



The Civil War and Boone County

By *Burke Cochran*

The Civil War was a contentious and divided time in United States History. After the inauguration of President Abraham Lincoln, Confederate forces charged Fort Sumter in South Carolina starting the Civil War. The uncompromising differences between the states allowing and prohibiting slavery and the controversy over the role of the federal government to decide the issue over the sovereignty of incorporated areas that had yet become states became insurmountable, and the country divided. This time saw the separation of families, communities, and a nation.

The aftermath of the Civil War left a legacy for generations. Nearly 2.75 million soldiers fought in the Civil War, and 620 thousand of those soldiers died. The scars of the Civil War can be seen in Boone County.

This picture is of a group of Civil War Veterans, taken in Boone County. The story of their era is told in their eyes - sullen, morose. The men that took part in this war were affected by the dispiriting nature of the conflict.

Boone County had an extensive involvement with the Civil War. The Boone County Fair is an example. Since 1855, the Boone County Fair, previously called the Fair of the Boone County Agricultural Society, has been a hallmark of community engagement in the area. This event, which is of grand significance to area residents, was discontinued during the Civil War. Had it not been discontinued during this time frame, the fair would have qualified as one of the oldest in Illinois.

An important veteran of the Civil War is also buried in Boone County, Stephen A. Hurlbut. Hurlbut

was a delegate to the Illinois State Constitutional Convention for McHenry and Boone county. He then became a member of the Illinois State House of Representatives before serving as a general for the Union Army in the Civil War.

Boone County had many other veterans of the Civil War. There were nine different infantry regiments organized in Boone County.

The 95th Infantry was dominated primarily by residents of both Boone and McHenry county. Three of the ten divisions in the infantry were filled with people exclusively from Boone. The first combat seen by this group was in the operation against Vicksburg. Memphis and New Orleans had already fallen from the grasp of the Confederate Army, and the last major Confederate stronghold left on the Mississippi River was Vicksburg. This city was also of pivotal importance because of its location. The trade between the Great Plains and the South would be cut off without Vicksburg; this victory split the Confederacy into two. After a complicated battle, including several failed attempts at taking over the city by the Union Army, the city was finally ceded by the Confederate defenders on July 4, 1863.

The following year, the 95th Infantry was also involved in another large-scale campaign. This was the Atlanta Campaign, which sought to slow the Confederacy from sending reinforcement troops and supplies to battle. The Union Army had aimed to do this by barraging the Confederate Army between Chattanooga and Atlanta. There was that There was difficulty raising supplies between these areas, and they were dependent upon the Western and Atlantic Railroads for any supplies. This battle was aimed

at cutting off Confederate forces. The Union Army would send a group to interrupt the Confederate forces and hold them up defensively, while the rest of the Union forces would go around the other side of the Confederates to cut them off. In this case, after being cut off, the Confederate forces withdrew at nightfall to the next defensive line closer to Atlanta.

One of the last campaigns taken on by the 95th Infantry before the end of the Civil War was the Battle of Nashville. This battle was postponed twice. First, by the general of the army fighting in the battle, who decided not to attack the opposing army until the cavalry of the general's army could be rebuilt. At the time, the Union Army fighting there was lacking horses because of earlier combat. The second postponement of this battle was because of the weather. After rebuilding the cavalry forces, the Union Army was just about to attack until a large snowstorm hit Central Tennessee, leaving the battlefield nearly impossible to navigate. A week later, on December 15, the Union Army stormed the Confederate Army, and the Confederate was overwhelmed. After retreating South, the Confederate forces were followed by the Union forces and lost many troops to desertion and capture. For the rest of the war, that section of the Confederate Army was no longer an offensive threat.

City Takes Steps Toward the Future

by *David Larson*

Belvidere City Council this week passed an ordinance that will bring cellular phone service to another level in the area.

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Letter to The Editor

Dear Boone County Residents,

Thanks to those of you that were able to stop and visit my "Diann Helnore for County Clerk booth" at the 2018 Boone County Fair, and to those great folks who assisted me in greeting Boone County residents all week long. It was a great Fair, as always, and I know all of us will be looking forward to attending it again next year!

For those of you that were not able to attend the Fair or were unable to visit my booth, Please feel free to contact me personally, whether it is to offer assistance, put up one of my yard signs or if you have any questions about my campaign, please let me know.

I ask for your support with my campaign and I hope that I can have your vote of confidence in the General Election on November 6, 2018. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Diann Helnore

Candidate for Boone County Clerk & Recorder

Dear Editor,

I attended the Belvidere City Council meeting on Monday, August 20, 2018. I presented the Alderman with a list of our thoughts supporting the proposed sales tax increase. They voted 6-3 to approve the increase. My thoughts were:

What are the facts?

City government is good government.

City government is the best local government in Boone County.

City Elected and appointed officials working with department heads deliver the good services that we all depend on.

City employees fire, police, and public works do a good job.

Home Rule gives the City the flexibility to do what is necessary to address problems on a timely basis.

No one wants their taxes raised.

City government does not have the option of passing the buck- it has needs. Two of the major ones

are funding employee pensions (mandated by the state) and maintaining city infrastructure. The cost of these needs must be met. Tax caps have limited funds to pay for those needs.

The mayor and department heads provide guidelines for each budget. The Aldermen vote to approve the budget and set priorities for things that need to be done.

The people put their trust in their elected representatives to do what is right- not what is politically correct or sounds good. Aldermen who are voting to approve the sales tax increase are acting in a responsible manner.

A gentle reminder, the sales tax increase does not apply to medicine or food- essentials. It will pay the cost of doing City business- pensions and infrastructure without going into debt. Aldermen who are voting to approve the sales tax increase are doing what is proper and necessary to keep Belvidere a good place to live.

Thank you,

Andrew Racz

Editor:

Wasteful Spending

Most or all of you recently received literature from Adam Kinzinger which states in small print "This mailing was prepared, published and mailed at taxpayer expense." This literature is not a survey to get your opinion. This is campaign material sent out by Kinzinger at your expense. Regardless of your party affiliation, you are paying for Kinzinger's campaign. This is deceitful, insulting to voters and a waste of taxpayer money which could be better spent.

The section labeled Government Survey is not a survey. I worked in Marketing Research for 40 years and can tell you his two questions do not constitute a survey. Kinzinger is gathering contact information for campaign purposes and doing so without your knowledge as evidenced by the identification number printed by Question 1. Responses are not anonymous. He will know exactly who you are and how you respond. This may be legal by government standards but is unethical by business standards. The American Marketing and Marketing Research Associations do not allow any deceitful methods regarding data or information gathering.

These deceptive and unethical practices as well as wasteful spending say a lot about Kinzinger's character. He is not professional.

Wayne Borchardt

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Small cell towers are here as state-of-the-art technology bringing wider bandwidth, faster speed and broader coverage to Boone County. Small cell tower technology is a network of micro towers placed in the right-a-way on utility poles to relay signals to the main towers already in existence. It is the infrastructure necessary for G5.

The new G5 cell phone infrastructure is based on the deployment of the small cell tower. G5 cellphone connectivity will provide the following over present technology.

- Up to 100x higher user data rates
- Up to 100x more connected devices
- Up to 10x lower latency
- Up to 1000x more data volumes

The State of Illinois has drafted legislation regulating local governments in their crafting regulation which provided for licensing fees and rents of towers that are city property. The city will enforce structural integrity and height limitations. Most of these will new cell towers will be almost undetectable, being placed on intermittent utility poles.

It is not clear if this will be the first step in wide area WiFi or simply just cell phone data and signals. What is clear is that one will always be much closer to the cell tower than one is presently. What impact that will have on our culture one can only imagine.

5G networks are forecast to cover around a third of the global population by 2025, with adoption reaching 1.1 billion connections.

In other council action, the widely-followed additional one-half percent sales tax passed and will begin being collected January 1, 2019. A majority of the council believed that the tax would be relatively painless and finance the challenges the city is facing from pension costs to road and infrastructure improvements. Of the quarter-billion dollars in sales in the city yearly, \$1.2 million in sales tax will be collected at the rate of \$5.00 per thousand dollars purchased. For example, if a purchase of a new lawn tractor from R.J. Daniels is \$2,000, an extra \$10 would be collected because of this increase. Just as it would be collected anyplace else in the area, except Beloit, where it would be \$40 less.

Before the ordinance was passed an amendment was offered to earmark the funds for infrastructure projects and in particular, storm sewer improvement on the South Side, rather than putting them into the general fund. In a close vote, it failed with one alderman changing his vote at the end of voting. Alderwoman Wendy Frank, representing the Third Ward, argued that the public believed that the city could cut spending.

Obituaries

Boylan, Arnold, 95, Cherry Valley, August 13
 Fowler, Grace, 95, Belvidere, August 19
 Newport, Robert, 94, Belvidere, August 13
 Smerke, Edward, 69, Cherry Valley, August 3

Fredrick Robert Fay

August 6, 1931 - August 17, 2018



Fredrick Robert Fay, 87, of Capron, IL, passed away on Friday, August 17th, 2018 at Alden Estates of Naperville, IL. He was born August 6th, 1931 in Chicago, IL to Ferdinand and Wanda (Saidak) Fay-Rhodda. On June 5th, 1954, he was united in marriage to Marilyn Lenore Hoeltje in Elmhurst, IL.

He served his Country in the United States Navy. When he lived in Crystal Lake, he led worship songs at Calvary Assembly of God Church. When he and his wife moved to Capron, IL he attended Harvard Bible Church in Harvard, IL. He and his wife raised his children to love God and others. He was an engineer by trade and liked tinkering on computers and working with mechanical items. He enjoyed reminiscing about life experiences, completing word puzzles, and reading. He appreciated listening to the music of Arthur Fiedler, Herb Alpert, and Patti Page.

Frederick is survived by his two sons, Fred (Pam) Fay Jr. of Fircrest, WA and John Fay of Anaheim, CA; three daughters, Karen (Kirk) VonLanken of Columbia, TN, Linda (David) Huber of Sugar Grove, IL, and Sheryl (Stephen) Abt of Viroqua, WI; one brother, Michael (Debbie) Fay of Mundelein IL, 13 grandchildren; and 9 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Paul Fay and Joseph Fay.

A celebration of his life will be held on September 8th at New Life Church, 3205 Cannonball Trail, Yorkville, IL 60560

Community News & Events

Swedish American Special Care Nursery Reunion- SwedishAmerican's Special Care Nursery is hosting its annual reunion on Saturday, August 25 from 10 AM- 12 PM. Hundreds of former patients, now kids of all ages, will celebrate with other "superheroes" and reunite with SwedishAmerican's SCN doctors, nurses and staff. The reunion will be held in the Camelot Tower parking lot on SwedishAmerican's campus, 1415 E. State Street, Rockford. If it rains we'll take the party inside in the Heart Hospital first floor conference room. SCN families are asked to RSVP by Wednesday, August 22 at tiny.cc/SCNReunion.

Homegrown & Homemade Genoa Market- Buy Fresh, Buy Local. Located in the City Parking Lot (Corner of Route 72 & S. Genoa St.) Live Music, Fresh Produce, Kids Activities, Tastings and More! 4th Saturday Of every month starting : August 25 and September 22nd. From 9:00am-2:00pm.

First United Methodist Annual Pork Chop Dinner- Saturday, August 25th from 4:00-7:00 PM. Dinner includes a delicious 10 ounce grilled pork chop prepared by 5Bs Catering, corn on the cob, baked beans, applesauce, dinner roll, choice of desserts and drinks. Carry outs available. Please join us! Tickets are \$12,00 and are available at the door. Located at 610 Bonus Ave. Belvidere.

The Midtown Ethnic Parade and Festival- Sunday, August 26, 2018 from noon to 6:00 pm on 7th Street and 4th Avenue. The event features the parade, ethnic food booths, cultural booths, and ethnic performances. We are looking for more ethnic groups

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Riots at '68 Democratic Convention Rocked Chicago, State

By Tom Emery

The year 1968 was a tumultuous time in America, rife with assassinations and social upheaval. And politics were often at the center of it.

This week marks the 50th anniversary of the Democratic National Convention in Chicago, which remains a seminal episode in the unrest of the decade. The war in Vietnam was the main cause of the riots, though other factors fueled the angst that was broadcast to millions on live TV.

"Norman Mailer, the author, was on target in labeling the convention 'the siege of Chicago.' From start to finish, the convention was surreal" said Taylor Pensoneau of New Berlin, who covered the convention as a political writer for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. "However, it was a very ugly surrealism." "I watched the violent disruption at the seams of a great American city," continued Pensoneau, "and witnessed vicious, unimaginable discord I never thought I'd see, and hoped I'd never see again."

The assassinations of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Robert Kennedy earlier that year, along with lingering civil rights issues, helped create a tinderbox among activists, who started pouring into Chicago in the days and weeks prior to the convention.

That April, Chicago police were blasted for their actions in race riots that turned deadly. Chicago mayor Richard Daley, whom some believe was second only to President Lyndon Baines Johnson in terms of political power, boldly declared that protesters at the convention would be controlled.

"As long as I am mayor," Daley remarked, "there will be law and order in Chicago. Nobody is going to take over this city."

He eventually established the largest military buildup in an American city since the Civil War. Supplanting the 11,900-man Chicago police force were 7,500 Illinois National Guard troops, 7,500 riot-trained federal troops, hundreds of state and county police, a private security force at the convention site, and countless Secret Service agents. The combined forces dwarfed the 10,000 dissidents in town by five-to-one.

Pensoneau, then 27, arrived in Chicago several days before the convention, as did the Youth International Party, or the "yippies." That group, led by Jerry Rubin, Abbie Hoffman, and others, convened near the Civic Center by the famed Picasso sculpture and nominated a 145-pound pig, named "Pigasus," for President.

"They'd picked up this pig somewhere on the way to Chicago, and brought it in with a station wagon," said Pensoneau. "They demanded that the pig be given Secret Service protection, and be included in foreign policy briefings in the White House."

The police swept the group out and charged them with disorderly conduct. Many were hit with \$25 fines. Pigasus, however, did not appear in court.

"I grabbed Rubin by his arm as he was being led away and asked him, 'where do you go with the pig,'" laughed Pensoneau. "And he said, 'if we can't have the pig in the White House, we'll have him for breakfast.'"

That was one of the few episodes of laughter created by the dissidents, who were an odd mix. Many supported the candidacy of Minnesota Sen. Eugene McCarthy, a vocal war opponent.

"Most of protesters came with peaceful intentions," commented Pensoneau. "But there were radical groups led by the yippies, Students for a Democratic Society, Maoists, known anarchists, and others who bent on creating disruptions. And they succeeded."

Some possessed marijuana, while others carried North Vietnamese flags. In at least one instance, dissidents attempted to insert a Viet Cong flag in the General Logan statue at Grant Park, one of the centers of the protests.

At both Grant Park and Lincoln Park, protesters and police clashed throughout the week. Meanwhile, the convention opened inside the International Amphitheater, near the stockyards, on Monday, Aug. 26, which did little to stem the confrontations.

Protesters barricaded themselves inside Lincoln Park, and police used tear gas to disperse them. Reporters and some resident bystanders were attacked during the ensuing exchange.

Pensoneau says he remembers violent clashes

throughout the week. "The protesters would taunt the National Guard and the cops, throwing bottles, cans, clumps of dirt, pieces of concrete, plastic bags of urine, and a lot of other things," he said. "They continued with insults, like calling the cops 'pigs,' and the like.

"The worst rioting was occurring in Grant Park, in the alleys, on streets around the scene," recalled Pensoneau. "I just witnessed stuff I never thought I'd see. The police were slamming nightsticks and billy clubs into shoulders and backs of protesters. Some of the protesters grabbed nightsticks away from the cops, and beat them in turn. It was complete bedlam."

Two days later, the situation came to a head when the convention delegates voted to defeat a peace plank in the platform. At Grant Park, protesters replaced an American flag near the bandshell with a shirt that appeared either red or blood-splattered.

Thousands of protesters then started moving toward the Amphitheater, many chanting "Peace Now! Peace Now!" Waiting for them were thousands of police, in line shoulder-to-shoulder with nightsticks visible.

The ensuing clash became the signature moment of the week. In a seventeen-minute confrontation that resembled a massive street riot, hundreds of protesters were beaten, while others were pushed back with tear gas. The bloody chaos was captured nationally on

live television as many in the crowd chanted, "the whole world is watching!"

Tempers also boiled inside the convention hall. In a nomination speech, Connecticut Sen. Abraham Ribicoff derided the "Gestapo tactics on the streets of Chicago." On the floor, Daley appeared to respond with a profanity.

Pensoneau was just a few feet away from the exchange, and is visible in at least one photo taken at the moment. "I had just interviewed Francis Lorenz, a potent Chicago Democrat in the Daley machine, and was moving on to someone else when Ribicoff made the statement," he said. "Daley cuffed his mouth with hands, starting booing. Then all of the Chicago Democrats around him started booing as if Daley had pushed button.

"Many people have quoted Daley as saying something negative or prejudicial," added Pensoneau. "I didn't hear him say that, but I can't say for sure." Cameras also filmed numerous squabbles on the floor, and some reporters claimed they were shoved.

The convention finally closed on Thursday, Aug. 29, and Hubert H. Humphrey, another Minnesota senator, left with the nomination for President. He would lose to Richard Nixon by only 500,000 votes in November. With the public not knowing that Nixon had made a secret deal with North Vietnam to walk away from the peace talks promising he would give North Vietnam a better deal than Johnson if elected. Johnson with the consent of Illinois's Republican Senator Everett Dirksen choose to not charge Nixon with treason given

the unrest already in the country.

"Politically, the convention pretty much doomed the candidacy of Humphrey," said Pensoneau. "It put a monkey on his back that proved almost insurmountable, and provided a political gift to Nixon, giving him a much wider open door to the White House."

Seven of the protest leaders were tried early the next year, and turned courtrooms into circus-like atmospheres with their insolence. But Daley and the Chicago police bore the brunt of the criticism, which haunted both the city and the Democratic Party for years.



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--In Our Opinion--

The Draft Boone County Comprehensive Plan. What Would Sergio Marchionne Say?

As we reported earlier, the Boone County Planning Department has released the draft of a new, 158-page Boone County Comprehensive Plan. At that time, we said that we would be reviewing the plan and offering our analysis.

Although the document brought up several good points and ideas, we find ourselves disappointed by the offering, and frustrated that a better product had not been produced. Boone County collectively is worth several billion dollars. It is an investment that deserves protection by a conscientious and competent government.

Reading it, we kept thinking, were he presented with this plan as an internal report at Fiat Chrysler, "What would the late Sergio Marchionne have said?"

We assume he would have lost his temper, uttered a few choice expletives, and probably fired its author. The plan would have been have been filed on a shelf to collect dust.

And that is what we think should happen to this draft comprehensive plan.

The plan could pass as a high school term paper. Completely missing from this plan is any statement why this document has been prepared or its legal significance. We have a poorly-drafted introduction buried on page 12 that really doesn't answer the question. This requires development.

Despite reading this document several times, we find its organization and presentation terribly confusing. There is no index or list of chapters. Eight "topics" are presented, each in a chapter. We are not sure why these particular topics were chosen. These chapters start off with editorial discussion, followed by a chart listing a specific "vision" for the topic. Underneath that are objectives and "strategies" that are sometimes, but not necessarily supported by the discussion.

Even more confusing is a table on page 15 of "overarching themes." The first two, "Connection, Communication and Coordination" and "Equity" are described with meaningless psychobabble. The third is to retain both elderly and Millennials. The fourth stresses the "importance of the agricultural heritage" of Boone County. Are these themes goals or problems or what? And what is their significance to this plan?

To confuse even more, chapter 11 contains an "action plan" in which commands are dictated to the powers that be, presumably authored by the planner. If these conclusions are arrived at by others, that and by whom should be stated. Deadlines have been given for each of these many decrees. The plan contains no information on how these decrees and deadlines were established. Assuming, without deciding, that these goals are laudable, many of them are laughably placed far into the future. For example, waiting until 2025 to complete a workforce needs assessment or until 2025 to conduct a feasibility study of a bookmobile. It is hard not to assume some of these longer deadlines were not set in bad faith, so as to give lip service to the idea, but effectively kill the project.

The plan does not include the incorporated areas of Boone County or municipal planning zones except when it does. This delineation when the communities are in or out is far from clear.

It is nonsense and a complete waste of money to have a comprehensive plan for Boone County that does not include Belvidere or the villages. Even if such a plan were made, it would require tight coordination or an acknowledgement of these communities' planning criteria. This plan ignores any land use or development in the municipalities.

This plan was supposedly developed with the help of the Region 1 Planning Council. This is the august organization that has been involved with planning a half-billion dollar hospital less than a mile from Boone County. These planning "professionals" have apparently no regard for the traffic and safety concerns this development will cause in Boone County, particularly on Riverside Drive. Add to this a "Sportscore" at the same location and, most recently, a Costco Wholesale Club. We are told that we are to be in partnership with Rockford and Winnebago County, while their planners stick knives in our back. And anyone who questions them or disagrees is a "naysayer."

Agricultural Hegemony

We start off the plan with a picture of an immature corn field and turn to page 2, where we start with a description of Boone County as a rural, agricultural county that is considered "family friendly." We are told it is the smallest county in the state in area (not true). We are offered a logotype for this comprehensive plan that uses simplistic art forms to show an idyllic farm as symbolizing the future of Boone County with the legend "Your County. Your Future." The document continues throughout its entire length to unctuously praise agriculture and imply that farming dominates Boone County. While the fine print notes that automobile production employs ten times the number of people that are employed in agriculture, and that most of Boone County's people live in municipalities, one would never know it from a superficial glance at the plan. Land use is even symbolized in the document by an ear of corn.

Continuing with the agricultural obsession, the plan's author believes that Boone County's future lies in agricultural tourism. Presumably, city slickers are burning for the chance to visit agriculturally-related tourist traps in the county. Attendance at the Boone County Fair is cited as evidence. A greatly-expanded farmer's market seems to be the most pressing priority for this bucolic agricultural paradise.

By far, the most visited tourist attraction in Boone County is the Belvidere Oasis. Yet this report made absolutely no mention of it, except a brief reference to gasoline sales in the county. We believe that expanding the desirability of the Oasis for tourists would go much farther toward creating jobs and sales tax revenue than agritourism.

We have no objection to agritourism, although we do question the demand for it. If Boone County wants the most bang for the buck, the Belvidere Oasis is a much more logical place to promote.

We would like to clarify our position. We realize a sizeable majority of Boone County's land is used for agriculture production, particularly in the north and south portions of the county. Farming is an honorable profession, and we are not attacking or abasing it. We understand that farming is hard work and that it is increasingly difficult for a farmer to earn a living. And no, we are not calling for "paving over" Boone County.

But, to move forward, we need to face reality. The overwhelming majority of people in Boone County are not farmers, nor do they rely on agriculture for their livelihood. Agriculture is not and will not be a growing force in the economy of Boone County. And no, it is not "tragic" that Boone County has subdivisions, that 10,000 people are employed locally in the automotive industry, nor that many others commute to Rockford or the Chicago suburbs. Mutual respect of rural, suburban and urban lifestyles will go a long way toward making Boone County a better place for everyone to live.

With that in mind, we examine "Boone County's Vision for 2028," as found on page 16:

"An inclusive community that cherishes its rural heritage, while also maintaining its high quality of life through a strong education and health system, diversified housing and economic opportunities, strategically placed sustainable development, government efficiencies and a multitude of family-friendly recreational options."

In other words, we'll tolerate you if you are not a farmer. And God forbid nightclubs or anything more sophisticated than Walt Disney.

Your County. Your Future.

And Boone Countians wonder why Millennials are dissatisfied with Belvidere?

The FCA Ecosphere

The plan correctly points out that Boone County is too economically dependent on FCA US LLC. We have discussed this issue numerous times. Indeed, Moody's has downgraded Boone County's credit rating because of this dependency.

The plan has a charming discussion of how to diversify by attracting new industry to the county.

That discussion, while positive, is unrealistic.

First, more than two-thirds of Boone County's third graders are not reading at grade level. High school test scores in the community are below the 40th percentile nationally. This report blithely concludes that Boone County's schools are "well performing." Corporate America has news for Boone County. Imitating Rockford is not a way to attract high-paying jobs. This plan cavalierly blames any deficiencies on minorities. As there are far more deficient students in Boone County than members of minority groups, that logic fails and exposes the argument as the racist tripe that it is.

Second, for Boone County to land a development of adequate size to significantly dilute the impact of FCA is unrealistic. Even landing 1000 jobs would only make a small dent. There are few developments of that size anywhere. While possible, such a win is highly improbable.

While maybe less than ideal, we believe that reliance on the Rockford area and the Chicago suburbs is in the short-to-medium term a more realistic way to increase employment diversity. With the O'Hare expansion, 60,000 construction jobs will be created, and airport completion is scheduled for about 2025. Not scheduling a Park and Ride "study" until 2022 is closing the barn door after the horse has left. A bus rapid transit study in 2027 leaves the sheep in the meadow, and a business incubator feasibility study in 2025 leaves the cows in the corn. If O'Hare is capable of mounting an \$8.5 billion expansion by 2025, we think it's fair to call these Boone County goals not only timid, but an expression of bad faith.

Sprawl

The plan refers to Belvidere Township and its environs as the "growth corridor." That is not what the word "corridor" means. Besides, we prefer to call it what it is: Suburban sprawl from Rockford. In the previous plan, the county excoriated suburban sprawl and strip commercial zoning. Yet that is exactly what Boone County has consistently approved for the last two decades. Just like DuPage, Lake, Kane and McHenry Counties have done. Do we expect anything to change with this plan? Hardly.

A community can grow without causing sprawl, but this plan legitimizes rural sprawl, particularly in Belvidere Township, and actually encourages sprawl by designating strip commercial development along Routes 76, 173 and Business 20. The goal is apparently to move from 32 traffic signals in the county today to 64 in 2038.

On this one, we can't fight the village hall or the county board. We aren't going to try. But we will point out, that despite the rhetoric, their actions show little or no respect for preserving farmland. Our only request is that as you pave over the farms with houses, branch banks, and fast food joints, you at least pay attention to ingress and egress. We really don't need or want another Crystal Lake or Randall Road.

The next step

With a plan of this size and scope, we could give many more examples of why we think it is substandard work. But we think we have made our point that it is poorly done and that Boone County deserves better.

We hope two things come of the exercise. First, maybe some of the better ideas in the plan can be salvaged into a serviceable plan. Second, we hope Boone County has learned that you get what you pay for. This assignment was an impossible task and certainly beyond the capabilities of a young planner and her fresh-faced friends at the Region 1 Planning Council.

We are not sure that Boone County knows what it wants for its future. We are at an inflection point in Boone County and have a complex relationship with FCA, Rockford and Chicagoland. This is not a time for stagnance or paralysis.

We have some lovely people in Boone County Government, and we mean that sincerely. It is a joy to do business here. But we do lack leaders with vision. We can hire that, but good help doesn't come cheap.

To our elected officials, we ask that you please hire a decent, experienced, visionary planner for the *entire* county. Not separate planners for each municipality. Someone who can successfully guide this county into the mid-21st Century. With good help and some good faith, Boone County can avoid some of the mistakes that those to the east of us have made.

If you cannot get along with your fellow Boone County officials, please have the courtesy to resign. This is one of the nicest groups of people we can think of in a governmental setting. There is room for a diversity of voices and opinions, but to thrive in an increasingly competitive and globalized economy, we need to have clear goals and move forward together.

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County Board Approves Wireless Telecommunication Facility Fee

by Charles Herbst

At a special meeting on July 31, the Boone County Board approved an ordinance that charges application and annual fees for small wireless telecommunication facilities.

Legislation enacted by the General Assembly on June 1 permitted counties to charge such fees, but only if the ordinance was enacted prior to August 1. The fee schedule is prescribed by the state statute. Additional ordinances regulating these facilities are likely in coming months.

These small wireless telecommunication facilities are used to provide service in gap areas and to increase carrying capacity. They are particularly useful in providing 5G mobile phone service. It is anticipated that the technology will be most useful in the Chicago area, with only a minimal impact in Boone County.

Similar ordinances have been passed in Lake and Winnebago Counties.

In other matters, the County Board discussed the vacancy in the planning department and interim measures to accommodate the workload until a new planner is hired. County Administrator Ken Terrinoni announced that the Zoning Board of Appeals would begin using the Board Docs system. This will make it easier to access and distribute the often-large files involved in special use permits and other zoning matters electronically.

The Boone County Gardeners of America Yards of the Month August 2018

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to join us this year. Your group can participate in one or more of these components of the day. If interested or for more information, please contact Dori Kearney at: director@midtowndistrict.org or 815-997-5888.

Highland Community College Field Day- Highland Community College Agriculture in partnership with University of Illinois Extension will be hosting a Soybean Research Demonstration on August 29, 2018 at Highland Agriculture's research plot located at 3472 W. Loras Drive in Freeport, Illinois. The free demonstration will begin at 9 a.m. And conclude at 11 a.m. Breakfast will be provided for those who pre-register. The demonstration is free, however participants are asked to register by Friday, August 24th to enjoy breakfast provided by HCC Agriculture. Anyone interested in attending may register online by visiting the Extension website at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/isw/> or by calling the Stephenson County Extension office at 815-235-4125.

Boone County Volunteer Board Vacancy- Belvidere Cemetery Asso. Term Exp.

May 3, 2021 Remainder of Term

Interested parties are asked to send a letter and/or resume expressing your interest and qualifications along with your contact information to Boone County Board Chairman Karl Johnson, Administration Campus, 1212 Logan Avenue, Suite 102, Belvidere, IL 61008. Please respond by September 7, 2018 to assure being considered.

Rock Valley College's Annual Fall Softball Camp- Sunday, September 30, 2018 from 12PM-4PM on the campus of Rock Valley College. All instruction will be similar to that of the 5 time NJCAA Division III National Champion Rock Valley College softball team. Please contact DJ Johnson at d.johnson@rockvalleycollege.edu or by phone at 815-921-3812 for further details.

Illinois Township pensioners Collected \$300M

Joe Kaiser Illinois Policy Institute

Illinois township pensioners have collected nearly \$300M over past 20 years

While often regarded as a duplicative and unnecessary unit of government, former township employees in Illinois have banked more than \$273 million in pension benefits since 1998.

Townships might seem like a small cost to Illinois property taxpayers, but records from the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, or IMRF, show that those costs add up quickly.

Since 1998, nearly 2,800 retired township employees currently enrolled in IMRF have collected more than \$273 million in pension benefits. Two township pensioners received more than \$1 million in that timeframe, according to IMRF records, with one of them, William Podgorski, accumulating that amount in just eight years. Four township retirees currently receive six-figure annual payouts.

That's a heavy burden for taxpayers to carry over two decades, particularly for a layer of government that many recognize isn't entirely necessary.

Illinois is home to more than 1,400 townships, many of which duplicate services provided by other municipal governments. Efforts have been made across the state to reduce costs by consolidating townships with other layers of government. In 2016, for example, Belleville City Council voted to dissolve Belleville Township and consolidate its services with the city, a decision that stands to save taxpayers more than \$250,000 annually. This followed the lead of Evanston Township, where residents voted in 2014 to dissolve the township and transfer its services to the city of Evanston. Voters in Alton and McHenry townships will be given the same choice on their respective ballots this November.

For McHenry Township taxpayers, consolidation could also mean ending years of alleged patronage and improper spending by township officials. McHenry Township paid Bob Miller, the controversial former Algonquin Township highway commissioner, hundreds in taxpayer dollars for consulting services in 2017, and hired the son of Nunda Township Highway Commissioner Mike Lesperance to a position that had not been advertised to the public. This is not uncommon among McHenry County townships: Nunda Township also hired Miller, as well as his two sons-in-law and the son of McHenry Township Highway Commissioner Jim Condon.

Nunda, Grafton and Algonquin townships have all faced or are facing investigations into improper spending. An investigation into Algonquin Township in May led McHenry County State's Attorney Patrick Kenneally to conclude that townships are a deeply flawed form of government, filled with incompetence, guile and impropriety. Many McHenry County townships affirm Kenneally's assessment.

Taxpayers across the state should be given the choice to consolidate or abolish their townships.

But at the very least, lawmakers in Springfield should enact reforms to alleviate the costly pension burden placed on taxpayers. In the short term, that means enrolling all new government workers into 401(k)-style plans. In the long term, however, it means changing the state's constitution to allow for adjustments to future, unearned benefits for government workers.

Illinois Schools Below Average: Reading & Math

By Benjamin Yount | Illinois News Network

Illinois' exceptionally high SAT scores saved the state from a bottom-tier ranking in the latest school quality survey.

Illinois comes in at 21st on Wallethub's latest school performance list, in large part because the state has the highest median SAT scores in the nation.

Most Illinois students take the ACT; usually it's just students headed for east coast schools who take the SAT.

Other than that, Wallethub's Jill Gonzalez said Illinois ranks 29th in math scores and 30th in reading scores.

"Illinois' school ranking is 21st overall. Not in the bottom half by any means, but I think parents would expect some improvement," Gonzalez said. "But at the same time, Illinois spends the 15th highest on its students."

The report found that Illinois spends \$13,875 per student per year. In terms of spending, Illinois ranked 15th, but its performance was ranked 21st. Other states spent less money and got better results. For example, North Dakota ranked 43rd in spending, but 11th in quality.

Massachusetts, which is Wallethub's top ranked state, spends \$17,381 per student. New Mexico, which is Wallethub's bottom state, spends \$10,520 on each student. Wallethub said its spending figures came from the National Education Association.

"We would assume that because the spending [in Illinois] is so high, that the quality would be just as high. And that's not necessarily the case," Gonzalez said. "We're seeing high spending and sort of average quality. And I think that's what parents would want to see changed."

Illinois scored below average in school safety when it comes to things like bullying and the number of students who are threatened each year.

The Wallethub survey ranked Illinois public schools 40th in the nation when it comes to school safety.

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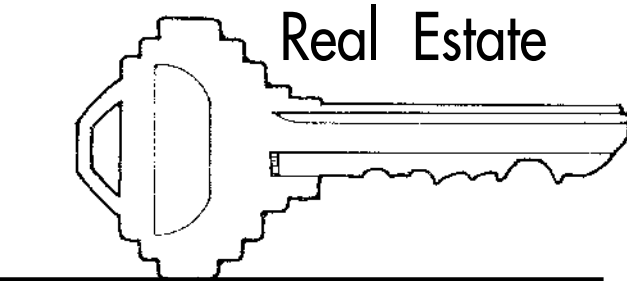
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For information, contact The sales clerk, SHAPIRO KREISMAN & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 2121 WAUKEGAN RD., SUITE 301, Bannockburn, IL 60015, (847) 291-1717 For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm. Please refer to file number 16-081876.

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Property Index No. 05-26-106-006.
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$148,025.15.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 17th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Byline Bank, Plaintiff, v. Kincer Clan, LLC; Autobuddy, Inc.; Buddy B. Kincer; Non-Record Claimants and Unknown Owners, Defendants, Case No. 2018 CH 52.

Pursuant to a Judgment made and entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on August 7, 2018, Dave Ernest, Sheriff of Boone County Illinois will on September 26, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the entrance of the Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. Main Street, Belvidere, IL sell at public auction the following described premises and real estate mentioned in said Judgment:

Address: 3680 Newburg Road, Belvidere, IL 61008. Improvements: Site size - 0.92 acre improved with Commercial Service Building, gross building area + 5852 sq.ft.

Sale shall be under the following terms: 10% down of the highest bid, by cashier's or certified check at close of auction, with the balance in immediately available funds due within 24 hours. The sale is offered without representation or warranty, express or implied, and in an "AS IS" condition. The sale is subject to confirmation by the court.

Sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments and any prior first mortgages.

Premises will NOT be open for inspection.

For information: David L. Hazan, Grach, Masini, Hazan & Gurysh, LLP, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 140 S. Milwaukee Avenue, Libertyville, IL 60048. Tel. No. (847) 816-6442.

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Lot 1 in Newburg Industrial Park being a Subdivision of Part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 44 North, Range 3, East of the Third Principal Meridian, the Plat of which is recorded in the Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois as Document Number 88-4713 and located in Plat Envelope 68A, being situated in Boone County, Illinois. P.I.N. 05-33-226-001. Address: 3680 Newburg Road, Belvidere, IL 61008. Improvements: Site size - 0.92 acre improved with Commercial Service Building, gross building area + 5852 sq.ft.

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LOT SEVENTEEN (17) IN BLOCK FIFTEEN (15) AS DESIGNATED UPON PLAT NO. 4 OF SHEFFIELD GREEN, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 44 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE 3RD P.M., THE PLAT OF WHICH SUBDIVISION WAS RECORDED JANUARY 25, 1971 IN BOOK 7 OF PLATS ON PAGES 42 & 43 AND AS DOCUMENT NO. 71-150 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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LOT SIX (6) AS DESIGNATED UPON PLAT NO. 1 OF CORDRAY SUBDIVISION BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE S.W. 1/4 OF SECTION 23 THE N.W. 1/4 OF SECTION 26 AND THE N.E. 1/4 OF SECTION 27 ALL IN TOWNSHIP 44 N.R. 3 E OF THE 3RD P.M. THE PLAT OF WHICH WAS RECORDED APRIL 19, 1990 AS DOCUMENT NO. 90-1514 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY ILLINOIS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 1527 MARYLAND CT, Belvidere, IL 61008
Property Index No. 05-26-106-006.
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Public Notices

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That on September 24th, 2018 @ 10:00am, a sale will be held at Ed & Lou's Towing & Recovery, Inc., 6572 Revlon Drive, Belvidere, IL 61008, to sell the following articles to enforce a lien existing under the laws of the State of Illinois against such articles for labor, services, skill or material expended upon a storage furnished for such articles at the request of the following designated persons, unless such articles are redeemed within thirty days of the publication of this notice.

Name of Person	Description of Article	Amount of lien
Jessica Cousino	2006 Chevrolet Monte Carlo	\$1485.00
VIN: 2G1WM15K469241498		

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

Mary L Reyes Plaintiff
vs
No. 18-D-29
Jose Alejandro Reyes Defendant.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Jose Alejandro Reyes, Defendant, that this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for Divorce and other relief. Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Boone County, Courthouse, Belvidere, Illinois, on or before the 26th day of September, 2018, A Judgment or other relief as prayed for by the Plaintiff may be granted.

Linda J. Anderson Circuit Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF BOONE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Roy A. Grimes, Deceased.
CASE NO. 18-P-39
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION-PROBATE OF ESTATE

NOTICE is given of the death of Roy A. Grimes. Letters of Office were issued June 20

2018 on to, David R Grimes, Rowlett, Texas who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Attorney Charles T. Sewell, 215 South State Street, Belvidere, Illinois.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before February 10th, 2019, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.

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

Dated: August 7, 2018
David R Grimes, Executor
Attorney Charles T. Sewell, L.L.C. for Estate 215 South State Street
Belvidere, IL 61008
815 - 544-3118
published in the Boone County Journal 8-10, 17, 24- 2018.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

DATE: August 21, 2018
PROJECT: Belvidere High School - Room 351 Remodeling Work
Belvidere CUSD #100 Belvidere, Illinois
LOCATIONS: Belvidere High School 1500 East Avenue Belvidere Illinois, 61008
OWNER: Belvidere Unit School District #100 1201 5th Avenue Belvidere, Illinois 61008
ARCHITECT: Richard L. Johnson Associates, Inc. 4703 Charles Street Rockford, Illinois 61108
Tel: 815/ 398-1231
Fax: 815/ 398-1280
SCOPE: Bids will be received for a single contract for Belvidere High School - Room 351 Remodeling Work.
DATE DUE: Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at the office of the Business Manager, Belvidere Community Unit School District No. 100, 1201 Fifth Avenue, Belvidere, Illinois, and will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

PRE-BID MEETING : All prospective contractors are urged to attend a Pre-Bid Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at Belvidere High School, 1500 East Avenue, Belvidere, Illinois.

PRE-BID SITE VISIT: Contractors are required to survey the existing conditions prior to bidding.

ACCESS TO BIDDING DOCUMENTS: Bidding Documents are on file for reference at the following location: Office of the Architect 4703 Charles Street Rockford, Illinois NIBCA (N. III. Bldg. Contractors Assn). Rockford, Illinois Bidding Documents may be secured from the office of the Architect. Plans and Specifications are available for download at www.rliarch.com under "Contractors".

DEPOSIT REQUIRED: Bidders may secure up to two (2) sets of bidding documents by submitting a non-refundable check for \$50.00 per set, or \$60.00 per set if documents are mailed.

BID FORM: Bids shall be submitted in duplicate on forms issued by Architect.

PERFORMANCE BOND: A performance and payment bond for the full amount of the Contract will be required of the successful bidder. All costs associated with the bond shall be included in the bid amount.

BID SECURITY: Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security of at least 5% of the total amount of the base bid and all additive alternate bids. This may be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, bank draft or bid bond, payable to the Owner as a guarantee that should the bidder be awarded the Work, the bidder will enter into a contract with the Owner and will furnish the proper performance and payment bond within the time limit set by the Owner. Bid securities will be returned to all other bidders when the successful bidder files a proper performance and payment bond and the contract is executed by the Owner. If the successful bidder fails to file such contract and performance and payment bond, the amount of his bid security shall be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages.

WAGE RULES: Each craft, type of worker and mechanic needed to execute the Contract shall be paid the prevailing wage rate for the locality in which the work is performed, in accordance with all federal laws and laws of the State as well as local ordinances and regulations applicable to the work hereunder and having force of law.

RIGHTS RESERVED BY OWNER: The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and/or reject any or all bids when, in the opinion of the Owner, such action will serve the best interests of the Owner.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS: No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the opening of bids without written consent of the Owner.

By order of the Board of Education for Belvidere CUSD #100
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BELVIDERE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
Notice is hereby given that the City of Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chamber, Belvidere City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois 61008 upon the following:

Application of the City of Belvidere, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, IL 61008 for a text amendment to the City of Belvidere Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 150 as amended) pertaining to Sections 150.013 Definitions, 150.105(C)(1)(B) Neighborhood Office, 150.105(C)(2)(B) Planned Office, 150.105(C)(3)(B) Neighborhood Business, 150.105(C)(4)(B) Planned Business, 150.105(C)(5)(B) General Business, 150.105(C)(6)(B) Central Business, 150.105(C)(7)(B) Planned Industrial, 150.105(C)(8)(B) General Industrial, 150.105(C)(9)(B) Heavy Industrial, 150.105(D)(1)(B) Institutional, 150.105(E)(1)(B) Planned Mixed Use-1, 150.105(E)(2)(B) Planned Mixed Use- 2, 150.105(E)(3)(B) Planned Mixed Use-4, 150.105(E)(4)(B) Corporate Center, 150.105(E)(5)(B) Technology Center, 150.204(C)(6) Public Service and Utilities, 150.204(G)(3) Communication Tower, 150.204(G)(5) Small Wireless Facility and Section 150.902 Amendment of Zoning Regulations (Text Amendments). The request will clarify what a small wireless facility is and permit them in the commercial and industrial districts. The proposed text amendment is available for review at the Belvidere Community Development Department Office, 401 Whitney Boulevard during regular business hours.

Application of Becknell Services LLC, 4242 South First Avenue, Suite D, Lyons, IL 60534 on behalf of the owner, 675 Corporate Parkway Illinois Becknell Investors LLC, 2750 E. 146th Street, Ste 200, Carmel, IN 46033 for a special use for accessory outdoor storage on the south and east side of the building at 675 Corporate Parkway within the PI, Planned Industrial District (Belvidere Zoning Ordinance Sections 150.105(C)(7)

(C)(2) Outdoor Storage and 150.904 Special Use Review and Approval Procedures). The subject property is legally described as:

Lot 15 as designated upon Final Plat No. 4 of Sager Corporate Park, being a resubdivision of Lots 10 and 11 of Plat No. 2 of Sager Corporate Park, also part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 43 North, Range 3 East of the Third Principal Meridian, City of Belvidere, County of Boone and State of Illinois. PIN: 07-01-201-014.

Application of State Street Gaming, LLC, 8859 Olson Road, Belvidere, IL 61008 on behalf of the property owner Logan Avenue Properties LLC, 8859 Olson Road, Belvidere, IL 61008 for a special use for indoor commercial entertainment to operate a bar with video gaming at 2195 N. State Street within the PB, Planned Business District (Belvidere Zoning Ordinance Sections 150.105(C)(4)(B)(2) Indoor Commercial Entertainment and 150.904 Special Use Review and Approval Procedures). The subject property is legally described as:

Lot One Hundred Forty-eight (148) as designated upon the RePlat of Lots One (1) and Two (2) of Plat 1 of Landmark Crossings, being a Resubdivision of Lots One (1) and Two (2) of Plat 1 of Landmark Crossings being a part of the East Half (1/2) of Section 22, Township 44 North, Range 3 East of the Third Principal Meridian, according to the RePlat recorded April 15, 2009 as Document No. 2009R03720 in the Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois; situated in the County of Boone and State of Illinois. PIN: 05-22-403-002

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

Alissa Maher, Chairman,
Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission
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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: GEORGE H. MILLER, Deceased.
CASE NO. 2018-P-50

CLAIM NOTICE
NOTICE is given of the death of George H. Miller. Letters of Office as Public Administrator were issued on July 25, 2018, to Attorney Mary J. Gaziano, One Court Place, Suite 200, Rockford, Illinois 61101, who is the legal representative/attorney of the estate.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before February 24, 2019, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975 as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Winnebago County Circuit Clerk--Probate Division at the Winnebago County Courthouse, 400 West State Street, Rockford, Illinois, or with the estate legal representative, or both. When a claim is filed with the representative but not with the Court, the representative may file the claim with the Court but has no duty to do so.

Copies of claims filed with the Circuit Clerk's Office--Probate Division, must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to his/her attorney within ten (10) days after said claim has been filed.

DATED:
Mary J. Gaziano, Public Administrator
PREPARED BY:
Attorney Mary J. Gaziano - ARDC #6184225
One Court Place, Suite 200
Rockford, Illinois 61101
(815) 962-6800
E-mail: MJGaziano@aol.com
Public Administrator
Published in The Boone County Journal Aug 24, 31 and Sept 7-2018

Assumed Names

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 Farm business in said County and State under the name of Farm 4695 Boone County Illinois at the following post office addresses: 8068 Coon Trail Rd, 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: Henry Buehler 8068 Coon Trail Rd, Capron, IL, 61012. Signed: Henry Buehler, 07/27/18
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 27th. day of July, 2018, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Sheryl Rickabaugh, 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 Hay Cube Retailer business in said County and State under the name of Capron Hay Cubes at the following post office addresses: 18100 Capron Rd, 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: Brian Kastning, 18880 Capron Rd, Capron, IL, 61012. Signed: Brian Kastning, 08/07/18
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 7th. day of August, 2018, 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 MDH Construction at the following post office addresses: 212 Talladega Dr, 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: Madison Hackert 212 Talladega Dr, Poplar Grove, IL, 61065. Signed: Madison Hackert, 08/06/18
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 6th. day of August, 2018, 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 Transportation business in said County and State under the name of Hammer Trucking Transportation at the following post office addresses: 140 Pembroke Rd. SW, 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: Jerzy Hammer 140 Pembroke Rd. SW, Poplar Grove, IL, 61065. Signed: Jerzy Hammer, 08/09/18
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 9th. day of August, 2018, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Sherry L. Blauert, 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 General Labor business in said County and State under the name of Chuy's General Labor at the following post office addresses: 150 N. Wooster St. Unit #9, 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: Jesus Arias Flores 150 N. Wooster St. Unit #9, Capron IL, 61012. Signed: Jesus Arias Flores, 08/20/18
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 20th. day of August, 2018, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Christine Gardner, Deputy
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