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## Historical Significance of Architecture

By Sofi Zeman

Belvidere is a city that values history. This can be proven just by driving through the center of town. Here, years of history and stories can be told through the city's architecture. The existence of multiple landmarks helps to give us the opportunity to remain intact with our Belvidere roots.

Logan Avenue, with establishments such as Alpine Bank and the offices of Landmark Plaza, once had much more to it than what is seen today. This image looks down Logan Avenue, facing west towards South State Street.

The small white building in front is a Standard Oil gas station. Standard Oil was a nationally popular gas and oil company founded in 1870 by John D. Rockefeller. Room for the construction of this specific Standard Oil station was made possible through the destruction of the side porch and lawn of the Julien House hotel in 1938.

The Julien House was among the most exclusive and high end hotels in nineteenth century Belvidere. Built in 1850, the hotel was frequented by socialites and businessmen coming from outside city limits. This was a place of prestige, social events, weddings and business functions. A third level was finished in 1870, the addition making for a total of seventy five rooms. The building was a city landmark for over a century as it was handed around by multiple owners over the years. The entire building was eventually torn down in 1955 and has since been replaced by a parking lot for the Landmark Plaza offices. Landmark Plaza currently holds NLT Title, RAMP Center for Independent Living and the Tobin & Ramon law firm.

While developments require the occasional demolition of structures such as in this circumstance, the City of Belvidere has gone to great lengths to preserve its historical aspects. From the old victorian homes scattered around town, to the businesses with original framework, Belvidere has its own subtle mix of past and present.

The continuance of this combination can be attributed to several local individuals, that for years have worked to encourage the preservation of notable historical buildings and structures and has thus been able to each day subtly commemorate the past. With this said, we would like to thank the Boone County Historical Society for providing us with our weekly cover images, along with other resources that help to give us insight on the evolution of Belvidere over time.

## Youth Travel Abroad Opportunities

by Cathy Ward

BELVIDERE - Boone County youth between the ages of 15 and 20 are invited to apply for a two-week trip to either France or Germany as part of the annual Sister Cities Association of Belvidere youth exchange program.

Four teens will again be selected this year for this special youth ambassador program and those chosen will live with families in either Vaux-le-Penil, France, or Schwieberdingen, German, this summer. Dates for the exchange are around July 15 and August 1.

To be selected, the youth must be U.S. citizens, fill out an application page, get three letters of recommendation from teachers ministers, community leaders (one may be from a friend), and complete a 150 word essay on : "Why I would like to be a Youth Ambassador."

The deadline to apply is Feb. 1. Applicants will be interviewed by Sister Cities President Brad Peters or Vice President Kris Meek.

Those chosen will be awarded a \$1,500 stipend from Belvidere's Sister Cities to cover air fare and a few related costs. Youth should be prepared to have a valid passport and take some extra money for a few other incidental expenses such as souvenirs or gifts for host families. Knowing a foreign language is a plus.

Host families in France and Germany are carefully chosen by members of our European sister cities

groups.

As part of this exchange, four youth from France and Germany will be spending two weeks in Boone County with our local host families.

Applications and additional information is available at [belvideresistercities.org](http://belvideresistercities.org).

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# Is Consolidation Vital In Lowering Tax Bills?

By Sofi Zeman

Illinois' property tax rates and its ever-increasing debt have been rising for several years. According to the Illinois Policy Institute, the state's multiple units of government are to be held at least partially responsible for this. In the fight to lower a property tax rate that is among the highest in the nation, a majority of Illinois taxpayers have to deal with three levels of local government to make any progress. These include municipal,

county and township governments. There is a separation of duties in Illinois counties when others in the state and across the nation, deal with only two layers of government. It is for this purpose that an attempt is being made to give Illinois residents the chance to eliminate township government.

Currently, in order to eliminate township government in one county in the State of Illinois, ten percent of voters in every township in the county must sign a petition. This places a referendum on the ballot.

To put this into perspective, ten percent of registered voters in each of the nine townships in Boone County (Belvidere, Caledonia, Boone, Spring, Bonus, Flora, Leroy, Manchester, Poplar Grove) would need to sign such a petition in order for the matter to move forward.

Recently, Illinois State Representative David McSweeney of Barrington Hills wants to provide Illinois taxpayers and voters more say over whether they want township government. The ordinance he plans to introduce will trigger a referendum on eliminating township government if only five, rather than ten percent signed a petition.

While this possible change in legislation would not eliminate all township government in Illinois, it would give voters an easier opportunity to decide for themselves if they want to township government. The Illinois Policy Institute also discussed consolidation of Illinois' school districts. Of the considerable amount of money collected in Illinois through property tax annually, well over half of this is sent to school systems across the state.

Many school districts in Illinois have no more than one school in them. Among the state's 859 local districts, 34 percent host fewer than 600 students, averaging 2,399 students per district overall. With a larger number of school districts, comes the need to hire more administration and faculty alike.

The Illinois Policy Institute believes that while cutting the number of school districts can be counterproductive, the merging of districts is often beneficial. Many elementary and middle schools are broken into separate districts from their respective high schools. Placing all three in a district with a single superintendent and shared funding creates an opportunity to save money and reduce administrative expense. Another solution is to consolidate within districts. An example of this would be a district with multiple under populated schools of the same level merging.

An argument against consolidation comes from those who value a smaller, "more controlled" school environment. Voters in school districts across the country have voted against consolidation, wanting to keep their schools individualized rather than combined.

However, claims have been made that consolidation has the not only fiscal benefits, but educational. Dan Roberts, a writer for SHP Leading Design is a superintendent in Ohio that consolidated over one hundred elementary schools during his time as an administrator. In 2016, he commented on the benefits of consolidation within schools.

"There were five different reading programs being taught throughout the seven elementary schools... After consolidating to one elementary school, a single reading program was developed and had the assurance of it being taught consistently to all students. This consistency ensures that the district was delivering on internal goals and meeting state educational requirements," wrote Roberts.

The cost of running a school district comes from taxpayers, and in-

cludes substantial salaries and pensions for superintendents, along with the salaries of teachers.

According to the Illinois Policy Institute, cutting the number of school districts in Illinois creates the opportunity to annually save the state, taxpayers and the school system millions of dollars.

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# Growth Dimensions Welcomes New Board of Directors

(news release) - John Wolf, GM Sales Manager for Jack Wolf Auto was elected to serve as President of the Growth Dimensions Board beginning January 1, 2018. Joining John Wolf as officers of the board include Vice Presidents Diana Dykstra, Village of Poplar Grove Administrator and Kent Kniep, President of Poplar Grove Bank; Treasurer Michael St. John, VP, Retirement Plan Services Manager, Alpine Bank; and Secretary Matt Branom, Vice President, the Boone County Shopper.

"Economic development and the growth of our community is one of the most valuable contributions I can make to enhance the quality of life in our region. I am honored to serve and hope to do everything within my ability to help the board continue the tradition of economic development for Boone County established by the wonderful past leaders of Growth Dimensions," said John Wolf. John Wolf succeeds Richard (Dick) Van Evera, Attorney for Barrick, Switzer, Long, Balsley & Van Evera, who will remain on our board. "I want to offer my thanks to Dick for his years of dedication to the organization and improving Boone County through both his corporate responsibilities and many volunteer roles, including serving as the President of Growth Dimensions for the past several years."

Richard Van Evera and Greg Brown were recognized last month for their years of leadership and service with Growth Dimensions. Greg Brown, Belvidere Community School District 100 Chief Financial Officer will remain on the board after his years of commitment as the Growth Dimensions Treasurer.

"I am extremely pleased with the diversity of talent and the strength of commitment from our board,"

Executive Director of Growth Dimensions, Pamela Lopez-Fettes, said. "We have a compassionate and passionate group of experts; the perfect symmetry as we implement our 2018 strategic priorities and continue to build on the growth and strength of our community."

## Seed Starting and Seed Swap

Has the cold weather got you down? Are you ready for spring so you can get back into your garden? Whether you are new to gardening or have been doing it for years, we invite you to join the University of Illinois Extension Boone County Master Gardeners as they partner with Ida Public Library to hold a Seed Starting and Seed Swap program.

How does it work? Participants are encouraged to bring their own seeds to share with others and take seeds home for this year's garden. Don't have seeds? No problem, come anyway. There will be a variety of things to learn while you are there. Seeds can be for flowers, vegetables, herbs, grasses, bulbs, trees and shrubs, etc. We ask that your seeds are non-GMO. Please label the seeds you bring with enough information about them so that those who take them are well informed of what they are getting.

The Seed Starting and Seed Swap program will be held on Tuesday, January 30 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at Ida Public Library located at 320 N. State St. in Belvidere. The night will include a presentation on seed starting, seed

swapping and some hands on activities. Kids are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult. The Boone County Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer any questions you may have on gardening. So come for an evening of fun with other gardeners, to share and gain knowledge and to make new friends.

This is a free event, but registration is needed to ensure we have enough handouts. To register for this event, please call Ida Library at 815-544-3838. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please call the Boone County Extension office at 815-544-3710



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--In Our Opinion--

## New Year's Resolutions

Once again, it's the mad scramble to find 2018 calendars! Once we have them firmly in place our thoughts turn to what is going to be different this year.

Lose weight, stop smoking, get in shape...

We have a few resolutions for Boone County for 2018:

1. Mercy Hospital on Riverside Drive will open in one year. Boone County has one year to get ready.

That gives Boone County, Caledonia and Belvidere Township twelve months to develop a plan to deal with traffic. There is no question this hospital will become a destination for Boone Countians and that traffic will increase along Riverside, Orth and Spring Creek Roads. Riverside and Orth seem particularly unsuited to higher traffic volume.

We are not calling for four-lane roads, low speed limits, or, may God forbid, traffic lights. What we do see the need for are more modern roads to include shoulders, turning lanes where appropriate, and such. Were this twenty years from now, self-driving cars may well solve the problem. As this isn't 2038, we need to do something now, or the number of accidents in that area will inevitably increase.

On that same note, we remind our bus service that they will need to serve Mercy Hospital directly. It's time to plan for that. We see an interesting opportunity. Similar demands will be placed on the State Line Mass Transit District. (That's the dial-a-ride service that operates in Rockford's northern suburbs.) State Line connects with both the Rockford and Beloit bus systems. That means it would be possible to travel directly from Belvidere to Janesville with only two transfers.

While our primary concern is to connect Belvidere with O'Hare and Chicago, connecting us to Rock County would be a big step in improving mobility. This would presumably also give us another transfer point to the Rockford system and better access to many locations in north Rockford and Loves Park.

2. Boone County is hungry. We need more and better restaurants. Doughnuts and pizza have their place, but

so does a decent place to have a steak. Something with more charm than having 1970s music blaring. Perhaps this is an assignment for Growth Dimensions. Seriously, if Clinton, with a population of 2100 can support several good restaurants, certainly Belvidere can. We really think this is a first step toward attracting business and new residents to the county.

3. Take control of Boone County's finances. It is really difficult to support increasing the sales tax yet again under the premise that we need more money for the jail. The county jail has always been utilized well under its capacity and is bleeding both the county and the sheriff's department. Furthermore, we seem to have considerable excess capacity in our schools as well. It's not fair to taxpayers to expect them to continue to subsidize these excess facilities. We need a better resolution. It's time to take a serious look at these facilities and make some tough decisions.

4. We need to get serious about the library. A community without library service, PBS and other educational opportunities is not going to attract (or even retain) the kind of families and businesses that Boone County wants. It's time to expand the library district and then build an appropriate building. Let's get started on that.

There are many other things we need to do. There have been several incidents in Belvidere where sewage has backed up in homes and businesses. Fixing this should be a high priority. Similarly, as developers would like to start solar farms, we need a well-written ordinance that sets up guidelines. Soil conservation, visual screening and establishing a bond fund to assure decommissioning all need to be part of that plan.

We also need to be mindful of the need to preserve what we have. As the county develops, it is important we don't drown ourselves in heavy traffic. It takes five minutes in good traffic to get from Downtown Belvidere onto Interstate 90 toward Chicago. This is Belvidere's advantage over Crystal Lake and Woodstock. Let's not squander it.

Road. Topics to be discussed include the stone school and a sexual harassment policy.

**25th Annual Collector Club Toy Show-** Sunday, January 14, 2018. 9 A.M.-3 P.M. Located at the Marengo Community High School, 110 Franks Rd., Marengo, IL (East, off Route 20) Admission: \$3 ADULTS- CHILDREN 10 & UNDER FREE. Farm Toys, Trucks, Cars and Construction Toys. Food, Raffles, and Door Prizes. For more information, call 815-226-9010.

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## Unwanted Opioids a Difficult Legislative Issue for Illinois

By Scott Reeder

SPRINGFIELD – Obtaining the drug was easy, but getting rid of it was hard.

When my ankle was reconstructed recently, the surgeon prescribed oxycodone, a powerful opioid painkiller.

I only needed the medicine for a couple days and ended up with a lot left over. I tried to take the remaining pills to a local pharmacy to have them destroyed, but my pharmacist just shook her head.

The law bars her employer from accepting such powerful painkillers, she explained.

Some pharmacies have a special Drug Enforcement Administration permit to accept all drugs, others don't. And some pharmacies have trouble finding a service willing to haul away opioids for disposal.

We are in the middle of an opioid crisis, but our government is making it difficult to safely get rid of these drugs.

Last year, according to the New York Times, more Americans died of drug overdoses than were killed in the entire Vietnam War.

And the American Society of Addiction Medicine reports that 259 million opioid prescriptions were written in 2012 – more than enough to give every adult in this nation their own bottle of pills.

With three children in my home, I knew I didn't want to leave one of those bottles sitting on my shelf.

When I was kid, we flushed unused medicine down the toilet.

But we know better now. Sewage systems and septic tanks don't filter out drugs and they end up in our waterways.

The University of Illinois Extension Service explains that even though the chemicals occur at low levels, they are causing changes in behavior, reproduction, and growth in frogs, fish, mussels, and other aquatic animals.

Several friends encouraged me to just flush it or bury it in the backyard.

Sorry, guys, that wasn't going to happen.

When my mother died, her hospice nurse told us to mix her pills with unused kitty litter and have them hauled away with the garbage.

That's a bad idea too.

Addicts dig through the garbage looking for drugs. In fact, nursing homes have been plagued by folks rummaging through Dumpsters looking for used fentanyl patches.

Some police stations and pharmacies have special drop boxes where medicines can be left. But the closest to my house was seven miles away.

I was willing to make the trip, but many people aren't.

Every community in Illinois should have a convenient, safe location like a police station where unused drugs can be deposited.

It should be as easy to get rid of a prescription as it is to pick one up.

## Community News & Events

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**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on March 14, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on February 5, 2018, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT FIFTY (50) IN DAWNGATE SUBDIVISION, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 44 NORTH, RANGE 3, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED JUNE 5, 1992 AS DOCUMENT NO. 92-4159 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 1336 PERRSONS PARKWAY, BELVIDERE, IL 61008

Property Index No. 05-36-427-010.

The real estate is improved with a single family home with an attached two car garage.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information: Visit our website at service.atty-pierce.com. between the hours of 3 and 5pm. McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel.No. (312) 416-5500. Please refer to file number 10742.

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Case Number: 15 CH 183  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff, -v-  
ROSE A. SMITH, et al Defendant

**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 26, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on February 1, 2018, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT TWO HUNDRED THIRTY FOUR (234) AS DESIGNATED UPON PLAT NO. 4 OF PRAIRIE GREEN OF POPLAR GROVE, BEING A SUB-DIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 44 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, THE PLAT OF WHICH WAS RECORDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 AS DOCUMENT NO. 2004R11613 IN PLAT INDEX FILE ENVELOPE 303-B IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 524 PRAIRIE POINT DRIVE, POPLAR GROVE, IL 61065

Property Index No. 05-11-230-004.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-17-06324.

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Attorney File No. 14-17-06324  
Attorney ARDC No. 00468002  
Case Number: 17 CH 00070  
TJSC#: 37-9073

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff, -v-  
MELCHOR SERVIN, et al Defendant

16 CH 00116

**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 13, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on January 18, 2018, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT ONE (1) IN BLOCK THIRTY-ONE (31) AS DESIGNATED UPON THE PLAT OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF BELVIDERE, THE PLAT OF WHICH IS RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 312 E. MACOMB STREET, BELVIDERE, IL 61008

Property Index No. 05-26-212-007.

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-16-11523.

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Attorney File No. 14-16-11523  
Attorney ARDC No. 00468002  
Case Number: 16 CH 00116  
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NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA Plaintiff, -v-  
NESHAT AHMEDOSKI, et al Defendant

16 CH 00106

**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on November 14, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on February 16, 2018, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT ONE HUNDRED TEN (110) AS DESIGNATED UPON THE PLAT OF CANDLEWICK LAKE UNIT NO. 4, BEING AS SUBDIVISION OF PORTIONS OF SECTIONS 27 AND 28, TOWNSHIP FORTY-FIVE (45) NORTH, RANGE THREE (3) EAST OF THE THIRD (3RD) PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 72-415 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 108 S.W. MINARETTE DRIVE, POPLAR GROVE, IL 61065

Property Index No. 03-27-378-004.

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-16-09934.

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Attorney ARDC No. 00468002  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF BOONE - BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9  
MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

TOBIN SIPP, KATHERINE SIPP, UNKNOWN TENANTS,  
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,  
Defendants,

17 CH 56

**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 Thursday, February 1, 2018, at the hour of 12:15 p.m. inside the front entrance of the Boone County Courthouse, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

THE NORTH 8 RODS NORTH AND SOUTH OF LOT 5 AND OF THE EAST 11 FEET IN WIDTH EAST AND WEST OF LOT 6, ALL IN BLOCK 4 OF COHOON'S ADDITION TO BELVIDERE, AS PLATTED AND RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN BOOK OF PLATS, PAGE 523 AND BEING A TRACT OF LAND 8 RODS IN WIDTH NORTH AND SOUTH FRONTING ON THE WEST SIDE OF WHITNEY BOULEVARD AND 4 RODS AND 11 FEET WIDE EAST AND WEST FRONTING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF FOURTH STREET; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AN STATE OF ILLINOIS.

P.I.N. 05-36-153-005.

Commonly known as 905 WHITNEY BOULEVARD, BELVIDERE, IL 61008.

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.  
Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Sales Clerk at Law Offices of Ira T. Nevel, 175 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606. (312) 357-1125. Ref. No. 17-00832  
Dated: December 15, 2017  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IROQUOIS FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION Plaintiff, -v-

ERIC J. CZEPEK AKA ERIC JAMES CZEPEK, JENNIFER ANN KALAFUT CZEPEK AKA JENNIFER ANN CZEPEK AKA JENNIFER KALAFUT-CZEPEK AKA JENNIFER KALAFUT, PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Defendant

16 CH 139

**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 10, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on January 24, 2018, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Lot Sixty-five (65) as designated upon Belvidere Prairie Place Final Plat No. 2, as part of the East 1/2 of the S.W. 1/4 of Section 28, T. 44 N., R. 3 E. of the 3rd P.M. in the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois, the Plat of which is recorded in the Recorders Office of Boone County on April 29, 2004 in Plat index file envelope 295-B as Document No. 2004R04931; situated in Boone County, State of Illinois.



Commonly known as 4157 HUBBARD TRL., BELVIDERE, IL 61008  
Property Index No. 05-28-377-006.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$136,472.54.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in AS IS condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

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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, contact Plaintiff's attorney: HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC, 111 East Main Street, DECATUR, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719 Please refer to file number 587807249.

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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Attorney File No. 587807249

Case Number: 16 CH 139

TJSC#: 37-11188

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the City of Belvidere, County of Boone, State of Illinois, on or before February 7, 2018, default may be entered against you after that date and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.

Prepared by:

Jason D. Augsburger,

#6304592

PRAIRIE STATE LEGAL SERVICES, INC.

303 North Main Street, Ste. 600

Rockford, IL 61101

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
BOONE COUNTY

IN RE THE MATTER OF: Stacy  
Loraine Rose No. 2017-MR-195  
NOTICE OF FILING OF  
PETITION FOR CHANGE OF  
NAME

Notice is given you, the public, that on February 13, 2018 I will file a Petition For Change of Name in this Court asking the Court to change my present name of Stacy Loraine Rose to the name of Stacy Loraine Olson.

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ASSUMED NAME  
CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

State of Illinois County of Boone ) ss This is to certify that the undersigned intend... to conduct and transact a Painter business in said County and State under the name of MAC Painting at the following post office addresses: 10556 Rte 173 #13, Capron, IL, 61012 and that the true and real full names of all persons owning, conducting or transacting such business, with the respective residence address of each, are as follows:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF  
RESIDENCE: Michael Chafin,  
10556 Rte 173 #13, Capron, IL,  
61012. Signed: Michael Chafin,  
12/05/17

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 5th. day of December, 2017, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Giselle Lenover, Deputy

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ASSUMED NAME  
CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

State of Illinois County of Boone ) ss This is to certify that the undersigned intend... to conduct and transact a Construction business in said County and State under the name of Nassab's Construction at the following post office addresses: 195 Red Oak Street, Poplar Grove, IL, 61065 and that the true and real full names of all persons owning, conducting or transacting such business, with the respective residence address of each, are as follows:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF  
RESIDENCE: Tahrek Nassab,  
195 Red Oak Street, Poplar Grove,  
IL, 61065. Signed: Tahrek Nassab,  
01/03/18

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 3rd. day of January, 2018, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Sherry Blauert, Deputy

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## Public Notices

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### POPLAR GROVE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Poplar Grove Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Village Board Room, 200 North Hill Street, Poplar Grove, Illinois, 61065 upon the following:

Application of the Village of Poplar Grove, 200 North Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065 on behalf of the property owner, Clifford Kreger, 201 North State Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065 for a variance to reduce the side yard setback from five feet to two feet (Poplar Grove Zoning Ordinance Sections 8-6-6-G-5-b side yard setbacks and 8-5-6 Variance) on 8,983 square feet located at 201 North State Street within the R-3, Single-family Residential 3 District. The subject property is legally described as:

The East Seven (7) rods and Three (3) feet of the South Six (6) rods and Two (2) feet of Lot Fourteen (14) in Woodwards Addition to the Town of Poplar Grove, as platted and recorded in the Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois. Situated in Boone County, Illinois. PIN: 03-24-227-036.

The Village of Poplar Grove, applicant is proposing an amendment to the Village of Poplar Grove Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Section 8-8-3-E (Exemption for aviation hangars) in accordance with Section 8-5-4, Text Amendment. The proposed text amendment is available for public review at the Poplar Grove Planning Office (401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere) during regular business hours.

All persons interested in the petitions may attend and be heard at the stated time and place.

Jake Dykstra, Chairman,

Poplar Grove Planning and Zoning Commission

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOONE COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Boone County Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, 1212 Logan Ave, Belvidere, IL 61008 upon the following:

The applicant Jason Jordan, 174 N Peir Drive, Machesney Park IL 61115, for a Map Amendment (Chapter 2.10.2 Amending the Zoning Map) at 398 US Rt 20 Cherry Valley IL 61016 from A-1 Agricultural Preservation Area to I-1 Light Industrial District and an appeal from 3.14.6.B (Landscaping Standards) of 3.14 US Highway 20 Corridor Overlay District, on 1.22 acres of unincorporated Flora Township; and 0.68 acres of Belvidere Township; in Boone County Illinois. PINS: 07-06-126-017 and 05-31-300-014. Legally described as 6-43-3 RIVERSIDE FARMS PT LOT 18 LYG IN SEC 6-43-3 398 US ROUTE 20 and RIVERSIDE FARMS PT LOT 18 LYG IN SEC 31-44-3.

All persons interested may appear at the hearing and be heard at the stated time and place.

Brian Van Laar, Chair Boone County Zoning Board of Appeals

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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF BOONE

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: ROSALINA CASTANEDA,  
Petitioner, vs. MANUEL GOMEZ-VALTIERRA, Respondent.  
Case No.: 2017-D-121

### NOTICE

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN YOU, MANUEL GOMEZ-VALTIERRA, Respondent in the above-entitled action, that Petitioner, Rosalina Castaneda, has commenced a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage in the Circuit Court of Boone County against you, praying for a Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage and other relief. Proper procedures according to law have been taken and said suit is still pending.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, Manuel Gomez-Valtierra, file your Response to the Petition for Dissolution of Marriage in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein in the said Court of the 17th Judicial Circuit, Boone County, Illinois held in the courthouse in

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