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You need to know about the batch of new Illinois laws that could directly affect you

By Tony Cartor EDITOR

Regardless of your political ideology the rapid growth of laws and regulations has grown to the point where no single person can keep track of them all. This means that no matter who you are or what you do, it's impossible to go about your daily life without breaking some onerous and vague rule.

According to the Office of the Federal Register, which keeps track of government agency rules and public notices, 81,611 pages of regulations and proposed rules were created in 2015. All told, about 3,378 rules were finalized, and 2,334 regulations are at some stage of consideration.

Illinois will ring in 2017 with dozens of new laws. Here are a few worth mentioning:

"Tampon tax" An update to the tax code means women's health products including tampons, pads, and menstrual cups won't be taxed the same way as, say, makeup or hair care products. Additionally, health insurance now must cover FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, covering up to a year of contraceptives at a time.

"Nunya bizness" Is your boss or potential employer asking you to sign in to your social media accounts so they can peek inside your online life? Tell them to cut it off, because it's illegal.

New sick time rules say employees can spend their paid time off caring for members of their immediate family, not just limited to children, but also including spouses, siblings, and parents. Workers are also entitled to paid leave if they or a relative are the victim of abuse.

New protections for low-wage workers forbid employers from

forcing anyone making less than \$13.50 to sign a non-compete agreement. This comes after the Illinois AG sued Jimmy John's for doing just that. The "Domestic Workers' Bill of Rights" spells out that housekeepers and other domestic workers are entitled to workplace protections like overtime, wages and days off.

"Lead poisoning" Concerns about lead poisoning, especially in older buildings, led to new requirements that landlords have to disclose if the toxin may be present and take steps to get rid of it before selling or leasing a property.

"Medical referrals" Medical providers refusing to perform treatments (most likely abortions) under Illinois' Health Care Right of Conscience law now must inform patients of other providers and treatment options.

"Jail breaks" Reports of people unable to post bail because they didn't have a credit card or the jail's machine was broken, leaving them stuck behind bars, inspired new rules saying bail can be paid in cash. Limits on the cost of a call from prison are also meant to keep companies from profiting off of inmates by charging too much

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"Big brother" One interesting new rules requires licensed hair stylists, barbers, and cosmetologists to undergo domestic violence training, so they can identify potential victims and take steps to encourage them find help.

"Start seeing" Drivers take note: bikes and cars are treated equally under Illinois' rules of the roads. In particular, bicyclists are entitled to the same right-of-way as cars. Drivers are also now required to change

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The 9 award winners- Front row, from left: Jacob Malloy, Alec Aurand, Justin Mallone, Asa Lake, Mike Sutter; back row, from left: Eiley MacDougall, Ashlyn Enck, Hope Enck, Mollee Brumfield

Le-Win/Orangeville Speech Team finishes strong in Byron tourney competition

Oh, the weather outside was frightful, but not so bad that eight out of nine teams couldn't make their way to the Byron Speech Tournament on Saturday, Dec. 17 to wrap up the first half of the competitive forensic season. But, the winter storm that was supposed to hit Northern Illinois tracked north which opened up a big window that made highway travel safe, albeit a little slower.

"To be honest," said Le-Win/Orangeville Speech Team head coach Tom Fore, "I didn't think we stood a chance of going when they started talking about that winter storm earlier in the week. We don't have that many speech tournaments on our schedule, so attendance at all of them is vital to keep the kids in competitive shape. I've had to cancel twice in 16 years because of weather, and one of those was at Byron. I really didn't want this to be Number Three. Our transportation director gave the go-ahead Friday morning. He made the right call."

Byron's tournament was smaller than most, but it was still very competitive, enough so that six varsity awards were given in all 14 speaking categories, as is custom. Two of the area's bigger teams, Freeport and DeKalb, brought their full-strength squads, but Le-Win/Orangeville continued their weekly progress to earn a third place team finish and win eight varsity plus three novice individual awards.

"We're still working on getting a few major players up and running, and we may have a surprise or two waiting in the wings for the January tournaments, but the kids who

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Letters To Santa

Mrs. Judy Robinson Pearl City Second Grade

Dear Santa,

I've been very good. How is Mrs. Claus doing? How many reindeer pull the sleigh? My dad wants a video game, my mom wants a rug, and my cat wants a catnip toy. I want a Kindle and a PS4.

Your friend, Tristan Dear Santa.

I have been very, very, very, very, very, very good. How many cookies do you eat in a night? How many elves do you have? Ryker wants everything Paw Patrol. And my mom wants kitchen supplies. Dad wants us to keep the house clean. Kylee wants a volleyball. I want a lizard and a snake.

Your friend, Eli

Dear Santa.

I tried not to fight with my sister. Are you really an elf? How cold is the North Pole? My dad wants a little picture of you, my mom wants jewelry, Natalie wants an IPod, and Sam and Tiger want new chew toys. I want a MCA H2O car and a kitten.

Your friend, Mackenzie

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be very good this year. Do you ever get sleep? How many cookies do you eat every year? Josh would like hair gel. Caitlyn wants a Dork Diary. Hailey wants a robot dog. Mom wants a new phone. Dad wants a computer. I want a drone with an HD camera and HD TV.

Your friend, Treydon

Dear Santa.

I was very good so can I have some presents? How many elves do you have? How many houses do you go to in one night? My mom would like a smelly thing. My dad would like a mug. Brody would like football gloves. Brynlee would like a horse. Brooklyn would like a baby. I want a go-cart.

Your friend, Brycen

Dear Santa,

I was really good this year. How many elves do you have? Is your sled big or small? My mom would like a puppy. My dad would like a foot massager. My sister would like a cat. I would like a pair of shoes and a book.

Your friend, Donna

Dear Santa,

I want to know if I've been good. Hey, Santa. How can you eat a lot of cookies in one night? How are you magic? My dad would like a tool box. My sister Olivia would like a pet bunny. My sister Ella would like jewelry. My mom would like new shoes. My dog would like a lot of chew toys. I would like an ATV and an IPod.

Your friend, Sawyer Dear Santa.

I have tried to be very good this year. I help my dad work. What does the North Pole look like? How is Mrs. Claus? My brother Ethan wants a dirt bike. Oliver wants a big lump of coal. My dad wants a trap gun. My mom wants a TV. I want a dog and a TV.

Your friend, Leo

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Dear Santa.

I have been being good in school. Where do you live Santa? Do you have elves? My mommy wants a new phone. Daddy wants a new gun. It is not safe, but I am letting him have it. I want a laptop and Mommy's phone. She said, "Maybe". I said, "OK Mommy". I love you so much Mommy.

Your friend, Jocelynn

Dear Santa,

I have tried to give you some cookies. How do you tie the bows for the presents? How do your elves get the pretty papers? My mom wants a shirt for work. My dad can have a pair of

shoes. My sister can have nail polish. I would like a dolly and a coat.

Your friend, Sherlyn

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. How do your elves make toys? Do you have any girl reindeer? Mom wants a trumpet. John wants a guitar. Margaret wants a friend for Baby Thomas. Sylvester wants a cat sleeping bag. Hazel wants a cat toy. Peanut wants a big dragon stuffed animal zebra. I want a toy kitten.

Your friend, Zoie

Dear Santa.

I tried to be very good this year. How is Mrs. Claus? What house do you go to first? My mom would like to have jewelry. Dad would like to have a Star Wars shirt. Anicka would like a sock monkey. Jenee would like to have more American Girl doll clothes. I want to have a Flutterby and a flute.

Your friend, Nevaeh

Dear Santa,

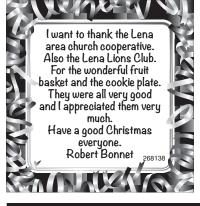
I have tried to be very good this year. How is Mrs. Claus doing? Do your elves do all the work or do the Yetis? My mom would like a new oven. Shy would like a volleyball. My dad would like a four wheeler. I would like a tumbling mat.

Your friend, Laney



Celebrating diverse cultures

Second graders at Pearl City Elementary School are learning about winter holidays. Students learned that Kwanzaa is a celebration of African American heritage and future. They learned what the colors of



Thank you to the Lena Lions and area church cooperative. What a pleasant surprise it was to receive the beautiful basket of goodies! It made my season very bright!

-Darlene Aurand

the African flag stands for. The kinara, or candleholder, symbolizes their ancestors. After learning about Kwanzaa, they made paper kufis, African hats.

Laws

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lanes when approaching a car with its hazard lights on.

"Indiginous history" pirogue (not pierogi), a narrow canoe made from a single tree trunk, is now the Official State Artifact of Illinois after a group of students asked their state legislator to honor Native American history.

"Forget noodling" if you're looking to bag a catfish, anglers can also hunt using a pitchfork, spear gun, or bow-and-arrow.

"Drugs" The sale of "bath salts" is officially banned in Illinois. While the chemicals contained in the drugs are illegal, the bans of "bath salts" in particular are happening on the state level. Additionally, police and first responders across the state are allowed to administer epinephrine, which is commonly used to help prevent overdoses.

You can find a complete listing of new laws on the IL Senate Democrats' Website.

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Stockton Police report for week ending Dec. 22

12/16, the Stockton Police Department received information in reference to a possible child abuse incident. The victim is a student of the Stockton School district and reported an alleged abuse to an official from the school district and fellow students. The victim alleged that she had been physically abused by a family member. The Stockton Police responded to the school and met with officials of the school and the alleged victim. After receiving the story of the alleged abuse from the victim, Police then interviewed family members. Due to the allegations of this nature against a family member, the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services was notified. This case is still under investigation by the Stockton Police

At approximately 3:11 p.m. on 12/16 the Stockton Police were dispatched to the area of the Stockton Elementary School 236 N. Pearl St. to meet with a subject who had been involved in a Domestic Related altercation. On the arrival of Police, they met with the caller who stated that she had had a fight with her daughter. After interviewing both parties involved, it was determined that the subjects involved should separate. The caller complained of pain and requested an ambulance to the scene. The Stockton Ambulance Service responded to the scene, and transported the caller to Freeport Hospital. Due to the medical attention requested and no immediate danger to either party involved, a report was made and no further Police assistance was required

On 12/17 at approximately 1:20a.m, while on routine patrol, an Officer of the Stockton Police Department observed a male subject who appeared to be disoriented, near the Casey's General Store on South Main Street. Upon approaching and talking with the subject, it was apparent to the officer that the subject was extremely intoxicated. The officer ran a computer check on the subject and found that he was not wanted. Due to his intoxicated condition and his inability to function in a responsible manner, the subject was ordered to return to his nearby residence for his own safety, due to the extreme weather conditions. The subject complied with the officers' lawful order. No further police assistance was required.

At approximately 10:09 a.m. on 12/17 The Stockton Police received a call from a subject claiming to be the victim of a Domestic Battery. Upon the officers' arrival, the victim stated that she was attacked by her mother. The victim stated that her mother wanted some property from the victim and the victim would not give the property to her mother. The victim stated that her mother became irate and began damaging furniture and clothing in the victim's room. The victim stated that her mother also physically attacked her by striking her and throwing a piece of furniture on top of her. All injuries and the condition of the apartment were consistent with the victims' story.

Upon interviewing the mother, it was determined that she did commit the alleged offense. However, the mother claimed to be injured. At this time, the mother was taken by ambulance to Freeport Hospital for treatment. Upon completion of treatment, the mother was placed under arrest for Domestic Battery and Disorderly Conduct. She had fought with hospital personnel and police in an effort to resist arrest procedures, and was eventually transported to the Jo Daviess County Jail for processing.

At approximately 2:05 p.m. on 12/17, an Officer of the Stockton Police Department was dispatched to an address on South Simmons Street in reference to a disturbance with a neighbor. On arrival, police met with the caller who stated that a neighbor was leaving disturbing messages on his door. When the neighbor was confronted by police, he admitted to leaving the messages, but it was apparent to the officer that the subject may be in need of medical intervention. The neighbor was told not to leave any further messages on the neighbors' door. No further police assistance was required at this time.

On 12/17 at approximately 7:20 p.m, the Stockton Police were notified of a possible missing person. The complainant stated that her daughter was supposed to be home several hours earlier, but the daughter called and said there had been a large auto accident on route 20 near Lena. The complainant called the Stephenson County Sheriffs' Office to find out about the car accident and to see if her daughter was involved. The complainant was told by the Sheriffs' Office that there had been no accidents on Route 20, and that her daughter had not had any involvement with the Sheriffs' Office. The complainant began to worry that her daughter was in need of medical intervention. The Stockton Police searched several locations that the daughter patronizes in Stockton. The police were able to locate the daughter at a local business. It was determined that the daughter did, in fact, require medical intervention. The Stockton Ambulance Service responded to the scene and transported the daughter to Freeport Memorial Hospital.

On 12/18 at approximately 12:55 a.m., an Officer of the Stockton Police Department was on routine patrol in the area of Main Street and North Avenue when he observed a black Dodge Dakota Pickup truck turning southbound onto N. Main Street from W. North Avenue. The officer observed the black Dodge Dakota excessively accelerate in such a manner as to have the rear of the vehicle swerve from side to side, which is commonly known as "fish tailing". The officer then observed the black Dodge Dakota turn westbound on to W. Maple Avenue from N. Main Street. While the vehicle was turning westbound, the vehicle again excessively accelerated in such a manner as to have the rear of the vehicle swerve from side to side. The officer then activated his emergency lights and attempted to stop the black Dodge Dakota bearing Iowa registration. The vehicle did not stop immediately, but instead turned southbound on to N. Pearl Street from W. Maple Avenue. While the vehicle was turning southbound, the vehicle again excessively accelerated in such a manner as to have the rear of the vehicle swerve from side to side. The officer then activated his squad siren, and the vehicle finally pulled over to the side of the roadway. The officer approached the vehicle, made contact with the driver, and informed him as to the reason specifically citing his repeated manner of acceleration which was causing his vehicle to "fish tail". The driver stated that he was driving too fast in the snow, and it was causing his vehicle to "fish tail." While speaking with the driver, the officer observed a strong odor of alcohol coming from him and that the driver was exhibiting several other signs of

intoxication. In addition, the driver made statements to the officer that he had been drinking alcohol. He was requested to perform several Field Sobriety tests due to the indication that he was operating a Vehicle under the Influence of Alcohol. After the Field Sobriety tests, he was taken into custody and charged with DUI, Improper Lane Change, Driving too Fast for Conditions and Excessive Acceleration. A Court Date has been set in Jo Daviess County.

At approximately 5:09 p.m. on 12/18, the Stockton Police received a call of a loud disturbance in the area of Benton and Pearl Streets. Police were advised by complainant that there was a male subject who was shouting obscenities and threatening to shoot someone. On arrival, Police could hear shouting and were able to locate the source of the disturbance in the north alley of Benton Street, just east of Pearl. Officers found a subject banging on a door and shouting and swinging his arms in anger. It was determined that the subject was kicking and pounding on his own front door of his residence. The officer attempted to assist the subject

into his residence; however, the subject became belligerent and shouted obscenities at the officer when he was told he would receive a citation for causing the disturbance. The subject refused to cooperate with the officer, and at this time the subject was informed that he was under arrest. The subject attempted to physically resist the officer's attempt to place him into custody. The subject was finally placed into custody and placed into a squad car for transport to the Jo Daviess County Jail for processing. During the transport to the County Jail, the subject continued to make threats to do harm to the officer, stating that the officer would "die young" and that he would not suffer any consequences because he knows the judge. The subject is charged with Disorderly Conduct and Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer.

Police Chief Tom Sheehan of the Stockton Police Department would like to remind everyone, that persons charged with crimes or violations of Illinois Statutes are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law



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Letters To Santa

Mrs. Gray's Stockton **Elementary First Grade**

Dear Santa.

Hey Santa! It's Delanee. I like first grade. I like PE because we have fun. I like Miss Gray. For Christmas I want Legos, movies, and trollies. What are your reindeer's names? Is the North Pole really cold? I want my friend Sadie to get a new dog because they had Maggie for a long

Love, Delanee Adleman Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. I love first grade because Miss Gray is the best teacher. I like PE, too. I want Barbies, ponies, and trolls. What are your favorite cookies? How do you make your cookies? I want my friend Khannon to have a puppy because he is my best friend.

Love, Evelyn Craft Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! How are you? Miss Gray is my first grade teacher. I like the crafts we make too. For Christmas I want a sled, a dog, and a flute. How cold is it in the North Pole? How many elves do you have? I want my mom to get new hunting equipment because we like to go hunting.

Love, Wesley Gile Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I like crafts we do in first grade because the crafts turn out nice. I like Miss Gray, too. She teaches us so we can be smart. For Christmas I want a Christmas tree, a Smartboard, and a dry-erase board. How does your sled fly? Does the North Pole have a lot of snow? I want Miss Gray to get a million dollars because she is nice to me.

Love, Adam Haas Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I like all of my friends in first grade. I like Miss Gray because she is the best teacher. For Christmas I want a sled, Hatchimals, and a Lego set. How do you make the toys? How many elves do you have? I want Miss Gray to get a new necklace because she never wears

Love, Emma Haas Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! How are you? In first grade we make lots of fun crafts. I like the computer lab. For Christmas I want an Xbox 1S, a Nerf gun, and a new Call of Duty game. How do you get around town so fast? How do you get your reindeer to fly? I want my mom to get a new Scentsy because it will make her happy.

Love, Mason Henderson

Dear Santa.

Hi Santa! How are you? First grade is so much fun. I like being the Room Captain. I like Miss Gray because she is the best. I want the Angry Birds Movie, Trolls, and a new Mario Brothers game for the Wii. How do your reindeer fly? How do you make all of those toys? I want my grandma to get a new car because

she gives me presents. Love, Jarrett Johnson

Hi Santa! How have you been? I am in first grade. I like being Room Captain because you get to do shown-tell. I like Miss Gray because she

is the best teacher ever. For Christmas I want flower bedding, an Orbeez Soothing Spa, and Hatchimals. How do you get to all of those houses in one night? How do you get the reindeer to fly? I want Jarrettt to get Legos because he doesn't have very many. Love, Sadie Johnson Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I am in first grade. I like my teacher Miss Gray. I like all of my friends, too. Can I please have a bike, a Chucky toy, and a monster truck for Christmas? How do you get your reindeer? How do you get down the chimney? I want my friend Jarrett to get a nice robot because he is nice to me. Love, Khannon Jones

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I like first grade. I can dance in first grade. I can play with my friends. Please bring me a princess doll, a bike, and a kitty cat. Do you live at the North Pole? Do you come when I sleep? Could you bring an Elf on the Shelf for mom and dad? It would be fun. Mom would like it. Love, Stella McGovern

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! How have you been? I am in Miss Gray's first grade. I like math and I love to read. For Christmas I would like a scooter, an IPad, and a toy dinosaur. How do you get around town? How many elves do you have? I want my dad to get new hunting equipment because he likes to hunt. Love, Sawyer McPeek

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I am in first grade. I like Miss Gray and I like to do math. For Christmas I want a Power Ranger, a toy dog, and a bike. How are the reindeer doing? How are the elves too? I want Jarrett to get a new bike because he is my best friend. Love, Bencho Montalvo

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! How are you doing? I am in first grade. I like Miss Gray and all of my friends. Can I please have a phone, a tablet, and Pie Face Show Down for Christmas? How many reindeer do you have? How many elves do you have? I want Sadie to get a blue bow because her favorite color is blue. Love, Maliani Munoz

Dear Santa.

Hi Santa! I am a first grader. I like my teacher and I like being the Room Captain. There are only a few things I want for Christmas. I would like a movie, a Barbie, and a Monster High doll. How many elves do you have? How many reindeer do you have? I want my dad to get some hunting stuff because I want to go hunting. Love, Maddalyn Nowviock

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I like my teacher because she lets us watch movies sometimes. I liked making our elf craft. I want a remote control car, semitruck, and a remote control semi. How many elves do you have? How many reindeer do you have? I want Slayten to get Legos because he is a good friend. Love, Cooper Raab

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! I am a first grader. I like Miss Gray and PE. For Christmas I want a Dino Zoomer, Legos, and a movie. How cold is it in the North Pole? How do you get around

so fast? I want mom to get new close because she works hard and should get new clothes.

Love, Samuel Sikora

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa! I am in Miss Gray's first grade class. I like math in first grade. I like going to the computer lab. I want a toy fox, math paper, and a Llama Llama book for Christmas. Why are the elves so tiny? Why do you have a beard? I want my friend Delanee to have a new shirt because it might match her shoes and her colorful pants.

Love, Emelia Steien

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa! It's Cohen! I'm in first grade. I like to do crafts. I like recess. Can I please have games, a Kindle, and books for Christmas? How many elves do you have? How many reindeer do you have? I want my mom to get a new shirt because she helps me do lots of stuff.

Love, Cohen Wampfler

Mrs. Schafer's Third Grade -**River Ridge Elementary**

Dear Santa.

Thank you for that Barbie house. I always put my Christmas tree inside my Barbie house. How are the elves doing? How is Rudolph doing and the other reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus doing? How are you doing?

I would like a leotard. I would also like orbeez and some balloons. I would also like some posters. I would also like a frame to put my posters in for my room. I would also like my sister to have some stress balls. Love, Averi

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents last year. How is Rudolph? How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? Do the reindeer ever get tired flying around the world? How do you fit down the chimney? What does Mrs. Claus do

I would like the 2016 barbie of the year Aqua and 2016 birthday wishes-blonde.Love, Elaina

Dear Santa,

How are your elves? How is Mrs. Claus? How is Rudolph? I want a teddy bear. I want a dump truck. I want an airport play set. Love, Loran

Dear Santa

Thank you for the video games last year really appreciated the games and the wolf hat. How is Mrs. Claus doing, good or bad? How are the elves doing making the toys? How are you doing Santa with the

Santa can i please have Charizard pokemon card and an iphone 6 and a mini dirt bike. Your friend, Deaven Love Deaven Thank you

Dear Santa,

Thank you for last year's presents. Why do you not want to be seen? How many elves are at the North pole? Do you really give coal? Is it always snowing outside? For Christmas I would like crazy Aaron's thinking putty. I would like orbeez and balloons so I can put the orbeez in the balloons. I would also like a Hatchimal. Last I would like a hoverboard. Love, Ava

Dear Santa,

Thank you for shopkins, new

boots, ipad and clothes last year. How is Mrs. Claus and the elves and Rudolph. Is Rudolph really good! Is Rudolph helpful! Do you do a lot of cookies or do you bring them back for Mrs. Claus! How old are you and Mrs. Claus.

For Christmas I would like something for my mom and dad. I would like to have a ring for my mom. Could I have a fake bird for Christmas. I would like a fake baby doll that really looks real. Love, Maddie

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer doing? Are they having hot cocoa over winter break? Santa how do you get our reindeer to fly Santa?

What I would want for Christmas is a rocket launching station and a star wars shuttle. Thank you Santa for my presents last year. Love,

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents from last year. Thank you for giving me presents each year. How is Rudolf doing this year? How are all the elfs and you doing? How many toys do you make per year? How many elves do you have? How many toys and clothes do you have?

For Christmas I would like a new bike. I would like to get my mom a diamond ring. I would like a new baseball bat. I would like to get my sister a new Barbie house.

I would like a baseball glove. I would like lots of books. Love, Vin-

Dear Santa,

Thank you for bringing me presents every other year. Thank you for bringing me great stuff. How are you doing up there? Can you please ask Mrs. Claus how she's doing?

Hey! Santa here are 4 things I would like to have pajamas, coat, remote control car, and a toy dinosaur. Have a very merry Christmas Santa. Love, Bentley

Dear Santa.

Thank you for giving me a stuffed bear that was purple, from last year. I love that bear I sleep with it every night. I snuggle with it and I even play dress up with the purple bear. I also want to thank for giving me a pair of winter gloves. I use them all the time at least. By the way how many presents did the elves make for boys and girls all around the world? Are all the reindeer getting ready for Christmas and they need to be ready for running all over the world they need to be strong runners too. Also Santa how old are You? I never thought about that before.

I don't really want anything for Christmas but I would like Think putty for Christmas because I like putty things like that. Love, Gracie

Dear Santa, Thanks for the baby doll crib. Can you please say hello to Mrs. Claus for me? How is the reindeer? How are you? Are you going to drop off my presents in Springfield or Hanover? Do you have kids? How old are you and Mrs. Claus? Can you please get me Orbeez thank you. Can you get me some friendship necklaces? Love, Zoey

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents that

I got last year. I got a tablet, friendship bracelets, a pogo stick but my parents took it back because they thought it was too dangerous for me but thank you anyway, and I got Shopkin puzzles. In our stockings we got gummy soda candies, fruit punch gummy candies, and toothbrushes. For Christmas can I please have only chocolate because I love it and it is good, Chocolate Pen, Chocolate Pen is chocolate in different colors, and may I please have a box of chocolate for Mrs. Schafer, thank you!! Love, Jasmine

Dear Santa.

Thank you for giving all the kids in the whole world a present. Thank you Santa for flying your sleigh all around the world. Thank you for all the cheer you gave us. Do you have Rudolph in the front of your sleigh? Can you tell Mrs. Claus I said hi? Can you tell Rudolph I said

Can you please get me some Shopkins for Christmas? Can you please get me a shopey doll? Can you please get me a stuffed animal? Your friend, Kaitlynn

Dear Santa,

Thank you Santa for the presents you gave me for Christmas. Is it colder where you live than I live? Do you like my cookies? I hope you

For Christmas I want pet shops. What I want for Christmas is a horse. I just want for Christmas to have everybody happy. Love, Jaime Dear Santa, How are you doing in the North Pole? I bet it's very cold up there. Are the elves being good? What are the reindeer doing? Are the Elves very silly?

Do you know what I want for Christmas? What I would like for Christmas is a drill, rc car, candy, bunny, farm toys, green spray paint, and a chain. Your friend, Ethan

Dear Santa,

How is it going up there? How is Rudolph doing? How are the reindeer going? Are you having a good time? Is it colder where you live or where we live? How do all your elves do all that work? Are you doing good?

What I want for Christmas is a baby alive 2nd, and a easy bake oven. Love, Taeler

Dear Santa,

I like your reindeer. How is Mrs.

I want a white snare drum. I would also like a monster truck with a remote control. Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,

How are you doing up at the North Pole? How many presents do the elves have to make?

I would like 8 presents for Christmas for me, sis, mom, dad because they are my special gift for Christmas family. I would like a gocart, and a camera. Then for my sister I would like for her and Thea.

Next 2 presents are for my dad, I would like him to have a camera and a clean hat that is just his size and is dirt proof. Then last I would like my mom to have fancy earrings and 2 snowglobes. Your Friend, Thomas

ON THE RECORD

Obituaries

I. RONALD LAWFER

Irvin Ron-Lawfer nassed away Sunday morning Dec. 18, 2016 at home surrounded by his family. He was born a twin to Ivan Donald Lawfer on May 15, 1934 at



home in Kent, Illinois to Myron D. and Martha C. (Beyer) Lawfer. He married Patricia A. Renken on Oct. 2, 1955 in Mason City, Illinois. They celebrated 61 years together.

Ron attended grade school at rural Wards Grove School and graduated from Stockton High School in 1951. He graduated with a degree in agriculture and journalism in 1955 from the University of Illinois at Urbana and was a member of Farm House fraternity where he served as President his senior year. He worked as a reporter for the Daily Illini and the Champaign News-Gazette during his college

He was commissioned an officer in the U.S. Army upon his college graduation and entered active duty at Fort Benning, Georgia in 1955. After schooling at Ft. Benning, he was assigned to the 7th Infantry Division in Korea. During his eighteen-month tour in Korea as an Infantry Officer, he was an executive officer of a regimental medical company and also served in Eighth Army Engineer headquarters dealing with soil erosion problems on military installation throughout all of South Korea. He was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon for these soil conservation efforts and his tour of duty ended in October 1957 with the rank of 1st Lieutenant.

Upon his return to Illinois, he purchased a dairy farm adjoining the farm where he was born. He served as director and vice president of Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau. He was a member of the Midwest Dairyman Cooperative. He was named outstanding dairyman of Jo Daviess County.

Ron and his brother hosted the Illinois Land Improvement Contractor's Association Show in 1973. The conservation practices implemented at this show are all still in use today. From 1974 to 1976, he served on the Illinois Agricultural and Stabilization Committee, appointed by U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz, traveling the state implementing the USDA Farm Programs.

Ron believed that a farmer could be a conservationist and still produce food from the land. Because of his extensive soil and water conservation practices on his rolling Jo Daviess County dairy farm, he was named Prairie Farmer "Master Farmer" in 1985. He was proud to see his son and daughter-in-law receive the "Master Farmer" award in 2016. He served as chairman of the Jo Daviess County Agricultural Extension Council and as Illinois delegate chairman of the Jo Daviess County Agricultural Farm-

He was Wards Grove township supervisor from 1974 to 1982 and a member of the Jo Daviess County Board from 1982 to 1992, serving as chairman of the agriculture committee. He also served on the Illinois Rural Bond Bank and as a director of the Kent Bank.

In 1992, Ron was elected State Representative in the Illinois General Assembly representing five Northwest Illinois counties and was named top ranking freshman legislator. He was reelected for five terms before retiring in 2002 with a perfect attendance record. He continued to operate a hay and grain farm after retirement from the General Assembly as his son took over the dairy.

He was baptized at the St. John's Lutheran Church at Massbach, confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Kent, and was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton where he served as member and chairman of the church

Ron is survived by wife, Patricia; five children, Kathy Lawfer of Cooktown, Australia, Karen Lawfer of Juneau, Alaska, Kay Johnson of Watseka, Ronald L. (Julie Stiefel) Lawfer of Kent, Kristine (David) Griffith of East Peoria; nine grandchildren, Brian (Wendy) Felix of Salem, Oregon, Sarah Felix of Miami, Florida, Anne Johnson of Watseka, Justin (Tonya) Lawfer of Stoughton, Wisconsin, Ben (Samantha) Lawfer of Kent, John Lawfer of Kent, Dr. Serena (Kevin) Larsen of Morrison, Kyle Griffith of Seattle, Washington, and Michelle Griffith of East Peoria; and four great-granddaughters, Norah Felix, Skyla Lawfer, Sydney Lawfer, and Veronica Larsen.

He was preceded in death by his parents and twin brother Donald.

Visitation was Dec. 21 at Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton. A memorial service was held December 22 at Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton. There will be a private burial at Wards Grove cemetery, which overlooks the Lawfer family farms. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to The Lawfer Legacy fund to promote agriculture in the area through scholarships and grants. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with Ron's family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com

JOSEPH P. STAPONAITIS

Joseph P. Staponaitis 73, of Freeport, IL formerly of Cicero, IL passed away on Dec. 20, 2016 at the

Lena Living Center. He was born on June 20, 1943 in Chicago, IL, the son of Charles and Mary (Zienicki) Staponaitis. Joseph graduated from Morton East School and College and he served his country in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War.

Joseph in his younger years enjoyed working at Walgreens, and claimed his title as the "Original Soda Jerk" and he was very proud of that job. Joseph worked as a refrigeration repair man at Sears in Melrose Park for 30 years. He was a loving and giving man who always saw the best in everyone he

He is survived by his twin sister Johanna (Jim) Leamy of Lena, and a nephew Jim Leamy of Carpentersville, IL a niece Jean Schloskey of Belvidere, IL and a nephew Jeff (Melissa) Leamy of Franklin Park, IL. He is also survived by four great nieces and two great nephews.

Joseph was preceded in death by his parents and one sister Phyllis

Services will be Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Lena, IL.

Visitation will be held at 10 a.m. until time of service at the church.

Cremation rites were accorded and burial will take place in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Lena,

Friends and family may send condolences to the family at www. leamonfh.com

LEON MOELLER

Leon Moeller, age 56, of Preston, Iowa passed away Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at home. A visitation and a memorial service were held Dec. 23, at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Preston with Pastor Carina Schilte officiating. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established in Leon's memory. Family and friends are invited to share in Leon's life at www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com.

Leon was born Feb. 22, 1960 in Clinton, Iowa, the son of Lester and Alice (Scheper) Moeller. He is a 1978 graduate of Miles High School, Miles, Iowa. On August 29, 1981 Leon married Paula Jean Hueneke at St. John's Lutheran Church, St. Donatus, Iowa. They raised three children and celebrated thirty-five years of marriage.

Leon was a member of the Jackson County Pork Producers. He enjoyed farming and attending the Farm Progress Show. He also worked at Blue Hyll Dairy, Clinton, Iowa for sixteen years. Leon was a member of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Preston. He liked watching sports, especially the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears and Iowa Hawkeyes. He loved spending time with his grandchil-

Leon will be dearly missed by

his wife, Paula Moeller of Preston; two daughters, Susan (Tim) Devine of Cedar Falls, Iowa and Nancy (Aaron) Evarts of Marion, Iowa; a son, Thomas (Rachelle) Moeller of Preston; six grandchildren, Kenzie, Madison and Bentley Devine, Weston Evarts, and Bridgette and Troy Moeller; both parents, Lester (Alice) Moeller of Preston; two sisters, Carmen (Jason) Oostenryk of Davenport, Iowa and Pauline Putman of Oregon; and two brothers, Bruce (Dennis Pelletier) Moeller of Florida and Paul Moeller of Preston. Leon is preceded in death by his grandparents.

MORRIS J. BLAIR

Morris Blair, age 90 Stockton, passed away at home Friday, Dec. 16, 2016. He was born Sept. 21, 1926; the son of the late Orville and Ruth (Taylor)



Blair. He was a graduate of Stockton High School. Morris had served in the United States Navy during WWII. He married Mariam Pierce on May 15, 1948.

He was a lifelong farmer, retiring in 1987. He was a member of the Unitarian-Universalist Church of Stockton where he was very involved in the church and had served on the church board. Morris also served on the Stockton School Board, the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau, the Rush Township Board, and the Warren Fair Board where

he had been a past president. He was also a 4-H leader and a Freemason. For all his contributions to the community, no accomplishment was greater than his role as a father and husband. He married his high school sweetheart (Mariam) and truly loved her for more than seventy years. He was a loving supportive father and a wonderful role model for his children and others. His big sunny smile filled the room and also the hearts of friends and family alike. He will be deeply

Morris is survived by two sons, Curt (Linda) Blair of Madison, WI and Brett Blair of Stockton; daughter, Beth (John) Mueller of

Pecatonica, IL; grandchildren, Jeremy & Matthew and Jason, Arnold &

Anna; three great grandchildren; one great great grandchild; brother, Marlow (Ardale) Townsend, Meredith (Pat) Townsend, and Mike (Bonnie) Townsend; and sisters, Marjorie Jergens, Marilyn (Bob) Davey, Myrna (Jack) Gusloff, and Maxine Franz. He was preceded in death by his parents; step-father, Lige Townsend; son, Tad; and

granddaughter, Lacy. A memorial service will be held Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 11 a.m. at the Unitarian-Universalist Church in Stockton. There will be a visitation before the service beginning at 10 a.m. Interment will take place at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton at a later date. A memorial fund has been established for the Unitarian-Universalist Church of Stockton. Condolences may be shared with his family at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

Births Published FREE

The Shopper's Guide & Scoop Today publishes baby's birth announcement information for free. The only requirement is that the parents or grandparents be in the home delivery area.

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Friday



Cubs World Series **Trophy to visit Freeport**

The official word from the Chicago Cubs is received and the day and time for the World Series Trophy visit to Freeport has been changed to Sunday, Jan. 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 305 West Stephenson, Freeport, ÎL. The change (from Jan. 9th) will allow more people to see the trophy and get photos. Also, the public will be able to take their own photos, and we will have volunteers take the photos for them, so bring your cameras and cell phones. The volunteers will use the cameras you bring. There is no

Masonic that day, come to the auditorium where you can wait until going into the Crystal Room, where the photos will be taken. We will show the last game of the Series on the large screen in the auditorium and have a rally. Wear all your Cubs gear. Please share this announcement, as the date has changed. Folks in wheelchairs should enter at the west parking lot, and there will be special considerations for that group. The entire area we are using is handicapped accessible. Go Cubs!

As the old year ends and the New Year begins, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. We thank you for your business and are sincerely wishing for you and your family a healthy and peaceful New Year.

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Pearl City students learn about reindeer

On Friday, Dec. 9, Pearl City first grade and kindergarten students enjoyed a visit from Brittani DeVries, Education Coordinator of the Stephenson County Ag in the Classroom program. She shared many facts about reindeer and students enjoyed making a reindeer ornament as part of the lesson.



Holiday shopping

River Ridge Elementary students had the opportunity to purchase gifts for loved ones at the Santa Store, a project sponsored by River Ridge PTO and manned by River Ridge Middle School students.

OBADIAH DALE BENSON

Stephen (Bud) and Stephanie (Heid) Benson of Thomson, IL are the proud parents of a son, Obadiah Dale, born Friday, Dec. 16, 2016 at Mercy Medical Center, Clinton, IA. He weighed 6 lbs 3 oz. and was 19 in. long.

He was welcomed home by sister Ivy Ruth (11/2) and two brothers, Cosmo and Wyatt.

Grandparents are Bill and Kim Heid of Thomson, IL and Shannon Brasher of Asbury, IA.

Great-grandparents are Dean and Ruth Wright of Stockton, IL; Betty Gallentine of Thomson, IL; Galen and Linda Heid of Stockton, IL and Dale and June Clabaugh of Picayune,

LEVI JANTZEN

Steven Jantzen and Haley Holmes of Lena, Ill. are the parents of a son Levi Scott Jantzen born Thursday December 22, 2016 at FHN Memorial Hospital, Freeport, Ill. Levi has a sister Alivia Lou, 4. Grandparents are Scott and Kim Holmes of Lena and Scott and Tammi Jantzen of Platteville, Wis. Great grandparents are Dewayne and Cindy Hintz of Lena, Pat and Paul Tessendorf of Madison, Wis. and Jeff Holmes of Lena. Great great grandparents are Morris and Elaine Holmes of Lena and Madge Dawson of Stockton, Ill





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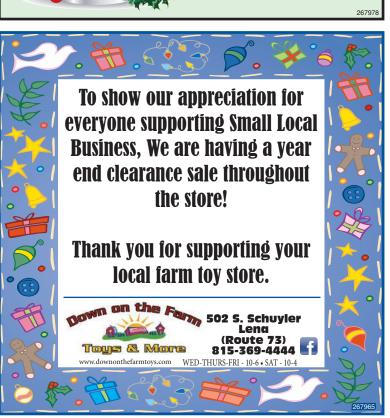
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Define ugly

Le-Win Elementary celebrated its annual Ugly Sweater Day and to be honest, things did not get all that



Third grade students Derrick Distler, Mr. Kudronowicz, Michael Winter, Seth Birkett, Haleigh Curtis, Chloe Busker, Carly Weis, and Aidan Wand used their engineering skills to construct towers using Christmas candy and tooth picks.



Celebrating learning

Under the guidance of Kaelan Shetler and Maddie Frey elementary students Grace Behlke, Macy Rivers, Brayden Roberts, and Collin Curtis created

Christmas trees. The branches of the trees contained different Christmas jokes and answers that could be flipped and read to their friends and families.





The gift

Students from the Lena-Winslow High School Servant Leadership chapter purchased gifts for the three families they sponsored.

CHURCH NOTES

Red Cross Home Fire Response soars

Two steps can help save lives: Check smoke alarms & practice fire safety drills

The American Red Cross of Chicago & Northern Illinois has responded to more than 100 home fires so far in December 2016. This number is higher than the region has seen in at least the past seven years. The region has helped 520 people, including 216 children affected by home fires.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will gather for worship Jan. 1, at 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL, at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to worship on this New Year's Day as we celebrate with Name of Jesus Service and Holy Communion.

Following the service the congregation will gather for conversation, sharing, coffee, juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall.

On Monday Jan. 2, the church office will be closed.

On Wednesday Jan. 4, at 8 a.m. the Piece Corps Quilters will work together to craft quilts for Lutheran World Relief. They are always looking for more people to help tie quilts and sew. No previous quilting experience is necessary. Come join the fun and make a difference in the world!

Willow/Kent United **Methodist Churches**

Willow/Kent UMC will worship together on Sunday, Jan. 1, at Willow UMC at 9 a.m. Pastor Brenda Morris will be bringing the message; also serving Holy Communion (it will be offered to all, no one is turned away). All are invited and welcome. Also to stay for the fellowship following.

Sunday school is at 10:30 a.m. studying from the Holy Bible; and all are invited and welcome to stay and join in on the study.

Willow UMC is located about 7 miles SE of Stockton, IL on Willow Rd. For more information, please call (815) 601-6742

"Home fires increase during the colder months. We've found that winter months bring more instances of home fires due to burning candles, leaving the oven on to help heat a home, and smoking in bed. A home fire is often a devastating loss to families," said Harley Jones, Regional Disaster Officer. "We encourage families to be prepared."

The Red Cross, on average, responds to four home fires everyday across Northern Illinois. The Red Cross provides safe shelter, food, clothing, heath services, and emotional support to aid in long-term recovery for the affected families.

HOME FIRE CAMPAIGN The Red Cross and partners are on a mission to reduce death and injury from home fires by 25% by 2020. Each year, the Red Cross responds to nearly 66,000 disasters, the vast majority of which are home fires.

On average:

- · 7 people die every day from a home fire
- 36 people suffer injuries as a result of home fires every day
- · Over \$7 billion in property damage occurs every year

WHAT PEOPLE CAN DO The Red Cross asks everyone to take two simple steps to help prevent injury and death during a fire in their home - check their smoke alarms and practice fire drills at home. Every household should develop a fire escape plan and practice it several times a year and at different times of the day. The plan should include two ways to get out of every room and a place to meet outside. Consider escape ladders for sleeping areas or homes on the second floor or above.

People should also install smoke alarms on every level of the home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas. The alarms should be tested every month and the batteries replaced at least once a year.

People can visit redcross.org to find out more about how to protect themselves and their loved homes from fire or contact their local Red Cross to learn about the location of local smoke alarm installation events. They can also help by volunteering their time or making a donation today to Red Cross Disaster Relief by visiting redcross.org, calling 1-800-RED

Lessons and carols Sunday at St. Paul's in Kent

On Jan. 1, 2017, at their 10 a.m. family worship, St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kent will celebrate the first Sunday after Christmas with a Service of Lessons and Carols. Select scriptures from Old and New Testament will be read and beloved Christmas carols will be sung. There

We are located in the suburbs of Kent on 1334 N. Sunnyside Road. We welcome all persons at the little church with the big heart.

Please join us for this special celebration of the Christ Child and of

St. John Church in Pearl City to host service of carols and readings

St. John's will have a service of carols and readings on Sunday, Jan. 1, titled, "The Five Gifts of Christmas." The service will begin at 9 a.m. All are welcome to join us to celebrate the Christmas season.

The St. John's office will be closed on Dec. 24-26 and Dec. 31-Jan. 2. However, all voicemail messages and email messages regarding pastoral care needs will be addressed.

Walking at St. John's will resume on Monday, Jan. 2, at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome to walk downstairs in the lower level on Mondays and Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. The Bible Studies will resume on Monday, Jan. 9, at 7 p.m. and the Thursday morning study will resume on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 9:30 a.m.



peration Christmas Child

The Northwest corner of Illinois Christmas shoe boxes was a great success this year.. Towns involved include Apple River, Lanark, Elizabeth, Lena, Freeport, Pearl City, Mt. Carroll, Milledgeville and Savanna, III. Gratiot, Monroe and Argyle, Wis. Together, they collected 1,424 boxes. The drop-off site was Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton and the volunteers there included Staci Ven Huizen, Judy Schubert, Ethan Cook, Garrett Wilkenson, Janice Kehl, Darci Raab, Kayla Broshous, Addie, Steven and Nancy Rice, Bryan Broshous furnished the trailer to put 89 cartons of shoe boxes.

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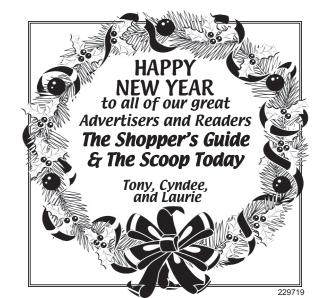
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FOR THE FIFTEENTH

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STEPHENSON COUNTY -

FREEPORT ILLINOIS

and

410 West Garfield Street,

NOTICE OF SALE

Authority

Owners

Claimants

Defendants.

Freeport, IL 61032

mortgaged real estate:

the State of Illinois.

Parcel Number(s): 18-19-06-

The real estate is improved

with a Single Family Residence.

Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale,

a cashier's or certified check

for 10% of the successful bid

amount. The balance of the suc-

cessful bid shall be paid within

24 hours, by similar funds. The

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Attorney, Manley Deas Ko-

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Plaintiff,

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chalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 16-008484. Illinois Housing Development Alan S. Kaufman MANLEY DEAS KOCHAL-SKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250 Jeremy A. Harnish; Unknown Non-Record Chicago, IL 60601 Telephone: 312-651-6700 Fax: 614-220-5613 2016CH 39 Attorney. No.: 6289893 Email: MDKIllinoisFilings@ manleydeas.com PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby (Published in The Shopper's Guide given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale Dec. 14, 21 & 28, 2016) entered in the above entitled cause on October 18, 2016, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office will on January 19, FOR THE FIFTEENTH 2017, at the hour of 9:30 AM JUDICIAL CIRCUIT at the Stephenson County Sher-STEPHENSON COUNTY iff's Office, Stephenson County FREEPORT ILLINOIS Courthouse, 15 North Galena Illinois Housing Development Avenue, Freeport, IL 61032, Authority sell to the highest bidder for Plaintiff, cash, the following described VS. Joshua L. Wishard; Alysca A. Lot Number Twenty (20) in Niedermeier, FKA Alysca A. Block "E" in Pattison's Subdivi-Wishard; The State of Illinois; sion of part of the South Half of Citizens State Bank; Unknown the Northwest Quarter of Sec-Owners and Non-Record tion Number Six (6) in Town-Claimants ship Number Twenty-six (26) Defendants. 15CH 83 North of Range Number Eight (8) East of the Fourth Principal 321 West Main Street, Dakota, IL 61018 Meridian; situated in the City of Freeport, Stephenson County in NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby Commonly known as 410 given that pursuant to a Judg-West Garfield Street, Freeport,

ment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on September 20, 2016, the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office will on January 19, 2017, at the hour of 9:30 AM at the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office, Stephenson County Avenue, Freeport, IL 61032, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: Lots 4 and 5 in Block 1 of

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Brown's Addition to the Town,

Now Village of Dakota, Ste-

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Commonly known as 321 West Main Street, Dakota, IL MOND MAHER, Parcel Number(s): 14-09-36-The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence. Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the suc-

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I hope you all had a great Christmas. We had a little snow, a little fog, and a little rain; however, the weather didn't really stop people from getting to Christmas celebrations. We are now heading into the New Year—2017, can you believe we raced through last year and are ready to start again. This week I have some new appetizers and some of my favorites. Enjoy these as you welcome in the new year.

The first recipe is for a trail mix that uses popcorn. A reader sent it to me, and she said it is tasty. The hardest part is popping corn (you could microwave it) and then trying to stir the honey butter throughout the mixture. The end result is worth

Popcorn Trail Mix

6 C. popped popcorn

7 C. multigrain Cheerios

2 C. whole almonds, roasted and

5 oz. dried cranberries

¹/₄ C. butter

¹/₄ C. honey

In a large bowl, mix the cereal, almonds and popcorn. In a separate large bowl, mix the butter and honey. Microwave on high for 1-2 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds, until mixture comes to a full boil and butter is melted. Pour honey

butter over the cereal mixture stirring until evenly coated. Stir in cranberries and mix well. Store in an airtight container.

The next recipe is for the ever popular pinwheel appetizers. This one is a little different because it has sun dried tomatoes and some Dijon mustard. Both of these give the sausage a different flavor. A lot of pinwheel appetizers are cold and made with tortilla wraps. This one uses crescent rolls, and they are baked in the oven. You could save some time by buying the crescent rolls without the perforations.

Sausage Pinwheels

1 t. extra-virgin olive oil

1 lb. ground sausage

½ t. pepper½ C. sun-dried tomatoes, finely chopped

3 T. Dijon mustard

1 T. finely chopped green onions 2 cans refrigerated crescent rolls.

In a medium skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Add the sausage and pepper and cook, stirring frequently, until browned and crumbly, about 5 minutes. Remove from skillet, and let drain on paper towels. In a medium bowl, stir together the sausage, tomatoes, mustard and chives.

Unroll 1 can of dough onto a lightly floured surface and press seams and perforations together. Spread half of the sausage mixture onto the dough, leaving a 1/4 inch border on all sides. Starting at one long side, roll up the dough into a log, brushing the seams with water to seal. Repeat with remaining dough and sausage mixture. Freeze for 15 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 375. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper. Using a serrated knife, cut the logs into 1/2-inch slices, and place

on prepared pans. Bake until golden brown, 15-17 minutes.

The following recipes are my tried and true appetizer recipes. I have been making them for years. Some of the recipes have a base that you can use to make many different appetizers. Have a good time making some of these for your New Year's Eve or Day celebrations.

This is an easy taco dip that I have made for many occasions. In fact, I have several children of friends who ask if they can have a carry out carton to take with them. It is my no fail taco dip that everyone loves. Use the red and green tortilla chips for a festive look.

Taco Dip

8 oz. cream cheese, softened

2 C. sour cream

1 jar salsa (mild)

Mix the cream cheese and sour cream together with a mixer until smooth. Carefully add the salsa and blend. Refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving. Serve with Tostitos—I like the whole grain scoops with this.

The next base can be used for vegetable pizza, dill sandwiches or shrimp or crab dip. It is great to keep in the refrigerator for a week to have handy if you need a quick appetizer.

Base for Dill Sandwiches and Shrimp Dip

1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, soft-

1 pkg. Ranch Dip mix, dry

½ C. sour cream ½ C. salad dressing

½ t. dill weed

½ t. garlic powder

Dill Sandwich Ingredients

1 Cucumber, sliced thinly

Cocktail Rye Bread Dill Weed

Shrimp Dip Ingredients

10-12 cooked, peeled and deveined frozen shrimp, thawed

Cocktail Sauce

Mix the first six ingredients together until smooth. You may refrigerate until you are ready to use this base.

Dill Sandwiches:

Spread the rye slices with the cream cheese mixture. Place the rye slices on a cookie sheet and place the cucumber slices on top. Sprinkle with the dill weed. Refrigerate for at least two hours. Place on a serving tray.

Shrimp Dip:

Spread the base on a pie plate or long shallow glass tray. Cut up the shrimp (remove the tails and be sure they are dry) into bite size pieces. Sprinkle the shrimp on top of the base. Drizzle red cocktail sauce over the shrimp.

You may also use this base for vegetable pizza. Spread Crescent Roll out on a pizza pan sprayed with cooking spray. Seal all the perforations. Bake according to directions and cool. Spread the base over the dough. Add finely chopped onions, celery, carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, or cumbers or any combination of these. Sprinkle with Dill weed. Spread shredded cheddar cheese on the top. Cut into pieces. Refrigerate until serving. (I like to refrigerate for at least 2 hours and then cut it.)

Years ago my mother made this easy appetizer that has only three ingredients. You make part of it on the stove and then dump it in a crock pot. Everyone loves it; if you want it with more kick, you can add a can of Rotelli to it.

My Mom's Easy Appetizer 1 lb. ground beef, browned and

drained

1 can Hormel No Bean Chili 1/4 lb. Velveeta cheese, cubed

After browning ground beef and draining excess liquid, add the chili and combine. Heat mixture and then add the cheese. Place on low heat until the cheese is melted. Refrigerate until serving. (I put mine in a small greased crock pot-you can leave it for at least 4 hours.)

This last recipe is from the old sorority cookbook. I make this once every year. You can make it ahead of time and freeze them in a Ziploc bag. They are a great hit at any party. Enjoy these easy to make appetizers (you can use the canned crab, but I use the imitation crab sticks or chunks. Both taste

Betty's Crab Triangles

6½ oz. crab

1 T. mayonnaise

1 stick butter, softened

¼ t. garlic powder

5 oz. Old English cheese spread

6 English muffins

Mix all the ingredients together. Split the muffins. Spread mixture on muffin halves. Cut into quarters. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and broil until bubbly. You can freeze them on a cookie sheet until they are hard and then place them in a Ziploc

This week between Christmas and New Years is usually full of more celebrations or just plain rest. We are looking for some good soup recipes as we travel into the New Year. We are also looking for some sandwiches for football parties.

If you have some new or favorite recipes, you can contact us in person, by mail, or email us at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 213 S. Center St. or email scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com. Have a great New Year's celebration!

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Lena Library News

DIRECTOR

By the time you read this, Christmas will have come and gone. I trust you allhad a wonderful holiday and were able to enjoy time with the family. Now we look forward to a new year. May 2017 be filled with much joy and happiness for all of

Have any of you gotten onto the PrairieCat web site and tried placing your own book holds? I think some have because we have been seeing some come in.

Glad you are trying it, and if you choose not to, that is fine. We are still here to order anything for you. We are still getting to know the system and what all we can do with it, so please continue to bear with us. So far, it has been a pretty smooth transition.

The after school group has been having lots of fun this past two weeks. Last week they made "Happy Owlidays" and beaded ornaments. They were very nice.

After all the fun of the class, they got hot chocolate to go!

This week they did "Christmas tree wrap". They formed teams and had to wrap one person in green crepe paper decorated with bows and a bow at the top. There were some who did an excellent job, and they all had a great time. Since this week was the Christmas party, everyone enjoyed playing Bingo. Everybody got prizes. Thank you to some very willing parents who provided snacks and drinks.

The winners of the tree contest were awarded prizes. The winners were: Lillian Werhane, Sydney Duncan and Maci Graves. Congratulations to each of you for a great job!

The preschoolers have been having as much fun as the older kids. Last week we had Santa with us and he enjoyed talking with all of the story hour children.

School News

Area students named to Carthage College Dean's List for Fall 2016

A total of 992 students have been named to the Carthage College Dean's List for the Fall 2016 semes-

Dean's List honors are accorded to Carthage students who achieve a 3.5 grade-point average while carrying at least 14 credit hours during a

The following local students achieved the honor:

Nicholas Bussian of Lena Rachael Lund of Davis

Elisabeth Rutter of Lena

sha, Wisconsin.

Carthage College combines an environment of reflection and selfdiscovery with a culture of high expectation so our students uncover and ignite their true potential. A fouryear, private liberal arts college with roots in the Lutheran tradition. Carthage has a prime location in Keno-

I hope Santa remembered all of the things the kids asked for. Sometimes the lists are pretty long! After visiting Santa, the kids all went down to class where they made the cutest candy cane reindeer. "Clifford's first Christmas" was read and Christmas songs and finger plays were done.

This week was party week! Everyone got to dig in the "snow" for

"The Christmas Train was read. All enjoyed snacks that were again, provided by the parents. Each child left with a "goodie" bag and a big smile!!

Remember parents, we do not resume these programs until January 9th. Enjoy this time at home with your children!

Dec. 28, we will be having book discussion at 9:30 a.m. I know this is a busy time of year, but plan to take some time off and join us for a fun filled morning.

New DVDS: Bridget Jones's Baby, Florence Foster Jenkins, and Secret Life of Pets.

There were no new books this time, but, new things will be coming in soon though, so watch for all the new items. We will be getting lots of new children's books in soon also.

We know all the kids enjoy the 'new "books.

As I said in the beginning of this article, we are coming to the close of the old year. We would like to take this time to say thank you to all of our generous patrons who have donated books and DVDS to the library. We would also like to thank Pete and Iva for the generous donations of juice and cookies for our story hour and after school programs. We appreciate all that our patrons donate to us. We have some really great patrons!!

Watch the Shopper's Guide for future events. Happy New Year!!



Flapjack Fundraiser

On Saturday, Dec. 3, members of the Pearl City class of 2021 hosted a Flapjack Fundraiser at Applebees in Freeport. The students greeted, seated, and served nearly 100 customers. More than \$500 was earned and will be split between the students to help pay for their trip to Washington D.C. on March 25-27. Donations are still welcome at anytime.

LBPA recognizes winners in Lena **Hometown Christmas events**

Home Decorating Awards

Doug Wybourn home- 115 W. Lena - Brightest Lights

Bill Dameier home - 601 Oak St. -Best Use of Lights

Kevin Warner home- 113 Rollin Dr. -Judges Choice

Christmas Past" lighted parade

Best Use of Lights- Lena Lions Best Use of theme- Lena Historical

Youth theme - Hillman & Smith Honorable mention - Cari Hauch Best Business award- Twisted

Window Displays

Best use of theme- Engel's Jewelry

Best use of lights - DeVoe Floral Honorable mention for best use of theme- Lena Mercantile

Honorable mention for best use of lights- The Sugar Bowl Thank you to everyone that participated. The displays of lights, parade entries and window decorations made Lena a beautiful place to visit.

Lena Living Center to host **LBPA Business** after Hours

The next LBPA Business after Hours will be Thursday Jan. 12, 5-6:30 p.m. at the Lena Living Center featuring Food, drinks, networking, and door prizes! We hope to see you there





Dream Big in 2017.

Set your goals high and your sights higher. We will be with you every step of the way. Have a safe, happy, and prosperous New Year!

Marvin F. Uecker **Agency** Dan Harnish

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY -FREEPORT ILLINOIS Illinois Housing Development Authority

Jeremy A. Harnish; Unknown Owners and

Defendants

2016CH 39

410 West Garfield Street, Freeport, IL 61032

Non-Record Claimants

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on October 18, 2016, the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office will on January 19, 2017, at the hour of 9:30 AM at the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office, Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena Avenue, Freeport, IL 61032, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Commonly known as 410 West Garfield Street, Freeport, IL 61032

Parcel Number(s): 18-19-06-177-018 The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.

Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property 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. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

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

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 16-008484.

Alan S. Kaufman

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY -FREEPORT ILLINOIS

Illinois Housing Development Authority

Joshua L. Wishard; Alysca A. Niedermeier, FKA Alysca A. Wishard; The State of Illinois; Citizens State Bank; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants

15CH 83

321 West Main Street, Dakota, IL 61018 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on September 20, 2016, the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office will on January 19, 2017, at the hour of 9:30 AM at the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office, Stephenson County Courthouse,

15 North Galena Avenue, Freeport, IL 61032, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real

Commonly known as 321 West Main Street, Dakota, IL 61018

Parcel Number(s): 14-09-36-127-001

The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.

Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property 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. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

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

For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 15-025611.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTER-EST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATION-AL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUC-CESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR BEAR STEARNS AS-SET BACKED SECURITIES I TRUST 2006-HE7, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFI-CATES, SERIES 2006-HE7,

PLAINTIFF,

NANETTE MAHER; RAYMOND MAHER, DEFENDANTS.

1316 SOUTH BURCHARD AVENUE FREEPORT, IL 61032

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on October 18, 2016, Sheriff of Stephenson County will on January 19, 2017, in Stephenson County Courthouse 15 N. Galena Ave (West Door), Freeport, IL 61032, at 9:30 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 18-18-01-204-006 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: SOUTH BURCHARD AVENUE FRFFPORT, IL 61032

Description of Improvements: WHITE,

VINYL SIDING, SINGLE FAMILY, TWO CAR DETACHED GARAGE

The Judgment amount was \$86,790.32 Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without re-course to plaintiff. The sale is further subiect to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

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

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PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEFMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPT-ING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY IN-FORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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Pearl City Hornets 4-H News

By Matthew Bronkema CLUB REPORTER

The Pearl City Hornets met Oct. 22, 8 a.m. at St. John Church in Pearl City. We brought coffee cakes and put together thank you snack bags for our area farmers. We formed an assembly line and put in two pieces of coffee cake, bottles of juice and water, an apple, a pear, a cheese stick, and a meat stick. We each delivered some and the rest were brought to the Pearl City Elevator for further distribution.

The club met again on Nov. 7 at p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church in Pearl City. We worked on the online enrollment process. Those members still working to complete online enrollment have until Feb. 1. Please do not pay the \$20 membership fee on line, pay one of the leaders. We also elected new offi-

The Hornets December meeting held on Monday, Dec. 5, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pearl City at 7 p.m. After the pledges the group discussed and voted on donating \$100 to help rebuild the Zion Church. Each family brought items for the Christmas bags. There were six groups that delivered three bags of goodies to area residents. Merry Christmas everyone, and Happy New Year.

• Tourney (Continued from front page)

have been here week after week are starting to gel. The work is starting to pay off," Fore said.

The team's awards were highlighted by the veteran Humorous Duet Acting pair of Asa Lake and Eiley MacDougall, who earned a second place varsity award. Justin Malone, the Orangeville sophomore who just missed advancing to the state tournament last year, won a third place honor in radio speaking. Lake also captured the sixth spot in Humorous Interpretation, and Le-Win seniors Alec Aurand (Extemporaneous), Hope Enck (Impromptu), and Mike Sutter (Prose Reading and Poetry Reading) also earned sixth place awards. Le-Win freshman Mollee Brumfield won her third straight award in as many tournaments by earning a fourth place in Novice Dramatic Interpretation, while fellow freshmen Ashlyn Enck and Jacob Malloy, performing in his first-ever tournament, took home third place ribbons

in their categories, Informative Speaking and Original Comedy, respectively.

"Next up is our own tournament,

to be held at Lena-Winslow High School on Saturday, Jan. 7," said Fore. "And, regardless of what their kids may say, parents and other relatives, the entire public, really, are invited to attend. The competition begins at 8:30 a.m. and goes through the early afternoon. This year, we have 15 teams attending, which may be one of the largest, if not the largest, tournaments we've ever hosted. This year marks our 10-year anniversary for hosting, so we're pretty well established on the Northern Illinois Speech Tournament circuit."

In coming weeks, the Le-Win/ Orangeville Speech Team travels to River Ridge, Aurora, Downers Grove, and Rockford Jefferson. The IHSA State Series begins with Regional competition Saturday, Feb. 4 at Freeport High School.



