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FAIR CANCELED



Putting the safety of fairgoers, staff and partners first, the Boone County Fair Board has voted to cancel the 2020 Boone County Fair. The Fair Association and staff have been agonizing over this decision for several months.

A highly contagious pandemic, Covid-19, has gripped the entire world, sickened millions and, to-date killed over 100,000 Americans, including 17 in Boone County. The virus has no definite cure, and, despite the worldwide, tireless efforts of researchers, an effective vaccine has not been developed to date. The virus is particularly dangerous for older people and those with already compromised health. For the time being, large gatherings of people are simply unsafe.

Wearing face masks to prevent the spread of the disease has become the norm in Boone County as well as throughout the world. Schools have been closed, church services have been held online and many businesses shuttered. Other large festivals in the region such as the Grant Park Concerts in Chicago, the Ravinia Festival in Highland Park, and the Wisconsin State Fair in Milwaukee have also been canceled.

The Boone County Fair traces its roots back over 150 years to what is now Spencer Park in Belvidere. The fair was taken over in 1957 by

the Granges of Boone County and now occupies a large, modern fairgrounds just north of Belvidere. It has grown to be the largest county fair in Illinois with nearly a quarter million attendees. It is the defining annual event in Boone County.

Showcasing Boone County, the fair attracts visitors from all over Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin. The fair is held in mid-August and features well-regarded equestrian and other livestock events, representing over a dozen species. Competitions are held in hundreds of categories ranging from baked apple pies to floral arranging to woodworking. A carnival, operated by Skinner's Amusements, is a perennial favorite. Many local nonprofit organizations operate food concessions at the fair, exchanging reasonably priced refreshments for a sizeable percentage of the organizations' annual charitable budgets. Long-time Boone County residents often see old friends and reminisce.

Since this newspaper's inception nearly twenty-five years ago, *The Boone County Journal* has published the definitive guide to the Boone County Fair. We have enjoyed our time together and we look forward to joining together with old friends in 2021.

Pritzker Tells Trump His Rhetoric is 'Making it Worse'

Trump tells governors 'you have to do retribution' in response to destructive actions

by Jerry Nowicki Capitol News Illinois

A conference call between U.S. governors and Republican President Donald Trump led to

the latest in a series of spats between Illinois' governor and the president Monday.

"You have to dominate, if you don't dominate you're wasting your time. They're going to run over you. You're going to look like a bunch of jerks. You have to dominate," Trump told the governors, according to CBS news, which obtained audio recordings of the call.

Trump reportedly admonished the governors for what he deemed a weak response to protests, which were sparked by the death of

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Letter to The Editor

To The Editor:

This past weekend has added a new national crisis, one that has now touched us at the local level as well. Following yet another senseless murder of an unarmed black man by a poorly trained and undisciplined police officer, we have seen non-violent demonstration and civil disobedience across our nation. In light of decades of violence against blacks by police and others, this is an entirely justified and proportionate reaction. Sadly, under cover of this rightful indignation, criminal elements have seized the opportunity to engage in looting and wanton destruction.

In one sense, this is not a new crisis. For far too long African Americans have been made to feel like they don't belong (keeping in mind I'm white and can't actually speak for the black community), and far too many have died as a result of our prejudiced attitudes. Discrimination, overt and subtle, has been a fact of life here for the last 400 years.

I was at a demonstration and march in DeKalb on Saturday, and thought it was exactly the right type of protest. Well attended and civil, respecting the rights of the community, many or most of whom share our values. I was less comfortable with blocking a major intersection in DeKalb on Sunday, but it was still a non-violent protest, and perhaps made more of a point. But the looting and violence are going too far, and must be condemned. Yes, members of our community are frustrated, and have seen peaceful protests produce no results. While we don't yet know who's behind the illegal activity – if these are people angry at the system or merely opportunists - these latter actions distract from the real crisis, the systemic mistreatment of a significant and important segment of our society. In DeKalb, at least, it appears that the looting was unrelated to

the protests, and in fact some protesters stepped in to try to stop the looting. Please, let's keep the protests numerous and large, but civil. Let's not judge entire populations by the actions of a few, but let's call out those bad actors who give their communities a bad name. And please, let's treat all people as equals, and thus end the need for these actions. Far too many of us have been far too silent for far too long. We need to work together to bring about a country that guarantees life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for ALL of our citizens.

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Liberal Arts Colleges in Peril; Can They be Saved?

by Jim Nowlan

There are 4,000 degree-granting colleges and universities in our nation: community colleges, private liberal arts colleges, regional and urban public universities, and graduate research centers. I have taught within each type; each has its strengths and makes distinctive contributions to society.

Yet I have a soft spot in my heart for the liberal arts college, of which there are 700-800 in the U.S. With 500-2,000 students each, the schools offer a personal approach rarely found elsewhere. Rather than specialize the mind, these schools broaden and enlarge the mind.

Illinois has more than its share of these colleges, from Rockford down to McKendree in Lebanon. They were often started in the 19th century by Yankee ministers who believed in the civilizing influence of higher education, and before the development of public colleges.

Faculty often invite students into their homes for supper and talk during a term. Ditto for informal chats among faculty, staff and students over coffee between classes in the student center. Athletes who are not big or fast enough to play in the Big Ten can pursue their love of the game at these schools. And fellow students cheer on these true student athletes, whom they actually know.

Professors are there to teach and mentor. Most are devoted to their students, even though the pay is often less than many high school teachers pull down. Many such schools are like a big family, and the hot-house environments often lift graduates into top-flight graduate, medical, law and professional schools.

Yet I fear many liberal arts colleges are in peril, the drip-drip of closures over recent decades turned into a steady stream, exacerbated by the coronavirus. The 30 or so top-ranked such schools and the few others with big endowments will be fine, yet most liberal arts colleges have measly treasuries.

Many, maybe most liberal arts colleges have been struggling for decades. Many reasons:

- relatively high cost, and parental skittishness over taking on heavy debt, which has helped keep many liberal arts colleges afloat in recent decades;
- declining numbers of high school graduates;
- location often in small, out-of-the-way cities and hamlets, which never grew;
- dramatic expansion of lower-cost public universities and community colleges, the latter supported by both state appropriations as well as property tax dollars, and located close to their student markets;
- elimination long ago of direct Illinois state aid for private colleges, as well as sharp reductions in the past decade in the state's need-based scholarship programs, and
- online education, which doesn't require "the college experience."

The coronavirus may now push many liberal arts institutions over the edge. One in Illinois, MacMurray College in Jacksonville, announced last month it is closing after 174 years at the end of the semester. Predictions are that uncertainties about how college will be conducted this fall might drive higher education enrollments down by 20 percent. Whatever the decline, it may be worse at ol' Siwash (a fond to me, out-of-date term for the typical liberal arts college).

After all, say parents and students, why should we pay relatively big bucks for the personalized college experience, if there may not be so much of an on-campus experience this coming fall, or even into the future?

Of course, every private college alum and trustee believes, though with knitted brow, that his ol' Siwash will survive, as others succumb. And planning for alternative futures, the trustees fret, would send the worst of signals to the larger world.

What to do? Possible options, among others, I'm sure:

- Cooperative colleges. Share foreign language, geology, classics, environmental science and other small department faculty.
- On-campus "Academies of Advanced Excellence" — for talented high school students in the college's region, who can't get enough physics, computer science, foreign language, advanced music or whatever from their limited high school programs.

Similar to the "dual credit" courses offered to high schoolers by community colleges, "advanced excellence" could be, like AP courses, more rigorous than dual credit, and possibly accepted by top private colleges and universities.

These academies would augment the continuing, traditional liberal arts college program.

If staying open is not an option, maybe transform a campus into a Hope Meadows. Former University of Illinois professor Brenda Eheart converted a closed military base near her university into a community that brings oldsters together with foster care families in a mutually supportive living environment. Hope Meadows has been replicated in nine places across America, or similarly,

Reconfigure a campus into a senior living complex with rich social, educational and performance opportunities.

I would hate to lose a single ol' Siwash. We would be the poorer for it. Creativity is obviously required to sustain and strengthen the viable liberal arts colleges, and transform those that aren't.

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--In Our Opinion--

The Right Decision

More than 1,000 Gather for Peaceful Protest at Illinois Statehouse

*Black Lives Matter activists denounce
law enforcement violence against
African Americans*

by Peter Hancock Capitol News Illinois

A peaceful protest organized largely by teenagers drew several hundred people to the Illinois Statehouse on Monday to demonstrate against the recent death of George Floyd in Minnesota and countless other African Americans who have died at the hands of law enforcement throughout the U.S. in recent years.

Monday's protest came the day after an estimated 3,000 vehicles took part in a parade through the state capital's downtown area while more violent protests gripped Chicago and other major cities throughout the U.S.

Protests were also reported in Champaign, Aurora and Rockford, according to the Illinois State Police.

Floyd died Monday, May 25, after a white Minneapolis Police officer pinned him to the ground and held his knee on Floyd's neck for several minutes while three other officers took no action to stop it. All four of the officers have since been fired and the officer who knelt on his neck was charged with third-degree murder.

Floyd reportedly was suspected of trying to spend a fake \$20 bill.

"They just take it like another black man killed by the police. We don't take it like that," Nykeyla Henderson, 17, one of the organizers of the protest, said during an interview.

With chants of "black lives matter," "I can't breathe," and "hands up, don't shoot," the throng marched from the Statehouse toward the city's downtown area until they were blocked by barricades to prevent them from getting near the city's municipal building. From there, they turned south, marching just past the Abraham Lincoln home and then back to the Capitol.

Several people who attended the demonstration talked about what went through their minds when they first saw the images of Floyd's death, as well as their own experiences with law enforcement.

Henderson said she had personally had several negative encounters with Springfield police over the years.

"I've seen them manhandle my dad," she said. "I've seen my dad get arrested, I've seen my mom get arrested before right in front of me. I've seen my dad being snatched out of my hands by the police before. I've seen them constantly come by my house. ... I've had problems with the police before. I was standing on the side of

It is no understatement that 2020 is a challenging year for everyone. We have all had to make decisions, often with incomplete information. We are confronted with a lethal virus that feels more like science fiction than the stuff of daily life. As if that were not enough, we find ourselves in an economic crisis resembling the Great Depression. Moreover, a senseless decision by a Minneapolis police officer has triggered protests, riots and looting in over 150 American cities including Chicago, Rockford, Madison and Milwaukee. Earlier this year, we had angry taxpayers filling City Council meetings, alternatively defending and demanding reform of the Belvidere Police Department.

Our schools are closed, and graduation ceremonies have been canceled. Our churches are shuttered, and we can't even shake hands with our neighbors. Politics has gone into overdrive. We have heard the suggestion that we should intentionally sacrifice the lives of older Americans in order to keep the economy going. We have had local politicians issuing press releases calling Governor Pritzker a "dictator," because said politicians have not able to get drunk at the local bar due to quarantine efforts. Said politicians equate the situation to Venezuela.

The mere act of wearing a face mask to protect you and your neighbor's health has become a political statement!

With the return of warm weather, we are all longing for happier, more normal times.

The centerpiece of Boone County, Illinois has been its fair. This week, we learned that it is canceled because of the virus. Harvard Milk Days, another popular ritual of the early summer, has been postponed until at least mid-October. Like everyone, we are disappointed and heartbroken. Somehow, a demolition derby or a game of "cow-chip bingo" seems like the supercilious catharsis that we need.

It was with a heavy heart that the Boone County Fair Board canceled the fair. After all, the fair has been an institution in Boone County for over a century and a half. Many livelihoods rely on a successful, six-day run at the Boone County Fair. Understandably, the Board found itself procrastinating as long as it could before facing the inevitable.

It was the right decision. Putting the lives of not only those attending the fair, but also the collateral victims of super-spreading Covid-19 at the Boone County Fairgrounds, who indeed

might be hundreds of miles away, would be unconscionable. Surely in 2020 we know enough about epidemiology to re-

alize this. Attending or exhibiting at the Boone County Fair is not worth dying for. There is always next year.

Many decisions have been made this year. Indeed, this year's mantra could well be "we have never done it that way before." Some of these decisions, like wearing a mask in public and washing hands, have helped avoid the spread of germs and saved lives. A few of the decisions have been questionable: Forcing the candlestick maker to close his business while allowing Walmart to sell candlesticks down the street raises our eyebrows. And it seems to us that the candlestick maker is entitled to some recompense.

In judging the decisionmakers, we ask if a decision was made in good faith, to score political points, or just out of inconsiderate greed. In any major struggle, brilliant decisions are made along with the absurd. Those of us who are mature accept responsibility for our actions and accept the consequences.


Today, we salute the Fair Board and support their decision in the strongest possible terms.

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Protest

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the road talking to my mama one day and they stopped me.”

“George Floyd’s death, it brought anger to me and it brought anger to the two other people that helped me organize this,” said Ariona Fairlee, 15, one of the organizers. “And you can’t just sit around anymore. Like, we’re young but the young is what needs to change things because nobody else is going to do it.”

“Horrified but not surprised,” said Maya Harris, of Springfield. “Personally, in my opinion, I always feel uneasy around the police. I always have that sense of fear, that sense of guilt, that sense of uncertainty. And that just goes with growing up black in America, and growing up black period, anywhere. You have that sense of uncertainty with the law. You don’t know if you feel protected or not.”

The demonstrations Sunday night and Monday afternoon in Springfield were largely peaceful, although some buildings in the downtown area

had been marred by graffiti, including a local performing arts center where someone had spray-painted the words “stop killing us” on an exterior wall.

Still, Gov. JB Pritzker said Monday that he had issued disaster proclamations for Sangamon County and eight other counties in the state at the request of local authorities so that Illinois State Police could be deployed to aid local law enforcement in maintaining control.

ISP Director Brendan Kelly said in a separate news conference that 300 troopers from various divisions had been temporarily reassigned to assist in patrol operations as needed through regional support centers in northern, central and southern Illinois.

Kelly said that there have been reports of looting, criminal damage to property, arson and other crimes in various cities throughout the state.

“This is not just a Chicago-focused concern by any stretch of the imagination,” he said. “We’ve had requests for assistance from every

part of the state.”

Meanwhile, Henderson said she hopes the demonstrations in Springfield remain peaceful, although she said she understands the anger that has led to more violent actions elsewhere.

“I applaud everyone who’s doing it for the right reason,” she said. “If you’re doing it for the right reason, I applaud you. But we’re going to keep this peaceful until something is done against us. If nothing is done against us, we’re going to keep it peaceful.”

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Rhetoric

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George Floyd, an unarmed Minneapolis man who died Monday, May 25, after being pinned to the ground for nearly nine minutes with a white police officer’s knee on his neck.

The president called violent and destructive protestors “terrorists,” according to audio of the phone call shared by the New York Times. He said the governors must arrest and charge those protestors with crimes and give them punishments lasting years.

“They’re anarchists, whether you like it or not,” Trump said in the call, according to the Times audio. “I know some of you guys have a different persuasion and that’s OK, I totally understand. I understand. I’m for everybody. I’m representing everybody. I’m not representing radical right, radical left. I’m representing everybody. But you have to know what you’re dealing with, and it’s happened before. It’s happened numerous times. And the only time it’s successful is when you’re weak.”

Last week, Trump posted to Facebook and Twitter that “when the looting starts, the shooting starts.” He has not formally addressed the nation since Floyd was killed or since widespread protesting began.

“Someone throwing a rock is like shooting a gun,” Trump told the governors in the Monday phone call. “You have to do retribution.”

Democratic Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker told the president he took issue with his tone and lack of unifying response.

“I wanted to take this moment — and I can’t let it pass — to speak up and say that I’ve been extraordinarily concerned about the rhetoric that’s been used by you,” Pritzker said, according to a transcript. “It’s been inflammatory, and it’s not okay for that officer to choke George Floyd to death. But we have to call for calm. We have to have police reform called for. We’ve called out our national guard and our state police, but the rhetoric that’s coming out of the White House is making it worse. And I need to say that people are feeling real pain out there and we’ve got to have national leadership in calling for calm and making sure that we’re addressing the concerns of the legitimate peaceful protestors. That will help us to bring order.”

Pritzker, as recently as last week, called Trump a “xenophobe” and a “racist” in a public news conference. Since he ran for governor in 2018, Pritzker has frequently criticized the president, and the pair has sparred about the federal government’s novel coronavirus response.

“Okay well thank you very much JB,” Trump said in response to the governor. “I don’t like your rhetoric much either because I watched it with respect to the coronavirus, and I don’t like your rhetoric much either. I think you could’ve done a much better job, frankly. But that’s okay. And you know, we don’t agree with each other.”

With protests continuing in several Illinois

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cities Monday, Pritzker hosted a media availability from the James R. Thompson Center in Chicago and addressed the matter upon questioning.

“The truth is that the President has fanned the flames instead of bringing peace and calm,” he said. “It is usually the job of the president to stand up in these circumstances, and try to bring down the temperature, that’s not what this president does.”

He said after about 40 minutes on the call with Trump using what Pritzker deemed to be “inflammatory rhetoric,” he spoke out.

“I wish that the President would hold his words,” Pritzker said. “I wish he would, if he can’t say something that is going to help us across the nation to bring the temperature down, then he shouldn’t say anything at all.”

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Black Caucus: ‘Far too much to Accomplish’ to let Looting Take Away from Message

‘Burned out storefronts and looted shops’ can’t be monument to George Floyd, leaders say

by Jerry Nowicki Capitol News Illinois

Members of the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus detailed their ongoing fight for racial equality and made calls for the end of looting at a news conference held at a recently-looted strip mall Tuesday on the south side of Chicago.

“What we are seeing is pent up anger and frustration and neglect manifest itself in a very ugly way, but pain is ugly, and when people have had enough, it comes out in all forms,” state Sen. Kimberly Lightford, D-Maywood, said at the event. “But don’t get me wrong, I do not condone destruction of property, especially in our own communities, where you lay your own head.

“But I understand the sense of hopelessness that people are feeling. And I’m tired of people telling me, and us in the Black Caucus, what to do instead of simply providing opportunities for us and our people.”

The lawmakers made their call amid ongoing protests over the death of George Floyd, an unarmed black man who died May 25 in Minneapolis after being pinned to the ground for nearly nine minutes with a white police officer’s knee on his neck.

Rep. Kambium Buckner, D-Chicago, said he’s been in the streets of his community every day for the past week speaking to young people.

“For generations black parents and guardians have given the same lecture to all of our children: Act a certain way, don’t go certain places to avoid confrontations. This is essentially direction from us to argue about how to stay safe from the police,” Buckner said. “Let’s be real. Being respectful didn’t work for Chris Cooper. Avoiding confrontation did not work for Ahmaud Arbery, not going to certain places did not work for Breonna Taylor, and doing what you’re told absolutely did not work for George Floyd.”

Buckner said people are rightfully angry, but cautioned this could not be “just like every other time” a black person is unjustly killed.

“We need to channel our energies in the right direction and stand with our youth in order to lead the charge to make that happen,” he said. “But I also can’t rightfully sit here and talk about three days of looting in our community — which is wrong — unless I scream about decades of looting of our community, our schools, or hospitals, our hopes, our dreams, our dignity. This time has to be different.”

Members of the Black Caucus also laid out policy initiatives, listed existing legislative wins and called on white leadership in both parties to act on behalf of black communities.

State Sen. Elgie Sims, a Chicago Democrat, said the Black Caucus has worked to make Illinois the first state to authorize body cameras, banned use of the chokehold, made efforts to combat racial profiling permanent, removed barriers to unemployment and obtaining various licenses, and made expungement more available for non-violent offenders.

“The fight continues. And we will continue to work to reform our state, criminal justice system, which has far too often criminalized poverty, mental illness and substance abuse, as opposed to addressing the underlying challenges of years of chronic disinvestment, and the byproduct of the policies of benign neglect.”

The lawmakers said they fought this session to include funding for black communities in the state’s appropriation of federal CARES Act funding, and that education programs and other initiatives important to minority communities did

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Source of Drinking Water
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Contaminants that may be present in source water include: - Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife. - Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming. - Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses. - Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems. - Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, persons with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Source Water Information

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Report Status	Location
WELL 2 (01110)	GW		

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City Hall or call our water operator at 815-224-1650. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>.

Source of Water: CAPRONBased on information obtained in a Well Site Survey published in 1989 by the Illinois EPA, one potential secondary sources are located within 1,000 feet of the wells.The Illinois EPA has determined that the Capron Community Water Supply's source water is not susceptible to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including; monitoring conducted at the wells; monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system; and available hydro geologic data on the wells.

2019 Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead and Copper

Definitions:

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	09/27/2017	1.3	1.3	1.2	3	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	09/27/2017	0	15	8.2	2	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Level 2 Assessment: A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

na: not applicable.

mrem: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

Water Quality Test Results

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

Treatment Technique or TT: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	2019	0.6	0.4 - 0.6	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2019	2	2 - 2	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2019	3	2.9 - 2.9	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	07/03/2018	0.24	0.1 - 0.24	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	07/03/2018	0.37	0.283 - 0.37	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	07/03/2018	1.4	0.62 - 1.4		1.0	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Manganese	07/03/2018	21	8.6 - 21	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2019	0.449	0 - 0.449	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium	07/03/2018	6.8	6.5 - 6.8			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration.
Zinc	07/03/2018	0.0092	0 - 0.0092	5	5	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Naturally occurring; discharge from metal
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228	2019	2.98	0.68 - 2.98	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

LEGAL NOTICES

Public Notices

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY
 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Megan Frances Siete
 Case No. 2020-MR-65

NOTICE OF FILING PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE
 Notice is hereby given, that on July 14, 2020, at 10:00 am, I will present a Petition requesting that the Court change her present name of Megan Frances Siete, to the name of Maggie Willow Badran. The hearing will take place at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. Main St., Belvidere, IL 61008 Courtroom #4
 Published in the Boone County Journal May 29, June 5, 12

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, June 24, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the Village Board Room, 200 North Hill Street, Poplar Grove, Illinois, 61065 upon the following:

The applicants, Cassie Kramer and Aaron Ekberg, 7861 North Boone School Road, Capron, IL 61012 are proposing an amendment to the Poplar Grove Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Sections 8-6-9(B) General Business District, 8-6-11(B) Light Industrial District, 8-6-13 Permitted Uses Table, 8-7-11 Indoor Retail Sales/Slaughterhouse and 8-7-12 Temporary Uses and Special Events in accordance with Section 8-5-4, Text Amendment. The request will permit meat processing facilities that are attached to on-site retail sales in the General Business and Light Industrial Districts.

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.

Gina DelRose
 Community Development Planner
 Published in the Boone County Journal June 5

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

In the Matter of the Estate of William L. Lockhart, deceased
 Case No. 2020 - P - 38

CLAIM NOTICE
 NOTICE is given of the death of William L. Lockhart. Letters of Office were issued on May 26, 2020 to David Lockhart, 12568 Tweed Drive, Loves Park, Illinois 61111, who is the Independent Executor of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Burkhard Geissler, Geissler Law Office, P.C., 6845 Weaver Rd., Suite 100, Rockford, Illinois 61114.

Claims against the estate must be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court or with the representative, or both, on or before December 10, 2020, which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this Notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.

E-filing is mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider.

Dated: May 28, 2020
 /s/ David Lockhart

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

In the Matter of the Estate of THOMAS J. KENNY, Deceased.
 No. 2020-P-39

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of THOMAS J. KENNY, Belvidere, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on May 27, 2020 to JACQUELINE HOULE, as Independent Executor whose attorneys are WILLIAMS McCARTHY LLP, 120 W. State St., P.O. Box 219, Rockford, IL 61105.

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

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Winnebago County Courthouse, Room 108, 400 W. State St., Rockford, IL 61101 or with the representative, or both, on or before December 7, 2020, or within 3 months from the date of mailing or delivery of notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

JACQUELINE HOULE
 Independent Executor
 Published in the Boone County Journal June 5, 12, 19

VILLAGE OF CAPRON, ILLINOIS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Capron, Illinois, will hold zoning/planning hearings on June 22, 2020, at 6:40 p.m. at the Village of Capron Village Hall, 250 West Main Street, Capron, Illinois 61012 to consider the following described zoning/planning matters:

1. A request for a zoning map amendment for a portion of the Property having PIN No. 04-02-400-013 proposing that said Property be zoned to the "C-2 Commercial District" zoning classification within the Village upon annexation. Filed by Capron DG, LLC with the express written authorization of Mark & Lisa Priest, LLC.

Members of the public are invited to attend this public hearing, at which time an opportunity will be given to address the members of the Village of Capron Board of Trustees.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Capron, Illinois, will hold a public hearing on June 22, 2020 at 6:55 p.m. at the Village of Capron Village Hall, 250 West Main Street, Capron, Illinois 61012, to consider a proposed annexation agreement to be entered into by and between the Village of Capron, Capron DG, LLC, and the current Owner of the below described unincorporated property ("Unincorporated Property"). Said Unincorporated Property is described as follows:

A. A portion of the Property having PIN No. 04-02-400-013. Filed by Capron DG, LLC and Mark & Lisa Priest, LLC.

Members of the public are invited to attend this public hearing, at which time an opportunity will be given to address the Village Board of Trustees.

Dated: June 3, 2020
 /s/ Darron M. Burke, Village Attorney
 published in the Boone County Journal June 5, 2020.

A Public Notice is an important tool in assuring an informed citizenry; a conduit of information from the government to the public. Notices are mandated by legislatures to make sure there is a public window into the activities of governments, officers of the court and others holding a public trust. Among the most common types of public notices are: hearings, government budgets, notices of contract bids, foreclosures, probate notices, adoptions, and dissolution of marriages, name changes and assumed business names. There are four key elements to a public notice:

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Enabling an informed citizenry through newspaper public notices helped America to develop participatory democracy where it counts: where money is spent, policy is made and futures charted. Public notices by government and private parties are so tightly woven into the American fabric that many citizens may take them for granted. Located in easily found sections of the newspapers, public notices reach out to interested readers, leading them to opportunities. Voices are expressed on taxation, communities are formed around planned public improvements, and assets are saved from loss to unworthy creditors – all as a result of public notices.

Public Notice Network

Black Caucus *continued from page 5*

not lose needed financial aid.

Going forward, the lawmakers said they wanted to see government investment in the communities hardest hit by looters, many of which were African-American neighborhoods on Chicago's south and west sides, according to Chicago Democratic Rep. Lamont Robinson Jr.

"Our work is cut out for us," he said. "We do not accept burned out storefronts and looted shops will be the monument to George Floyd. To rebuild, we need lenders to make sure capital is available. We need the programs and services of our state and local governments laser-focused on returning these businesses to viability, for the sake of our communities."

Robinson said he owns an insurance business on the south side. His business was spared, although several of his neighbors were hit by looters. He said calls to the police went unanswered in the community.

"I worked hard with my fellow entrepreneurs to build a commercial strip worthy of our customers," he said. "And now we must figure out how to rebuild from this devastation."

Robinson said the property damage was worse for businesses already reeling from shutdowns forced by the COVID-19 pandemic and associated stay-at-home orders.

"We do not need rhetoric nor empty promises from the city or state," he said. "We need guarantees that resources will be readily available and accessible to rebuild our businesses and our communities, the same resources that will be available to our counterparts downtown and on the near north side."

Dr. Stephanie Johnson, owner of Plano Vision Center, said her businesses was hit by looters. The business provides not-for-profit services to children, adults, and low-income and minority families on the south side.

"I don't know if you can imagine being a black business owner, seeing the majority of your black community coming in and looting and you can't do anything," she said, later adding that those who helped her clean up restored her faith. "I saw young people, meeting me here that day, cleaning out the glass. It did my heart great."

Still, she said, property can be replaced, and "it doesn't compare to the devastating loss" of the "countless of other black lives lost to anti-black bias."

The leaders emphasized spending money at local businesses once they rebuild as well.

Rep. La Shawn Ford, D-Chicago, called on the governor to sign an executive order "to immediately respond to the crisis in our community." Lightford called on lawmakers to create an Office of Inclusion to be confirmed and "set in stone" by the Illinois Senate.

She also called for police reform that includes accountability to the public, a rehabilitative justice system and access to resources to rebuild minority communities, as well as diversity in corporate boards and management.

"We have far too much to accomplish to let looting continue to take away from our message that black lives matter," she said. "And we're sick and tired of asking for basic human rights. We're demanding our humanity, and I will not let this moment pass us by."

Lightford called on those present at the news conference to "come to Springfield, bring your organizations, testify, advocate, be a presence, not just in the black community, but at the Statehouse, and we will yield better results for our people."

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