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'Giant snow blower' on wheels

Union Pacific 900075, one of the last steam-powered rotary snow plows ever built, was unveiled on Oct. 2 and 3, following a three-year restoration effort. The unveiling took place as part of the Illinois Railway Museum's Steam in the Fall event, featuring the year's final operation of steam trains at the museum.

Rotary snow plow 900075 was built by the Lima Locomotive Works of Lima, Ohio, in 1949. It was one of three steam-powered "rotaries" constructed at that time to clear snow on the Union Pacific's lines in the Midwest and west. The rotary is effectively a giant snow blower on wheels. It uses an internal Shay-type steam engine to turn a large blade at the front of the unit that throws snow to the side of the tracks. The rotary has its own tender, to carry fuel oil and water, but relies on a locomotive (or locomotives) to push it.

The Union Pacific employed 900075 in

snow-fighting service until retiring it in the 1970s. After retirement it went to a museum in Kansas City for preservation. In 1993, IRM acquired 900075 and moved it to Union. For many years the museum displayed the rotary on the "steam leads" near the south end of the museum property. Cosmetic restoration work began on the rotary in 2018. Volunteers in the museum's Steam Department have spent three years completely restoring the rotary externally so that it can be displayed.

Visit www.irm.org for more information on the Illinois Railway Museum.

Right: The Illinois Railway Museum in Union recently unveiled this giant "snow blower," a Union Pacific 900075, after a three-year restoration project.

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Cooperative raises over \$1 million in eight weeks

The Food Shed Co-op board of directors announced that it raised over \$1 million dollars in just eight weeks and is extending its capital campaign through Nov. 30, 2021. The goal of the campaign (commonly referred to as the "Community Investment Campaign" (CIC) is to raise \$1.75 million. The CIC was designed to partially fund a \$4.3 million project to build, equip and staff a community-owned grocery store.

The \$1 million in investments raised were primarily dividend-paying preferred share purchases and interest-bearing loans to the co-op. A small amount of the funding

also came from direct donations to the co-op

Noting the interest, enthusiasm and momentum of the campaign, the board of director's primary reason for extending the campaign was the desire to remain on track to open the community-owned grocery store in the fall of 2022. Owners overwhelmingly expressed their support to extend the deadline at an owner's meeting held on Sunday, Oct. 17. Additional reasons for extending the CIC campaign included: 330 owners (of 1277 total owners) have not been successfully contacted regarding the investment opportunities available;

170 owner-members were still considering investing when the CIC ended;

The co-op has added an additional 175 new owner-members since July 1, 2021 who have not been educated on the investment opportunities offered through the CIC; and

Significant momentum in the last week of the campaign, which generated nearly \$250,000 is a strong indication of continued interest.

Board Treasurer Doug Close expressed satisfaction with the board's decision to extend the CIC: "We are so close to securing the funding to build

See CO-OP, Page 5

Youth preparedness class

The Huntley Police Department is excited to partner with the Kane County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Management to offer classes in Emergency and Disaster Preparedness geared towards children. These classes will be taught by experienced members of the Kane County Emergency Management Team.

As adults, we want children to feel safe and not worried about potential emergencies, but we all know that disasters can happen, often without warnings, and we want children to know what steps to take to be able to stay safe during and after an event.

This class is not intended to scare kids. Rather, it will be age appropriate, fun, and educational to build confidence and empower them to be prepared. Prepared kids can become the resourceful adults of the future.

Class Topics

Emergency and disaster preparedness: Students will learn about the difference between an emergency, a disaster, and a hazard as well as what types of emergencies to be prepared for, protective actions to take, family emergency communications plans, disaster supply kits, Go Bags, and what to do

during severe weather.

First aid: A First Aid/CPR instructor will teach age appropriate basic first aid, including responsive vs. unresponsive, phoning for help, when to call 911, personal protective equipment, the importance of hand washing, finding the problem, stopping bleeding and choking.

The class will end with the kids receiving a Go Bag and a tour of the police department.

This class is free but preregistration is required:

Nov. 17, 6-8 p.m.: Middle School; Nov. 20, 12:30-2 p.m.: Grades 1-3.

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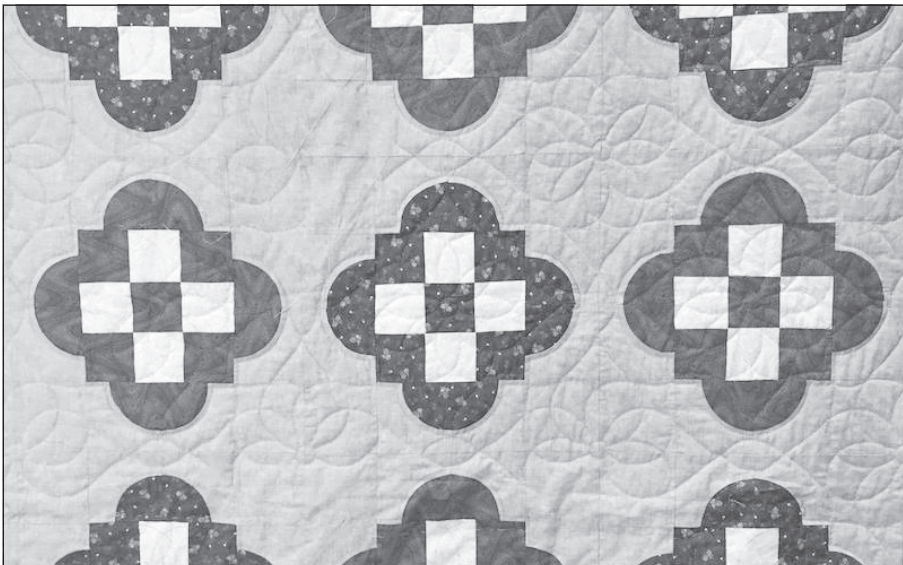
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Quilt raffle

The McHenry County Historical Society and Museum is holding a quilt raffle. The design, a nine-patch with "hips," is rooted in a pattern which appeared in the Quilters Newsletter back in the 1970s. Small Town Square emanates around a central square—the epicenter of social activity in communities worldwide—when people were able to socialize in public. One lesson we've learned during this COVID-19 pandemic is that we need each other. We need that human connection—even if it virtual, even if it is by phone or text or email. Small Town Square reflects our sense of community, our realization that we are indeed "all in this together" and that his year-long crisis that has consumed us will pass. "Today is going to be history tomorrow," said Heritage Quilters' co-leader Arlen Bird. Tickets remain \$1 each or six for \$5. The drawing is slated for Jan. 26, 2022. More details to follow. Visit mchenrycountyhistory.org/small-town-square.

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COUNTY OF BOONE)
IN THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF THE 17th
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY BOONE - IN
PROBATE
In the Matter of
the Estate of
RONALD F.
ROMANEK,
Deceased.

Case No. 21 P 55
CLAIM NOTICE
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS
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CONCERN

NOTICE is given of the death of Ronald F. Romanek. Letters of Office were issued on October 12, 2021, to Nathan J. Noble, Independent Administrator, who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Attorney Nathan J. Noble, P.C., 504 North State Street, Belvidere, Illinois. Within forty-two (42) days after the effective date of the original order of admission, Heirs and Legatees may file a petition with the court to require proof of the will by testimony of the witnesses to the will in open court or other evidence, as provided in section 5/6-21 of the Probate Act of 1975. (755 ILCS 5/6-21).

Heirs and Legatees also have the right under section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/8-1) to contest the validity of the will by filing a petition with the court within six (6) months after admission of the will to probate.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before April 22, 2022, 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 755 ILCS 5/18-3, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Boone County Circuit Clerk-Probate Division at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 N Main St, Belvidere, IL 61008, or with the estate legal representative, or both.

Copies of claims filed with the Circuit Clerk's Office-Probate Division, must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to his attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

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(Published in the Belvidere Republican Oct. 21, 28 & Nov. 4, 2021)
406140

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Public Hearing
In accordance with Section 17-20 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/17-20), notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 1:30 P.M. Tuesday, November 23, 2021, in the Offices of the Department of Revenue, 101 West Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois, for the purpose of taking evidence which may be pertinent to the Department's estimate of the percent to be added to or deducted from the aggregate assessment of locally assessed property in Boone County for the assessment year 2021. This hearing is required by the Property Tax Code.

Based on the comparison of assessed valuations, the analysis of property transfers, and other available information, the estimated percentage to be applied to the aggregate assessment of locally assessed property other than property assessed under Sections 10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200) is 0.00%. Accordingly, the tentative equalization factor is 1.0000.

This meeting will be accessible to handicapped individuals in compliance with Executive Order #5 and pertinent state and federal laws upon notification of anticipated attendance. Handicapped persons planning to attend and needing special accommodations should contact Charles Hulett, either by telephone (217/785-6619), email at charles.a.hulett@illinois.gov or letter (Department of Revenue, Property Tax Division MC- 3-450, 101 West Jefferson Street, P.O. Box 19033, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9033), by Tuesday, November 16, 2021, to inform of their anticipated attendance.

David Harris
Director of Revenue
(Published in the Belvidere Republican Nov. 4, 2021)
406752

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TWENTY- SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MC HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2018 G-CTT Plaintiff,
-v.-
JESSICA D. ADAMS et al

Defendant 18CH000223
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on November 5, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on December 14, 2021, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 390 Congress Parkway, Suite D, Crystal Lake, IL, 60014, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
LOT 7 IN BLOCK 4 IN PARKER'S HIGHLANDS, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTH-EAST QUARTER, AND PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AUGUST 10, 1954 AS DOCUMENT NO. 281648, IN BOOK 11 OF PLATS, PAGE 120, IN MCHEMRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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Property Index No. 09-18-405-010

The real estate is improved with a residence.

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Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection

and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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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 FRONT-AGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876
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406886

Patients count on donors

Blood and platelet shortage continues

Donors who answer the call to help Nov. 1-12 are entered to win an epic trip; receive a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card Nov. 1-23. With Thanksgiving and the holidays approaching, the American Red Cross urges donors to continue to make and keep appointments now and in the weeks ahead to help overcome the ongoing emergency blood and platelet shortage that has significantly impacted the nation's blood supply. In fact, the current blood supply is the lowest the Red Cross has seen this time of year in more than a decade.

Since declaring an emergency need for donors last month, thousands of people have come to Red Cross blood drives across the country to roll up a sleeve and help patients who are counting on lifesaving transfusions. The Red Cross is incredibly grateful for the kindness and generosity of these blood and platelet donors, but hospital demand remains strong. At least 10,000 more donations are needed each week in the coming weeks to meet patient needs – ahead of the upcoming holiday season, which always presents seasonal challenges to blood collection.

Donors are urged to schedule an appointment now by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

In honor of the new series, I Know What You Did Last Summer, those who come to give Nov. 1-12, will automatically be entered to win a trip for two to Hawaii, courtesy of Amazon Prime Video.* The trip will transport you to where the series was filmed and includes round-trip airfare for two, hotel accommodations for nine nights, meals, \$1,000 gift card for expenses and on-trip transportation with four stops from Honolulu to Maui. Plus, those who come to donate Nov. 1-23 will receive a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card* by email, thanks to Amazon.**

*Restrictions apply, see RedCrossBlood.org/IKnowWhatYouDid.

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Blood drive safety

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and

infection control, and additional precautions – including face masks for donors and staff, regardless of vaccination status – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive.

Save time during donation

Donors can also save up to 15 minutes at the blood drive by completing a RapidPass. With RapidPass, donors complete the pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of donation, from a mobile device or computer. To complete a RapidPass, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

To donate blood, individuals need to bring a blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification that are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also must meet certain height and weight requirements.

Health insights for donors

At a time when health information has never been more important, the Red Cross is screening all blood, platelet, and plasma donations from self-identified African American donors for the sickle cell trait. This additional screening will provide Black donors with an additional health insight and help the Red Cross identify compatible blood types more quickly to help patients with sickle cell disease who require trait-negative blood. Blood transfusion is an essential treatment for those with sickle cell disease, and blood donations from individuals of the same race, ethnicity and blood type have a unique ability to help patients fighting sickle cell disease.

Donors can expect to receive sickle cell trait screening results, if applicable, within one to two weeks through the Red Cross Blood Donor App and the online donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org.

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Expanded eligibility: Pfizer, Moderna, J&J vaccine booster clinics in Boone county

Following the Centers for Disease Control and the Illinois Department of Public Health recommendation for a booster shot of Pfizer BioNTech, Moderna or J&J COVID-19 vaccine in certain populations and a booster dose for those in high risk occupational and institutional settings, the Boone County Health Department will hold three, appointment only, clinics Nov. 4 and 18.

For individuals who received a Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, the following groups are eligible for a booster shot at six months or more after their

initial series:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings

For those who received the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine, booster shots are also recommended for those who are 18 and older and who were vaccinated two or more months ago.

Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a booster dose. Some people may have a preference for the vaccine type that they

originally received and others may prefer to get a different booster.

“We are thrilled to offer expanded booster opportunities in our community now that all three brands of vaccine are authorized for booster doses in recommended populations,” said Amanda Mehl, Boone County Health Department’s Public Health administrator. “Our residents now have the choice to select which vaccine they would like as their booster which expands access to this life saving vaccine.”

Those who received their second dose of Pfizer or

Moderna at least six months ago or J&J two months ago, and fall into one of the groups listed, may start registering today for our clinics. Individuals may also contact their health care provider or visit www.vaccines.gov to find a nearby location to receive a booster dose.

The health department encourages you to make your appointment online due to the high volume of calls we are receiving. However, if you need help making an appointment, please call either our COVID-19 Information line at 815-547-8561 or the Keen Age Center at 815-544-9893.



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Zoe Hart, a flutist from Belvidere, was awarded first place in the Rockford Symphony Youth Orchestra's Concerto Competition.

Winnebago-Boone County Genealogical Society Zoom event

The Winnebago/Boone County Genealogical Society will hold its regular program on Saturday, Nov. 6, at 1:30 p.m. This will be a Zoom event featuring Elias Cospers.

Cospers is considered the “Father” of the Rockford library. He was in the Civil War. He worked for the Robertson & Coleman Bank, was a sales rep for J.P. Manny, invested and was secretary/manager for the Rockford Tack Company from 1875-1900. Cospers’s home, built in 1868,

is still standing and in wonderful condition in the Brown’s Hills Historic District.

Mary Rose Phillip moved to Rockford in December 2013. She very much believes in “bloom where you’re planted.” She discovered how very exciting researching local history can be. She believes Rockford is a great place to live with so many museums, events, and music. Phillip enjoys volunteering. She loves local history and

discovered she enjoys historical research.

See our Facebook page or email wbcgensociety@gmail.com to get your ZOOM link before noon on the day of the event. Your sign-in information will be emailed to you a few days before the event.

For more information, call Diane at 815-543-2287

Visit us at our new website www.wbcgensociety.org or on Facebook at facebook.com/WBCGS.

State news

Rep. Sosnowski statement on repeal of Parental Notification law

State Rep. Joe Sosnowski, R-Rockford, issued the following statement in response to the Illinois House of Representatives vote late Wednesday night, Oct. 27, to repeal the state’s parental notification law:

“Parental notification ensures a parent knows when their child is considering the serious act of an abortion. This is not even consent in Illinois, the current law only requires simple notification. In Illinois, we require parent involvement for someone under 18 to get a tattoo, a drivers’ license or to have Tylenol in high school. Unbelievably, the governor and the majority party believe children should be able to have an abortion without parent’s even knowing.

“The governor is out of touch with families in Illinois and is pushing extreme policies. By removing parents’ right to be informed about serious medical decisions their daughter is making, the governor and majority party are promoting an outrageous idea that parents should not be a part of major decisions for those under the age of 18. Family involvement is essential to support and provide

for girls. That is why I voted against repeal.

“Instead of pushing fringe policies, we should be working together to reduce unwanted pregnancies, to promote availability of birth control and to promote additional options like adoption.”

House Bill 370 is the legislation that repeals the Parental Notice of Abortion Act. It passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 62-51 after being approved by the State Senate by a 32-22 vote margin.

Syverson issues statement on Illinois Healthcare Right of Conscience Act

On Oct. 28, Democrat lawmakers passed changes to the Illinois Healthcare Right of Conscience Act.

State Sen. Dave Syverson (R-Cherry Valley), who has been vocal about his concerns with the proposal, issued the following statement opposition to the vote:

“The legislation that passed the Senate is going to make devastating changes to Illinois’ Healthcare Right of Conscience Act, a fundamental protection given to citizens to allow them the right to refuse a health-related procedure that goes against their moral and religious convictions.

tions.

“Since the onset of the pandemic, Gov. Pritzker has gone against what this act stands for time and time again, attacking the right of an individual to make a health choice for themselves. Enough is enough.

“He has attempted to force workers across the state to receive the vaccine or participate in mandatory testing, but that’s not enough for him. Instead of considering someone outside his circle’s point of view, he is changing the rules. He wants total control, even at the expense of an individual’s moral or religious beliefs.”

Jesse White awards over \$530,000 Project Next Generation Grants

Funds provide technology and mentors to help at-risk youth

Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White awarded \$530,104 in 2022 Project Next Generation (PNG) grants to 28 public libraries statewide. PNG is a mentoring program administered through Illinois public libraries. Project mentors work with middle and high school students as the participants develop skills to use various technologies, achieve success through project-based learning and gain life skills, such as effective communication, goal setting and conflict resolution.

“I am committed to improving the lives of at-risk youth in Illinois,” said White. “I established this innovative program when I first became Secretary of State to give students an opportunity to receive hands-on experience with the latest technological tools at their local library.”

Among the recipients was the Ida Public Library (Belvidere) – \$10,720.

Projects were awarded grants from the Illinois State Library using federal Library Services and Technology Act funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Grants are awarded to public libraries serving culturally diverse, low-income and underserved populations. For more information, visit www.ilsos.gov/departments/library/grants/png.html.

Musicians place high in local concerto competition

Musicians with the Rockford Symphony Youth Orchestra (RSYO) recently won first and second place at the Concerto Competition hosted by the RSYO in partnership with Rock Valley College.

Zoe Hart, a flutist from Belvidere, was named first place by the judges. Hart has been playing flute for five years, and studies under Jacques Saint-Cyr at the Music Academy in Rockford. She is a junior at Belvidere North High School and a member of their Wind Ensemble.

Hart has played with other ensembles including The Fifth Inversion Quartet, Measure Five, the pit orchestra for Rock Valley College Starlight Theatre and she is currently a member of the RSYO.

Second place in the competition went to another RSYO

musician Sebastien Roethle, a violinist and co-concertmaster of the RSYO, from Rockford. Roethle has played with the RSYO for four years and studies at the Music Academy in Rockford under Rachel Handlin, the assistant concertmaster of the Rockford Symphony Orchestra. Roethle is a junior at Auburn High School.

These young, talented musicians will be playing along with other members of the RSYO in two upcoming performances. The first is a chamber music concert on Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in Rockford. The 2021 RSYO Fall Concert will be on Nov. 21 at 3 p.m. in the Hononegah Community High School. For more information about the RSYO, visit www.rockfordsymphony.com.

Death notices

Oct. 11
Audrey Fleener, 94

Oct. 13
Willie Moore, 70

Oct. 15
Bridget Rodgers, 60

Oct. 16
Matthew

Vlasnik, 42;
Marilyn Moore, 95

Oct. 18
Cynthia Maville, 78

Oct. 20
Nicholas Hvezda, 82

Oct. 21
Howard Fallat, 70

Oct. 23
William Bailey, 75; Kent Hess, 79

Oct. 25
James Schultz, 88

Oct. 26
Ramiro Torres, 77

Oct. 28
Janice Tish, 79

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Child sexual predator sentenced to prison

On Friday Oct. 22, Judge John H. Young sentenced Benigno Ortiz, 53, of Bolingbrook, to a total of 37 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. Pursuant to truth-in-sentencing laws, he will have to serve a minimum of approximately 32 years. Upon release, he will be required to register as a sex offender for the remainder of his life.



Benigno Ortiz

found Ortiz guilty of five counts of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child and two counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse, after a multi-day bench trial. The offenses occurred between October

2015 and November 2016 at a home in the Inverness subdivision in Loves Park. The victim was 11 and 12 years old when the offenses occurred.

Predatory criminal sexual assault of a child is a Class X felony, with a sentencing range of six to 60 years. Aggravated criminal sexual abuse is a Class 2 felony, with a sentencing range of three to seven years.



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AgeGuide, the Area Agency on Aging for Northeastern Illinois, is announcing the launch of its AgeGuide Learning Center, an educational resource for aging-service providers, the business community, first responders, health care professionals, faith communities,

older adults and caregivers.

The AgeGuide Learning Center offers free online courses and webinars to educate older adults, caregivers, and businesses on practical tools, resources, and information to guide people on their aging journey. The courses are de-

signed to better equip older adults and their loved ones to remain healthy and well in their community.

The set of courses currently available is designed to educate businesses and community partners on supporting people living with dementia and

their caregivers.

A community with certified Dementia Friendly businesses promotes inclusivity of all people as they age and fosters the ability of people living with dementia to remain in the community, be engaged and thrive in their daily life.

The Dementia Friendly sector courses are for the community businesses, elder rights advocates, first responders, healthcare workers and transportation professionals. These courses focus on understanding dementia and taking action to create an environment that is safe, respectful, and welcoming to people living with dementia. Each course takes less than 45 minutes to complete, and participants receive a certificate of completion. Businesses who meet specific business standards receive a customizable certificate and window cling for prominent display.

In the upcoming months, AgeGuide will be adding courses on a wide variety of diverse and inclusive topics including how to navigate Medicare, elder rights, veterans independence program, family caregiver courses and more.

“We are thrilled to launch the AgeGuide Learning Center and to share this new resource with the community,” said Marla Fronczak, chief executive officer of AgeGuide Northeastern Illinois. “The goal for the AgeGuide Learning Center is to educate and empower all older adults, wherever they are on

their aging journey. We hope the older adults, professionals and caregivers in our region find this to be a go-to resource for a wide variety of topics related to aging.”

To schedule your dementia-friendly business training, visit ageguide.org/advocacy/dementia-friendly-initiative/dementia-friendly-pledge-business-form and fill out the form to register your organization.

For more information, contact Colette Jordan at 630-785-2616 or cjordan@ageguide.org.

AgeGuide Northeastern Illinois is a nonprofit organization responsible for developing and coordinating a network of services for older adults throughout the eight-county region. AgeGuide informs and advises public and private agencies and the general public of the needs of older adults living in the area, and acts as an advocate on their behalf. The Agency serves DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will counties. Other information about AgeGuide and other topics of interest to older adults and links to other resources are available at the Agency’s web site: www.ageguide.org.

Huntley Police report

All individuals listed as arrested or charged with a crime in this press release are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

Oct. 10

Area of Union Special: two burglary from motor vehicle incidents were reported.

1000 block of Rte. 47: Kevin R. Robb, 47, of Algonquin, was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident.

13000 block of Rte. 47: Rosendo Vazquez-Jimenez, 39, of Woodstock, was arrested for a failure to appear warrant.

Haligus Road/Algonquin Road: Mary E. Olson, 69, of Crystal Lake, was arrested on driving with a suspended license.

12000 block of Pheasant Ridge: A burglary was reported.

Route 47/Freeman Road: Elizabeth Sarmento Betancourt, 37, of Carpentersville, was arrested on a failure to appear warrant.

Oct. 13

Kiley Drive/Ruth Road: Evan T. Altergott, 19, of Lake in the Hills, was arrested for driving while license suspended.

11000 block of Oak Creek Pkwy: A 29-year-old Elgin woman was arrested for domestic battery.

Oct. 14

12000 block of Princeton Pkwy: Two incidents of retail theft were reported.

11000 block of Algonquin Road: A trespass to property was reported.

Oct. 15

Rte. 47/Main Street: Carlos R. Limon, 29. Of Elgin, was arrested for driving while license suspended and outstanding warrants.

1000 block of Main Street:

Timothy J. Clark, 26, of Huntley, was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

Oct. 16

10000 block of Church Street: Austin Drougas, 31, of Huntley, was arrested on two outstanding warrants.

Oct. 17

12000 block of Route 47: A theft was reported.

Oct. 23

Haligus Road/Algonquin Road: Vincent M. Petryniec, 48, was arrested for impersonating a police officer, disorderly conduct and resisting a peace officer.

McHenry County Sheriff's report

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

Sept. 28

Michael R. Schlaffer, 32, Port Barrington, was cited for aggravated battery/peace officer, criminal damage to property and battery/make physical contact;

Lintrell D. Myles, 31, Racine, was cited for retail theft/disp merch >\$300;

Dakota J. Hagen, 18, McHenry, was cited for purchase/accept liquor by a minor, and battery/cause bodily harm;

Sept. 29

Brittany N. Hasenbuhler, 20, Johnsbury, was cited for battery/cause bodily harm;

Sept. 30

John S. Foggia, 34, Lake Geneva, was cited for aggravated DUI 3+, aggravated DUI license suspended or re-

voked, and driving revoked/suspended DUI/sss 2nd;

Oct. 1

Daniel M. Gaertner, 32, Chicago, was cited for criminal trespass to residence/person present;

Oct. 3

Adolfo Castaneda, 30, Cicero, was cited for DUI/alcohol, failure to reduce speed, and improper use/designated lane.

Oct. 19

Maurice Q. Gill McNeil, 19, Chicago, was cited for delivery/manufacture cannabis 10-30 grams, cannabis control act—over 10 gms not more than 30 gms, and unlawful possession of cannabis;

Donovan J. McLeod, 26, Rolling Meadows, was cited for delivery/manufacture cannabis 10-30 grams, possession of a controlled substance, cannabis control act—over 10 gms not more than 30 gms, and unlawful posses-

sion of cannabis / driver;

Rachel D. Frank, 28, Woodstock, was cited for delivery/manufacture cannabis 10-30 grams, possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of cannabis—over 10 gms not more than 30 gms, unlawful possession of cannabis/pass;

Michael J. Novak, 38, Crystal Lake, was cited for felon in possession or use of a weapon/firearm;

Oct. 20

Andrew J. Kass, 35, Chicago, was cited for driving on a suspended drivers license, and resisting a peace officer;

Faith M. Sorensen, 29, Crystal Lake, was cited for possession of meth <5 grams; Sabrina M. Migasi, 23, Ingleside, was cited for failure to reduce speed, leaving the scene of an accident/ vehicle damage, fail to give info/render aid/property, and uninsured motor vehicle/bodily harm;

Oct. 21

Jeffery A. Smith, 32, Har-

vard, was cited for 2 counts of domestic battery/other prior;

Alonzo M. Hall, 19, Chicago, was cited for 4 counts of receiver/possess/sell stolen vehicle, 3 counts of theft/control with intent \$10K <100K, and burglary w/o cause damage;

Oct. 22

Matthew W. Travis, 24, Cary, was cited for domestic battery/physical contact;

Richard S. Cupal, Jr., 51, Wheeling, was cited for violation of an order of protection after being served notice;

Oct. 24

Jessica M. Martinez, 29, McCullom Lake, 29, was cited for domestic battery/bodily harm;

Oct. 25

Eric J. Wilson, 27, Chicago, was cited for receiving/possessing a stolen vehicle, unlawful possession of a converted motor vehicle, theft unauthorized control person = or <\$500, and burglary.

using sustainable agricultural techniques. Owner-members also value supporting the local economy, providing access to healthy local food, and protecting the environment by reducing the carbon footprint caused by the distances food travels to grocery store shelves.

The store will be a model for sustainable living and help

build a stronger, more resilient local food system. The Food Shed is one of several food co-op start up’s in the area including Whitewater, Chicago, Rockford, Elgin, Racine, Rogers Park and Lombard. Learn more about the Food Shed Co-op and the Community Investment Campaign at www.foodshed.coop/cic.

•Co-op (Continued from front page)

our store. The \$700,000 that we still need to raise from the community represents only 16 percent of the total \$4.3 million project. We are almost there.”

Besides owner and community investments, the co-op has approached local banks with several showing great interest in bringing this store to

McHenry County. In addition to owner investments, the co-op has also received several anonymous grants from local foundations and charitable trusts.

The Food Shed Co-op was incorporated in April 2014 and currently has 1,277 owner-members. The co-op is a strong advocate for local farms

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By Christopher Johnson
REPORTER

When the 2021 regular fall season came to a close, it was realized that the Blue Thunder had had an excellent campaign. After finishing in third place in the very talented NIC-10, Belvidere North was issued a pass into the Class 6A State Football Playoffs because of their 7-2 season.

And because of the fact that the Blue Thunder did play regular season games against some of the top ranked teams in Class 6A and 7A, they got to open things up at home.

When the post-season began, Belvidere North, which had received the eight seed played host to nine seed Grayslake Central

The Rams, similar to Belvidere North, began the playoffs with a 7-2 record, but based on strength of schedule, the Blue Thunder were determined to have taken the tougher path.

Grayslake Central finished the Northern Lake County football season with a

5-2 mark, earning them the bronze behind Antioch and undefeated and State-ranked Wauconda. The Rams had scored barely more than they have allowed this season with a plus-28 scoring advantage.

Belvidere North began game play on Friday night looking to get the offense jump-started and build an early lead. The lead was established by the end of the first period, but the one point margin kept things tight as the second quarter began to unfold.

Grayslake Central exploited opportunities and pushed the ball across the goal line twice en route to their 20 point first half tally. Belvidere North responded, but couldn't match the efforts put in by the Rams and collected eight additional points before the break.

As the third quarter opened, the nine-seed was in front 20-15 and looking to keep the lead in place through the first part of the second half.

Neither team could score in the third frame and the score remained a five-point advantage for Grayslake Central as the final period began.

There weren't enough chances for the Blue Thunder to get the ground gains needed to put more than a seven point mark up in the mid-minutes of the fourth.

The Rams scored seven

points, echoing the eight-seeds efforts and held on to assure the 2021 second season would continue. Game action ended with Belvidere North eliminated from the field of 7A combatants with the 27-22 final score. The season mark dropped to 7-3 for Belvidere North following the opening round loss to the Rams. The victor's mark moved up to 8-2

as they prepared for another upset bid.

Grayslake Central now plays host to top seed Cary-Grove after the Trojans knocked out NIC-10 neighbor Rockford East on Friday night, 42-8, ending the E-Rabs season at 5-5.

Because of the way the IHSA designs home and away games for post-season partici-

pants, and because the Rams traveled in the opener to Boone County, they will host the top seed in the Class 6A northern realm this week.

The IHSA State Football Championship Matches will be hosted by Northern Illinois University Thanksgiving week with Classes 1-8 presenting their final remaining warriors.

Ladies volleyball rolling over 3A Field

By Christopher Johnson
REPORTER

Still untouched when it comes to winning when it matters the most, the Belvidere North Lady Blue Thunder, Regional Champions, look to secure a Sectional Title this week.

Throughout the 2021 regular fall season there was no team that could touch Belvidere North. With only two losses on the season, things went according to plan. Following a perfect NIC-10 campaign and unblemished Conference Championship Title, Belvidere North continued proving it had more to accomplish this season.

On Tuesday, Oct. 26, Belvidere North came across the first team it had to dispatch and it was done effectively. Woodstock had won its opening round game and did it in upset style as the eight-seed overpowered the six-seed Belvidere Lady Bucs.

North's nearest neighbor tried to bounce back after find-

ing itself in a slight deficit off the opening shots. The Lady Bucs fought back but couldn't break through in the opener. Woodstock toppled Belvidere 25-23 and moved towards the sweep of the NIC-10's fourth place finishing Bucs in game two.

The Blue Streaks showed strength at the net and forced Belvidere away from its goal of continuing the 3A journey as the Lady Bucs fell 25-18, closing the 2021 fall campaign.

Based on its top-seeding in the 3A Field, Belvidere North knew if the Lady Bucs moved on, there would be a showdown with their District partner in the Belvidere North Regional Semi-Final.

The Blue Streaks pulled off the mild upset and moved into the path of the waiting one-seed.

Belvidere North showed no appreciation for the visitor's efforts and soundly knocked down Woodstock in the Tues-

day, Oct. 26 get-together.

By 13 points, Belvidere North took the game and put itself in the position of getting things handled quickly in the second.

The Lady Blue Streaks did find some success, from the service line but could not maintain it as they soon succumbed to the vicious knockdown marks registered by the 3A favorite.

Belvidere North moved to its own Regional Championship Final following the game two 25-16 decision, winning the night two games to none.

Crystal Lake Prairie Ridge pulled off its own mild upset as it knocked out community member Crystal Lake Central in the second semi-final match.

Thursday night, the two survivors met and Belvidere North looked to pave the path to Sycamore with Sectional action opening this week.

Prairie Ridge was outgunned in the opener. There was no setting in a perfect po-

sition for kill return attempts. Belvidere North worked over and around defenders on the way to a 25-13 Regional Championship game one winner.

Game two, tension built and the Lady Blue Thunder managed it better. Smart passing and shifts in footfalls helped open gaps for the one-seed.

Belvidere North finished off the day with the 25-19 win and the right to collect the first of what is projected to be many IHSA awards and certifications this second season.

Details from the Monday, Nov. 1 Sycamore Sectional Semi-Final are unavoidably unavailable in this week's edition of the Belvidere Re-publican.

A win by the one seed over Wheaton St. Francis could mean the two top teams in the Sectional, number one Kane-Land and number one Belvidere North would meeting Wednesday, Nov. 3, to play for the Sectional Crown.

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Culver's CurderBurger sparks record sales on National Cheese Curd Day

Curd-crazed guests line up nationwide for cheese curd-topped, one-day-only burger

After months of anticipation, the Culver's CurderBurger took the nation by storm on National Cheese Curd Day (Oct. 15). Cheese-loving guests flocked to Culver's locations nationwide to get their hands on the burger, fueling single-day sales records at an astounding 20 percent of restaurants.

Originally an April Fools' joke on Culver's social media channels, the CurderBurger was met with pleas, demands and petitions for the restaurant chain to make the burger a real menu item. Determined to make their guests' dreams

come true, the Culver's team developed the CurderBurger—from start to gooey, golden-fried finish—in a span of just three months. But even they couldn't have expected such an enthusiastic response on Friday.

"We knew this was going to be a fun moment for us to give our guests something they truly wanted, but we were still blown away by the overwhelming response," said Quinn Adkins, Culver's director of menu development. "It's exciting to see the passion guests showed on National Cheese Curd Day,

and it inspires us to continue creating the menu items they crave."

Urged by the limited quantity of CurderBurgers at each location, guests began to line up at some restaurants before 8 a.m. As soon as dining rooms and drive-throughs opened, the burgers began to fly, with Wisconsin locations selling CurderBurgers between 10 a.m. and noon at a pace over three times that of burger sales on an average day.

"We're thrilled to see guests rally behind the CurderBurger and turn out in record num-

bers to restaurants around the country," said Culver's Vice President of Marketing Julie Fussner. "We continue to see that no matter how high we set our expectations, our dedicated guests always find a way to exceed them."

Guests are already pleading for a return of the CurderBurger. For updates on a potential return of the CurderBurger and other menu item news, guests can keep up with Culver's on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Twitter.

New voter registration cards mailed

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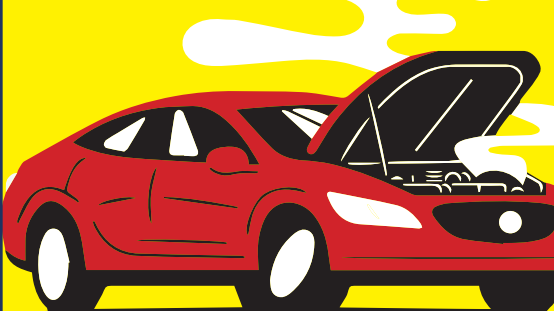
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