

Milk Days Featured Tonight at Starline Factory

by Charles Herbst

Tonight, May 24, from 6-10PM, the Starline Factory in Harvard will salute Milk Days with an exhibition of historic Milk Days posters and other memorabilia in the Overland Gallery.

The Starline Factory is home to "Fourth Fridays," a monthly art and entertainment experience. The evening joins artists, buyers and art enthusiasts together for a unique event in an artistically remodeled, historic farm equipment factory. Fourth Fridays are held from January through August, with a year-end finale in October.

There will be live music and cash bars for beer, wine, coffee and mixed drinks on two levels.

Tonight promises to be a busy evening at the Starline:

McHenry County Storyteller Jim May will be entertaining guests in the gallery. Jim May tells stories at schools, corporations, professional groups, and many festivals. He received a 1989 Chicago Emmy award for a WTTW-Channel 11 production of his original story, "A Bell For Shorty." His books, including "Farm on Nippersink Creek" will be available for purchase.

The Starline features four different areas for listening to music:

- On the Main Stage, Jim and Justin of the Modern Day Romeos will be performing. The Modern Day Romeos is a Northwest Suburban-based band that plays at festivals, weddings and corporate events. Their diverse repertoire

includes Motown classics, classic rock treasures, metal anthems, 80's favorites, 90's gems, and the top hits of the 2000's.

- In the 306 Loft, Jim Green, a local acoustic guitar soloist, will be playing instrumental tunes.

- Big Fish, a eclectic McHenry County quartet playing popular music will be playing in the Skylight Loft..

- Art Karagianis, will be singing modern day songs and oldies while playing acoustic guitar on the Railside enclosed patio walkway.

The Stanchion Pub located in the Starline, will be serving food and drinks throughout the evening. Their food menu includes a buffet, hamburgers, a fish fry and assorted snacks.

The complex has a number of resident artists with studios on the premises. Many have art and other handmade products for sale.

The Starline Factory is located at 300 Front Street in Harvard. There is a \$10 cover.



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Navy Band Great Lakes Sets the Tempo for Milk Days Parade

by Charles Herbst

The US Armed Forces have a number of musical groups that support not only military functions, but serve as ambassadors to the community.

This year, Harvard Milk Days is honored to have Navy Band Great Lakes marching in the parade.

The Great Lakes is band is famous for being led by Bandmaster John Phillip Sousa in the World War I era. Sousa was known as "The March King" and wrote some of the world's most famous marches including *Washington Post*, *Semper Fidelis* and *The Stars and Stripes Forever*.

Navy Band Great Lakes was founded in 1911. In 1917, John Philip Sousa was appointed as Director of Music, Great Lakes Naval Training Station. Sousa was assigned the job of increasing the size and scope of Navy music by creating a

music school to provide only the finest musicians for the fleet, managing Naval Station choirs, and the Great Lakes Naval Station Symphony Orchestra. The 321-member professional Great Lakes "Bluejacket Band" was the pride of the Navy and the United States. The current band is the direct, modern-day descendant of the Sousa Age.

The band is based at Naval Base Great Lakes in North Chicago. There are a number of different ensembles in the band: The Wind Ensemble, Ceremonial Band, Horizon (a contemporary music ensemble), Brass Ambassadors, Fair Winds, a Jazz Combo and the Parade Band. These groups represent the Navy to an 11-state Midwestern area, performing for millions of listeners annually.

This military band performance is a fitting tribute to war effort made by the Harvard milk industry.



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A Race to Build a Casino in Rockford

Mayor awaits lawmakers' approval of gambling expansion

By Grant Morgan
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD — Rockford Mayor Tom McNamara said lawmakers have to move quickly before the city's chances to build a casino are "virtually eliminated" by a northern rival.

Just 15 minutes away in Beloit, Wisconsin, the Ho-Chunk Nation tribe awaits federal approval from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to build a casino there, the Beloit Daily News has reported.

Some estimates say that project could employ up to 5,000 people and generate more than \$5 million in annual revenue for the local government.

If that casino is built before Rockford has a chance to build one, "Illinois residents would bypass our community and our state and take their dollars to Wisconsin," McNamara said.

But it's unclear if Illinois lawmakers will pass a "gambling expansion" bill in time for the end of the legislative session on May 31.

No language for such a bill has been filed, but it would likely be similar to ones that were proposed in prior years but failed to pass, which would have created six more state casino licenses. Illinois currently has 10 casinos.

"We have talked and talked and talked about casino expansion, literally since before I could drive," McNamara told House lawmakers in a hearing on gambling expansion earlier this month. "You hold all the power, we need you to take action."

McNamara said revenue from a Rockford casino would help alleviate the city's pension problems, because "in the not-too-distant future, 100 percent of our annual property tax revenue will be going to our state-mandated pension contributions."

"We cannot afford to be outflanked by our neighbors up north yet again," he said.

While there's no timeline for federal approval of the Beloit casino, a February report from Wisconsin's Division of Gaming estimated the project is "four years from approval."

Rick Nielsen, a Rockford native and guitarist
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New Odyssey Guy, Gary Todd, Entertains at Milk Days

by Charles Herbst

Gary Todd, one of the founding members of the popular trio, New Odyssey, will be entertaining festival goers on Sunday evening, June 2, at 7:30PM at Milky Way Park.

Styling himself as the "New Odyssey Guy," Todd is a high-energy performer that sings and does comedy, but also plays 10 musical instruments: bass trumpet, electric guitar, trumpet, alto sax, pocket trumpet, tuba, banjo, flugelhorn, soprano sax, and drums.

Gary Todd got into music and entertainment very young in life and began tumbling with his family's act, The Tumbling Todds, at age 2. By 13, he had his own stage act, combining tumbling, music and comedy. At age 17, he joined the band Odyssey.

New Odyssey, founded in 1988, has retired as a band, but Gary Todd continues to perform as a soloist, if playing 10 instruments isn't more of a one-man band. His musical genre is varied and centers on popular music with a jazzy, pop sound. When playing the banjo, his work has more the quality of a folk singer.

His repertoire includes *Sweet Caroline*, *Rocky Top*, *Sgt. Pepper*, comedy tunes on a tuba and a drum solo.

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Casino

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with rock band Cheap Trick, was in Springfield on Wednesday to push for a casino in his hometown. He and Rockford-area lawmakers held a news conference at the Capitol, and Nielsen also made an appearance on the Senate floor.

“I’ve been there fighting for some sort of casino going on for 15 or 20 years, and I guess my legislative voice is not very strong, but now it is because I’ve got these guys behind me,” Nielsen said, motioning to the lawmakers with him during the news conference.

Odyssey

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Most of his performances are in the Midwest and he sensibly takes off to perform in Florida in January and February. He is a frequent guest at Cabana’s on the Chain, a boat friendly restaurant and sports bar on the Chain of Lakes in Johnsburg.

Harvard Celebrates 78th Annual Milk Days Festival

by Charles Herbst

With the warmer weather here, the outdoor festivals are upon us. The *Chicago Tribune* counted over 100 of these affairs playing out over the summer months. Yet their long list didn’t include many of the local festivals nearby.

Sadly though, most of these festivals have featured a tired formula, and attendance has been withering. In fact, several of the local festivals have decided to hang it up this year. Loves Park’s Young at Heart Festival and Cherry Valley Days won’t be happening this year. Harvard has decided its Balloon Fest should be a biannual gathering in the even-numbered years.

Harvard Milk Days has been going for 78 years strong. Initially a festival to commemorate local dairy farmers in 1942 for their contributions to the war effort, the festival has evolved to become the symbol of the community. Harvard: Home of Milk Days. Where Hamilda the Cow presides at the intersection of Ayer, Diggins and Division Streets.

The Starline Factory, a Harvard farm equipment factory turned into an entertainment venue, is throwing quite the party tonight to kick off Milk Days this year. There will be three different musical performances at the Starline, an art exhibit, plenty of food and full liquor service. (See the accompanying story, page 1.)

Although the dairy industry is less central to Harvard’s everyday economy, milk remains at the center of the festival. The night before the parade, the route is whitewashed to give the street a milky effect. The Junior Dairy Cattle Show takes place at 12 Noon on Sunday June 2, and there is a milk-drinking contest at 4PM on Saturday, June 1. Both contests take place at Milky Way Park.

One of the highlights of the festival is the Milk Days Parade at 1PM, Saturday, June 1 on Ayer Street. This year’s grand marshalls will be the Harvard Stingers, a youth football team that won their championship. Musically, the parade will be led by the Navy Band Great Lakes in what is sure to be a crowd pleaser. (See the accompanying story, page 1.)

Much of the weekend revolves around a carnival held in Milky Way Park from Friday evening, May 31 through Sunday, June 2. There will be a food court, a petting zoo, and chain saw carving demonstrations. The ever-popular “cow chip bingo” will be featured. Cow chip bingo allows prescient prognosticators an opportunity to predict the precise square of a grid upon which a cow will defecate.

There is no charge to attend the carnival or festival grounds. Parking is \$5.

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Wednesday, May 29th
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Ayer St.-Downtown

Thursday, May 30th
6:15 pm Youth Parade
Ayer St.-Downtown

Saturday, June 8th
9 am shotgun start
Milk Days Golf Outing & Lunch
Beaver Creek Golf Course

Friday, May 31st

10-4:30 pm Farm Tractor / Equipment Display
5 pm Festival Grounds Open
Food Court/Market Place, Cow Chip Lotto, Carnival, Concessions, Petting Zoo & Chain Saw Carving
7-10 pm Gone Country – Entertainment Tent
10 pm Fireworks Display

“Kids Big Bucks Game”
Friday --Show at 7 & 9pm
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As the Milk Days celebration has evolved, it has taken on a charitable purpose for the Harvard community. Milk Days has been a reliable benefactor in helping to build and improve Milky Way Park. Harvard has a less than ideal amount of park space, and Milk Days has been a big help in strengthening Harvard’s park system. Milky Way Park serves as a venue for not only Milk Days, but many other popular programs throughout the year.

In addition, Milk Days offers a number of scholarships. An annual scholarship is awarded to a student who is pursuing a career in the dairy industry. An annual beauty pageant is also held, which took place this year on May 11. Alexandra Gast was crowned “Queen” and awarded a \$1500 scholarship. Ms. Gast will attend McHenry County College and hopes to transfer to the University of Wisconsin to study molecular and physiological biology. Her goal is to become a large animal veterinarian. Four other women,

Aaliyah Torres, Jennah Brookner, Mariana Pichardo and Ariel Torres, were also given scholarships in varying amounts.

A Milk Day Country Breakfast will be held Saturday, June 1 at 9AM at the Stratford Banquet Hall, 21007 McGuire Road in Harvard. Tickets are \$15/20 and reservations are encouraged. A talent show is also featured that evening at Milky Way Park.

More music takes place on Sunday night. Gary Todd, the New Odyssey Guy, will be entertaining at Milky Way Park at 7:30PM, June 2. (See the accompanying story, page 2.)

Saturday, June 1st

6:45 am Milk Run/Walk & Kids Dash Registration
Milky Way Park—300 Lawrence Rd

8 am Fun Walk, 5K & 10K Run

8:30 am Kids Dash (50M & 100M)
Milky Way Park (registration closes 8:15 am)

9-11 am Farm Tractor / Equipment Display

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78th Annual Milk Days Parade

Ayer St.-Downtown
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2 pm Festival Grounds Open
Food Court/Market Place Cow Chip Lotto, Carnival Concessions, Petting Zoo & Chain Saw Carving

3-7 pm Farm Tractor / Equipment Display

4 pm Milk Drinking Contest
Entertainment Tent (registration 3:00)

6 pm Talent Show - Entertainment Tent

Sunday, June 2nd

10 am Community Church Service - Entertainment Tent

12 pm Festival Grounds Open
Food Court/Market Place, Cow Chip Lotto
Carnival, Concessions, Petting Zoo & Chain Saw Carving.

12 pm Junior Dairy Cattle Show

12-3 pm Farm Tractor / Equipment Show

7:30 pm Gary Todd Band - Entertainment Tent

10 pm Fireworks Display—Grand Finale

For more information, contact 815-943-4614 or e-mail at info@milkdays.com
Also look us up on our web site at www.milkdays.com and on Facebook/Harvard Milk Days
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Each day’s festivities will end at 10PM with fireworks.

A number of other events take place in Harvard during the run-up to Milk Days: A prince and princess contest, bed races, big wheel races and a separate youth parade.

A golf outing and lunch will be held Saturday, June 8 at Beaver Creek Golf Course near Capron.

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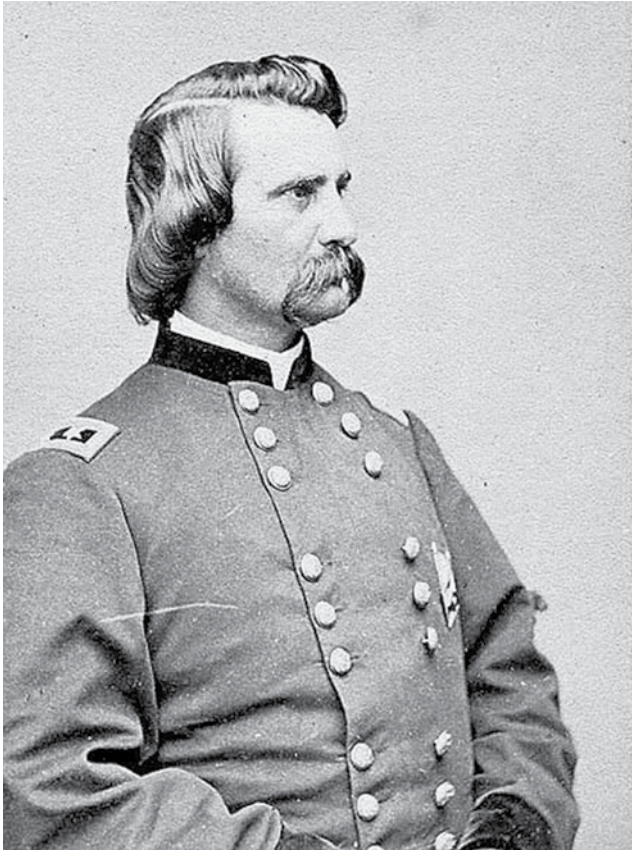
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General John A. Logan

Civil War General from Illinois Considered Creator of Memorial Day

by Charles Mills
Effingham Daily News

Civil War General John A. Logan is credited with creating what we know today as Memorial Day, according to the executive director of the museum in Murphysboro, Illinois, that is dedicated to him.

Logan was born Feb. 9, 1826 in Jackson County, Illinois, on family property that became a part of the City of Murphysboro in 1843.

“General Logan founded Memorial Day as a national holiday,” said P. Michael Jones, executive director of the General John A. Logan Museum. “He did that when he issued General Order Number 11 on May 5, 1868, as commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, sometimes referred to as the GAR.”

Jones said several cities have claimed to be the first to observe Memorial Day, or Decoration Day, as it was called after the Civil War.

“The question is not who started the Memorial

Day we have today, it was John A. Logan,” Jones said. “The question is, where did Logan get his idea?”

Jones said historians have several theories about where it started. However, according to research, newspapers printed in the 1930s and 1940s stated Memorial Day started in the South. Jones said today some Southern states observe Confederate Memorial Day.

In her book “Reminiscences of a Soldier’s Wife: An Autobiography,” Logan’s wife, Mary Logan, wrote about her March 1868 visit to Virginia:

“In the churchyard near Petersburg we saw hundreds of the graves of Confederate soldiers. These graves had upon them small bleached Confederate flags and faded flowers.”

She said her husband Gen. Logan was interested in her trip when she returned and told him how touched she was to see the decorated graves. Gen. Logan issued the General Order to observe Memorial Day two months later, in May 1868.

However, Jones said historians believe John A. Logan should have been aware of the memorial observations being made in the South due to press coverage at the time.

Logan, as commander-in-chief of the GAR, a Union veterans organization, issued General Order Number 11, the Memorial Day Order, on May 5, 1868 from the GAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Jones said the GAR was a precursor to the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

At the time he issued his General Order, Logan was also an Illinois representative at large of the U.S. House of Representatives, representing the whole state of Illinois and not one specific district.

The Memorial Day General Order states:

“The 30th of May, 1868 is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land.

“Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds about them with the choicest flowers of springtime.

“It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades.”

According to Jones, Logan’s General Order is still read during Memorial Day ceremonies around the United States.

Community News & Events

Rockford City Market Opens for 10th Season- Rockford City Market takes place every Friday from May 18 through September 28 along Water Street between State and Jefferson Streets in downtown Rockford. The market runs from 3:30-8:30 p.m. before Labor Day and 3:30-7:30 p.m. after Labor Day. For more information about Rockford City Market, visit www.rockfordcitymarket.com

Anderson Japanese Gardens Brings Craftsmen from Japan- Five craftsmen from Japan will restore tatami in two of Anderson Gardens’ Japanese Gardens’ authentic 16th Century Sukiya - style buildings. The restoration will be open for public viewing during normal garden hours over the Memorial Day Weekend (May 23-26), providing a unique opportunity to see this cultural craft. As part of the weekend-long cultural demonstration, the craftsman will host a lecture explaining the significance of tatami in Japanese culture and showcase traditional construction, maintenance and repair techniques. The lecture will take place at 7:00 PM on Thursday, May 23.

Veterans for Peace Program- Sunday, May 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Located at Unitarian Universalist Church, 4848 Turner Rd., Rockford, IL. This program is free and open to the public, but a free will offering will be taken. Go to <http://rockfordurbanmin.org/> for more information.

Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful Collecting Cell Phones for Soldiers- To honor Memorial Day and our active military personnel, Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful will be collecting cell phones for soldiers at its 4665 Hydraulic Road Recycle Center in Rockford on Tuesday, May 28 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 pm and Saturday, June 1st from 9:00 am to 12 noon. In partnership with the national campaign “Cell Phones for Soldiers.” For more information about Cell Phones for Soldiers, visit www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com

Boone County Arts Council Presents 2019 Concerts in the Park- All concerts will be held on Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The concert is free to the public. Please bring your own lawn chair or a blanket. The first concert of the season, June 2, will be performed by: Holmes Productions- Contemporary Folk & Rock Music. Located at the Baltic Mill Stage.

Community Building Complex Finance, Rules & Regulations and Building & Grounds Committee Meeting- Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 11:45 a.m. at the Steam Plant Restaurant, Belvidere.

Community Building Complex Committee Regular Board Meeting- Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Building Board Room.

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2019 Harvard Milk Days Queen and Her Court

Appearing from left to right in the photo



Aaliyah Torres – Aaliyah is our 2nd Runner-up. She will receive a \$400 Scholarship from Harvard Milk Days after graduation from high school. Aaliyah was also awarded the title of Miss Congeniality which is chosen by her fellow contestants. Aaliyah plans to attend McHenry County College for her general education and then transfer to a four-year school to continue her education in the medical field.

Jennah Brookner – Jennah is our 1st Runner-up. She will receive a \$750 Scholarship from Harvard Milk Days. After graduating in 2020, Jennah plans to attend a four-year university to major in Agriculture Science. After earning her Bachelor's Degree, she hopes to attend Drake Law School to become an Agriculture Lawyer.

Alexandra Gast – Alexandra is our 2019 Harvard Milk Days Queen. She will receive a \$1500 Scholarship from Harvard Milk Days. Alexandra also received the title of Miss Photogenic which is chosen by the judges in the afternoon of the event. She is and has been very active in 4H and FFA where she has earned many awards for her livestock. Alexandra enjoys farming, pottery, archery, cooking, sewing, crafting, and reading fiction books. She will be attending McHenry County College and then transfer to the University of Wisconsin to study Molecular and Physiological Biology. Alexandra's goal is to become a Large Animal Veterinarian.

Mariana Pichardo – Mariana is our 3rd Runner-up. She will receive a \$200 Scholarship from Harvard Milk Days. Mariana was also awarded the title of Miss Beloved Beauty for the second year in a row. This award is chosen by the public. Mariana will be attending the University of Illinois to major in Criminal Psychology.

Ariel Torres – Ariel is our 4th Runner-up. She will receive a \$150 Scholarship from Harvard Milk Days. After graduating in 2020, Ariel plans to attend McHenry County College and then transfer to Northern Illinois University to major in Psychology and Criminology.

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Tammy Duckworth:

'I Think Every Memorial Day About The Guys From Illinois That Never Made It Home'

By Charles Mills
Effingham Daily News

U.S. Sen. Tammy Duckworth spends Memorial Day honoring her friends in the military who have fallen and the heroic soldiers who kept her from numbering among the dead.

"Memorial Day is a day to honor our heroic dead," said Duckworth, the junior senator from Illinois. "People often confuse Veterans Day with Memorial Day. Veterans Day is when we thank our veterans for their service and Memorial Day is specifically to honor the fallen."

Duckworth retired from military service in 2014 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel after serving 23 years. She flew Black Hawk helicopter combat missions during Operation Iraqi Freedom and was awarded the Purple Heart.

Deployed to Iraq in 2004, it was on Nov. 12 of that year when a rocket-propelled grenade took down her helicopter. She lost her legs and has limited use of her right arm.

"I think every Memorial Day about the guys from the Illinois National Guard that I knew that never made it home from Iraq," Duckworth said.

"Whether it's the CH-47 (Chinook helicopter) crew that was shot down in Iraq from the Peoria unit, or whether it was Sgt. First Class Bill Chaney of my own unit out of Chicago Midway Airport, who was a Vietnam Veteran and deployed to Iraq at the age of 59, who died of natural causes and never made it home. Or whether it was the young men, that as a public official, I went to their deployment ceremony out of Woodstock, Illinois, who were killed coming back."

Duckworth said the Chinook CH-47 helicopter shot down on Nov. 2, 2003, was part of the Illinois Army National Guard unit based in Peoria. Sixteen were killed and 20 wounded. Among the dead was Illinois Army National Guard Pilot 1st Lt. Brian D. Slavenas.

Friends and family in Genoa described Slavenas to The Associated Press as a "gentle giant," a nonviolent man who felt a duty to his country.

"He wasn't one of those gung-ho, want-to-go-to-war-type guys," his brother, Eric Slavenas, told AP. "He was there to do a job."

Duckworth said people serve their country in the military for many reasons. She began Army Reserve



U.S. Sen. Tammy Duckworth of Illinois was deployed to Iraq as a Black Hawk helicopter pilot in 2004. Duckworth's Black Hawk helicopter was shot down in Iraq by a rocket-propelled grenade on Nov. 12, 2004. Submitted photo.

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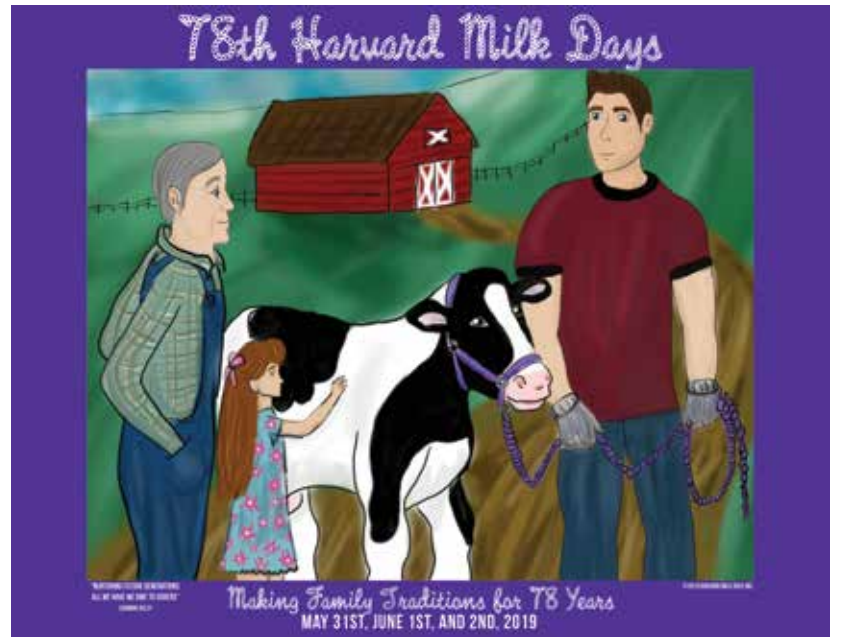
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Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., after the fall of the Berlin Wall.

"I found myself in all of my classes becoming friends with either currently serving guardsmen and reservists or with veterans in my class on the G.I. Bill," Duckworth said. "I remember watching the Berlin Wall come down and I remember seeing all of those East Germans and Czechoslovakians fleeing the Soviet Union.

"People were grabbing whatever possessions they could carry and running into freedom," Duckworth said. "And I remember thinking how proud I was to be an American and it was my nation standing with the NATO allies that represented freedom and liberty."

"I fell in love with the meritocracy of the Army and decided that this was something I wanted to do as part of my life," Duckworth said. "I just wanted to do my part for this nation that I love more than my own life."

After receiving her Master's of Arts Degree in International Affairs at George Washington University, Duckworth pursued a Ph.D. in political science from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, where she finished her ROTC training in May 1992 and received her commission as an officer in the U.S. Army Reserve. Her first choice was to be a helicopter pilot, because that was one of the few Army combat assignments offered to women at the time.

Duckworth grew up in various cities throughout Southeast Asia. Her father, Franklin Duckworth, worked for the United Nations Refugee Program after he retired from the military, where he had served during World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

Working for the U.N., Franklin Duckworth provided humanitarian aid to the Vietnamese boat people and refugees fleeing Laos and Cambodia, then worked for multinational corporations.

"Memorial Day was something we always observed at the U.S. Embassy to honor our heroic dead," Duckworth said. "My family history on my dad's side goes back to the Revolution, and Memorial Day was always significant in my family."

Duckworth led a bipartisan congressional delegation to Iraq in April. She returned to Iraq for the first time since her helicopter was shot down in 2004.

"Memorial Day isn't about me now," Duckworth said. "I survived the shoot down. If I was killed, Memorial Day would be about me, but thanks to the heroism of both my crew of my aircraft and the second aircraft in our flight, I made it home."

"My pilot-in-command received a Distinguished Flying Cross," Duckworth said, referring to Dan Milberg of the Missouri National Guard. "And I want to be sure to always honor that."

"Because they saved me, Memorial Day isn't about me," Duckworth said. "And I get to honor them and get to honor our fallen dead and work as hard as I can for our veterans, work as hard as I can for family members of the fallen, and make sure we stand by every one of our military men and women."

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Graduated Tax Amendment Heads to House Floor

Only one legislative vote stands in way of ballot question

by *Jerry Nowicki*
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – A constitutional amendment that would allow the state to impose higher tax rates on greater margins of income needs only a vote from the full Illinois House to be brought to voters after passing committee Monday.

Discussion at the House Revenue and Finance Committee meeting to debate whether or not the question should be put on the 2020 election ballot centered largely on a proposed graduated rate structure which was not up for vote.

"Our job is to determine whether or not this is going to work before we put it on the ballot," Republican Rep. Steve Reick, of Woodstock, said at the hearing. "Until these background considerations are answered, I can't give you any kind of consideration toward this."

Representatives from Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker's office said they would like to pass a proposed rate structure by the time the Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 1 is brought to voters in the 2020 presidential election, but a bill to do so has lagged behind the amendment itself in the House.

At the end of the committee, all Republicans sided with Reick, while all nine Democrats supported the amendment – even one that had stated publicly he was leaning against voting for a graduated tax amendment.

That member is Jonathan Carroll, a Democrat who represents the wealthy Chicago suburb of Northbrook and is widely believed to be a swing vote in the 74-member Democratic House caucus. To be put on the ballot, the amendment, which has already passed the Senate, needs 71 votes in the House.

"I still have strong reservations on this," Carroll said, calling it "way too important of an issue" not to be brought for a full floor vote. He also said his committee vote does not mean he would necessarily vote for the amendment when it comes before the full House.

The amendment's House sponsor is Rep. Rob Martwick, a Chicago Democrat who has favored a graduated tax structure for several years, noting it is the "fairest" way to balance structural revenue shortfalls in Illinois.

Martwick said he was told by the Center on Government Forecasting and Accountability that the state would need to bump its 4.95 percent flat tax rate up to 6.5 percent in order to continue to make state mandated pension and education payments, spend at the rate of inflation, and maintain a balanced budget.

"I believe that the worst thing that we do for businesses in this state is the irresponsible manner in which we have run our finances," Martwick said. "The accumulation of debt is constantly putting pressure on income taxes to rise, it is crowding out our ability to fund programs, which is then pushed off to the local level which winds up in high property taxes. And so I think that the most irresponsible thing we can do for our economy over the long run is not solve our financial problems."

Business and anti-tax interests pushed back against the idea that a graduated tax structure would stimulate the state's economy, however.

Orphe Divounguy, chief economist at conservative think tank Illinois Policy Institute, said the graduated tax will not alleviate the main contributors to high property taxes, which are public pension liabilities.

Andrew Libman, president of the cleaning supply manufacturing Libman Company in downstate Arcola, said this action, combined with a recent minimum wage hike, high workman's compensation costs and other state policies, have caused him to take a "serious look" at other states for the first time in his 100-plus-year-old business's history.

"One thing that's unique about us is that 100 percent

of our labor is in the state of Illinois. So we don't have other factories in other states that we can our move manufacturing to if the cost structure does change here," Libman said at a news conference before the committee hearing. "But all of our sales are outside the state, so we're not really competing like a grocery store with a business across the street, or a restaurant. We're competing on a nationwide basis, or a worldwide basis."

Rep. Dan Caulkins, a Republican from Decatur, said he would have an easier time voting for the amendment if he knew all of the proceeds from it would go to pay down the state's pension liability and the backlog of unpaid bills, which numbers between \$6 billion and \$8 billion.

But Niya Kelley, state legislative director for the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, said the graduated tax would allow the state to expand programs for at-risk persons which were decimated in the four years under Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner.

The measure could come before the full Illinois House this week. If it is put on the 2020 ballot, it would need support from half of those voting in the election or 60 percent of those voting on the specific question.

Capitol News Illinois reporter Peter Hancock contributed to this report.

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Moody's: Illinois, New Jersey Most Prone to Recession

Report points to state's unfunded pension liabilities, low reserves

by Grant Morgan
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – A report from one of the nation's leading credit rating agencies says Illinois and New Jersey are the two states least-equipped to handle another recession.

While "the probability of a recession beginning within the next year appears to be low," according to the release Monday by Moody's Investors Service, "[New Jersey and Illinois] are likely to face more difficult challenges than other states" in dealing with it.

Chief among the issues are Illinois' large unfunded pension liabilities and the state's low "rainy day" reserves for when the national economy turns sour.

"If revenues declined to a degree equal to the worst one-year decline they had experienced in the past, [Illinois] would not have enough reserves available to cover even half the shortfall," the report said, adding the state would likely have to resort to midyear spending cuts, tax increases or more borrowing to get through.

Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza responded to the report by saying the state is still feeling the effects of the recent two-year budget impasse, and "is, as Moody's reports, in a weakened position to address a recession at present."

"That is why it is imperative for the General Assembly and governor to pass a responsible budget that seeks to meet our obligations and cut into the state's bill backlog, which stands at \$7.4 billion as of [Monday]," Mendoza said in an emailed statement.

Earlier this month, Moody's released a separate report calling Illinois' potential switch to a graduated income tax beneficial, depending how the state uses the new revenue. But the state's bond rating remains at the lowest investment grade available largely for the same reasons for its low ranking in the recession preparedness report.

The report also stated federal aid might not be as generous as in the recession of 2009, when the economy was boosted by a stimulus package meant in part to help local and state governments.

"...Concerns around the level of federal deficits and debt, in addition to a polarized political environment, may hinder" the federal government's ability to help states through a

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The Office of the Illinois State Treasurer did not respond in time for publication.



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Internal Memo Details GOP Budget Plans, Pritzker Complaints

House Republicans will brief members on balanced budget proposal Monday

by Jerry Nowicki
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois House Republican leadership will brief their members Monday on a balanced budget proposal which they say the governor’s office won’t listen to, according to an internal caucus memo obtained by Capitol News Illinois on Friday.

“While Governor Pritzker has been occupied hosting cocktail parties, the House Republican Caucus budget team has been working diligently to ensure we are on sound footing offering a budget plan that doesn’t rely on additional tax increases on Illinois families and small businesses,” Deputy Republican Leader Tom Demmer, of Dixon, said in the memo.

Jordan Abudayyeh, a spokeswoman for Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker, however, said the governor remains in contact with Republican leadership.

“The legislative leaders of both parties are in regular contact with the governor himself and staff. As negotiations continue on a variety of issues, the governor is happy to meet with leaders in the format they prefer,” she said.

On Thursday, Demmer said bipartisan House working groups which include representatives of the governor’s office have been meeting throughout the legislative session to identify cuts of 6 to 10 percent across state agencies—cuts that Demmer said are largely no longer needed due to increased revenue estimates.

The last meeting between the governor and all four legislative leaders, however, occurred on April 11.

The memo carries the same tone taken by the House GOP in a pair of news conferences in which they claimed greater-than-expected April revenues allow for a balanced budget that is not reliant on new taxes.

That unexpected April revenue totaled \$1.5 billion and led government financial forecasters to up their fiscal year 2020 revenue estimate by \$800 million.

The House GOP said the added revenue estimates, coupled with new revenue streams from Pritzker-backed proposals, will eliminate the prospect of “draconian cuts,” the idea of which they believe Democrats are using to sell tax increases such as a graduated income tax to the public.

“By increasing wagering options in Illinois and enacting an agreed-to assessment to our Medicaid Managed Care Organizations, we can expect an increase of approximately \$962 million in FY20 over FY19 expenditures. All without new taxes on Illinois families and small businesses,” Demmer said in the memo.

Democrats have disputed the Republicans’ \$1 billion estimate for revenue that will be made available by the managed care assessment. Pritzker’s office budgeted for only \$390 million in general fund revenue relief resulting from that proposal.

A one-page summary of the House Republican budget also includes a one-time fund sweep of \$375 million from an income tax refund fund, as well as \$175 million from a Pritzker-backed plan to incentivize the payment of delinquent taxes. The proposal also includes \$212 million in revenue from a state sports gambling expansion.

Steve Brown, a spokesperson for House Speaker Mike Madigan, D-Chicago, called the recent news conferences “mumbo jumbo” and pointed to the working groups as ongoing bipartisan budget negotiations.

“Republican leadership probably needs to be

checking with their colleagues because as far as I know Republicans have been in all of the budget working groups that have been meeting both on the budget and on capital. I don’t know why they’d feel like they’ve been excluded,” Brown said. “I know the governor is talking with Republicans, so I’m not really clear what they’re being left out of. I don’t really think there is anything but we’re always happy to have their ideas and, hopefully, their support for the budget that gets put together.”

Meanwhile, spokespersons for Senate President John Cullerton, D-Chicago, and Bill Brady, R-Bloomington, said the Senate leaders met twice this week to discuss the FY 2020 budget.

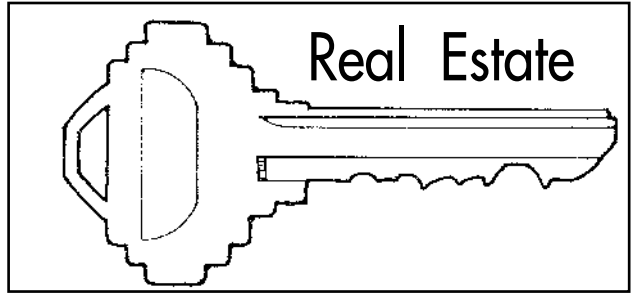
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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
BOONE COUNTY

NORTHWEST BANK OF ROCKFORD, Plaintiff,
VS. CASE NO. 2018 CH 113
VALENTIN DE LA TORRE, UNKNOWN OTHERS, NONRECORD CLAIMANTS AND UNKNOWN TENANTS, Defendants.

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NOTICE TO UNKNOWN OWNERS; UNKNOWN TENANTS; UNKNOWN SPOUSES; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS FOR PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit having been duly filed in my office, NOTICE is hereby given you, UNKNOWN OWNERS; UNKNOWN TENANTS; UNKNOWN SPOUSES; UNKNOWN HEIRS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants in the above-entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, by the said Plaintiff, against you and other Defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage concerning the premises described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Five (5) in William Coopers Subdivision of Fractional Block 17 in the Original Town of Belvidere, and of Block 1 of S.S. Whitman's Addition to Belvidere, as platted and recorded in Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois on October 5, 1887 in Book 47 of Deeds on page 444; situated in the County of Boone and State of Illinois.

COMMON ADDRESS: 522 E. Madison Street
 Belvidere, IL 61008
 P.I.N. NUMBER: 05-25-154-006

And for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the said Court against you as provided by law, and that the suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, the said above-named Defendants, file your Answer to the Complaint of said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Boone County, Boone Winnebago County Courthouse in the City of Belvidere, Illinois, on or before the 17th day of June, 2019, default may be entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.

LINDA ANDERSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court, 17th Judicial Circuit,
 Boone County, Illinois
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY Plaintiff,
 -v- 2019 CH 19
 JOYCE M. SPOHN, et al Defendant
 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on May 14, 2019, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on June 25, 2019, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE, STATE OF ILLINOIS, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 162 IN CANDLEWICK LAKE UNIT NO. 3 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AS DOC. #72-123 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 119 CENTRALIA PL NE, POPLAR GROVE, IL 61065
 Property Index No. 03-22-428-001.

The real estate is improved with a residence.
 Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial Sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which

to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the internal revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of title 38 of the United States Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.

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

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

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

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

For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-19-00846.

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
 One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE

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 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527
 (630) 794-5300
 E-Mail: pleadings@ilcslegal.com
 Attorney File No. 14-19-00846
 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002
 Case Number: 2019 CH 19
 TJSJ#: 39-3172

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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Public Notices

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

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES M. SHACKLEE, Deceased.

No. 2019-P- 24
 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION-WILL AND CLAIMS
 NOTICE is given of the death of Charles M. Shacklee. Letters of Office were issued on April 30, 2019, to Gary Shacklee, Public Guardian and Administrator who is the legal representative of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Attorney Charles G. Popp, P.C., 215 South State Street, Belvidere, Illinois.

Claims against the estate may be filed on or before October 30, 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.

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

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

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Case No. 19-MR-48
 Connor Patrick Cartwright By Matthew Steven Hehn

NOTICE OF FILING PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE
 Notice is hereby given, that on June 18, 2019, at 10:00 am, I will present a Petition requesting that the Court change his/her present name of Connor Patrick Cartwright, a minor, to the name of Connor Patrick Hehn. The hearing will take place at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. Main St., Belvidere, IL 61008

Connor Patrick Cartwright, a minor, by, Matthew Steven Hehn
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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, June 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chamber, Belvidere City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois 61008 upon the following:

Application of Expresslane Inc., 1305 12th Avenue, Rock Falls, IL 61071 on behalf of the property owner, Arthur J. Johnson Family Trust, 1305 12th Avenue, Rock Falls, IL 61071 for a special use to permit indoor commercial entertainment. Specifically, a bar with video gaming at 1024 North State Street, Belvidere, IL 61008 (Belvidere Zoning Ordinance Sections 150.105(C)(5)(B)(2) Indoor Commercial Entertainment and 150.904 Special Use Review and Approval Procedures) in the GB, General Business District on approximately 0.50 acres. The subject property is legally described as:

Lots Two (2), Three (3), and Four (4) in Block Four (4) as designated upon the Plat of Cronk and Fry's Subdivision, being a Subdivision of part of the North Half of Section Twenty Six (26) in Township Forty Four (44) North, of Range Three (3) East of the Third Principal Meridian, the Plat of which Subdivision is recorded in Book 2 of Plats on Page 7 in the Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois; situated in the County of Boone and the State of Illinois.(PINS: 05-26-205-006; 05-26-205-007 and 05-26-205-008.)

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

Daniel Arevalo, Chairman,
 Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission
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LEGAL NOTICE
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NORTH BOONE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for the fiscal year 2019-2020 for the North Boone Fire Protection District #3, Boone County, Illinois, at 7:00 p.m. on July 1, 2019, at a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Boone Fire Protection District #3, at the fire station located at 305 W. Grove Street, Poplar Grove, Illinois 61065.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a tentative form of said Budget and Appropriations Ordinance will be on file and available for public inspection at 305 W. Grove Street, Poplar Grove, Illinois from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning on June 1, 2019.
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STATE OF ILLINOIS
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 COUNTY OF BOONE

ROCKY TEMPLE and DENISE TEMPLE, Plaintiff,
 NO. 19 LM 35 v.
 JODECI COOPER, Defendant.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Forcible Entry and Detainer case was filed on May 2, 2019 and is pending against you.

UNLESS YOU FILE YOUR APPEARANCE in this case or otherwise appear on June 13, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Boone County Courthouse located at 601 N. Main St., Belvidere, Illinois, AN EVICTION ORDER MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU.

Linda J. Anderson, Clerk of Court
 Attorney Nathan J. Noble
 504 North State Street
 Belvidere, IL 61008
 815.547.7700

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY

Marina Marquez Plaintiff Case No. 2019-D-60 Vs
 Luis Miguel Reygadas Martinez Defendant

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
 Notice is given you, Luis Reygadas Martinez, Defendant that this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for Dissolution of marriage 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, Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. Main St., Belvidere, Illinois, 61008 on or before the 26th day of June, 2019, a Judgment or other relief as prayed for by the Plaintiff may be granted.

Dated: 05/22/19
 Linda J. Anderson
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 17th Judicial Circuit
 Boone County, Illinois
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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 Salon business in said County and State under the name of Jazzy Fades at the following addresses: 105 N. State Street, Belvidere IL, 61008 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: Jasmin Cazares 172 Beacon Dr., Belvidere IL, 61008 Signed: Jasmin Cazares 05/13/2019

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me, this 13th day of May, 2019. Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Christine Gardner, Deputy
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Julie A. Stapler
 Boone County Clerk & Recorder
 CHANGE IN CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP OF BUSINESS PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 13, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Boone County, Illinois, concerning the business known as E & J Styles & Cuts, located at 120 Buchanan St, Belvidere, IL 61008, which certificate sets forth the following changes in the operation thereof: Withdrawal of ownership of business by Jasmin Cazares.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2019.
 Julie A. Stapler Boone County Clerk
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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 Auction business in said County and State under the name of Lee Auction Service at the following post office addresses: 11067 Beloit Rd Belvidere, IL 61008 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: Lyle E Lee and Patricia E Lee 11067 Beloit Rd Belvidere, IL 61008 Signed: Lyle E and Patricia E Lee 4/15/2019 Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 15th day of April, 2019. Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Christine Gardener, 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 Cleaning Company business in said County and State under the name of Candor Cleaning at the following addresses: 422 1/2 Buchanan St., Belvidere IL, 61008 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: Nicholas Aubert 422 1/2 Buchanan St., Belvidere IL, 61008 Signed: Nicholas Aubert 05/06/2019

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me, this 6nd day of May, 2019.
 Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Giselle Lenover, Deputy
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Byrd: Enforcement, Education Needed to Change Driving Behaviors

Sending money from fines to educate drivers about Scott's Law proposed

by *Lindsey Salvatelli*
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD - Illinois State Police Lt. Col. David Byrd was the on-call supervisor the night Chicago Fire Department Lt. Scott Gillen was struck and killed while assisting a crash scene in 2000.

In the nearly two decades since, Byrd said, poor driving hasn't diminished.

"Nineteen years later, it's come full circle for me," Byrd said. "We're still dealing with the same situation that occurred that night."

Byrd testified Monday evening on a recent House amendment made to Senate Bill 1862, which would create the Scott's Law Fund. According to the bill, the fund would be used to produce materials related to educating drivers "on approaching stationary authorized emergency vehicles."

He said it's been a difficult year for the Illinois State Police, which has had to deal with the deaths of Troopers Brooke Jones-Story, Jerry Ellis and Chris Lambert in the first five months.

"And this is more of a situation where we have to educate the public," Byrd said. "And we're trying to change driving behavior. That's what we want to do."

Two of the three troopers died in incidents where there was a violation of Scott's Law, named after Gillen and sometimes referred to as the "move-over law." It requires a motorist to slow down while passing stationary vehicles with flashing lights and, if safe, change lanes.

The increased focus on Scott's Law this year has lawmakers pushing for steeper penalties.

A current violation could result in a fine of \$100 to \$10,000. If the Legislature passes the bill, first-time violators on roadways within state police jurisdiction would pay \$250 to \$10,000, which would go to the Scott's Law Fund. A second violation would lead to a fine between \$750 and \$10,000. A \$250 assessment fee would be added to each fine.

The measure dictates the money collected be used to educate drivers on how to comply with Scott's Law.

The bill's House sponsor, Democratic Rep. Marcus Evans, of Chicago, said drivers aren't being "vigilant" when it comes to approaching first responders on roadways. But he said enforcement alone won't usher in the change that's being sought.

"From my understanding, it's not just fine more; we need to educate drivers to eliminate these tragedies," Evans said.

Byrd said changing driving behaviors can be accomplished over time through educating the public and enforcing Scott's Law.

"Believe me, Illinois State Police would prefer to be spending their time working on some more serious crimes," Byrd said. "But until we change that behavior, this has to be put to the forefront."

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