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## State success

River Ridge FFA Chapter members (from left to right) Sawyer Fry, Berkeley Mensendike, Ty Spahn, Izzy Haring Heaven Brotherton, Cora Ritchie, Avery Engle, Katie Co-

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# Church news

## Lena UMC

On Sunday, July 2 Lena UMC will welcome a new pastor, Melwyn Alagodi. A service of worship of God who unites us in one Spirit will be held at 9 a.m. at 118 W Mason St to celebrate this new partnership in God's ministry.

Pastor Mel brings with him wisdom gained while serving alongside congregations in Manhattan, Tinley Park, and Chadwick here in Illinois and also in the Church of South India. He and his family love rural areas and are excited to be moving to Lena. Pastor Mel will be joined in Lena by his wife, Sabina, and by his sons Jason, who will be in seventh grade in Le-Win, and Justin who will be attending college in Michigan.

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

All are invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 118 E. Mason St. Lena, IL on Sunday, July 2 for the Fifth Sunday after

Pentecost Worship Service. The reading will be from Matthew 10L:40-42.

On Wednesday, July 5 Peace Corps Quilting group will meet from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. No quilting experience necessary.

All services will be recorded and available on the church's Facebook page and website. Please visit <http://goodshepherdlena.org/> or and Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/GSLCLenaIL> for more information. Please contact the church office at 815-369-5552 with any questions.

## St. John's Lutheran Church

St. John's Lutheran Church, Pearl City, will celebrate the fifth Sunday after Pentecost on July 2. A Worship Service with Holy Communion will begin at 9 a.m. with Pastor Michelle Knight presiding. Ernie Lieb of Stockton will present special patriotic music for the service.

Due to July 4 being on a typical dominos day, dominos will be moved to Tuesday, July 11 at 9 a.m. in Luther Hall. All are invited for a fun morning of dominos and fellowship.

The Men's Breakfast Group will meet at Garden View Restaurant on July 5 at 7:30 a.m. Any men in the Pearl City and Lena area are invited to attend.

The third night of Vacation Bible School (VBS) will take place on July 2. A meal will be served from 5 to 5:20 p.m. for families to enjoy. The children will rotate through stations of Bible study, crafts, and music. Confirmation students will be helping. VBS will continue this summer on August 6. There is no charge to participate.

St. John's Lutheran Church of Pearl City is an ELCA parish and is located at 229 S. First St., in Pearl City. The church is handicapped accessible. Please call

815-443-2215 for information or with any questions.

## Calvary Church

Calvary Church in Stockton will hold a 5-day Bible Club on Monday through Friday, July 10 through July 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. It is for ages 5 to 12. The children will learn Bible lessons, hear a missionary story, sing songs, play games, and have a snack.

This program is from the Child Evangelism Fellowship out of Rockford, Illinois. Please call Vicki Croffoot at 815-443-2406 or the church office at 815-947-2414 to reserve a spot or with any questions. Calvary Church is on the corner of Maple and Rush Streets, just south of the Middle School.

## Stockton Wesley United Methodist Church

Join Wesley UMC congregation on July 2 at 11 a.m. to welcome new Pastor Melwyn Alagodi. After the service, the church will host a luncheon to welcome the Alagodi family to Wesley.

Pastor Alagodi has pastored in churches in Northern Illinois since 2007 as well as the Church in South India.

Pastor will be joined by his wife Sabina and sons Jason and Justin. Pastor Alagodi also is appointed as the Pastor at Lena Methodist Church.

# Obituaries

## HELAINE C. PRICE

Helaine Caroline Price went to be with our Lord on June 4, 2023, in San Antonio, Texas after a long struggle with Alzheimer's Disease. Helaine was born Sept. 25, 1938, in Freeport, Illinois, the daughter of Elmer and Aletha (Diestelmeier) Klaas. At an early age, she professed her faith in Jesus Christ and was a dedicated member of the Salem United Church of Christ near Eleroy, Illinois. Helaine married Clyde (CR) Price on Sept. 2, 1956, at the Salem Church.

Helaine graduated from Lena High School with the class of 1956 and received her Bachelor of Arts from Aurora University in May 1977. She retired in 1994 after 22 years of teaching elementary children in Hebron and Kankakee, Illinois. Shortly after, Helaine and CR moved to Texas, where they continued to travel the world and enjoy every moment they could share with their granddaughters.

Helaine was a member of San Pedro Presbyterian



Church in San Antonio, Texas. She was a wonderful cook and baker, and enjoyed numerous activities including sewing, gardening, and golfing.

Helaine is survived by her husband, Clyde, son and daughter in law, Timothy and Melissa Price, granddaughters Kathryn and Lauren Price all of San Antonio, Texas. Helaine was predeceased by her parents, son and daughter in law, Carey and Linda Price, sisters and brothers in law, Mona and Merlin Fernstaedt, Diane and Jess McIlvanie, Zondra and Jim Baley, Faith and Rodney Brookman, Dale Price, nieces, and nephews.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of life will be held July 29 at the Salem United Church of Christ. A Memorial fund has been established in her name for the Lena-Winslow Education Foundation, 516 Fremont, Lena, Illinois 61048.



## NANCY ANN WILSON

Nancy Ann Wilson, age 71, of Lena, IL, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, June 18, 2023. She was born on Nov. 24, 1951, to John and Gladys (Larsen) Moore in Moline, IL. Nancy graduated from Moline High School in 1969 and later earned a degree in Elementary Education from St. Ambrose University. She married John Wilson in 1981, and together they raised a son.

Nancy worked in various areas including education, sales, and help-at-home services. Nancy's life was forever changed in 1992 when she trusted in Jesus Christ. Her love for God and people was evident to all. She was always eager to share her faith. Nancy was joyful, kind, generous, and loved to laugh. In 2010 Nancy moved to Lena, Illinois, to be closer to family. She loved spending time with her three grandchildren—riding bikes, attending their concerts, baking chocolate chip cookies, and having them over for sleepovers. Nancy



also loved running, biking, walking, and studying the Bible with friends. She was a member of the Evangelical Free

Church of Lena.

Nancy is survived by her son, Scott (Heather) Wilson of Lena, her grandchildren; Grace Wilson, James Wilson, and Luke Wilson, her sister; Patricia (Michael) Voss, and brothers; Michael (Terri) Moore and Steven (Derek) Moore. She is preceded in death by her parents, John and Gladys Moore.

A visitation was held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 24, at the Evangelical Free Church of Lena. A celebration of life followed at the Evangelical Free Church of Lena. Pastor Lee Eclov officiated the services. Burial was held at the Lena Burial Park in Lena, IL. A memorial has been established in her memory.



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# Farmland buyers becoming more selective with higher interest rates

By Daniel Grant  
FARMWEEK

Farmland values could level off in the months ahead following an amazing run the past couple years. John Moss, co-founder and owner of the Loranda Group, believes farmland buyers are becoming more selective as farm returns tighten amid rising interest rates.

The Federal Reserve earlier this month approved the 10th interest rate hike in just over a year. The latest increase, 0.25 percentage points, takes the federal funds rate to a range of 5% to 5.25%, the highest since 2007. "What I see is farmers and investors still have the

ability to buy (farmland) but will be more selective in what they're trying to do," Moss told the RFD Radio Network.

"If you look at (commodity) prices, the futures market for corn six months ago was \$1 higher than it is today and for soybeans it was about \$1.40 (higher six months ago)," he noted. "There's going to be less net income and less money for farmers to spend, which is just the nature of the beast." With the potential of less income to spend, farm buyers could become fickle about interest in land, depending on location, soil type and other factors.

Meanwhile, higher interest rates will increase borrowing

costs, although the current environment is still nothing like the double-digit rates in the 1980s when Moss started his career in farm real estate. He said the current farmland market is more like a "series of micro-markets," depending on location "We try to look at it from both the buyers' and sellers' perspective," said Don Meyer, also of the Loranda Group. "Just because a piece of land sold down the road for X amount of dollars, it doesn't necessarily guarantee that can be delivered in a future sale based on the uniqueness of the property."

The value of Class A farmland in Illinois jumped 45% from 2021 to 2022, including

a 16% increase last year, according to the Illinois Society of Professional Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers. "This market for me is more like 2012-13. There was a period where prices shot up," Moss said. "It's just a question of whether 2023 to 2025 will be like 2016 to 2018 where things just slowed down and corrected a bit."

## Brazilian farmland prices more than doubled

The recent runup of farmland values wasn't limited to just the U.S. A recent University of Illinois farmdoc daily report shows the price of farmland in Brazil more than doubled in the last three

years. The record appreciation of land was driven by high commodity prices, robust global demand and a favorable exchange rate for Brazilian exporters, according to the report.

From 2019 to 2022, the average cropland for grain production value increased 128% in Brazil to an average of \$4,271 per acre. In the same period, the price of Brazilian land increased 94% for sugar cane production (to an average of \$3,710 per acre) and 133% for coffee production (to an average of \$3,534). "The appreciation of cropland in Brazil in recent years is consistent with the

rise in soybean and corn prices in the Brazilian market," authors of the farmdoc report noted.

However, the record increases in Brazilian cropland values are unlikely to be repeated this year. The main limitation will come in the form of corn and soybean prices, which are low in the Brazilian market in the face of a record harvest and high cost of transportation, according to the farmdoc team.

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# Illinois expands use of police surveillance drones

## New law allows event surveillance, building inspections, search and rescue

By Andrew Adams  
CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

Next time you attend a parade, there might be an eye in the sky. A new law signed by Gov. JB Pritzker on June 16 expands local police departments' authority to use drones to surveil certain events, respond to certain 911 calls, inspect buildings and participate in public relations events.

House Bill 3902 passed 56-1 in the Senate and 84-7 in the House with three members voting "present." The law drew some concerns from civil liberties groups which ultimately led to added privacy protections and disclosure requirements.

The push to expand when police drone authority originated after a 2019 mass shooting at the Henry Pratt Company in Aurora, accord-

ing to the bill's House sponsor, Rep. Barbara Hernandez, D-Aurora. She and others received renewed calls after a 2022 shooting at a July 4th parade in Highland Park last year. "I hope people are safe and that this can prevent anything else from happening," Hernandez said.

Kenny Winslow, executive director of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, supported the measure and is already planning to offer training on the new law to police departments. He said drone technology could save lives and expects more departments to use them moving forward.

But he added that the protections contained in the bill—including requirements that police post notices if they are surveilling an event and keep a record of flight paths—were an important part of the final product. "We're trying to be as transparent with the public as we can," Winslow said.

The ACLU of Illinois—a civil rights organization that has long been a voice of opposition to unrestricted drone use by police departments—took a neutral stance on the bill. ACLU staff were key architects of a 2013 state

law referred to as the Freedom from Drone Surveillance Act that placed significant restrictions on police drone use. "Our concern is that this kind of technology can be used in fairly invasive ways that intrude on our constitutional and privacy rights," ACLU attorney Liza Roberson-Young told Capitol News Illinois.

These concerns led to some key protections in the bill, including limitations on what circumstances warrant the use of drones and how long the information collected by drones can be stored. "We wouldn't want this to be a first step to a slippery slope to chipping away at the Freedom from Drone Surveillance Act," Roberson-Young said.

Under the new law, drones may only be used at outdoor, government-hosted events. These include events such as parades, walks, races, concerts or food festivals. These events must meet minimum size requirements depending

on the size of the municipality in which they are hosted in order for police to use drones.

The law explicitly bars drones from being used to monitor "any political protest, march, demonstration, or other assembly protected by the First Amendment."

The law also allows police to use drones when responding to 911 calls to find victims, to assist with health or safety needs or to coordinate emergency personnel. The information collected using drones, which could include video, images, sounds or other data, may only be stored temporarily and must be deleted within 24 hours after a parade or other special event and within 30 days for most other uses. There are some exceptions where police may retain that information, such as if there is reasonable suspicion that the information contains evidence of criminal activity, if the information is relevant to an ongoing investigation or if it will be

used for future training.

The Illinois Attorney General's office can investigate police departments' patterns and practices of drone use and compel their compliance by seeking a court order. Departments can lose drone authority for at least six months the first time they are found to violate the law and up to one year for subsequent violations.

In an interview, Hernandez encouraged people to reach out to the attorney general if they find police violating the new regulations. "I

hope people get to see that there are clear instructions in the law to prevent people from violating privacy," Hernandez said.

The law also explicitly bans police from equipping drones with weapons, such as firearms, chemical irritants or lasers. The law also places significant restrictions on the use of facial recognition technology in conjunction with drones, barring police from using it during a flight and only allowing it

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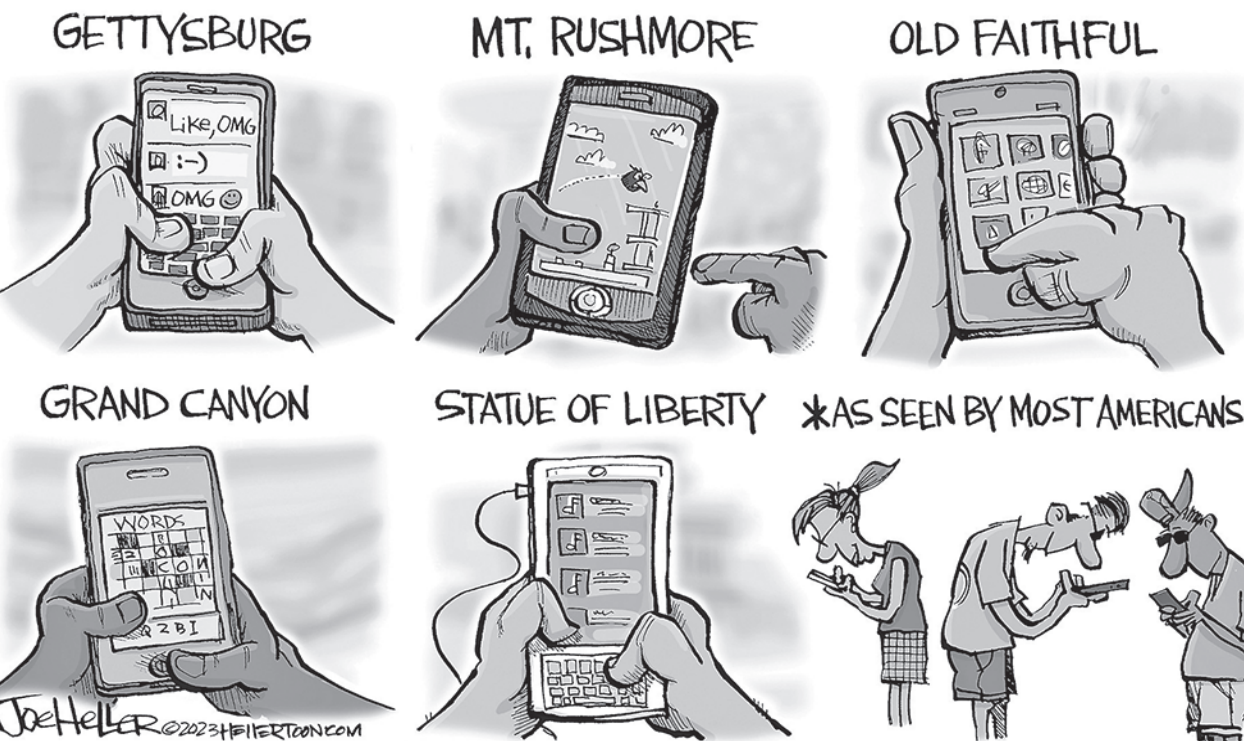
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Weekly connection

Keep praying for rain

This summer is shaping up to be a lot like the summer of 1988 only without the super intense heat that we had in that summer back then. I'm sure many of us remember that year well. I remember getting a shower on Mother's Day in early May in '88 and then there was no rain until the day of our firstborn son's birth on July 22. The big difference between this year and that year was that in 1988 there was something like twelve consecutive days of triple digit heat in July. The ground dried up like powder and there was next to nothing in the fields at harvest. If a farmer got thirty bushels to the acre corn he was doing well. That was thirty-five years ago, and it still seems like yesterday.

There was also the drought of 1976 that I remember as being a bad one too. In those days we and most of our neighbors were growing seed corn for the DeKalb company on some of our land. When it came time to harvest each



By SCOTT CERNEK  
Columnist

year all the farmers would work together to get the crop in. It wasn't uncommon to see five or six tractors with their mounted two-row pickers working a single field at the same time. I remember watching those pickers driving up and down, back and forth across the fields and just having a few scrawny little ears in the wagon at the end of the day. We only made two crops of hay in those two years as well. There just wasn't anything in the field.

This year we have had a decent amount of rain in the early spring and then a couple of showers since Mother's Day and that has helped the crops get started, but if we don't get some more, they will soon shrivel up and the

stress will be too great for the plant to produce much of anything. Because of the early rain, I was able to get a good first crop of hay, but the second crop looks thin. There may not be a third or fourth crop this summer.

I remember the heat of 1988 because my wife was expecting our first child and we didn't have air conditioning in the little apartment we lived in. She didn't complain, but I could see she was hurting in those hot days of July. I tried to encourage her by saying something like, "the early settlers who traveled across the prairies in their covered wagons didn't have any air conditioning." I've learned a bit since then. I don't think those type of statements helped our relationship very much. At least we did have a fan to blow the hot air around a little. I think we saved up enough to buy a little window unit the next year when she was expecting our second.

The best thing we can

do is stay committed to the Lord and keep praying for Him to please send rain. He knows what He is doing, however, and He calls us to trust Him in the good and the bad. Many people believe that Romans 8:28 is one of the greatest verses in all the Bible. For we know that God works all things together for the good of those who love Him and are called according to His purposes. God doesn't guarantee anything in this life as far as ease or pleasure

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Slices of life

Falling off the cliff

Life changes us. Sometimes in increments, like accidentally stepping off the curb. Sometimes in ways akin to falling off a cliff. It's these cliff-changing moments that transform us in ways we never could have imagined—before. It's like falling from one world into another—into a life so different that your old life can only be referenced as "before."



By JILL PERTLER  
Columnist

This new life. The life you are living "after," whatever that after may be for you: After a birth. After a death. After a divorce. After a marriage. After a major illness. After some life changing event - truly life changing in every aspect of every day and every minute.

remember—on the cellular or the heart level—what it felt like to live that "other" life? No. You can't because you've changed and you're no longer the person who lived that life - before.

An event so sweeping that it encompasses you and every cell of your being. It changes the way you view the world.

You can recall, but you can't remember. Not really. And it wouldn't be right if you did, because every day - every moment - you are changing and evolving and becoming a new you. A you who is living in the now, not the before.

And whether excruciatingly joyous or magnificently sad, you understand you will never be the same again. You can't ever go back to the you that was before. That door has irrevocably and permanently shut and the only way forward is, well, forward.

Perhaps not by choice, but by circumstance.

It's almost like the before never happened. It's hard to remember what life was like - back then. Sometimes you want to remember—you long for it—but you just can't go back. In reality or memory. Oh, sure, you can recall certain instances, certain experiences, but to actually

With that said, your life now is not always in the after. You try, but sometimes it hits you. It hits you so hard that you have to catch your breath and consciously will yourself to breathe in and out. One gulp of air at a time.

Your mind bends to the before - because you may want that badly - and it engulfs you just as surely as falling off the cliff engulfed you. Like a rockslide or avalanche.

But then on the second, or third, or fifteenth or eightieth breath you find you are

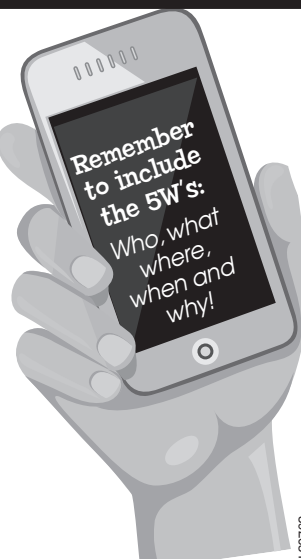
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breathing normally again. Your heart is not thumping out of your chest, but seems to be beating along with the air flowing in and out of your lungs.

And in that moment, you realize there really isn't a before or after; there is only a now.

You may long for the before, and I often do.

You may long for a new after, which I also do.

But what you really have is now. Right now. Today.

And you can choose how to perceive this.

It can be constricting—denying you both your past and the future. Keeping the memories at bay. Keeping hope just beyond reach.

Or, it can be liberating. Providing hope and strength to both your past and your future. Giving memories their space, without letting them control you. Allowing

the hope and joy and trust to surround your now and allow you to know it will be all right.

Because it is all right. Already.

It is. See that. Embrace that. It's all going to be okay, and that is a very lovely

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goes. In fact, it's just the opposite. Since man sinned in the beginning, we were guaranteed that the curse of sin would bring trouble and tribulation on this earth. We try pretty hard to make our lives as comfortable as we possibly can down here, but God says something like this to us, "my child, remember the curse of sin and know that life on this earth will be hard at times. Don't focus too much on finding perfection down here. Instead, put your trust in Me for an eternity of

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*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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The Welded Art Competition is part of the Home Ec Projects exhibition, the Art Weld Competition will provide a platform for welders to unleash their creativity. Participants will create unique lawn art. The Art Weld Competition celebrates the artistic side of welding and invites participants to think outside the box. The theme is County Fair.

For more information about the Welding Competition, including registration details, rules, and event schedule, please visit [www.stephensoncountyfair.org/welding](http://www.stephensoncountyfair.org/welding).



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# Stalled bills include repeal of subminimum wage for disabled workers, BIPA reform

## Several measures could be revived in legislature's fall veto session

BY CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

While hundreds of bills cleared the General Assembly in the final month of the legislative session, some big-ticket measures will have to wait until at least the fall.

Sponsors of several stalled bills say they will consider reviving their proposals when lawmakers return to the Capitol in October and November for their annual veto session. Below is a look at some of the bills that didn't pass in the regular session and whether they're likely to come back up for a vote.

**Subminimum wage:** State Rep. Theresa Mah, D-Chicago, led a late push to prohibit Illinois businesses from participating in a federal program that allows them to pay individuals with disabilities below the minimum wage. It came just short of passing, although Mah says she has the votes to pass it in the fall.

The measure would have set a July 1, 2027, end date for Illinois businesses to participate in the subminimum wage program under the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. That program allows employers of individuals with disabilities to obtain a certificate allowing them to pay less than the state and federal minimum wage. Advocates say a review of state records shows some certificate holders have paid wages lower than \$1 per hour.

According to the Illinois Department of Human Services, there are about 4,000 individuals employed under the program in Illinois and about 80 businesses have re-

ceived certificates. Once the program ends, those workers would be subject to the state-wide minimum wage.

The measure would also create a transition grant fund to support employer wage subsidies and other efforts to ensure a smooth transition and continued employment for disabled individuals.

Mah said the bill represented an agreement between IDHS and a trade group representing facilities that employ disabled individuals that was finalized late in the legislative process. But due to the crazed pace of the final week of session and attendance issues on the House floor, Mah said the measure fell just short of the 60 votes needed to pass.

"We kind of ran out of time during the last three days of session," Mah told Capitol News Illinois.

She said while she has the votes to pass the measure in the veto session, the effective dates of some of the bill's provisions might have to be pushed back due to a constitutional requirement that a bill must pass with three-fifths majorities to have an immediate effective date after May 31.

Mah initially pushed for ending subminimum wage for disabled individuals in 2019, an effort advocates said would help Illinois "get right with history." It stalled that year but again gained steam after Gov. JB Pritzker signed an executive order in August 2021 preventing the state from entering into contracts with entities that pay disabled

workers less than the minimum wage.

The bill's proponents noted the 2027 end date would create a four-year window for an existing state task force to determine the best path forward for distributing subsidies from the grant fund and minimizing disruption for employed individuals. The bill would expand that task force to add more representatives of disability care providers affected by the end of subminimum wage.

It also would increase a state- and federal-funded "personal needs allowance" for individuals living in a Community Integrated Living Arrangement to \$100 from \$60 monthly.

**Biometric privacy:** Another stalled measure would have made changes to the state's Biometric Information Privacy Act, a 2008 law that allows individuals to sue companies over improper collection or storage of information such as fingerprints or facial scans.

Senate Democrats filed language to alter BIPA in an amendment to House Bill 3811 on what was scheduled to be the final day of the spring session before it was extended, immediately drawing criticisms from business groups.

In the last five years, upwards of 2,000 lawsuits have been filed under BIPA, followed by several high-dollar settlements. Those legal developments, in addition to a series of Illinois Supreme Court decisions interpreting BIPA's limits in ways that

favor aggrieved parties, have worried the business community.

Fast food chain White Castle, the defendant in one of the two BIPA-related cases decided by the state's high court in February, claims the court's ruling could cost the company \$17 billion – a figure that businesses warn could bankrupt entire industries. The court in that case found that claims could accrue for each violation of BIPA, meaning every individual finger or facial scan would constitute a separate violation of the law.

The opinion did, however, "respectfully suggest" the General Assembly review BIPA "and make clear its intent regarding the assessment of damages under the Act."

In response, the late-session amendment would have stipulated that "the same biometric identifier from the same person using the same method of collection has created a single violation," but business groups said the language was too vague.

They also assailed the proposed fine increase for negligent violations from \$1,000 to \$1,500 and decried the addition of another type of biometric data to the law – electronic signatures – as a giveaway to trial lawyers.

After business groups balked at the proposal, Senate Democratic leaders agreed to hold off on the bill pending further negotiations, meaning the high court's suggestions will go unheeded at least until the fall veto session.

**Human composting:** House Bill 3158 would have legalized and regulated "natural organic reduction," a pro-

cess also known as human composting or terramation in which human remains are rapidly decomposed into compost.

The process turns human remains into dirt over the course of several weeks by heating a person's remains in a vessel with wood chips, straw and other organic material to accelerate the growth of microbes that break down the body. This is distinct from "natural burial," in which a body is buried with no casket or in a biodegradable container.

The measure passed the House 63-38 on March 24 and was later discussed in a subject matter hearing in the Senate. But it never received a committee vote or consideration by the full Senate.

Bill sponsor Rep. Kelly Cassidy, D-Chicago, said she will continue to push for its passage, but she did not have a specific timeline for when it may be considered.

"We had been working on the bill in the House for a couple of years, so folks were a little more familiar with it," she said in an email statement. "This is a whole new topic for the Senate, and between that unfamiliarity and the dishonest arguments of the opposition, we need to spend time having those direct conversations with members of that chamber and get their questions answered."

**Cannabis car search:** Senate Bill 125 would have ensured that the smell of "burnt or raw cannabis in a motor vehicle" cannot alone be probable cause for an individual's vehicle to be searched if the driver is 21 years of age or

older.

The measure passed 33-20 in the Senate on March 30 but faced opposition from law enforcement groups and never came to a vote in the House.

Sen. Rachel Ventura, D-Joliet, said the measure may be revisited in the fall veto session with other cannabis-related measures, but multiple pending state court cases are already centered on the issue, so it might not need to be decided by the legislature.

The Illinois Supreme Court has agreed to hear three cases pertaining to the issue, with two of the cases being consolidated. Two of the cases out of the 3rd District Appellate Court ruled that the smell of cannabis cannot alone be probable cause to pull a vehicle over. The 4th District Appellate Court came to the opposite ruling.

"We're allowing the courts to take their view on it," Ventura said.

Ventura said she's hoping the Illinois Supreme Court rules in favor of protecting against searches based on the smell of cannabis, but she's willing to bring the bill back in the fall if needed.

"I'm hoping not to go that route. I'm very hopeful that the courts will rule in the direction of the 3rd (District) Appellate Court," Ventura said.

**Corruption convictions:** House Bill 351 would have barred anyone convicted of a felony, bribery, perjury or misuse of public funds while serving as a public official from ever being elected to a state or local office again.

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# Jobs up in all 14 metro areas in May

Over-the-year, total non-farm jobs increased in all fourteen metropolitan areas for the year ending May 2023, according to data released today by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the Illinois Department of Employment Security (DES). Over-the-year, the unemployment rate increased in seven metropolitan areas, decreased in four, and was unchanged in three.

"Illinois continues to experience steady, persistent job growth across the state, a trend that has continued for more than two years," said Deputy Governor Andy Manar. "IDES remains a critical resource connecting workers and employers to fill newly created positions as job growth expansion continues across industries and metro areas."

The metro areas which had the largest over-the-year percentage increases in total non-farm jobs were the Bloomington MSA (+3.2 percent, +3,200), the Peoria MSA (+2.9 percent, +4,900), and the Champaign-Urbana MSA (+2.7 percent, +3,200). Total nonfarm jobs in the Chicago Metro Division were up +1.6 percent or +61,500. Industries that saw job growth in a majority of metro areas included: Government (fourteen areas); Education and Health Services, Leisure and Hospitality, and Other Services (eleven areas each); Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (nine areas); and Manufacturing (eight areas).

The metro areas with the largest unemployment rate increases were the Danville MSA (+0.5 point to 5.2 percent), the Davenport-Mo-

line-Rock Island IA-IL MSA (+0.5 point to 3.9 percent), and the Lake-Kenosha County IL-WI Metro (+0.4 point to 4.1 percent). The metro areas with the largest unemployment rate decreases were the Chicago Metro (-1.3 percentage points to 3.2 percent), a record low unemployment rate for the month of May, followed by the Rockford MSA (-0.3 point to 5.9 percent) and the Carbondale-Marion MSA (-0.2 point to 4.0 percent).

## Rockford MSA

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 5.9 percent in May 2023 from 6.2 percent in May 2022.

Total nonfarm employment increased by +200 over the year.

The Educational-Health Services (+900), Transportation-Warehousing-Utilities

(+700), Leisure-Hospitality (+500), Government (+300) and Other Services (+200) sectors had payroll gains over the year. The Manufacturing (-1,700), Construction (-200), Professional-Business Services (-100), Retail Trade (-100), Information (-100), Wholesale Trade (-100) and Financial Activities (-100) sectors recorded employment declines over the year.

## Ogle County

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 4.8 percent in May 2023 from 4.6 percent in May 2022.

Total nonfarm employment increased by +275 over the year.

Government (+225), Construction (+150), Professional-Business Services (+75), Educational-Health Services (+75), Financial Activities

(+25) and Other Services (+25) had payroll gains over the year. The Trade-Transportation-Utilities (-175), Leisure-Hospitality (-75), and Manufacturing (-25) sectors recorded employment declines over the year.

## Stephenson County

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 4.6 percent in May 2023 from 4.2 percent in May 2022.

Total nonfarm employment

increased by +125 over the year.

Manufacturing (+125), Government (+75), Other Services (+75), Construction (+50) and Trade-Transportation-Utilities (+25) had the largest payroll gains over the year. Financial Activities (-150), Leisure-Hospitality (-75), and Educational-Health Services (-25) sectors recorded employment declines over the year.

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## • Bills (Continued from page 8)

The bill would have allowed exceptions for people whose convictions have been reversed or pardoned, or if they've received a restoration of rights. It also calls for setting up a task force to review current policies and make recommendations for disqualifying offenses.

Current law bars anyone convicted of a felony from holding a state office until they've completed their sentence and a provision of the Illinois Municipal Code bars anyone who has ever been convicted of a felony from holding an elected municipal office. But those people are free to run for the General Assembly, governor or any other constitutional office once they've completed their sentence.

While the measure passed unanimously in the House and cleared Senate committee 12-0, it never received a vote in the full Senate.

A spokesperson for Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, who sponsored the bill in the Senate, said he plans to call it for a vote in the veto session.

Government electric vehicles: Senate Bill 1769 would have required all passenger vehicles purchased by the state to be "zero-emission" by

2030, meaning they produce no greenhouse gases. The bill exempts law enforcement vehicles and vehicles bought by the Department of Transportation as part of a consolidated procurement.

It initially passed the Senate in mid-May on a 33-20 vote but was later amended in the House, passing 69-35 on May 25. It never came back to the Senate for a final vote.

"I'm being told this will be heard in veto session," Ventura said, noting that her discussions with legislative staff are ongoing.

'Rainy day' fund: Comptroller Susana Mendoza pushed for House Bill 2515, a bill requiring automatic deposits in the "rainy day" and pension stabilization funds when revenue projections exceeded the prior year's estimate

by at least 4 percent and the state has less than \$3 billion in bills awaiting payment.

While that bill cleared a House committee unanimously in March, it never came to a vote in either chamber. Mendoza's office said she would continue to push for the measure.

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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



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In a large bowl, combine broccoli, apples, dried fruit, and onion. Add yogurt and toss to coat. Sprinkle with bacon; refrigerate at least 1 hour before serving.

## Vidalia Onion and Potato Gratin

Last week featured a Vidalia onion recipe, and this week features a side that uses the sweet onion. If you want to keep it around after the Vidalias are no longer available, any sweet onion can be substituted.

1 large clove of garlic, halved  
1 T. unsalted butter, softened  
2½ C. heavy whipping cream  
1 C. chopped Vidalia onion  
½ t. salt  
½ t. pepper  
2½ lbs. baking potatoes, thinly sliced  
1/3 C. grated Parmesan cheese

Place oven rack in center of oven and preheat oven to 350. Rub inside of a 9 x 13 baking dish with cut side of garlic; rub pan with butter. In a medium saucepan, bring cream, onion, salt, and pepper to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat, and simmer until onion is softened, about 12 minutes. Arrange half of potatoes in prepared pan; pour half of cream mixture over potatoes. Repeat layers once. Cover with foil. Bake for 30 minutes. Uncov-

er and bake until potatoes are tender and beginning to brown, about 30 minutes more. Let stand for 10 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese. Increase oven temperature to broil. Broil until cheese is melted, about 4 minutes.

## Sue's Chicken Salad

Recently I was at a picnic luncheon where my friend served this chicken salad. I enjoyed it, and she said she had gotten the recipe from me. I remembered that my friend, Sue, had brought this to a party. I loved it then, and I still love it. The cream cheese really makes it creamy. It also uses canned chicken so you don't have any chicken preparation. She had dried cranberries from Door County, but if you need to find dried cranberries here, you can use raisins. We had ours on croissants, but it is good on whole wheat or sourdough bread too.

2 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese softened  
1 T. Worcestershire  
3 T. sour cream  
3 T. salad dressing  
2 cans of chicken (5 oz. size)  
½ t. garlic powder  
½ C. minced celery  
¼ C. chopped parsley  
¼ C. chopped almonds  
½ C. finely chopped dried cranberries.

Beat the cream cheese, Worcestershire, sour cream,

and garlic powder together. Blend the chicken, celery, cranberries, almonds, and parsley together with the cream cheese mixture. Refrigerate for four hours. (I have poached four chicken breasts and cut them up in cubes rather than use the canned chicken. I think the flavor with the chicken breast is a little better, but the canned chicken is a great time saver.)

## Firecracker Casserole

Since the Fourth of July is racing towards us, this casserole will fit right into the firecrackers that are to come. It is southwestern in taste, so get ready for a little heat in the food as well as the outside temperature.

2 lbs. hamburger  
1 medium onion, chopped  
1 can (15 oz.) black beans, rinsed and drained  
1 to 2 t. chili powder  
2 to 3 t. ground cumin  
½ t. salt  
4 flour tortillas (6 inches)  
1 can (10 ¾ oz.) cream of mushroom soup  
1 can (10 oz.) diced tomatoes and green chiles, undrained  
1 C. shredded cheddar cheese

In a large skillet, cook beef and onion until the meat is no longer pink; drain. Add the beans, chili powder, cumin, and salt. Transfer to a greased

9 x 13 casserole dish. Arrange tortillas over the top. Combine soup and tomatoes; pour over tortillas. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake, uncovered at 350 for 25 to 30 minutes or until heated through.

## Fresh Strawberry Cake

This moist cake is a great one to serve at a summer picnic. A lot of people have strawberries because they are in season. There have also been some good tasting ones at our local grocery store. This cake is just pretty, so enjoy a beautiful summer treat.

1 C. unsalted butter, softened  
1 2/3 C. sugar  
1 box (3 oz.) strawberry Jell-O  
3 eggs  
2½ C. flour  
½ t. baking powder  
½ t. baking soda  
¼ t. salt  
1 C. buttermilk  
½ C. finely chopped fresh strawberries

### Frosting:

1 kg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened  
¼ C. unsalted butter, softened  
½ t. vanilla  
¼ t. salt  
6 C. powdered sugar  
½ C. finely chopped fresh strawberries

Preheat oven to 325. Spray a 9 x 13 pan with baking spray with flour. In a large bowl, beat butter, sugar, and Jell-O with a mixer at medium speed until smooth and fluffy, 4 to 5 minutes, stopping to scrape sides of bowl. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. Gradually add flour mixture to butter mixture alternately with buttermilk, beginning and ending with flour mixture, beating at low speed just until combined after each addition. Stir in chopped strawberries. Spread batter into prepared pan. Bake until a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean, 45 to 50 minutes. Cool completely.

Frosting: In a large bowl, beat cream cheese, butter, vanilla, and salt with a mixer at medium speed until smooth and creamy, about 2 minutes, stopping to scrape sides of bowl. Gradually add powdered sugar, beating at low speed until smooth, stopping to scrape sides of bowl. Add strawberries; beat at medium speed until fluffy, about 1 minute. Spread frosting onto cooled cake. Garnish with strawberries. Cover and refrigerate for up to 3 days.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF JO DAVIESS, STATE OF ILLINOIS NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff(s), vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS OF IDA MAE NORTON, CFNA RECEIVABLES (TX), LLC SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO THE ASSOCIATED FINANCIAL SERVICES OF IOWA, SHERI HORNUNG, KELLY ASHFORD, ROBERT NORTON, TIM MILLER AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, UNKNOWN OWNERS, AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).  
 RCASE No. 22 FC 78  
**PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
 The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF IDA MAE NORTON, SHERI HORNUNG, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS and UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Jo Daviess County, Chancery Division, by the said Plaintiff, against you and other Defendants, praying for foreclosure of a certain Real Estate Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:  
 COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SAID SECTION 9; THENCE EAST ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SAID SECTION 9, A DISTANCE OF 2088.31 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY, AT AN ANGLE OF 85 DEGREES - 25 MINUTES - 28 SECONDS AS MEASURED COUNTER-CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, A DISTANCE OF 348.66 FEET TO A POINT IN A TOWNSHIP ROAD; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON SAID TOWNSHIP ROAD, AT AN ANGLE OF 187 DEGREES - 52 MINUTES - 10 SECONDS AS MEASURED

CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, A DISTANCE OF 756.94 FEET; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTHWESTERLY ON SAID TOWNSHIP ROAD, AT AN ANGLE OF 203 DEGREES - 48 MINUTES - 35 SECONDS AS MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, A DISTANCE OF 715.90 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF SAID TOWNSHIP ROAD; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON THE CENTERLINE OF SAID TOWNSHIP ROAD, AT AN ANGLE OF 174 DEGREES - 41 MINUTES - 10 SECONDS AS MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, A DISTANCE OF 399.05 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HERINAFTER DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ON THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, A DISTANCE OF 221.11 FEET; THENCE WESTERLY, AT AN ANGLE OF 64 DEGREES - 41 MINUTES - 44 SECONDS AS MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, A DISTANCE OF 234.92 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS. THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CONSISTING OF THREE TRACTS OF LAND, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED ABOVE. AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED FROM ELMER HARNWICK, A MARRIED PERSON, THE GRANTOR(S), TO ROBERT WILLIAM NORTON, SR. AND IDA MAE

NORTON, HIS WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON, THE GRANTEE(S) BY VIRTUE OF DEED DATED 08/14/1973, AND RECORDED 08/14/1973, IN BOOK 193 AT PAGE 792; RE-RECORDED 10/09/1973, IN BOOK 194 AT PAGE 152 AMONG THE AFORESAID LAND RECORDS.  
 Tax Number: 13-000-038-33  
 commonly known as 9798 WEST BUCKHILL ROAD GALENA IL 61036; and which said Real Estate Mortgage was made by IDA MAE NORTON, and recorded in the Office of the Jo Daviess County Recorder as Document Number 389668; that Summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending.  
 Now, therefore, unless you, the said named Defendant, file your answer to the Complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Circuit Court of Jo Daviess County, located at 330 NORTH BENCH STREET, ROOM 204, GALENA, IL 61036, on or before July 14, 2023, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JO DAVIESS COUNTY - GALENA, ILLINOIS**

Federal National Mortgage Association PLAINTIFF Vs. Karen Dick a/k/a Karen L. Dick; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS  
 No. 2023FC5  
**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:**  
 Karen Dick a/k/a Karen L. Dick Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants  
 That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:  
**COMMONLY KNOWN AS:**  
 237 N. Simmons St Stockton, IL 61085 and which said Mortgage was made by:  
 Karen Dick a/k/a Karen L. Dick the Mortgagor(s), to Midwest Community Bank, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as Document No. 307203; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.  
 NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Kathy Phillips Clerk of the Circuit Court Jo Daviess County Courthouse 330 N. Bench Street Galena, IL 61036 on or before July 28, 2023, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.  
 CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300  
 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-23-02362  
 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.

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 A Public hearing will be held for the Village of Lena 2023-24 Appropriation Ordinance on July 10, 2023, at 5:50 p.m. A copy of the proposed Appropriation Ordinance is available to view at Village Hall during normal business hours prior to the public hearing. The board will act on the Appropriation Ordinance at the July 10, 2023, Board Meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m.  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JO DAVIESS COUNTY 330 NORTH BENCH STREET, GALENA, ILLINOIS**  
 ESTATE OF Dansby Charles Seestadt, DECEASED.  
 23 PR 35  
 Notice is given to creditors of the death of the above named decedent. Letters of office were issued to Leah Seestadt, 434 West Maple Avenue,

Stockton, Illinois 61085, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney of record is SJ Chapman, Bielski Chapman, Ltd, 123 North Wacker Drive, Suite 2300, Chicago, Illinois 60606.  
 The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755, par. 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF JO DAVIESS - GALENA, ILLINOIS**  
 Planet Home Lending, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Brian Donath AKA Brian H. Donath; Unknown  
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Claimants,  
Defendants,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, PLAINTIFF, VS. DENNIS C CLIFFORD A/K/A DENNIS CHRISTY CLIFFORD; SUSAN M CLIFFORD A/K/A SUSAN MARIE CLIFFORD; JOHN LYDON, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF ROSEMARY A CLIFFORD, DECEASED; THE GALENA TERRITORY ASSOCIATION, INC.; EAGLE RIDGE TOWNHOUSE ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ROSEMARY A CLIFFORD; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; KATHLEEN BAILEY; FRANK CLIFFORD; PAULA HERRMANN; KAREN DENNIS, DEFENDANTS.

NO. 22 FC 11 101 PLUM COVE DRIVE GALENA, IL 61036 JUDGE PRESIDING JUDGE

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Rosemary A Clifford Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Frank Clifford defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

Eagle Ridge Townhouse Unit 101, being part of Lot 1 of "Branigar's Plat of Eagle Ridge Unit "B", of the Galena Territory" A subdivision located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 28 North, Range 2 East of the Fourth Principal meridian, Guilford Township, Jo Daviess County, Illinois; (According to the Plat thereof recorded September 18, 1981 as Document No. 160560, in Plat Book 14, Pages 124 and 125 and now located in plan hold B of Plats, No. 83, A&B; said part being bounded by a line described as follows;) Beginning at a

point in said Lot 1, which is South 89 Degrees 50' 00", West 57.52 feet from the Northeast Corner of said Lot 1; thence South 65 degrees 36' 38" East, 26.08 feet; Thence South 24 degrees 23' 22" West 50.00 feet; Thence North 65DEGREES36'38" West, 26.08 feet, thence North 24 Degrees 23'22" East, 50.00 Feet to the Point of Beginning, in the County of Jo Daviess and State of Illinois.

Commonly known as: 101 Plum Cove Drive Galena, IL 61036 and which said Mortgage was made by, Dennis C Clifford a/k/a Dennis Christy Clifford, Susan M Clifford a/k/a Susan Marie Clifford and Rosemary A Clifford Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for CashCall, Inc

Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as Document No. 368625; and for other relief.

UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case, on or before July 21, 2023, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

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PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1 N. Dearborn St. Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 Ph. (312) 346-9088 File No. 21-07158IL-784827 I3222711

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for LB-Igloo Series IV Trust, PLAINTIFF, Vs. Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Jerry Moutrey; The Bank of New York

Mellon FKA the Bank of New York, as Successor for the CWABS Master Trust, Revolving Home Equity Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 2004-C; Mariah Moutrey; Kipp E. Meyers, as Special Representative of Jerry Moutrey; Michelle Moutrey; Pamela Moutrey; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, DEFENDANT(S).

Case No. 2022FC25 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Jerry Moutrey Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 3 OF A SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF OUT LOT 8 OF WINNESHEIK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF FREEPORT; SITUATED IN THE CITY OF FREEPORT, IN THE COUNTY OF STEPHENSON AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 818 East Shawnee Street, Freeport, IL 61032

and which said Mortgage was made by:

Jerry Moutrey (deceased),

the Mortgage(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of STEPHENSON County, Illinois, as Document No. 200300048408; modified 201900168523; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Shanelle Bardell Clerk of the Circuit Court 15 North Galena Avenue Freeport, IL 61032-0785 on or before, July 21, 2023, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS GreenState Credit Union PLAINTIFF

Vs. Timothy J. Davenport; Mitchell E. Davenport; State of Illinois - Department of Revenue; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Adrian M. Davenport; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants; Kipp Meyers, as Special Representative for Adrian M. Davenport (deceased)

DEFENDANTS No. 2023FC34

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Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Adrian M. Davenport Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

1018 Langdon Place Freeport, IL 61032 and which said Mortgage was made by:

Adrian M. Davenport Frances A. Davenport the Mortgage(s), to Midwest Community Bank, Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Stephenson County, Illinois, as Document No. 200800094425; Continued on next page



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Continued from previous page and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

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PLAINT.  
CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS  
Illinois Housing Development Authority

PLAINTIFF  
Vs.  
Christopher A. Page; Sara S. Page; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants  
DEFENDANTS  
No. 2023FC27

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Christopher A. Page  
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

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CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
Attorneys for Plaintiff

15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-23-02655  
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- The June winners are:
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## REAL ESTATE NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF JO DAVIESS - GALENA, ILLINOIS Planet Home Lending, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Brian Donath AKA Brian H. Donath; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants, Defendants,

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NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., James J. Nack, 106 North Main Street, Galena, Illinois 61036, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

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The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

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comes out clean, about 20 to 22 minutes. Cool completely on a wire rack.

Frosting: In a small bowl, beat butter, cream cheese, and extracts until blended. Gradually beat in powdered sugar until smooth. Add the food coloring. Spread over cooled cake. Top with fresh strawberries and additional poppy seeds.

### Final Thoughts

We are just one week away from the Fourth of July! In the old days, that was a signal that summer was half over. I don't believe we can think that way anymore. Summer weather extends into September and even October now. It is the signal for a lot of summer things to finish up. There are fairs that will be charging into late July and early August, schools start earlier, and summer sports wind down. Hopefully you will all get some time to spend at the pool or the lake, eat good summer foods, and spend some time with family. Soon our garden friends will have some produce, too! Don't forget the Music in the Parks on Saturday and Sunday and get ready for the local Fourth celebrations.

If you have some great summer recipes and would like to share, you can contact us in person, by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, *The Shopper's Guide* at 240 W. Main St. or email us at scoopshopper@rvpublishing.com

## Kitchen

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### Poppy Seed Strawberry Cake

The combination of poppy seeds and strawberries makes this cake one that is not as sweet. The great thing about this cake is that you make it in an 8-inch square pan. It is great for a small group, and you won't have a lot of leftovers. It also fits in the refrigerator better!

- 1/2 C. sugar
  - 1/3 C. 2% milk
  - 1/4 C. butter, melted
  - 1 egg, room temperature
  - 1 t. strawberry extract
  - 1/2 t. vanilla
  - 1 C. flour
  - 1/2 t. baking powder
  - 1/2 t. baking soda
  - 1/2 t. salt
  - 1/4 C. crushed strawberries
  - 1 t. poppy seeds
  - 4 drops red food coloring
- Frosting:
- 3 T. butter, softened
  - 3 oz. cream cheese, softened
  - 1/4 t. vanilla
  - 1 1/2 C. powdered sugar
  - 3 drops red food coloring
- Fresh strawberries for garnish

Preheat oven to 350. Grease an 8-inch square baking pan. In a large bowl, beat sugar, milk, melted butter, egg and extracts until well blended. In another bowl, whisk flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt; gradually beat into sugar mixture. Stir in berries, poppy seeds, and food coloring. Transfer to prepared pan. Bake until a toothpick

## Drones

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to counter a high risk of a terrorist incident based on U.S. Department of Homeland Security intelligence or to prevent "imminent harm to life or to forestall the imminent escape of a suspect of the destruction of evidence."

But some in the digital rights world say that the law still leaves the door open for police to use other surveillance technologies that encroach on people's civil liberties. Beryl Lipton is a law enforcement

technology and surveillance researcher at the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a digital rights advocacy group. EFF was not engaged in the process of drafting HB 3902.

"It's good that they have protections on facial recognition technology, but there are other biometric technologies that could be used," Lipton said, pointing to gait analysis as one example.

Although Lipton said that her organization has concerns

any time police use drones, she added that there are good reasons for drones to be used in some circumstances. Ultimately, however, Lipton said that local governments should be involved in determining appropriate use of police technologies for their communities. "There should be a municipal, local conversation about surveillance," Lipton said.

The law went into effect immediately after Pritzker's signature on June 16.

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- Join us in the gym for fellowship and light refreshments immediately following services.
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- Kiddie Tractor Pull - 11 a.m.
- Bounce Houses - 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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