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# McHenry's Food for Thought pantry celebrates new home

Since the start of the McHenry High School Food for Thought food pantry program several years ago, volunteers have lived somewhat of a wayfaring existence. They picked up and moved bins of food donations from place to place to keep the weekly donation program running.

That all came to an end earlier this month when Food for Thought got a permanent home in former offices in McHenry High School's Upper Campus. After five years of moving around, the student food pantry program has a permanent spot.

"This is something we are beyond grateful for," said Dr. Ashley Diedrich, McHenry High School English instructor and co-director of the Food for Thought program with Media Specialist Cheryl Myers.

The two rooms on the second floor have been renovated and equipped with cabinets and countertops for storing and packing. Since its beginnings in 2016, Food for Thought has supplied food bags to anywhere from 10 and 80 people each week.

Some of the past locations where they've operated include the library, the loading dock, the basement in the district office and more.

"Over the years, they've probably been in six different



locations," noted Dr. Ryan McTague, McHenry High School District 156 superintendent. "They've never complained one time."

Some past locations include the basement of the district office, the loading dock and the school library.

These days, a core group of about 10 adult and children volunteers currently operates the pantry, but high school clubs and departments help out. Donations can be dropped off at McHenry High School's Upper Campus, and financial donations are also accepted.

To learn more, visit the McHenry High School Food for Thought website.

**Above and right: McHenry High School Food for Thought co-directors Ashley Diedrich and Cheryl Myers, left to right, and volunteer accountant Emma Theel, celebrate a new Food for Thought home with McHenry High School District 156 Superintendent Ryan McTague. Diedrich, Myers and Theel are all teachers in addition to running the food pantry program.**

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## 'Holiday at Grandma's'

Saturday, Dec. 11, noon to 4 p.m., Glacial Park, Powers-Walker House & Lost Valley Visitor Center, Route 31 & Harts Road, Ringwood, IL 60071. Step back in time to visit the 1854 restored Powers-Walker House and watch volunteers in historical attire preparing for winter and the holidays in the mid-19th century. After visiting the Powers-Walker historical home, come to the Lost Valley Visitor Center to create unique pioneer ornaments using materials from nature to decorate your home. Visit [mccd.district.org](http://mccd.district.org) for registration information.

## Huntley 'Click it' and 'Drive Sober' citations

The Huntley Police Department made one impaired driving arrest and issued eight citations during the recent Thanksgiving enforcement effort.

Huntley Police Department also took the following enforcement actions.

- Speeding-2
- Expired registration-1
- Disobey traffic control

device-3

- Operation of uninsured motor vehicle-1

Law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois participated in this effort to save lives by getting impaired drivers off the roads and more people buckled up. The enforcement campaign took place from Nov. 19 through Nov 29.

During the mobilization,

extra emphasis was placed on enforcement during late-night hours, when statistics show the most unbuckled and impaired driving fatalities occur.

The Thanksgiving enforcement effort was made possible by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.



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# VIEWPOINT

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# Scratching the surface of Christmas

### A brief and incomplete look at the difference between like/is

Albert Einstein was a familiar face at Princeton Theological Seminary. While teaching at the university, he was a frequent guest lecturer at the seminary.

Although one of the most brilliant minds of the 20th century, he was very forgetful.

It wasn't unusual to spot him strolling across the seminary campus without one of his socks or both of his shoes!

There is one story of how the university switchboard received a call asking for Dr. Einstein's address. The operator said, "I'm sorry, but Dr. Einstein has made it clear to us that we are not to give out his address to anyone." "But," the voice whispered



By  
**DR. ROBERT KOPP**  
Columnist

after a short pause, "This is Dr. Einstein."

It is important to know who you are.

But it is even more important to know who Jesus is.

That's why Constantine called the bishops to Nicaea in the first quarter of the fourth century.

Arius had confused people with his Biblically illiterate nonsense about Jesus being kinda like God but not really true God.

There is a difference between like and is.

That's what the Council of Nicaea was all about. It was called to declare definitively if Jesus was like God or is God.

Relying on Biblical revelation (e.g., John 1, Colossians 1, Hebrews 1), the answer was unmistakable: "We believe... in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made."

Simply, Jesus is not like God. Jesus is God.

Jesus is Emmanuel or God-with-us – the incarnation/enfleshment of God.

Or as one child exclaimed upon finally figuring Him out,

"Jesus is God with skin on."

That's why the earliest confession of the church was so clear, concise, and conclusive: "Jesus Christ is Lord!"

Jesus is God.

The message of Christmas is God's incarnation/enfleshment in Jesus with the intent of enabling our confident living and eternal life through faith in Him as Lord and Savior.

Here's a letter for parents about the real meaning of Christmas:

Dear Mom and Dad,  
It's hard to believe Christmas is just around the corner. Tree lots are springing up and McDonald's is selling movies again; though I'm not sure what their selections have to do with the season. But in some strange way, all of it gets

me pretty excited.

I know you're wondering what to give the kids this year. It seems nobody remembers what you gave them last year. There aren't many things that don't wear out, get thrown out, or become played out. That's why I'm writing. I've got an idea that can change all of that.

Do you remember when your babies were born? Do you remember how you were lost in wonder, love, and praise? Do you remember when they were baptized? You promised to tell them about Jesus. Do you remember those first Christmas Eve services when their faces seemed to glow even more than the candles in their little hands? Do you remember listening to them sing about that "Silent Night, Holy Night" for the first time? I know you remember

when they saw the manger scene and exclaimed with such innocent joy, "There's baby Jesus!"

I know you know what to give them for Christmas.

I'm not one of those Scrooge-like posing "Christians" who make holidays look like a bad case of hemorrhoids. I like popcorn balls, candy canes, cookies with sprinkles, eggnog, mistletoe, and even the funny man in the red suit. They help to make the season bright.

I just want you to remember why we're always excited; and not just around this time of the year.

It's all about a baby. Jesus. Emmanuel.

So give Jesus to the kids! He is the only gift that last forever!

Blessings and love!

## Slices of life

# Prime delivery and the heroes therein

I was an early proponent of online shopping. I lived in a rural community without much access to retail, so it was a natural fit. I even experimented with grocery purchases when it was a new and novel thing. I wrote about the crazy packaging practices of my delivery orders back in 2017. Yes, I was that cutting edge.

I didn't make online grocery shopping a habit. I preferred to pick out my toilet paper in person.

Then COVID hit in early 2020 and all our worlds – and shopping habits – changed, perhaps forever.

E-commerce had already established itself in our daily lives, but COVID-19 cemented it there. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, e-commerce sales jumped nearly 32 percent in 2020, making it not only cemented, but set in stone, for many good reasons.

Why carry heavy bags of groceries when you can have them delivered to your doorstep? TVs, furniture, clothing, tennis shoes, garden implements, snow blowers, generators, and ceiling fixtures – all available with the click of a mouse.



By  
**JILL PERTLER**  
Columnist

And you can do it all in your pajamas (or sans pajamas, if that's how you roll. Wink.)

You don't have to wear a mask or worry about hand sanitizer. All with better prices and better selection.

It's, in a word, convenience. For me. For you. But not for everyone.

Not for the good folks bearing the burden of this societal shift: the people delivering the goods.

I propose an ode to the delivery people who now tote our toilet paper and canned goods. Those who haul furniture boxes and those labeled "Fragile, this side up." Their days are made up of long hours, barking dogs and too many addresses.

They deliver long past dark, even though dark comes too soon right now. I've witnessed it firsthand. They wear the company uniform and a smile and they get the job done, all so we

can order toilet paper and have it delivered free with two-day shipping, even on weekends. Even on Sundays. Since when do we need our laundry detergent or area rugs delivered on a Sunday? Since now, supposedly.

These good people work without the benefit of tips (at least that I know of). I hope they get incentives and bonuses, but I'm not sure. They deserve all three. I'm not sure how often people let them know they are

appreciated and their work is valued, but we should. Shame on us, if we don't. In that vein, I have one message for them:

Thank you.

Thank you for all you do. Thank you for working early in the morning and late into the evening just to make sure my new bedroom pillows arrive on time. Thank you for making sure I get my granola, pesto sauce and cat treats well within the estimated delivery window.

Thank you for making our lives easier, during the pandemic and probably after, if an after ever comes. Thank you for carrying the heaviest packages inside my door because it would be hard for me to do that by myself. Thank you for providing a rescue to many during a difficult time for us all.

Thank you isn't enough, really, but it's all I have, and it's delivered from the heart. I see what you're doing. I see how hard you work. I

see the long hours that are required of you. I see that you may be taken for granted and I'm sorry for that. I see how much you benefit us all from simply "doing your job." I see, and I hope others do as well.

Thank you.

*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

# Red and White, Christmas delight

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

Christmas celebrations have begun. Communities line the streets with festive lights and are holding their holiday festivals. Christmas trees are springing up, holiday baking has started, and the kids' excitement levels are rising. Our wood burner is blazing. It's time for hot chocolate and candy canes. Just one more delicious reason to thank our farmers.

### AITC talks Candy Cane Farming

It's the wonderful season of Christmas trees, festive lights, cookies, and candy canes! Candy canes are a long-standing symbol of Christmas, dating back around 350 years. Candy canes are made with only a few basic ingredients: sugar, water, corn syrup, and mint oil. We can thank our sugar cane, sugar beet, and corn farmers for the sweetness, but did you know there are mint farmers, too?

The United States supplies nearly 70 percent of the world's supply of peppermint and spearmint. The states that produce the most mint are Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Indiana, California, and Wisconsin. Mint is a perennial plant, which remains productive for about four to five years. It is planted

from rootstock, not from seed. Mint requires about 60 inches of rainfall per year, so most mint farms rely on irrigation systems to provide enough moisture.

Mint harvest occurs between July and September. The crop is mown in the heat of summer and allowed to dry in the sun for 24-36 hours and then chopped into a wagon. Mint farms both harvest and process the crop in their own distilleries. The underside of the mint leaf contains oil. It's the oil that is extracted from the leaves by heating the mint with hot water and steam. As the steam rises, the oil is vaporized. Once the oil is distilled, it is stored in barrels to be shipped to the end users. Most midwestern mint is sold to toothpaste and gum manufacturers.

Mint oil is very powerful. One acre of mint produces about 70 pounds of oil. For example, one pound of mint oil can flavor 40,000 sticks of gum or 1500 tubes of toothpaste. One drop of mint oil can flavor 125 mint candies. So, this holiday season when you enjoy a candy cane, thank the mint farmers. - Diane Cleland, Ag Literacy Coordinator

For family fun, check out our Ag in the Classroom visit to a local mint farm: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1H-GXqfyw1k&t=1s](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1H-GXqfyw1k&t=1s)

Kids can also check

out our Candy Cane activity in the Kid's Corner our website: [www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org/kids-corner.html](http://www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org/kids-corner.html)

### COUNTRY Financial, Illinois Farm Bureau announces 2022 Winter Ag Education Series

There is always uncertainty around what spring, summer and fall may bring. COUNTRY Financial and Illinois Farm Bureau remain ready to assist farmers through every season. The organizations are again teaming up for ten regional meetings across Illinois to share updates on improved opportunities for farmers to protect their farms and crops in 2022.

"Every farm operation is different, and our goal is always to help our farm clients and Farm Bureau members reach their goals together with options and information from a trusted partner," said Doug Yoder, COUNTRY Financial Crop Agency Manager. "These meetings offer us the opportunity to connect with clients and members prior to the busy planting season, to make sure they have the most up-to-date information about federal crop and hail insurance options, learn about new coverage options from COUNTRY and gain a better understanding of changes in markets and government that they may need to consider,

so they can make informed decisions for their operation."

Eight in-person and two virtual presentations will be held throughout January and February. All meetings will include:

- Crop Insurance Update, including changes to federal crop insurance and new private products offered by COUNTRY, the #1 crop hail insurer in Illinois. (Doug Yoder, Crop Agency Manager for COUNTRY Financial)
- Crop Claims Update (COUNTRY Financial Crop Claims Representative)
- Market Outlook (Tim Tresslar, Grain Origination Manager for Growmark)
- Legislative Update (Illinois Farm Bureau)
- Opportunity for Audience Q&A with presenters

The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 18 at DeKalb County Farm Bureau, starting at 8 a.m. Virtual Meetings will be held at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, and at noon on Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2022, by logging into [www.myifb.org](http://www.myifb.org). Registration opens Dec. 13, 2021, for each event. To register and reserve a seat for any of the ten events, call the Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau office at 815-962-0653. Farm Bureau members may also register online at [www.myifb.org](http://www.myifb.org)

For updates and more information, visit [on.ilfb.org/winter-agribusiness-seminars](http://on.ilfb.org/winter-agribusiness-seminars).

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# NIC-10 season begins in Belvidere

By Christopher Johnson  
REPORTER

The conference season has begun for the Belvidere North Blue Thunder boys' basketball team and their District 100 partner Belvidere Bucs.

On Friday, Dec. 3, the Blue Thunder got their first shot to take on someone from within the NIC-10, after spending the early winter season in tournament action.

It was a good outing for Belvidere North and exactly what they needed at the start of the 2021-2022 conference season. Determination helped secure the win for the 3-2 Blue Thunder.

Freeport was winless when they entered the Friday match at home against the visiting Blue Thunder. Scoring has been a serious concern for the Pretzels and hopes to keep the match low-scoring did come to realization.

Through the first couple weeks of the season, the Pretzels had been averaging around 30 points per game scored while allowing nearly 45 against, with the current result netting an 0-3 showing.

Keeping the game close was something that worked in the Blue Thunder's favor as well, averaging wins by a margin of six points or less has been a steady practice for the NIC-10 front runner, at least in the early going.

By the time the match entered the final frame on Friday, a run by either team could have locked in the win. But it was Belvidere North that accomplished the task a little bit better.

The Blue Thunder fought back late to win the NIC-10 opener by a 51-48 margin, marking the slimmest margin of victory so far this season for Belvidere North.

Heading into the conference premiere, Belvidere North was coming off a stretch that saw them win two

of three of their past games, only succumbing to Grayslake Central.

In the November closer, the Rams powered their way through a strong second half, outscoring the Blue Thunder 29-10 to win the game 47-40.

Games against Rockford East on Wednesday, Dec. 8 precede a Friday showdown with current NIC-10 co-leader Rockford Boylan, on the road in western Rockford.

Belvidere opened the season on the hardwood in a little different position than their NIC-10 compatriot Blue Thunder.

After claiming game one of the 2021-2022 winter season on the road in opening round action at the Leland G. Strom-bomb Holiday Invitational, Belvidere has run into a bit of trouble.

While continuing play through the Thanksgiving Invitational, the Bucs ran into the Dundee-Crown Chargers and slipped in game two, 75-55.

Before play concluded in Sycamore, Belvidere found itself having to deal with a stingy defensive Yorkville Foxes squad and found itself scoring its lowest point total of the early season, falling 42-30.

When holiday action ended, Belvidere was sent back into the NIC-10 for a December opener and conference premiere against the Harlem Huskies on Wednesday, Dec. 1.

The Huskies had too much offense and controlled second chance points as a more regular practice. The Bucs dropped the NIC-10 opener 75-55 and moved into Friday's second conference match of the season against winless Rockford Guilford.

This week's games for Belvidere features a Wednesday, Dec. 8 meeting with Freeport ahead of Friday's road game to Rockford East.

# Belvidere hosts Hometown Christmas

By Anne Eickstadt  
EDITOR

After pandemic-inspired alternatives last year, the traditional Hometown Christmas parade was once again held this year on Friday, Dec. 3 with its usual State Street businesses remaining open late to hold special sales for shoppers and the usual Christmas movie ("The Polar Express") to be shown at the corner of South State Street and Logan Avenue. South State Street was closed off from Lincoln Avenue to First Street for pedestrian traffic only. The Belvidere Fire Department once again opened its doors to wrap presents, provide hot chocolate and provide space for various organizations to give away books and treats.

From 5 to 8 p.m., Belvidere Park, 1006 W. Lincoln Ave., had lighted Christmas displays ready to view. At 6:30 p.m. Mayor Clint Morris attended the official lighting of the Belvidere Christmas Tree. Horse-drawn carriages trotted up and down South State Street while pedestrians thronged over the entire area, visiting each of the participating businesses.

Visitors walked through a forest of Christmas trees in the Community Building Complex. Each tree was donated by a business, organization, family or individual to be given to a family in the area to help brighten their Christmas.

Joy and laughter was the order of the evening as the community turned out to celebrate a Belvidere Hometown Christmas once again.



ANNE EICKSTADT PHOTOS Rock Valley Publishing

Belvidere's Christmas Tree shows its brilliant lights as families pose with the Grinch this year.



Left: Stores along South State Street remained open late for shoppers as part of the Hometown Christmas enjoyment.

Below: The Boone County Museum of History opened its doors to visitors for Hometown Christmas as various organizations presented booths and live music filled the air.



Visitors walked through a forest of Christmas trees in the Community Building Complex, enjoying the decorations and, maybe, getting some ideas of their own.

## The 2021 Giving Tree aids the Baby Bank

This holiday season, Boone County CASA will be collecting items as donations to the Baby Bank in Belvidere. The Baby Bank is a local, non-profit organization dedicated to creating a community where no child goes without basic hygiene supplies for a clean, happy, healthy childhood.

Please feel free to drop off your donations at Planet Fitness, 122 S. State St., now through Jan. 3.

Visit the Giving Tree at Planet Fitness. Pick a tag off the Giving Tree and buy the gifts listed on the tag. Drop the unwrapped items into the box by the Giving Tree. It's that easy.

## Thanksgiving enforcement data released by police

The Belvidere Police Department issued three seat belt and child safety seat citations during the recent Thanksgiving enforcement effort.

The Belvidere Police Department also initiated the following enforcement actions resulting citations:

- 2 - no valid driver's license
- 10 - speeding
- 3 - uninsured motorists
- 1 - registration citation
- 2 - equipment violation
- 1 - cell phone violation

Law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois participat-

ed in this effort to save lives by getting impaired drivers off the roads and more people buckled up. The enforcement campaign took place from Nov. 19 through Nov. 29.

During the mobilization, extra emphasis was placed on enforcement during late-night hours, when statistics show the most unbuckled and impaired driving fatalities occur.

The Thanksgiving enforcement effort was made possible by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.



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Baby reindeer flight school training sessions will be held at Summerfield Zoo during their Christmas Town event.

## Christmas Town at Summerfield Zoo

The reindeer have landed at Summerfield Zoo. A chance to make an amazing Christmas tradition and create beautiful memories to last a lifetime! We would like to invite the public to join us in a very magical experience at Summerfield Zoo. For a fourth year, Summerfield Zoo will be open at Christmas time for special opportunity to meet Santa's live reindeer.

"We are so excited to invite everyone back to Christmas Town at Summerfield Zoo! Come watch Santa's sleigh team prepare for their magical flight on Christmas Eve. This is the only place you can come meet Santa's entire sleigh team of reindeer. These are truly amazing animals that provide not only a magical,

but an educational experience for kids and adults of all ages," said Rick Anderson, owner at Summerfield Zoo.

The public will be able to visit Santa's Reindeer Barn with Santa's entire sleigh team of reindeer in the open-air reindeer barn. Visit with Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus on Saturdays or Sundays at his cottage. Kids will earn an official stable elf diploma. Baby reindeer flight school training sessions will happen during the day. There will be lots of magical photo opportunities. Grab a delicious snack at Mrs. Claus' Kitchen Snack Shop. Be on the lookout for visits from Olaf and the Grinch.

Visit the Flying Reindeer Gift Shop for the best Christmas shopping south of the

North Pole - ranging from Christmas décor and gifts to gourmet snack and baking mixes and kids' gifts.

Admission is \$14 per person. Open Fridays through Sundays through Dec. 19, Fridays 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 20-23 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pre-purchased reservation tickets are available through the website.

For more information about Summerfield Zoo and Christmas town visit us on the web at <https://summerfieldfarmandzoo.com/christmas-town> or email us at [summerfieldfarmandzoo@gmail.com](mailto:summerfieldfarmandzoo@gmail.com), or contact us at 815-547-4852. Located at 3088 Flora Road, Belvidere.

## Mediacom is offering \$60,000 in scholarships to high school seniors

Mediacom Communications is offering \$60,000 in scholarship support for high school seniors who plan to obtain further education. The scholarship program is in its 21st consecutive year and Mediacom's investment will award \$1,000 World Class Scholarships to 60 high school seniors.

Scholarship recipients are given the flexibility to use the financial awards to support post-secondary college costs or vocational training from an accredited institution starting in the fall of 2022. Award selection is based on academic achievement and

leadership.

Applications for Mediacom's World Class Scholarships are available online: [mediacomworldclass.com](http://mediacomworldclass.com). Information recently was sent to all high schools in areas where Mediacom delivers its high-speed Internet services. School officials are asked to encourage seniors to submit applications on or before the Feb. 15, 2022 deadline.

"Our company makes it a priority to give back to communities in which we do business, and we believe one of the best ways is to invest in promising young students who will be our future lead-

ers," said Mediacom Regional Vice President Todd Curtis.

Applicants do not have to be Mediacom customers but must live in areas where Mediacom's fiber-rich broadband network delivers Gigabit-speed internet service. Recipients will be selected from the 22 states where Mediacom's residential customers reside. A complete list of communities in Mediacom service areas is included with the online application. Inquiries may be sent to [scholarship@mediacomcc.com](mailto:scholarship@mediacomcc.com).

More information about Mediacom is available at [mediacomcable.com](http://mediacomcable.com).

## Recycling fire does little damage

On Nov. 29 at 9:28 a.m. Belvidere Fire responded for a garbage truck fire. On arrival, units found a refuse truck with flames coming from the top of the vehicle. It was determined to be recycling/cardboard materi-

als and the materials were dumped to expedite extinguishment. Damage to the refuse truck was limited to cosmetic issues and Belvidere Fire received assistance from District #2 Fire, Belvidere Public Works, and Life-

line ambulance.

With a response time of three minutes, two fire engines, nine firefighters, and one ambulance arrived to handle the incident. There were no injuries and the damage is estimated to be \$2,000.



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Belvidere firefighters arrive Nov. 29 to find flames blazing from the top of a recycling truck.



The cardboard in the recycling truck was dumped to allow better access to the fire so it could be extinguished.



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# NIU participating in statewide effort to bolster early childhood workforce

Northern Illinois University has pledged to enroll at least 160 new students – or more – through participation in the state's Early Childhood Access Consortium for Equity Program.

The new Huskies will complete bachelor's degrees in either early childhood education, which would qualify them to teach PreK-2 in school settings, or in human development and family sciences' (HDFS) child development emphasis to teach, or work with, infants and young children in community-based settings.

Eligible students, who are current or former early education professionals or paraprofessionals with associate degrees from Illinois community colleges, can apply for scholarships from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to cover their full costs of attendance.

Funded by a federal investment of \$200 million for the state of Illinois, the program subsidizes additional training, mentorships, and scholarships for members of the "incumbent workforce" over the next two years.

More information is available at <https://www.niu.edu/childcare-workforce/index.shtml>.

Laurie Elish-Piper, dean of the NIU College of Education, and Lynda Ransdell, dean of the NIU College of Health and Human Sciences, are excited to provide what Elish-Piper calls "a life-changing opportunity for hard-working adults who have been unable to complete a bachelor's degree due to financial challenges and other barriers."

"Adults in the incumbent workforce can now earn their bachelor's degree in early childhood education with professional educator licensure – and with no out-of-pocket costs, courses designed for their busy schedules, and a success coach to ensure they persist and graduate," Elish-Piper said.

"We are working with partner school districts to identify their paraprofessionals who qualify for the program," she added, "which means they will be able to keep working and being paid while completing the program."

Young children and their families also will benefit from the funding that "will go a long way to address the shortage of early childhood teachers," Elish-Piper said.

"Because our graduates will also earn the special education and ESL/bilingual endorsements, they will be extremely well-prepared to be great teachers," she said. "I am hopeful that the success of this program inspires additional investments in preparing teachers by making programs accessible to working adults who will help Illinois diversify and grow the teaching workforce."

Ransdell shares that goal. "It represents an opportunity for engagement related to a very important societal issue – the education of young children," the dean said, "and by bringing new opportunities to individuals involved in the education of young children, we promote equity and diversity in the field of early education."

Her college's HDFS program also offers its students hands-on learning at the award-winning Child Development and Family Center, where one-on-one mentoring and support is provided daily by faculty and master teachers who are experts in the field.

"The center is a learning space where students can apply their knowledge to the education of young children, initiate the process of professional development, and observe and engage in a variety of early education program models," Ransdell said. "These include the implementation of an emergent curriculum model and community-level programming in the Preschool for All Expansion program."

Signed in July by Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker, House Bill 2878 (now Public Act 102-0174) expands, streamlines, coordinates, and improves the accessibility of degree completion pathways.

It also is expected to serve the needs of employers in the early childhood area and to advance racial equity.

Laura Hedin, chair of the Department of Special and Early Education, and Thomas Pavkov, chair of the School of Family and Consumer Sciences, are eager participants in that mission.

Both of their departments are already recruiting students who might qualify for the Early Childhood Access Consortium for Equity and are seeking the opportunity to enhance their careers.

As many or most prospective students are juggling work and family responsibilities, they will enjoy the assistance of "completion coaches" who will provide support for "how to do college," including study skills, technology training, time management, and tips for taking tests.

"Many early childhood workers find themselves 'stuck' in relatively low-paying positions, but they stay in the field because of their dedication to, and passion for, working with young children," Hedin said.

At the same time, she added, "they find it difficult to move forward in their careers because of the financial burden of tuition, and the difficulty of working full-time while also attending classes. The consortium eliminates the financial barrier for the incumbent workforce."

Pavkov agrees. "The professional development challenges facing individuals in the incumbent workforce are significant," Pavkov said. "The consortium will provide both a range of options for potential students to up-skill their credentials and will also provide the crucial financial support needed to pay for educational expenses for individuals who may not have adequate financial resources to further their education."

His HDFS faculty colleagues deliver curriculum "grounded in science and what we know about early childhood development and education."

And, thanks to the degree's emphasis on strong relationships between teacher-and-child, parent-and-child, and teacher-and-parent, graduates have the skills to engage in relationships to facilitate the development and education of young children beyond the classroom.

"Our educational philosophy embraces methodological approaches that engage young children in active learning through play and exploration guided by their interests with teachers who serve as partners in their learning," Pavkov said. "This approach is consistent with evidence-based practice, and equips our students to become employed in high-quality early education programming where these practices are implemented."

# Variety of unrelated water issues handled by Belvidere City Council

By Bob Balgemann  
REPORTER

City council has taken care of a couple of water issues, one that only comes around every few years and doesn't get much publicity. But the other has become a recurring difficulty that involves three potable wells in various parts of town.

Sewage sludge at the wastewater treatment plant likely isn't a household topic of conversation, but it's one of the jobs that has been addressed at city hall. Sludge needs to be disposed of and one of the methods is by applying it to farmers' fields at various locations in Boone County.

Public Works Director Brent Anderson told the Committee of the Whole at a recent meeting that the city's permit for land application of sludge on snow-covered ground was up for renewal. That is a supplemental permit issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

Action needed was approving an engineering services work order from Baxter & Woodman, in an amount not to exceed \$4,500, to complete an application for renewal of that permit.

A memorandum from B&W to the city explained the situation and described the work that would be done:

"The city does not have adequate sludge storage during the winter months. Therefore, the city's current land application of sewage sludge needs to be amended to include a provision to allow land application during the winter on snow and ice-covered ground. We (B&W) will provide assistance to prepare the permit application forms and submit to IEPA as soon as possible."

There was discussion at the committee meeting with Alderman Dan Snow asking why the city didn't just Xerox the last application and submit it to IEPA, and save the city the \$4,500?

"Things change," Anderson replied. "Some analysis needs to be done on our sludge and how it interacts with soil properties. Most of the fields will be the same, but some will be different."

"We had an application for land application of sludge on frozen ground. But we need a supplemental permit to apply sludge to snow-covered ground. So, there's quite the process that has to go through. The supplemental

permit will allow us to do this year-round, no matter what the conditions."

He added: "We don't physically have the space to store the sludge, so we need to do this. Winnebago County has a sludge warehouse, where they store it and they apply two times a year, in the spring and the fall. There are criteria we have to meet for snow-covered ground. It has to be a certain slope; there has to be basic, flat ground; there have to be buffers in place."

"We have the ground that qualifies for those kinds of applications, so we have to put that through the reports as a part of the application."

In response to a question from within the committee, he said the city does not sell the sludge. "Farmers allow us to dispose it on their land," he added.

Alderman Clayton Stevens asked if "all the nasty bacteria" in the city's sludge had been killed?

"Right," Anderson responded. "It's acceptable for land application and it has the benefits for the farmers that they're looking for. So this is a viable option to land-filling it all."

The committee, in a unanimous vote, recommended paying Baxter & Woodman to take care of the needed application to IEPA. On Nov. 1, without discussion, city council voted unanimously to approve the expenditure.

## Well No. 5

The status of Well No. 5 and its problems with sand was in the process of being resolved.

In a memorandum to the committee and Mayor Clint Morris, Anderson said Cahoy Pump Service had completed the airlifting of that well, causing all of the sediment buildup to be removed. Company personnel also finished their inspection of the pump and motor.

"Excessive wear in the pump will require (its) replacement," he said. "Based on the pumping history of this well, we believe that lowering the GPM (gallons per minute) output from 800 to 550 will increase the durability of this well. The pump can be reduced from nine stages to four stages and the motor can be reduced from 100 HP (horsepower) to 75 HP."

That said, a proposal from Cahoy for a new pump and motor at Well No. 5, costing \$34,952, was given to the

committee.

It had been previously reported that sand had been discovered in that well, prompting council to approve spending \$598,780 for Jetko, Ltd. to airlift the well and get rid of the sediment.

While this was going on Wells No. 3 and 4 continued to be offline because state testing had shown the presence of PFAS, per and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). That is a group of chemicals commonly found in food packaging, commercial household products, and various common manufacturing and commercial industries. While there is no definitive link between PFAS products and health, the IEPA and federal EPA have identified adverse health effects in animals.

With those wells still inactive, it was decided to proceed with replacing the pump and motor at Well No. 5, so it once again would be serving city customers. Specifically, this well is located on 5th Street between Pearl and Union.

Morris said improvements to Well No. 5 would help "get this one online ASAP."

Alderman Marsha Freeman asked how long No. 5 had been offline, adding that council had been "throwing around the idea of a new Well No. 11. Will this one (No. 5) continue to be used if we go to a new well?"

"It's been offline several months," Water, Street and Sewer Plant Superintendent Danny Anderson replied. "It's been failing for a couple of years. And, yes, we would continue to use 5 if we go to a new 11. (Wells) 3 and 4 are likely to never be used again. So 11 will replace 3 and 4. Five would still be needed in that area of town."

The mayor interjected, "If we can buy some time out of No. 5, that would seem to be the most efficient way to go. But for (new) Well 11, that's millions (of dollars), right?"

"By the time we got done with the well and the drilling itself, it will be a lot like Well 10," Anderson answered. "But I don't remember where that well finally came in at" cost-wise.

The committee ultimately recommended approval of the Cahoy proposal in a unanimous voice vote. One week later city council, without discussion, gave final approval to the proposal, 10-0.

# Belvidere Police Dept. releases Thanksgiving enforcement data

The Belvidere Police Department issued three seat belt and child safety seat citations during the recent Thanksgiving enforcement effort.

The Belvidere Police Department also initiated the following enforcement actions resulting citations:

2 - no valid driver's license  
10 - speeding  
3 - uninsured motorists

1 - registration citation  
2 - equipment violation  
1 - cell phone violation  
Law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois participated in this effort to save lives

by getting impaired drivers off the roads and more people buckled up. The enforcement campaign took place from Nov. 19 through Nov. 29. During the mobilization,

extra emphasis was placed on enforcement during late-night hours, when statistics show the most unbuckled and impaired driving fatalities occur.

The Thanksgiving enforcement effort was made possible by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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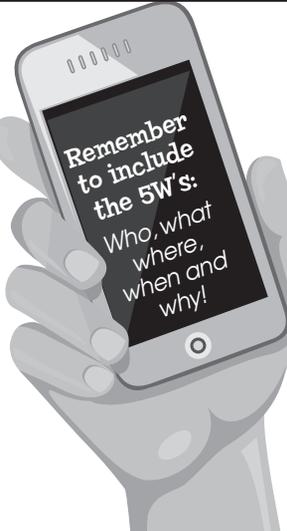
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# Power of Self-Expression Art Contest

Illinois children are getting a chance to use their artistic talents to explore the importance of self-expression, thanks to the annual statewide art contest sponsored by the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and the Illinois State Board of Education.

The theme of the contest is "Survival Through Self-Expression." Illinois students from kindergarten through high school have the freedom to interpret it as they want and create any two-dimensional art, such as a drawing, painting or collage. The contest has four age groups: K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12. Entries must be mailed no later than Dec. 17. The winners will be announced

Feb. 12, Abraham Lincoln's birthday.

Each age group will have a winner and two runners-up, all of whom will have their work displayed at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum from Feb. 12 to March 18, 2022. The artwork chosen as "Best of Show" will be used on a poster sent to all schools during Illinois Arts Education Week, March 14-18.

The winner will also be recognized at an ISBE Board meeting, and a framed copy will hang in the Board office. "Children grow stronger when they can express their hopes, fears, ideas, and talents. We're excited to see how students explore this powerful idea in the art

they submit," said Christina Shutt, executive director of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum.

Submissions may be up to 14 inches by 11 inches. They cannot feature copyrighted characters such as Batman. More details are available at [bit.ly/ALPLM-ArtContest](https://bit.ly/ALPLM-ArtContest).

"Arts education provides our students with an important creative outlet and an opportunity to stretch their minds and develop new skills," said State Superintendent of Education Dr. Carmen I. Ayala. "I encourage all of Illinois' young artists to enter the annual post-

er contest and display their talents. Celebrating Arts Education Week elevates the critical role of the arts in a high-quality, well-rounded education."

The contest, presented in cooperation with the Illinois Art Education Association, is open for Illinois students from kindergarten through high school. Entries do not have to be submitted via schools; youth groups, home-educated children or anyone else can participate. All that is required is that the artist is a student at any public, private, alternative, or home school in Illinois.

The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum uses a combination of rigorous scholarship and high-tech showmanship to immerse visitors in Lincoln's life and times. The library holds an unparalleled collection of Lincoln books, documents, photographs, artifacts, and art, as well as some 12 million items pertaining to all aspects of Illinois history.

For more information, visit [www.PresidentLincoln.illinois.gov](https://www.PresidentLincoln.illinois.gov). You can follow the ALPLM on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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State Board of Education is to provide leadership and resources to achieve excellence across all Illinois districts by engaging legislators, school administrators, teachers, students, parents, families, and other stakeholders in formulating and advocating for policies that enhance education, empower districts, and ensure equitable outcomes for all students. Its vision of Illinois is a state of whole, healthy children nested in whole, healthy systems supporting communities wherein all people are socially and economically secure.

## Library corner

The new Winter Program Guide is out for Ida Public Library and it's full of fun and cozy programs to get you through the icy cold days of winter. Be sure to stop by the library and pick up a copy or visit our website at <https://idapubliclibrary.org/program-guide/> to download a copy. In the meantime, here is a sampling of the great programs available:

### For Kids

- **Story Time on the Go:** We're heading out in the community every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. for in-person story times at the Wings and Wheels Museum, Roger D. Gustafson Nature Center, River's Edge at Belvidere Park District, and the Boone County Museum of History. Masks and social distancing required.

- **Stuffed Animal Hospital:**

Drop off your little one's broken or injured stuffed animal and our Ida hospital staff will fix it up to the best of their ability. The stuffed animal will stay in Ida's stuffed animal hospital until well but a photo log of the stay will be provided upon release.

- **Bilingual Story Time:** View this bilingual story time recorded in English and Spanish for ages 3 to 5. Recording will be available every other Friday at 3 p.m.

### For Teens

- **Ida's Explorers** meets outdoors at various Boone County Conservation areas at 4 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Learn about winter bird watching, how to dissect owl pellets, and other fun activities. Meeting places vary, so registration is required to receive the location.

- **Intro to Streaming:** This once a month Zoom presentation will introduce teens to Twitch, VTubing, podcasts, and more. Learn how to get started, what equipment and software is needed, and how to be safe online. Ages 15 and up.

- **Anime Club:** Our weekly anime club meets on Discord every Tuesday at 4 p.m. Mingle with fellow anime fans, discuss your favorites, and play favorite anime games with the group. Check the program guide for log on info.

### For Adults

- **Terror Tuesdays:** Join various horror/thriller/horror authors this winter as they discuss their writing process and their new books. First up is Dan Klefsted, DeKalb WNIJ radio host talking about his new vampire novel, Fiona's

Guardians. We have many more authors this winter, so be sure to register for the Zoom events on our website.

- **Adopt a Plant:** Pick up a needy houseplant from Ida beginning Jan. 3. Name it, care for it per the instructions provided, pose it for photos with the family, and send in the photos for a chance to win a raffle prize. Photos due by Feb. 28.

- **Readopoly:** Adults are playing Readopoly this winter. Pick up a game board at the library and complete the challenges for a chance to win an electronic reading device or a themed Monopoly game. Readopoly runs from now to Jan. 31.

These are just a few of the wonderful programs offered this winter at Ida Public Library. Be sure to stop in or register online.

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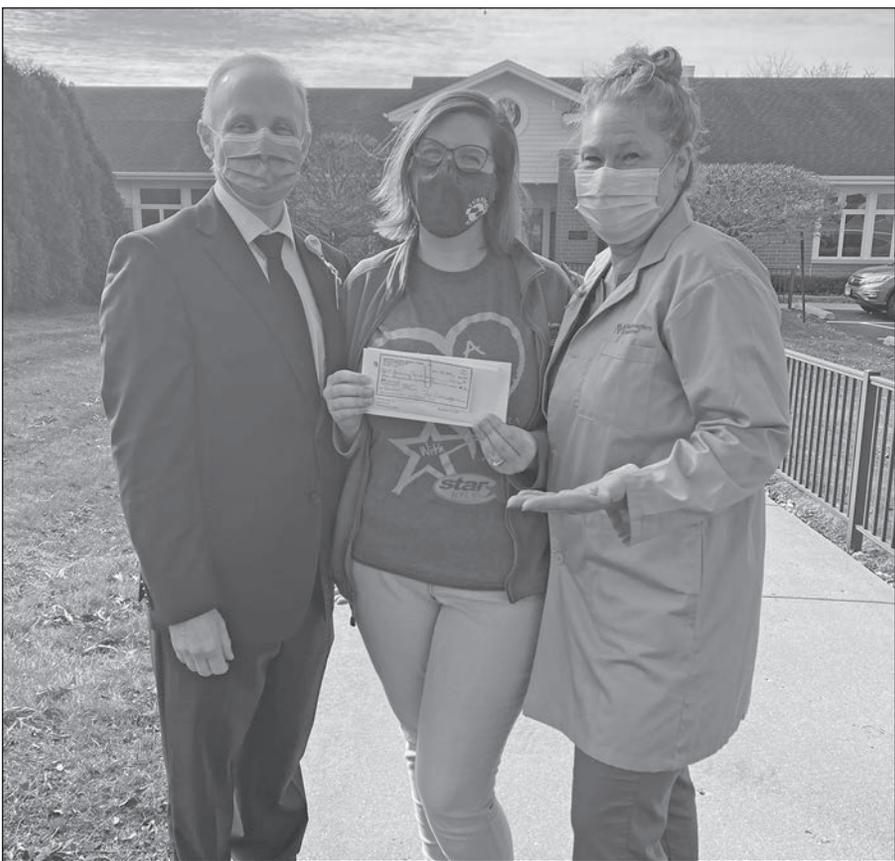
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# Huntley Police report

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.

**Nov. 24**  
11500 block of Freeman Road: A trailer was reported stolen.

Main Street/Dwyer Street: Manuel Rodriguez, 45, of Pingree Grove, was arrested for DUI.

**Nov. 26**  
Rte. 47/I-90: Davis Mahakhouanvong, 36, of Carpentersville, was arrested for speeding 35 over the speed limit, a failure to appear warrant and driv-

ing on a suspended license. Rte. 47/Conley Road: Lennell Lewis, 33, of Gary, Ind., was arrested for driving on a suspended license and unlawful possession of cannabis by a driver.

Rte. 47/Reed Road: Dalton Morrison, 27, of St. Charles, was arrested for 2 counts of DUI.

**Nov. 27**  
Rte. 47 and Kreutzer Road: Eric Dettmer, 71, of Union, was arrested for driving on a suspended license.

**Nov. 28**  
12300 block of Glazier

Street: David Columbia, 26, of Huntley, was arrested for obstructing a peace officer. Rte. 47/Mill Street: Maribel Verdin, 43, of Chicago, was arrested for DUI.

10900 block of Rte. 47: A retail theft was reported.

**Nov. 29**  
Rte. 47/Mill Street: Salvador Quintana, 20, of Cicero, was arrested for driving on a suspended license.

**Nov. 30**  
10900 block of Main St. James Pedersen, 56, of Huntley, was arrested for a failure appear warrant.

## Overnight parking ban

The City of Crystal Lake has an ordinance that prohibits parking for all vehicles on any City street between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. However, permission to park on the street overnight may be granted for certain hardships. You may request permission to park on the street at [www.crystallake.org](http://www.crystallake.org), or by contacting the police department directly at 815-356-3620.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

-v.- CATHERINE J. BRODIN et al Defendant

2019-CH-0000382 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 9, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 12:30 PM on December 27, 2021, at the NLT TITLE, LLC., 6885 Vistagreen Way, ROCKFORD, IL, 61107, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT THIRTY-NINE (39) AS DESIGNATED UPON THE PLAT OF NORTH PINE WOODS, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, VILLAGE OF MACHESNEY PARK, THE PLAT OF WHICH SUBDIVISION IS RECORDED IN BOOK 41 OF PLATS ON PAGE 123B IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 9228 SEGUNDA LANE, MACHESNEY PARK, IL 61115

Property Index No. 08-19-476-018 (127D239)

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/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 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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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS BLACKHAWK BANK Plaintiff,

-v.- ARIEL ZMIJEWSKI et al Defendant

2019 CH 63 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 1, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 28, 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:

Lot Five (5) in William Coopers Subdivision of Fractional Block 17 in the Original Town of Belvidere, and of Block 1 of S.S. Whitman's Addition to Belvidere, as platted and recorded in Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois on October 5, 1887 in Book 47 of Deeds on page 444; situated in the County of Boone and State of Illinois.

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Property Index No. 05-25-154-006

The real estate is improved with a residence.

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

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# One million EVs: Inside the state's plan for electrifying the transportation sector

By Jerry Nowicki  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

With a pair of major policy victories in hand, Gov. JB Pritzker traveled to the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, Scotland, at the beginning of the month and shared a vision for his home state: "Illinois intends to become the best place in North America to drive and manufacture an electric vehicle."

It's a message he's repeated on countless occasions in recent public appearances, and one that he brought to international business leaders in a trip to London prior to the U.N. conference. And it's one that, if realized, the governor believes can yield victories for his administration on a pair of this campaign cornerstones – economic growth and carbon reduction.

"This is about economic development as much as it is about saving our planet," Pritzker said during a panel discussion at the U.N. conference with governors from Washington, Oregon and Hawaii.

Numerically, that vision amounts to putting 1 million EVs on state roads by 2030, a goal written into the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act, or CEJA, a wide-ranging decarbonization bill that Pritzker signed into law in September.

But how can Illinois increase the number of EVs on state roads to 1 million from just the 34,363 licensed in the state as of the end of October?

For the Pritzker administration, CEJA and an EV manufacturing tax credit package known as the REV Act make up the backbone of a push to lure private investment while breaking down well-documented consumer barriers to EV adoption as the industry stands on the cusp of an explosion.

"We have sent a very clear market signal not just in the United States, but now across the world, that this is going to be the place if you want to make, manufacture or drive an electric vehicle, to do it," Deputy Gov. Christian Mitchell, who accompanied Pritzker on his European trip, said in a phone call.

With the new laws passed, the focus turns to implementation and distributing more than \$200 million in state and federal funding for the rollout of charging infrastructure.

Mitchell and other advocates behind CEJA recently spoke to Capitol News Illinois about the next step for meeting EV rollout goals, the strengths of the two laws that aim to get Illinois there, and other actions the administration has taken.

## 'Jobs, jobs, jobs'

The key to Illinois' ap-

proach to penetrating the EV market, Mitchell said, is that it addresses the supply and demand sides of the industry.

"It's incredibly important if we are going to be successful as a state and environmentalists are to be successful across the country, that we couch this issue in jobs, jobs, jobs," Mitchell said.

On the supply side, CEJA includes credits of up to 80 percent for the installation of charging infrastructure. Money for that will come from a \$70 million allotment from the state's 2019 Rebuild Illinois infrastructure plan. Another \$149 million sent to Illinois from a recently passed federal infrastructure plan will also aid in the buildout.

On the demand side, CEJA includes a \$4,000 rebate for those who buy electric vehicles in the state. The governor's office said there's about \$5.1 million in the fund that will supply those rebates beginning in July 2022, and as of now it has only a "rough estimate" that "thousands" of Illinoisans will be able to receive the rebate.

For companies like EVgo, one of the largest public charging networks in the U.S., policies like CEJA serve as a market catalyst, said Sara Rafalson, vice president of market development and public policy at the company.

"The most important thing that came out of the legislation at the state level, is that Illinois is really poised for success, because we have in place now both the complementary policies to support vehicle sales as well as sustained long-term investments in charging infrastructure," she said. "For a business like ours, when we see higher vehicle sales, that sends a strong signal to the market that we need to build more chargers."

The REV Act, which passed with near-unanimous bipartisan support in the fall session, creates payroll tax credits ranging from 25 percent to 100 percent of income tax withheld for new or retained EV manufacturing jobs, depending on factors such as company location and number of employees hired. It also creates a 10 percent credit for training expenses and credits for construction wages and building materials.

That measure also provides the incentives to manufacturers of electric vehicle parts, such as batteries.

At a bill signing event for the REV Act, Jim Chen, vice president of public policy of Rivian Automotive, which has an EV manufacturing plant in the Bloomington-Normal area, said the bill will be a major support for the company that already employs more than

3,000 Illinoisans in its 3.5 million square feet of manufacturing space.

"Today's bill signing represents the next step in promoting Illinois as the Silicon Valley of EVs, as we work together to attract new investment from suppliers and other supporting players in this industry," he said.

The REV Act is also an effort to lure new manufacturers here while encouraging existing companies, such as the Stellantis manufacturing company in the Rockford area, to retool their existing plants.

"The fact that the governor was able to go to Glasgow, not just with a climate bill in hand that provides a \$4,000 incentive to consumers to buy an electric vehicle, but also an incentive package to get more of those sites here to manufacture EVs as well as all the downstream materials that are necessary, is a way of creating a new, modern, reinvigorated manufacturing sector in the state of Illinois," Mitchell said.

## Addressing consumer concerns

The rebate is aimed at addressing one of two major barriers to EV adoption – cost.

A study from the national automobile service association AAA, recently cited in a Belleville News-Democrat report on the EV market, found that in 2019, an EV costs about \$590 more annually than a gas-powered car over a five-year period due to higher initial prices on EVs.

Jessica Beverly, a renewable energy advocate with the Sierra Club of Illinois who helped push for CEJA's passage, said while EVs are more expensive, they also cost less to maintain, and purchasers may be eligible for a \$7,500 federal tax credit that could be increased to \$12,500 if President Joe Biden's domestic spending agenda passes Congress.

The AAA study corroborated the maintenance cost claim, finding that at 75,000 miles of driving, an EV cost about \$330 less to maintain and about \$700 less to fuel annually than a gas-powered car.

But that study also found that 58 percent of respondents cited the availability of charging infrastructure as their main concern, while just 51 percent cited price.

Beverly noted the market itself is, to a large extent, addressing those concerns. The current median range for a single EV charge is 250 miles, with high-end models of major brands like Tesla offering ranges up to about 400 miles. The average was just 90 miles six years ago.

"You can't really travel more than 50 miles in Illinois

without coming across a gas station," she said. "But it's not the same for an electric charger. And, yes, while range is improving significantly as new vehicles are developed, it's still our habit that you need to know where you can fill up."

But the charging process is inherently different than filling up at a gas station, largely because the vast majority of EV drivers do their charging at home. That means most people will be able to handle their daily driving without needing public charging, except when they're going on longer road trips.

When needed, public charging stations can sometimes be found for free at grocery stores or parking garages as an enticement to customers. But the vast majority of public charging is offered by private charging networks like EVgo, or ChargePoint, which have varying pricing and subscription models that generally amount to about 22-29 cents per minute for a charge.

As of now, there are two types of chargers on the market, a Level 2 charger that takes about 6-8 hours to fully charge, and DC fast chargers, which take about 30 minutes.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, there are 919 electric charging station locations in Illinois with 2,306 charging ports, 1,815 of which are Level 2 and 478 of which are fast charge.

As the state aims to put another 970,000 EVs on its roads in the next nine years, the need for public charging is going to increase significantly, particularly in rural areas where it is currently sparse and in densely-populated areas with a lot of multi-family housing where at-home charging isn't available.

Andrew Barbeau, an advocate with the Clean Jobs Coalition which helped push CEJA through the General Assembly, said that's why lawmakers included a "beneficial electrification" process in the bill aimed at determining where charging is needed most to accelerate EV adoption.

It's also why the state created the position of electric vehicles coordinator through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, a position that Mitchell said the administration is working to fill.

"So what the legislature wanted to focus on with this legislation was not just looking at where the market is today, but it wanted to fill in the kind of gaps in the market," Barbeau said in a phone call. "It wanted to ensure that people who live in apartments or condos, or they live in dense areas where parking is mostly on the streets, would have access to the electric vehicle market too."

Barbeau pointed to a Department of Energy study which showed if 88 percent of people charge at home, one public Level 2 charger would be needed for about 25 EVs. But if that number drops to 82 percent charging at home, there would need to be one Level 2 charger for 13 vehicles.

"So that's a big difference based on some behavior," he said. "And then you have to think about emergency situations as well. So that's where these DC fast charge stations come in."

At the 88 percent charge-at-home mark, one DC fast charge station would be needed for 588 vehicles, but at 82 percent, that falls to just 227 vehicles supported.

## The main vehicle for EV adoption

The Illinois Commerce Commission will oversee that "beneficial electrification" process aimed at determining where new charging infrastructure is needed most in order to accelerate EV adoption.

But there are a number of factors the ICC will consider as well: Will rapidly adding EVs to the grid overwhelm it? Are there times of day when EV charging can be synergized with the rates at which solar or wind energy output is higher? How can the state quicken electrification of its public transit sector? How can EVs be made more accessible in low-income areas?

"The idea is that we are using these dollars in the best way to move Illinois toward electric transportation and in an equitable way," Beverly, of the Sierra Club, said of the process.

A workshop process to determine how to best move forward kicked off on Nov. 3, with more than 170 participants, according to ICC spokesperson Britney Bouie. There will be eight more meetings as part of the process that runs through February, all of which will be open to the public, with information available at the ICC website.

The ICC must prepare a report at the end of March outlining what steps the state should take to most efficiently accelerate EV adoption.

After that workshop process, the state's largest two public utilities – Commonwealth Edison in northern Illinois and Ameren in the southern two-thirds of the state – are required to submit beneficial electrification plans to the ICC by July 2022 for policies they can enact beginning in 2023.

Those plans would have to be approved by the ICC, and they would be funded by a net 1 percent charge on the distribution portion of a ratepayer bill for a customer of either of the two utilities, Barbeau said.

That's expected to annually yield about \$35 million in the ComEd territory and \$6 million in Ameren territory, although it could scale up over time as more EVs hit the state's roads. The utilities must then spend that funding in accordance with their state-approved electrification plans.

The utilities would have to update their plans in July 2024, then every three years thereafter, according to the bill.

"So in the next decade, that's going to be the main vehicle for the ongoing EV support and policy, rather than having to go back to do a new bill every few years," Barbeau said.

While the process is open-ended to some extent, there are a number of loose parameters in place, such as a goal that 40 percent of infrastructure investment is to be targeted to low-income communities or environmental justice communities that are historically subject to greater pollution. Another 5 percent is to go toward electrifying medium- to heavy-duty vehicles such as school buses in those communities.

## Complementary policies

The administration has taken other actions in an effort to accelerate EV adoption as well, including by entering into a memorandum of understanding with governors of four other Midwestern states – Michigan, Indiana, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Advocates called that a

good first step toward addressing some of the range anxiety challenges that arise with interstate travel and are otherwise more difficult to address in state policymaking, such as propagating charging corridors and ensuring standardization of charging plugs.

As well, in April, the administration released a new plan for the spending of funds through a federal settlement with the car manufacturer Volkswagen for its violations of the Clean Air Act.

That plan included \$9 million in grant opportunities for electrification of school buses in Chicago and the Metro East, \$33.6 million in other funds for electrifying school buses, and \$13.3 million for light-duty electric charging infrastructure.

Mitchell said publicizing the various policies the state has enacted, as well as continuing its aggressive courtship of business leaders reached during the overseas trip, will be essential to breaking down some of the barriers to EV adoption.

"So I think it's both about letting people know about what we've done, what incentives are in place when you make individual purchases, but also what does the investment look like, so that people can have confidence that they can use this vehicle in the everyday course because that's what's going to help drive adoption," he said.

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## Belvidere fire calls

The Belvidere Fire Department responded to 67 calls Nov. 29 to Dec. 5.

### Monday, Nov. 29

- BFD responded to 6 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.
- 1700 block of S. State St. - heavy equipment fire
- 800 block of Foley Road - call cancelled en route
- 4500 block of Country Lane, Poplar Grove - call cancelled en route
- 1500 block of Ruby St. - false alarm

### Tuesday, Nov. 30

- BFD responded to 5 medical calls.

### Wednesday, Dec. 1

- BFD responded to 5 medical calls and the following

- fire/rescue calls.
  - 2100 block of Tobyne Dr. - call cancelled en route
  - 2000 block of Iris Ave. - call cancelled en route
  - 2400 block of Cairnwell Dr. - building fire
  - 1300 block of Willowbrook Dr. - carbon monoxide alarm
- ### Thursday, Dec. 2
- BFD responded to 9 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.
  - 700 block of Landmark Dr. - smoke alarm
  - 5000 block of Shattuck Road - brush fire
  - 1800 block of Maple Ave. - public service
  - 600 block of Lindenwood Dr. - call cancelled en route

### Friday, Dec. 3

- BFD responded to 7 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.
  - 1300 block of 5th Ave. - public service
  - Van Buren St./Harrison St. - motor vehicle accident
  - 600 block of W. Madison St. - smoke scare
  - 200 block of W. Boone St. - gas leak
- ### Saturday, Dec. 4
- BFD responded to 4 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.
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## Thursday, Dec. 9

5:30 p.m. - Boys Wrestling, All vs. Hononegah and Boylan, away at Hononegah

## Friday, Dec. 10

4 p.m. - Girls Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Belvidere, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

4 p.m. - Girls Bowling, Varsity vs. Belvidere, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

4 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Belvidere, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

4 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Varsity vs. Belvidere, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

4:30 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Freshman vs. Boylan Catholic, away at Boylan Catholic

4:30 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Freshman vs. Boylan Catholic, home at Main Gym

6 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Junior Varsity vs. Boylan Catholic, home at Main Gym

6 p.m. - Girls Dance, Junior Varsity vs. Boylan, home at Main Gym

6 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Junior Varsity vs. Boylan Catholic, away at Boylan Catholic

7:30 p.m. - Girls Dance, Varsity vs. Boylan, home at Main Gym

7:30 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Varsity vs. Boylan Catholic, away at Boylan Catholic

7:30 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Varsity vs. Boylan Catholic, home at Main Gym

## Saturday, Dec. 11

9 a.m. - Boys Wrestling, Junior varsity vs. East Mike West Invite, away at East

9:30 a.m. - Boys Basketball, Freshman vs. Auburn, home at Main Gym

10 a.m. - Boys Swimming and Diving, Varsity vs. Free-

port Invite, away at Freeport

11:30 a.m. - Boys Basketball, Freshman vs. Woodstock, home at Main Gym

1 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Junior Varsity vs. Woodstock, home at Main Gym

1:30 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Varsity vs. Guilford Invite, away at Don Carter Lanes

1:30 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Guilford Invite, away at Don Carter Lanes

2:30 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Varsity vs. Woodstock, home at Main Gym

TBA - Girls Dance, Varsity vs. Warrior Classic Invite, away at Waubonsie Valley HS

TBA - Girls Dance, Junior Varsity vs. Warrior Classic Invite, away at Waubonsie Valley HS

## Monday, Dec. 13

4 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Marengo, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

4 p.m. - Girls Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Marengo, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

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4:45 p.m. - Boys Swimming and Diving, Varsity vs. Triangular East & Guilford, away at Guilford HS Pool

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7:30 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Varsity vs. Auburn, away at Auburn

## Wednesday, Dec. 15

5:30 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Junior Varsity vs. Jefferson, away at Jefferson

7 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Varsity vs. Jefferson, away at Jefferson

## Thursday, Dec. 16

4 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Hononegah, away at Viking Lanes

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# REAL ESTATE LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
BLACKHAWK BANK  
Plaintiff,  
-v.-  
ARIEL ZMIJEWSKI et al  
Defendant

2019 CH 63

## NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 1, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 28, 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:

Commonly known as 522 E. MADISON STREET, BELVIDERE, IL 61008  
Property Index No. 05-25-154-006

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount 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 lien-

or 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.

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.

The property will NOT be open 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.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g) (4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

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E-Mail: pleadings@il.cslegal.com Attorney File No. 14-21-00489 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2019 CH 63 TJSC#: 41-2845

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BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
BLACKHAWK BANK F/K/A  
BLACKHAWK STATE BANK  
Plaintiff,  
-v.-  
SHERRY ZACK, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR  
HOWARD M. COOK et al  
Defendant

2019CH99

NOTICE OF SALE  
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LOT THREE (3) IN BLOCK FOUR (4) AS DESIGNATED UPON THE PLAT OF HOMEDALE AS PLATTED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 2 OF PLATS ON PAGE 40 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 517 KING STREET, BELVIDERE, IL 61008  
Property Index No. 05-26-304-007

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# Belvidere North High School athletic schedule

## Thursday, Dec. 9

5:30 p.m. - Boys Wrestling, Varsity vs. Triangular Boylan and Hononegah, away at Hononegah HS

5:30 p.m. - Boys Wrestling, Junior Varsity vs. Triangular Boylan and Hononegah, away at Hononegah HS

## Friday, Dec. 10

4 p.m. - Girls Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Belvidere, home at Cherry Bowl Lanes

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4:30 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Freshman vs. Boylan Catholic, away at Boylan Catholic

4:30 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Freshman vs. Boylan Catholic, home at Main Gym

6 p.m. - Girls Basketball, Junior Varsity vs. Boylan Catholic, home at Main Gym

6 p.m. - Girls Dance, Junior Varsity vs. Boylan, home at Main Gym

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## Saturday, Dec. 11

9 a.m. - Boys Wrestling, Junior Varsity vs. East Mike West Invite, away at East

9:30 a.m. - Boys Basketball, Freshman vs. Auburn, home

at Main Gym

10 a.m. - Boys Swimming and Diving, Varsity vs. Freeport Invite, away at Freeport

11:30 a.m. - Boys Basketball, Freshman vs. Woodstock, home at Main Gym

1 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Junior Varsity vs. Woodstock, home at Main Gym

1:30 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Varsity vs. Guilford Invite, away at Don Carter Lanes

1:30 p.m. - Boys Bowling, Junior Varsity vs. Guilford Invite, away at Don Carter Lanes

2:30 p.m. - Boys Basketball, Varsity vs. Woodstock, home at Main Gym

TBA - Girls Dance, Varsity vs. Warrior Classic Invite, away at Waubonsie Valley HS

TBA - Girls Dance, Junior Varsity vs. Warrior Classic Invite, away at Waubonsie Valley HS

## Monday, Dec. 13

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