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## Newspaper office relocates

The Scoop Today and Shopper's Guide office has moved to a new location at South Rantoul and West Main streets in Lena. As of Nov. 20, the office is located in Suite B of this building at 240 W. Main St. People are welcome to stop by and see the new office as well as place ads and community announcements, pay on accounts and more. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fridays. Call 815-369-4112 for more

## Holiday cheer abounds in Lena

Parade, decorating contests set

LENA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

Santa's elves have been working overtime to bring Christmas cheer to the village of Lena. With a little help from the Lena Business and Professional Association, the Jolly Old Elf himself is coming to town on Friday, Dec. 4, for a lighted parade while making adjustments for COVID-19.

"It's been a tough year for our businesses and residents, so we were as committed as ever to find safe ways to light up the village with holiday cheer," said Ryan Buss, an LBPA member and owner of Buss Boyz Customs. "Everyone has gone that extra mile to plan an event that is full of Christmas spirit but provides peace of mind during these unprecedented times. We are all motivated by this year's theme, 'We Need a Little Christmas!'

### Enjoy the parade

Featuring a new starting point, the lighted parade will line up at Lion's Park and begin at 6 p.m. Dec. 4. From there, the parade will:

- head south on Washington Street to Railroad Street
- continue down Railroad Street
- turn on Vernon Street and cross the railroad tracks
- turn left on to Main Street, ending at the Village Hall.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will bring up the end of parade. Once they reach the Community Tree on Main Street, Santa will light the tree.

"The expanded route will allow residents more space to spread out as they enjoy the festivities," Buss said. "Some of our businesses plan to be open around town, so this presents a fun opportunity to support our local shops and do some Christmas shopping.

See HOLIDAY, Page 11

## **Young chefs share** ideas for cooking turkey

Look out, Betty Crocker and Rachael Ray, the junior kindergarten students at Le-Win Elementary School have some new ideas about Thanksgiving cooking.

We hope you enjoy these instructions on "how to cook a turkey."

First, we put frosting on the turkey. Next, put sprinkles on top of the

Then, add some spicy salt.

Cook at 10 degrees for 5 hours. Serve with sprinkles.

### Samantha

First, Go to turkey shop, buy a turkey, make sure it's dead.

Next, Pour grease on turkey. Put pickles, tomatoes and cheese in turkey. Put stuff around it so it doesn't

Then, put in bottom of stove till it

Cook at 200 degrees for 5 hours. Serve with pumpkin pie and whipped

## Meghan

First, Go to Louie's farm and catch a turkey. Take gloves so it doesn't bite you and take your dad for help.

Next, make sure the turkey is

Then, put hot sauce, melted cheese on turkey, put in pan in oven. Let daddy help with gloves.

Cook at hot degrees for 4 hours. Serve with pumpkin pie/whipped cream and jello.

### William

First, get it from the store. Next, open it and then put some



mentary School have plenty of interesting ideas about how to cook a turkey this Thanksgiving holiday. In addition to the students pictured above, four remote learning students contributed their "recipes."

Then, put stuffing in the turkey. Cook at 350 degrees for 10 hours. Luke Serve with William.

### Brea

First, you go to the store and buy

Next, you put it on a cover Then, I put sauce on the turkey. Cook at 41 degrees for 16 hours. Serve with a knife.

### **Emma**

First, get the turkey at Sullivan's. Next, put it on a plate.

Then, take the neck out of it and put it in the oven.

Cook at 1 degree for 2 hours. Serve

with corn and orange juice.

First, you go at the store, then get

Next, you take it back home and put it on a plate.

Then, cut it with a knife and put it in the oven.

Cook at 73 degrees for 50 hours. Serve with a plate.

## Deklyn

First, we go buy it at Sullivan's or something.

Next, put it on the plate and put a cover on it.

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## From Lena's Kitchen



The not so skinny cook

As I write this, we have one last warm day. The wind is still whipping things around, but it brought warm air. Thanksgiving is coming, and I know that many celebrations will be different this year. This week's recipes can be used for the holiday or used as leftovers. Enjoy cooking for whomever you will be with during this unique Thanksgiving 2020.

### **Lake Charles Dip**

Italian Salad Dressing (dry) gives this dip its wonderful flavor. It is easy to prepare, so enjoy this savory dip as an appetizer for the holidays.

- 1 C. sour cream
- 2 T. mayonnaise
- 1 T. Italian salad dressing mix
- ½ C. thinly chopped avocado
- 1 t. lemon juice

1/3 C. finely chopped seeded to-

In a small bowl, combine the sour cream, mayo and dressing mix. Toss avocado in lemon juice: stir into sour cream mixture. Stir in tomato. Refrigerate at least one hour. Serve with vegetables and crispy crackers.

### **Hot Spinach Salad**

When I was a kid with an undeveloped palate, my mother tried to get me to eat spinach. It was always cooked and looked like dead seaweed. I went to my friend, Virginia Dyra's home for a Kentucky Derby Party. I was introduced to entirely different spinach. If you have been reading my column for a very long time, you know that Virginia was a frequent contributor to my column in the early days. She was a wonderful cook. She introduced me to hot spinach salad. I have been a convert to spinach in a salad ever since. I also have come to like spinach in dips and casseroles. I still hold the line on plain cooked spinach as a vegetable side! Try this great salad for

a lighter side instead of a Jell-O salad or a plain green salad.

- 1 t. salt
- 1 t. garlic powder
- ½ t. dried basil
- ¼ t. paprika
- 2/3 C. olive oil divided
- 4 C. bread cubes
- 4 strips bacon, diced
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C. thinly sliced red onion
- 1/4 C. cider vinegar
- 3 T. honey
- 1 t. Dijon mustard
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- 8 oz. fresh spinach
- 5 hard boiled eggs, quartered (optional)

Combine salt, garlic powder, basil and paprika in a small bowl. Heat 1/3 C. oil in a nonstick skillet over medium high heat. Add bread: sauté until golden, about five minutes, stirring often. Toss croutons with seasonings while still warm.

Cook bacon in a nonstick skillet until crisp; transfer to a paper-towel lined plate. Drain all but Î T. of drippings from skillet, then return skillet to medium-high heat.

Sauté onion in drippings until crisp-tender, about two minutes. Stir in vinegar, honey, and Dijon; season with salt and pepper. Simmer dressing until slightly reduced, about one minute. Off heat, whisk remaining 1/3 C. oil. Toss spinach, bacon, croutons and eggs with dressing.

## **Apple and Sausage Dressing**

An old-fashioned way to make dressing was to include apples; this dressing uses both apples and nuts. If you don't want to use green onions, use a yellow sweet onion instead. Enjoy this different side with your turkey or use it as side with roasts and chicken.

- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) ground mild pork sausage
- 5 T. unsalted butter
- 2½ C. shopped green onions, white
  - 2 C. chopped celery
  - 2 Fuji apples, cored and diced
- ½ C. chopped pecans
- 2 T. finely chopped fresh sage or 2 t. dried sage

10 C. bread cubes (it is good to use 5 C. regular bread cubes and 5 C. cornbread cubes)

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2 eggs, lightly beaten

Preheat the oven to 350. Spray an 11-by-8 baking dish with cooking spray. Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium high heat. Add sausage and cook until browned and crumbly. Remove sausage using a slotted spoon, reserving drippings in skillet. Melt butter with drippings in skillet over medium heat. Add onions and celery; cook, stirring occasionally until tender, about 10 minutes. Stir in apples, pecans, sage and pepper; cook until apples are tender, about five minutes.

In a large bowl, stir together sausage-apple mixture, bread, broth, and eggs until well combined. Pour mixture into prepared pan. Bake until golden brown and firm to the touch, about 45 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

## **TLC** (Thanksgiving Leftover Casserole)

Turkey, stuffing and vegetables come together into a casserole that can be made out of leftovers. You could make it and put it in the freezer for a quick dinner meal.

- 4 C. seasoned stuffing cubes
- 4 C. cubed cooked turkey
- 2 celery ribs, finely chopped
- 1 C. frozen peas
- 1 C. fresh or frozen cranberries
- ½ C. chopped sweet onion
- 1/4 C. flour
- 4 eggs
- 3 C. 2% milk
- 1 can (8 ½ oz.) cream style corn
- ½ t. salt
- ½ t. pepper
- 2 T. butter

1/3 C. chopped pecans

Preheat the oven to 350. Layer first six ingredients in a greased 9-by-13 baking dish. Whisk flour, eggs and milk in a separate bowl until smooth. Add corn, salt and pepper; mix well. Pour over top and let stand 15 minutes. Dot with butter and sprinkle with pecans.

Cover and bake 35 minutes. Uncover and bake 30 to 35 minutes more or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean.

## **Turkey Tarragon Noodle** Soup

Leftover turkey makes this soup a cold night warm up. You can cook the turkey carcass and make stock or use prepared chicken or turkey stock.

- 6 C. broth (chicken or turkey)
- 2 medium carrots, thinly sliced
- 1 celery rib, thinly sliced
- 2 T. lemon juice
- 1 bay leaf

½ t. salt

- ½ t. pepper
- 3 C. uncooked egg noodles
- 3 C. coarsely chopped cooked tur-

2 t. dried tarragon

In a large pot, combine the first seven ingredients; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer until vegetables are tender, eight to 10 minutes. Return to a boil, add noodles. Cook until noodles are tender, five to six minutes longer. Stir in turkey and tarragon. Heat the mixture through. Discard bay leaf. Serve with crusty bread.

## **Cranberry Swirl Bundt** Cake

This cake is beautiful on a cake stand, and it tastes pretty darn good

1½ C. butter, softened

- 1 C. sour cream
- 3 C. sugar
- 1 T. orange zest
- 1½ t. vanilla, divided
- 5 large room-temperature eggs
- 1 egg yolk 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C. flour
- 1 t. apple pie spice
- ½ t. baking soda
- 1/5 t. salt

½ C. Whole Berry Cranberry Sauce (recipe below)

11/4 C. powdered sugar

6 T. heavy whipping cream

Preheat oven to 325. In a large bowl, beat butter and sour cream with a mixer at medium speed until combined. Gradually add sugar, beating until fluffy, three to four minutes, stopping to scrape sides of the bowl. Add zest and 1 t. vanilla, beating until combined. Add eggs and egg yolk, one at a time, beating well after each

In another bowl, whisk together flour, pie spice, baking soda and salt. Add flour mixture to butter mixture, beating at low speed just until combined. In a medium bowl, stir together 2 C. batter and ½ C. Whole Berry Cranberry Sauce until combined.

Spray a 12- to 15-cup Bundt pan with baking spray with flour. Spread 3 C. plain batter into prepared pan. Top with cranberry batter. Spread remaining plain batter on top. Run a knife through the batters to swirl slightly. Gently tap pan on counter three to four times to release air bubbles. Bake until a wooden pick inserted near center comes out clean, about 1 hour and 15 minutes, covering with foil halfway through baking to prevent excessive browning. Let cool in pan for 15 minutes. Invert cake onto a wire rack and cool completely. Place cake on cake stand or large serving plate.

In a small bowl, whisk together powdered sugar, cream and 1/2 t. vanilla until smooth. Drizzle onto cooled cake. Store cake in an airtight container for up to three days.

## Whole Berry Cranberry Sauce

Kitchen Hint: Serve leftover sauce with pork chops, on turkey sandwiches or as a topping for ice cream. 1 pkg. (12 oz.) fresh or frozen

cranberries 34 C. plus 2 T. firmly packed brown

½ C. fresh orange juice

sugar

½ t. minced fresh ginger

¼ t. vanilla

In a medium saucepan, bring cranberries, brown sugar, orange juice, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C. water and ginger to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat and simmer, stirring occasionally, until berries burst and sauce is thickened, 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in vanilla and let cool completely. Refrigerate in an airtight container for up to five days.

### **Final Thoughts**

Last week was a difficult week. My friend, Bob Lyvers, passed away. Bob and his wife, Lynn, have been my good friends for over 40 years. After my father died, Bob was my go-to guy with house questions and car questions. He helped me move three times (that surely was a labor of love) and did everything with a smile

They lived by the school and loved watching all the action with kids coming and going. He also loved the Fall Festival, from the parade to taking care of the garbage uptown. He will be missed by his family, our community and me.

We are also dealing with a different Thanksgiving this year. My nephew who lives in Hawaii always loved Thanksgiving best of all the holidays. He loved to eat the good things his grandmothers made and loved being with family. We will have a slightly different Thanksgiving this year in a lot of houses. It is suggested that we stick to our immediate family, or if they aren't around, the people in our 'pod" group.

If we don't have COVID or are recovered from it, we have a lot to be

We do have some great news to share with you. The Shopper's Guide and The Scoop have moved to new digs. I have lost my neighbor, and I will miss them; however, it will be really nice for the staff and customers. They are now at 240 W. Main St., Suite B. For those of you who don't use addresses, it is right behind West Point Insurance. There is really nice parking and easy access. Jessica has been getting everything organized and can be reached at the same number, 815-369-4112.

If you have found any holiday recipes you think we would like, contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, Shopper's Guide at 240 W. Main St., Lena, IL 61048 or email us at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com.

Thank you for all the phone calls, visits, donations to the memorials, flowers, food, help, and the many prayers that were given to all of us when Richard was ill and since his passing. With the help of family members and Hospice, we were able to keep him at home with his family, where he wanted to be. We are blessed to have a community of caring family and friends. Thank you!

The Richard Ferguson Family

## ON THE RECORD

## **Obituaries**

Naomi "Noni" McCool passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 17, after a vibrant and meaningful 98 years. She was born to Walter and Anna (Mattheis) Lang on Feb. 17, 1922. She graduated from Freeport High School in 1940 and went on to complete a two-year business course at Brown's College of Commerce. Over the years she was a proud employee at Foster Implement and later in advertising at the Galena Gazette. She married Van Dyke McCool in Rock Grove, Illinois, on Aug. 15, 1947.

Noni was an extremely active member of her community in Warren, Illinois, and enjoyed her time with the Women's Club, historical society, Community House Board, Village Board, Fair Board and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, just to name a few. For 20 years, she took great pride in opening her home to others as Noni's Bed & Breakfast.

She was a seamstress for years. She loved sports, especially watching her family and grandchildren throughout the years. She was such a proud and active grandmother — always present at countless games and

PATRICIA 'PATTI' M. BATIE

secretary. Patti really loved people.

She took great pride in raising Rick

and other family members that in-

cluded her children, grandchildren,

nieces and nephews. Any time there

was a need for help, Patti was there.

She is survived by her husband,

Rick, of Orangeville; daughter, Bev-

erly Batie, of Austin, Texas; seven



musicals/performances and loved spending time cooking, hiking and playing royal rummy with her grandchildren. She was a wonderful person who was loved by so many and

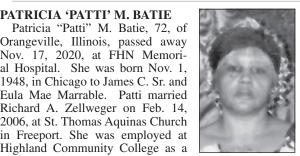
who showed her strength and perseverance time and time again.

She is survived by her son, John (Anne) McCool of Warren: daughterin-law Mary McCool of Glenview; five grandchildren, Molly (Dave) Jones, Katie (Rvan) Nichols, Betsy Wallace, Ryan McCool, and Meghan (Alec) Gatziolis; six great-grandchildren; and one sister-in-law, Nancy Tilkemeier.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dyke; beloved sons, Tom and James; and brother-in-law, Robert Tilkemeier.

A private family ceremony will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com



sisters: and grandchildren, Mikey Zellweger, Ian Zellweger, Jack Zellweger, Dane Zellweger, Jesse Richart and Amanda Rich-

She was preceded in death

by her parents; two brothers, James C. Marrable Jr. and Joel Spencer Marrable; and son, Lonzo Batie Jr.

Private family services were held Nov. 24, 2020, at Burke-Tubbs Funeral Home. Burial will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. A memorial has been established in Patti's mem-

### FAITH K. BROOKMAN

Patti also enjoyed cooking.

Faith K. Brookman, 78, of Lena, Illinois, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, at home surrounded by her family. She was born Oct. 16, 1942, to Elmer and Aleatha (Diestelmeier) Klaas. Faith graduated from Lena High School. She married Rodney Brookman on June 30, 1963, at Salem United Church of Christ in Lena. Faith was a current member of the Salem UCC and a past member of Grace Valley Church. She enjoyed sewing, farming, baking, raising her family, going on car rides that stopped for ice cream and spending time with her grandchildren.

Faith is survived by her four children, Todd Brookman of Pearl City, Christina (Tom) Parkinson of Freeport, Louise (Scott) Lameyer of Lena and Johnathan (Krissy) Brookman of Lena; 11 grandchildren, Brandy Brookman, Hailey (Cameron) Reuter, Katelin Parkinson, Timothy Lameyer, Parker Brookman, Zach Parkinson, Andrew Lameyer, Brooke Parkinson, Rodney



Brookman: six great-grandchildren, Abigail, Ashton, Mason, Luke, Leonardo and Sophia; one sister, Helaine (Clyde) Price of San Antonio, Texas; many nephews, nieces and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rodney, on May 25, 1997; parents; and three sisters, Mona (Merlin) Fernstaedt, Diane (Jesse) McIlvanie and Zondra (Jim) Bailey.

A visitation was held Nov. 21, 2020. at the Leamon Funeral Home in Lena. A private family funeral was held Nov.

Interment will be at the Grace Valley Church Cemetery, German Valley, Illinois.

A memorial has been established in

Condolences may be sent to the Brookman, Lexi Brookman and Sami family at www.leamonfh.com.

### **RALPH HASTINGS**

Ralph Hastings, age 63, of Cuba City, Wisconsin, died Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, at home in Cuba City. A visitation and celebration of life service was held Nov. 21.



2020, at Law-Jones Funeral Home. Inurnment is in Savanna Township Cemetery. Family and friends are invited to share in Ralph's life at www. lawjonesfuneralhome.com.

Ralph was born May 6, 1957, in Savanna, Illinois, the son of Clifford and Hazel (Fulrath) Hastings. He attended Scales Mound and Joliet schools. Ralph worked at Dubuque Packing House, Farmland Packing, Addoco Pallet Co., Eagle Window & Door and also worked as a security guard at the Dubuque Greyhound Park & Casino. He liked to work!

Ralph enjoyed going to tractor pulls, Fourth of July in Schullsburg and watching the hot-air balloons as they gave rides to tourists. He loved the outdoors, especially sitting and watching the birds, squirrels and raccoons near his home. Most of them were well-fed.

Ralph is survived by his son, Clifford Hastings, of Dubuque; his daughter, Anna Hastings, of Dubuque; two grandsons, John Abrams Jr. and Carter Logan; three step-children, Stacey Stowers of Dubuque, Jeremy Hammill of Florida and Suzanne Hammill of Dubuque; three step-grandchildren, Alex, Scotty and Ezrahlynn; a sister, Shirley (James) Hoyer of Stockton; two brothers, David Hastings of Dubuque and Willard (Christy) Hastings of Warren; and two sisters-in-law, Cathy Hastings and Shirley Hastings, both of Schullsburg, Wisconsin.

Ralph was preceded in death by both parents; two brothers, Duane and Clayton; a sister-in-law, Margaret "Maggie"; a nephew, Dean Hastings; and a great-nephew, Daniel.



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JOSEPH W. HAMMER

Joseph W. Hammer Sr., 60, of Shannon, died peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020. He was born March 29, 1960, in Oak Park, Illinois, to William and Marilyn (Lanphier) Hammer. He graduated from Glenbard East High School in Lombard, Illinois, in 1978.

He spent most of his life working and running the family business, Process Screw Products. He loved traveling and spending time with family, summers at the river on his houseboat and midnight runs to McDonald's with the kids and grandkids. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and shooting. He loved coaching his children in baseball and softball for 20 years and volunteering and helping out in the community. He was an active and very grateful member of Alcoholics Anonymous with over 41 years of sobriety, only achieved by sharing his story and helping numerous others, valuing all of the friendships he made along the way.

He is survived by his wife, Mary 'Kristi" Rieger, of nearly 40 years, married on December 6, 1980. They had five sons and three daughters, Joseph W. Jr. (Teresa), Leslie (Tim) Wenzel, Mitchell (Charity), Jami, BilliJo (Kenny) Myers, Walker, Wyatt,



and Jack; nine grandchildren, Kaylee, Abbey and Brayden Hammer; Mitchell Jr., Mathew, Michael and Madison Hammer and Kalen Karson and Myers; 13 foster grandchil-

dren; and 11 siblings, Bill (Christine) Hammer, Gayle (Mike) Hall, Marlene (Brett) Monigold, Mary (Ken) Royal, Michelle (Dan) McSweeney, Nancy (Dave) Skerik, Annie (Jeff) Shulfer, Brenda (Chris) Szczypta, Erin (Jeff) Ameiss, Patricia Kinunen and Susan Photopulos.

Joseph was preceded in death by his parents, William and Marilyn; brother, Jeff (Denise); Uncle Bill Lanphier; nephew, Tommy Dapkus; niece, Sarah and baby Oliver Johnson; and son-inlaw, Oswald Bracero Jr.

Visitation was held on Sunday, Nov. 22, at Hermann Funeral Home in Pearl City, with the funeral following. Private burial was at Prairie Dell Presbyterian Cemetery on Nov. 23.

Condolences may be shared at hermannfuneralhome.com.

### DORIS GOODRICH

Doris Goodrich, 83, of Freeport, Illinois, died Nov. 11, 2020, at Rock River Health Care in Rockford, Illinois. Doris was born April 9, 1937, to Norval Clyde and Bessie M. (Kloepping) Goodrich.

Doris graduated from Elizabeth High School and worked many years before retiring from Micro Switch in Freeport.

Doris is survived by a sister, Joyce Bill) Clarkson of Thomson, Illinois, and brother, Marlo Goodrich of Savanna, Illinois. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Winonna W. Reed.

Arrangements have been made with the Hermann Funeral Home in Stockton, Illinois. Due to COVID-19, there will be no public services. A private burial will take place at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton.

Condolences may be shared online at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

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## In my opinion

## Illinois small businesses need your support

It's easy to forget, but small business optimism was historically strong heading into 2020.

COVID-19, of course, changed things. Social distancing meant retailers and restaurants had to change how they did business. Some had little choice but to close temporarily, and some of those businesses will never reopen.

That's why we need to shop local on Small Business Saturday and throughout the holiday season.

Small Business Saturday, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, was created 10 years ago in response to another crisis, the Great Recession. The goal was to get people to bypass the national chains on the first weekend of the shopping season and support locally owned stores and restaurants.

And it worked. Last year, Americans spent a record \$19.6 billion on Small Business Saturday, according to a survey from American Express and my association, the National Federation of Independent Business.

We need to try to keep the momentum going.

Small business owners are doing everything they can to get through this, but it won't be easy. NFIB surveyed its members nationwide last month and found that 19 percent of them think they'll have to close in seven months to a year unless the local economy improves; 15 percent said three to six months, while 3 percent warned they might be able to last only a month or two.

And when we asked how long they thought their businesses could survive under current economic conditions, 19% said seven months to a year, while 15% said three to



National Federation of Independent

MARK GRANT

six months and 3% said they might have to close in a month or two.

We can't afford to let that hap-

Small business is the heart and soul of Illinois' economy, accounting for 99.6 percent of all businesses in the state and a net increase of 20,410 jobs statewide in 2019, according to the Small Business Administration.

We need small businesses, and small businesses need us.

NFIB is asking Congress to approve additional financial assistance for small businesses, but there are little things you and I can do that can make a big difference.

We can shop local and shop small — in person, by phone, or online — and take advantage of local delivery or curbside pickup.

We can also buy gift cards for local businesses. Supporting them now helps them stay in business so we can use the cards later.

Supporting local shops and restaurants throughout the holiday season and beyond will lessen the financial impact this outbreak is having on our communities. Small business is the engine that drives our economy, so when we help small businesses, we help every-

Mark Grant is the Illinois state director of the National Federation of Independent Business.

## **Slices of life**

THAT'S NO WAY

TO CELEBRATE

NEW YEAR'S DAY

LET'S COUNT OUR

BLESSINGS ON

TURKEY DAY,...

## Truthfully, no one is 100 percent right

AND TO AVOID GETTING COVID THIS HOLIDAY,...

when first we practice to deceive."

Walter Scott

They say the only two things we can count on in life are death and taxes. I'd like to add one more - de-

We all lie. Not as in a supine position on the couch or bed, but as providing false or incomplete information in order to perpetuate information that is less than truthful.

Lies are not inherently bad. Far

'Does this make my butt look fat?" is a lie in the making. To respond otherwise would be detrimental to futures of the asker and the responder.

So we tell lies — little white ones.

Lately it's been hard to discern the truth from lies, especially in politics. In this, many are pointing fingers. It feels like everyone is committed to their own truths, while the beliefs of other differing opinions are seen as lies. It feels judgmental and self-righteous on all accounts. Probably because it is.

We have a divided country.

We had an election that split us down the middle nearly 50-50.

And it seems that anyone on side A of the fence can't fathom how someone on side B of the fence could come to the decisions they did. And vice

How did we get here?

Contributor

I believe the answer is deception. This truth (as I believe it to be) brings me great sorrow. People are willing to spread untruths in order to further their own cause. We all know this is wrong. But it is happening all around us, from every side, every which way. You've seen it. We've all seen it. It has been running rampant like an off-the-rails train going down-

It feels as though we may be doing downhill fast.

And, no matter which side of the aisle you are on, I believe there is one truth we all should contemplate.

You believe your truth to be just that. You've lived it. You've listened. You've gathered facts and you've made your decision and it is the right one for you.

But, over 70 million voting Americans disagree with that truth. 70 million people can't be all wrong. Read that again. 70 million people disagree with your truth. Just like your group of more than 70 million disagrees with

AND THE LAST THING WE WANT IS FOR YOU TO

PASS AWAY...

Those disagreeing with you can't be completely blind or indifferent to the facts. The entire 70 million of them can't be stupid. Like you, they have listened, gathered information and made an educated decision. They see the truth in their set of beliefs. They have a hard time understanding your logic. Much like you feel about theirs.

**WE DECIDED** 

IT'S BEST TO

STAY AWAY...

BECAUSE IT'S

NO FUN BEING

SICK ON CHRISTMAS DAY...

I get it. I'm willing to bet you get it. How does this end?

I'm not sure. But I think we all have to stop thinking we are the only group on the right side of right. Further, we can't expect the "other" side to come over to our way of thinking. That's not going to happen.

The only way to come together is to acknowledge that no one is 100 percent completely right. That just doesn't happen when it's 70 million on one side and 70 million on the other. Let's all get real and face that truth.

No one person or set of beliefs caused this situation. But to some extent we all participated. No one is blameless. To acknowledge this is to acknowledge there is no cut and dried, right or wrong. This is a step toward the truth — and in the right direction.

Whether we passed on a meme we thought was funny and spoke to our cause, whether we blocked friends who had opinions differing from ours,

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RUTH MAE VANDER VELDE

High School in 1958 and continued on

to Calvin College in Michigan before

completing nursing school at Chica-

go Wesley Memorial Hospital School

of Nursing, class of 1962. On Feb. 5,

1972, Ruth married Lawrence I. Fris-

bie Jr. They had three children, Law-

years before becoming a stay-at-home

mom. Ruth returned to the workforce

as a medical underwriter before re-

tiring in 2010. Ruth and Larry were

avid divers and dive instructors and

spent much time diving throughout

the Midwest and Caribbean. Ruth and

their farm outside of Stockton. Ruth's

passions in life included her weaving,

gardens and baking. Ruth participated

in craft shows throughout the Chicago-

land area, always proud to share her

knowledge of rag rug weaving. Ruth

southern

Ruth worked as a nurse for many

rence, Katherine and Laura.

**FRISBIE** 

Nov. 14, 2020.

BENJAMIN C. ALBRECHT JR. Benjamin C. Albrecht Jr., 90, born the son of Benjamin and Margaret Randecker) Albrecht, was born Feb. 19, 1930, on the family farm. He married Donna Endress on July 31, 1955, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Massbach. He passed away Sunday, Nov. 15, 2020, at home after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

He was a lifetime member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Massbach, serving on the church council for many years. He also served on Pleasant Valley Township Board and the Multi Township Board. He served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955 and was a member of Lena American Legion. He farmed on the family farm until 1993, when he retired and moved to Lena, where he took up the hobby of



restoring and refinishing antique furniture and growing roses and begonias.

He will be greatly missed by his wife, Donna, of years; his daughters, Lori Holden (Tim)

of Freeport, Illinois, and Patti (David) Willis of Albany, Wisconsin; his son, Carl (Rene) Albrecht of Elizabeth, Illinois; his 13 grandchildren, Brandon (Christina) Smith, Josh (Tara Wydra) Holden, Cirrissa (Alex Fosmoen) Sturdevant, Adam (Allison) Albrecht, Tara (Andrew Gockenbach) Montoya, David (Ashley) Albrecht, Lindsey (Erik) Koning, Bethany (Adam) Dickman, Sam (Jacquelynn) Albrecht, Marc (Emily Dodge) Johnson, Laura (Daniel) Spillane, Jessie Albrecht and Lucas Albrecht; the 17 great-grandchildren with whom he was blessed; and his sister, Dorothy Endress of Ashbury, Iowa.

Benjamin was preceded in death by his parents, Benjamin and Margaret Albrecht; his brother, Henry Albrecht; and his sisters, Lillian Groezinger and Vera Haas.

The funeral service was held Nov. 20, 2020, at St. John's Lutheran Church of Massbach with a visitation before the service. Interment will take place at St. John's Lutheran Cemetery in Massbach.

A memorial fund has been established. Condolences may be shared at www.hermannfuneralhome.com.

David) Bruno, Laurie (Mark) Miller, Amy (Frank) Bozich and Todd (Julie) Beja; as well as many great- and greatgreat nephews and nieces.

Van had declared Christ as his Savior and was ready to enter eternity. The family is making future plans for a celebration of life. Condolences may be sent to Van's family, care of Deb

Dietz, P.O. Box 160, Lena, IL 61048.



Janice D. McKee, 81, of Kent, passed away peacefully on Friday, Nov. 20, 2020. She was born on March 6, 1939, in Scales Mound, Illinois to Wilbur and Olive (Dittmar) Niemann. Janice graduated from Scales Mound High School and worked at Crum & Forster Insurance in Freeport until her marriage to Robert (Bob) McKee on Aug. 12, 1962. They moved to Pearl City, Illinois, to start farming in 1965 and then moved to Kent in 1968, where they raised their four kids and continued to farm until Bob passed on March 8, 2005. Bob and Janice were known around the area for their dancing and joined the Stockton Twirl-A-Ways, where they square-

danced all over northern Illinois and

president in 1986 and hosted a 25th wedding anniversary square dance party 1987.

consin for many

years. They even

were the club

Wis-

also Janice enjoyed

Stockton bowling league, card club and going to bingo, where she made many friends. She was very well known for her cooking, especially her amazing desserts. Janice was very proud of her granddaughters and great-grandson and took every opportunity to spend



and Larry were avid gardeners, selling many of their vegetables and baked goods through the Elizabeth Farmers Market. Ruth was active in organizing and running organic food co-ops

throughout her life. Ruth's greatest joy, however, was her children and grandchildren.

Ruth will be dearly missed by her husband of 48 years, Larry; and their three children, Larry (Angela) Frisbie of Westmont, Kate (Kevin) Wickert of Bolingbrook and Laura (Robert) DeMatteo of Forest Park. Her joy for life will continue to shine through her five grandchildren, Jeremy Hall, Aiden Wickert, Isabella Frisbie, Duncan Wickert and Alexandria Frisbie.

Ruth was preceded in death by her Larry spent years building a legacy on parents; brothers, Jim and George; and stepbrother, Bill.

The family will celebrate her life with a springtime memorial. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her name to The Nature Conservancy or Wounded Warrior Foundation.

time with them.

Janice was pre-deceased by her parents; brother, Wayne; and husband.

She is survived by her sister, Linda (Russell) Beyer of Elizabeth, Illinois; brother Delmar (Joyce) Niemann of Stockton, Illinois; three sons, Michael, Scott and Marlin of Kent; daughter, Julie (Mark) Weaver of Byron, Illinois; granddaughters, Karlie (Jessten) Heimer of New Haven, Indiana, and Amanda Weaver of Byron; and great-grandson, Luke Heimer.

A private family service will be held at Elmwood Cemetery in Warren.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.leamonfh.com.

## VAN E. MERCHANT

Van E. Merchant passed away Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020, at the age of 85. The son of Harold E. and Neva (Fulrath) Merchant, he was born Dec. 31, 1934, and was the youngest of three children. He graduated from Lanark High School in 1952.

Van's first love was farming, beginning with his family farm in rural Lanark, Illinois, where his nieces and nephews would frequently visit as children to share the joys of country living. After selling it to the developers of Lake Carroll, Van purchased a farm near Stockton, then eventually moved to his present farm near Peca-

Over the course of his life, he was a pork, dairy and beef farmer, and he worked as a farmer from the age of 18 for as long as his health allowed, with his last season being 2018. He had a deep love of animals, particularly his cats and dogs.

Van was a familiar face at Mecum Auctions when rare or collectible farm equipment was on the sale bill, and the Stephenson County Annual Old Time Threshing Show was always on his calendar. Several of his favorites from



collection his were his Waterloo Boy, Minneapolis UDLX and complete set of John Deere 2 - cylinder crawlers.

spoke with a slow drawl and quick wit, as he was

always ready to offer a wisecrack or wry observation. A true patriot, an advocate of the U.S. Constitution and philanthropist, Van was an avid supporter of causes he believed in, including the Wounded Warrior Project among many others. Prior to his passing, Van set aside a generous sum of money which will be used to develop a scholarship fund focused on serving area students seeking careers in rural, tech and agricultural fields. Memorial contributions will go toward this scholarship fund.

Van was proceeded in death by his parents. He is survived by his beloved sisters, Irma (late Allen) Zier and Ellen (Joe) Beja; nieces and nephews, Daryl (Jo) Zier, Deb (Bill) Dietz, Paula (late



Wearing a mask has been clearly proven to reduce the spread of COVID-19. In fact, one study has calculated that over 100,000 lives could be saved by the end of February in the USA alone if 95% of us wore a mask in public, especially when indoors or if social distancing is not possible. That's over 1,000 lives that could be saved every day.

### Need more reasons? Here you go.

- 1. To help all businesses, especially our local ones the quickest path to an open economy is to control the virus.
- 2. Because the virus can travel 20 feet through the air and hang there for while...not even counting sneezes.
- To be a role model. People notice. So do our children.
- 4. To show essential workers – which includes everyone who can't work from home – that we appreciate them.
- Because testing alone, without masks, won't stop the spread.
- To help protect ourselves from people who aren't good at social distancing.
- 7. Because masks worked in previous pandemics.
- Because we could have COVID-19 and not know it we can be contagious for up to 72 hours before symptoms.
- To get back to normal things like school, church, and social events--we can do MORE, not less, with masks.
- 10. Because we are not out of the woods yet.

Our providers and staff are proud to wear masks to protect their patients, themselves, our communities...and you. For more, visit www.fhn.org and join masked FHN providers and staff on Facebook and Instagram.



## Budget cuts on horizon highlight never-balanced budget

By state Rep. Andrew Chesney Voters' rejection of the tax hike amendment on Nov. 3 has brought into full focus the terribly unbalanced budget passed by the Democrat majority during the height of the pandemic in May of this year.

You see, Gov. JB Pritzker and Democrat leaders were counting on at least \$3.4 billion in new revenue generated by passage of the 'Tax Hike Amendment," about half of which they anticipated being available for this fiscal year. Their strategy failed and they now find themselves dealing with a state budget hole north of \$5 billion. They overspent and were banking on being bailed out through voters' approval of the word "fair." Oh, how wrong they were.

While they still pin some hopes on a federal bailout of debt-laden states like Illinois (especially if Democrats win a majority in the

U.S. Senate), they now find themselves finally faced with the reality of being cornered into cutting their sacrosanct state budget. Imagine the better position they would find themselves in had they not overspent the past six months, as Republicans warned they were doing.

Rather, the majority party continued to promise more to an electorate whose livelihoods they have savaged and destroyed. Have Democrats yet come to grips with the fact they don't have enough of other people's money to fulfill these promises of "help"? We will

The day after the election, House Republican Leader Jim Durkin called for immediate 4% across the board cuts as well as reconvening the legislature to address additional targeted budget cuts. This 4% would equate to \$1.2 billion in recovered spending. That is a

good start suggested by, seemingly, one of the few responsible leaders trying to right the ship of our great state. Democratic leaders responded by canceling the fall veto session so the legislature could not act on any reforms, including spending reforms. The General Assembly should be the first group to show up to and the last to stop. We are in the midst of a terrible pandemic, where lives have been lost and small businesses destroyed. The fact we have only been to work 25 days this year should outrage anyone who pays taxes in Illinois.

Look around you, elected Democrats. You've shut down our economy, ruined thousands of small businesses and put politics over science and data when dealing with a COVID strategy. News flash: There is no new revenue to be had. With the population we have lost already, Democrats are also now

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back loading this debt onto fewer people, at an accelerating rate. If they fail to properly appraise the situation we are in, Democrats may forever lose the public, whose sentiments they failed to attend.

State Rep. Andrew Chesney, R-Freeport, represents the 89th District, which includes all of Jo Daviess and Stephenson counties.

• Slices (Continued from page 4)

whether we wrote or said something judgmental or negative or degrading about those who saw things differently from us. Whether we simply liked posts that agreed with our preconceived notions without fact-checking, we all participated. The majority of us did, at least.

That's the bad news. The good news is we can all participate in the healing. We all need to participate in the healing. And that requires humility and honesty. It requires empathy and attempting with all of our hearts and souls to see things from another's perspective. This is a colossal opportunity for growth as people and as a country. Let's look at it that way.

We don't want to live in a nation divided. So let's make a pledge toward honesty for all of us, and it starts with you and me.

This means no more skewing the facts. And especially no more bending the truth, unless it involves telling someone their butt does not look fat in any pair of jeans. Especially if that butt belongs to your spouse.

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

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Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2	020

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	2,021,575	304,635	183,456	155,542	101,837	13,543	33,194	32,530	4,962
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to	2000									
Another District		0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	1,203,639	85,746	0	175,173	2,057	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	254,076	0	0	0	1,561	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		3,479,290	390,381	183,456	330,715	105,455	13,543	33,194	32,530	4,962
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		3,171,408	694,486	1,613,590	269,758	83,649	3,077,320		32,530	25,489
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		-91,326	408,733	1,429,026	0	0	121,060	74,920	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2019		78,799	95,680	7,827	119,095	82,597	2,942,717	611,587	0	61,899
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2020		295,355	200,308	6,719	180,052	104,403	0	719,701	0	41,372
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Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	C	J			
State Sources	3000	613,516	0	0'	142,788	0'	0'	0'	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	569,521	0	0'	0	0'	0'	0'	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		6,628,999	1,020,734	0'	561,968	275,220	300,216	0	114,104	2,051
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		6,561,252	808,253	0'	422,332	273,307	0'		82,681	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	0'	01	0'	0'	0'	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2019		5,953,023	3,088,980	0'	2,061,048	176,242	958,871	0	225,045	52,372
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0'	0	0'	0	0'	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2020		6,020,770	3,301,461	0	2,200,684	178,155	1,259,087	0	256,468	54,423
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### Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Baltz, Cindia L; Crandall, Richard Wayne; Curry, Edwin R; Diestelmeier, Tracy M; Gunning, Elissa B; Hendren, Allen F; Henrichs, Merrill P; Howard, Linda J; Korte, Charles O; Packer, Madison C; Roberts, Sue A; Schuldt, William D; Sprengelmeyer, Lily C; Tonne, Margaret A; Wiegel, David L **Salary Range:** \$25,000 - \$39,999: Brooks, Kelli A **Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999:** Anderson, Ari A; Benson, Guinevere J; Bingham, Kate L; Byrne, Natalie J; Green, Jacob W; Hartman, Celia T; Ketelsen, Tara M; Mc Manus, Ciara A; Richmond, Sara J; Taylor, Thomas S; Trone, Margaret L Salary Range: **60,000 - \$89,999:** Albrecht, Corey K; Bochniak, Ann M; Ditsworth, Tamara L; Downs, Dennis D; Ebensberger, Deborah Ann; Einsweiler, April J; Fry, Brett W; Fry, Krista A; Kelzer, Michelle L; Klippert, Alaina M; Knauer, Jeremy J; Kuzniar, Laura A; Laity, Jennie A; AF Lawson, Brittany A; Mc Govern-Mensendike, Molly A; Miles, Susan M; Nicholas, Karla B; Potter, Brenda A; Ransom, Rhonda L; Reese, Debra C; Schafer, Linda K; Smith, Tamera K; Steele, Mary A; Stewart, Candace S; Tindell, Pamela T; Vandigo, Douglas H; Walters, Lara S; Wurster, Brian L; Wurster, Stephanie L Salary

### GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Alexander, Re- EI becca K; Allendorf, Steven R; Bainbridge, Nellie E; Baltz, Ethan KC; Barczak, Molly E; Basten, Debra L; Berlage, Jared K; Berning, Valerie J; Bichsel, Nicole M; Boden, Deborah H; Breed, James L; Breitbach, Lee ELIZABETH ST BANK-MEDICAR Ann; Brenner, Lucy A; Brotherton, Heather M; Brown, EQUITRUST LIFE INS CO Brian R; Brubaker, Kristina M; Buck West, Catherine A; BUCK, SHAWN R; Cliff, Jennie K; Crist, Sandra A; Daugherty, Wendy L; Denys, Sandra Kay; Doran, Terri R; Douvikas, Kim A; Ertmer, Darcy E; Gabel, Mary S; Gerlich, Donna M; Grissinger, Elizabeth M; Haas, Lloyd J; Harms, Julie A; Harms, Ted M; Hatfield, Rebecca Ann; Hernandez, Deborah A; Holland, James P; Holmbo, Sharon Kay; JOHNSON, COLTON; Kent, Lauren A; Knauer, James D; Kutz, HM FLEX-DAYCARE Bruce E; MeKeel, Jessa L; Montgomery, Jennifer L; HOLLAND & SONS INC Murphy, Karen D; NADIG-MEHDIPOUR, LISA K; HOME DEPOT PRO Naumann, Eugene J; Nicolin, Emily A; Nobis, Debo- HOR MN-FLEX MEDICAL CARE rah L; Palmer, Margaret A; Patterson, Terry L; Potter, HORACE MANN LIFE INS CO Duane S; Rayhorn, Debra L; Ries, Joshua J; Ritchie, HORACE MANN-LIFE & ANN Natasha L; Schnitzler, Elizabeth K; Schnitzler, Mary IA STATE TAX

E; Sinagra, Brittany L; Smith, Sharon K; Smith, Tricia IFIBER K; Steinhagen, Barbara M; Stoewer, Tracy L; Thomasson, Jason Q; Thomasson, Mary Ann; Thompson, David C; Tyne, Maureen A; Unger, David F; Vail, Kassie R; Walker, Mary Ann; Winter, Carrie L Salary Range: **\$25,000 - \$39,999:** Klepack, Gary L; Klippert, Monica; Lisk, Donald R; Ludwig, Terri L; Miller, Scott W; IL SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENCY Potter, Terri L; Schoenhaar, Jeffrey C Salary Range: ILL MUN RET FUND-IMRF \$40,000 - \$59,999: Basten, Robert A; Haas, Lisa M; JO DAVIESS-CARROLL CTEA Smallwood, Michael T Salary Range: \$60,000 and JO-CARROLL ENERGY over: Nicholas, Douglas C; Randecker, Sharon L; LEARNING INTERNET INC Schleicher, Gloria J Payments over \$2,500,

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J; Taylor, Thomas S; Trone, Margaret L Salary Range:	excluding wages and salari	ies.	MIDLAND PAPER COMPANY	\$6,121.57
<b>60,000 - \$89,999:</b> Albrecht, Corey K; Bochniak, Ann		regate Amount		\$7,057.04
M; Ditsworth, Tamara L; Downs, Dennis D; Ebens-	** IMPREST FUND **	\$24,607.34	MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIP INC	\$3,804.61
berger, Deborah Ann; Einsweiler, April J; Fry, Brett W;	** PAYROLL **	\$848,673.01	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY TREE	\$2,601.00
Fry, Krista A; Kelzer, Michelle L; Klippert, Alaina M;	2ND GEAR	\$16,487.00	MONTGOMERY TRUCKING INC	\$2,666.00
Knauer, Jeremy J; Kuzniar, Laura A; Laity, Jennie A;	AFLAC WORLDWIDE HEADQRTS	\$13,862.80	NCS PEARSON INC	\$3,165.14
Lawson, Brittany A; Mc Govern-Mensendike, Molly	AMAZON	\$2,573.03	NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE SOLTN	\$16,196.61
A; Miles, Susan M; Nicholas, Karla B; Potter, Brenda	AMERICAN FUNDS SERVICE CO	\$4,720.00	NORTHWEST SPECIAL ED DIST	\$1,056,938.87
A; Ransom, Rhonda L; Reese, Debra C; Schafer, Linda	APPLE INC	\$3,664.00	PEARSON EDUCATION	\$4,319.25
K; Smith, Tamera K; Steele, Mary A; Stewart, Candace	APPLE RIVER STATE BANK	\$4,025,766.74	PERMA-BOUND INC	\$4,275.94
S; Tindell, Pamela T; Vandigo, Douglas H; Walters,	ARROW DIGITAL	\$19,927.31	PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY INC	\$18,698.43
Lara S; Wurster, Brian L; Wurster, Stephanie L Salary	BENNING GROUP LLC	\$10,300.00	PROJECT LEAD THE WAY, INC	\$3,000.00
Range: \$90,000 and over: Albrecht, Bradley W; Al-	BIMBO BAKERIES USA	\$5,129.38	QUILL CORPORATION	\$5,203.85
brecht, Shean M; Allendorf, Dianne M; Buchs, Beau	BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD OF IL	\$768,894.36	RED 8	\$17,029.90
D; Dittmar, Michael E; Ertmer, Kevin M; Foltz, Jack	BROADSTEP ACADEMY-IL	\$36,195.15	REGIONAL OFF OF EDUCATION	\$5,828.50
Michael; Harkness, Robin E; Thorsen, Kimberly V;	CENTRAL STATES BUS SALES	\$142,811.30	RENAISSANCE LEARNING INC	\$11,688.80
Tippett, Judy A	CHILEDA INSTITUTE INC	\$206,633.42	RICHARD L JOHNSON	\$81,897.82
GROSS PAYMENT FOR	CONSERV FS	\$5,927.14	RIVER RIDGE CUSD# 210	\$5,500,000.00
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL	COUNTRY LIFE INS CO	\$4,320.00	ROCK VALLEY CULLIGAN	\$8,211.41
Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Alexander, Re-	EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	\$33,541.66	SAUNDERS OIL CO INC	\$35,767.73
becca K; Allendorf, Steven R; Bainbridge, Nellie E;	ELIZABETH GARAGE INC	\$8,722.30	SCHOOL LUNCH SOLUTIONS	\$3,482.47
Baltz, Ethan KC; Barczak, Molly E; Basten, Debra L;	ELIZABETH ST BANK-FED TAX	\$481,689.93	SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC	\$11,333.91

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## Legion post gets dressed up for holidays

Members of the Lena American Legion Auxiliary decorated the Christmas tree at the Lena Legion Home recently. Pictured left to right in the back are Judy Oellerich and Marsha Tessendorf. In the front, from left, are Kinzley Schulz, Kairi Schulz and Keighlyn Schulz.

Lena campground garners service awards

announced that Lena KOA Holiday has earned the 2021 KOA President's Award and KOA Founder's Award. The awards were presented Nov. 17 at KOA's annual International Convention.

The KOA Founder's Award is KOA's highest service award, given only to KOA campground owners and managers who attain "worldclass scores" in both customer service and the KOA Quality Review, according to a news release.

The KOA President's Award is

Kampgrounds of America has presented to those campgrounds meeting exceptional quality standards and who receive high customer service scores from their camping guests. KOA surveys hundreds of thousands of campers each year regarding their KOA camping expe-

"Our campground owners and their staffs work so hard to ensure each and every guest has a truly exceptional camping experience, so it's a pleasure to recognize this work," KOA President and CEO Toby O'Rourke said in the release.

"Our President's and Founder's awards are driven by camper feedback and, especially this year, it really points to the work that's been done to ensure each camper has the best outdoor experience.

"These KOA owners have made the right investments in their campgrounds to make them the very best in North America.'

KOA, with 515 locations in the United States and Canada, is celebrating its 58th anniversary in 2020. To find out more, go online to www. KOA.com.

## • Chefs (Continued from front page)

Then, put it in the oven and set the

Cook at 55 degrees for 53 hours. Serve with salt and pepper.

### Kellen

First, you buy the turkey at the toy

Next, I put it in a bag and then I put it in my car.

Then, we took it home and my dad pours chocolate on it. Put it in the oven.

Cook at 1 degrees for 540 hours. Serve with sauce and butter and broc-

### Caladin

First, take it out of the bag. Next, you take all of the stuff out of it and put it on the plate.

Then, you put it in the oven.

Cook at 3 degrees for 3 hours. Serve with salt and pepper and chocolate

### **Anthony**

First, shoot the turkey in the forest **Dwyer** with a bow.

Next, put it in the oven.

Then, you eat it and then put it in the

Cook at 5 degrees for 5 hours. Serve with my dad and mom.

First, you buy the turkey from Sul-

Next, you cut it open and put salt and pepper on it. Then put whatever you want to eat in the pan.

Then, put it in the oven. Then use an electric knife to cut it. Put it on a plate. Then eat it.

Cook at 50 degrees for 3 1/2 hours. Serve with celery and carrots. I like stuffing and potatoes.

First, get it from Sullivan's and cut the wrapper off.

Next, put it on a plate and put it in

Then, wait till it cools off and put the stuffing in it. Then eat it.

Cook at 50 degrees for 3 hours. Serve with carrots and celery.

### Hadley

First, put it on the grill.

Next, take it off the grill.

Then, cook it with a spatula.

Cook at 23 degrees for 26 hours. Serve with corn and green beans.



## Holiday (Continued from front page)

Prizes for parade entries will be awarded for best use of theme, best business entry, best use of lights, best youth theme and most unique.

Those who cannot make it out for the parade can still enjoy it via live stream on the Lena Business and Professional Association - LBPA Facebook page.

"Folks should follow us on Facebook for updates on all our Christmas plans or to take advantage of the livestream parade," Buss said.

### Send a Santa letter

While COVID mitigation efforts have restricted face-to-face meetings, children can easily send letters to Santa using specially marked mailboxes located inside Citizens State Bank, Sweetie Me and Down on The Farm and next to the Community Tree downtown. Santa requests that children include a return address so he can respond.

### Get decorating

Christmas creativity will be on display during the window and yard decorating contests.

Entry forms for both yard and window displays are available by messaging the LBPA on Facebook, emailing lenabpa.org@gmail.com, or grabbing one from Buss Boyz Customs. They must be submitted by Dec. 1, with judging set for Dec. 13.

Prizes for window decorating will include best use of theme and judges' choice. Prizes for yard decorating will include best use of theme, judges' choice, best youth theme and people's choice.

### Share with others

The Giving Tree is already up at Lena Mercantile. Each ornament fea-



Santa and Mrs. Claus will highlight the end of the lighted parade on Friday, Dec. 4, in Lena. The parade begins at 6 p.m.

tures gift ideas and needed items for underprivileged children and their families in the community.

Visitors may stop by daily from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., select an ornament and take it to the front counter. Wrapped gifts should be returned by Dec. 15.

Those who prefer to bypass shopping can drop a monetary gift in specially marked jars located at the Lena Mercantile or Devoe Floral.

"The pandemic has caused extra financial strain for so many families this year," Buss said. "The Giving Tree is a simple way to support those who are struggling, while ensuring all area kids have something to unwrap on Christmas morning.

(Right) The Giving Tree, located at Lena Mercantile, offers a way to help local families in need this holiday season.



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## **Briefs**

### Church offers remote worship, resources

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Lena will feature a remote worship service Sunday, Nov. 29, due to the resurgence of COVID-19 in the area. The service will be live streamed via Facebook, facebook.com/GSLCLenaIL, at

The church also offers Sunday readings, prayer and weekly devotions via ts Facebook page and website, goodshepherdlena.org.

For more information, call the church office at 815-369-5552.

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## **LEGAL NOTICES**

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual

Pearl City CUSD #200 100 S. Summit St. 815-443-2715 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net.

Operations &

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year

Statement	or Operation	s as of Julie 30	, 2020

		Ludcational	Maintenance	DCDI OCIVICCO	Transportation	Security	Oapital i Tojecto	Working Casin	Tort	Safety
Local Sources	1000	2,193,907	199,362	660,923	126,558	205,736	0	30,871	123,362	31,822
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to	2000									
Another District		0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	1,861,109	50,000	0	133,556	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	550,833	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		4,605,849	249,362	660,923	260,114	205,736	0	30,871	123,362	31,822
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		4,577,008	353,637	691,535	253,223	173,223	0		89,778	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		127,553	72,022	-35,536	0	0	0	1,303,308	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2019		32,972	455,896	66,633	277,555	70,347	3,506	172,946	11,791	283,532
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2020		189,366	423,643	485	284,446	102,860	3,506	1,507,125	45,375	315,354

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**GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL** SHIRLEEN; KOHL, KEVIN; KUBERSKI, DEB-TESKE, MILENA; TESSENDORF, HEATHER Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999: BROUHARD, ALLI-SON; BUNKER, JODEEN; DOWNEY, SEAN; DUN-CAN, SHANON; EHLERS, TAMMY; ENDRESS, SHAUNA; FRANSEN, KRISTI; GRAF, JAMIE; HAMILTON, DEBRA; HAWKINSON, STEVEN; JOHNSON, WILLIAM; KOSTALLARI, ADRIAN; KREISER, CRAIG; LAWLER, KELLY; LEE, KRIS-MOORE, ASHLEY; PAULEY, JODY; PITTS, JEN-NIFER; ROBBINS, JOSHUA; ROBINSON, JUDY; SCOTT, SANDRA; SMITH, COURTNEY; SPAHR, Range: MEGAN; VISEL, BARBI; WHITEBREAD, CAR-LA; WILLIAMS, KIMBERLY; WOODLEY, SCOTT; ZINK, JOEL; Salary Range: 60,000 - \$89,999: CHRISMAN, BRENT; SCOTT, DONALD; Salary Person, Firm, or Corporation Range: \$90,000 and over: MANDRELL, KELLY; AD SCHIFFMAN, MICHAEL **GROSS PAYMENT FOR** 

## NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: ADAMS, TARA; AR ALBRECHT, KATHY; ASCHE, RILEY; BLASING, B & KORISSA; BLASING, MORGAN; BOYER, LORI; BA BULL, DAWN; BULL, DEBRA; BULL, DENNIS; BE KATHERINE; CHRISTIANSEN, BL BUZZELL, JESSICA; CLAIR, VERONICA; CLARK, TYRA; BL COATS, J. MICHAEL; DAMPMAN, KRISTY; Car DAVIS, RITA; DAWS, LAIKEN; DIETMEIER, CDW-GOVERNMENT LAVONNE; DITZLER, CYNTHIA; DITZLER, CODEHS INC. CLARENE; DOWNS, COE COLLEGE ROBERT; DORTY, ZACKERY; ELLIOTT, JENNIFER; ENSOR, COMMONWEALTH EDISON

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SHANIA; FORTH, BRENDA; FRANSEN, HALLE; DOLAN EDUCATION CENTER FRANSEN, KRISTI; FRANSEN, KYLIE; FREESE, ED CURRY MEMORIAL Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: ALLEN, MI- JAMES; GERBODE, ROBERT; GRONEWOLD, FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE INS CHELLE; BANGHART, HOLLY; BREMMER, ANDREW; HENRY, DIANE; HERSHBERGER, FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS BETHANY; CAWKINS, CHARLES; FISCHER, HANNAH; HESSENIUS, BARBARA; HILLMER, FREEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT SHANIA; GAUGHAN, JENNIFER; GERBODE, KATHERINE; HOUGH, HEATHER; JOHNSON, FULL COMPASS SYSTEMS MARY; GOLDSMITH, BREANNA; GREENE, WILLIAM; KAMPAS, JULIE; KELTNER, GARDENER'S SUPPLY CO BRIAN; HEIMERDINGER, LEANN; HEINRICH, SANDRA; KEMPEL, LINDA; KOHL, KEVIN; GFD, INC. JERRY; HILLMER, KATHERINE; KAMYSZ, KONING, KEVIN; KRAUT, LEON; KROGULL, GORDON FOOD SERVICE KIMBERLY; KROGULL, NICHOLAS; KUBERSKI, GREAT MINDS PBC BIE; KUHLMYER, SUSAN; MALLEY, KEVIN; DEBBIE;LARAK,WENDY;LESKO,SAMANTHA; HARDER CORPORATION MANTHEI, ARIANA; MCNUTT, JARED; MOEST, LITTLE, HANNAH; LORIG, KIMBERLEY; LOTT, HEAD2TOE BARBARA; PETTA, JENNIFER; PICKARD, RYAN; MARSHA; LUTZ, JEAN; MALLEY, KEVIN; HEARTSPRING PLAGER, CALLIE; RADFORD, LINDA; SCHMIDT, MANTHEI, NICOLE; MCKINNEY, ASHLEY; HORACE MANN LISA; SHALLENBERGER, GRETCHEN; THILL, MCPEEK, JORDANNA; MILLER, COLE; MILLER, TIMOTHY; TIGGES, LUCINDA; UNGER, DAVID; LINDSAY; MILLER, STEVEN; MUSSER, BROCK; URISH, CHRISTEEN; VANDEBURGH, PAMELA; MYSLIWIEC, JOSEPH; PALMER, MICHAEL; WERHANE, KATHERINE; WINTER, STACEY; PETTA, JENNIFER; PICKARD, JOSEPHINE; Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999: ASCHE, RI- PITTS, JENNIFER; PITTS, MADISON; PLAGER, ILLINOIS FFA LEY; JONES, KAYLEIGH; KEMPEL, DANIELLE; RYNE; PLASTIAK, JENNIFER; RADFORD, ILLINOIS FIBER RESOURCE MERBOTH, NICOLE; PICKARD, KATELYN; LINDA; REINING, DORAL; ROBINSON, JUDY; ILLINOIS STATE DISBURSEMENT RASMUSSEN, HANNAH; SCHLEMME, KYLIE; ROSENSTIEL,STEPHANIE;SCHIESHER,MEGAN; IMPREST FUND SCHNEIDER, KARLY; SCHROEDER TORRES, ELI; SCHULZ, THOMAS; SCOTT, DONALD; SHALLENBERGER, GRETC; SMIELEWSKI, CELIA; SMITH, MICHAEL; STOFFEL, CHERYL; TILLIS, CHELSEA; VOSS, DEANNE; WELLS, ALEXANDRA; WELP, RANDALL; WENZEL, JO; WEST, JANE; WOKER, HARRIET; WOODLEY, SCOTT; Salary Range: **\$25,000** - **\$39,999**: TEN; LORIG, KIMBERLEY; MILAM, MATTHEW; HUENEFELD, LONNIE; HUENEFELD, TAMMY; SCHNEIDER, ELIZABETH; SIEBER, PHILLIP; STEPHAN, LINDSAY; STONER, NATALIE; Salary \$40,000 - \$59,999: KELTNER, JOHN; SHEFFEY, JANIS Payments over \$2,500,

### excluding wages and salaries. Aggragata Amount

rson, firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
DRENALINE FUNDRAISING	\$5,741.00
ERO GROUP, INC.	\$2,869.08
MAZON CAPITAL SERVICE	\$9,901.53
PEX LEARNING	\$4,025.00
RTHUR J GALLAGHER R	\$4,878.00
& T AUTOMOTIVE INC	\$3,350.00
ARRY`S COLLISION CENTER	R \$3,428.77
ENNING GROUP, LLC	\$10,450.00
LOOM`S TREE SERVICE	\$4,800.00
LUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	\$509,160.92
reerTEC	\$34,241.50
OW-GOVERNMENT	\$8,326.17

\$3,900.00

\$2,660.00

\$4,232.50

\$59,122,99

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\$2,723.93 \$6,513.69 \$37,322,24 \$7,789.60 \$6,256.14 \$2,665.98 \$252,369.05

\$26,147.40 \$4,309.00 **IASB** \$8,554.80 ILL. DEPT. OF REVENUE \$141,267.53 ILL. MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT \$111,134.19 \$2,830.00 \$7,200.00 \$3,046.46

\$25,448.59

\$93,625.45

\$15,618.00

\$58,614.00

\$9,000.00

\$3,288.50

LENA STATE BANK \$7,128.00 LENA-WINSLOW DIST. \$8,921.36 LINDSAY STEPHAN \$3,430.25 LOESCHER HEATING \$4,874.54 MANDRELL, KELLY \$2,582.27 **MENARDS** \$8,401.51

JENNIFER PETTA

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NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIV

MIDLAND PAPER \$4,137.01 MONTICELLO SPORTS \$12,090.00 N.W. SPECIAL EDUC. DIST. \$254,008.18 NCS PEARSON, INC. \$6,737.50 NEWPORT TRUST COMPANY \$3,600.00 **NICOR GAS** \$7,412.26

P.C.F.T. \$23,800.00 PEARL CITY ELEVATOR \$25,209.85 PEARL CITY PARK DISTRICT \$3,150.00 PEARL CITY SCHOOLS \$10,120.54 PEARL CITY SCHOOLS \$11,022.86

PEARL CITY WATER & SEWER \$4,499.58 PEARSON EDUCATION \$4,545.85 PEPSI (WP BEVERAGES, LLC \$4,720.20 PITNEY BOWES PURCHASE POWER \$3,695.42

PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE \$6,521.91 **QUILL CORPORATION** \$3,014.29 **RBS ACTIVEWEAR** \$3,985.41

REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION

RHYME BUSINESS PRODUCTS \$23,726.96 Continued on next page

## LEGAL NOTICES

\$12,958.44

\$2,910.00

\$53,122.64

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THE HOME DEPOT PRO

\$5,700.00

\$7,108.98

\$14,578.89

RICHARD JOHNSON ASSOC	\$7,737.33	SPORT SCOPE	\$4,799.00	THRIVENT FINANCIAL	\$5,850.00
RIDDELL/ALL AMERICAN	\$9,411.09	STALKER SPORTS FLOORS	\$2,750.00	THRIVENT MUTUAL FUND	\$8,400.00
RITE BITE FUNDRAISING	\$2,511.60	STATE BANK OF PEARL CITY	\$456,706.24	TRS-PAYROLL	\$239,718.20
ROBBINS SCHWARTZ	\$37,668.87	STATE NATIONAL INSURANCE	\$18,157.00	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC	\$3,095.98
ROCKFORD STEAM BOILER	\$6,820.78	SUPPLYWORKS	\$4,423.11	VANGUARD ENERGY SERVICES	\$13,283.20
RT. 20 BAR & GRILL	\$3,280.00	SYSCO BARABOO, LLC	\$40,668.09	VILLAGE OF PEARL CITY	\$18,000.00

SCOTT STICHTER

SKYWARD ACCOUNTING DEPT

RT. 20 BAR & GRILL \$3,280.00 SYSCO BARABOO, LLC SANTANDER LEASING LLC \$85,652.00 TEACHER`HEALTH INS. SE

SCALES MOUND FFA \$3,759.43 THE BANK OF NEW YORK SCHOOL LUNCH SOLUTION \$9,333.26 **MELLON** 

\$655,000.00

## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

Stockton CUSD #206 815-947-3391 540 N Rush St. Stockton 8:00 - 4:00 School District/Joint Agreement Name Telephone Office Hours

Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net. SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

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		Educational	Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Safety
Local Sources	1000	3,969,517	513,873	0	177,743	235,246	381,227	37,674	150,731	61,938
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to	2000									
Another District		0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	1,399,765	1,003	0	201,056	5,361	0	0	0	50,000
Federal Sources	4000	505,166	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		5,874,448	514,876	0	378,799	240,607	381,227	37,674	150,731	111,938
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		5,509,138	562,533	0	256,125	179,468	100,612		152,527	18,649
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2019		4,558,819	415,430	0	184,066	60,421	577,469	206,807	38,470	21,487
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2020		4,924,129	367,773	0	306,740	121,560	858,084	244,481	36,674	114,776

### **GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL**

OL ANNE; JOGERST, NANCY; KLAUS, SPRING D; MYSLIWIEC, ALBERT A.; NORMAN, JEFFREY M; NORMAN, KAREN A; PACKER, MADISON C; RECTOR, MARIA C; REEL, TERESA A; ROB-ERTS, SUSAN A; SCHNEIDERMAN, STEVEN W;

SCHROEDER TORRES, ELIZABETH R; SCHULDT, WILLIAM D; SERTLE, TERRANCE G.; STAKE, GREGORY A; WAND, BAILEY E; WILD, JOEL Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999: DUERR, LINDSEY L; HERMANN, JARED W; HYLAND, MICHAEL

E; OFFENHEISER, KALLI A; SMITH, MICHAEL H; Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999: BUSCH, RE-NEE L; HAWLEY, AMY ELIZABETH; KRUG, PA-TRICIA A; LEVERTON, GENA L; PEARCE, JENI LYNN; POLHILL, KAITLYN A; RAMEY, DORO-

THY A; SARGENT, JENNA E; SCHRADER, KEE-LEY J; THOMPSON, AMANDA B; Salary Range: **60,000 - \$89,999:** ADLEMAN, PATRICIA J; ALT, KIMBERLY A; ARNOLD, DARCY W.; CASSENS, KIMBERLY J; CRANDALL, LANA M; CURTISS,

STEPHANIE J: DITTMAR, LORI J: DOWNEY, CA-SEY J; FOX, BRADLEY T; HAAS, MICHELLE A; HAMMANN, JOHNATHON D; HARBACH, ME-LISSA L; HEIDENREICH, KRISTINE M.; HOFFER, CINDY L; HUSO, DEBRA A; KENNA, CASEY S; LIBBERTON, KATIE JO; MALONE, SHARON R; MILLER, SUSANNE M; OFFENHEISER, DONNA LISAD; SCHULTZ, ANTHONY J; SCHULTZ, BAR-M; OFFENHEISER, TRACY A.; PFEIFER, RON-ALD E; PLATT, CYNTHIA M; POSEY, KRYSTLE

R; POWELL, SUSAN K.; REIMER, CYNTHIA D;

RICHARDSON, BRETT M; RILLIE, ELISA L.;

SCHMIDT, MARY E; SCHUBERT, TIFFANY L;

SMITH, TINA M; SNYDER, JESSE R; VINCENT,

TANYA D.; WALTERS, CORY J;

**GROSS PAYMENT FOR** NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: BISCHEL, NI- Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: ALBRECHT,

COLE M; CRANDALL, RICHARD W; DOWNEY, DENISE K; ALEXANDER, REBECCA K; BARE, SEAN M; FINLEY, CYNTHIA L; HURLBUT, CAR- RYAN P; BAUER, KIMBERLY L; CAHILL, REBEC-CA L; COOK, KRISTINE M.; COOPER, LALON-NIE M.; DITTMAR, SONYA S; DOWDALL, JAN-ET L; DUCHOW, PENNY M; DVORAK, SANDRA G; EADIE, KALEY; EDEN, SAMUEL C; GABEL, DONNA K; GERBODE, JOY E; GERBODE, ROB-

ERT J; GORDON, NANCY L; GRABBE, ERICA R; GROEZINGER, ROGER D; GUENZLER, MARGA-RET A.; HAAS, SHAWN D; HARRIDGE, DENA; HARTOG, ROBIN L; HEIDENREICH, DANNIELLE

N; HEIDENREICH, MARK H.; HELLER, SUSAN K; HENDERSON, AIMEE; HESSELBACHER, MAL-LORY N; HILL, CONSTANCE S.; ISBELL, ERIKA L; KOESTER, JASON J; KRAHMER, WILLIAM H;

KRESGE, JARED L; KUNZ, DANIEL E.; KUNZ, DIANE K; LEITZEN, DANIEL A.; LEITZEN, SU-SAN J; LUNING, DONNA K; LYNCH, SHAUN R;

LYONS, CARL W.; MARCURE, EDMOND J; MAR-VIN, WAYNE BARRETT; MCCALLIPS, ALLISON S; MCPEEK, PERRY L; MOORE, BROOKE A; MOS-CATO, JAMES C; NEWMAN, JODY L; NICOLIN, EMILY A: NOLLER, KARLA J: NOLLER, SCOTT:

OPPOLD, DANIEL J; ORTMEIER, WILLIAM M; PEARCE, MYRA L; RANDECKER, DIANE L; RETZLAFF, MARGARET; REUSCH, WENDY S; ROSENTHAL, ROBERT J; RUBIO RIVERA, MAL-LORIE M; RUSSELL, ROGER L; SCHOENHARD, BARA J; SCHULZ, ROBYN P; SCHWITZ, MAR-

THY C; TOWNSEND, GARY E; TOWNSEND, LIL-

SHA K; SCHWITZ, MEGAN K; SERTLE, CARLA J; DITTMAR, LORI SKUTT, EUGENE; SLADE, TARA; SMITH, DEAN-NA R; SMITH, SHARON K; STEVENS, DANIEL L; STICH, AMANDA L; STINES, CALEB; THOMP-SON, DAVID C; TILLIS, DEAN E; TIMPE, TIMO- FICA-EFTPS

LIAN H; WACKERLIN, LAURA DAWN; WESTABY, KIMBERLY A; WULFF, JUDY J.;

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Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999: BLAIR, TERE-SA M; ENRIGHT, BRENDA L; GRAVES, MILLI-CENT L; HARTOG, DONALD W.; SMITH, ROGER L; STARR, KATHI A; SULLIVAN, DEBORAH R; WRIGHT, LORIE A; Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999: BROSHOUS,

DOUGLAS A; EDEN, VICKI L Salary Range:

\$60,000 and over: BAGLIN, GARY A Salary Range: **\$90.000 & over:** Fox. Colleen A. Payments over \$2,500,

excluding wages and salaries. Person, Firm, or Corporation Aggregate Amount AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES AMERICAN FUNDS SERVICE B L MURRAY COMPANY, INC

BARKAU AUTOMOTIVE INC **BAUER AGENCY BENNING GROUP LLC** BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD IL **BROSHOUS, DOUGLAS BSN SPORTS** CDW.G GOVERNMENT INC COMED DEARBORN NATIONAL **DELTA DENTAL - RISK** 

EDEN, VICKI

**ERATE FIRST** 

\$42,073.31 CENTERPOINT ENERGY SERVIC CENTRAL STATES BUS SALES. \$19,539,41 **CINTAS CORPORATION #19M** \$57,907.60 CONNECTION FINANCIAL SERV \$30,327.53 DEARBORN NATL LIFE INS CO DELL FINANCIAL SERVICES L \$30,366.06 \$41,524.13 **DUNLAP INDUSTRIES** 

> \$146,703.18 Continued on next page

\$18,261.07

\$76,300.00

\$17,509.85

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\$4,057.46

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\$3,344.26

\$2,600.00

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\$7,291.00

\$8,460.81

\$6,006.95

\$4,128.31

\$4,992.87

\$2,716.87

\$3,105.88

\$2,500.00

\$8,322.29

\$17,338.47

\$64,645.30

\$9,098.25

\$4,000.00

\$3,993.17

\$16,222.03

\$3,504.85

\$7,217.79

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\$22,904.00

\$269,202.91

\$13,749.54

SCHIFFMAN, MIKE

SPAHN & ROSE LUMBER CO.

STEPHENSON SERVICE CO

STOCKTON AUTO SUPPLY

STOCKTON TRAVEL CENTER

STOCKTON HARDWARE

STOCKTON WATER DEPT

SUSANNE MILLER

TRACY OFFENHEISER

**UNITED LABORATORIES** 

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERV

WARREN SCHOOL DIST 205

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT

WERHANE ENTERPRISES LTD

384888

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= \$165,811.

\$33,186; Misc., \$9463. TOTAL

Salaries: Cole Miller, \$26479;

Michael Palmer, \$5286; Chet

Dietmeier, \$6321; Seth Palmer,

\$1863; Lucas Petersen, \$2393;

Kelsie Johnson, \$2607; Delanie

Strohecker \$1574; Kayla Nie-

haus, \$2231; Mackenzie En-

dress \$2306; Amanda Baldauf

\$2227;Bronte Wright \$1926;

Zander Endress \$1673; Kristine

Visel \$3244. TOTAL = \$60,130.

**Vendors:** EFTPS, \$16,991;

I Parks, \$7990; The Hartford, \$6087; VISA, \$5925; ComEd,

\$4811; Scott Stichter, \$3564;

Menards, \$3526; IL Dept of

Revenue, \$3319; Nicor, \$2546;

Rise Broadband, \$2546; Bow-

en Oil Co, \$2641; Sub Total =

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF

**CONDITION** 

a true copy of the Annual Trea-

surer's Report for the fiscal year

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Kristine Visel, Treasurer

385670

ending April 30, 2020.

**SWEETWATER** 

TRS FEDERAL

US CELLULAR

WAYFAIR LLC

**TRS 9%** 

**TRS.58** 

**VISA** 

Craig A. Willette, Attorney for

Citizens State Bank, Plaintiff

Yalden, Olsen & Willette

Rockford, IL 61103-6906

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**NOTICE** 

The Pearl City Park District has

the following positions open

for the upcoming Consolidated

Election on April 6, 2021

Two 6-year term

commissioners

One 2-year unexpired term

commissioner

Petition packets can be picked

up by calling Kris Visel, at

815-297-3817

The Park District

commissioner's petition must

be filed with

December 21, 2020

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Craig Willette - 3021211

838 North Main Street,

**TRSTHIS** 

THE HARTFORD

SPECIALIZED DATA SYSTEMS, INC

## **LEGAL NOTICES**

\$10,827.44

\$3,758.51

\$3,250.00

\$5,923.20

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\$8,000.00

\$7,600.00

\$2,700.00

\$24,975.20

\$6,505.54

\$2,976.64

\$7,200.00

\$5,383.92

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\$20,690.00

\$4,860.00

\$2,833.99

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\$10,016.77

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comcast.net

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\$10,074.42

\$84,548.31

\$8,935.25

\$175,726.95

\$88,355.50

LENA-WINSLOW CUSD #202

MCPHERSON & JACOBSON LLC

MAHONEY PUBLISHING

**MEDICARE-EFTPS** 

MIDLAND PAPER

MONROE CLINIC

NIU OUTREACH

**PUSHCOIN INC** 

NORTHWEST SPECIAL

OFFENHEISER, KALLI

**PUTNAM INVESTMENTS** 

**QUILL CORPORATION** 

OPPOLD BACKHOE SERV. INC.

POWERSCHOOL GROUP LLC

N2Y

**NWEA** 

\$366,473.95

\$2,568.75

\$7,000.00

\$11,716.50 \$3,043.00

\$15,238.22

\$11,203.77

\$82,268.99

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IBOSS NETWORK SECURITY		ORPORATION	4
IDEAL ENVIRONMENTAL EN	7.,0.0.	PTTREASURER \$.	
IL MUNICIPAL RETIRE FUND	+	AL OFFICE OF ED #08 \$2	
ILLINOIS ASSOC OF SCHOOL	BOARDS\$5,840.20 RENAISS		\$
ILLINOIS DEPT.OF REVENUE	\$178,503.09 RESTAUL	RANT SUPPLY.COM	\$
ILLINOIS EDUC. ASSOC.		ING FUND \$2	2
ILLINOIS FIBER	\$16,800.00 RICOH U		
J & D ENTERPRISES	\$39,974.00 RICOH U		
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KIRBY CABLE SERVICE	Ψ11,00>.=ε	S SCHWARTZ NICHOLAS \$	ç
	DO CYTYY	ALLEY PUBLISHING	¢
KURTS POLAR AIR INC	Ψ/,1/0.11	RS OIL COMPANY INC \$	1
LAB-AIDS INC	\$3,384.64 SAUNDE	RS OIL COMPANT INC	_
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT	Quarter of Section 30, Town-	cluding publication costs, court	
OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL	ship 29 North, Range 7 East of	costs, attorneys' fees and ex-	
CIRCUIT	the Fourth Principal Meridian;	penses of sale.	
COUNTY OF STEPHENSON	thence South along the East line	Sale Terms: 25 percent down	
CITIZENS STATE BANK, an	of the Northeast Quarter of said	of the highest bid by certified	
Illinois Banking Corporation,	Section 30, a distance of 875.59	funds at the close of the auc-	
Plaintiff,	feet, more or less; thence West,	tion; the balance, in certified	
,			
VS.	parallel to the North line of the	funds, is due within twenty-four	
KRIS R. WILD, THERESA	Northeast Quarter of said Sec-	(24) hours. The subject property	
E. WILD, UNITED	tion, a distance of 1,080.12 feet,	is subject to general real estate	
STATES OF AMERICA -	more or less, to the point of be-	taxes, special assessments, or	
INTERNAL REVENUE	ginning; thence South, parallel	special taxes levied against said	
SERVICE, ORANGEVILLE	to the East line of the North-	real estate and is offered for sale	
COMMUNITY BANK,	east Quarter of said Section 30,	without any representations as	
UNKNOWN OWNERS,	a distance of 750 feet, more or	to quality or quantity of title and	
and NON-RECORD	less; thence West parallel to	without recourse to Plaintiff and	
CLAIMANTS,	the North line of the Northeast	is "AS IS" condition. The sale	
Defendants.	Quarter of said Section 30, a	is further subject to confirma-	
2020 CH 28	distance of 650.00 feet, more	tion by the Court and is, further,	
NOTICE OF SALE	or less; thence North, parallel	subject to a right of redemption	
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE-	to the East line of the North-	in favor of the Internal Revenue	
BY GIVEN that pursuant to the	east Quarter of said Section 30,	Service.	
current Decree for Foreclosure	a distance of 750.00 feet, more	Upon payment in full of the	
entered in the above-captioned	or less; thence East, parallel to	amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that	
cause on September 15, 2020,	the North line of the Northeast		
an agent of the Stephenson	Quarter of said Section 30, a	will entitle the purchaser to a	
County Sheriff's Office will	distance of 650.00 feet, more or	deed to the real estate after con-	
at 9:30 a.m. on December 17,	less, to the point of beginning;	firmation of the sale.	
2020, at the Stephenson Coun-	all being situated in Oneco	The property will NOT be	
ty Courthouse, 15 North Gale-	Township, Stephenson County	open for inspection and Plain-	
na Avenue, Freeport, Illinois	in the State of Illinois.	tiff makes no representation as	
61032, sell at public auction to	Together with an easement for	to the condition of the property.	
the highest bidder, as set forth	ingress and egress as shown in	Prospective bidders are admon-	
below, the following described	a Declaration of Easement re-	ished to check the court file to	
real estate:	corded June 2, 2008 as Docu-	verify all information.	
Address: 12838 North Hulbert	ment No. 200800095058.	Persons wishing information	
Road, Winslow, L 61089	All being situated in Stephen-	regarding the real estate may	
A tract of land located in part	son County, Illinois.	contact:	
of the Northeast Quarter of Sec-	PIN: 16-03-30-200-004	Joel Kempel - Citizens State	
tion 30, Township 29 North,	The improvements on the real	Bank	
Range 7 East of the Fourth	estate consist of a single family	102 West Main Street, Lena,	
•			
<u>.</u>	home and various outbuilding	Illinois 61048-9247	
Township, Stephenson County	previously utilized as a dairy	Phone: (815) 369-4524	
Illinois, the boundary of said	farm.	Dated this 4th day of Novem-	
tract being more particularly	The judgment amount was	ber, 2020.	
described as follows:	\$571,070.46 together with in-	YALDEN, OLSEN &	
Commencing at the North-	terest thereon at the statutory	WILLETTE	
east Corner of the Northeast	rate plus additional costs, in-	By: /s/ Craig A. Willette	_
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FREEPORT REG. HEALTH CARE

GILL`S FREEPORT DISPOSAL

GORDON FOOD SERVICE INC

HELM MECHANICAL/HELM

IBOSS NETWORK SECURITY

HIGHLAND COMMUN COLLEGE

FRECKLE EDUCATION

FREEPORT INDUSTRIAL

GOVCONNECTION INC

FOX, BRADLEY

HARDER CORP

HARTZ INC

**SERVICE** 

FRONTIER

Kris Visel no earlier than Monday, December 14, 2020 and no later than Monday, Nov. 25 & Dec. 2, 2020)

ANNUAL TREASURER'S **REPORT** PEARL CITY PARK **DISTRICT** FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2019 AND ENDING

**APRIL 30, 2020 Revenues:** Property

Tax-

es, \$116,278; Replacement

Taxes, \$6884; Program Fees,

\$59,946; All Disbursements under \$2,500 = \$16,045. Grand Total = \$75,991.

Beginning:

Revenue.....\$165,811 Expenditures ...... \$136,121

Transfers In (Out)..... 0

**Ending:** 

Fund Balance ....... \$ 78,214

I, Kristine Visel, Treasurer of the Pearl City Park District,

Stephenson County, Illinois, do

385669 hereby certify that the above is

Other Financing

General Fund Balance ....... \$ 48,524

## Midwest governors urge residents to limit contact over holidays

By Peter Hancock CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

A bipartisan group of governors from seven Midwestern states, including Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker, issued a joint plea last week for residents of their states to take precautions against the spread of COVID-19 over the upcoming holiday weekend, even if that means avoiding travel and family get-togethers.

"This Thanksgiving is going to look different than others have before, and it's because it has to," Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer said during a virtual joint news conference. "I know that instead of hosting a big, in-person Thanksgiving like I usually do, I'm going to be setting up a Zoom call with my family members."

Whitmer was joined by Pritzker, Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear, Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers and Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, all Democrats, in the news conference. Earlier, however, those governors were joined by Republican Govs. Eric Holcomb of Indiana and Mike DeWine of Ohio in

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releasing a joint video on social media calling on residents throughout the region to take extra precautions this year.

All of those states, as well as others in the region, have seen some of the most rapid growth rates in the nation for COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations. And the news conference came on the same day Pritzker announced that Illinois would be placed under Tier 3 mitigations as of Nov. 20. Those mitigations include the closing of certain nonessential businesses and strict capacity limits in retail stores, fitness centers and some other establishments.

"As of our most current data, Illinois today is averaging more than 5,200 patients (per day) fighting COVID-19 in our hospitals – 400 more individuals than at our spring high," Pritzker said last week. "And this isn't just in Chicago or our other cities in Illinois. It's happening in our suburbs and our rural areas."

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, as Nov. 15, the

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most severe hospital resource shortage was in Region 7 of the state's mitigation plan, made up of Will and Kankakee counties, where only 12 percent of the region's hospital medical and surgical beds, and 16 percent of intensive care unit beds, remained available.

But many of the governors said they were less concerned about the availability of hospital beds than about hospital staff.

"Because every day that you have 3,000, 4,000, 5,000 cases, those include our health care workers too," Kentucky Gov. Beshear said. "And they're not getting it at the hospital. They're getting it in their communities. So, to make sure that we have enough people and enough staffing, we need people to do their part and to remember, if you don't want to mask and you go out in public, you may be infecting that health care worker that you or your family could later need."

Wisconsin Gov. Evers said his state is experiencing the same problem.

"Here, we are at capacity or very

close to it," he said. "But it is about the people that do the hard work. We have a severe shortage of people; we're stealing from other states. And, you know, we're stealing from the states around us, for God's sakes. And so the point is absolutely true. They're getting it from the community. We have to stop the community spread."

Minnesota Gov. Walz said the health care workforce in his state is likewise affected by community spread of the virus outside of hospital settings.

"One of the things is child care, and

schooling for these frontline workers, what they do with that," he said. "When we start to see that community spread, it has a cascading effect. And what do they do with their own children? What happens when their school goes to distance learning? And that's one of the challenges of looking at this much more holistically."

All five governors said they plan

to spend Thanksgiving at home with their own immediate families.

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## **Birth**

### HUDSON ALEXANDER HOLCOMB

Hudson Alexander Holcomb is the new son to Alexander and Megan Holcomb of McConnell, Illinois, born on Nov. 16, 2020, at FHN Memorial Hospital in Freeport, Illinois. Hudson joins a brother, Hunter, 1. Grandparents are Roger and Jennifer Bronkema of McConnell, Kim Ellis of Freeport, George Ellis of Herrin, and Todd and Jenny Holcomb of Hanover. Great-grandparents are Steve and Lisa Schubert of Freeport, Cheryl Arand of Pearl City, Paul and Evelyn Bronkema of Stockton and Ed and Bonnie Haring of Elizabeth.

## Alzheimer's Association offers holiday tips

While holidays can be a joyous time for many families, they can be challenging for families affected by Alzheimer's, especially in light of COVID-19.

"While Alzheimer's and dementia does not increase the risk of COVID-19, dementia-related behaviors, increased age and common health conditions that often accompany dementia may increase risk," according to a news release from the Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter.

To help families navigate the holiday season, experts at the association offer the following tips:

### In-person celebrations

- Celebrate smart. Celebrate safe. Consider smaller gatherings this year. If possible, opt for large, open settings that allow for social distancing. Encourage attendees to follow safety protocols, including handwashing, and the use of hand sanitizer and masks, as appropriate.
- Take a person-centered approach. Focus on what is enjoyable for the person living with Alzheimer's.

Take time to experiment with new holiday traditions that might be less stressful or a better fit for your loved one. If they get overwhelmed in large groups, a small quiet gathering may be preferable. If evening confusion and agitation are a problem, turn your holiday dinner into a holiday lunch or

orunch.

 Keep it simple. Consider a celebration over lunch or brunch at home or where the person is most comfortable. Instead of potluck-style gatherings, encourage guests to bring food and drinks for themselves and members of that household only.

### Virtual celebrations

 Connect with your family member virtually. Schedule a FaceTime, Skype or Zoom call with your loved one and invite other family members to participate. Prepare ahead of time to ensure the platform you use is one everyone can access easily.

Consider taking the call to the next level by conducting a holiday activity such as baking cookies, exchanging gifts or singing favorite holiday songs.

- Prepare a favorite holiday meal or dessert. The current COVID-19 crisis has offered many families more time to cook and prepare meals. Make plans to prepare your loved one's favorite holiday meal or dessert. If you are unable to share the meal in-person, drop it off or have it delivered.
- Go for a holiday stroll. Indoor gatherings generally pose more risk than outdoor gatherings. Consider gathering immediate family for a neighborhood walk to soak in the

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## Thanksgiving meal cost down slightly, Farm Bureau reports

The annual American Farm Bureau Federation's Thanksgiving dinner cost survey shows a decrease of \$2.01 from last year.

The average cost of this year's feast for 10 is \$46.90, down from an average of \$48.91 in 2019.

"The average cost of this year's Thanksgiving dinner is the lowest since 2010," AFBF Chief Economist John Newton said in a news release. "Pricing whole turkeys as 'loss leaders' to entice shoppers and move product is a strategy we're seeing retailers use that's increasingly common the closer we get to the holiday.'

The turkey costs less than last year, at \$19.39 for a 16-pound bird. That's roughly \$1.21 per pound, down 7% from last year. The survey results show that retail turkey prices are the lowest since 2010.

The shopping list for Farm Bureau's informal survey includes turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, rolls with butter, peas, cranberries, a veggie tray, pumpkin pie with whipped cream and coffee and milk, all in quantities sufficient to serve a family of 10 with plenty for leftovers.

In addition to turkey, foods that showed slight price declines include

whipping cream and sweet potatoes. Foods showing modest increases this year included dinner rolls, cubed bread stuffing and pumpkin pie mix. After adjusting for inflation, the cost of this year's Thanksgiving dinner is \$18.01, down slightly from last year.

This year's national average cost was calculated using more than 230 surveys completed with pricing data from all 50 states.

Farm Bureau volunteer shoppers were encouraged to check prices online using grocery store apps and websites due to the pandemic. They looked for the best possible prices without taking advantage of special promotional coupons or purchase

The AFBF Thanksgiving dinner survey was first conducted in 1986.

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## **Extension** offers course for fruit tree pruning

This winter, the University of Illinois Extension will be offering an online course, "Intro to Fruit Tree Pruning: From the 'Old and Neglected' to the 'Just Planted' Fruit Trees."

"Fruit tree pruning is a task that backyard and commercial growers try to do during the wintertime, but some years can go by without any pruning," according to an Extension news release. "Yet for the tree's health and productivity, these trees deserve some attention each winter."

The course will cover pruning basics for apple, pear, cherry and other

"Since 2017, I've taught this fruit tree pruning course due to demand in our area," said Grant McCarty, Extension local foods and small farms educator. "This comes from growers who have young trees, purchased a new home with old fruit trees, or trees that haven't been pruned in the last three to four years"

This year's pruning classes will be held virtually using the Zoom plat-

"While you might think that you cannot learn to prune using a virtual format, I've developed a color-coded system for teaching people how to prune that works really well to help you understand what to prune and what to leave behind," McCarty said. "Participants will be able to submit photos of their trees and may have them utilized in the presentation."

There will be three offerings of the pruning course:

- Thursday, Dec. 17, noon to 1:30
- Wednesday, Jan. 20, noon to 1:30
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Registration is required and can be completed by going online to https:// extension.illinois.edu/jsw. The registration cost is \$5.

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