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## State releases guide to school reopening

### Districts to receive more than \$7 billion in federal funds

By Peter Hancock  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Educators, students and families will face a host of new challenges in overcoming the learning loss that occurred over the past year of mostly remote learning as COVID-19 vaccines become more widely available and schools prepare to fully reopen for in-person learning.

To aid in that process, Gov. JB Pritzker announced the release of a new 180-page Learning Renewal Resource Guide to help school officials identify and address the most significant challenges they face.

Pritzker said Illinois school districts can expect to receive roughly \$7 billion in federal funds to help them transition back to in-person learning, mainly through the recently-passed American Rescue Plan. About 90 percent of that money will come in the form of direct payments.

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## 4-H offers hands-on fun

Young people from throughout the area took advantage of a day off of school to participate in the 4-H Fun Day offered at the community building in Elizabeth. The activities included cake decorating, sign making and an artistic repurposing project for folding chairs.

## Local schools to receive federal money

Area school districts will share in \$7 billion of federal funding to help them transition back to in-person learning. The expected allocations from the Elementary and Secondary Education Relief Fund are listed below.

- Le-Win  
First allocation, \$136,963  
Second allocation, \$476,207

Estimated third allocation, \$1,068,976

- Orangeville  
First allocation, \$46,090  
Second allocation, \$163,252

Estimated third allocation, \$366,464

- Pearl City  
First allocation, \$56,594  
Second allocation, \$262,334  
Estimated third allocation, \$588,881

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## Get on vaccination list now, officials advise

In a video update, FHN President and CEO Mark Gridley and Clinical Nurse Leader Tracy Love advise that there's no reason to wait to put your name on the waiting list for the COVID-19 vaccine.

The list is open to anyone ages 16 and up, Love said. "We're currently vaccinating people on our list who are 65 and over and those in Phases 1A and 1B ... and when we get through all of those vaccinations, we'll start calling the rest of the people on the list," Love said. Those unable to sign up on-

line can call 815-599-6412 for help getting on the list.

Because names are being added to the list all the time and FHN's supply of vaccine varies, there is no place to look up where you are on the list, Love said.

"Rest assured, we will call you when vaccine is available for you," she said.

To make sure you get your call, she said, "Please make sure you answer any 599 calls. That is the number we will be dialing from.

"If it's a spam call, you can always hang up, but if it's us,

we need to get hold of you."

Those who are called for a vaccine appointment should bring a photo ID and arrive to the clinic location, 1763 S. Dirck Drive in Freeport, about five minutes early, Love said. Those arriving earlier for their appointments may be asked to wait in the car.

"FHN team members have been working hard to speed up the vaccination process," Gridley said. "We can administer a vaccine about every minute, so our speed now really depends

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# Prevention turns to intervention when disease is detected

In addition to updating your medical records, checking for oral cancer, decay, infections and updating your periodontal chart, your routine dental visits include a professional cleaning called a prophylaxis.

Prophylaxis is defined as an action taken to prevent disease. After your gums have been fully evaluated and attachment depths noted, your hygienist will remove stains, bacterial filled soft plaque and hardened tartar. This cleaning or "prophy" helps to keep your teeth, and the gums and bone that support them,



By **DR. STEPHEN PETRAS**  
Illinois Licensed  
General Dentist

healthy.

Your hygienist also will be evaluating you for any areas of concern in order to assist you in your daily oral care. Again, the prime goal is to prevent disease.

However, if your dental exam reveals that you have

signs and symptoms of periodontal disease, the focus of your care is no longer prevention, but therapeutic intervention to keep the disease from spreading. Signs and symptoms of periodontal disease include pus between the teeth and gums, loose teeth, swollen, bright red or purple gums that bleed easily, painful gums or pain when chewing, receding gums, gum pockets, exposed roots, spaces between the teeth and chronic bad breath.

It has long been said that your oral health is a window

to your overall health. Periodontal disease is an indication that your overall health may not be good. Periodontal disease has been linked to diabetes, osteoporosis, heart disease, Alzheimer's disease, rheumatoid arthritis and other autoimmune diseases. While scientific research is still not sure if one causes the other, they have definitive proof that these diseases each have a negative effect on the other. This domino effect turns into a vicious loop of further disease and destruction.

Like diabetes, periodontal

disease is a chronic, incurable disease. While it cannot be cured, it can be controlled. After the initial treatment (whether surgical or nonsurgical) to address the damage that has occurred, you will be placed on a periodontal maintenance schedule. This will involve re-evaluating your periodontal disease and daily oral hygiene care.

Re-evaluation, education and customization of home care is crucial, not only because the bacteria that cause periodontal disease can repopulate and reactivate the

disease every few months, but because each patient has their own unique set of risk factors and physical challenges.

The cleanings at these appointments are more extensive and require more advanced technology and expertise. They also take place more often, as now their purpose is to treat and control the progression of disease, rather than preventing it.

*Dr. Stephen Petras is an Illinois-licensed general dentist at the Stockton Dental Center.*

## Businessman Gary Rabine announces run for governor

### He is third candidate to seek 2022 Republican nomination

By Tim Kirsininkas  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Businessman Gary Rabine on March 30 announced he will seek the Republican nomination for governor in 2022, becoming the third candidate to officially enter the field.

The suburban entrepreneur held a pair of kickoff events in Schaumburg and Woodstock on March 30, lobbying criticisms at incumbent Gov. JB Pritzker over the state's property taxes and pandemic-related business closures.

The 57-year-old businessman is the owner and founder of Rabine Group, a national exterior services company specializing in commercial paving projects.

Rabine is also an advisory board member and donor for Turning Point USA, a conservative nonprofit aimed at promoting conservative principles on college campuses across the country, as well as an active member of the Young Presidents' Organization and the Republican Governors Association.

The announcement touted his entrepreneurial experience, saying that he would bring a business-centric approach to create jobs and "let the private sector thrive."

"We will lift up businesses and help develop the safest practices," Rabine said.

"We will treat our small businesses and the millions of jobs they create as the valued customers they all are to us."

Rabine said that he would assemble a team of "the best economic minds" to establish an Illinois recovery plan with the goal of creating "50,000 jobs or more" per year by 2024.

Although property taxes are set by local units of government, Rabine said he would aim to cut property taxes by at least 50 percent by 2024 as part of his campaign platform.

"We don't need to be the lowest taxes in the country, we just need to be competitive," Rabine said.

Rabine said that Pritzker, who he called a "California trust fund billionaire," bought the governorship and closed thousands of businesses with his COVID-19 executive orders.

When asked by the *Chicago Tribune* whether he accepted the results of the 2020 presidential election, Rabine told the paper, "I'm not smart enough to understand what was the end result, whether it was stolen or not, and I would never say that."

His comment drew backlash from the national Democratic Governors Association and the Illinois Democratic County Chairs' Association March 30, with both organizations releasing statements condemning the remarks.

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## Make your summer plans with travel guide

### Summer edition features Galena

The 2021 Spring/Summer issue of Enjoy Illinois, the state's free travel magazine, is now available in digital and print versions to view and order at enjoyillinois.com.

"We know that people want to start planning their next getaway, and Enjoy Illinois provides tips for travelers to do so safely with an array of options to see the best of what Illinois has to offer," said Karla Flannery, deputy director of the Illinois Office of Tourism. "We are proud of the state's ongoing efforts to keep Illinois residents safe throughout the pandemic. We thank our many tourism and convention partners for their partnership as we continue working to get tourism back on track and to welcome more visitors back safely."

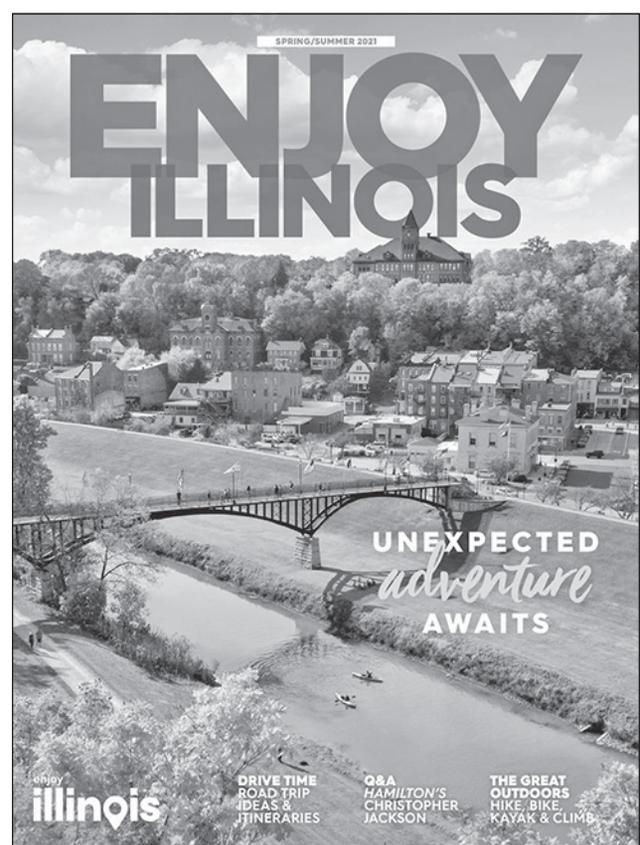
Galena is featured on the spring/summer cover and inside the magazine.

This latest issue of Enjoy Illinois highlights the state's seven scenic byways

and highways. Featured road trips include the Great River Road, Route 66 and the Lincoln Highway.

Other featured places and events in the spring/summer issue include Lake Shelbyville and the Midewin

National Tallgrass Prairie, indoor and outdoor art exhibits, The Obama Portraits on exhibit at the Art Institute of Chicago, the Amish country, craft distilleries and the Hurricane Harbor waterpark at Six Flags Great America.



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# Sports roundup

A roundup of high school sports scores and notes received by The Scoop Today/ Shopper's Guide. All scores are for varsity games unless noted.

## Girls volleyball

- March 29, West Carroll defeated Orangeville, 25-19 and 25-13
- March 29, Le-Win defeated River Ridge, 25-2 and 25-16
- For Le-Win, Kalli Humphrey had six kills, Ella Wolfgram had six aces and Molly Amendt had eight digs.
- March 29, Warren defeated Stockton, 25-20 and 25-21
- For Warren, Cameron Kent and Sadie McCook-Bern each had three aces. Claire Riedl had six kills. Emilie Slichenmyer had 10 digs.
- March 30, Dakota defeated Orangeville, 25-18 and 25-21
- March 30, Pearl City de-

feated Le-Win, 25-10 and 25-14

For Le-Win, Kassidy Humphrey had nine kills and Kalli Humphrey had nine digs.

• March 31, Warren defeated Stockton, 15-25, 25-22 and 25-20

For Warren, Elaina Martin had three aces and Claire Riedl had 10 kills and seven digs.

• April 1, Dakota defeated Orangeville, 25-13, 25-20

For Orangeville, Tori Plowman had five kills and seven digs. Whitney Sullivan had four blocks and one kill. Camree Pelikan had 11 digs and one ace. McKayla Reimer had four aces.

• April 1, Pearl City defeated Le-Win, 25-27, 25-21 and 25-17

For Le-Win, Molly Amendt had 10 kills and Gina DeVoe had 15 digs. Kaidynce Lynch had eight kills, two aces and 11 digs.

# Farmers estimate 2021 planting volume

Illinois farmers intend to plant more soybeans and less corn this year compared to 2020, according to the Heartland Regional Field Office of the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

According to a NASS news release:

Corn growers intend to plant 10.9 million acres in 2021, down 4 percent from 2020. Soybean planted area is expected to total 10.7 million acres, up 4 percent from the previous year.

Winter wheat area seeded last fall is estimated at 700,000 acres, up 23 percent from the previous year. Area planted to oats is expected to total 60,000 acres, unchanged from 2020. Producers intend to harvest 450,000 acres of all hay in 2021, down 8 percent from last year.

Nationally, corn planted area for all purposes in 2021 is estimated at 91.1 million acres, up less than 1 percent

or an increase of 325,000 acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 24 of the 48 that reported estimates.

U.S. soybean planted area for 2021 is estimated at 87.6 million acres, up 5 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is up or unchanged in 23 of the 29 estimating states.

Nationally, all wheat planted area for 2021 is estimated at 46.4 million acres, up 5 percent from 2020. This represents the fourth lowest all wheat planted area since records began in 1919.

The 2021 winter wheat planted area, at 33.1 million acres, is up 9 percent from last year and up 3 percent from the previous estimate. The area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2021 is estimated at 11.7 million acres, down 4 percent from 2020.



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**Illinois farmers are expected to plant more than 10 million acres of soybeans this growing season — a 4 percent increase over 2020 — according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.**

# New data tracker shows decline in small business as lawsuits proceed

By Sarah Mansur  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Hospitality jobs in Illinois have declined nearly 52 percent since the pandemic began, according to new data, as lawsuits continue against the governor's orders to close nonessential businesses.

While leisure and hospitality jobs were hit the hardest, the number of small businesses open in Illinois overall has fallen by about 36.5 percent, as of March 20, compared to last January, based on data compiled by Opportunity Insights, a nonprofit group at Harvard University.

Opportunity Insights' data shows a significant number of closures following the governor's stay-at-home order, which took effect in March and continued to the end of May. The percentage of small business closures in Illinois was about 5 percent in early March 2020, and reached more than 42 percent on March 29, according to the data.

The decline in Illinois' small businesses is similar to the national trend for the same time period. Nationally, the number of small businesses decreased by about 34 percent, with about a 51 percent decline in leisure and hospitality jobs, according to the data.

The data is based on small business transactions and revenues from Womply, "a company that aggregates data from several credit card processors to provide analytical insights to small businesses and other clients," according to the study.

The data also shows that small business revenue overall in Illinois fell by nearly 28 percent from January 2020 to March 20. The amount of total revenue from hospitality and leisure businesses specifically saw a 57.9 percent decrease in that time period.

Nationwide, small businesses overall experienced a 24 percent decrease in revenues, with revenues for

leisure and hospitality businesses falling roughly 53.4 percent from January 2020 to March 20.

As the first COVID-19 cases were reported last March, Gov. JB Pritzker issued his first stay at home order March 20, ordering nonessential businesses — like restaurants

and some retail stores — to close. The order was extended through the end of May, with some restrictions on in-person dining in bars and restaurants lifted in June.

In mid-May, a group of individuals and businesses —

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The LIHEAP DVP (Direct Vendor Payment) Program will continue to take applications for assistance until at least May 31, 2021. Approved eligible applicants receive a one-time payment to gas or propane and electric utilities. New enrollments in PIPP ended March 31, 2021.

Please call the office at 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to receive an application packet. **All applications will be taken by mail, email, phone or fax in response to COVID-19.**

Family Size	Income Guidelines: DVP 30 Day Gross Income
1	\$2,127
2	\$2,873
3	\$3,620
4	\$4,367
5	\$5,113

For each additional person add \$747

**\*\* The following documents will be required to apply for assistance. \*\***

- Social Security Cards for all members of the household.
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days which includes the application date such as paycheck stubs, SSA/SSI/SSD current benefit letters, pension/retirement statements, child support, unemployment reports, TANF/AABD/Township GA assistance notices, self employment reports, and proof of zero income
- Complete current heat and electric bills and disconnect notices you may have received.
- Medical Card from Illinois Department of Human Services
- Copy of current lease or rent receipt
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**The office is closed to the public and outreach appointments are suspended until further notice.**

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**Documents that are required to apply:**

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

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# In my opinion

## Puppy mill bill protects animals

Only a few issues get under my skin more than animal misuse, abuse and neglect. I believe our Northwest Illinois values recognize it is a moral imperative for Illinoisans to demand an end to puppy mills in favor of driving the pet market to more humane sources like shelters and responsible breeders.



By **ANDREW CHESNEY**  
State Representative

I am the chief sponsor and am fighting to pass House Bill 1711 in the Illinois House to end the market for puppy mills by ending the sale of commercially bred puppies in retail outlets. Many retailers responsibly partner with shelters rather than puppy mills to offer pet adoption events, which can continue should my legislation become law. Consumers would still be able to purchase puppies from responsible breeders. However, the direct sale of puppies in retail pet stores would end in Illinois and so would much of the abuse toward our companion animals.

Unfortunately, there is a scourge in our country of inhumane commercial breeding facilities that disregard the well-being of pets for profits. To be clear, one of the best ways to stop the prevalence of these puppy mills is to significantly reduce the demand by ending transfer of pets through retail sales outlets.

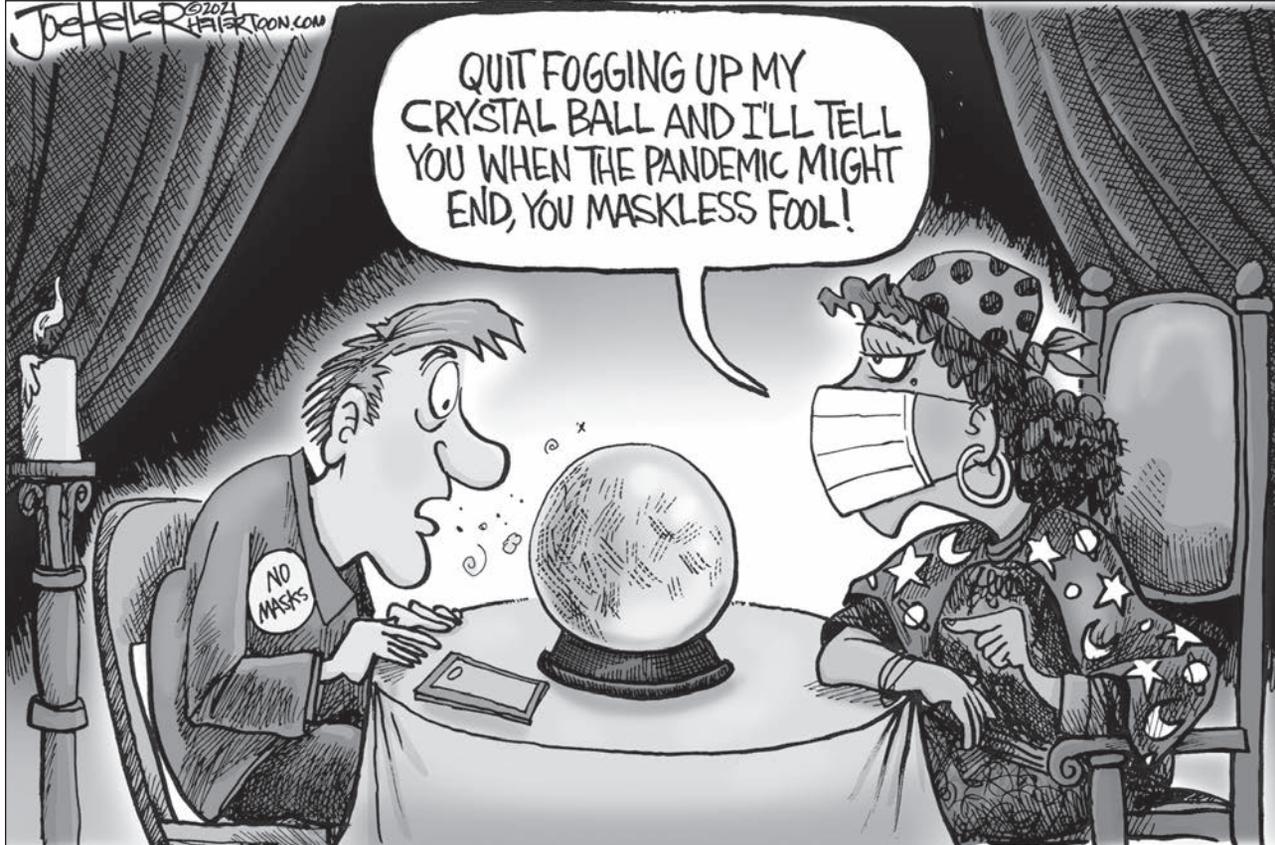
Retailers (pet stores) have put themselves in this

position due to current and past irresponsible practices of misleading potential pet owners with baseless guarantees that pets are healthy, socialized and bred responsibly. Nothing has or could be further from the truth. To meet the demands of providing a constant supply of 8-week-old puppies, most retail pet stores rely on unregulated puppy mills, which rear the pets in terribly unsanitary and unsafe conditions. Many of these pets arrive to their forever homes only to tragically, and quickly, die from health conditions acquired in these sickening mills.

Responsible breeders and shelters vet prospective pet owners to ensure they are financially and otherwise prepared to deal with the responsibility that accompanies pet ownership. Many retailers, unfortunately, simply want to make the sale, with insufficient regard to the health of the pet or the safety of its new home.

Existing pet store laws are exceedingly weak and provide insufficient

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## Slices of life

# Sandal season brings 'toe-tal' freedom

My toes are always the first to come and the last to go.

As the seasons change, and the weather warms in the spring, I can't wait to get rid of my real shoes in exchange for sandals. Weeks before the warm weather actually arrives, I polish my toes in anticipation of the big event.

The opposite occurs in the fall. I wait until the very last minute, when the winds are chilly and frost-heavy leaves cover the ground. It is only then — when snow is imminent and Mother Nature snuffs out any inkling of summer — that I pull socks out of the drawer and put on shoes that will house my toes and keep them jailed for the long winter. I always do so with great remorse.

Toes aren't meant to be kept inside, locked up. They get sweaty. They get cramped. Shoes that house toes cause all sorts of ugly things like corns, athlete's



By **JILL PERTLER**  
Columnist

foot, toe jam and blisters. Blisters hurt.

But for most of us, jailing our toes during the winter months is inevitable. The temperature dips, our toes get cold and we are practical people. Cold toes can cause the shivers, cracked skin and even frostbite. Nobody likes frostbite, so we pack 'em up and put 'em in.

And there they sit — quiet, cramped and sweating — in the dark, waiting for spring.

There is nothing like the freedom of fresh-air shoes. I own more sandals than regular jail-shoes and I'm not embarrassed to admit it. They may not provide arch

support or protection from the elements, but they are fun. They come in all sorts of impractical colors like pink, orange and lime green. They flip and flop and sometimes have that little thingy that goes between your toes. What they lack in comfort and sensibility they make up for in style, style, style.

There is much to be said for the benefits and joys of sandal ownership. Quite simply, sandals provide options and opportunities not available to sock-clothed feet. Take toe rings, for example. They're cute. They're trendy, but just try to wear one under your socks. Ouch. Ankle bracelets are another chic item fashioned exclusively for the open-toed crowd.

And, of course, there's the most important accessory of all — toenail polish. Polish shows off your toes to their best advantage. It makes a statement. A fresh coat of polish shines upward and gleams in the sun. Depending on the shade, it sets the mood

— from classic to hip to cutting edge.

My toes are currently prepping for this year's coming out party. It has been a long winter, and we are ready for some open-air fun. I've fished ankle bracelets and toe rings out of winter storage. My sandals wait eagerly in the closet for the go-ahead signal. As for me, I contemplate the bottles of nail polish sitting patiently on the shelf.

Which will it be? Pale pink? Magnificent magenta? Outrageous orange? Brazenly bronze? I reach in and select a shade of bright crimson. Always a classic way to make an entrance, it's a good choice to start the season. Besides, it will go great with my new lime green flip-flops.

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# Obituary

## DELBERT SCHEIDER

Delbert Scheider of Lena, Illinois, passed away at his home on March 30, 2021, with his family and pastor by his bedside. He was 95.

He was born at Deaconess Hospital in Freeport, Illinois, on April 5, 1925, to Clinton and Lorene (Frank) Scheider. He attended a one-room school through eighth grade, then graduated from Orangeville High School in 1942. He graduated from Iowa State University in 1950, where he studied dairy science. Delbert was married to Hulone Hammer of Anchor, Illinois, for 61 years. She preceded him in death on Dec. 12, 2014.

He served in the Navy in the South Pacific during World War II. He was in the Philippines when word was received of the atomic bomb being dropped on Japan. Had the bomb not been dropped, he and his fellow troops would have been part of an invasion of Japan.

After college, Delbert was appointed assistant Extension adviser in McLean County, Illinois. He later returned home to the Freeport area to operate the family farm, where he became a recognized leader and was well-known for his innovations in farrow-to-finish pork production.

Service to the Highland Community College was one of his proudest accomplishments. He was a member of its first board of trustees, serving from 1966 to 1978. Four years were served as the board's chairman. He remained active on the Highland Community College Foundation Board from 1978 until 2020. His passion and advocacy for the important role of the college to the community and agriculture was strong and unwavering. He was recognized with Highland College's first Lifetime Achievement Award in 2019, an award that now bears his name in recognition of his contributions.

Delbert held many other positions and received numerous recognitions. He was most proud of being named a Prairie Farmer Magazine Master Farmer in 1979. He was a member of the Illinois Pork Producers Board of Directors. He was an active conservationist throughout his life, having installed miles of terraces on his farm and dedicating a substantial portion of one parcel to the planting of a variety of hardwood trees. He was a lifetime salesman for Golden Harvest Seeds.

Delbert was a part of numerous other boards and organizations. From 1965 to 1995, he was on the Buckeye Mutual Insurance Board and held the chairman position from 1978 to 1995. He was also on the board of directors for the State Bank of Freeport, which is now the U.S. Bank. Delbert was a part



of the Lena Lions Club, where he won multiple awards; one he was most proud of was Member of the Year. He was president

and Fall Fest chairman.

He was a man with a strong faith as a longtime member of the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Lena. He served on practically every board and committee in his church over his lifetime.

Delbert and Hulone had a passion for traveling and service. They did international travel with volunteer service programs in Poland, Romania, Ghana, Costa Rica, Peru and the Cook Islands. They also visited China and Japan. They hosted many foreign visitors in their home. Delbert captured many stories of their travels and his life on the farm in a personal memoir he wrote and which is proudly displayed at the Cedarville Historical Society Museum in Cedarville, Illinois.

Surviving are two children, Tom (Mary) Scheider of rural Freeport and Joyce (Jon) Scholl of Cooksville, Illinois; four grandchildren, Jay (Jessi) Scholl of Peoria, Illinois, Jill Miller of Bloomington, Illinois, John (Jenna) Scheider of Waterloo, Iowa and Lindsey (Nathan) Voegle of Sanibel Island, Florida. Delbert leaves behind six great-grandchildren. He also is survived by one brother, Merwin, in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Hulone; a sister, Shirley Jean Fitzpatrick; and grandson-in-law, Ryan Miller.

A visitation and funeral service were held Monday, April 5, 2021, at Good Shepherd Lutheran church in Lena with the Rev. Miho Yasukawa officiating.

Burial will take place at Cedarville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in Delbert's honor can be made to the Highland Community College Foundation and Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Lena.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

# A look at recent news from the Illinois state Capitol

## CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS COVID-19 update

The state reported 3,526 new confirmed or probable cases of COVID-19 April 1, the highest one-day total since Feb. 5.

That drove the seven-day rolling average case positivity rate to 3.5 percent, a high since Feb. 3, as more than 96,000 test results were reported over the previous 24 hours. Another 25 COVID-19-positive Illinoisans were reported to have died over the previous 24 hours, bringing the death toll to 21,326 since the pandemic began.

Hospitalizations continued to trend upward as well, with 1,411 hospital beds in use by COVID-19 patients, including 304 intensive care unit beds and 121 ventilators.

Vaccinations continue to increase, but the vast majority of Illinoisans have still not been completely vaccinated. As of late last week, 17.3 percent of the state's population, or over 2.2 million people, were fully vaccinated. More than 5.9 million doses have been administered of the more than 7.5 million doses that have been distributed to providers.

Over the previous 24 hours, 116,551 doses were administered, bringing the seven-day average to 109,073, an increase of about 8,000 from a week ago.

On March 31, national news outlets including Politico and the New York Times reported that a "mix-up" at the factory of Emergent BioSolutions, which manufactures vaccine for both Johnson & Johnson and AstraZeneca, mixed the ingredients of two different vaccines, spoiling up to 15 million doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

A spokesperson for Gov. JB Pritzker said the state's anticipated shipment for this week is not expected to be affected by the error, but the administration is awaiting further guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention moving forward.

The uptick in the general disease spread and hospitalizations for the virus have halted entry into a "bridge" phase to reopening that would have allowed for greater maximum capacities at social

events, bars, restaurants and other businesses.

## COVID-19 liability shield

The top Republican in the state Senate has introduced a bill to shield healthcare providers and others from being held responsible for injuries or deaths related to COVID-19 exposure.

Minority Leader Sen. Dan McConchie, of Hawthorn Woods, said Senate Bill 2140 would provide civil liability protection to people working for businesses, manufacturers, schools, institutions of higher education, units of local government and religious institutions.

Last April, Gov. JB Pritzker extended civil liability protections to health care workers, health care volunteers and hospitals in one of his executive orders. But the executive order expired in the end of June and was not reissued.

McConchie said the bill applies to individuals in these settings, as long as an individual's action at issue was "in substantial compliance or was consistent with any federal or State statute, rule, regulation, order, or public health guidance related to COVID-19 that was applicable to the person or activity at issue at the time of the alleged exposure or potential exposure."

It would not apply in cir-



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**The seven-day rolling average COVID-19 case positivity rate has been reaching its highest rate in nearly two months recently.**

cumstances where a person in these settings "intended to cause harm," or acted with "actual malice," he said. Actions that constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct are also not protected from liability, he said.

McConchie's bill had one co-sponsor as of April 1, a fellow Republican, Sen. Brian Stewart.

The measure is supported by many business, insurance and medical groups, including the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, Illinois Health & Hospital Association, Illinois State Medical Society, Illinois Retail Merchants Association and the Health Care

Council of Illinois and the Illinois Manufacturers' Association.

Among the groups opposed to the bill is the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association, which advocates for attorneys who primarily represent individuals in personal injury, medical malpractice and wrongful death cases.

Illinois Trial Lawyers Association President Larry Rogers Jr. said the bill goes too far in affording civil liability protections, essentially "granting broad immunities and heightened standards, with regard to proving liability."

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Money Smart Week will feature free online programs from April 10 through April 17. For information, go online to [cornerstonecu.org](http://cornerstonecu.org) or [moneysmartweek.org](http://moneysmartweek.org).

## Free virtual presentations offer financial tips

Get tips to manage your finances and make the most of your money when Money Smart Week is featured online April 10 through April 17.

The annual program aims to promote financial literacy nationwide and all programs are free and open to the public.

The 2021 virtual Money Smart Week will focus on one daily theme, with content from government, nonprofit and educational institutions through a combination of 10- to 15-minute presentations, checklists, toolkits and other resources.

"Programming will focus on supporting the needs of low- to moderate-income households — those most affected by COVID-19 — to encourage greater financial well-being in their communities," according to a news release from Cornerstone Credit Union, a Money Smart partner.

Officials at Cornerstone are encouraging members to take advantage of the free presentations. Go online to [cornerstonecu.org](http://cornerstonecu.org) for a complete schedule and link to registration at [moneysmartweek.org](http://moneysmartweek.org).

Money Smart Week was created in 2002 by the Feder-

al Reserve Bank of Chicago, and has grown to become a nationwide financial education program.

Cornerstone Credit Union, based in Freeport, has more than 13,600 members. Membership is open to anyone who lives or works in 11 counties in northwest Illinois and southern Wisconsin. In Illinois, the counties are Boone, Bureau, Carroll, Jo Daviess, Ogle, Lee, Stephenson, Whiteside and Winnebago. In Wisconsin, membership is open to people in Green and Rock counties.

For more information, go online to [cornerstonecu.org](http://cornerstonecu.org).

# Daily Drawing names March winners

Organizers of the Northwest Illinois Daily Drawing have announced the March winners.

The Daily Drawing is a drawing for 365 daily cash prizes from Oct. 1, 2020, through Sept. 30, 2021, to those donating for a ticket. More than \$21,000 is paid out to ticket-holders during the year, with cash prizes varying between \$50 and \$250.

A ticket may win multiple times as each ticket remains in the drawing each day for the entire year, no matter how often it is drawn.

Sixteen organizations from Jo Daviess, Carroll and Stephenson counties work together on the Daily Drawing:

Caring Community of Elizabeth, Dakota Athletic Boosters, East Dubuque Mu-

sic Boosters, Eastland Music Boosters, Elizabeth Historical Society, Galena Elks Scholarship, Galena Key Club, Galena Travelers, Hanover Alumni Association, Hanover Chamber of Commerce, Lena-Winslow Education Foundation, Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary Foundation, Pearl City Athletic Boosters, Scales Mound Travelers, Stewards of the Upper Mississippi River Refuge, Warren Athletic Boosters and West Carroll Sports Boosters.

The March winners are: Kristi Leverton of Warren, Heather Stietz of Warren, Emily Wand of Switzerland, Kim Leamon of Lena, Sarah Wild of Hanover, Debra Schock of McAlester, Oklahoma, Michael Kin-

tigh of Eldridge, Iowa, William Bennett of Nora, Andy Wurster of Elizabeth, Nellie Bainbridge of Hanover, Kerri Heeren of Lanark, Brent and Holly Chrisman of Lena, Greg Jones of Scales Mound, Brent Asay of Mount Carroll, Amanda Preston of Lanark, Troy Yaun of Rockton, Marc Wolf of Warren, George Kaspar of Mount Carroll, Maddy Chiles of Lena, Connie Geiter of Freeport, Chuck Timm of Batavia, Rich Groezinger of Shannon, Gary Holland of Hanover, Jody Carroll of Elizabeth, Kathy Teberg of Savanna, Madison Manns of Bakersfield, California, Shane Merchant of Elizabeth, Owen Kempel of Lena, Sue Hilgendorf of Mount Carroll, Robert Miner of Moline and Tina Endress of Pearl City.

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including a car repair shop, restaurant and pet groomer — sued Pritzker in federal district court in Chicago. They argued Pritzker's executive orders violated the "takings" clause of the 5th Amendment, and violated their rights to due process.

The takings clause states the government is prohibited from taking private property for public use, without just compensation.

Based on these claims, they asked the court to award them monetary damages for lost revenue and profits.

Last week, a federal judge dismissed the case. Judge Franklin U. Valderrama found the businesses' claims were barred by the 11th Amendment, which provides general immunity to states from lawsuits by individuals.

Because state officials, like Pritzker, who are sued in their official capacities are considered the "state," Valderrama ruled that Pritzker is protected from the lawsuit's claims under the 11th Amendment.

A separate group of lawsuits were filed by restaur-

rants and bars that were forced to close following Pritzker's reinstatement of the indoor dining ban in November. The businesses argued that Pritzker lacked the authority under the state law to impose an order forcing restaurants to close indoor dining.

One Kane County restaurant, FoxFire, has continued to pursue its lawsuit in Sangamon County court, and even appealed to the Illinois Supreme Court, which has not accepted the case.

Lawyers for FoxFire, which has remained open to

indoor service despite the order, have asked the governor to produce discovery, or evidence, to support his ban on indoor dining.

The governor's lawyers have filed a motion to dismiss to FoxFire's lawsuit. A judge in Sangamon County heard arguments March 30 on that motion. The judge said she expects to issue a ruling in that case within two weeks.

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## •Rabine (Continued from page 2)

DGA Deputy Executive Director Wendi Wallace called the remarks "dangerous" and said the comment "should disqualify him from running for governor."

"Rabine's entrance into the race ensures the GOP primary will be an all-out brawl to fight for the most conservative voters," Wallace said in the statement. "Illinois voters are not looking for a return to the Trump administration, and they'll reject Rabine and anyone who shares his values at the ballot box."

IDCCA President Kristina

Zahorik echoed the concerns.

"Gary Rabine is either clueless or part of the conspiracy theory crew who don't believe Joe Biden was legally elected president," Zahorik said in a statement. "Either one is disqualifying to serve as an elected officeholder."

Rabine joins former state Sen. Paul Schimpf, of Waterloo, and current state Sen. Darren Bailey, of Xenia, as the currently declared candidates in the Republican primary. The primary election is scheduled to take place March 15, 2022.



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# Briefs

## Park district receives woodland donation

The Lena Community Park District recently received a donation of 14 acres of wooded property located north of the Butternut Woods Subdivision in Lena.

"The transaction came at negligible cost to the taxpayers, and there are no immediate plans of development," according to a park district news release.

Per the donation agreement, any development on the land would be limited to a woodland trail, the release said.

(Salem-Shippy) Association will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 12, at the old McConnell School.

The purpose of the meeting is to hear ideas and complaints and discuss having a cleanup day. Anyone who might have books or other information relevant to the cemetery is encouraged to bring it to the meeting.

The association officers are Mike Paulsen, president; Robin Pardus, secretary; and Dan Paulsen, treasurer.

For more information, contact Pardus at 815-821-2428.

## Legion auxiliary sets April meetings

The Lena American Le-

gion Auxiliary will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, at the American Legion home, 316 W. Main St.

Members are asked to turn in community service hours and bring toothpaste and toothbrushes for veterans. A Miss Poppy will be selected.

Female veterans or relatives of veterans who may be eligible to join are always welcome. Fees will be waived for all female veterans who join this year.

Junior auxiliary members will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10, at the Legion post.

## Free Extension program explores popular diets

The University of Illinois Extension is offering a virtual program about dieting at 1

p.m. Thursday, April 22. The event is free, but registration is required by April 20 by going online to go.illinois.edu/jsw.

Extension nutrition and wellness educator Diane Reinhold, a registered dietitian, will host "Exploring Current Diet Trends: The Good, the Bad and the Hard to Maintain."

"Learn what foods are recommended by some popular diets, such as Keto, Whole 30, Paleo and Intermittent Fasting. ... (W)e will explore the pros and cons of these diets," according to a news release. "We will also look at the research and safety of these diets and help you identify potential red flags of any diet plan."

For more information, call 815-235-4125.

## Group seeks gardens for July fundraising walk

Officials at CONTACT of Northern Illinois are seeking people who would be willing to include their garden in the organization's July 10 Garden Walk.

"If you are interested in showcasing your beautiful garden, give us a call," a news release said.

For more information, call the office at 815-233-4357. CONTACT provides a 24-hour crisis helpline at 888-463-6260.

# Application deadline nears for Conservation Stewardship Program

Applications for Conservation Stewardship Program funding are due May 7 to be considered for funding in fiscal year 2021.

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service plans to invest up to \$7.85 million for new CSP contracts in fiscal year 2021 in Illinois.

"CSP is a financial assistance conservation program which helps agricultural and forestland producers take the conservation activities on their farm to the next level," according to a USDA news release.

"CSP continues to be a very effective tool for producers working to achieve their conservation and management goals," Ivan Dozier, NRCS state conservationist in Illinois, said in the release.

CSP provides benefits including increased crop yields, decreased input costs, wildlife habitat improvements and increased resilience to weather extremes. CSP is for work-

ing lands including cropland, pastureland and nonindustrial private forest land.

"CSP assists agricultural and forestland producers build on existing conservation efforts while strengthening their entire operation," the release said.

Producers interested in CSP should submit an application (NRCS-CPA-1200 form) to the local NRCS field office or through the Farmers.gov website. A blank NRCS-CPA-1200 application form may be obtained by going online to the Illinois NRCS website at <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/il/home/>.

CSP applications submitted by May 7 will be evaluated by the local NRCS field office staff.

For more information, contact the local USDA service center in Stephenson County at 815-235-2141, extension 2, or go online to [www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/il/programs/financial/csp/](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/il/programs/financial/csp/).

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on the space and the supply of vaccine available."

FHN gets a weekly allocation of doses from area health departments, and the amount varies each week, Gridley said.

"We and many other groups are advocating and asking (state and local governments)

for more vaccine, but there is a lot of competition."

The process is working well, Gridley said, noting that FHN has been able to use all of the vaccine the organization has received.

"We don't want to waste vaccine, and so far, we haven't wasted any," he said.

The latest update video, as well as further information about COVID-19 and vaccinations, is available by going online to [www.fhn.org/coronavirus](http://www.fhn.org/coronavirus).

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Although the supply of COVID-19 vaccine continues to vary, it's best to get on a vaccination list as soon as possible, FHN officials advise.

# Human service agencies make case for funding increases

By Peter Hancock  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

State agencies that serve Illinois seniors and children in state care pleaded their cases last week for increased funding in next fiscal year's budget.

Officials from the Illinois Department on Aging and the Department of Children and

Family Services testified before a House appropriations committee, arguing that the COVID-19 pandemic has generated additional demand for their services, as well as new challenges in how those services are delivered.

"The COVID-19 pandemic shifted the landscape of service

delivery and re-emphasized the importance of addressing older (people's) basic needs as well as for older adults to stay connected through alternative means as never before," Department on Aging Director Paula Basta said.

The Department on Aging oversees a network of local

Area Agencies on Aging, or "triple A's," which coordinate a variety of services for seniors to help them remain in their homes. Among those are congregate meal centers, home delivery of meals, in-home services and emergency home response.

The agency is seeking a \$59 million increase, or 4.3 percent, over the current year's budget. That includes \$11.3 million for keeping up with the new, higher demand for home meal delivery.

Basta noted that when the pandemic first broke out, more than 400 congregate meal centers around the state were forced to close, and the agency had to quickly shift its focus to home delivery.

"So to give you a snapshot of what that meant, from March 30 of 2020 through December of 2020, the 13 triple A's provided over 10.4 million home delivered meals, which comes out to approximately 48,000 home delivered meals that were being delivered every single day throughout the state," Basta said. "Also to give you an idea of how it has changed, in 2019 we only provided 58,000 shelf-stable meals to our seniors. But now in 2020 we have provided over 1.2 million shelf-stable meals to our seniors throughout the year."

The proposed budget also

includes an additional \$5 million for emergency services, \$1 million for assistive technology, and additional money to pay for an increase in rates for people who provide in-home services and transportation.

Gov. JB Pritzker's proposed budget also calls for a 7.9 percent increase in funding for the Department of Children and Families, the state's primary child welfare agency, which would bring that agency's total budget to just over \$1.5 billion.

That includes a \$42.7 million increase for foster care services to account for an expected increase in caseloads.

Royce Kirkpatrick, chief financial officer of DCFS, said the agency is also asking for an additional \$30.5 million for funding of institutional group homes to improve clinical support for children with the most acute needs.

DCFS also is asking for an additional \$12.7 million for technology upgrades to its comprehensive child welfare information system. That system is intended to meet new federal standards and will eventually replace outdated systems, including one that's over 40 years old and operates on a mainframe computer.

The agency is also proposing a \$7.4 million decrease in funding for adoption and guardianship services. Kirk-

patrick insisted that does not reflect a proposed reduction in services, but rather the fact that there was a surplus in that line item in a prior year and the reduced amount for next year will still leave that program fully funded.

But Rep. Kathleen Willis, D-Addison, cautioned against making that move, saying she would rather see the agency put more emphasis on permanent placement of children in state care.

"And I think if we would work a little bit more robust in that, we'd be able to keep more children out of the system and certainly keep them in the least restrictive environment that would be best for them," she said.

Overall, Pritzker has proposed total General Revenue Fund spending of \$41.6 billion, which is \$100 million less than the approved budget for this year.

Committees in both chambers are now holding informational hearings from agencies to hear their specific requests. Later in the session, lawmakers will make their own adjustments to those requests and put together a final budget that will be voted on in late May.

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**Criminal justice funding**

A state agency related to criminal justice on March 31 requested a funding increase to implement new policies and programs meant to improve racial equity and curb violence in Illinois, while the Illinois Department of Corrections outlined a decreased spending request.

The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority requested \$47.1 million from the Illinois General Revenue Fund as part of a \$273.8 million budget for fiscal year 2022. That includes \$171.7 million in federal funding and the rest from other state funds. They made the request at a Senate committee hearing.

The request is \$1 million more than the \$46.1 million ICJIA received from the General Revenue Fund in the current fiscal year. The budget was outlined in Senate Bill 418.

ICJIA's task as a state agency is to improve how the administration of criminal justice is carried out by other state agencies and entities in Illinois. This is mostly done through awarding grants, conducting research and analysis, planning and writing policy, and improving information and technology used in criminal justice.

The \$1 million increase is to help the agency comply with new responsibilities established by the Safe-T Act, a massive criminal justice reform legislation signed by Gov. JB Pritzker in February. Several of the provisions in the new law require action by ICJIA, such as improved reporting for deaths in custody and research and data collection on pretrial practices, domestic violence and substance abuse.

According to testimony by ICJIA officials, \$800,000 will

go toward staffing related to the new duties, and \$200,000 will go to ICJIA grant programs.

Outside of the proposed budget, ICJIA officials said the agency and the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts would need an additional \$1-2 million funding increase between the two agencies to build the database and infrastructure required for the reporting requirements of the Safe-T Act.

**Corrections budget**

The Illinois Department of Corrections' budget request outlined March 31 in Senate Bill 382, includes \$1.54 billion from the General Revenue Fund and \$97 million coming from other state sources. IDOC Director Rob Jeffreys said that was a 10 percent reduction from the enacted appropriation for this year.

According to Jeffreys, the decrease was possible thanks to "evidence-based programming" and reforms meant to reduce recidivism for former prisoners and streamline corrections operations. As a result, Illinois' prison population has decreased by 20 percent, to its lowest level since 1991, a feat Jeffreys said was accelerated by COVID-19.

Senate Bills 649 and 2128, both introduced by Chicago Democrat Sen. Robert Peters, are meant to address inequities suffered by Illinois' incarcerated population, which is disproportionately non-white.

SB 649 would mandate that persons committed to IDOC or IDJJ who work as part of a work release, training or correctional industries program be paid the state minimum wage.

Witnesses testifying on behalf of the bill compared the state's current minimum wage for prisoners, 18 cents per hour, to slavery.

Peters' bill would raise IDOC prisoner wages to \$9.25 an hour and raise the pay unemployed prisoners receive from the state from \$10 per month to \$270 per month. The former would cost \$127 million annually; the latter would cost \$62 million annu-

ally. However, both incomes would be taxable by the state and federal government, and witnesses testified that most prisoners spend their money on goods sold by correctional facilities, which would circulate some of the money back to the state.

SB 2128 would add an additional \$3.3 million to IDOC's general revenue budget, exclusively for the purpose of restoring educational staff serving persons in IDOC custody to 2006 levels. The funds will be used to hire 31 educators and 19 vocational instructors.

If passed, it would be a 0.21 percent increase in IDOC's FY2022 general revenue fund appropriation sought by Jeffreys.

**Assault weapon ban challenge**

Legal challenges against a ban on assault weapons in suburban Deerfield have reached the state's highest court. Two consolidated lawsuits against the Lake County suburb were among the 14 total criminal and civil cases that the Illinois Supreme Court has agreed to hear on appeal.

Guns Save Life Inc., the Second Amendment Foun-

dation and Illinois State Rifle Association sued Deerfield shortly after the village amended its assault weapon ordinances in June 2018 to ban the civilian use of assault weapons and large capacity magazines.

The groups argued that the ban violated amendments to the Concealed Carry Act and FOID Card Act that govern the processes for certain municipalities to impose limits on gun ownership beyond state laws.

When state lawmakers amended the FOID Card Act in 2013, they added a provision that allowed municipalities with a population of at least 25,000 to adopt stricter gun laws if the municipality passed an ordinance regulating gun ownership within 10 days of the law becoming effective on July 9, 2013.

Deerfield passed a new ordinance on July 1, 2013, that regulated the storage and transportation of assault weapons. The village's assault weapon ban in 2018 amended this 2013 ordinance.

The gun rights groups maintained the amendments to the FOID Card Act should be interpreted as preempting

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**Bill** (Continued from page 4)

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unsuspecting Illinoisans.

I would be remiss to not remind everyone to consider adopting their next pet from their favorite local shelter or humane society. Before COVID, I hosted a fantastic pet adoption event at the Friends Forever Humane Society in Freeport. I hope to revive this event as the COVID threat passes, but until then, adoptions continue, and April 30 is National Adopt a Shelter

Pet Day. Please consider adopting your next pet from a shelter or humane society.

You can sign a petition to support my call to end puppy mills in Illinois and support House Bill 1711 on my legislative website at repchesney.com.

State Rep. Andrew Chesney, R-Freeport, represents the 89<sup>th</sup> District, which includes all of Jo Daviess and Stephenson counties.

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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

Easter has come and gone, and we will anticipate the coming of some more spring

activities. This week I have included some great uses for that leftover Easter ham. I also have a unique salad and some great desserts. Enjoy cooking some not-very-complicated recipes this week.

### Apple Cheddar Salad

This easy and tasty green salad is great with any meal or it can be a meal all by itself. The crunchiness of the pecans and the crispness of the ap-

ples will give you a great taste treat.

- 1 T. unsalted butter
- 2 T. sugar, divided
- 1 C. pecan halves
- 2 T. white wine vinegar
- 2 T. olive oil
- 1 T. chopped scallions
- ½ t. salt
- Pinch of cayenne
- ¼ C. heavy cream
- 1 bag of mixed greens
- 1 Braeburn apple, sliced
- Shaved cheddar cheese

Melt butter with 1 T. sugar and a pinch of salt in a sauté pan over medium heat. Add pecans, toast about three minutes and then set aside.

Whisk together vinegar, oil, scallions and remaining tablespoon of sugar, salt and cayenne for the vinaigrette. Whisk in cream until well combined. Toss salad mix, apple and pecans with desired amount of vinaigrette. Top salad with shaved cheddar.

### Ham and Potato Soup

This soup is perfect for spring; it is chock full of vegetables and leaves you fully satisfied. You can use that leftover ham from Easter. Just a note: I always use low-sodium broth in my recipes. Enjoy this with a sandwich and you have a great meal.

4 strips thick sliced bacon, diced

- 1 C. diced onions
- ¾ C. sliced carrots

- ¾ C. sliced celery
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- 4 C. chicken broth
- 2 C. diced red potatoes
- 2 sprigs thyme
- 1 can (16 oz.) navy beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 C. diced ham
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Cook bacon in a large pot until crisp. Transfer to a paper-towel lined plate. Drain

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all but 3 T. drippings from pot. Add onions, carrot, celery and garlic; cook over medium heat, stirring often, five minutes. Stir in broth, potatoes and thyme springs. Bring to a simmer and cook until potatoes are tender, about 15 minutes, stirring often. Stir in beans and ham; season with salt and pepper. Top soup with bacon.

## Grilled Ham, Apple and Cheddar Sammie

We are continuing with the ham theme in the next two recipes. You can serve this "Sammie" sandwich with the ham and bean soup. It makes four sandwiches, so it is great for a lunch.

Softened butter  
8 slices of rustic bread  
2 T. Dijon mustard  
2 T. honey  
1 T. mayonnaise  
2 C. shredded Cheddar cheese  
8 oz. thinly sliced ham  
1 Granny Smith apple, thinly sliced  
¼ thinly sliced shallot  
Whisk together Dijon, honey and mayo in a bowl; spread on unbuttered sides of bread. Divide half the cheddar among four of the slices, followed by ham, apple shallot, and remaining bread slices, buttered sides up. Cook sandwiches, two at a time, in a 12-inch skillet on medium-high heat, two minutes. Cover the skillet and reduce heat to medium; cook sandwiches until undersides are golden and cheese begins to melt, two to three minutes

Flip sandwiches and press with a spatula. Cover skillet (wipe any condensation from lid with a towel if necessary) and cook sandwiches until undersides are golden and cheese melts, two to three minutes. Flip sandwiches again, and press with a spatula; cover and cook one minute more. Transfer sandwiches to a cutting board and let rest one to two minutes before cutting in half. Repeat cooking procedure with remaining two sandwiches.

## Baked Ham and Colby Sandwiches

If you still have some ham and are up to another type of sandwich, this easy recipe will make the kitchen smell great. You can switch the cheese from Colby to cheddar or two-tone cheddar.

½ C. butter, melted  
2 T. prepared mustard  
1 T. dried minced onion  
1 T. poppy seeds  
2 t. sugar  
8 hamburger buns, split  
8 slices Colby cheese  
16 slices of ham  
1½ C. shredded mozzarella cheese

Preheat the oven to 350. In a small bowl, combine butter, mustard, onion, poppy seeds and sugar. Place bun bottoms, cut side up, in an ungreased 15-by-10 baking pan. Top each with Colby cheese, two pieces of ham and mozzarella. Brush with half the butter mixture. Replace bun tops. Brush with remaining butter mixture. Bake uncovered until cheese is melted, 10 to 15 minutes.

## Salted Peanut Squares

If you like nuts and peanut butter, you will like this bar cookie bite. It makes a good number so it is great to take to a potluck dinner for a great dessert.

¾ C. dry roasted peanuts, divided  
1 pkg. (10 oz.) peanut butter chips  
2 T. butter  
1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk  
1 jar (7 oz.) marshmallow crème  
35 miniature Snickers candy bars, chopped

Sprinkle ¼ C. peanuts into a greased 9-by-13 baking pan. In a large microwave-safe bowl, heat chips and butter at 50% for one minute. Microwave in 20-second intervals until melted, stirring every 20 seconds until smooth. Stir in sweetened condensed milk and cook uncovered on high for one minute.

Stir in marshmallow cream and chopped candy bars. Spread into prepared pan. Sprinkle with remaining peanuts. Cover with plastic wrap and press down lightly. Refrigerate until set. Cut into 1-inch squares. Store in an airtight container.

## Lime Cookies

You probably have eaten lemon cookies or lemon squares. In honor of April and the turning of everything green, this cookie is made with lime zest and juice. It is a pretty cookie with a great taste.

2½ C. flour  
1 t. baking powder  
½ t. salt

1 stick unsalted butter, room temperature  
1¼ C. sugar  
2 eggs  
1 t. grated lime zest, plus 1 ½ T. lime juice and 1½ T. lemon juice  
4 drops green food coloring  
½ C. powdered sugar  
2 t. green decorating sugar  
Whisk the flour, baking powder and salt in a medium bowl. Beat the butter and sugar in a large bowl with mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy, about three min-

utes. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in the lime zest and juices, then beat in the food coloring. Reduce the mixer speed to low and gradually add the flour mixture, beating until just combined. Cover the dough and refrigerate until firm, about 45 minutes.

Position racks in the upper and lower thirds of the oven; preheat to 350. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper. Combine the powdered

sugar and green sugar in a small bowl. Roll tablespoonfuls of dough into balls, then roll in the sugar mixture to coat completely. Arrange 2 inches apart on the baking sheets. Bake, switching the pans halfway through, until the cookies are puffed and cracked, 18 to 20 minutes. Let cool five minutes on the pans and then transfer the cookies to wire racks to cool completely.

Last week I had an easy

peach cobbler recipe in the column. A friend from my teaching days called to ask about my eye surgery and then asked about the recipe. My eyes are still not back to normal, and I had a typo in the last part of the recipe.

After melting the butter, you put the batter over the butter and don't stir. You pour the large can of peaches, syrup and all, over the batter. It seems I had batter and butter

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# Kitchen

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 mixed up for the last step. You don't mix, you just basically dump. The batter comes up over the peaches after baking, and it is really good.

Sorry about the typo, and I am sure there will be more as I continue to struggle with reading and typing. Thanks to my friend for telling me this error so I could get it corrected.

## Easy Peach Cobbler

1 can (15 oz.) sliced peaches  
 1 C. flour  
 1 C. sugar  
 1 C. milk  
 2 t. baking powder  
 ½ C. butter  
 Pinch of salt  
 Preheat oven to 350. While oven is preheating, place the butter in a 9-by-9 pan in the oven. While the butter is melting, in a medium bowl, mix flour, sugar, milk, baking powder and salt until combined. Take the pan with the melted butter from the oven (be careful it is hot). Pour the batter mixture over the butter. Do not mix. Pour the can of peaches with the juice over the batter and do not mix.

Bake for 45 minutes or until toothpick inserted in the dough comes out clean.

## Final thoughts

I am finishing my final week after getting my second vaccine shot. I am going to church on Sunday, and I can't wait to worship in person. It has been a long haul.

I hope you all were able to have an Easter celebration. It is early this year, but the weather was nice for a change. I am sure we will continue the roller coaster of temperatures.

My lawn guys came and cleaned up the flowerbeds and the back yard. My yard is pretty easy now that I don't have the big tree in the middle of the back. I even got a lawn chair out to sit in if the weather stays warm.

The high school is doing its musical "Elf" this coming weekend. Check the Lena-Winslow district page and scroll to "musical" for information on how you can see it.

Stay safe and healthy so we don't have to go backwards. Have a great week and good cooking!

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# REAL ESTATE LEGAL NOTICES

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19 CH 30 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on March 13, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on April 29, 2021, 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:  
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# • Guide (Continued from front page)

In addition, higher education institutions in Illinois will receive about \$1.3 billion from the third round of federal relief that was approved in December, for a total of \$2.5 billion across all three rounds of federal funding, mainly from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund.

"With these enormous new resources comes the great challenge that most districts have never had to face — how to avoid having the last 12 months become the lost year for our students," Pritzker said last week. "To revitalize learning for teachers and students and educators, our response must be intensive, holistic and practical."

The resource guide is the work of the Illinois P-20 Council, an agency established in 2009 to study and make recommendations for all levels of education, from preschool through post-college education. The guide was

developed in collaboration with the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Board of Higher Education, the Illinois Community College Board, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission and the Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development, with support from A Better Chicago and Advance Illinois.

Just as the pandemic exacerbated inequities that already existed within the nation's health care system, State Superintendent of Education Carmen Ayala said it also had a disproportionate impact on low-income students, who often have limited or no access to home computers or broadband internet service, as well as students of color.

But she also said that as schools reopen post-pandemic, they will have a new set of resources to help address those underlying inequities.

"With the influx of federal

funding and the learning renewal resource guide, we are now presented with a unique opportunity to transform systems of learning for students, to reshape our new normal, so that our students return to an education system that is more equitable, more individualized and more responsive to their needs," she said.

Melissa Figueira, senior policy associate with Advance Illinois, said it has also had a dramatic impact on enrollment at all levels of education — an estimated 1.9 percent drop in pre-K through 12 schools, with the biggest declines in kindergarten through third grade, and a 5 percent decline in post-secondary enrollment.

The resource guide details 12 topics that districts and higher education institutions may want to consider to equitably address the pandemic's short-term and long-term impacts.

Among them are ways to support enrollment and retention, redesigning the school calendar by expanding school days and the school year, ways to provide out of classroom learning experiences through tutoring, before and after school programs and summer camps, and enhancing the availability of both academic and behavioral counseling.

In addition to the resource guide, the governor's office said in a statement that state education agencies will focus on four major goals to support schools: high-impact tutoring; social and emotional learning community partnerships; interim assessments to measure the impact the pandemic has had on student learning; and to encourage enrollment in both early childhood programs and higher education.

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# GOP takes another crack at redistricting reform

CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Republicans in the General Assembly have introduced a new bill that would hand over the process of drawing new legislative and congressional district maps to an independent commission that would be required to use official Census Bureau, rather than survey estimates, to draw the maps.

The latest bill mirrors a proposed constitutional amendment that was introduced in 2019. That proposal, which had 37 cosponsors, died in the 101st General Assembly without receiving a hearing.

Every 10 years, states redraw their legislative and congressional district maps to align with the most recent decennial census. That process is being complicated this year, as the census data needed to complete those tasks has been delayed due to

the COVID-19 pandemic and other factors.

The Census Bureau has said that the data needed for congressional redistricting will be available by April 30. But the more detailed, block-level data that most states need for legislative redistricting won't be available until September.

But the Census Bureau has also said it will have the more detailed data available in another, less user-friendly format by mid- to late-August.

Democrats, who control both chambers of the General Assembly, have suggested they can meet the constitutional deadlines by using population estimates from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey.

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