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## Heritage Fair Car Show produces winners

Rudy and Penny Stynowski of Hampshire were thrilled to win this year's People's Choice trophy for Penny's 1924 Ford T-coupe. Rudy typically brings "his" 1919 touring car, as well, but it doesn't have windows.

With a chance of rain in the forecast, he wasn't going to risk it. But that doesn't mean he hasn't gone to great lengths on behalf of his hobby—traveling hundreds of miles at a time in pursuit of antique tool kits, parts and the like.

Rudy bought the coupe nine years ago from a member of the Model T Ford Club International, which his fa-

ther helped found in 1952. A retired mechanic, Rudy began working at the family's automotive business—City Suburban Goodyear, which later moved from Chicago to Niles—in 1932.

"I was pretty much a Henry Ford follower. Model Ts were in my family," said Rudy, 71. "The Model T, just in the United States, had 58 percent of the car market at one time. ... Henry Ford wanted to make everything he could himself. Every time someone would come up with a good idea, he would adopt it."

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Left: Rudy and Penny Stynowski have been "scrounging up" accoutrements for their Model T's at antique stores throughout the Midwest. Their inventory includes spark plugs, polish, tire repair kits and warning reflectors. Bottom right: Machinist Gus Tipps of Walworth, Wis., presents the lighted People's Choice trophy to Penny Stynowski of Hampshire for her 1924 Model T. It was among those entered in the July 11 Heritage Fair Car Show. Top right: John Sobieszczyk's 1957 Mercury Marquis captured Best of Show honors at the Heritage Fair Car Show.

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## Hospital receives Lantern Award

Northwestern Medicine McHenry Hospital's emergency department was one of 33 departments nationwide that were named Monday, July 19, as recipients of the Emergency Nurses Association Lantern Award.

The award is considered the highest accomplishment an emergency department can achieve. It recognizes teams that demonstrate excellent practice and innovative performance through leadership, education, advocacy and research. Emergency departments must complete a rigorous application process to be considered for the award.

"The Lantern Award reflects our emergency department's commitment to providing patients exceptional care during some of the most difficult moments of their lives," said Nick Rave, president of Northwestern Medicine McHenry Hospital. "Our emergency medicine team combines leading clinical care with the compassion our patients and families need in those moments. It takes a special team to create that environment."

According to the Emergency Nurses Association, this year's Lantern Award recipients were recognized for many accomplishments, including efforts to improve patient mortality from severe sepsis and septic shock; better clinical

outcomes and quality of life for stroke patients; and developing efficiencies for the triage process during high patient volume times.

"In addition to the normal measures that evaluate quality of emergency care, our team achieved this award during a pandemic," said Catie Schmit, vice president and chief nurse executive at Northwestern Medicine McHenry Hospital. "That makes this accomplishment even more impressive because we provided the same level of care and compassion to people who were suffering from COVID-19 as we did to people who had heart attacks, strokes, life-threatening illnesses and mental health crises."

Kelly Monestero, director of emergency services at Northwestern Medicine McHenry Hospital, said the team's achievement has given staff members an opportunity to reflect on their accomplishments.

"We are usually laser-focused on caring for our patients and caring for each other," Monestero said. "The Lantern Award reminds us that we're setting national standards for the treatment we provide and for the workplace culture we've created. It's an absolute honor to be recognized for our team's efforts and our exceptional outcomes."

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# VIEWPOINT

## Slices of life

### The great laptop crash and other daily foibles

Dear readers -  
Some days are not quite like any others. Yesterday was one of those days.

It started at 5:34 a.m.—early, like all of my favorite days do (not). I awoke with the birds and had a happy thought:

It's Tuesday. I have a deadline to send two columns to newspapers today and I wrote three columns last night. Yay, for me, the over-achiever! Working ahead. You can do it, Jill!

I yawned, rubbed my eyes and pattered downstairs to grab a cup of coffee and my laptop.

It wasn't in its usual spot (the laptop, not the coffee).

Maybe I'd brought it upstairs before bed. I trudged up the steps, my legs still heavy with sleep. I scanned the bedroom, looking on the table where I typically set my computer.

No go. The table was empty. Maybe I wasn't seeing things. I headed back downstairs.

My activity must have woken one of my sons because he followed me down the steps.

"I can't find my laptop," I told him.

"Oh," he said. "We put it over here," as he pointed to the dining room table. "Some water got spilled on it last night."

At first I didn't understand the gravity of the situation. My laptop had an unfortunate



By **JILL PERTLER**  
Columnist

run-in with water. Laptops and water don't mix.

Water always wins.

The laptop contained my columns, but it also contained all my journal entries since my husband passed away in November. The content was more valuable than a VISA card in a word, priceless.

I wanted to cry. (Okay, maybe I did just a little.)

It was beyond dumb of me to not have a backup, I know. Ugh. But no amount of ughs will bring back 20,000 words of journal entries. Double ugh just the same.

Google's advice? Let the laptop air out for 48 hours (duh). Wait. And hope.

I did all three.

In the meantime, however, I needed a column. Just one. I no longer had the luxury of three. I had to find a Plan B to get me through the week.

Did I mention I am moving? Half of my belongings were still at the "old" house; the other half were at cabin at the lake. My other computer, and only secondary source of my writing work, was at the latter—two and a half hours away. I didn't have any other option. I headed toward the car and

headed it toward the lake. I figured as a last ditch effort, I could send a previously published column to buy me some time until the next week.

I got to the cabin and booted up the computer.

The mouse wouldn't work.

I switched out the batteries, but no go. Apparently my mouse had died. What are the chances?

I headed to the store for a

new mouse.

I got back and got my power cords aligned. My new mouse scurried and navigated just like a mouse is supposed to do. I was back on track.

Then my keyboard went offline. (I am not making this up.)

I tried rebooting my computer. Three times.

After a fair amount of sweat, pleading and prayer, my

mouse was finally talking with the computer and the keyboard was talking with both.

I found a column and sent it to editors. My work was complete.

The day started earlier than I wanted. It included more challenges and unexpected situations than I wanted. Some might even call it a bad day.

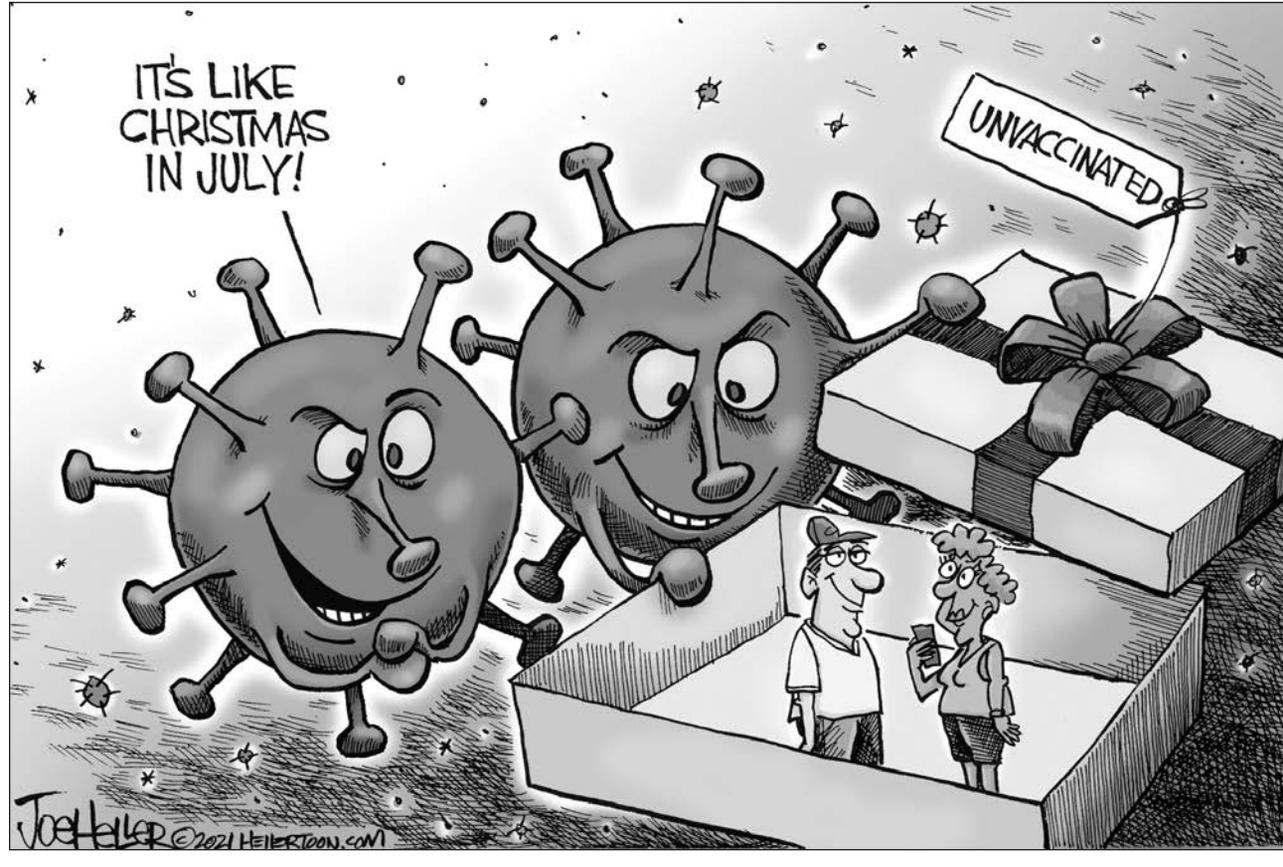
But in the end, it turned out okay. I met my deadline.

Editors were satisfied. I lived to write another week.

On the plus side, I got some extra time at the lake, and an idea for a column.

Maybe the day wasn't so bad after all.

*Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, and author. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.*



## Back in the saddle

### Recruiting, improving and fundraising

By Ann Marie Cain, FBCM MANAGER, WINNEBAGO-BOONE FARM BUREAU

#### Young Leaders

The District 2 Young Leaders Discussion Meet was held on Wednesday, July 21, at the Stephenson County Farm Bureau office.

Five young leaders discussed "How can the Farm Bureau improve its effectiveness at recruiting YF&R members and increasing participation in YF&R programs?" and "Agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries. What can we, as young farmers and ranchers, do to create a more preventative, rather than reactive, approach

to farm safety in our communities?"

Greta Koebel and Ryan Reeverts will represent District 2 at the Illinois Farm Bureau State Discussion Meet during the IAA Annual Meeting in December. John Mitchell was selected as the alternate. Congratulations to all the Young Leaders for a job well done!

#### Drive for Ag Education

The Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau Foundation is hosting a Tractor Trek on Saturday, Sept. 11, to help support the Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom program,

scholarships and internships. Antique tractor enthusiasts are invited to join us as we travel through the rolling hills of northwestern Winnebago County.

Drivers must be 16 years or older with a valid driver's license. Tractors must be 25 years or older, have rubber tires and SMV emblems, and travel a minimum of 10 mph. No four-wheel drives. Mirrors and fire extinguishers are encouraged.

Registration includes a continental breakfast, snacks, drinks and lunch.

The registration fee is \$50. Guests are invited to join us for lunch for \$15 per person. Registrations received by Monday Aug. 30, will be eligible for a cash drawing of \$100.

Additional details are available on our website [www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org/foundation-events.html](http://www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org/foundation-events.html)

#### "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at the Fireside Theatre

Join Winnebago-Boone and Stephenson Farm Bureaus

as we travel to the Fireside Theatre in Fort Atkinson, Wis., on Thursday, Sept. 16, for a delicious lunch and a production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." "This telling of the biblical story of Joseph and his brothers is filled with great music, costumes, laughter, joy, and heart. Utilizing many different styles of music from pop/rock to country to musical comedy this sparkling show follows young Joseph as he faces adversity and triumphs through his dreams and his

strong, unwavering faith."

The bus will leave from the Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau building, 1925 S. Meridian Road, Rockford, at 8:30 a.m., and pick up at the Cherryvale Mall overflow parking lot at 8:45 a.m. The cost is \$105 per member and \$110 per non-member, which includes the cost of motor coach transportation, lunch, and the show. Our estimated return time is 6:30 p.m. at the Cherryvale Mall and 7 p.m. at the Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau. Registrations are due by Wednesday, Aug. 18.

## Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,  
Like many other parents here in the Stateline region and across the country, I oppose mask mandates on school children. As a policy maker and locally elected official, I see that the science and data is clear: mask mandates are not needed in schools.

Those schools that chose to operate with in-person education last year experienced a safe successful year despite other schools determining it was too dangerous to operate in-person. The fear-based closures resulted in lost educational time, and the number of students who have fallen behind is very unfortunate and will produce ongoing consequences.

In regards to the discussion of mask

requirements in schools, it is important to note that children are not at high risk for becoming infected, not at high risk for transmitting the virus to others, and not at high risk for any severe health issues. These facts are not in dispute and now there is a vaccine readily available for those who determine it is necessary.

There is no government mandate from the Illinois Department of Public Health for mask mandates, and school boards have the choice to determine their own COVID-19 policies with community input from parents and students. I am encouraged that many school districts around the state, large and small, public and private are making the decision to have masks be optional.

I urge school board members in every district to listen to parents and follow the science and facts – students do not need to wear masks in school. In fact, forcing students to wear masks when it is unnecessary only perpetuates fear and anxiety while limiting a child's normal social ability to interact with classmates. This upcoming school year, all our students should be allowed to enjoy an uninterrupted, in-person classroom learning experience that focuses on their educational needs in a mask-free setting. To do otherwise would be placing the voices of a small minority of fear-driven individuals over science, truth, and the best interests of our children. Moreover, any attempt

at a vaccination passport or vaccination requirement in order to not wear a mask is poor policy. Those that advocate this policy in order to "require" vaccinations of healthy low-risk individuals is doing a disservice to other nations that do not have vaccination availability. A recent *Chicago Tribune* article highlighted the problem that many poorer, less developed nations have no access to vaccines for their elderly and high risk residents, yet wealthier countries like the United States are pushing vaccinations on young healthy individuals and not distributing enough vaccinations to those around the world in greatest need.

Sincerely,  
Joe Sosnowski, State Representative, 69th District

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# Explorers train from the ground up

By Anne Eickstadt  
EDITOR

The Fire Explorer program was created to give high school age kids the opportunity to train as firefighters before they are eligible to become firefighters. It is intended to let them see if firefighting is a field that they would be happy in.

The program is designed to allow male and female youth, between the ages of 14 and 20, to explore a career in the fire service. The training program is intense and demanding, however the rewards are increased character and the understanding of what it takes to pursue a career in the fire service.

They receive the same training that firefighters receive so they can have realistic experience. In Boone County, Explorers come from two different high schools. Kids come from other districts as well so they form bonds that they otherwise would not have. They wouldn't know each other from anything other than competing against the other's school.

All the firefighters and EMS personnel here are willing to work with the Explor-

ers and help with homework, discuss issues, and chat with them to help make them the best people they can be.

Boone County Fire Explorers are trained well enough that some kids can, and have, been hired straight out of the program.

Tuesday, July 20, said BFD Cpt. Chad Cunningham, "We went over how to hook up to a hydrant and send water to the ladder truck, went over the different tools used, when and why we hook to a hydrant, different sized hoses that can be used, how to flush (clean out) the hydrant, and how to properly disconnect it from the ladder and hydrant.

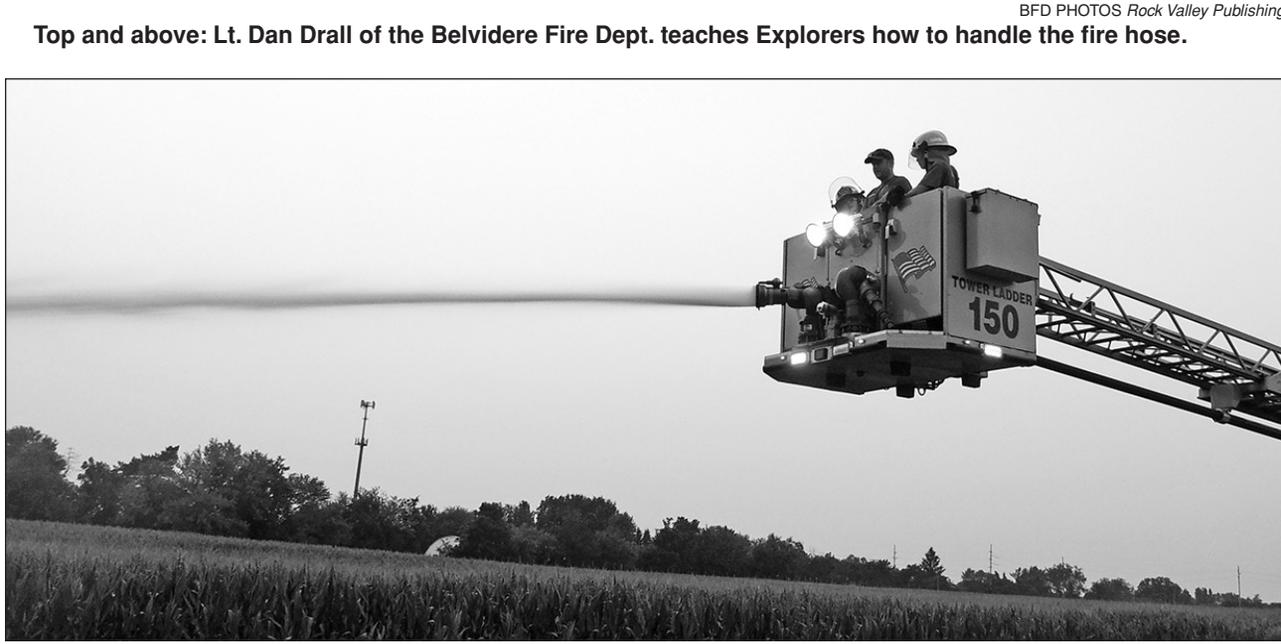
"We went over hose line advancement, the proper way to stand while flowing water, different streams used (fog/straight stream), different sized hoses used and when to use them, and the different nozzles used (smooth bore/combination).

"We taught the explorers Ladder operations. That includes how to set it up, the limitations of the ladder, what tools are on it, when it would be used, and how to work the controls in the bucket and on the platform."



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Above and below left: Firefighter Jeff Vaughan of the BFD teaches working with a fire hydrant to the Explorers.



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Above and below right: FF Ron Herman shows Explorers bucket safety and handling on the ladder truck.



# Investigation warns taxpayers about Child Tax Credit scams

The Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division is warning taxpayers about Child Tax Credit-related scams, which criminals may use to steal money and personal information.

While millions of American families started receiving the advance Child Tax Credit payments last week, criminals were already looking for innovative tactics to take advantage of unwitting victims. Taxpayers should be on the lookout for a variety of phone, e-mail, text message and social media scams targeting families eligible for the credit. Any communication offering assistance to sign up for the Child Tax Credit or to speed up the monthly payments is likely a scam. When receiving unsolicited calls or messages, taxpayers should not provide personal information, click on links, or open attachments as this may lead to money loss, tax-related fraud, and identity theft.

"As the country continues to grapple with the financial fall-out of the COVID-19 pandemic, scammers and criminals continue to evolve their efforts to steal the assistance the government provides, from those that need it the most," said Acting Special Agent in Charge, Donald "Trey" Eakins, IRS Criminal Investigation, Chicago Field Office. "Be aware of those that try to steal the tax credit that you are entitled to, and if an offer sounds too good to be

true, it probably is."

Although scammers constantly come up with new schemes to try and catch taxpayers off-guard, there are simple ways to identify if it is truly the IRS reaching out.

The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers via e-mail, text messages, or social media channels to request personal or financial information, even information related to the Child Tax Credit.

The IRS does not leave pre-recorded, urgent, or threatening messages. Aggressive calls warning taxpayers about a lawsuit or arrest are fake.

The IRS will not call taxpayers asking them to provide or verify financial information so they can obtain the monthly Child Tax Credit payments.

The IRS will not ask for payment via a gift card, wire transfer or crypto currency.

If you are eligible for advance payments of the Child Tax Credit, the IRS will use information from your 2020 or 2019 tax return to automatically enroll you for advance payments. Taxpayers do not have to take any additional action. Taxpayers who are not required to file a tax return or who have not provided the IRS their information, may visit [IRS.gov/childtaxcredit2021](https://www.irs.gov/childtaxcredit2021) to provide basic information for the Child Tax Credit.

To report suspicious IRS-related phishing and online scams, visit [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov).

# \$1.4 million in grants awarded to school libraries

More than 1.5 million students reached

Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White has awarded over \$1.4 million in FY21 School District Library Grant Program awards to 649 public school districts. More than 1.5 million Illinois students served by school library media programs will benefit from the grants.

"As a former public school teacher and administrator, I know our school libraries are very important in helping students learn and prepare themselves for the future," White said. "Illinois was the first state to implement a school district grant program, and I'm pleased that we can continue to provide school libraries with some of the financial resources they need to produce well educated students."

Public Act 102-0039 provided for an increased

school library grant rate of \$.885 per student, with a minimum grant award of \$850. The School District Library Grant Program is used to acquire fiction and/or non-fiction books, educational CDs and DVDs and library subscriptions to electronic resources, as well as to improve technology by purchasing new computers or improving Wi-Fi connectivity.

Boone County school districts to receive grants are:

- Belvidere: Belvidere School District #100: \$6,598.56
- Poplar Grove: North Boone CUSD #200: \$1,357.59

Information about the grant program can be found at [www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/grants/schoolpercapgrant.html](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/grants/schoolpercapgrant.html).



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## BFD Retiree events

The Belvidere Fire Department held its first Retiree Breakfast since COVID-19 hit, on Sunday, June 27. They had a very good turnout.



Retired firefighters Jim Bean and Craig Wilcox catch a ride on the vintage Mack fire engine during the Heritage Day Parade.

## Crime news

### Hearns found guilty of domestic battery

Boone County State's Attorney Tricia L. Smith announced that on July 19, 2021, Jason R. Hearns, 55, of Rockford, pleaded guilty to one count of domestic battery, a Class 4 Felony. On



Jason R. Hearns

Jan. 5 Hearns struck a family member while in a public place.

Judge C. Robert Tobin sentenced Hearns to six years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, the maximum possible penalty. After he serves his sentence, Hearns will be subject to four years of mandatory supervised release.

### Arrest warrant issued for child sexual assault

Belvidere Police concluded an eight-month investigation with the issuance of an arrest warrant for a Belvidere man on multiple predatory criminal sexual assault, criminal sexual assault and aggravated criminal sexual abuse



Daniel L. Lamb

three counts of criminal sexual assault (Class 1 Felony) and two counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse (Class 2 Felony).

In November 2020 the Belvidere Police Department received a report that Lamb allegedly sexually assaulted multiple juveniles.

During the investigation, Belvidere detectives met with the Boone County State's Attorney's Office, which authorized several counts of sex offenses against Lamb.

A Boone County judge issued an arrest warrant for Lamb, who is currently in the custody of the Illinois Department of Corrections on unrelated charges. Lamb's bond is \$500,000 or ten percent.

A Class X Felony is punishable by six to 30 years in the Illinois Department of

charges.

Daniel L. Lamb, 42, of Belvidere, is wanted for four counts of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child (Class X Felony),

Corrections, a Class 1 Felony is punishable by four to 15 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, and a Class 2 Felony is punishable by three to seven years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Belvidere Police Department at 815-544-2135 or Boone County Crimestoppers at 815-547-7867(815-547-STOP) and boonecounty crimestoppers.com, 24 hours a day.

### Belvidere man arrested for child pornography

Belvidere Police conclude a three-month investigation, arresting a Belvidere man on multiple child pornography and dissemination of child pornography charges.

Christopher W. Hernes, 22, of Belvidere, was arrested for four counts of child pornography (Class X Felony) and one count of dissemination of child pornography (Class X Felony).

In May of 2021, the Belvidere Police Department received a report that Hernes allegedly had in his possession



Christopher W. Hernes

child pornography and disseminated the child pornography of a juvenile female.

While conducting the investigation, Belvidere detectives met with the Boone County States Attorney's Office, which authorized several counts of child pornography and dissemination of child pornography against Hernes.

A Boone County judge issued an arrest warrant for Hernes, who was arrested on July 20, and remains in the custody of the Boone County Correctional Facility with a bond of \$250,000/10 percent.

A Class X Felony is punishable by six to 30 years in the Department of Corrections. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Belvidere Police Department at 815-544-2135 or Boone County Crimestoppers at 815-547-7867 (815-547-STOP) and boonecounty crimestoppers.com, 24 hours a day.

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# Diamond Rio headlines at the Boone County Fair on Aug. 14

Diamond Rio is an American country music band. The band was founded in 1982 as an attraction for the Opryland USA theme park in Nashville, Tennessee, and was originally known as the Grizzly River Boys, then the Tennessee River Boys. The band was founded by Matt Davenport, Danny Gregg, and Ty Herndon.

After undergoing several membership changes in its initial years, the band has consisted of the same six members since 1989: Marty Roe (lead vocals, rhythm guitar), Gene Johnson (mandolin, guitar, fiddle, tenor vocals), Jimmy Olander (lead guitar, banjo), Brian Prout (drums), Dan Truman (keyboards), and Dana Wil-

liams (bass guitar, baritone vocals).

After taking the name Diamond Rio, the band was signed to Arista Nashville and debuted in 1991 with the single "Meet in the Middle", which made them the first band ever to send a debut single to No. 1 on the Billboard Hot Country Songs charts.

The band charted 32 more singles between then and 2006, including four more that reached No. 1: "How Your Love Makes Me Feel" (1997), "One More Day" (2001), "Beautiful Mess" (2002), and "I Believe" (2003).

Diamond Rio has recorded nine studio albums, four Greatest Hits compilations, and an album of Christmas

music. Three of the band's albums have achieved RIAA platinum certification in the United States. In addition, Diamond Rio has received four Group of the Year awards from the Country Music Association, two Top Vocal Group awards from the Academy of Country Music, and one Grammy Award.

The band is known for its vocal harmonies, varied instrumentation, and near-exclusive use of only its own membership on recordings instead of session musicians. Their sound was originally defined by mainstream country, bluegrass, and rock influences, but later albums drew more influence from Christian country music and country pop.



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Diamond Rio has consisted of the same six members since 1989: Marty Roe (lead vocals, rhythm guitar), Gene Johnson (mandolin, guitar, fiddle, tenor vocals), Jimmy Olander (lead guitar, banjo), Brian Prout (drums), Dan Truman (keyboards), and Dana Williams (bass guitar, baritone vocals).

## Part of historic Belvidere Leath building soon will be demolished

By Bob Balgemann  
REPORTER

One of the early contributors to the growth of the city was the National Sewing Machine Company at 400 Meadow Ave., which was founded in 1890 by Barnabas Eldredge. Four years later it was the second largest sewing machine company in the world, employing 1,378 people and supporting about one-half of Belvidere's 8,000 residents.

After years of success, the company closed in 1953 primarily due to the impact of imported models.

This was a spacious building along the Kishwaukee that for decades also was home to Leath Furniture. Now the name Leath is back in the news as city council voted Monday night to have its wooden portion demolished.

There were three bids for the work with the low quote, of \$304,750 from Packard Excavating in Rockford, being chosen. The remaining part of the building, which Mayor Clint Morris said had been "built like a fortress," will continue to be used by the city for storage.

Council voted 8-0 to approve the Packard bid, but not without questions about the demolition.

### The questions

Alderman Dan Snow asked how the building would be torn down, with heavy equipment or with the use of implosion.

"Heavy equipment," Public Works Director Brent Anderson replied.

With the building having asbestos, Snow later inquired if the company would have equipment to monitor for possible air quality issues caused by the demolition.

"All I can say for sure is they will have to comply with EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) requirements for demolition," Anderson answered.

"Will the asbestos be taken care of at that time?" Alderman Natalie Mulhall asked.

"Yes," the director responded. "They have to comply with all regulations."

Alderman Marsha Freeman wondered when work would begin.

Given the steps in the process that have yet to be taken, Anderson said his guess would be at least 30 days before they get started.

Alderman Sheryl Prather asked how businesses and residents in that area would be notified about the demolition.

The director said notice would be posted on the city's website, with some notices probably being sent out to those in the affected area. Also, detour routes will be set up for motorists to follow while the work is being done.

### Other discussion

During the Committee of the Whole/

Public Works meeting on July 12, there was discussion among aldermen about the work and about possible redevelopment of that historic area.

Mayor Clint Morris talked about his experience with that building since recently taking office.

"I took a tour of that building from the bottom to the top floor," he recalled. "And that would be the last time I would go in that building, particularly off the first floor."

He presented aldermen with a video of the building he said had gotten worse since the video was made. The video showed part of the roof having collapsed and debris on the floor below.

Alderman Tom Porter wondered if the building's stone walls would be left standing.

"No, it's all coming down," Danny Anderson, superintendent of the water, sewer and street departments, said of the wooden portion. "The outside walls will not stand."

Porter said he had been hoping that the recent hotel proposal would happen, but he guessed there was no safe way to do that.

"It really is unsafe," Morris said of this part of the building. "For years no one would invest in that and part of the reason why is there are layers of asbestos in each floor, for fire proof protection. Anyone doing anything with the building would have to deal with that as well. That probably had a lot to do with why there were no takers for a 75-year-old building."

Alderman Wendy Frank asked where the city was going to "put all the things that were stored in there, like the snow plows."

"Actually, we don't have anything stored in that part of the building," the mayor replied. "We have storage to the east that part of the building is sound. The police department has storage in there, too. This is separate from that."

Snow asked if anything would be salvaged, such as the timbers.

"I'm sure the demolition contractor will salvage the brick and a lot of the wood beams that are not rotted," Anderson answered. "We would have no control over where that went."

A number of years ago Alderman Ric Brereton said he heard someone from Ohio offered to tear down the building free of charge as long as he could have the salvage. He wondered if such a possibility existed today, or if the asbestos had been discovered since then.

"I think that's exactly what happened," Morris responded. "So that changed everything."

The committee in a unanimous voice vote recommended approval of the low bid for the demolition.

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# Kids eat more fruit and vegetables with longer seated lunchtime

By Xanna Burg, Jessica Jarick Metcalfe, Brenna Ellison and Melissa Pflugh Prescott

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When kids sit down to eat lunch at school, fruits and vegetables may not be their first choice. But with more time at the lunch table, they are more likely to pick up those healthy foods. If we want to improve children's nutrition and health, ensuring longer school lunch breaks can help achieve those goals, according to research from the University of Illinois.

"Ten minutes of seated lunch time or less is quite common. Scheduled lunch-time may be longer, but students have to wait in line to get their food. And sometimes lunch periods are shared with recess. This means the amount of time children actually have to eat their meals is much less than the scheduled time," says Melissa Pflugh Prescott, assistant professor in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at U of I.

Prescott and study co-authors Xanna Burg, Jessica Metcalfe and Brenna Ellison compared fruit and vegetable consumption during 10 and 20 minutes of seated lunchtime, and the results were clear.

"During shorter lunch periods, children ate significantly less of the fruit and vegetable parts of their meal, while there was no significant difference in the amount of beverages or entrees they consumed. It makes sense that you might eat the part of the meal you look forward to first, and if there's enough time left you might go towards the other parts. But if there's not enough time those items suffer, and they tend to be fruits and vegetables," Prescott explains.

This particularly impacts children from low-income families who participate in the National School Lunch Program and who may not have resources to bring their own lunch from home to avoid lunch line wait times, she adds.

Prescott and her colleagues conducted the study with elementary- and middle school-aged children enrolled in a summer camp on the University of Illinois campus. The researchers set up the lunch area as a school cafeteria where students would go through the lunch

line and select their food. They prepared the meals according to National School Lunch Program guidelines.

"We tried to make this as comparable to everyday school as possible. We worked with the local school district and used the same food distributors as they did, and we selected the menu items based on the local public school menu," Prescott explains.

Each day was randomly assigned to be either a short or a long lunch day. Each short lunch day was paired with a long lunch day featuring an identical menu. The researchers wanted to rule out that food types served would create any differences in what the children ate.

Research assistants took a picture of each tray as the children exited the lunch line. They monitored the time from the children sat down until they were done eating, and observed behavior throughout the meal, including any food sharing, interaction with peers, and phone use.

After the lunch period was over, the children placed their tray with any leftovers on a rack and filled out a two-question survey about the taste and appearance of their meal. The researchers measured all servings before and after the meal to obtain an estimate of how much each child ate.

While fruits were consumed at an overall higher rate than vegetables, consumption of both food types was significantly higher for longer seated lunch times, Prescott says.

She notes the study has implications for the effectiveness of the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act, which the U.S. government implemented in 2010 to improve nutrition standards for school meals.

"In my opinion, one of the best things about the new nutrition standards is that they require a variety of vegetables be served each week, to ensure children from all income and resource levels get exposed to different healthy foods they might not have access to at home. But if we have lunch periods that are too short to allow children the opportunity to get used to those foods, then we're almost setting the policies up to fail," Prescott says.

"A main takeaway from our study is that children need protected time to eat their fruits and vegetables.



Longer seated school lunch times spur kids to eat more fruit and vegetables, a University of Illinois study shows. A team of student workers helped prepare and serve the meals for the study.

Our findings support policies that require at least 20 minutes of seated lunch time at school," she states.

School lunchtime policies can be decided at the district level, with some room for individual schools to set their own standards; for example, schools can institute a longer lunchtime than the district mandates.

Prescott notes that longer lunch times can also have beneficial effects for children beyond healthy eating.

"The amount of seated time children have is also a really valuable time for them to connect with their peers; they might have limited opportunities to do so throughout the school day. We found significantly fewer social interactions during the 10-minute lunch times. That indicates other positive outcomes may come from longer lunch breaks as well," she concludes.

The Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition is in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, University of Illinois.

The paper, "Effects of Longer Seated Lunch Time on Food Consumption and Waste in Elementary and Middle School-age Children: A Randomized Clinical Trial," is published in *JAMA Network Open*. [DOI: 10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2021.14148]. Authors are Xanna Burg, Jessica Jarick Metcalfe, Brenna Ellison, and Melissa Pflugh Prescott.

## Democratic leaders seek to dismiss redistricting lawsuits

### Virtual hearing set for week after U.S. Census data is officially released

By Jerry Nowicki  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Lawyers for Illinois' Democratic legislative leaders recently filed a lawsuit to dismiss a lawsuit from Republicans and a Mexican American advocacy group regarding newly drawn legislative maps, calling the challenge "purely speculative" until full U.S. Census data is released.

The motion, filed July 16, was an expected move following a Wednesday, July 14, status hearing for two consolidated lawsuits filed by Republican legislative leaders Sen. Dan McCornie, R-Hawthorn Woods, and Rep. Jim Durkin, R-Western Springs, as well as the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, or MALDEF.

Both suits name the Illinois State Board of Elections and its individual members as well as Illinois House Speaker Emanuel "Chris" Welch and Senate President Don Harmon as defendants.

The lawsuits focus on whether American Community Survey data, rather than full census data, is a permissible source for drawing legislative district lines.

Every 10 years after the census, the Illinois General Assembly has the first crack at redrawing the lines of Illinois' 59 Senate and 118 House districts, and they face a June 30 deadline set by the Illinois Constitution after which the process is handed to an eight-person commission made up of four members from each party.

If that group fails to approve maps by Aug. 10, a ninth member, who could come from either party, would be randomly chosen and added to the commission to give one party a single-vote advantage.

This year, the supermajority Democrats in the General Assembly passed new redistricting maps by the end of the regular session in May and Gov. JB Pritzker signed them into law on June 4.

But full census data wasn't

available at the time and still won't be released until Aug. 16, so lawmakers used data from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey and other private sources to draw the maps.

MALDEF and the Republican leaders argued in their court documents that the use of American Community Survey data represents an incomplete count and therefore violates the "one person, one vote" principle under the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution.

The Republican leaders have asked the court to either force Welch and Harmon to appoint a bipartisan commission to oversee redistricting, or appoint a special party to draw the maps themselves. At last week's status hearing, lawyers for the Democratic leaders argued that would be an extreme remedy in which federal judges are intervening in matters of state law.

MALDEF requested a judge block the new maps from taking effect in any future elections.

But lawyers for the Democratic leaders—which include Michael Kasper, a longtime Democratic redistricting operative and ally to former House Speaker Michael Madigan—argued in the dismissal motion "there is no way to measure the validity of Plaintiffs' equal protection allegations until the Census Bureau issues the 2020 census data."

The lawyers for the Democratic leaders focused on the state constitution in other aspects of their motion to dismiss as well, arguing, "Nothing in the U.S. Constitution or Illinois' Constitution or statutes mandates only the use of final census numbers in redistricting."

"Plaintiffs do not suggest that the General Assembly should have used a different data set—plaintiffs only suggest that the General Assembly, led by defendants Welch and Harmon, should have done nothing and sim-

ply ignored the directives of the state constitution," the lawyers wrote. "The federal constitution does not require such inaction on the part of state officials."

Welch and Harmon's lawyers also argued that the claims against them lack standing because the plaintiffs make no specific claims that the districts in which they reside are negatively impacted by the use of ACS data.

"They have not alleged—nor can they allege—that their personal voting strength is diluted by the current redistricting plan," they wrote in the court document. "They have not alleged, for example, that their votes are diluted by overpopulation in their districts when compared to the voting power of those residing in less populated districts."

The state elections board, which is represented by Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul's office, also filed a motion to dismiss the suit, claiming immunity in the case via the 11th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and echoing claims that the plaintiffs have not demonstrated injury in the case.

The case is before a three-judge federal panel, which has a tentative trial date set for Sept. 27-29.

But there is also another status hearing scheduled for Aug. 24—or just over a week after full census numbers will be made available. In an order scheduling that hearing, the court acknowledged that planned expert testimony is likely to "be affected (perhaps substantially) by information that will not be available until the census numbers come out."

At the virtual August hearing, the parties are scheduled to discuss "the effect, if any, of the release of the census data on the complexity of the case and the presentation of evidence, either on a paper record or a trial," as well as the logistics of the trial and dates for additional status hearings.

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# Crime news

## Seven-year sentence for drug possession

Patrick D. Kenneally, McHenry County state's attorney, announced that Joe Joe Dashawn Hymon, 28, of Woodstock, was sentenced on July 6 to seven years in the Illinois Department of Corrections by the Honorable Judge Coppedge after pleading guilty to the offense of Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance.

Hymon was sentenced for possessing more than 15 grams of cocaine in Woodstock on June 6, 2019.

This case was investigated by members of the McHenry County Sheriff's Department and was prosecuted by Brette Dunbar of

the McHenry County State's Attorney's Office.

## Four years for aggravated battery

Patrick D. Kenneally, McHenry County state's attorney, announced that Andrew Schumann, 36, of Mount Prospect was sentenced to four years in the Illinois Department of Corrections by Honorable Judge Robert Wilbrandt. Schumann was convicted of Aggravated Battery at a jury trial on May 3 and May 4.

On Aug. 10, 2019, Schumann battered Crystal Schleeauf, of McHenry County, punching her multiple times, causing her to bleed profusely and break-

ing her nose.

This case was investigated by the McHenry County Sheriff's Department. This case was prosecuted by Assistant State's Attorneys Mary Ann Scholl and Brian Miller of the McHenry County State's Attorney's Office.

## Drug, money laundering charges bring eight-year sentence

Patrick D. Kenneally, McHenry County state's attorney, announced that on July 8, Christopher Galie, 36, of Algonquin, pled guilty to the offense of Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, a class 1 felony, and was sentenced to eight years

in the Illinois Department of Corrections. Galie also pled guilty to Money Laundering, a class 1 felony, and was sentenced to five years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

In June of 2019, the McHenry County Sheriff's Office began investigating the sale of bulk amounts of cannabis in the McHenry County area. Pursuant to this investigation, a search warrant was executed on Galie's residence and officers located approximately 68 pounds of cannabis products.

Subsequently, the McHenry County Sheriff's Office began a money laundering investigation which revealed that Galie laundered over

\$500,000 of drug proceeds over the course of several years. Officers successfully pursued the proceeds of Galie's money laundering through multiple cryptocurrency exchanges based in the United States, Hong Kong, the Cayman Islands and the Netherlands.

During this investigation, the McHenry County Sheriff's Office seized approximately \$650,000 worth of cryptocurrency, nearly

\$250,000 of United States currency and other assets, including gold and silver bars, now valued at approximately \$150,000. This property was all forfeited to the State of Illinois under the Drug Asset Forfeiture Act.

This case was investigated by the McHenry County Sheriff's Office. This case was prosecuted by Randi Freese of the McHenry County State's Attorney's Office.

# Huntley Police report

All individuals listed as arrested or charged with a crime in this press release are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

## July 16

Freeman/Automall Dr.: Rosa Jimenez, age 39, of Elgin, was arrested for no valid driver's license and speeding.

## July 17

12300 block of Rte. 47.: Bernardo Cuellar, age 56, of Chicago, was arrested for felony retail theft and an outstanding warrant out of

## July 18

13400 block of Michigan St.: Catherine Beckwith, age 47, of Minocqua, Wis., was arrested for possession of controlled substance.

9300 block of Enstrom Lane: A battery was reported.

## July 21

12200 block of Lois Lane: Crystal McConnell, age 40, of North Barrington, was issued a local ordinance citation for battery. In the same incident, Jennifer Avina, age 40, of Huntley, was issued a local ordinance citation for disorderly conduct.

# McHenry County Sheriff's report

The following arrests in McHenry County were reported by the McHenry County Sheriff's Department. Suspects are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

## July 13

Brian L. Petit, 38, Crystal Lake, was cited for a felon in possession/use of a weapon/firearm;

John D. Adams, 62, Richmond, was cited for domestic battery/physical contact and domestic battery/bodily harm;

## July 14

Mary C. Moravec, 54, Richmond, was cited for possession of a controlled substance;

## July 15

David W. Virgin, 39, McHenry, was cited for causing a child to be endangered and aggravated battery to pregnant/handicapped;

Luis Dominguez-Tapia, 65, Island Lake, was cited for criminal sexual assault family member <18, criminal sexual assault force, 3 counts

of aggravated criminal sexual abuse/victim <18 family, 4 counts of criminal sexual abuse force and sex relations within family;

## July 18

Jason A Swider, 40, McHenry, was cited for theft/control intent <\$500, domestic battery/bodily harm and domestic battery/physical contact;

Lucille M. Novak, 32, Belvidere, was cited for battery/make physical contact; Steven W. Foulk, 67, Is-

land Lake, was cited for aggravated DUI/bodily harm;

Casey A. Shanahan, 38, Schaumburg, was cited for domestic battery/bodily harm;

## July 19

Scott A. Mack, 40, McHenry, was cited for domestic battery/bodily harm;

Billy J. Nobles, 35, Cary, was cited for attempt to foil/defeat screen test;

Bernardo Cuellar, 56, Harvard, was cited for violating a stalking no contact order.

# Woodstock Police report

The Woodstock Police department reported the following arrests and citations. Persons charged with domestic battery and juveniles 17 or younger are not named.

An arrest does not constitute a conviction, and suspects are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

## July 17

5:37 p.m., Irving Avenue and North Eastwood Drive: Ricky L. Smith, 65, of Crystal Lake, was arrested for DUI, DUI over .08, operating an uninsured motor ve-

hicle and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

9:28 p.m., 900 block of Lake Avenue and 600 block of Lake Avenue: a 40-year-old Woodstock man was arrested for aggravated domestic battery, unlawful restraint, criminal damage to state-supported property and WOW (violation of parole/supervised release-IDOC).

11:46 p.m., 700 block of Prairie View Lane, Kenneth W. Weser, 49, of Woodstock, was arrested for WOW (FTA-McHenry County).

## July 18

2:58 a.m., 200 block of

Main Street: Victor J. Mena, 33, of Woodstock, was arrested for aggravated battery and mob action. Jason A. Lobue, 40, of Woodstock, was arrested for theft control/intent \$500-<\$10,000, mob action and theft control/intent <\$500.

5:29 a.m., 100 block of North Eastwood Drive, Collin M. Maze, 24, no address given, was arrested for DUI.

2:32 p.m., Pleasant Street at Amsterdam Street: Christian T. Ellis, 21, of Rockford, was arrested for DUI, DUI over .08, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and two counts of battery.

## July 19

1:42 p.m., Lake Avenue and South Madison Street: Cameron J. Forty, 21, of Woodstock, was arrested for DUI-drugs and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

9:50 p.m., 60 block of Lake Avenue, a 14-year-old female juvenile was arrested for battery and harassment by electronic means.

## July 22

7:43 p.m., 900 block of Clay Street: Alise K. Rutherford, 34, no address given, was arrested for WOW (IDOC).

# Winners

(Continued from front page)

According to Ford Motor Co., more than 15 million Model T's were built and sold.

By the early 1920s more than half of the registered automobiles in the world were Fords. The Model T club has chapters in 20 countries.

Among the first mass-produced vehicles, the Model T was the first to have its engine block and the crankcase cast as a single unit. It

boasted a removable cylinder head, a steering wheel on the left for improved access and a new alloy called vanadium steel. Both of the Stynowkis' cars also use wood-framed superstructure.

"They are not a normal car—that's for sure," said Rudy, who noted the coupe still has its original engine.

The ninth annual Heritage Fair Car Show, hosted by the McHenry County Historical

Society & Museum in Union, attracted about 60 vehicles—most in mint condition. But none were finer than John Sobieszczyk's 1957 Mercury Marquis. Ironically, it was a 1959 Ford Galaxy 500 at the Volo Auto Museum that piqued his interest in buying a classic car.

"Then we came across this Mercury—similar and half the price," said the Hampshire resident. "It was a two-and-

a-half-hour drive to Mukwonago, Wis., and it was hazy. Then the sun came out and hit that green. Whoa, it was nice!"

Sobieszczyk bought the two-tone Mercury four years ago as a hobby. He takes it to shows and cruise nights. And at this year's Heritage Fair Car Show, hosted by MCHS and TJ's Klassics, he brought something home: The Best of Show trophy.



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WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST E,  
PLAINTIFF,  
VS.  
JOHN LYDON, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF JEANIE MARIE SANDORE, DECEASED; LORI MORVAY A/K/A LORINA MORVAY A/K/A LORINDA MORVAY; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF JEANIE SANDORE; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,  
DEFENDANTS.

NO. 21 CH 000041  
401 HAROLD STREET  
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JUDGE  
PRESIDING JUDGE  
NOTICE BY  
PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Jeanie Sandore Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 72 IN FIRST ADDITION TO COLBY'S HOME ESTATES, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 43 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1956 AS DOCUMENT NO. 313057, IN BOOK 12 OF PLATS, PAGE 89, IN MCHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 401 Harold Street Crystal Lake, IL 60014 and which said Mortgage was made by, Jeanie Marie Sandore a/k/a Jeanie M Sandore a/k/a Jeanie Sandore and Ronald T Slaughter Mortgagor(s), to Woodfield Planning Corporation

Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of McHenry County, Illinois, as Document No. 1999R0034362; and for other relief.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 22ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MCHENRY COUNTY - WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR FREEMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-C, MORTGAGE-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-C;

Plaintiff,  
vs.

NICOLETA CRETU; THE SPRING LAKE FARM HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS;

Defendants,  
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NOTICE OF SALE  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at the hour of 10:30 a.m. in the conference room, 970 McHenry Avenue, Crystal Lake, Illinois 60014, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set

forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

LOT 120 IN SPRING LAKE FARMS UNIT 4, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 24, AND PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 43 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JUNE 5, 1992 AS DOCUMENT NO. 92R30926, IN MCHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.I.N. 18-24-403-030.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF BOONE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL A. KELLEY, deceased.

Case No. 2021-P-44  
CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of MICHAEL A. KELLEY of Poplar Grove, Illinois, who died on May 2, 2021. Letters of Office were issued on July 2, 2021 to SARAH E. KELLEY, 960 Waco Way, Poplar Grove, Illinois 61065, as executor, who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the executor is John H. Maville, 600 South State Street, Suite #307, Belvidere, Illinois 61008.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Boone County Circuit Clerk - Probate Division, at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, or with the legal

representative, or both, on or before January 27, 2022, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

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Dated: July 9, 2021  
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Representative  
LAW OFFICES OF JOHN H. MAVILLE  
JOHN H. MAVILLE,  
Attorney for Representatives  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING, LLC  
Plaintiff,

-v.-  
WILLIAM P. BUTCHER, APPOINTED AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR WALTER F. GORHAM (DECEASED), JASON GORHAM, DONALD GORHAM, JANICE ZIEBKA, DOUGLAS GORHAM, REGINA GORHAM, KIRSTEN GYORKOS, MONIKA OLMSTEAD, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF WALTER F. GORHAM, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS

Defendant  
2019CH85

NOTICE OF SALE  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 11, 2021, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on August 16, 2021, at the NLT Title L.L.C., 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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CORDER'S OFFICE OF SAID BOONE COUNTY IN BOOK 33 OF DEEDS, ON PAGE 551, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 44 NORTH, RANGE 3, EAST OF THE 3RD P.M., BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF EAST MADISON STREET AS EXTENDED FROM THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF BELVIDERE, 4 RODS NORTHEASTERLY FROM THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 6 IN SAID ASSESSOR'S ADDITION AND RUNNING THENCE ON SAID MADISON STREET LINE NORTHEASTERLY 4 RODS; THENCE PARALLEL WITH SAID WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 6 IN SAID ASSESSOR'S ADDITION SOUTHEASTERLY ABOUT 8 RODS AND 5 FEET TO A POINT MIDWAY BETWEEN SAID LINE OF MADISON STREET AND THE NORTHERLY LINE OF HURLBUT AVENUE EXTENDED FROM WHAT WAS FORMERLY CALLED EAST STREET IN CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO BELVIDERE; THENCE PARALLEL WITH SAID LINE OF MADISON STREET AND MIDWAY BETWEEN SAID STREET LINES SOUTHWESTERLY 4 RODS; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTLY TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF BELVIDERE, IN BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WITH ALL ALLEY RIGHTS APPERTAINING FROM THE REAR OF SAID LOT AND SUBJECT TO ALL ALLEY RIGHTS ACROSS THE REAR FIVE FEET OF SAID LOT NOW EXISTING IN FAVOR OF ADJOINING OWNERS OR LOTS, OR THE PUBLIC. ALL SITUATED IN BOONE COUNTY IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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COUNTY OF BOONE )  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE 17th  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY BOONE - IN  
PROBATE

In the Matter of  
the Estate of  
SARA L. OWENS,  
Deceased.

Case No. 21 P 38  
CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of Sara L. Owens. Letters of Office were issued on June 11, 2021, to Vanessa Nelson, Administrator, who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Attorney Nathan J. Noble, P.C., 504 North State Street, Belvidere, Illinois.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before January 22, 2022, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.

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Nathan J. Noble

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT OF THE 17TH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF BOONE

In the Matter of  
the Estate of  
ROBERT L. CARTER,  
deceased

No. 2021-P-49

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of ROBERT L. CARTER, of Belvidere, Illinois on July 8, 2021. Letters of office were issued on July 20th, 2021, to WILLIAM H. CARTER, 335 E. Macomb Street, Belvidere, IL 61008, as independent executor, whose attorney is TOBIN & RAMON, 530 South State Street; Suite 200, Belvidere, IL 61008-3711.

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DATED: July 22, 2021.  
WILLIAM H. CARTER  
Independent Executor

Tobin & Ramon  
Attorneys for Petitioner  
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# Pritzker talks plans for Unemployment Trust Fund, pandemic response

Governor kicked off second-term campaign with media tour last week

By Jerry Nowicki  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Gov. JB Pritzker isn't considering using federal American Rescue Plan Act funding to pay down a multi-billion-dollar Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund deficit, and he's watching the state's COVID-19 hospitalization numbers closely.

Those were two of the topics discussed during a 10-minute interview with Capitol News Illinois last week as part of a two-day media tour held by Pritzker after his July 19 announcement that he was seeking reelection in 2022.

The reason Pritzker won't consider using federal ARPA funds on the \$4.2 billion Trust Fund deficit, he said, is because he did not believe it to be a permissible use of the funding, and he is hopeful that the federal government will provide aid or rule changes to accommodate the 17 states that have outstanding federal borrowing balances in their trust funds amounting to \$54 billion cumulatively.

"You can't actually use ARPA funds according to the rules of ARPA. You can't repay any debt that's already owed to the federal government," Pritzker said during the interview, citing the state's initial plan to repay pandemic related Municipal Liquidity Facility funding with the ARPA funds—a use later ruled impermissible.

Interim U.S. Treasury rules for ARPA funding and the plans of dozens of other states, however, contradict the governor's statement on the use of ARPA funds to repay the Unemployment Trust Fund deficit. The Associated Press reported on May 27 that "at least 29 states already have transferred or proposed to use a total of more than \$12 billion of federal coronavirus aid for their unemployment trust funds."

Per the interim final rule, published May 17 in the Federal Register, "recipients may make deposits into the state account of the Unemployment Trust Fund ... up to the level needed to restore the pre-pandemic balances of such account as of January 27, 2020, or to pay back advances received under Title XII of the

Social Security Act."

"States facing a sharp increase in Unemployment Insurance claims during the pandemic may have drawn down positive Unemployment Trust Fund balances and, after exhausting the balance, required advances to fund continuing obligations to claimants," the Treasury guidance reads. "Because both of these impacts were driven directly by the need for assistance to unemployed workers during the pandemic, replenishing Unemployment Trust Funds up to the pre-pandemic level responds to the pandemic's negative economic impacts on unemployed workers."

During a recent trip to Washington, D.C., Pritzker said, he spoke to President Joe Biden and Illinois' congressional leaders to seek further federal assistance for the Trust Fund. He expounded on what changes might be possible.

"Some of this has to do with whether or not there could be legislation that's passed. And some of this is really changes in the rules that could be made," he said. "Certainly, if we could extend the due date of the Trust Fund deficit to the federal government, that might be of assistance to us. So we're looking at everything that's available to us, because you know, all of us have the same goal, right, which is to get that deficit down without it being a burden to businesses or to workers."

Business groups last week called on Pritzker to reinstate more stringent work search requirements for Illinoisans who are on unemployment, to end a \$300 federal monthly payment to unemployed individuals earlier than its September end date, and to infuse the Trust Fund with federal ARPA dollars.

Each state has an Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund account maintained by the U.S. Treasury but funded by the state's businesses through insurance premiums collected via payroll taxes. The rates at which businesses pay into Illinois' fund are determined by a complex statutory formula.

The business communi-

ty has warned that without a solution to the Trust Fund deficit, premium rates on employers could rise by the hundreds of millions, while unemployment benefits could decrease in the hundreds of millions come January.

While use of the ARPA funding would have to be approved by lawmakers, Pritzker's administration and former governors have generally been heavily involved in the negotiating process on unemployment issues.

But Pritzker said he is hopeful federal action might come through before that time period. Earlier this month, Illinois' U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, a Democrat, said he expects Congress to begin debating the next steps on unemployment as the current federal boost to benefits ends in September.

"The question is, where will we be based upon the support that we may get from the federal government and

the reduction of the number of people who are on unemployment? So we'll have to see where that ends up," Pritzker said.

**Expanded child care**

For his part, Pritzker said he has expanded child care availability in an effort to encourage a return to the workforce and alleviate stresses on the system.

"The biggest thing that's keeping many people from getting back to work is the fact that they have to handle child care. Sometimes it's senior care. People who stepped out of their jobs because they needed to take care of somebody at home," he said. "And so we've expanded massively the availability of child care, particularly for those up to \$60,000 in earnings. ... We now have available to people \$1 a month child care, that's for people who are at the poverty level and up to

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## College news

**St. Ambrose University Students on Spring Dean's List**

The following full-time students, who achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale, have been named to the St. Ambrose University Dean's List for the spring term.

**Belvidere:**

Emily Flanary, Owen Hul-tman

**Garden Prairie:**

Jena Mogenis

**UW-Platteville announces Chancellor's List**

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville announced its Chancellor's List, honoring

those with perfect 4.0 grade-point averages for the spring 2021 semester.

UW-Platteville, founded in 1866 and located in Southwest Wisconsin, is home to more than 6,500 undergraduate and graduate students. In addition to the Platteville campus, the university has campuses in Richland Center and Baraboo.

**Belvidere:**

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# From wish to weed: our love-hate relationship with dandelions

By Jennifer Fishburn  
HORTICULTURE EDUCATOR,  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
EXTENSION

Common dandelion's yellow flower is actually a composite of several flowers, each able to make a parachute-like brown seed that can be carried aloft several miles by the wind. Most gardeners consider them weeds, but dandelions provide pollen for insects when other flowers are not in bloom and both their leaves and flowers have culinary uses.

To a child, a dandelion is a magical thing. It's one of the first plants we learn to recognize. The bright yellow flowers make cheerful bouquets, necklaces, and crowns. The fluffy white seed heads become wishes when we squeeze our eyes shut and blow.

Adults, especially home gardeners striving for a perfectly manicured lawn, tend to be less fond of this deep-rooted, cool-season, non-native perennial.

"Believe it or not, dandelion seeds are available for purchase from garden seed catalog companies," says Jennifer Fishburn, a horticulture educator with University of Illinois Extension.

Common dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale*, is easily

recognized by a basal rosette of deeply cut leaves, a long taproot and a hollow stem that supports yellow flowers. The yellow flower is actually a composite of several flowers, each able to make a parachute-like brown seed that can be carried aloft several miles by the wind. The stalk can support as many as 100 to 300 flowers.

Fishburn says there are a couple of potential reasons that gardeners may want to cultivate dandelions.

Pollinating insects will visit dandelion flowers to collect pollen and nectar. While dandelions may not have the most nutritious pollen, they can still be an important food source when there aren't many other flowers available. Dandelions will flower throughout the year but mainly appear in early spring or late fall.

They also have several culinary uses. Most recipes use the leaves, which taste slightly bitter. Tender leaves, harvested in the spring before plants bloom, can be eaten raw, while older leaves are cooked. Use the leaves in salads, soups, as cooked greens, and in potato salad. The flowers can be made into wine or jelly.

If you are not a dandelion fan, it is possible to get rid

of them, but ensuring that they won't return requires some effort. Dandelions prefer to grow in a moist, sunny location, but will also grow in shade. If the soil is moist, a small dandelion can be successfully removed by hand.

"Moist conditions make the job easier," says Fishburn, "but even with moist soil, it is difficult to pull a dandelion and remove the entire taproot."

A dandelion can grow a six to 18-inch taproot. Leaving behind even a 1-inch section can result in a new plant.

A properly maintained, healthy, dense stand of turfgrass is the best defense against weed invasions. If necessary, Fishburn suggests doing a spot treatment in early fall with post-emergence herbicides.

"This is when the dandelion plant is taking food from the leaves and storing it in the roots," says Fishburn. "When using herbicides, always read and follow label directions carefully."

Whether the sight of these bright yellow flowers dotting a lawn makes you cringe or makes you smile, these plants are connected to memories of summer, childhood and magic.



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The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$154,709.90.

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 paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior 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.

The property will NOT be open

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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at the hour of 10:30 a.m. in the conference room, 970 McHenry Avenue, Crystal Lake, Illinois 60014, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 18-24-403-030.

Commonly known as 975 Aster Court, Lake In The Hills, IL 60156.

The mortgaged real estate is improved with a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

For information call Law Clerk at Plaintiff's Attorney, The Wirbicki Law Group, 33 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603. (312) 360-9455. W19-0419 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com I3171931

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING, LLC Plaintiff, -v- WILLIAM P. BUTCHER,

thousands of at-risk species through proactive, collaborative efforts in every state, territory and tribal nation, creating jobs while preventing extinctions. We applaud the incredible bipartisan leadership of Sen. Heinrich and Sen. Blunt, and their House partners Rep. Dingell and Rep. Fortenberry, who are all demonstrating once again that wildlife conservation can unite all Americans."

Nationwide, the Recovering America's Wildlife Act dedicates \$1.4 billion annually to locally led wildlife restoration efforts, with most of the money going to wildlife agencies like IDNR who will use the money to implement existing plans for at-risk wildlife. At least 15 percent of the funds will be used to help species that are already considered endangered or threatened.

More than 1,500 businesses and organizations have signed on in support of the legislation, including 30 from Illinois.

*At Prairie Rivers Network (PRN), we protect water, heal land, and inspire change. Using the creative power of science, law, and collective action, we protect and restore our rivers, return healthy soils and diverse wildlife to our lands, and transform how we care for the earth and for each other. PRN is the Illinois affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation.*

*The National Wildlife Federation is America's largest conservation organization uniting all Americans to ensure wildlife thrive in a rapidly-changing world.*

## New bill would galvanize wildlife conservation, help prevent extinctions

New bipartisan legislation in the House and Senate will fund locally led efforts to help prevent extinctions and help wildlife thrive nationwide. The Recovering America's Wildlife Act will send approximately \$26 million to Illinois each year, which the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) will use to help the 419 species of concern in Illinois, such as the Blanding's Turtle, the Lake Sturgeon, and the Monarch Butterfly.

"We are facing a looming wildlife crisis in Illinois. This commonsense, bipartisan bill will allow us to help at-risk wildlife early with collaborative, voluntary measures before they become endangered," said Elliot Brinkman, executive director of Prairie Rivers Network. "This will create jobs while restoring habitat for some of Illinois' most threatened species."

The Recovering America's Wildlife Act was just introduced in the Senate by Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.) and Roy Blunt (R-Mo.). Representatives Debbie Dingell (D-Mich.) and Congressman Jeff Fortenberry (R-Neb.) introduced a similar version of the Recovering America's Wildlife Act in the House in April.

"The historic, bipartisan Recovering America's Wildlife Act is by far the most important piece of wildlife legislation in the past half century," said Collin O'Mara, president and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation. "At a time when more than one-third of wildlife species are at heightened risk of extinction, this critical legislation will help recover

## Plans (Continued from page 9)

250 percent of poverty level, people being able to pay only 7 percent of their earnings. So that's a significant move forward to help people get back to work."

### Monitoring COVID-19

As for the pandemic, Pritzker said his medical advisers tell him the main focus for monitoring disease spread should be intensive care bed and hospital bed usage. But he has not set a concrete metric for those numbers that would trigger another round of mitigations.

Those numbers were increasing statewide as of Wednesday night, although they were still far off pandemic highs. There were 119 ICU beds and 628 hospital beds in use by COVID-19 patients as of Wednesday. The state's 3 percent case positivity rate was a high since May 7, five times its June 27 rate of 0.6 percent. The 1,993 new cases reported Thursday were a high since May 5.

"What I can tell you is getting people vaccinated is the most important thing we can

do right now, encouraging people to wear masks when they're indoors in crowded areas, encouraging children who are under 12 to wear masks when they go to school, ask parents to have them wear masks when they go to school," Pritzker said. "But unvaccinated people make up 99% of all the deaths that are occurring in the state of Illinois."

Still, the governor said he wasn't considering vaccine passport requirements at this time.

for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

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For information, Alexander Potestivo, POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL, 60606 (312) 263-0003. Please refer to file number 310137. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

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You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610 Chicago IL, 60606 312-263-0003 E-Mail: ilpleadings@potestivolaw.com Attorney File No. 310137 Case Number: 2019CH85 TJSC#: 41-1064

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2019CH85 I3172510

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