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Crystal Lake a 'clear leader'

When it comes to attracting new retail, Crystal Lake continues to be a clear leader.

Despite the pandemic, the northwest suburban community of 40,000 continues to expand because of the city's welcoming approach to business. In the past year, the city has added Wisconsin-based Steinhafel's Furniture (which opened a 100,000 square-foot store), Binny's Beverage Depot, Pet Supplies Plus and Pop-eye's Louisiana Kitchen.

And more is on the way. Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers is opening a Crystal Lake location in the spring of 2021. It will be Raising Cane's 11th store in the Chicago area and first in McHenry County.

The city touts its high quality of life, a strong and supportive business community and a city government that works with business to get open—and remain in Crystal Lake.

"Businesses that locate here, stay here," says City of Crystal Lake Mayor Haig Haleblan. "We really work with business, and the community is very supportive of both locally grown businesses and those expanding to Crystal Lake."

City leaders point to a progressive attitude and a push for innovation. Quarry Cable Park, a 32-acre cable wake park with a lakefront tap and grille, fire pit, live music, is a prime example.

"The city pushed me and my partner to create a business unlike any other in this region," says Pat McGinnis, co-owner of Quarry Cable Park & Grille. "We created an experience that draws people from all over the world."

1776, a farm-to-table restaurant, is another example of a business embracing innovation. Featuring locally sourced, gluten-free and allergy-friendly dishes.

The city's traditional downtown is anchored by the Raue Center, a 1,000-seat entertainment experience. More than 100 locally owned businesses are located in downtown Crystal Lake, including Crystal Lake Brewing (which features an on-site brewery and tasting room), Duke's Alehouse and Kitchen (an eco-conscious gastropub) and Reclaimed (which cre-

ates unique furniture pieces from reclaimed wood).

Located 35 miles from O'Hare International Airport, Crystal Lake is also easily accessible to Chicago via two Metra train stations. With 1,600 acres of parks and open space, 230-acre Crystal Lake, and Three Oaks Recreation Area, Crystal Lake attracts people looking for an active lifestyle and excellent quality of life. Elementary School District 47 and Community High School District 155 are two of the best public school systems in the region, and Crystal Lake is home to McHenry County College.

In March, the City worked closely with businesses to create an environment that helped businesses remain open in a safe manner. "We visited every restaurant, for example, to create a customized approach to surviving the pandemic," says Michelle Rentzsch, Community Development director. "We have so many businesses that have been open 50 or more years, and we want them to continue to thrive in Crystal Lake for several more generations."

Businesses that have been innovative and adopted new practices—before and during the pandemic—perform well in Crystal Lake, including industry leaders Autotrol, which adapted operations to bottle hand sanitizer, and Apar, which expanded operations to include N95 masks, as well as Camfil and Chicago Plastic Systems Inc.

Thomas M. Walsh, director of Leasing for Abbell Associates, says, "The City of Crystal Lake has always been a very pro-active and business friendly municipality. Having done business in the community a number of times over the years, I would rank Crystal Lake high on the list of cities that 'get it,' 'when it comes to new or growing business needs. 'Finding the right location is critical to success for a business. From the charming, historic downtown to retail superstores, expanding production facilities to an array of housing developments, Crystal Lake is the clear leader for business."

For more information about doing business in Crystal Lake, please visit the city's Welcome Business web page.

Crystal Lake man charged with criminal trespass

Travis Howard also charged with criminal damage to property

On Thursday, Oct. 15, at approximately 3:45 a.m., it was reported to the Woodstock Police Department that a subject had forcefully and without permission entered a residence in the 2300 block of Aspen Lane in Woodstock. The caller advised that the subject, later identified as 34-year-old Crystal Lake resident Travis Howard, had barricaded himself inside the residence and refused to leave.

Upon arrival of WPD officers, it was learned that the male suspect had a previous dating relationship with the female victim who lived at the residence. They had ended their relationship approximately six weeks prior to this incident. He was not a resident of the victim's home.

The victim further advised that the suspect was texting her at approximately 1:30 a.m. requesting a ride after he was arrested for a separate incident outside the jurisdiction of Woodstock. Based on the text messages he was sending her, she believed he might attempt to come to her residence, so she decided to reside elsewhere for the evening.



Travis Howard

The suspect began to text her again at approximately 3:40 a.m. The texts he sent her included pictures from inside of her residence, which appeared to have been taken just prior to the reporting of this incident, so she notified the Woodstock Police Department for assistance.

Officers discovered a damaged window on the exterior of the residence, which allowed access inside. After several unsuccessful attempts to make contact with the suspect inside of the residence, officers made entry into the residence with the permission of the victim. The suspect was located inside and was taken into custody without incident.

Howard was charged with Criminal Trespass to Residence (Class A Misdemeanor) and Criminal Damage to Property (Class A Misdemeanor).



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Celebrate OAKtober by donating to plant a native tree or shrub to commemorate a loved one, celebrate a special occasion, or help restore the oak savannas and woodlands of McHenry County.

Tree donation program helps restore woodlands

What better way to honor someone than by planting a tree in his or her honor as a living legacy? Donate native trees and shrubs to commemorate a loved one, celebrate a special occasion, or to help restore the oak savannas and woodlands of McHenry County. Help the Conservation District fulfill its pledge to preserve and restore our treasured woodlands for the enjoyment of future generations.

With your help, the conservation district will purchase native trees and shrubs and plant them each fall on district sites that were historically wooded. Donations from conservation-minded individuals, youth clubs, organizations, small businesses, and corporations will help support of our treasured oak savannas and woodlands.

In 1837, approximately 143,000 acres in McHenry County were once covered by some type of oak ecosystem. Today, less than 18,000 acres remain—an oak loss of

over 87 percent, according to The Oaks of McHenry County. Through this program, the conservation district plans to restore and recreate the "big woods" of McHenry County.

Please note: The location where trees and shrubs will be planted cannot be specified. Each year this will depend on areas of greatest need across the county.

Tree and shrub plantings will restore historically wooded sites and reconnect existing stands to create contiguous oak savannas and woodlands. The longterm plan includes restoring and reconnecting hundreds of acres of oak savannas and woodlands on McHenry County Conservation District sites. Your donation of \$50 will purchase and plant two native shrubs and/or trees.

Visit www.mchenryconservation.org/get_involved/donate/big_woods__tree_donation.php for more information.



Concept drawing of the all-inclusive playground and baseball diamond to be constructed at Prairie Fields courtesy of the Belvidere Lions Club.

Lions Club holds Gift of Play Brick Campaign

As the Belvidere Lions Club prepares to celebrate its 75th anniversary of service to the community, the Belvidere Park District and the Rockford Noon Lions Club have agreed to partner with them to build an accessible, ADA-compliant, all-inclusive playground and ball diamond complex specifically designed to remove physical and social barriers. The playground complex will not only benefit Belvidere, but the greater community.

There are an estimated 2,500 students within the Boone County school districts who have a disability and the partners are excited to give them a place where they can improve their physical, cognitive and social skills side-by-side with their non-disabled playmates in an inclusive environment.

The installation of the playground will be a community build,

allowing everyone to be a part of this exciting addition to Belvidere. Custom Playgrounds is proudly donating all the equipment and the supervisors to help the community build this unique playground.

The playground will feature a poured rubber floor, a friendship swing, equipment that is transfer-ready as well as wheelchair accessible, sensory items as well as new features.

The ball diamond is fully accessible to special needs individuals, disabled veterans, and able-bodied players. The field is made of poured rubber, allowing for easy use in a wheelchair. So, whether it is baseball, softball, or beep ball, everybody can play.

The playground and ball diamond complex will be located along the north edge of Prairie Fields just south of Boone County

Fairgrounds.

The dedication is projected for August 2021 pending fundraising.

The Belvidere Lions are currently selling engraved Memory Bricks which will be used to make a donor wall at the entrance of the play-

ground complex. The bricks are \$50 for a 4x8 inch brick and \$125 for an 8x8 inch brick. Orders and payment must be received by Feb. 1, 2021. All donations are fully tax deductible.

You can pick up a brochure at the

Firebox Restaurant & Pizzeria, Sips and Sprinkles, Steam Plant Family Restaurant and Ace Hardware

For questions and additional information, email belviderelions@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

Ordinances aimed at jump-starting housing projects denied by city

By Bob Balgemann
REPORTER

Second of two parts

After recommending approval of an ordinance that would eliminate four impact fees on residential development, the Committee of the Whole took on discussing a development agreement with Howlett Companies, tied to construction of 16 townhouse duplexes known as River Bend West.

Mayor Mike Chamberlain called for a motion from the committee to forward the ordinance to city council for additional conversation. He got one from Alderman Daniel Arevalo, seconded by Alderman Matt Fleury.

Discussion followed with Alderman Ric Brereton saying there were two questions in the air at that point. "Would it be nice to have some apartments there?" he asked, referring to the location of the River Bend West townhouses. "That's 'yes' or 'no.' The other question was does the city want to pay for it?"

Alderman Dan Snow said he was not a big fan of - no offense - cherry picking and not a fan at all of tax abatements. "That to me is a nowhere deal," he said. Then he introduced his idea of an ordinance reducing permit fees for brand new

construction by half, good until Jan. 1, 2024, which he offered as a motion in the final moments of the meeting.

Chamberlain reminded aldermen of what he said a couple of weeks ago about the development agreement with Howlett Companies. "This is a proposal and it's up to the city council to tailor that proposal to what's appropriate in their minds, for their constituents, and for the city. Nothing is set in concrete; this is for discussion."

At that point Snow said he would like to hear from some other aldermen, as "only three of us are talking."

Alderman Marsha Freeman said her position was "no" on all of what was being discussed.

No to supplement

"I don't believe we need to supplement this," she said of the townhouse development. "All you're doing is making this developer and Realtors rich, on the backs of taxpayers."

She continued, "I would tell Growth Dimensions - and I know they're all about industrial - but I see Belvidere turning into an industrial park. I think we should be focusing on commercial and retail.

"You can tell me all day that we

have things here. But if I want a new pair of shoes, or I want to buy a new outfit, I gotta go to Rockford. If you want growth, you need quality of life for your residents, which is retail and commercial. That's all I have to say."

To that, the mayor said, "I'll bite my tongue."

The motion on the floor at the Sept. 28 meeting, to send the development agreement to council for discussion, failed, 8-2. Then Alderman Snow's motion for reducing permit fees by half, for the next three years, failed, 6-4.

Referring to the Snow proposal, concerning the reduction in permit fees for developers, Freeman asked how much those permits cost?

The city's director of buildings, Kip Countryman, responded that was based on the cost of construction. "For Mr. Howlett's townhouses, that would be about \$2,000 per unit." He added that Belvidere's permit fees had not been increased since 2006.

Howlett Companies owner Tom Howlett said at a previous meeting that without the requested incentives, the township development would not proceed. He also said the project represented a \$4-million investment.

2020 Boone County Assessments deadline

The 2020 Boone County Assessments will be published Friday, Oct. 23, 2020, in the Boone County Journal. The deadline to file a complaint to the Boone County Board of Review is Monday, Nov. 23, 2020.

Bowers defends title for fifth time

The third and final round of the 51st Illinois Women's Golf Association's Senior Women's Amateur was held today, Thursday, Sept. 17, at Soang-etaha Country Club in Galesburg. Jan Bowers of Lincoln successfully defended her title for the fifth time in the last six years. She shot a final round 75 for a three-day total of 229.

Hui Chong Dofflemeyer of Belvidere third was Mo Sheehan of Grayslake at 244. Cheri Hosteng of Galesburg was the low net winner over the field, with a net score of 230.

• 51st State Champion: Jan Bowers, Lincoln

Flight A

• First Low Gross: Hui Chong

Dofflemeyer, Belvidere 231

• First Low Net: Lisa Tram, Oswego 239

Flight B

• First Low Gross: Jan Bowers, Lincoln 229

• First Low Net: Donna Peterson, Bloomington 232

Flight C

• First Low Gross: Gail Hannam, Galesburg 252

• First Low Net: Claudia Richards, St Charles 246

Flight D

• First Low Gross: Kathy Veroni, Macomb 286

• First Low Net: Mickey Poulos, Chicago 243

Death notices

Sept. 29
Ivan Schrader, 88; Myra Stone, 70

Oct. 2
Vicki Coney, 71

Oct. 4
Anita Wagner, 73

Oct. 6
Alan Ingram, 90; Gregory Maske,

61; Maxine Wendell, 82

Oct. 8
Basema Murad, 90; David Kerchner, 67

Oct. 10
Otto Schuster, 86

Oct. 11
Vicotor Reavis, 76

Belvidere fire calls

The Belvidere Fire Dept. responded to 56 calls Oct. 12 to 18.

Monday, Oct. 12

BFD responded to 7 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

3900 block of Hemlock Ct. - public service

Tuesday, Oct. 13

BFD responded to 5 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

600 block of Meadow St. - false alarm

600 block of Lindenwood Dr. - false alarm

500 block of W. Madison St. - public service

9500 block of Orth Road, Garden Prairie - building fire

700 block of Logistics Dr. - fire alarm

Wednesday, Oct. 14

BFD responded to 6 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

300 block of Taylor Ridge - assist invalid

200 block of Lynne Land - call cancelled en route

2300 block of Newburg Road - motor vehicle accident

200 block of W. Madison St. - public service

600 block of Garden Dr. - call cancelled en route

Thursday, Oct. 15

BFD responded to 8 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

200 block of S. State St. - call cancelled en route

1400 block of S. Main St. - Special type of incident

500 block of E. Boone St. - passenger vehicle fire

Friday, Oct. 16

BFD responded to 2 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

800 block of Prospect St. - outside rubbish fire

100 block of W. Harrison St. - assist invalid

Saturday, Oct. 17

BFD responded to 5 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

600 block of S. State St. - fire alarm

1100 block of Nettie St. - false alarm

Sunday, Oct. 18

BFD responded to 3 medical calls and the following fire/rescue calls.

1000 block of Waverly Way - unauthorized burning

600 block of S. State St. - fire alarm

To the Electors of the State of Illinois:

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure for government and laws. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article. The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment. Proposed changes in the existing constitutional amendment are indicated by underscoring all new matter and by crossing with a line all matter which is to be deleted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IX – REVENUE

SECTION 3. LIMITATIONS ON INCOME TAXATION

- (a) ~~The General Assembly shall provide by law for the rate or rates of any tax on or measured by income imposed by the State. A tax on or measured by income shall be at a non-graduated rate. At any one time there may be no more than one such tax imposed by the State for State purposes on individuals and one such tax so imposed on corporations.~~ In any such tax imposed upon corporations the highest rate shall not exceed the highest rate imposed on individuals by more than a ratio of 8 to 5.
- (b) Laws imposing taxes on or measured by income may adopt by reference provisions of the laws and regulations of the United States, as they then exist or thereafter may be changed, for the purpose of arriving at the amount of income upon which the tax is imposed.

EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the "flat tax," that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Illinois' current tax system unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires and this amendment will set things right for middle-class and working people. Currently, it is unfair that billionaires pay the same tax rate as regular people.

Voting "yes" on the amendment means that the State will enact a new tax structure where only those making above \$250,000 a year will see their taxes go up. This amendment is simply upgrading Illinois' old tax system to a graduated system which is how the federal government and the majority of other states do it.

This Amendment Would Make Illinois' Tax System Fair.

Approval of this amendment would enact a fair system that allows the state to tax wealthy people at higher rates and lower income people at lower rates, replacing Illinois' current unfair tax system, in which wealthy people pay the exact same tax rate as lower and middle income people.

Illinois' current tax system unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires, and approval of this amendment will set things right for the middle class and working people.

This amendment will help small business owners by creating a stable economic environment for their businesses to thrive.

While others try to mislead you, under the current tax system in Illinois, policymakers already have the authority to set any tax rate and to change tax rates at their will. The current system forces policymakers to charge the same tax rate to everyone, regardless of how much money they make. If this amendment passes, the State will have the ability to tax higher income earners at a different rate. In fact, upon passage of this Amendment, a new tax structure will go into effect where 97% of taxpayers will pay the same or less, while only those making more than \$250,000 a year will see a tax increase.

This amendment does not tax retirement income.

The Federal Government and Most States Use the Graduated Tax System Proposed in this Amendment. Not the Unfair System Currently Used in Illinois.

Illinois is among a minority of states that do not utilize graduated tax rates because the Illinois Constitution requires a "flat tax" that penalizes middle-class and working people and benefits higher income individuals.

A majority of states and the federal government already use the kind of graduated income tax system proposed in this amendment to ensure that wealthy people pay their fair share of taxes.

Nearby states including Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin are among the majority of states that have graduated tax systems.

Illinois' Current Income Tax System Relies on Taxes from Middle and Lower Income Earners. While a Graduated System Would Lower that Burden and Fund Critical Programs such as Education and Human Services.

While some states have fair tax rates in which the highest income earners pay the highest tax rate, Illinois' "flat tax" rate continues to rely unfairly on taxes from middle and lower income earners.

Under Illinois' "flat tax" structure, a nurse making \$50,000 per year pays the same tax rate as an executive making \$4 million per year. A graduated tax rate would have the executive pay more.

Because of the way our current tax system is set up, the bottom fifth of Illinois taxpayers (those making below \$21,800) contribute 14.4% of their income to state and local taxes, compared to 7.4% for the top 1 percent of Illinois taxpayers.

If this Amendment passes, the State has already enacted a new graduated tax structure where 97% of taxpayers will pay the same or less.

Under the new tax structure, only the top 3% of Illinois income earners would pay more in income taxes. Everyone who makes \$250,000 or less a year would pay the same or less.

Over 95% of small businesses earn \$250,000 or less a year in profits, and their owners will not see a tax increase under the new tax structure.

This change will generate additional revenue each year that can help address Illinois' budget deficit and fund critical programs, including the State's education system, public safety, and social services like mental health and substance abuse treatment and domestic violence shelters.

After the COVID-19 Pandemic, We Need to Do All We Can to Help the Economy and Middle-Class and Working People.

Working people and essential workers like nurses, first responders, and grocery store clerks should not pay the same tax rate as the wealthy. Nurses making \$50,000 a year should not pay the same tax rate as an executive making \$4,000,000 a year.

Having wealthy people pay more would reduce the burden on working families. This is money that middle and lower income people need for housing, groceries, medicine, and essentials.

When the wealthiest people pay more, middle and lower income earners can pay less while the State funds critical services that our essential workers rely on.

ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

- 1) The Amendment 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 such as healthcare, education, or public safety.
- 2) Taxes and spending are out of control. The Legislature should not be allowed to keep raising taxes until they get their spending under control.
- 3) In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, now is the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.

The Amendment 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 such as healthcare, education, or public safety.

The proposed amendment would give the Legislature unlimited new authority to increase income tax rates on any group of taxpayers at will, including low-income and middle-income families and small business owners. There would be no limit on the number of tax brackets that could be created and no limit on how high tax rates could be increased on individual taxpayers. In addition, this proposed change will pave the way for a tax on retirement income.

Nothing in the amendment requires the Legislature to do anything to control spending. Nor does it require funds to be spent on essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety. It would simply give the Legislature a blank check to spend billions of dollars however they want, with no accountability.

Taxes and spending are out of control. The Legislature should not be allowed to keep raising taxes until they get their spending under control.

Illinois already has some of the highest property taxes and sales taxes in the nation. And the Legislature has increased Illinois income tax rates twice in the past decade to try to deal with the out-of-control spending in Springfield.

Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, our state had a huge and growing multi-billion-dollar budget deficit, and the unfunded pension liability skyrocketed to over \$137 billion. That's because the Legislature has continued to increase state spending instead of eliminating government waste, corruption, and abuse.

Because they refuse to control spending or pass major reforms, the Legislature will just continue to raise taxes on everyone in Illinois, and middle-class families will be their next target.

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, now is the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.

The COVID-19 pandemic caused layoffs, unemployment, bankruptcies, and closures. As small businesses and local employers struggle to rebuild, this is the worst possible time to impose huge new tax increases. Even before the COVID-19 crisis, many residents and businesses were leaving the state because of the high tax burden. If the Amendment passes, it would be the last straw for thousands of small businesses, causing more jobs to leave the state, and making Illinois lose out on investments to rebuild our economy. This would mean fewer jobs and less opportunity for Illinois families.

YES	For the proposed amendment of
NO	Section 3 of Article IX of the
	Illinois Constitution.

FORM OF BALLOT

Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois

Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the "flat tax," that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower income tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

Due to COVID-19, all 2020 General Election voters are encouraged to cast a ballot prior to Election Day, either by mail or during early voting. Voting by mail is an easy option for voters and you can request a vote by mail ballot through email, mail, or in person. An application is available from your local election authority or at: <https://elections.il.gov/electionoperations/VotingByMail.aspx>. To register to vote or check your registration status, visit: <https://ova.elections.il.gov>.



Jesse White

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois,
Done in the City of Springfield, this first day of June, 2020

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‘Hats off! The flag is passing by!’

By Richard Ferguson
FORMER BELVIDERE RESIDENT

I grew up in a small town in the Midwest where the streets were lined with elm trees whose branches arched over these streets. There were rectangular yellow signs along the streets near schools and playgrounds that announced, “In Belvidere we love our children. Drive Safely.”

In my seventh-grade English class more than 60 years ago, our teacher told us that we were to learn 40 or so poems by heart which we would remember later in life and be thankful we knew. These ranged from Tennyson’s majestic, “The splendor falls on castle walls and snowy summits old in story” to Edgar Guest’s simple, “I have to live with myself and so, I want to be fit for myself to know.”

The one I am remembering now is Henry Holcomb Bennett’s “The Flag Goes By.” After 60 years, I still know most of the poem by heart. The poem begins, “Hats off! Along the street there comes a blare of bugles a ruffle of drums. A flash of color beneath the sky. Hats off! The flag is passing by.”

She was right. Although laid down in my brain more than six decades ago, the words still connect and lead to a glisten in my eye.

I remember the exact day I first saw our flag go by. July 4, 1952. It was at a Fourth of July parade down the main street of Belvidere. Led by the color guard with the American flag waving in the middle, the veterans from World War II marched by. We took off our hats to the flag and them. They were so much younger than I am now. Now, nearly all of them are dead, but I can still see their young faces looking straight ahead.

Belvidere was a small town. Those who returned to march in this parade personally knew all those who did not. The wives, mothers, children, and fathers of all those who did not return lined the street. I now imagine that somewhere along that route a child went up to one of the soldiers, saluted him, and gave him a small flag to carry with him in the parade so that the memory of his or her father would also be marching in that parade. If this didn’t happen in reality, it did happen in spirit.

Blackhawk Bank hosts annual food drive

Blackhawk Bank’s annual Grateful Giving Thanksgiving Food Drive will run through Friday, Nov. 6. The goal of this community food drive is to provide Thanksgiving Day meals for families in need through the bank’s mission partners. The COVID-19 pandemic has brought many challenges, one of them being an increase of families in need during the holiday season.

Blackhawk Bank’s 10 mission partners include the Salvation Army of Beloit, St. Vincent DePaul of Beloit, Caritas, Old Stone Church of Northern Winnebago County, Victory Outreach of Rockford, Rock River Valley Food Pantry of Rockford, YWCA of Janesville, Empower Boone (Formerly Belvidere/Boone County Food Pantry), FISH of McHenry and Wauconda Island Food Pantry.

Non-perishable items being collected include stuffing mix, instant potatoes, canned cranberries, yams, sweet potatoes, corn, green beans, fruit, macaroni and cheese, cake mix, and icing. Monetary donations collected during this food drive will be evenly distributed among the mission partners and be used to purchase turkeys and hams.

Blackhawk’s goal is to collect \$11,000 and 4000 non-perishables by Nov. 6 for a timely distribution to the local food pantries. Donations will be accepted at any Black-

hawk Bank location: These men were our heroes, not statues in parks, not Washington, not Jefferson, not even Lincoln. They were what we aspired to be. Five months later the general who led some of them to liberate Europe was elected President of the United States. My parents were proud to vote in that election although they did not vote for Eisenhower. They were Democrats. My father was a line worker and the union representative in a local factory that made bottle caps. My mother worked as a shipping clerk in the basement of JCPenney, earning minimum wage.

Bennett’s poem goes on to say, “But more than a flag is passing by. There were “sea fights and land fights grim and great ... Cheers of victory on dying lips.” There was “Equal justice, right and law, stately honor and reverend awe.”

The question I now ask myself is what is passing me by when the flag goes by?

Is our flag the symbol of our material might or of our moral courage and compassion?

Is our flag the symbol of the past wars fought for freedom or for the wars we will be willing to fight in the future for our freedom and those of people around the world?

Is our flag the symbol of what we have been or of what we strive to become?

Is our flag a symbol to not only to make us feel proud but also humble? The flag and our elections define America. In our elections each person casts one vote to decide what direction our country should go. Everyone should have one vote. Every vote should be counted. The power of our country is transferred to those whom the majority of our country so decide but also with compassion for those whose choices were not elected.

The flag and our ballot like our country are one and inseparable. Each is more than a symbol of the other. Each is the other. When I receive my ballot for this coming election, I am receiving a piece of the flag. Voting is my homage to the flag and our country. Before I mark my ballot, I remind myself that more than a flag is passing by. “Equal justice, right, and law. Stately honor and reverend awe.”

hawk Bank location:

- Downtown Beloit Banking Center- 400 Broad St., Beloit, WI 53511
- Beloit-East Banking Center- 2200 Cranston Road, Beloit, WI 53511
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- Rockford 11th Street Banking Center – 3101 11th St., Rockford, IL 61109
- Rockford Perryville Banking Center- 2475 North Perryville Road, Rockford, IL 61109
- Roscoe Banking Center- 5506 Clayton Circle, Roscoe, Ill. 61073
- Machesney Park Banking Center- 9609 Forest Hills Road, Machesney Park, IL 61115
- McHenry Banking Center- 3814 West Elm Street, McHenry, IL 60050
- Island Lake Banking Center- 660 East State Road, Island Lake, IL 60042
- Richmond Banking Center- 9705 Prairie Ridge Road, IL 60071
- Kane Business Center- 2205 Point Boulevard, Suite 205, Elgin, IL 60123

Progress for this year’s Grateful Giving can be tracked through Blackhawk Bank’s Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages.



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BFD, area responders battle garage fire

On Oct. 5 at 11:25 a.m., the Belvidere Fire Department responded to the 200 block of W. Second Street for a report of a vehicle fire inside a four-car garage with flames showing. First arriving fire units reported a well-involved garage fire with heavy flames showing. The fire was quickly extinguished within 10 minutes of the fire department being on scene and damage to the garage and its contents was held to \$15,000. No firefighters or civilians were injured in the incident. Automatic aid was provided by area fire and emergency responders from Boone County District #2, North Boone Fire District #3, Marengo Fire Dept., EMA, Capron Rescue Squad, and OSF Lifeline.

More than 2 million mail-in ballots requested in Illinois

By Jerry Nowicki

CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

More than 2 million Illinois voters have requested vote-by-mail ballots and more than 26,000 such ballots have already been returned, according to the Illinois State Board of Elections.

That means about a quarter of the state’s registered voters had requested vote-by-mail ballots as of Sept. 30.

ISBE reported that 2,077,594 ballots were requested, with 26,872 returned and 55,751 persons having voted early.

The number continues to grow as public health guidance advises against congregating in indoor places due to concerns about the spread of COVID-19. Earlier this year, state lawmakers passed a law requiring election authorities to send applications for vote-by-mail ballots to registered voters who voted in recent elections.

Applications must be sent back to the election authority to receive a

mail-in ballot. Many of the applications have already been distributed to voters, and vote-by-mail and early voting periods began last week.

Once the ballot is received, it must be sent back to the election authority to be counted. While the new law for the 2020 election allows an election authority to install drop boxes for the return of ballots, a spokesperson said only 54 of the state’s 108 election jurisdictions have such a drop box.

Those who have requested mail ballots but change their minds and would like to vote in person instead have avenues to do so, according to ISBE spokesperson Matt Dietrich, who said there are safeguards in place to ensure no double voting occurs.

A voter who received a mail ballot but wishes to cast a ballot in person must surrender the ballot at an early voting location or polling place on Election Day and will be given a regular ballot.

A voter who does not surrender the ballot must cast a provisional ballot.

Provisional ballots are not counted until all the mail ballots have been processed and it is assured that the voter’s ballot is not among them.

According to Dietrich, if someone has requested but not yet received their mail ballot and wants to vote in person, the voter can sign an affidavit at the polling place or early voting location attesting that they have not received a mail ballot. The voter will then be given a regular ballot.

“This happens most frequently with voters who request their mail ballot very late in the process and don’t receive it as of Election Day, though a voter can do this anytime as long as they haven’t received the ballot,” he said.

Voters using this method are instructed to discard the mail ballot if it arrives, but if they do sign and return it for voting, they’re committing vote fraud and are subject to Class 3 felony charges, Dietrich said.

Gov. JB Pritzker said he would feel

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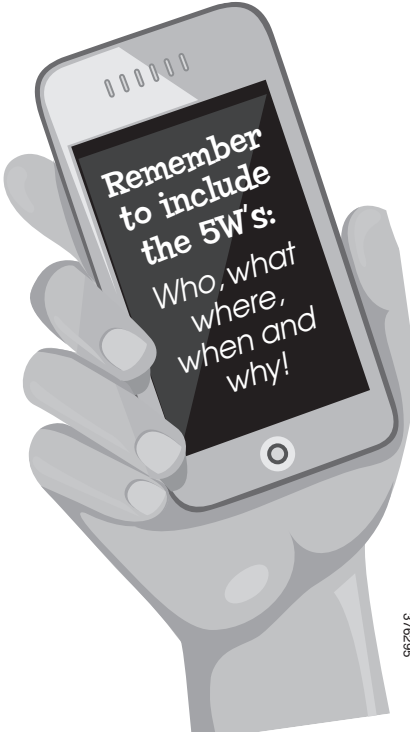
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Back in the saddle

By Ann Marie Cain, FBCM
WINNEBAGO-BOONE FARM BUREAU
Plentiful Pumpkins

If you have ever planted pumpkins, you may have been overwhelmed with pumpkins like Rebecca Estelle in the children's book, "Too Many Pumpkins" by Linda White. While her pumpkin problem was not her fault, in real life, deciding on how many pumpkin seeds to plant is a challenge. I always plant more than one seed per hill. Traditionally, a few seeds will not germinate. However, there are times when they all germinate; the weather is perfect; and the pumpkins take over. Depending on the pumpkin variety, one pumpkin vine will produce, on average, between two to five pumpkins. Three hills with three seeds each can produce up to 30 pumpkins. That is a lot of pumpkins for one family. Check out Too Many Pumpkins to see how Rebecca Estelle handles her pumpkin problem.

Did you know...?

• The largest pumpkin pie was baked on Sept. 25, 2010, and weighed in at 3,699 pounds. It was 20 feet in diameter. The pie was made with 1,212 pounds of canned pumpkin, 233 dozen eggs, 109 gallons of evaporated milk, 525

pounds of sugar, 7 pounds of salt, 14.5 pounds of cinnamon, and 3 pounds of pumpkin pie spice.

• #1 in Pumpkins - Illinois Farmers grow more pumpkins than anywhere else in the world.

• Pumpkins can range in size from less than one pound to more than 1,000 pounds.

Download Illinois Farm Bureau Agriculture in the Classroom's Pumpkin Ag Mag for more fun facts and information on pumpkins at <http://www.agintheclassroom.org/TeacherResources/AgMags.shtml>. **Pumpkin Patch Fun in Kids' Corner (from Diane Cleland, WBFB Ag Literacy Coordinator)**

Fall is in the air! Cooler days and chilly nights mean one thing... it's pumpkin season. Did you know that Illinois is the Pumpkin Capital of the World? Illinois farmers grow 90 to 95 percent of the pumpkins used for processing. Most of the processing takes place in Morton, Ill. - The Pumpkin Capital of the World. The counties of Tazewell, Mason, Wayne, Peoria, and Stark grow the majority of the pumpkins.

It's a great time of year to visit a local pumpkin farm, too. Most pumpkin patches grow both ornamental and pie pumpkins.

Carving is a great way to teach kids about the different parts of a pumpkin. Did you know that the lines on a pumpkin are called the ribs? The greater the number of ribs on a pumpkin, the more seeds that are inside. This fall when you are carving pumpkins let your kids or grandkids, guess how many seeds are inside before you open it. For the younger ones, divide the seeds into groups. It is a fun way to practice skip counting (10, 20, 30...). You will be surprised how high the kids will count.

To learn more about how pumpkins grow, visit our Popular Pumpkins video on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cgysc2yyu8c

To download the Pumpkin Patch Fun word search visit: www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org/kids-corner.html

Holiday Nuts and More Sale

Order forms are now available for our Holiday Nuts and More Sale again this year. Order forms are available through the Farm Bureau office or on our website at www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org. All orders with payment are due by Tuesday, Nov. 17. Orders are to be picked up the week of Dec. 7.

Attention Livestock Producers
Application deadline for all

Livestock Management Facilities Grant Programs is Oct. 31. IFB worked with Illinois Department of Agriculture to produce an instructional video for livestock producers interested in applying for one of the programs.

This video includes a welcome from Director Costello and then leads into a step-by-step guide for applying under each program, a list

of required documents, and contact information needed for application. Specific information for each of the Livestock Management Facilities Grant Programs are shared throughout the video.

Additional information, including links to the video, application and FAQs, can be found www.ilfb.org/resources/covid-19-resources/livestock-resources.

Falling into autumn vegetable gardening

Whether you are ready to shut down the vegetable garden for the year or still considering extending a couple more weeks of the growing season with your current plants, there are some practices that you can do this fall. University of Illinois Extension Educator Grant McCarty will discuss these practices at a program called "Falling into the Autumn Vegetable Garden" which will include the

topics of seed saving, season extension, crop storage, general end of season practices, fall soil management, and many others.

"Falling into the Autumn Vegetable Garden" will be held on Friday, Nov. 6, from noon until 1 p.m. via Zoom online meeting platform. Registration is required to attend and can be completed online at: go.illinois.edu/jsw. There is a \$5 registration fee to attend this event.

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"confident in the system we have" if he were voting anywhere in the state, noting that the new law has made the process "safer and easier."

"We've had vote-by-mail in Illinois for some number of years," he said. "And so there's, I think, a reasonable high confidence level of people who have done it have done so successfully. We have not had situations of voter fraud in Illinois

caused by vote by mail."

All mail-in ballot requests must be received by Oct. 29 ahead of the Nov. 3 election, but officials recommend submitting requests earlier to ensure a ballot is received by Election Day.

Returned ballots must be postmarked by Nov. 3 and received by the local election office by Nov. 17 in order to be counted.

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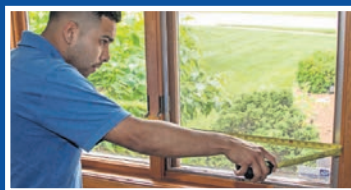


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Conservationists wanted

McHenry County Conservation District is seeking nominations of individuals who are and have been Conservation Champions for the Public Open Space of McHenry County. The Conservation Champion Award recognizes individuals who have made one or more contributions of extraordinary significance or impact to the conservation movement through their continued dedication and support of the mission of the conservation district. The Conservation Legacy Award recognizes contributions that transcend time. Regardless of how many lives they touched, Conservation Legacy Award winners need to have inspired others to become stewards of the land. To read more about the awards and to nominate someone for a Conservation Champion or Legacy Award, follow the links at www.mccdistrict.org and download a nomination form to submit electronically to mccd@mccdistrct.org. Nominations accepted through Dec. 31 of each year. For more information, contact Executive Director Elizabeth Kessler at 815-338-6223, ext.1233.

McHenry County Sheriff's report

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

Oct. 6
Jimmy D. Carey, 44, Racine, was cited for home invasion/causing injury;
Bryan P. Schinkowsky, 35, Schaumburg, was cited for violating of an order of protection;
Angel E. Oshkeshquoam, 33, Keshenn, was cited for driving on a revoked driver's license, possession of meth <5 grams, 2 counts of aggravated battery of a peace officer, criminal damage to government property

<\$500 and disorderly conduct/give false fire alarm;
Oct. 7
Timothy J. Meijer, 32, Woodstock, was cited for 2 counts of retail theft/disp merch >\$150, and 3 counts of retail theft/disp merch <\$300/2+;
James E. Evans, 27, Crystal Lake, was cited for violation of an order of protection;
Oct. 8
David L. Kholman, 49, Crystal Lake, was cited for criminal trespass to residence, disorderly conduct, and residential burglary;
Oct. 9
Anthony M. Domino, 30, Marengo, was cited for poss mfg chemcl/<15

gram meth, delivery/manufacture cannabis 500<2000 gram, 2 counts of felon poss/use weapon/firearm, mfg/del other amount sched III, cannabis control act – over 500 gms not more than 2000 gms, 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, delivery/manufacture cannabis 500<2000 grams, and cannabis control act – over 500 gms not more than 2000 gms;
Bardley A. Faber, 39, Delavan, was cited for DUI – 5th+, and aggravated DUI license suspended or revoked;
Oct. 10
Ryan J. Meyer, 38, Lakemoor, was cited for possession of a controlled substance.

Woodstock Police report

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

An arrest does not constitute a conviction, and suspects are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.
Sept. 18, 6:18 p.m., in the 300 block of North Madison Street, Anthony Garcia, 19, of Woodstock, was arrested for possession of cannabis with intent to deliver (30-500 grams), possession of cannabis (100-500 grams) and failure to signal when required.
Sept. 19, 9:45 a.m., Newell Street and Clay Street, Carolina Heredia Murray, 29, of Woodstock, was arrested for driving while license suspended, operate an uninsured motor vehicle and electronic communication device.
Sept. 21, 5:51 p.m., in the 2200 block of North Seminary Avenue, Robert A. McEstes, 59, of Woodstock, was arrested for WOW (FTA-McHenry County).
Sept. 22, 9:35 p.m., Church Street and Main Street, Woodstock, Alexandria R. Murray, 18, of McHenry, was arrested for driving while license suspended.

Sept. 23, 12:17 a.m., in the 0-100 block of Church Street, a 25-year-old Harvard man was arrested on two counts of domestic battery and theft.
Sept. 23, 8:19 p.m., at Route 14 near the South Street Bridge, Fortino Salinas-Pluvial, 21, of Chicago, was arrested for no valid driver's license and speeding.
Sept. 23, 8:48 p.m., South Street at Throop Avenue, Jessica L. Miller, 21, of Woodstock, was arrested for driving while license suspended.
Sept. 24, 9:40 p.m., in the 200 block of North Madison Street, Angel D. Holland, 23, of Woodstock, was arrested for driving while license suspended and failure to signal when required.
Sept. 25, 9:51 a.m., in the 600 block of Lake Avenue, Jamiel S. Thomas, 36, of Harvard, was arrested for WOW (Criminal Damage to Property-McHenry County)
Sept. 25, 4:48 p.m., in toe 1000 block of Lake Avenue, Renata L. Sjoblom, 57, of Woodstock, was arrested for criminal trespass to building and obstructing a peace officer.
Sept. 25, 8:29 p.m., West South Street at South Hill Street, Colin J. Kahoun, 25, of Woodstock, was arrested

for DUI, DUI over 0.08, unlawful possession of cannabis by driver, fail to carry DI on person, illegal transportation of alcohol and improper lane usage.
Sept. 26, 3:18 p.m., in the 800 block of East South Street, Christopher A. Arimbado, 20, of Woodstock, was arrested for no valid driver's license, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and improper lane usage.
Sept. 27, 12:47 a.m., Church Street and Madison Street, a 32-year-old Kenosha man was arrested on two counts of domestic battery.
Sept. 28, 2:05 p.m., in the 900 block of Country Club Road, Jimmy D. Phillips, 57, address not given, was arrested for WOW (FTA-McHenry County).
Sept. 28, 7:39 p.m., Church Street at Main Street, James A. Staples, 45, of Woodstock, was arrested for manufacture/delivery of cannabis (30-500 grams), possession of cannabis in motor vehicle by driver and disregard stop sign.
Sept. 28, 10:40 p.m., in the 500 block of Pleasant Street, Angel L. DeJesus, 46, of Wonder Lake, was arrested for WOW (FTA-McHenry County), driving while license suspended and failure

Conservation district events

Roving Naturalists

Stop by and visit with one of the McHenry County Conservation District Roving Naturalists at a new conservation area each week in October. Ask questions about what is blooming, animals that are out and about, and get recommendations for a great hike. Perfect for adults and families (under 14 must be accompanied by an adult). No registration is required for these free drop-in programs but check before you go; cancellations may occur due to weather or staff emergencies. Check MCCDistrict.org or in the online registration system.

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to noon:
• Oct. 24 – Lake in the Hills Fen Conservation Area, 1500 Jefferson St., Lake in the Hills;
• Oct. 31 – Pleasant Valley Conservation Area, 13315 Pleasant Valley Road, Woodstock

For more information contact Prairieview Education Center at 815-479-5779 or MCCDistrict.org.

After school adventures 4-5:30 p.m.

Need a break from the screen time? Time to get outside, stretch your legs, and explore. Join McHenry County Conservation District's education team staff for a hike, outdoor games, and activities. Activities may include crafts, experiments or other interactive fun. Games may include scavenger hunts or environmental tag. Dress for the weather and come prepared to be outside. Fee: County resident \$5/NR \$7. Drop-off program for ages 5-12. Registration required.

• Thursday, Oct. 22, Exner Marsh Conservation Area, 9000 Lakewood Rd., LITH.
• Tuesday, Oct. 27, Brookdale Conservation Area, 2105 Paulson Road Woodstock.
• Wednesday, Nov. 4, Coral Woods Conservation Area, 7400 Somerset, Marengo.
• Thursday, Nov. 12, Harrison Benwell Conservation Area, 7055 McCullom Lake Road Wonder Lake.
• Monday, Nov. 16, Boone Creek Conservation Area, 916 Cold Springs Road, Bull Valley.
• Wednesday, Nov. 25, Beck's Woods Conservation Area, 5940 N. Pagles Road, Chemung.

Register for one or more sessions. Each one is limited to 15 participants. Registration and fee: County resident \$5/NR \$7, is due no later than two days prior to the start of each session. Register online at www.MCCDistrict.org, or by mail to Prairieview Education Center, 2112 Behan Road in Crystal Lake. For more information call 815-479-4779.

Conservation Kids

• Mad Science – Monday, Oct. 26, live online 4–5 p.m.

Turn your home into a science laboratory. Become a scientist as participants conduct fun experiments that combine the best of science and nature together. Can water walk? Can goop jump? Come find out this month with our Conservation Kids program.

• Flop, Fly or Feast? – Tuesdays: Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, live online 4–5 p.m.

Where do all the animals go in winter? When the temperature drops animals have their own special way to survive the cold. Participants will explore the science behind hibernation, migration, and staying active. And you'll finally figure out if bears really do hibernate. The answer may surprise you.

Kits are available for pickup starting the Wednesday before the first meeting at Lost Valley Visitor Center, in Glacial Park, Ringwood or Prairieview Education Center, 2112 Behan Road, Crystal Lake during normal operating hours.

Space is limited to 15 participants. Registration deadline is seven days prior to the start of each session. Fee: County resident \$25/NR \$30—1st child; county resident \$20/NR \$25—each additional child in the same household and registered at the same time. Register online at www.MCCDistrict.org, or by mail to Prairieview Education Center, 2112 Behan Road in Crystal Lake. For more information call 815-479-4779.

Visit the district's website at www.MCCDistrict.org to view all program and event offerings or sign up to receive the seasonal magazine Landscapes. Register online, by phone (free programs only) at 815- 479-5779, or by mail-in to Prairieview Education Center, 2112 Behan Road in Crystal Lake.

to signal when required.

Sept. 29, 7:46 p.m., West Donovan Avenue at Rhodes Street, Taquan T. Johnson, 19, of Woodstock, was arrested for no valid driver's license, possession of cannabis motor vehicle by driver and no rear registration light.

Sept. 29, 9:30 p.m., in the 2000 block of Willow Brooke Drive, David L. Gehrke, 43, no address given, was arrested for criminal trespass to land.

Sept. 30, 7:53 p.m., in the 1000 block of Wicker Street, Froylan L.

Vasquez-Silva, 20, of Woodstock, was arrested for resisting a peace officer, possession of cannabis in motor vehicle by driver, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and improper lighting.

Oct. 2, 9:16 a.m., North Seminary Avenue and McHenry Avenue, Gary L. Riley, 59, of Crystal Lake, was arrested for driving while license revoked.

Oct. 4, 12:14 a.m., in the 1200 block of Club Road, Jessica L. Demars, 29, of Hoffman Estates, was arrested for driving too fast for conditions.



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McHenry man sentenced for fleeing, eluding

Patrick D. Kenneally, McHenry County state's attorney, announced that Daniel R. Turner, 36, of McHenry, was found guilty of felony Aggravated Fleeing and Eluding a Peace Officer (Subsequent Offense), a Class 3 felony, following a negotiated plea before the Honorable Michael Coppedge.

On Sept. 5, 2019, an officer conducting narcotics surveillance attempted to conduct a traffic stop on Turner, who sped off through several intersections rather than pulling over. He eventually ditched his motorcycle and

fled on foot, at which time he was apprehended.

Turner has been previously convicted of Aggravated Fleeing and Eluding in 2007, 2011 and 2017.

Turner was sentenced to a term of five-and-a-half years in the Illinois Department of Corrections pursuant to the plea.

This case was investigated by members of the McHenry County Sheriff's Department. This case was prosecuted by Robert Ladd of the McHenry County State's Attorney's Office.

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GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS					
GENERAL FUND	10,469,356	19,316,525	16,911,379	(1,833,909)	11,040,593
MOTOR FUEL TAX	496,853	957,712	820,846	0	633,719
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	711,479	260,870	1,243,233	1,861,865	1,590,981
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL	818,057	187,208	610,638	0	394,627
PROPRIETARY FUND					
ENTERPRISE FUND	43,004,827	5,898,830	6,245,584	0	42,658,073
FIDUCIARY FUND					
PENSION TRUST FUNDS	39,294,517	3,506,312	3,060,482	0	39,740,347
COMPONENT UNIT					
LIBRARY	836,829	858,888	804,460	0	891,257
TOTALS	95,631,918	30,986,345	29,696,622	27,956	96,949,597
COMPENSATION SUMMARY					

COMPENSATION SUMMARY UNDER \$25,000
Grant Anderson, Daniel Arevalo, Jill Bertolasi, Edward Bogielski, Michael Borowicz, Elizabeth Bratter, Ric Brereton, Richard Butera, Louis Carlile, George Crawford, Kaylee Crosby, Elizabeth Dealba Bookman, Madolyn Drop, Wendy Frank, Marsha Freeman, Melina Garcia, Nataly Garcia, Jacob Hendrickson, Leah Hotchkiss, Jennifer Johansson, Andrew Johnson, Anthony Jones, Donna Kurtenbach, Craig Lawler, Melinda Long, Laurie Mann, Beatriz Marquez, Michael McGee, Susan Mickey, Abigail Meyers, Kristina O'Brien, Alexandria Omiolek, Amanda Pagani, Thomas Porter, Thomas Ratcliffe, Lesley Rivera, Daniel Snow, Dina Sipiora, Sydney Stensland, Clayton Stevens, Andrea Thomas, Cory Thornton

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Daniel Anderson, Mark Beck, Jeremy Bell, Ethan Berillo, David Bird, Timothy Blankenship, Christopher Blatchford, Michelle Bogdonas, KC Brox, Jeff Carlson, Dean Chambers, Jason Charlesworth, Ryan Culvey, Chad Cunningham, Ryan Davenport, Anthony Delmore, Paul Derry, Daniel Drall, Nicholas Ekberg, David Ellingson, Kenneth Fisk, Jesse Gonzales, Thomas Jones, Jonathan Kaplan, Julie Kirk, James Kriebs, Steve Leonard, Christopher Letourneau, Raymond Lindberg, Matthew Loudenbeck, Joseph McDermott, Chris McElhinney, Todd Moore, Joshua Oates, Scott Przybyla, Zachary Reese, Kim Richardson, Charles Rotolo, Michael Scarpetta, Julie Schutz, Michelle Schwartz, Matthew Shook, Daniel Sommerfield, Patrick Staples, Nicolas Steiner, Jason Swanson, Nicolas Thornton, Becky Tobin, Derek Vail, Jeffrey Vaughan, Caleb Wares, Richard Zapf

\$100,000 to \$124,999.99
Brent Anderson, Michael Ball, David Burdick, David Dammon, Thomas Delavan, Michael Drella, Patrick Gardner, Alan Hyser, Paul King, Robert Kozlowski, Brandon Parker, Shane Polnow, Shawn Schadle, Daniel Smaha, Matthew Wallace, Christofer Washburn, Shane Woody, Mark Zumbragel

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Property Tax-5,298,344, Hotel/Motel Tax-3,312, Auto Rental Tax-8,205, Muni Infrastructure Maint-104,268, State Income Tax-2,773,012 Sales Tax-3,650,909, Home Rule Sale Tax-1,126,401, Local Use Tax-882,828, Local Motor Fuel Tax-555,545, Cannabis Tax-4,186, Replacement Tax-592,182, Repl Tax Dist to Pensions-(268,051), State Grants-780, Business License-14,720, Liquor License & Fines-122,000, Amusement Machine-79,000, Court Fines-245,626, Parking Fines-16,215, Seized Vehicle-52,951, Engr Fees-7,650, Video Gambling-385,882, Franchise Fees-274,773, Death/Birth Certificates-20,140, Accident/Fire Reports-4,355, Tipping Fee-44,938, Fuel Charges-266,767, Interest Income-352,244, Misc Revenues-44,213, Heritage Days-69,885, Historic Preservation (fundraising)-7,409, Historic Preservation (grant reimb)-0, Expense Reimbursement-222,967, Library Expense Reimbursement-29,873, Grants 85,040, Building Permits-123,063, Electric Permits 10,819, Electrician Certification-3,050, Plumbing Permits-1,019, HVAC Permits-2,426, Plan Review Fees-8,399, Insulation Permits-1,667, Code Enforcement-5,100, Other Permits-4,810, Zoning Review Fee-2,382, Side-walk/Lot Grading Fees-1,677, Sale of Assets-12,727, Planning Fees-3,762, Water Consumption-1,932,566, Meters Sold-177,443, Other Services-48,937, Sewer Consumption-3,013,437, Deposit or Agr Westhills-6,400, Deposit on Agreement-535,709, Connection Fees-59,468, MFT Tax-931,975, Utility Tax-1,850,038

EXPENDITURES					
Abbott Rubber Company, Inc.	2,637.75	Cartegraph Systems Inc.	9,590.68	Government Leasing and Finance	68,204.40
Ace Heating and Air Inc.	3,763.00	Carus Corporation	47,816.16	Grainger	5,643.15
Ackerson Brothers	15,400.00	CDW Government Inc.	5,024.95	Great Americz Financial Service	2,023.46
Advanced Disposal	10,011.59	CDS Office Technologies	89,328.87	Greatmats.com Corporation	3,092.15
Advanced Heating and Air Inc.	4,850.00	Ceroni Piping Co.	45,573.47	Growth Dimensions	55,400.00
AFC International Inc.	5,796.49	CES Inc.	138,006.56	Hach Chemical Company	5,658.00
AFLAC	4,887.61	Chapko and Shah Dentist	2,500.00	Hampton, Lenzini, and Renwick Inc.	7,644.00
Air One Equipment	121,084.19	Cintas Corporation	54,896.42	Hdl	10,758.87
Alexander Chemical Corporation	41,242.91	City of Rockford	29,638.72	Hepaco, LLC	9,545.00
Alexis Fire Equipment	4,107.46	Collins Sanitary LLC	13,220.00	Hire Traci II LLC	12,143.27
Allegra	10,959.72	Com Ed	233,304.47	Horizon Distributors Inc.	7,672.91
Altorfer Industries Inc.	3,212.72	Comcast	13,391.46	Ida Public Library Operating Fund	40,700.00
Apollo Trenchless Inc.	52,895.29	Compass Minerals America	222,393.56	I Fiber	7,200.00
ARC Design Resources Inc.	56,417.87	Conevera's TJ, Inc.	2,520.00	I Touch Biometrics	2,970.00
Associated Technical	3,127.50	Constellation New Energy	98,412.23	Illinois Department of Public Health	10,364.00
Atlas Copco Compressors LLC	23,417.00	Countryman Inc.	13,444.98	Illinois Department of Revenue	266,347.90
Automotive Solutions	5,744.99	C.O.P.S. and F.I.R.E. Personnel	6,391.67	Illinois EPA	156,986.66
Axon Enterprises Inc.	9,251.04	Cord Construction	5,725.00	Illinois Fraternal Order of Police	22,693.55
Azavar Audit Solutions Inc.	44,840.60	Cordray Brothers, Inc.	128,483.50	IL Office Supply	3,793.44
Barnes Auto Body inc.	12,668.89	Core & Main	167,224.95	Illinois Pump, Inc.	16,721.51
Baxter and Woodman Inc.	73,652.02	Corporate Payment Systems	95,140.37	I.M.L. Risk Management	695,069.30
Belvidere Ace Hardware	9,413.76	Corpro Waterworks	3,200.00	I.M.R.F.	342,771.36
Belvidere Firefighters Pension	1,312,041.81	Curran Materials Company	22,646.78	Infinity Entertainment LLC	3,500.00
Belvidere Police Pension Fund	1,658,907.33	RJ Daniels Fuel and Tire	29,266.28	Innovative Underground LLC	4,000.00
Belvidere Professional Firefighters	24,842.00	Dach Fence Co. Inc.	10,710.84	Internal Revenue Service	1,081,673.71
Blake Oil Company	8,333.97	Davco Automotive Products Inc.	3,177.40	Interstate All Battery Center	5,887.99
Blast Master	3,890.00	Davidson and Associates	6,600.00	Interstate Batteries/Rock	3,235.58
Blue Cross Blue Shield	1,908,599.24	Decker Supply Co. Inc.	3,391.44	IP Communications	7,600.16
The Bollard Experts	9,290.44	Denny's Car Haulin	3,495.00	IWorQ	10,500.00
Bonnell Industries Inc.	48,337.55	Dinges Fire Company	5,701.69	IUOE Local 150 Admin Dues	54,339.03
Boone County Arts Council	5,000.00	DJS Scuba Locker Inc.	2,894.64	J & D Oil Co.	391,495.67
Boone County Auto Body	5,011.65	Dorner Company	34,856.00	JLA Limited	70,000.00
Boone County Council on Aging	41,000.00	Duke's Root Control Inc.	10,527.93	John Jones Automotive Group	33,621.00
Boone County Fair Association	3,720.00	Dynegey Energy Services	383,375.39	Johnson Controls Security Solutions	2,936.93
Boone County FICA/IMRF	97,017.71	EJ Equipment	2,825.14	Johnson, Tim	4,145.00
Boone County General Fund	799,733.69	Engel Electric Company	93,043.10	JX Enterprises Inc.	8,332.33
Boone County Health Insurance	208,306.83	Entre Computer Solutions	3,621.96	Joe Cooling & Sons Inc.	3,929.05
Boone County Health Department	8,405.00	Envirotech Equipment	8,286.90	Julie Inc.	2,592.29
Boone County Highway Fund	5,725.00	Envision Healthcare Inc.	10,605.00	Kelley Williamson Company	3,311.88
Boone County Journal	2,110.00	Equipment Depot of Illinois	4,759.86	Kiesler's Police Supply	24,036.29
Boone County Shopper	12,053.25	ESO Solutions-Firehouse	3,350.00	Kinovate Inc.	4,508.00
Boone County Tort	8,332.05	Fastenal Company	4,507.45	Kunes Country	165,297.25
Boone County Transmission	2,692.95	Fehr-Graham & Associates	41,114.50	LS Drywall	12,525.00
Boone County Treasurer	82,630.82	F.M. K9	12,000.00	Lakeland Biologists	15,724.85
Botts Welding & Truck Service, Inc.	4,608.79	Frontier	9,517.21	Lakdside International Trucks, LLC	11,005.97
Braniff Communications Inc.	6,094.00	Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management	3,900.00	The Lakota Group Inc.	9,861.61
Jerry Butitta Automotive Services	13,399.53	Gasvoda & Associates Inc.	9,363.60	LAI, LTD	3,364.65
Cannon Cochran Management	8,170.81	General Mills Operations, Inc.	8,007.14	Landmark	32,480.00
Capital Fund	1,034,636.00	Globe Construction Inc.	163,313.60	Lauterbach & Amen, LLP	4,850.00
Carlson, Debbie	2,500.00	Gordon Flesch Company Inc.	2,980.84	Lawncare by Walter Inc.	23,371.00

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**STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 17TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF BOONE**
In the Matter of
the Estate of
DONALD A. FOWLER,
deceased
No. 2020-P-65
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of DONALD A. FOWLER, of Belvidere, Illinois on August 14, 2020. Letters of office were issued on September 29, 2020, to LARRY D. FOWLER, 6643 Davis School Road, Belvidere, IL 61008, as independent executor, whose attorney is TOBIN & RAMON, 530 South State Street; Suite 200, Belvidere, IL 61008-3711. The estate will be adminis-

tered without court supervision, unless under 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4), an interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Boone County Circuit Clerk - Probate Division at the Boone County Courthouse, at 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, IL 61008, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 9, 2021, which date is not less than six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in that no-

tice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
DATED: October 2, 2020.
LARRY D. FOWLER
Independent Executor
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**STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT**

**OF THE 17TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF BOONE**
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
PAUL R. BERGMAN,
deceased.
Case No. 2020-P-62
CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of PAUL R. BERGMAN, of Belvidere, Illinois, who died on August 7, 2020. Letters of Office were issued on September 21, 2020 to DANIEL K. GALLAS, 9025 Forestview Rd., Evanston, IL 60203, as independent executor, who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the independent executor is JOHN H. MAVILLE, 600 South State Street, Suite #307, Belvidere, Illinois 61008. The estate will be adminis-

tered without court supervision, unless under §28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4), an interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Boone County Circuit Clerk - Probate Division, at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, or with the legal representative, or both, on or before April 8th, 2021, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that
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Lawn Maintenance Services	16,290.00
Lawson Products Inc.	9,901.14
Lee Jensen Sales Co. Inc.	13,603.49
Letourneau Electric	3,922.79
Mad Bomber Fireworks Production	18,000.00
Manley Motors Inc.	53,270.40
Marco Technologies	9,014.81
Martinez, Maria	2,800.00
Martin Group	2,980.68
MDC Environmental Services	8,505.86
Mechanical Inc.	205,576.41
Menards	13,252.42
M.E. Simpson Co., Inc.	10,525.00
Mid America Water, Inc.	84,991.91
Mid-City Office Supplies	13,255.79
Midland States Bank	327,429.97
Midwest Electrical Consultants	4,840.50
Midwest Operating Engineers	661,284.00
Miller Engineering Company	3,489.49
Monroe Truck Equipment Inc.	6,590.17
Motorola Communications	53,551.74
MSAB Inc.	3,250.00
Municipal Code Corp.	5,254.52
Music Equipment Rentl	2,500.00
NAPA Auto Parts	15,867.17
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	44,437.59
Neenah Foundry Co.	6,931.00
Newegg Business Inc.	18,837.97
Nicor Gas	13,715.80
Nite Equipment Inc.	8,894.00
Northern Contracting Inc.	3,834.96
Northern Directional Drilling	3,260.00
Northern Illinois Training	3,740.00
Ollman Ernest Architects	10,615.35
O'Reilly Automotive Inc.	7,964.72
Omni-Site	3,588.00
Patten Equipment	2,500.00
PDC Laboratories	9,339.65
Perspectives, LTD	2,691.84
Petry Design	2,989.40
P.F. Pettibone and Co.	5,091.05
Phil's Electric Drain Service	3,820.00
Pitney Bowes Inc.	8,289.16
Plastering by Sam Inc.	9,927.50
Polydyne Inc.	35,769.60
Print World, Inc.	7,852.69
Quincy Compressor LLC	10,619.98
R & R Maintenance	43,343.97
R.P. Lumber Company Inc.	4,510.98
Region One Planning	21,747.50
RMS Utility Services	36,514.80
Rockford Electric Equipment Company	7,375.74
Rockford Mass Transit District	25,000.00
Rock River Service Co.	4,401.50
Rock Road Company Inc.	701,503.02
Rockford Diesel Injection Service	4,007.55
Rockford Ornamental Iron Inc.	3,975.00
Roland Machinery Company	3,312.40
Rush Power Systems LLC	17,776.60
Sanco Traffic Control	3,485.90
Shadden, Joel	2,625.00
Share Corp.	4,653.98
Sherwin Williams Co.	1,997.42
Sikich LLP	31,700.00
SRN Systems Inc.	5,696.00
Standard Equipment Co.	395,817.00
State Disbursement Unit	15,652.00
Steiner Electric Company	5,623.04
Stenstrom Excavation	821,446.88
Strand and Associates Inc.	20,029.86
Suburban Laboratories	27,757.00
Sunbelt Rentals	3,698.87
Sunset Law Enforcement Ammo	14,656.90
Swanson Flo	2,523.46
Target Solutions Learning LLC	3,053.43
Thompson-Hopps Pumps Inc.	19,990.92
Thomson-Reuters-West Publishing	4,031.37
Timber Industries, LLC	9,300.00
TLC Controls Inc.	6,470.00
TransAm	5,079.77
Trees R Us Inc.	28,380.00
Tri-City Emergency Vehicle Service	47,998.15
Tri-R Systems Inc.	56,900.00
Twin Towers	23,633.50
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	28,434.59
U.S. Postal Service	26,490.15
Uniform Den East, Inc.	18,769.84
United Sanitation Services Inc.	3,345.00
University of Illinois GAR	2,910.00
Unum Life Insurance	6,765.14
US Bank Equipment Finance	7,680.84
USA Blue Book	34,289.42
Valic Financial Advisors, Inc.	184,170.00
Veolia Water Technologies Inc.	55,787.88
Verizon Wireless	43,182.67
Viking Chemical	8,384.84
VSP-Vision Services Plan	4,617.09
Welch Bros, Belvidere Inc.	19,992.04
West Side Exchange	4,937.68
William Charles Construction	77,345.75
William Charles Electric, LLC	89,135.95
WIRFS Industries Inc	6,913.62
Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue	5,016.94

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Election day is not an exception to that rule.

The highest goal, greatest ambition, and most fervent prayer of people that think Christianly is to enthrone Jesus.

Christians by definition must seek to honor Him with our votes with Jesus by the book as the lens through which to see who gets our votes.

If we go into that voting booth with anyone other than God on our minds, we’re as heathen and unbelieving and unsaved as too many Democrats, Republicans and the rest of those living in darkness under the spell of the unholy trinity of satanos, Antichrist and false prophecy.

William Falk, editor-in-chief of *The Week*, just wrote on Sept. 4, “Historian Henry Adams once defined politics as the ‘systematic organization of hatreds.’ ... Voters are largely driven by what they’re against, rather than what they’re for.” True for too many folks.

Not Christians. We’re for Jesus. For Christians – women/men of God – it’s that simple.

Are we for God or not? So here’s how Christians will vote on Nov. 3.

Christians will look at every candidate for every office, what they have said and done, and compare it to what Jesus says His followers should say and do.

Whoever lines up with Jesus gets our votes.

Yes, it’s that simple...if we’re voting Christianly.

If not, we can go to hell.

Yes, it’s that simple...if we’re consciously Christian.

Neither souls nor countries can be saved without Savior Jesus as Lord.

I’ve been told our votes don’t matter; especially in a state like Illinois.

Well, let’s clear up that nonsense right now.

Our votes matter to God!

The only election results that count in the end are God’s.

Cliff was right.

Christians can only vote one way, truth, and life because no one honors the Father unless they’re honoring the Son Jesus by the book as guided to vote by the Holy Spirit who never contradicts Jesus by the book.

Who you vote for isn’t your own business.

Even a 12 year old knows that: “I must be about my Father’s business” (see Luke 2:49).

Christians don’t vote for Democrats or Republicans.

Christians don’t vote for anyone that isn’t trying to honor Jesus by the book.

Cliff was right.

Women/men of God vote for Jesus.

They vote for the person who best represents the principles and priorities of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Women/men of God will have no hesitancy to say who they voted for on November 3.

Women/men of God don’t want their ballots kept secret.

Women/men of God want everyone to know they’re voting for Jesus on Nov.3.

No exceptions!

So do your homework before Nov. 3.

Go to Jesus by the book as guided by the Holy Spirit and assess all of the candidates by His standards before your spirit is polluted by people propagandizing in the spirit of Antichrist that would destroy our exceptional republic so deeply rooted in Holy Scripture.

It’s the only Christian thing to do. Joshua 24:14-15: “Therefore, fear the Lord and worship Him in sincerity and truth. Get rid of the gods your fathers worshiped and worship the Lord. Choose this day who you will worship. As for me and my family, we will worship the Lord.”

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is DEBORAH S. LOOS, P.C., by Deborah S. Loos, 130 South State Street, Suite 210, Belvidere, Illinois 61008.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 5/28-4 of the Probate Act 755 ILCS 5/28-4 (1992), an interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Boone County Circuit Clerk, Probate Division at the Boone County Courthouse, at 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 15, 2021, which date is not less than six (6) months from the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: October 8, 2020

DANIEL ANDERSON
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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE 17TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO

In the Matter of
the Estate of
GEORGIA L. MCLAIN,
Deceased.

Case No. 20 P 318
NOTICE OF PROBATE
AND CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of GEORGIA L. MCLAIN. Letters of Office were issued on September 3, 2020, to TIMOTHY L. MCLAIN, 2315 S. 5th St., Rockford, Illinois, who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the estate is THERESA L. CAMPBELL, 728 N. Main Street, Rockford, Illinois.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before March 3, 2021, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.

Claims against the estate may be filed with the office of the Winnebago County Circuit Clerk - Probate Division at the Winnebago County Courthouse, 500 West State Street, Rockford, Illinois, or with the estate legal executor or both.

Copies of claims filed with the Circuit Clerk’s Office - Probate Division, must be mailed or delivered to the estate’s legal representative and to his/her attor-

ney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: 10/08/2020
/s/TIMOTHY L. MCLAIN,
Administrator

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE SEVENTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE
LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER
Plaintiff,

-v.-
JACKIE M. JONES et al
Defendant

2020CH56
NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 13, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on November 23, 2020, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT TWELVE (12) IN BLOCK TWO (2) AS DESIGNATED UPON THE PLAT OF BIESTER’S FOURTH SUBDIVISION OF A PART OF LOT FOUR (4) PROSPECT HILL SUBDIVISION AS PLATTED AND RECORDED IN THE RECORDER’S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN BOOK 4 OF PLATS ON PAGES 38 AND 39; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 121 BIESTER DRIVE, BELVIDERE, IL 61008

Property Index No. 05-25-429-004

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 prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation

as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in “AS IS” condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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).

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

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

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE

You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100
BURR RIDGE IL, 60527
630-794-5300

E-Mail:
pleadings@il.cslegal.com
Attorney File No. 14-20-03818
Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
Case Number: 2020CH56
TJSC#: 40-2297

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

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SUBMITTED PHOTOS Rock Valley Publishing

The Grasshopper Sweet Clover 4-H Club set up displays celebrating 4-H Week at the Turner Farm on Lawrenceville Road.

Boone County 4-H members promote 4-H



The Diskin family created this encouraging display to celebrate 4-H Week.



Above: Tomas Acasta's display shows that from the city to the country, 4-H creates opportunities for everyone.

Left: Samantha Small lovingly created this display for 4-H Week.

When you love 4-H, you just have to tell others about it. Oct. 4-10 was National 4-H Week and Boone County 4-H members set up displays to promote 4-H using the theme Opportunity4All. One of the largest displays was designed by the Grasshopper Sweet Clover 4-H Club and was set up at the Turner farm.

4-H clubs and individual families designed the displays. Boone County 4-H Program Co-

ordinator, Melissa Irwin said, "The displays have been a fun way to promote 4-H."

4-H is for all youth age 5-18. The 4-H youth development program gives youth the opportunity learn new things, meet new people, and develop skills. Now is the perfect time to join 4-H. To learn more about the Boone County 4-H Program, contact the Extension Office at 815-544-3710 or visit our website at web.extension.illinois.edu/bdo.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER Plaintiff, -v.- JACKIE M. JONES et al Defendant

2020CH56

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 13, 2020, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on November 23, 2020, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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Get the shot, not the flu

This year it is more important than ever to get a flu shot to protect yourself and the people around you from flu, and to help reduce the strain on healthcare systems responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Reducing the risk of flu illnesses, hospitalizations and even the risk of flu-related death in children are benefits of receiving the flu vaccine. Get the shot, not the flu.

The Boone County Health Department (BCHD) is hosting drive-through flu vaccine clinics for Boone County residents age 6 months and older. Parents or legal guardians must be with children under 18 years of age. No appointment needed. Please bring your insurance card with you and remember to wear your face coverings.

BCHD Drive-Through Flu Vaccine Clinics

Drive-through clinics are located at 1204 Logan Ave., Belvidere, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the following dates:

- Thursday, Oct. 22
- Tuesday through Thursday, Oct. 27, 28, 29
- Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 4, 5
- Tuesday, Nov. 10

- Thursday, Nov. 12
- Wednesday, Nov. 18

"Vaccinating against the flu is more important than ever as we prepare for flu and COVID-19 to be circulating this fall and winter," said Amanda Mehl, Public Health administrator. "This year, we are excited to push out the #SleeveUp to #FightFlu campaign from the Illinois Department of Public Health. We are encouraging our community to be vaccinated."

Drive-Through Flu Clinic

Anyone can get the flu, and it can be serious. Every year, protect yourself and those around you by getting a flu shot. For more information on the clinics, call the Boone County Health Dept. at 815-544-2951.

About The Boone County Health Department

The Boone County Health Dept. is a local health department committed to serving the health needs of its almost 54,000 residents. Established in 1966, we promote and protect the health of the people and the communities in Boone County, right here, where they live, work, learn and play.



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