rainwater's nomination letter states. "I remember different occasions when patients came in



Cassie Plager (left) and Stacey Cassell accept their DAISY and BEE awards, respectively, on May 12.

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for an ultrasound feeling nervous. Every time, Stacy was there with comforting words to put them at ease before the ultrasound even started. If the answers they found were not ideal, she offered a hand to hold and prayed with the patient. If there's good news to celebrate, Stacy is the first to rejoice with the patient. No matter the circumstance, Stacy strives to be uplifting for every patient."

Plager echoed those sentiments.

"Stacy goes above and beyond

in everything that she does," Plager wrote. "She creates lasting relationships with her patients. Stacy is not only there for them medically, but also as a support person. We hear frequently from patients how loved

she is."

The BEE Award was created to recognize any non-nursing staff member who demonstrates quality care, extraordinary compassion, focus on the patient and the patient's needs

and effective collaboration with other members on the patient-care team.

Nomination forms are available at Monroe Clinic locations and online at [monroeclinic.org/daisy](http://monroeclinic.org/daisy) or [monroeclinic.org/beeaward](http://monroeclinic.org/beeaward).

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# Lawmakers to return to Springfield on May 20-22

## State budget among top items to be considered

By Peter Hancock  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Illinois lawmakers will return to Springfield from today through Friday — the first time in more than two months — to take up a state budget and other critical matters while following strict social distancing and public safety guidelines during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Before returning to the capital, lawmakers are being asked to sign a pledge stipulating they will be tested for COVID-19, regardless of whether they have symptoms or have been previously infected. They also will be required to wear face coverings, undergo temperature checks on session days, travel alone and stay in separate hotel rooms, follow social distancing guidelines and avoid extracurricular activities.

The House will meet in the Bank of Springfield Center, a convention center a few blocks from the Statehouse. The Senate plans to meet in the Senate chamber of the Capitol.

The Illinois State Police will provide security at the BoS Center, and all people entering the building will be required to pass through a metal detector to prevent weapons from being carried into the facility.

All people also will be required to wear face coverings and submit to a touchless temperature check. Anyone with a temperature of more than 100 degrees will be required to leave.

The House also recommended lawmakers and staff who are at risk of serious illness from COVID-19 — people over age 65 or with pre-existing conditions — consider not traveling to Springfield for the special session.

Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, said in a statement that the upper chamber was working on the logistics of how it will meet, but he said senators are ready to get to work.

“Time and again the Illinois Senate has shown its members can work together to solve problems and produce results for the people of this great state,” Harmon said. “That cooperative spirit of bipartisan achievement is needed now more than ever. This global pandemic has decimated our state and local economies regardless of political affiliation. From far-flung living rooms, kitchen tables and home offices, senators have been working together while apart to figure out what we can and need to do now.”

Lawmakers have not met since March 5. They were scheduled to



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**The Capitol in Springfield has been quiet for more than two months because lawmakers and most state employees practiced stay-at-home routines as ordered by Gov. JB Pritzker.**

be off the week of March 9-13 to campaign in advance of the March 17 primary. They also were scheduled to take a two-week spring break April 6-17. All other session days since then were canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Lawmakers have been meeting remotely in informal working groups during the shutdown, mainly to gather information they will need when they return to session, but those working groups were not authorized to draft legislation or hear testimony on bills.

Much of the work ahead is

expected to focus on passing a state budget in light of a severe drop in revenues that has resulted from the closure of nonessential businesses, a statewide stay-at-home order and the delay in the state's tax filing deadline.

Newly revised estimates from the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability, or CoGFA, project that total revenues for the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, will be about \$2.2 billion lower than the previous estimate released in March. Net income taxes are expected to be \$1.7 billion lower than the March estimate.

Revenues for the upcoming fiscal year, which begins July 1, are expected to be \$4.7 billion lower than previously estimated.

The state has the ability to borrow money from other funds to shore up the general revenue fund. Officials also will be watching closely to see if the U.S. Congress approves any federal aid for states.

Despite the falloff in revenue, Gov. JB Pritzker has said he wants lawmakers to pass a COVID-19 financial relief bill that will specifically

target small businesses that have been unable to access federal relief funds.

“Obviously, as I’ve said for some time now, we have real challenges with the loss of revenue because of COVID-19,” Pritzker said during his daily briefing March 13 in Chicago, “so we need to rely upon the federal government and its support for all the states in order for us to provide the services that people need, in order to pay for the education that our kids need and for us to support our businesses and our families in the wake of this curve as we’re dealing with this COVID-19 crisis.”

Meanwhile, many legislative Republicans have been calling for weeks to reconvene the session, arguing the governor has no legal authority to extend the disaster declaration beyond the original 30-day time frame, and they hope to put the governor’s authority up for a vote.

“I am pleased the governor and Democratic leaders have heeded our calls to return to the people’s Capitol to address the critical issues facing our state during these unprecedented times,” Senate Minority Leader Bill Brady, of Bloomington, said in a statement. “It is vital the Legislature be a part of the decision-making process when it comes to maintaining the public’s health, reopening our state, moving our economy forward and overcoming a graduated income tax that would negatively impact Illinois families.”

House Minority Leader Jim Durkin, of Western Springs, also issued a statement welcoming a special session.

“After two months of inaction, it is about time we get back to the job we were elected to do,” he said.

### Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency Homeless Prevention/Housing Stability Assistance

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- Substantial Change in Household Composition
- Illegal Action by a Landlord
- Displacement by a Government or Private Action
- Some other condition which constitutes a hardship comparable to the ones listed above

You may be eligible for assistance if you:

- Can provide documentation of your financial crisis condition

Documents that are required to apply:

- Proof of Social Security numbers for all members of the household
- Proof of all income for all members of the household for the 30 days prior to the application date
- Current Benefit letter for household members receiving SSA, SSI or SSD income
- Copies of your current utility bills
- Medical Card
- Current Lease or Mortgage with contact information
- Third Party Documentation of Crisis

Please call our office at 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for information on how to apply.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency Main Office is closed to the public and appointments at outreach locations have been suspended until further notice.

We are still in the office and continuing to take applications for NICA programs by phone, email, mail or fax.

For more information on how to apply for assistance, call the office at 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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**Thank you to everyone that sent cards, prayers and memorial gifts, they were greatly appreciated.**

*The family of Don Lobdell*

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Thank you to all my friends and family that have called me or sent a card while I'm at the hospice home. A special thank you to Suzanne for tending to my mail and also to "Friday Night Ladies." I miss you all.  
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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

I guess we are in Week 8 if you started with the first week in April.

The first recipe in last week's column was a pasta salad made with peas. One of my friends pointed out that something didn't make sense. Have you ever forgotten a comma? That is what I did. I know that the whipping cream sort of threw people off, but the recipe does use whipping cream and Parmesan cheese. These two will thicken a bit after bringing to a boil.

Sorry I forgot to put the comma between cream (for whipping cream) and cheese (for Parmesan).

I am repeating the recipe so you have the right directions to a spring salad.

## Spring Pea Pasta

- 2 T. oil
- 4 cloves, garlic minced
- 1/4 t. crushed red pepper
- 1 1/2 C. fresh or thawed frozen peas
- 1 C. whipping cream
- 1 C. shredded Parmesan cheese, plus more for garnish
- 2 T. unsalted butter
- 1/2 lb. elbow macaroni, cooked according to package directions
- 1 lemon, zested and juiced
- 1/4 t. salt

In a large skillet, heat oil, garlic and red pepper over medium heat; cook until fragrant, 2 to 3 minutes. Stir in peas, cream, cheese and butter and bring to a low boil. Cook until peas are tender and sauce is slightly

thickened, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in pasta, lemon zest and juice and salt. Garnish with the Parmesan.

## Green Salad

This green salad can be made with several kinds of greens. You can substitute Napa cabbage for the spinach or bok choy also. If you have pine nuts, you can use them for the sunflower seeds. I would stick with the sunflower kernels because pine nuts are really expensive; you also need to keep pine nuts in the freezer because they go bad really fast.

- 1 bag baby spinach or 1 head bok choy, finely chopped
- 2 bunches green onions, thinly sliced
- 2 pkg. (3 oz. each) ramen noodles, broken
- 1/4 C. slivered almonds
- 1 T. sunflower kernels
- 1/4 C. butter

## Dressing

- 1/3 C. to 1/2 C. sugar (use your discretion on how sweet you want the sweet and sour dressing)
- 1/2 C. canola oil
- 2 T. cider vinegar
- 1 T. soy sauce

In a large bowl, combine greens and green onions; set aside. Save the seasoning packet from ramen noodles for another use. In a large skillet, sauté the noodles, almonds and sunflower kernels in the butter until browned, about 7 minutes. Remove from the heat; cool mixture to room temperature. Add to greens and onion mixture.

In a jar with a tight-fitting lid, combine the dressing ingredients and shake well. Just before serving, drizzle over salad and toss to coat.

## Southwestern Casserole

Everyone seems to be into Southwestern food these days. This casserole is a good one because you get two casseroles out of one recipe.

You can freeze the one you aren't going to eat for a meal sometime in the next few weeks. If you don't want any spice, you can leave the jalapeno peppers off the top.

- 2 C. uncooked elbow macaroni
- 2 lbs. ground beef
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 cans (14 1/2 oz. each) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 can (16 oz.) kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 can (4 oz.) tomato paste
- 1 can (4 oz.) green chilies, drained
- 1 1/2 t. salt
- 1 t. chili powder
- 1/2 t. ground cumin
- 1/2 t. pepper
- 2 C. Monterey Jack cheese
- 2 jalapeno peppers, seeded and chopped

Cook macaroni according to package directions. In a large saucepan, cook beef and onion over medium heat, crumbling beef, until meat is no longer pink. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Drain. Stir in tomatoes, kidney beans, tomato paste, chilies, salt, chili powder, cumin and pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer uncovered for 10 minutes.

Drain macaroni and stir into beef mixture. Preheat the oven to 375. Transfer macaroni mixture into 2 greased 2-quart baking dishes. Top with cheese and jalapeños. Cover and bake at 375 for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake until bubbly and heated through, about 10 minutes longer. Serve one casserole. Cool the second casserole and cover it and freeze up to three months.

## Pork Chops with Rhubarb

I have a lot of rhubarb recipes this season; some of them are more traditional than others. Paring the rhubarb with the pork is a unique flavor. The sauce is very much like the chutney from last week.

- 1 T. flour
  - Salt and pepper to taste
  - 2 bone-in pork loin chops (1/2 to 3/4 inches thick)
  - 2 T. butter
  - 1/2 lb. fresh or frozen rhubarb, chopped
  - 1 T. honey
  - 1/8 t. cinnamon
  - 1 1/2 t. minced fresh parsley
- In a shallow dish, combine the flour, salt and pepper; add pork chops and turn to coat. In a skillet, melt butter over medium heat.

Add pork chops and cook until a thermometer reads 145, about 4 to 5 minutes on each side. Remove and keep warm. Add the rhubarb, honey and cinnamon to the skillet; cook until rhubarb is tender, about 5 minutes. Serve sauce over pork chops. Sprinkle with parsley.

## Rhubarb Crumble

Going along with our spring rhubarb theme, this desert will tickle your fruit taste buds. It has apples, strawberries and rhubarb in it. Enjoy this nice dessert that is made in a small pan. You won't have to eat it forever.

- 3 C. fresh or frozen rhubarb, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 1 C. diced, peeled apples
- 1/2 to 1 C. strawberries
- 1/3 C. sugar
- 1/2 t. cinnamon
- 1/2 C. flour
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1/4 t. salt
- 4 T. cold butter
- 2/3 C. packed brown sugar
- 2/3 C. quick cooking oats

Combine the rhubarb, apples and strawberries; spoon into a greased 8-inch square baking dish. Combine sugar and cinnamon; sprinkle over rhubarb mixture. Set aside.

In a bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in brown sugar and oats. Sprinkle over rhubarb mixture. Bake at 350 until lightly browned, about 40 to 50 minutes. Serve warm or cold with a scoop of ice cream.

## Pistachio Torte

Someone sent me this old-fashioned recipe; actually I think it was from the 1970s, and I don't think of that as old! It is a layer dessert so you have to plan ahead. It also uses pistachio pudding, which may be hard to find. I know I have seen it at Cub Foods and at Sullivan's.

### Base:

- 2 C. flour
- 2 sticks cubed, cold butter
- 1/2 C. chopped pecans

### Topping:

- 1 pkg. 8 oz. cream cheese
- 1 1/2 C. powdered sugar
- 1 carton (8 oz.) frozen whipped, topping, thawed and divided
- 2 (3.3 oz. each) boxes pistachio pudding
- 2 C. milk

Preheat oven to 350. In a medium bowl, use two forks to combine flour and butter until dough resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in pecans. Pour into a 9-by-13-inch baking dish, and use your hands or the bottom of a

drinking glass to press crumbs into a smooth crust along the bottom. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until lightly toasted. Remove from oven and let cool to room temperature.

In a medium bowl, beat cream cheese on medium speed until smooth. Scrape the bowl and add powdered sugar and beat until combined. Fold in 1 cup of whipped topping. Carefully spread cream cheese mixture over prepared crust and smooth with a spatula.

In a medium bowl, beat together pistachio pudding and milk for 2 minutes on high speed. Spread pudding mixture evenly over cream cheese layer. Spread remaining whipped topping mixture over pudding. Chill in the fridge 1 hour before serving.

## Closing thoughts

It was an interesting week at my house. My computer went down right before I was going to submit this column. Luckily my computer tutor came out and fixed it. He told me what happened, and I nodded my head appropriately. I am such a challenged computer operator that I have to rely on his expertise. He fixed me up, and I was able to get this column in on time.

Earlier in the week my nice helper came and hauled my lawn furniture up from the basement. It hasn't been fit to use it yet. I am looking forward to sitting out there and watching everything green up. My neighbors' lilac bushes have begun to bloom. They are beautiful, and I don't care if they kick up my allergies because they smell wonderful. My tulips are finally blooming, and the pretty pink ones have been dancing in the wind. I always am amazed at how sturdy the little buggers are.

We continue to stay in most of the time. I am making a casserole that I will probably have to eat for several days. I usually share with some senior citizen friends. However, I can't get to them to share.

I had a surprise when my brother brought me some crab Rangoon. Boy did I savor those little buggers.

Remember that patience is a virtue — as I am running out of it and not feeling very virtuous — and there are a lot of people who have more challenges than many of us do. Keep smiling and keep safe.

If you have found any spring recipes you think readers would like, contact me in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide, 213 S. Center St., or email to scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

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# ON THE RECORD

## Obituaries

### JANE JULIUS

Jane L. Julius, 78, of Freeport, IL, passed away at home on Friday, May 15, 2020. She was born Nov. 21, 1941, in Stockton, IL; the daughter of the late Alvin and Leola (Buss) Ploeger.

She was a 1959 graduate of Stockton High School and attended Illinois State University. Jane married Roger Julius on June 24, 1962.

She was a wonderful and loving wife and mother who also farmed alongside her husband until retiring. She also worked at Union Savings Bank and was a teacher's aide at Immanuel Lutheran School of Freeport. She was an active member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, where she was involved in the Fideles Circle, GEMS, the church choir and played hand bells.

She also was a member of several card clubs. Jane enjoyed making cards and collecting silhouettes. She was an avid Chicago Cubs and Bears fan. She was known for her homemade cinnamon rolls she would make for church events. She adored her grandchildren and loved spending time with family and friends, especially going to her children and grandchildren's events. Anyone that



knew her always felt they were a better person having known her.

She is survived by her husband, Roger, of Freeport; sons Steve (Anna) Julius of Freeport, Dan (Penny) Julius of Freeport, Randy Julius of Freeport and Mark (Cortney) Julius of Benson, IL; nine grandchildren; brothers Jerry (Erlys) Ploeger of Loudon, TN, and Jim (Jeryl) Ploeger of Mahomet, IL; sister Sally Fehrle of Belvidere, IL; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; mother and father-in-law, Alvin and Grace Julius; and brother-in-law Ray Fehrle.

A private committal service will take place at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Freeport. A memorial service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church at a later date. A memorial fund has been established for Immanuel Lutheran Church and School. Condolences may be shared at walkermortuary.com.

### JUDITH DAGLE

Judith "Judy" A. Dagle, 78, of Warren, IL, passed away on Tuesday, May 12, 202, at the Monroe Clinic Hospital. She was born on June 13, 1941, in Mineral Point, WI, to Theodore and Annabell (McKernan) Weier.

Judy married Eugene D. Dagle on Oct. 3, 1959, in Lawton, IA. She worked in production at Eaton in Warren for 15 years until her retirement in 1985. She was also a home-health aide.

Judy loved music, especially Christian, Western and Celine Dion, she loved taking vacations with Eugene to North Carolina, Branson, Mo., and Lookout Mountain in Tennessee, and for a second honeymoon to Niagara Falls.

Judy enjoyed gardening and loved to cook, and she also loved to play euchre and word games. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother who loved her family.

Judy is survived by her husband of 60 years, Eugene D. Dagle Sr.; their children Arleen Dagle and Margene Dagle, both of Warren, IL, Janine Dagle of Liberty, Mo., Chris Dagle-Olson of Warren, IL, Eric (Kathy) Dagle of Dubuque, IA, and Gene (Stephanie) Dagle of Warren; grandchildren

Wendy (Paul) Gray, Jenny (James) Williams, Adam (Nicole) Swift, Jamie (Dena) Dagle, Heathure (Tony) Bouxa, Brad (Lindsey) Schubert, Robbie Risser, Tony (Bobbie) Schubert, Jeremy (Maggie) Schubert, Christopher Dagle, Ashley (Brandon) Hartzell, Alex Flynn and Autumn Flynn; 21 great-grandchildren; brothers Jim, Jack, Steve, Bob, Jerry, Nick, Ted, Phil, Ron and Randy; and sister Elaine.

She was preceded in death by her parents and grandson Mitchell Dagle on March 17, 2020.

Judy has requested there be no services. Cremation rites have been accorded. Condolences may be sent to the family at leamonfh.com.

## Unemployment numbers continue to climb

By Jerry Nowicki  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

The U.S. saw nearly 3 million more unemployment claims the week ending May 9, including another 72,993 in Illinois, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

The 2.98 million claims nationwide in the week pushed the jobless claims in the first two months of the novel coronavirus pandemic to more than 36 million. The unprecedented number of claims made for a national unemployment rate of 15.7 percent the week ending May 2.

In Illinois, the number of new claims on the week was 1,483 less than the week prior. The number of new claims each week has gone down since a peak of 201,041 during the week of April 4.

The Illinois Department of Employment Security said in a news release it has now processed 1,076,461 claims for regular unemployment benefits from March

1 through May 9.

Continued claims reached 756,441 in the state last week, which was the final period before contractors and self-employed persons were able to file for special federal pandemic unemployment assistance in Illinois.

"While the number of initial claims for regular benefits has plateaued in the last two weeks, IDES will experience an increase in overall claims processed when the federal pandemic unemployment assistance claims data becomes available Thursday, May 21," according to the department's news release.

Gov. JB Pritzker said last week more than 50,000 applications had been filed through the state's new pandemic unemployment assistance system.

"It is working reasonably well," he said of the new portal in his Tuesday daily briefing, calling the new system "a more robust system than the existing one for regular unemployment."

Pritzker said the existing system was "built on a 10-year-old platform not expecting to take the kind of size of applications that have come in for regular unemployment."

Reports of long wait times and an inability to reach employment offices over the phone persist amid the unprecedented inflow of new claims.

"We have many thousands of calls that come in each day, thousands get answered and responded to. And people get processed over the phone as well," Pritzker said in his May 13 briefing.

The state has expanded call center capacity and Pritzker said online applications are the best way to get an application through the system.

"I realize that it is difficult when you can't file, if there's some problem with your filing online, and it requires perhaps an arbitration or some other intervention that it does have a personal discussion with somebody," Pritzker said May 13. "We're working very hard; we've just spun up this outside call center to add on top of the internal IDES capability. And we're getting to them as fast as possible again with an unprecedented number of filings, it is difficult."

IDES said in the news release it has processed 33,729 Pandemic

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## Birth

### Ember Charlotte Molitor

Ember Charlotte Molitor was born to Frank Molitor and Makenzie Brown of Winslow, Ill on May 12, 2020 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Ember joins a sister, Lydia, 6. Grandparents are Frank and Janean Molitor of Kent, Ill., and Stephen and Rita Brown of Hanover, Ill.

## Birthday and Anniversary

Roger Jacobs is turning 80 on June 10th and Roger and Phyllis Jacobs are celebrating their 58th wedding anniversary on June 10th. Please help them celebrate both with a card sent to 309 S. Summit St. Pearl City, IL 61062.

## Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency PY20 LIHEAP and Weatherization Assistance Programs

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to assist residents of Jo Daviess and Stephenson Counties with home heating utility costs through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), and Weatherization Programs.

**PY20 LIHEAP application taking has been extended to June 30, 2020.**

If you have not applied for LIHEAP assistance during this program year, which began October 1, 2019, or your application was denied, you may call the office for more information on applying for assistance.

If you have received LIHEAP assistance but now have a disconnect notice on your gas and/or electric bill, or your propane tank is at 20% or below, you may be eligible for additional assistance. Please call the office for information about assistance.

**Eligible households may call 800-883-1111 or 815-232-3141 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for information and how to apply for assistance.**

**Income Guidelines:** To qualify, a household must have a 30 day gross income at or below 150% of the federal poverty level shown below for 30 days prior to and including the application date.

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3 person household - \$2,666	4 person household - \$3,219
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- Social Security Cards for all members of the household.
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- Current heat and electric bills issued and also disconnect notices received.
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- Copy of current lease or rent receipt.
- Proof of Homeownership (Title for Mobile Homes) and tax bill are required for weatherization assistance.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency Main Office is closed to the public and appointments at outreach locations have been suspended until further notice.

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# What COVID-19 means for dinner tables

## Farmers struggle with processing plant closures

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Headlines about dairy farms dumping milk and livestock being euthanized are a sharp contrast to empty meat cases.

The novel coronavirus outbreak has disrupted the nation's food supply chain, resulting in increased prices for panicked shoppers and major losses for Illinois farmers.

The usual rules of supply and demand between farmers and consumers have been disrupted by

a problem with the middleman: processing plants and slaughterhouses. "Our system is so efficient and streamlined that everything moves at the same flow," says Travis Meter, a University of Illinois-Extension commercial agriculture educator. "But when you have a kink, all of a sudden, that flow stops."

### Processing

Meat processing plants are considered critical infrastructure and have remained open. But with several commercial packing plants in Illinois closed or working at a reduced capacity, thousands of cattle and pigs are waiting to be processed.

Small-scale regional processors are still operating, but most are booked well into fall.

Cases of COVID-19 in the workforce have forced plants to close to follow CDC recommendations for cleaning and inspections, and some staff are simply not reporting for shifts out of fear of getting sick, Meter said.

"The price of meat is going up, but the price (farmers) are receiving is going down," Meter said.

The beef cattle industry nationwide is projected to lose \$13.6 billion due



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**The novel coronavirus outbreak has disrupted the nation's food supply chain, resulting in increased prices for panicked shoppers and major losses for Illinois farmers. The usual rules of supply and demand between farmers and consumers have been disrupted by a problem with the middleman: processing plants and slaughterhouses.**

to COVID-19. Those who can find a buyer are taking losses of \$216 to \$146 per animal.

Illinois-Extension commercial agriculture educator Teresa Steckler has heard as high as \$700.

### Production

Livestock managers can use different feeding strategies to hold animals at a certain weight or slow gains until processing plants are ready.

"With packing plants closed, fat steers are sitting in the feedlot with nowhere to go," Steckler said. "So, you have to keep feeding them."

Holding and feeding market-ready animals incurs extra costs producers may not be prepared for.

At Southern Illinois' Dixon Springs Agricultural Center, where Steckler works, recent dry falls and cool, wet springs have reduced the quality of the local hay supply.

"Some of these guys are finding that their supply of feedstuff is

dwindling," she said.

And as shoppers' food budgets shrink, they are buying less expensive cuts, such as hamburger over prime cuts, resulting in less profit for producers.

Dale Hadden runs a grain and cattle farm with his family in Jacksonville and serves on the Cass-Morgan County Farm Bureau board.

"There's not a place to market our calves, so we continue to hold them with grass and hay and get them to weights a little heavier than usual," Hadden said.

He's also looking ahead to September when he'll be selling most of his 280-head herd.

"If this doesn't turn around, that's going to have a huge impact on how I generate any income."

### Consumption

**Dairy:** In the U.S., 60 percent of butter goes to restaurants. When schools and restaurants closed to slow the spread of the virus, the sales of food-service dairy products plummeted and there were suddenly too many cows producing too much milk.

Hadden said dairy manufacturing facilities are set up with lines to package milk into jugs for grocery stores, cartons for schools or bags for food service. Dairy has a short window for processing and there are only so many gallons that can be held.

"They're dumping it because the processors don't have demand for those products," Hadden said.

**Pork:** The Illinois pork industry contributes an estimated \$13.8 billion to the state's economy, according to the Illinois Pork Producers Association.



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## Church ministry awards eight scholarships

Eight graduating seniors received scholarship awards from My Friend's Closet Thrift Store.

This is the second year that My Friend's Closet has offered scholarships to help area students further their education.

My Friend's Closet is a ministry of St. John's Lutheran Church in Lena.

The effort operates solely through volunteers from every walk of life — all churches, age and genders participate in this ministry.

The selection committee based its decisions on the information provided by the applicants, which weighed heavily on volunteerism, church involvement and community

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# Adkins Energy awards three scholarships

Adkins Energy LLC has awarded three students with \$500 scholarships to help them further their higher education.

Entries were judged on academic achievement and an essay on the question, why is ethanol important to agriculture?

One of the recipients was Kayla Runkle, a Pearl City High School graduate and the daughter of Eric and Billie Jo Runkle.

She is pursuing a degree in physical therapy at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa.

In her essay, she recognized ethanol's food and fuel production benefits while also highlighting the importance of ethanol in global markets.

"With the need for exported ethanol-based goods on the rise, the United States economy benefits from this expansion into the global markets," Runkle wrote.

Adkins Energy is a dry mill, corn-to-ethanol and biodiesel facility located on West Galena Road in Lena.

It is owned by more than 275 local investors and Pearl City Elevator and employs 40 people.

## College news

### Lena's Rachel Edler receives college degree

Minnesota State University-Mankato awarded 2,367 degrees to 2,294 students at the end of the spring 2020 semester, which graduates celebrated through a website that launched May 9, the day on which the university's three traditional graduation ceremonies were scheduled but canceled because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

One of those graduates was Rachel Edler, of Lena, who graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in medical laboratory science.

Each graduate also received personalized URL video messages by email on May 9, and commencement-in-a-box packages were shipped to each graduate the week before graduation.



Laura Rankin



Isabella Kostallari



Jenna Zeal

## • Scholarships (Continued from page 8)

service, as well as personal inspiration and influences in their lives.

The ministry awarded four \$2,000 scholarships and four \$500 scholarships.

This year's recipients are:

- Gabi Brinkmeier graduated from Lena High School. She plans to attend Highland Community College for two years before transferring to a university. Brinkmeier has been involved with her church, sports and choir.

- Laura Rankin graduated from Dakota High School. She plans to attend Olivet Nazarene University.

- Jordan Streckwald graduated from Lena. She plans to attend the

University of Illinois, Wisconsin or Iowa.

- Jenna Zeal graduated from Lena. Zeal plans to attend Loras College or NICC.

- Hanna Diffenderfer graduated from Orangeville. She plans to attend Blackhawk Technical College.

- Jamie Eden graduated from Stockton. She plans to start her college education at Highland Community College.

- Isabella Kostallari graduated from Pearl City. She plans to attend the University of Wisconsin.

- Kayla Runkle also graduated from Pearl City. Runkle plans to attend St. Ambrose University.

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 JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS  
 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
 Plaintiff,  
 -v.-  
 TOD M. SACHS et al  
 Defendant

2019 CH 33

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 9, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on June 9, 2020, at the office of Vincent Roth Toepfer & Leinen PC, 11406 U.S. Route 20 W, Galena, IL, 61036, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SITUATED IN LOT 67 IN SHENANDOAH UNIT NO 8 OF BRANIGAR'S GALENA TERRITORY ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF JO DAVIESS COUNTY, IL ON MAY 5, 1976 IN BOOK 14 OF PLATS, PAGES 55-58.

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Property Index No. 08-108-067-00

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated

on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount

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or to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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Case # 2019 CH 33  
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 (Published in The Scoop Today May 13, 20 & 27, 2020)

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET PLEASANT VALLEY TOWNSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Road Purposes of the Township of Pleasant Valley, in the County of Jo Daviess, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection by appointment from Town Clerk after 8:00 p.m., the 28th day of May, 2020.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN HEREBY that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7:00 p.m., the 25th day of June, 2020 at the Town Hall in this Township of Pleasant Valley and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m., the 25th day of June, 2020.

Dated this 11th day of May, 2020  
 Rena Eden, Clerk  
 (Published in The Scoop Today May 20, 2020)

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWNSHIP BUDGET PLEASANT VALLEY TOWNSHIP

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Dated this 11th day of May, 2020  
 Rena Eden, Clerk  
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## Notice of Public Hearing on Warren Road District Budget

Notice is hereby given that a tentative budget and appropriation ordinance for road purposes of Warren Township in the County of Jo Daviess, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021 will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at Warren Township Building. Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance will be held at Warren Township Building at 7:00 p.m. on June 2, 2020 and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken at 7:15 p.m. on June 2, 2020.

Supervisor – Laura Busch  
 Clerk – Donna Ernst  
 (Published in The Scoop Today May 20, 2020)

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## PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 10-120 of the Illinois Property Tax Code, as amended, the Jo Daviess County Farmland Assessment Review Committee shall hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom audio. The purpose of the meeting will be the certification of the 2021 farmland values.

**Due to Governor Pritzker's "stay at home" order, this meeting will be held virtually.**

PLEASE NOTE: To promote health and safety, we encourage the public to follow the Governor's "shelter in place" Executive Order. We will accept public comment via call-in during the time reserved for

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Laura Edmonds

Chief County

Assessment Officer

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## Notice of Public Hearing on Warren Township Budget

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS

HOME POINT FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Plaintiff,

-v.-

DANIELLE M HOPPMAN-KOCH A/K/A DANIELLE MARIE HOPPMAN-KOCH,

A/K/A DANIELLE MARIE HOPPMAN et al

Defendant

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## DOCUMENT 001116 - INVITATION TO BID

1.1 PROJECT INFORMATION  
A. Notice to Bidders: Qualified bidders are invited to submit bids for Project as described in this Document according to the Instructions to Bidders.

B. Project Identification: Replacement of Football Field Lighting, Lena-Winslow School District #202, Lena, Illinois

C. Owner: Lena-Winslow School District #202, 401 Fremont Street, Lena, IL 61048

D. Project Description: Project consists of delegated design and construction of replacement of football field lighting.

E. Construction Contract: Bids will be received for the following Work:

1 Lump Sum Contract (all trades).

### 1.2 BID SUBMITTAL AND OPENING

A. Owner will receive sealed bids until the bid time and date at the location indicated below. Owner will consider bids prepared in compliance with the Instructions to Bidders issued by Owner, and delivered as follows:

1. Bid Date: May 29, 2020.
2. Bid Time: 11:00 a.m., local time.
3. Location: Administration Office, with social distancing in place, 401 Fremont Street, Lena, IL 61048
4. Address bid package as follows:

Lena-Winslow School District #202 Attn: Dr. Tom Chiles - Superintendent

"Bid for Elementary School Partial Roof Replacement".

B. Bids will be thereafter publicly opened and read aloud.

### 1.3 BID SECURITY

A. Bid security shall be submitted with each bid in the amount of 10 percent of the bid amount. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after opening of bids. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities.

### 1.4 PREBID CONFERENCE

A. NO pre-bid conference will be held. Bidders can and are welcome to visit the site to see the existing conditions and document, measure or photograph whatever they feel is necessary. Bidders should contact Superintendent, Dr. Tom Chiles at the

school district to let the district know they will be visiting the site, and to request access to anything they feel they need to see.

### 1.5 DOCUMENTS

A. Bid Documents: Bidders may obtain access to PDF copies of the Drawings and Project Manual after 3:00 p.m. on May 18, 2020 by contacting Larson & Darby at 815-484-0739. Request them from the front desk personnel.

B. Documents will be provided to prime bidders only. Only complete sets of documents will be issued.

### 1.6 TIME OF COMPLETION

A. Bidders shall begin the Work on receipt of the Notice to Proceed and shall complete the Work within the Contract Time.

### 1.7 BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS

A. Bidders must be properly licensed under the laws governing their respective trades and be able to obtain insurance and bonds required for the Work. A Performance Bond, a separate Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Insurance in a form acceptable to Owner will be required of the successful Bidder.

1. Bidder shall be in good standing as a vendor for the Lena-Winslow School District 202, including a minimum of five solid references for projects of similar scope and size over the past five years.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Lena-Winslow School District #202 will receive sealed bids at the Office of the Superintendent, 401 Fremont St., Lena, IL 61048 up to the hour of 1:00 p.m., Friday, May 22, 2020. Bids will be for the following:

1. Resurfacing of entire elementary parking lot (south lot) with 3" asphalt mat with striping.

Specifications will be available from the Lena-Winslow School District Office located at 401 Fremont St., Lena, Illinois 61048 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. You may also call 815-369-3100 to request a copy of the specifications.

The bids will be publicly opened at 1:00 p.m. on May 22, 2020 in the District Office at 401 Fremont St., Lena, IL. Social distancing will be observed. The Lena-Winslow School District reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for a period not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days after the due date of the bids. The Lena-Winslow School District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

On May 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. a meeting conducted by Orangeville Community Unit School District #203 will take place via a Zoommeeting (contact Dr. DeSchepper at [ddeschepper@orangevillecusd.com](mailto:ddeschepper@orangevillecusd.com) to get details to get connection for the meeting). The purpose will be to discuss the district's plans for providing special education services to students with disabilities who attend private schools and home schools within the district for the 2020-2021 school year. If you are parents of a home-schooled student who has been or may be identified with a disability and you reside in/within the boundaries of Orangeville CUSD #203, you are urged to attend. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting please contact Dr. Douglas DeSchepper, Superintendent at 815-789-4289.

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# Construction projects on the fast track

## \$25 million in grants to help local governments

By Rebecca Anzel  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, is to return skilled laborers to work on road improvements, building upgrades and other ventures that can begin quickly at a time when communities are facing COVID-19-related economic struggles.

Its aim, said Michael Negron, assistant director of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, is to return skilled laborers to work on road improvements, building upgrades and other ventures that can begin quickly at a time when communities are facing COVID-19-related economic struggles.

The Fast-Track Public Infrastructure Grants allocate \$25 million from the Rebuild Illinois

capital plan to "shovel-ready projects," he said, or those that can begin construction within 90 days of receiving funding. Officials will prioritize those improvements in underserved areas.

This link shows where these targeted areas are, which include much of Jo Daviess County and the Freeport area in Stephenson County: [www2.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/Pages/UnderservedAreas.aspx](http://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/ExpandRelocate/Incentives/Pages/UnderservedAreas.aspx).



Michael Negron

Each award is worth from \$500,000 to \$5 million and represents the priority that Gov. JB Pritzker's administration is placing on Illinois' infrastructure, Negron said.

"The key here is we want to get shovel-ready projects off the ground in recognition that when you're investing in infrastructure, you're investing in people — the work creates jobs and improves the business climate," he said. "The priority is adding some stimulus to the economy right now, taking advantage of the construction season and making improvements to infrastructure, which is in constant need of modernizing. That need doesn't go away because of this pandemic."

DCEO announced in March that

it would accept applications for such projects until June 30 as part of a larger program worth \$50 million. Officials are making half that pot of money more readily available for this new initiative.

The fast-track grants are a product of the department's internal discussions about what it could do quickly," Negron said.

"We knew that there were local governments with a wish list of projects in various stages of readiness," he added. "Once the pandemic started to really have an impact on the economy and the governor issued a stay-at-home order to flatten the curve of infections, we took an urgent look at everything that we had and what creative ways we could use money to get it to people

that really need it."

Local governments that cannot have an application ready for this immediate program, for example, can still apply for the remaining \$25 million through the end of June.

This initiative is one of several economic aid plans announced by the department to ease the financial effects of the novel coronavirus pandemic.

The Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program, Emergency Hospitality Grants and Emergency Small Business Loan Fund are a few others.

Department officials plan to host online trainings for local governments and other public entities to learn about the fast-track grants.

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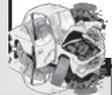
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# Illinois providers receive telehealth funding

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These awards are funded through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act that was signed into law on March 27.

According to a news release, these investments will train students, physicians, nurses, physician assistants, allied health and other high-demand professionals in telehealth.

This will enable these professionals to maximize telehealth for COVID-19 referrals for screening and testing, case management, outpatient care and other essential care during the crisis.

And organizations will be able to maintain primary care services when clinics and medical facilities are not available, especially for COVID-19 positive, quarantined, elderly and other vulnerable populations.

Organizations from Illinois received funding from one or more of these five BHW programs:

- Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program
- Area Health Education Centers Program
- Centers of Excellence Program
- Nurse Education, Practice, Quality and Retention – Veteran Nurses in Primary Care Training Program
- Nurse Education, Practice, Quality and Retention – Registered Nurses in Primary Care Training Program

“Telehealth is a vital tool for our providers in delivering critical treatment to populations most seriously impacted by this pandemic.” Health Resources and Services Administration Administrator Tom Engels said in the news release. “As we look to build and prepare the future workforce, telehealth has opened up new possibilities to educate and clinically train health providers to connect with patients, when and where they need services.”

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U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ND Plaintiff, -v.- TOD M. SACHS et al Defendant

2019 CH 33

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 9, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on June 9, 2020, at the office of Vincent Roth Toepfer & Leinen PC, 11406 U.S. Route 20 W, Galena, IL, 61036, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 5 MALTBY CT, GALENA, IL 61036 Property Index No. 08-108-067-00

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

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# BE A "PIZZA" OF THE SOLUTION...TO UNDERAGE DRINKING

Use this information to help guide your conversation as you build your pizza together.

Each ingredient represents a fact about underage drinking!

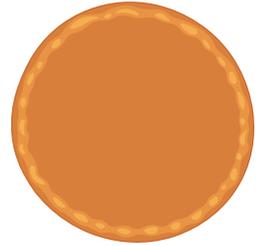
Don't forget to snap a photo of you and the family and post on Facebook using the hashtag **#JDCpizza**.



## STEP 01

### CRUST

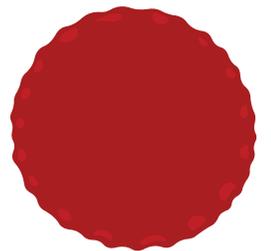
Your family is the solid base - Parents, your actions matter. Talk to your teen about underage drinking. Let them know that drinking is NOT a right-of-passage into adulthood. Education starts at home and is a key factor in creating awareness. Let your teen know where you stand on underage drinking.



## STEP 02

### SAUCE

Why your child might start drinking - Some children may experiment with alcohol as they approach their teen years and begin to experience many emotional and physical changes. Affirm that your teen has the support to address these challenges (such as stress, peer pressure and transitions) as they may come their way.



## STEP 03

### TOPPINGS

The people who help us achieve our best along the way - Let your teen know where you stand on underage drinking. Help your teen learn how to say "no" to peers.



## STEP 04

### CHEESE

Our sprinkling of caring (when things heat up we melt together) - Make a difference, be part of our community effort to spread awareness about underage drinking. As a community, we can work together to monitor activities and decrease access to alcohol. Parents, speak up! Let other parents know that it is NOT ok for your teen to drink alcohol, not even at their house.



## STEP 05

### BAKE

Discuss family values and expectations - To learn more about how to talk to your teen visit:

- Talk. They Hear You. (SAMHSA) - [www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov](http://www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov)
- Partnership for Drug-Free Kids - [www.drugfree.org](http://www.drugfree.org)
- Illinois Youth Survey - [www.iys.cprd.illinois.edu](http://www.iys.cprd.illinois.edu)

