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Monroe Clinic begins reopening procedures

Officials at Monroe Clinic are slowly entering the recovery phase for COVID-19, including increased patient visits, so they are assuring patients, visitors and community members that they are taking every step possible to ensure care is delivered safely.

It is reopening in a phased approach, with precautions in place and a prioritized focus on patients whose appointments and procedures may have been delayed or impacted by COVID-19 regulations.

“Monroe Clinic and the communities we serve have done an incredible job of adhering to the Safer-at-Home order and adapting the other measures put in place to stop the spread of COVID-19,” clinic President Jane Curran-Meuli said in a news release last week. “At this time, we feel confident that we can begin to cautiously and slowly resume some services that had been stopped as a precaution against COVID-19. We will continue to monitor the situation on an ongoing basis and evaluate our care plans as we see how the virus spreads throughout our area.”

Monroe Clinic has safety precautions and infection control measures in place at all of its facilities in southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois to limit the risk of exposure and keep everyone safe. These include:

- Screening of all patients before their scheduled procedures
- Strict visitor policy to limit unnecessary traffic in facilities
- Entrance screening for all patients and visitors
- Universal use of appropriate personal protective equipment for all providers and staff
- Enhanced cleaning and disinfection processes at all locations
- Plexiglass barriers at check-in and registration to ensure appropriate distancing
- Realigned waiting room seating to ensure appropriate physical distancing

And cloth masks or face coverings must be worn by all patients, visitors and staff members at Monroe Clinic facilities.

Scheduled patient visits and procedures have been evaluated on a case-by-case basis since early March as a proactive measure to minimize risks and ensure patient safety.

“We will continue to review individual patient health histories and risk levels as we begin to increase the number of patients we’re seeing at our facilities,” said Dr. Darren Pipp, chief medical officer. “Not seeking care, particularly for chronic illnesses and urgent or emergency conditions, could negatively impact your overall health and wellbeing. Our process will be cautious and methodical to ensure the safest approach to care for our patients.”

Those who think they have come in contact with someone with COVID-19 or have symptoms should go online for a free virtual visit at SMHealth.com/COVID19.

For other routine appointments, Monroe Clinic continues to offer telehealth visits where appropriate. Telehealth visits are an excellent option for a variety of conditions and follow-up visits such as chronic illness and care management, post-surgical follow-up, mental health issues and annual wellness visits.

To learn more about telehealth visits, visit the clinic’s website or contact your provider’s office to schedule an appointment.

For continued updates, about COVID-19, visit <https://www.monroeclinic.org/coronavirus>.

Illinois Supreme Court allows circuits to design local reopening plans

Chief judges may implement their own plans beginning June 1

By Rebecca Anzel
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Illinois’ 24 chief judges can decide when to reopen courthouses across the state to in-person proceedings, the state Supreme Court ordered May 20.

Each circuit is encouraged to continue holding remote hearings as frequently as possible, an extension of the highest court’s previous guidance. But beginning June 1, and in consultation with local health departments, courthouses may hold jury trials, lawsuit arguments and other actions in a courtroom.

The Supreme Court’s plan is independent of Gov. JB Pritzker’s regional Restore Illinois plan and gives reopening authority to the head of Illinois’ 24 judicial circuits. Schedules in each district should be flexible, according to the order and guidance from chief justices, because “local conditions may change.”

“The court realizes that the health crisis is not over, but we must advance justice in a safe and organized manner,” Chief Justice Anne Burke said in a statement.

Restrictions implemented to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and “significant levels of backlogged cases” present an obstacle for “most courts for the foreseeable future,” the Supreme Court wrote in its guidance.

In a news release, the Supreme Court said, “each jurisdiction is uniquely positioned” to address those changes and other obstacles created by COVID-19.

That reopening process will be slow for many judicial jurisdictions, and many courthouses will immediately face challenges.

During the pandemic, the judicial branch of government has used technology not usually embraced by the courts.

“Whatever the new ‘normal’ brings, a silver lining for the judicial branch is the culture shift in the effective use of video conference technology and remote work capacity,” the justices wrote in the guidance.

They suggest considering having judges and attorneys exchange “sensitive documents” through

encrypted email, allowing electronic signatures on paperwork and ruling on certain matters without holding oral arguments.

Strategies for in-person proceedings should be made in consultation with local health departments, according to the guidance.

Officials may recommend foot traffic patterns to ensure social distancing, place tape on floors to indicate safe distances for court visitors to stand and evaluate where court personnel should be positioned. Judges should also limit how many people are in buildings at once.

The Supreme Court advised hand sanitizing stations and Plexiglass germ shields be in place throughout courthouses and that there be more frequent cleanings. Justices also ordered face coverings be mandatory and entry refused to those who refuse to wear one.

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Extension offering webinar series focusing on environmental issues

A team of University of Illinois-Extension educators hope that by explaining the natural world, people will better understand the delicate balance of how living and nonliving things interact in today’s world.

According to a news release, the Everyday Environment webinar

series will help individuals understand and consider choices that will protect natural resources. The free series continues weekly at 1 p.m. Thursdays through June.

“Our actions, large and small, have an impact on our natural resources,” Illinois Extension educator Erin

Garrett said in the news release. “By better understanding how our natural world works, on a large scale and close to home, we can be better prepared to make informed decisions that support the health and vitality of

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The not so skinny cook

I guess we are in Week 9 (if you started with the first week in April). I think some things will be relaxing after the end of May. I am lucky enough to have help with my groceries and with other areas, so I basically have been inside. I don't think I will know how to act once I am "sprung."

This week we have some seasonal spring recipes.

The first one is an appetizer using Vidalia onions, a sweet variety from Georgia.

There are only specific counties that by Georgia law — backed up by the USDA — that can legally use the Vidalia onion name. Even though there are areas of Georgia that grow just as good a sweet onion as a Vidalia, they cannot put that name on it.

The onions are popular in late spring and early summer before it gets too hot. If you like the taste of sweet onions, this onion dip will be a treat for you. Even though it says use Vidalia onion, any sweet onion will do. Just don't tell the people in the Vidalia onion counties.

Baked Vidalia Onion Dip

1 C. chopped Vidalia onions
1 C. shredded cheddar cheese
1 garlic clove, minced
Dash hot pepper sauce
Combine all ingredients in a bowl. Place in 1-pint casserole dish sprayed

with cooking spray. Bake at 375 for 25 minutes. Serve with pita chips or veggies.

Best Rosy Rhubarb Salad

This recipe is for a Jell-O salad that features rhubarb. It claims to be the best rhubarb Jell-O salad; however, there may be others who disagree. I think a really pretty glass bowl would make this salad look elegant.

3 C. sliced fresh or frozen rhubarb (1-inch pieces)

1 T. sugar
1 pkg. (3 oz.) raspberry gelatin
1 C. unsweetened pineapple juice
1 C. sliced peeled apples
1 C. diced celery
¼ C. chopped pecans

In a medium saucepan, cook and stir rhubarb and sugar over medium-low heat until rhubarb is soft and tender, 5 to 7 minutes. Remove from the heat; add gelatin and stir until dissolved. Stir in pineapple and lemon juices. Chill until partially set.

Stir in apples, celery and pecans. Pour into a 4½ C. mold or glass bowl coated with cooking spray. Chill several hours or overnight. Place on plate upside down. Flip mold or bowl and you will have molded salad.

Asparagus with Sesame

If you like roasted asparagus, this recipe is for you. It is simple and will make a great side dish for anyone who loves asparagus.

12 fresh asparagus spears
½ t. salt
2 t. butter
2 t. lemon juice
1½ t. sesame seeds, toasted

Place asparagus in a skillet, sprinkle with salt. Add ½ inch water; bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer until crisp tender, about 4 minutes. Meanwhile, melt butter and add lemon juice; add to sesame seeds. Drain asparagus and drizzle with the butter mixture.

Barbecue Baked Bean Casserole

Memorial Day was the first unofficial day of summer. We can safely be with one of our favorite picnic foods if we pick baked beans. This unique barbecue bean recipe features shredded pork as well as the traditional bacon. The topping is unique because it uses crumbled cornbread. Try this unique baked bean recipe.

2 T. extra-virgin olive oil
1½ C. chopped onion
1 medium green pepper, chopped
2 lbs. shredded pork
1 can (28 oz.) baked beans
3 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
1 C. barbecue sauce
2 T. tomato paste
1 T. Worcestershire sauce
2 C. crumbled cornbread

Preheat the oven to 350. Spray a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with cooking spray. In a skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Add onion and green pepper; cook, stirring occasionally until vegetables are just tender, 4 to 5 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in pork, beans, cooked and crumbled bacon, barbecue sauce, tomato paste and Worcestershire until combined.

Spoon into prepared baking dish. Loosely cover with foil. Bake for 30 minutes. Top with cornbread. Bake, uncovered, until lightly browned, about 10 minutes. Let stand for 15 minutes before serving.

King Ranch Chicken Casserole

This unique and tasty casserole will make a great dinner entrée. It can use rotisserie chicken for the chopped chicken to make it even easier. The layering of the corn tortillas makes for an interesting presentation. Enjoy this casserole with a salad and some tasty cornbread.

2 T. olive oil
1 medium green pepper, diced
1 C. chopped onion
3 cloves garlic, minced

5 C. chopped chicken
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 can (19 oz.) diced tomatoes, drained
2 T. chopped fresh cilantro
1 pkg. (16 oz.) taco-size corn tortillas
1 pkg. shredded Mexican cheese blend

Preheat oven to 350. Spray a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with cooking spray. In a large skillet, heat oil over medium-low heat. Add pepper, onion and garlic; cook, stirring occasionally, until onion begins to turn translucent, 3 to 4 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in chicken, soup, tomatoes and cilantro until combined.

Tear or, using a pizza cutter, cut half of tortillas into strips; cover bottom of prepared pan with two layers of tortillas. Spread half of chicken mixture onto tortillas. Top with half of cheese.

Repeat layers with remaining tortillas, chicken mixture and cheese. Spray a large piece of foil with cooking spray; cover casserole with foil, spray side down.

Bake for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake until cheese is lightly browned, about 5 minutes more. Garnish with cilantro, if desired. Let stand for 20 minutes before serving.

Honey Rhubarb Chicken

I had several rhubarb and meat selections sent to me. Last week pork was featured; this week it is chicken. The recipe says to use a fryer, but I would use leg and thigh pieces if you didn't want to use a whole fryer. If you use a whole chicken, I would cut out the backbone and not use the neck and back, bony pieces. Enjoy chicken a different way.

¼ C. flour
1 T. poultry seasoning
1 egg
1 C. milk
1 fryer (3 to 4 lbs.) chicken, cut up
¼ C. canola oil

Sauce:
¼ C. cornstarch

1¼ C. cold water, divided
½ C. packed brown sugar
½ C. honey
3 T. soy sauce
1½ C. chopped fresh or frozen rhubarb

2 T. shopped onion
2 garlic cloves, peeled
Preheat the oven to 400. Combine flour and poultry seasoning in a bowl. In another bowl, whisk the egg and milk. Dip chicken one piece at a time in flour mixture and then in egg mixture; coat again with flour mixture. In a large skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Brown chicken on both sides. Place in a greased 9-by-13-inch baking dish.

Sauce: Combine the cornstarch and 1½ C. cold water in a large saucepan until smooth; stir in the brown sugar, honey and soy sauce. Pulse the rhubarb, onion, garlic and remaining ¼ cup of water in a food processor until blended. Stir into cornstarch mixture. Bring to a boil over medium high heat; cook and stir until thickened, 2 to 3 minutes. Pour over chicken. Bake, uncovered, until a thermometer in a thigh reads 170, 35 to 40 minutes.

Strawberry-Rhubarb Upside-Down Cake

This recipe is a take-off on pineapple upside down cake. It is easy because it uses a cake mix. You could use a white cake mix if you would rather. Just be sure you have a large enough platter (or a sheet pan would work, too) when you are doing the upside down part.

5 C. sliced fresh or frozen rhubarb, thawed and drained
1 pkg. (6 oz.) strawberry Jell-O
½ C. sugar
2 C. miniature marshmallows
1 pkg. yellow cake mix
Whipped topping
Place the rhubarb in a greased 9-by-13-inch pan. Sprinkle with the gelatin, sugar and marshmallows. Prepare cake mix according to package directions; pour batter over marshmallows. Bake at 350 until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 40 to 45 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes. Invert cake onto a large platter. Serve with whipped topping if desired.

Bumbleberry Pie

If you are ready for a pie with lots of different kinds of fruit, you

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Obituaries

VANCE HASSELMAN

Vance Robert Hasselman, 50, of Freeport, went to be with the Lord on May 21, 2020, at FHN Hospital. Vance was born on Aug. 13, 1969, the son of Bob and Darla Hasselman, of Pearl City.

Vance graduated from Pearl City High School in 1988. He was involved in FFA and 4-H and a big fan of all sports. Vance started showing beef cattle at age 8 and continued until he graduated high school. Then every year after has enjoyed watching cattle shows at local fairs. Another of Vance's lifelong interests was NASCAR, watching the races and talking with other NASCAR enthusiasts. He was also a lifelong Chicago Bears fan.

Vance had a variety of jobs



over the years and made many lifelong friends. Probably his favorite job was rural delivery of the Freeport Journal Standard.

Vance is survived by his mom and dad; sister and brother-in-law, Michelle and Pat Gerke of Kent; niece Jordy (Chad) McPeek of Pearl City; nephew Cole (Kayla) Miller of Lena; great nieces Brynlee and Marlee McPeek; great nephew Brooks Miller; uncle and aunt Karl and Cyd Hasselman of Pearl City; cousins Shauna (Brad) En-

dress, Abigayle and Mackenzie Endress of Pearl City, Danell (Tom) O'Neill, and John O'Neill of Barington.

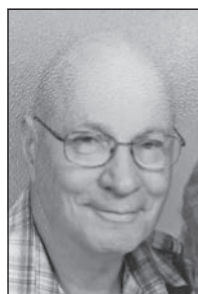
For the last eight years Vance lived at Walnut Acres in Freeport. We would like to thank the nurses and caregivers for all of their wonderful care. Vance was preceded in death by his grandparents, Ray and Merna Groesinger, and Bernard and Lona Hasselman; aunt Nyla Hasselman; and infant brother Jason.

A graveside service took place at Highland Cemetery in Pearl City on Tuesday (May 26). Wayne Fischer and Chip Sohl officiated the service. A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at hermannfuneralhome.com.

KEITH GERDES

Keith G. Gerdes, 79, of Freeport, IL, passed away at home of natural causes on May 16, 2020. He was born on Jan. 16, 1941, in Sterling, IL, the son of the late George and Audrey (Vaughn) Gerdes.

He was a 1958 graduate of Stockton High School. Keith married Mary Lou Yeager on Aug. 3, 1968. He served in the United States National Guard. Keith worked as a tire builder and in the test lab for Kelly Springfield until retiring in 1998. Together, Keith and Mary Lou owned and operated Stockton Antique Mall



in Stockton. He was a member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of Freeport. His memberships also included the NRA and Illinois National Rifle Association.

He enjoyed photography and photographed for the Freeport Raceway as well as weddings. He also enjoyed going to NASCAR and dirt track

racing with his wife. He is survived Mary Lou Gerdes, of Freeport; son Robert (Penny) Gerdes of Freeport; grandchildren Alicia, Robert and Johnny; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and mother and father-in-law, Helen and Oliver Yeager. A private service will be held. A memorial service will take place at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church at a later date. A memorial fund has been established for the church. Condolences may be shared at walkermortuary.com.

ROBERT KNIGHT

Robert A. Knight, 56, of Lena, IL, passed away on May 16, 2020, in Monroe, WI. He was born March 13, 1964, in Freeport, IL, the son of Rodney and Elizabeth (Graves) Knight.

Robert married Debra Gempler in 1986 in Freeport. He worked for Monroe Truck for many years. Before that he worked for Anchor Harvey in the tool and die section. Robert had a passion for hunting and fishing that later turned into lessons for the kids and grandkids.



He always had a lending hand and a burst of knowledge that will forever be cherished by his loved ones. Although his presence is absent, Robert will be remembered by many

for his caring soul and upbeat attitude.

Robert is survived by his wife,

Debra, of Lena; daughters Kim Knight of Freeport and Kailea Knight of Lena; son Robbie (Morgan) Knight of Cedarville; grandchildren Drake and Trevin Taylor; brothers Mike (Michelle) Knight and Ron (Marlene) Knight, both of Freeport; and sister Sharon (Gary) Schwartz of Freeport. His parents preceded him in death.

A celebration of life took place May 23 at 1569 N. Bolton Road in Freeport, IL. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

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would replace the current flat tax.

Passage of the measure is a top priority of Gov. JB Pritzker, who has already pledged millions of his own fortune to push for its approval by voters. His budget team estimates the approved rates will bring in more than \$1 billion in additional state revenue next fiscal year and more than \$3 billion when it is implemented for a full fiscal year.

During debate in the House, Rep. Tom Demmer, R-Dixon, argued that Democrats, by noting the graduated structure is "how the federal government and a majority of other states do it," are essentially including an argument for the measure in what should be an unbiased description.

Rep. Emanuel "Chris" Welch, a Hillside Democrat, argued that the statement is factual.

"There's selectively included facts in this explanation," Demmer said,

asking why the explanation doesn't include information about Illinois' overall tax burden. "When we talk about selectively including facts, we get into the territory of arguments."

The text for a pamphlet, which will, by law, be sent to "every mailing address in the state, addressed to the attention of the postal patron,"

was also finalized. That pamphlet will contain the description of the measure, as well as arguments for and arguments against.

The arguments against were prepared by Republicans, and the arguments for by Democrats.

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ANN DAUGHERTY

At 7:40 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, 2020, Ann Mary Daugherty, 91, loving mother of two and grandmother of four, went to be with her Lord and savior.

Ann was born on Aug. 11 1928, in Shullsburg, WI, to Josephine Cary Ganshert and Lawrence E. Ganshert.

Ann had a passion for her Catholic faith and went to Mass daily. She wrote poetry and had an excellent sense of dry humor and loved puns and play on words. Ann attended Edgewood College in Madison, WI. Then she attended the University of Denver. She received her Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees.

She worked in sales and mar-

keting at Northwestern Bell (now known as Qwest) for 25 years. She retired and moved to Omaha, NE, to be closer to family.

Ann was preceded in death by her mother Josephine and father Lawrence; brothers Frances and Talbert; sister Mary Ellen; and son Ben Byers, of Mesa, AZ.

She is survived by her daughter Ann Marie Daugherty and four grandchildren, Ariana Davis, Quinn Davis, Alyssa Mize and Kira Mize, all of Omaha.

In light of recent events, funeral services will be private. Burial will be at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Apple River, IL. Monsignor Daniel Ganshert will officiate the services. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

Birth

Brylee Bell Offenheiser

Brylee Bell Offenheiser, daughter to Greg and Sheila Offenheiser of Stockton, Ill was born on May 16, 2020 at FHN Memorial Hospital in Freeport, Ill. Brylee joins a brother, Bryar, 8. Grandparents are Roger Summers and Brad and Vicki Offenheiser all of Mt. Carroll, Ill. Anita and Randall Suttman and Amy and Karl Musser, all of Stockton, Ill. Great Grandma Connie Olson of Lena, Ill.

Gianna Willson says:

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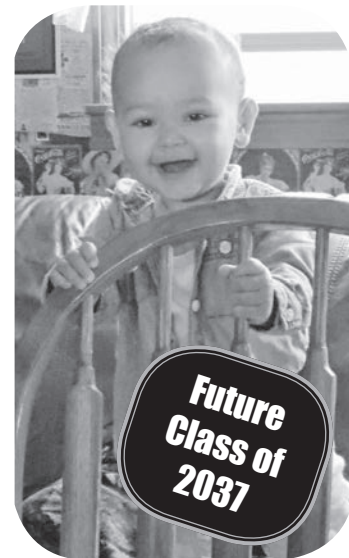
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Illinois Association of Principals Award: Cody Schultz and Kaige Brown

Anthony Valaika "Big Heart" Scholarship: Haley Brudi (\$2,500) and Alyssa Meade (\$2,500)

Becky Werner Memorial Scholarship: Haley Brudi (\$750) and Jamie Eden (\$750)

Brewster Cheese: Garrett Buske (\$1,500) — renewable 4 years with a 2.70 GPA \$6,000; Ethan Cook (\$1,500) — renewable 4 years with a 2.70 GPA \$6,000

Citizens State Bank Scholarship: Elizabeth Eisfeller (\$500), Keagan Groezinger (\$500) and Kendra Scace (\$500)

Dr. Stephen Petras Science Scholarship: Jamie Eden (\$500)

Eugene "Joe" Finn Memorial Scholarship: Alyssa Meade (\$300) and Katie Wright (\$300)

Galena Rotary Jennifer Purdy Scholarship: Haley Brudi (\$1,500), Jamie Eden (\$1,500) and Kendra Scace (\$1,500)

Galena Rotary Merle & Bernard Berlage Scholarship: Rawley Schulz (\$1,500)

H.C.C. Servant Leadership Scholarship: Alyssa Meade (\$300)

Illinois Bank & Trust Stockton Banking Center Scholarship: Mia D'Antonio (\$1,000)

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Jo Daviess County Assoc for Home & Community Education Scholarship: Jamie Eden (\$250) and Alyssa Meade (\$250)

My Friend's Closet Scholarship: Jamie Eden (\$500)

Stockton Chamber of Commerce Scholarship: Alyssa Meade (\$500)

Stockton Education Association Scholarship: Jamie Eden (\$500), Alyssa Meade (\$500) and Kendra Scace (\$500)

Stockton FFA Alumni and Supporters Scholarship: Cody Breuer (\$1,000)

Stockton Lions Club Scholarships: Haley Brudi (\$500), Mia D'Antonio (\$500) and Kendra Scace (\$500)

Stockton Strong Scholarship: Alyssa Meade (\$1,000)

Student Council Member Scholarships: Katie Wright (\$500)

Terry M. Harmston Memorial Scholarship: Alyssa Meade (\$300)

US Tumbling Association Northern IL Senior Scholarship: Ellie Eden (\$250)

Willard "Bill" Harbach Memorial Scholarship: Cody Breuer (\$500)

Highland Top Scholar Awards (each 32 credit hours and \$4,672 each student): Haley Brudi, Jamie Eden, Kendra Scace and Tessa Tucker

College Scholarship Recognition

Iowa State University: Kendra Scace — ISU Grant (\$6,750), Adventure Award (\$8,000, renewable \$32,000), Expedition Award (\$3,000), Grand Award (\$1,000) and Liberal Arts & Sciences Deans Academic Excellence Award (\$2,000)

Loras College: Elizabeth Eisfeller — Columbia Scholarship (\$17,500, renewable \$70,000), Early Accept & FAFSA Award (\$500), Loras Grant (\$900, renewable \$3,600), Leadership Scholarship (\$1,000) and Interfaith Leaders Scholarship (\$1,000)

University of Dubuque: Mia D'Antonio University of Dubuque Instrumental Music Scholarship (\$1,000); Katie Wright U of D Presidential Scholarship (\$12,000), renewable \$48,000

University of Wisconsin — Parkside: Ranger Academic Scholarship of \$6,000 each to Keegan Phillips and Garrett Buske

University of Wisconsin — Platteville: Alyssa Meade — Tri-State Initiative Incentive Grant (\$1,000), Louis Brunckhorst & Jeannette Dull Scholarship in Liberal & Fine Arts (\$2,000, renewable \$8,000)

H.C.C. Servant Leadership Program: Graduating seniors

— Elizabeth Eden, Jamie Eden, Elizabeth Eisfeller, Kenna Haas, Alyssa Meade and Cody Schultz; juniors — Hayley Johnson and Chandler Reifsteck; fall 2020 new members — Maria Bender, Justin Eden, Jenna Haas, Diana Montalvo and Trace Williamson

Career Technical Education

Student Awards:

Taylor Broshous, 1Q construction technology; Keagan Groezinger, 2Q construction technology; Taylor Broshous, 3Q construction technology; Jay Schaney, 3Q computer networking and security; Taylor Broshous, 4Q construction technology; Alyssa Randecker, 4Q health occupations; Taylor Broshous, outstanding student of the year in construction technology

Illinois State Scholars: Jamie Eden, Winston McPeek and Kendra Scace

D.A.R. Good Citizen Award: Haley Brudi

National Honor Society: new members — Elise Adleman, Mitchel Coffey, Adriana Curtiss, Case Harmston, Jason Hermann, Hayley Johnson, Kaylee Luke, Simon Rillie and Bryce Smith; current members —

Kaige Brown, Haley Brudi, Elizabeth Eden, Jamie Eden,

Winston McPeek, Kendra Scace, Cody Schultz, Rawley Schulz, Tessa Tucker and Katie Wright

Academic Activity Awards

Upstate Illini All-Conference Awards — Tyler Barch (FB), Cody Breuer (G), Kaige Brown (VB), Haley Brudi (CC), Jamie Eden (band, choir, speech, Schol Bowl), Winston McPeek (FB, Wr), Kendra Scace (BB, choir, Schol Bowl), Cody Schultz (FB, BB), Rawley Schulz (band, speech, choir, Schol Bowl), Katie Wright (BB, VB), Elise Adleman (BB, Band), Mitchel Coffey (G, BB), Lucas Crome (Schol, speech), Adriana Curtiss [band, choir, Schol, speech], Case Harmston band, FB, Wr, choir), Jason Hermann (FB, Wr), Hunter Hille (FB, BB), Hayley Johnson (VB, band), Chandler Reifsteck (band, Schol, speech, choir), Bryce Smith (FB, BB) and Tiana Timpe (BB)

Honor Roll Awards (three consecutive quarter honor rolls/nine weeks)

Freshmen receiving honor letters: Morgan Blair, Dawson Broshous, Katherine Crome, Jackson Curtiss, Braelyn Fahrney, Madeline Harbach, Olivia Harnish, Noah Hess, Dayton Julius, Olivia Keeffer, Lauren Kehl, Kyla Kurek, David Lancaster,

Garrett Luke, Griffin Luke, Dustin Oppold, Emily Paul, Zane Preston, Kyleigh Reusch, Ryley Schultz, Whittney Sullivan, Ella Wackerlin, Abigail Wilkinson

Sophomores receiving letters or bars: Maria Bender, Ian Broshous, Joseph Brudi, Austin Chumbler, Matthew Cook, Justin Eden, Vanessa Ernst, Jenna Haas, Kenze Haas, Caleb Mammoser, Morgan McPeek, Diana Montalvo, Elijah Rice, Raeann Roberts, Kayden Schubert, Sarah Singleton, Kassadie Sullivan

Juniors receiving letters or bars: Elise Adleman, Kamden Baber, Wyatt Baber, Taylor Broshous, Mitchel Coffey, Lucas Crome, Adriana Curtiss, Madelyn Ertmer, Andrew Haas, Case Harmston, Jason Hermann, Hunter Hille, James Hille, Hayley Johnson, Ivannie Jones, Madison Lara, Kaylee Luke, Patrick Mensendike, Alyssa Randecker, Chandler Reifsteck, Simon Rillie, Bryce Smith, Tiana Timpe, Emma Westaby

Seniors receiving letters or stars: Tyler Barch, Cody Breuer, Kaige Brown, Haley Brudi, Garrett Buske, Aidan Cahill, Ethan Cook, Zachary Cook, Mia D'Antonio, Elizabeth Eden, Jamie Eden, Elizabeth Eisfeller, Marc Gabel, Kenna Haas, Bryant Keeffer, Winston McPeek, Keegan Phillips, Kendra Scace, Cody Schultz, Rawley Schulz, Tessa Tucker, Katie Wright

Seniors receiving honors for four consecutive years (honors pin and certificate): Tyler Barch, Cody Breuer, Kaige Brown, Haley Brudi, Garrett Buske, Ethan Cook, Zachary Cook, Jamie Eden, Kenna Haas, Bryant Keeffer, Winston McPeek, Kendra Scace, Cody Schultz, Rawley Schulz, Tessa Tucker, Katie Wright

Attendance Award (pin and certificate): Shreya Adhikari, Tyler Barch, Maria Bender, Dawson Broshous, Haley Brudi, Nathan Coffey, Zachary Cook, Jamie Eden, Justin Eden, Austin Eisfeller, Matthew Ernst, Keaton Graves, Andrew Haas, Jenna Haas, Olivia Harnish, Bryant Keeffer, Lauren Kehl, Kyla Kurek, Garrett Luke, Parker Luke, Caleb Mammoser, Tristan Preston, Dillon Raab

Kyleigh Reusch, Elijah Rice, Connor Roberts, Carlota Ruiz Guervos, Kayden Schubert, Haylen Scott, Trace Williamson

High school mentor recognition: Elise Adleman, Kamden Baber, Maria Bender, Adriana Curtiss, Jackson Curtiss, Alexi Haas, Brynn Haas, Jenna Haas, Kenze Haas, Madeline Harbach, Hayley Johnson, Janet Katzenberger, Kyla Kurek, Kaylee Luke, Diana Montalvo, Alyssa Randecker, Skylier Reifschneider, Kyleigh Reusch, Simon Rillie, Callie Roberts, Sarah Singleton, Bryce Smith, Kassadie Sullivan, Whittney Sullivan, Tyler Williams

Senior mentors: Haley Brudi, Elizabeth Eden, Jamie Eden, Elizabeth Eisfeller, Kenna Haas, Bryant Keeffer, Alyssa Meade, Kendra Scace, Tessa Tucker, Katie Wright

Art Award: Hayley Feary
NAHS members: Hayley Feary, Skylier Reifschneider, Callie Roberts, Riley Stocks, Casey Williams

Mary S. Hill English Award: Jamie Eden

Outstanding senior math student: Winston McPeek

Outstanding senior science student: Winston McPeek

Spanish Award: Jamie Eden

Senior Yearbook Award: Kendra Scace

Stockton Scholastic Bowl Team first year: Matthew Cook, David Lancaster, Chandler Reifsteck

Scholastic Bowl Team continued participation: Maria Bender, Joseph Brudi, Justin Eden, Jenna Haas, Kayden Schubert, Lucas Crome, Adriana Curtiss, Jamie Eden, Kendra Scace, Rawley Schulz

Scholastic Bowl Awards: Captain and MVP Kendra Scace; All-Conference first team Kendra Scace; All-Conference second team Luke Crome

Freshman Cup (all A's semester 1 and all A's third quarter): Katherine Crome, Dustin Oppold, Ryley Schultz

Senior Activity Award: Kendra Scace

Top of the Class: Salutatorian Jamie Eden; Valedictorian Kendra Scace

Blood drive on June 3

The Apple River American Legion is hosting a Red Cross-sponsored blood drive from 2 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, at the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Club.

For more information, call Tom Lauraitis at 815-594-2239 or Nicole Miller at 563-275-0597.



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Around the Northern Hills

With all of the rain and gloomy weather that we have had lately, it's pretty easy to get frustrated and upset. So let's talk about being thankful. With that said, I'm going to talk about five reasons to be thankful for agriculture.

5. The food on our tables. All year long we have a plentiful food supply because of our farmers.

4. Abundant choices. Because there's local, organic, conventional and all natural. Grain-finished, grass-finished and more. Each aisle offers something different for us to choose from.

3. Freedom. To be anything we want – teachers, doctors, lawyers, musicians. Whatever we are passionate about. Because just 2 percent of the population chooses to work the land.

2. Jobs. Jobs. And more jobs. One in seven working Americans have a job related to agriculture.

1. Meaningful relationships. Certainly agriculture has brought me a lot of relationships. With farmers, friends and neighbors, my farm bureau colleagues and so much more. Agriculture brings us together wherever we are.

• Family farm signs. It's that time of year that we are all thinking of planting and sprucing things up around the farm. Why not add a "This is a Family Farm" sign to your landscape. The signs are 17.5-by-23 inches and cost \$30.

• Have you completed your census form? There's still time. I keep watching the numbers of those completed in Jo Daviess County and we still have some work to do. It's very important for us to get these numbers in because it can have a big



By
**ANNETTE
EGGERS**
Contributor

impact on the funding that our county and communities receive.

• Are you already thinking about those fresh Illinois peaches? Orders are due by Tuesday, July 28, with payment and order form. Checks should be made payable to the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau. Price is \$35/box for members and \$40/box for nonmembers.

Pickup will be in the farm bureau basement with an anticipated delivery in mid-August, depending on weather. Peaches must be picked up the day of delivery to ensure freshness. Order forms are available at our office (when we reopen) or on our website.

• Farm fun fact: On average, each American eats 33.3 pounds of cheese per year. My family certainly does its part in supporting our dairy farmers.

Stockton Board of Education moving forward on several fronts

A report from the Building and Grounds Committee was one of the items addressed at the regular Board of Education meeting for Stockton Community Unit School District No. 206 on May 18.

Committee members reported during the virtual meeting that they had walked the perimeter of the high school and middle school and raised concerns about drainage issues and needing to remove shrubs on the

north side of the high school.

They also discussed possible places to store the portable bleachers. Currently the bleachers and soccer nets have been moved to the tennis courts above the middle school.

Among the informational items presented were Superintendent/Elementary School Principal Colleen Fox discussing the Merchant Services online portal and high school Principal Casey Downey

talking about possibly using an outside agency for fall and winter activities programs, while district technology director Gary Baglin presented his fiscal year 2021 budget.

Among the new business items the board took action on were:

• Extending the math series for grades 6-8 for six years

• Approving technology budget with lease buyout for the 2020-2021 school year

• Moving forward with College Now at Highland Community College for the 2021-2022 school year

• Approving the rerouting of drainage west of the middle school, replacing pipe and catch basins and regrading and installing roof drains at the middle school

• OK'ing sports medicine contract with Monroe Clinic for 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years

After returning to open session, the board also approved numerous personnel comings and goings, including the hiring of John Hammann as athletic director and Matt Leitzen as high school physical education teacher and head football coach.

• Series (Continued from front page)

our ecosystems."

• Woodpeckers in Illinois will be held on May 28.

There are seven species of woodpeckers living in Illinois habitats. What many may not know is how critical woodpeckers are to some of the common backyard birds.

Register for the webinar and hear the history of woodpeckers, how to identify them and why they are important for many other species in the environment.

• Planning a Multipurpose Pond will be held June 4.

Thinking about building a pond on your property for wildlife, fishing, livestock, stormwater containment, fire protection or other reason?

Not sure where to start on site selection, sizing, estimating drainage area, overflow needs or embankment

requirements?

The discussion focuses on the important considerations for designing and building a multipurpose pond.

• Explaining the Greenhouse Effect will be held on June 11.

Most people have heard about the greenhouse effect, but many would not feel comfortable explaining the science behind it.

This webinar discusses the basic scientific processes that make the greenhouse effect occur and will explain the natural and enhanced greenhouse effect. It also will cover how atmospheric gas concentrations have changed in the last 150 years.

• Home Energy Check-Up will be held on June 18.

Many of us are all too familiar with that feeling of dread when the electric bill comes each month. Just how much

electricity did we use? How high is our bill going to be?

Now is a great time to take a look around your home to better understand how you use electricity and to make simple changes to help reduce your bill.

• All About Clouds will be held on June 25.

See various types of clouds, including unique ones only seen in a few locations and what weather is expected with each variety.

The Everyday Environment series is offered free, but registration is required. Register at <https://extension.illinois.edu/global/everyday-environment-webinar-series>.

For information, call Nikki Keltner at 815-235-4125 or nkeltner@illinois.edu.

Small business grant program extended

The Jo Daviess County Board has extended the Small Business Stabilization Grant

Program, with applications for round two being accepted until 4 p.m. June 12.

The purpose of the \$250,000 program is to help small businesses deemed nonessential pursuant to Gov. JB Pritzker's Stay-at-Home executive order to remain viable during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

On May 20, the county board awarded grants to 23 Jo Daviess County small businesses totaling \$40,214.

The program is intended to help these businesses pay expenses not covered by the federal government's Paycheck Protection Program or other sources of state or federal COVID-19 relief funding.

The maximum is \$5,000 for one month of qualifying expenses. The board has authorized funding of this grant program through the Economic Development Investment Fund of the county.

To be eligible for the SBSG program, a business (profit or nonprofit) must meet certain criteria, including:

• Must be deemed a non-essential business under the Stay-at-Home order or a restaurant that is limited to serving food for consumption off-

premises, bed and breakfast, home-based salon and spa/barbershop;

• Must operate out of a brick-and-mortar location with the exception of bed and breakfast, home-based salon and spa/barbershop, home-based day care and the business is not able to pay rent, mortgage or utilities;

• Must meet the definition of small business defined as a one that employs less than 12 full-time employees or the equivalent weekly hours of 12 full-time employees;

• Must be legally capable of entering into a binding contract;

• Must remain open for one year after the grant award;

• If a business qualified for the federal PPP, the owner must have applied for a loan and been denied in writing;

• Any business that has applied for the PPP and has not yet received notice of award is eligible to apply for the SBSG program.

A question and answer webinar via Zoom will be held on Thursday, June 4, at 3 p.m.

Zoom invitations are available by contracting Eric Tison at etison@jodaviess.org or Emily Legel at elegel@nwiled.org. Grant applications are available on the JDC website (jodaviess.org/covid19).

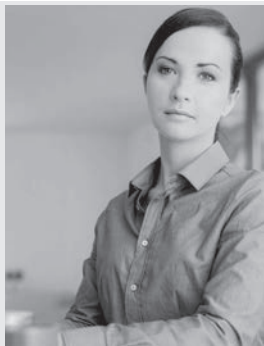


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 JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS
 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
 Plaintiff,
 -v.-
 TOD M. SACHS et al
 Defendant

2019 CH 33

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

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

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

Commonly known as 5 MALTBY CT, GALENA, IL 61036

Property Index No. 08-108-067-00

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

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

on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose pri-

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

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

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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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.

For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS
 HOME POINT FINANCIAL CORPORATION
 Plaintiff,

-v.-
 DANIELLE M HOPPMAN-KOCH A/K/A DANIELLE MARIE HOPPMAN-KOCH, A/K/A DANIELLE MARIE HOPPMAN et al
 Defendant

19 CH 30

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on March 13, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:30 PM on June 16, 2020, at the office of Vincent Roth Toepfer & Leinen PC, 11406 U.S. Route 20 W, Galena, IL, 61036, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOTS TWENTY-TWO (22), TWENTY-THREE (23) AND THE SOUTHERLY TWENTY (20) FEET OF LOT TWENTY-FOUR (24) IN BLOCK EIGHTEEN (18) OF J.D. SOULARD'S THIRD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF GALENA, ON THE WEST SIDE OF GALENA RIVER, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF JO DAVIESS, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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Property Index No. 22-101-

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The real estate is improved with a white vinyl siding, 1.5 split level single family home with an attached two car garage.

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Notice:

Stockton CUSD #206 Board of Education in Jo Daviess County announces the availability of the Amended Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019. The Amended Budget will be available for public inspection online at stocktonschools.com or at the District Office, 540 North Rush Street, Stockton, IL during normal school hours beginning Tuesday, April 21, 2020.

The Board of Education will hold a public hearing regarding Amending the Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 on Monday, June 15, 2020 at

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•Kitchen (Continued from page 4)

will like this recipe. It calls for decorating the top with pieces of piecrust cut out with cookie cutters. I put a second crust on the pie because I am not into doing cookie cutters in any way. The decorative pieces look great, but the plain crust makes the pie taste the same!

- 1 ½ C. flour
- 1 t. salt
- 1 t. sugar
- 1 C. cold butter
- ¼ C. cold water

Filling:
1 medium tart apple, peeled and diced

1 C. diced fresh or frozen rhubarb, thawed

1 C. fresh or frozen raspberries, thawed and drained

1 C. fresh or frozen blueberries, thawed and drained

1 C. sliced fresh or frozen strawberries, thawed and drained

- 1 C. sugar
- ½ C. flour
- 1 T. lemon juice

In a small bowl, combine flour, salt and sugar. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Gradually add water, tossing with a fork until a ball forms. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour or until easy to handle. Preheat oven to 400. On a lightly floured surface, roll out half of the dough to fit a 9-inch pie plate. Transfer crust to pie plate. Trim to ½ inch beyond edge of plate.

In a large bowl, combine the filling ingredients; pour into the crust. Roll out the remaining dough; cut out decorative shapes with a cookie cutter.

Place over filling. Roll the bottom crust carefully under and use a fork to finish the crust. Place foil around crust. Bake 20 minutes at 400. Reduce the heat to 350; remove foil.

Bake 40 to 45 minutes or until crust is golden brown and filling is bubbly. Cool on a wire rack.

Closing thoughts

It is hard to believe that we are in the first week of summer. I think part of the reason is that we haven't had any spring to lead up to summer. We don't have a whole lot of summer activities to count on.

I would sit on my deck and listen to the sounds of softball and baseball from Dodd's Park. I am hoping that eventually there will be some. I was looking forward to doing some water aerobics for the first time in three years. I am disappointed that probably won't happen.

However, I am appreciative of the fact that thus far I have not been sick. We are supposed to get back some of the things we have not been able to have. Golf can now have a foursome,

you can eat outside in a restaurant and more stores can open up.

Stay healthy and patient, and keep praying for the people who take care of all of us. I hope you can get your gardens planted and our farmers can get fields planted.

And if you have found any spring

recipes you think we would like, contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide, at 213 S. Center St., or email me at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

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6:15 p.m. either in the middle school conference room at 500 North Rush Street, Stockton, Illinois or via virtual meeting with the link located on the district webpage www.stockton-schools.com.

John Raab
Secretary

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The arguments for the measure note the current tax system “unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires;” voting yes on the amendment will enact a new tax structure where only those making more than \$250,000 a year will see tax increases; and the amendment is “upgrading” Illinois’ tax system to one similar to the structure used by the federal government.

The arguments against say the measure “gives the Legislature power to increase taxes on any group of taxpayers with no limits and no accountability and without any requirement to use the additional

revenue to fund essential needs.”

The other two points against are that “taxes and spending are out of control” in Illinois, and, in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, this is “the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.”

Each chamber voted to approve the text, contained in Senate Joint Resolution 1, on partisan lines.

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2019 CH 33
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-v.-
DANIELLE M HOPPMAN-KOCH A/K/A DANIELLE MARIE HOPPMAN-KOCH, A/K/A DANIELLE MARIE HOPPMAN et al Defendant

19 CH 30
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Lawmakers pass budget package to close out special session

GOP: Budget balanced 'on a wing and a prayer'

By Peter Hancock
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

The Illinois Senate early Sunday morning passed a budget package authorizing \$42.8 billion in general revenue spending next year, although much of that remains tentative depending on the progression of the COVID-19 pandemic and potential congressional action that could send more financial aid to states. The House approved the budget bill late Saturday night.

The budget deal was worked out largely out of public view over the past two and a half months as lawmakers worked remotely in various informal "working groups," and it continued to undergo changes in recent days in advance of the House debate.

One key to making the budget work is a plan to borrow up to \$5 billion from the Federal Reserve's Municipal Liquidity Facility program. That program allows the central bank to purchase certain short-term debt from states to help them make up for the loss of revenue they've seen since the pandemic forced them to close large parts of their economy.

It also authorizes another \$1.5 billion in borrowing between the general revenue fund and various other state funds in order to maintain cash flow throughout the year.

House Majority Leader Gregory Harris, D-Chicago, said that by borrowing from the Fed, Illinois will be able to keep state spending for the fiscal year that begins July 1 largely at the same level as this year's spending.

"If we're going to balance the budget, I would rather not do it on

the backs of people who would lose their jobs if we were to cut money to our schools, cut money to our first responders," he said. "I don't want thousands more people out of work."

Lawmakers expect to pay back the Federal Reserve loan with federal funds they expect Congress to approve in the next stimulus package for states. But Congress has not yet authorized such a package and there is sharp disagreement between congressional Republicans and Democrats over what that plan should look like.

Both chambers of the Illinois Legislature passed a separate bill authorizing that borrowing Friday night.

"What we've heard today is a budget that is balanced only on a wing and a prayer," said Republican Rep. Tom Demmer, of Dixon, the House GOP's chief budget negotiator.

During the Senate debate that began after midnight, Sen. Dale Righter, R-Mattoon, said the Legislature is "gambling" with its budget plan.

The spending plan for the upcoming fiscal year is spelled out in Senate Bill 264. According to an analysis of the package that was circulating among lawmakers Saturday, it essentially calls for flat funding for most state programs, including K-12 schools, which will see no increase in their evidence-based funding over their current levels, although they will not see any decrease either.

Funding for state universities also is held flat at current-year levels, as is funding for the Monetary Aid Program, or MAP grants, and AIM HIGH grants.

A few state agencies are slated for increases in the new budget, including the Illinois Department of Public Health, the agency coordinating much of the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Its total budget,

including federal funds, is slated to grow 144 percent, to more than \$1.6 billion.

Included in that figure is \$416 million in federal funds for testing and services provided by local health departments.

The Department on Aging, which would see an additional \$58 million in order to raise wages for adult care providers, transportation and homemaker service providers to \$14 per hour.

The Department of Children and Family Services is also slated for a 20-percent increase in general revenue funding, or about \$170 million, to provide rate increases for foster care providers, to hire 123 investigative staff and to address caseload growth.

During debate in both chambers, Republicans urged delaying any action on a budget until the state has a better estimate of how much revenue it will receive in the coming year, as well as how much federal aid will be available, but Democrats did not entertain that suggestion.

The 68-44 vote in the House to pass the budget bill appeared to fall largely along party lines, with Republicans arguing it relied too heavily on borrowing and not enough on fiscal restraint. It passed the Senate, 37-19.

CARES Act funding

The budget package actually consists of two bills—an appropriations bill, Senate Bill 264, which authorizes spending by various state agencies; and a "budget implementation" bill, or "BIMP," in legislative lingo, House Bill 64, that enables various agencies to carry out the budget.

The implementation bill sets up a number of new funds within state government that can receive and distribute money from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and

Economic Security Act, or CARES Act, a \$2.2 trillion federal relief program that Congress approved earlier this year.

The state expects to receive about \$3.3 billion through that program. Harris said that money is being earmarked for direct aid to the state's health care industry to help hospitals, nursing homes, mental health centers and other care providers absorb the cost they've incurred for dealing with the pandemic.

He said another \$1.8 billion is earmarked for the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, and it gives Gov. JB Pritzker authority to decide how it is spent.

That part especially infuriated Republicans who have complained about Pritzker governing by executive authority, and about the General Assembly not exercising its oversight role.

But Sen. Andy Manar, D-Bunker Hill, the Senate Democrats' lead negotiator, said in an interview

Friday that the federal money comes with significant strings attached and that it can be spent only for specific purposes, and therefore Pritzker will be restrained by federal rules.

But the implementation bill also gives the governor additional discretionary authority over the spending of state funds throughout the budget. Normally governors are allowed to shift up to 2 percent of an appropriation from one purpose to another, but this year's bill expands that to 8 percent, something that angered many Republicans.

It also sets up a legislative oversight committee to monitor all executive spending in the budget as well as how CARES Act money distributed to local governments is spent.

The implementation bill passed the Senate, 33-19. It later passed the House, 62-47.

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The Board of Directors announced last week that the 2020 Elizabeth Community Fair, the 100th edition, that was scheduled for July 17-19 has been postponed to Aug. 21-23.

"We believe it is too early to make any decision on canceling our fair due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, but after reviewing the details of Illinois' phased reopening plan it has become apparent that hosting our fair this July will not be possible," board member Codie Geisz said in a news release. "However, should circumstances beyond our control occur, and with the progression of phases, we will have to follow any recommended guidelines set for us.

"As much as we take pride in our fair and look forward to celebrating our 100th anniversary, our main concern is the safety and well-being of you, our community, volunteers, staff and board members," Geisz added.

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