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## The Belvidere Hotel Redux

By David Larson

This feller won't be late for dinner running south on State Street with his buckboard and his dog in the lead.

Two weeks ago, we published an article placing the Belvidere Hotel on the corner of State Street and an alley that runs through the 400 block of State Street to Whitney Boulevard. With the wider view that this picture provides, it appears the Belvidere Hotel was located on the corner of Buchanan and State, and that the alley did not yet exist. So, this building has been replaced by the one that stands today. The third building to the north in the picture still stands today, and holds an ultra-large streetscape mural, hand-painted by former Belvidere resident John Berry, based on his childhood memories of each building.

In the picture, the mural on the side of the Belvidere Hotel is promoting the Rockford Brewery's "Branch Beer." Below that is a hand, pointing the way to the train station.

Beer has always been popular. The saloon business was an entry business, and it employed many individuals in the area. It was a place where men met and had conversation. Belvidere had several very early in its history.

The Rockford Brewery has a colorful history. An English beer enthusiast named Jonathan Peacock established it in 1849. Using local natural resources, the brewery developed into a successful business, with a unique-tasting, crafted product. Ice

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## Comptroller Report Shows State's Finances in Bad Shape, But Improving

*FY 2018 report is first since resolution of a 2-year budget impasse*

by Peter Hancock  
*Capitol News Illinois*

The state of Illinois ran up a deficit of more than \$7.7 billion in the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2018. But as bad as that sounds, it was only about half as bad as the \$14.6 billion deficit amassed the year before.

That's one of the conclusions from the latest Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that Comptroller Susana Mendoza released Thursday. It's the first such report released since the end of the state's historic two-year budget impasse during former Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner's administration.

The 397-page report offers an intensely detailed look at the state's overall financial condition as well as an analysis of economic factors that could affect state finances into the future.

It notes, for example, that spending on health and social services accounted for the largest single area of state spending during the year, totaling nearly \$28.9 billion, or almost 41 percent of the state's budget. That was followed by education, including K-12 and higher education, which accounted for \$20.2 billion, or 28.5 percent of state spending.

According to the report, the state's overall financial condition improved during that fiscal year, which began July 1, 2017, largely because the final budget plan that passed in late August of that year included significant increases in both individual and corporate income tax rates coupled with authority to issue bonds backed by future tax receipts that were pledged to pay down debts that were incurred in prior years.

The 2017-2018 budget plan also gave the state authority to transfer money out of various funds into the general fund, and to borrow from other funds, in order to defray operating costs. It also provided options for certain state employees to accept voluntary buyouts of their pension benefits – cash now in exchange for future pension payments.

Even with those measures, the report noted that the state's overall "net position" – essentially

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the difference between all of its tangible assets and all of its liabilities, a statistic used to measure the overall financial health of a business or government – was a negative \$136 billion.

Still that was also better than the negative \$184 billion net position reported at the end of the 2017 fiscal year, an indicator that the state’s overall financial health improved during the year.

Looking forward, the report noted the state faces a number of “continuing underlying financial weaknesses” that will affect the state’s ability to meet its financial obligations in the future.

Chief among those, according to the report, is the state’s ability to manage its cash flow. Almost consistently since November 2000, during Republican Gov. George Ryan’s administration, Illinois has been running a deficit – bills on hand exceeding available cash – in its general revenue fund.

That’s largely the result of something that has become a common practice in Illinois over the past 20 years, known as “deferred liabilities,” which allows the state to incur obligations in one year and to pay them off with revenue from the following year.

Illinois ended the 2018 fiscal year with just over \$2.2 billion in deferred liabilities, a decrease of nearly \$3.9 billion from the previous year.

Illinois also faced an estimated \$133.6 billion in long-term unfunded pension liabilities at the end of the 2018 fiscal year, plus another \$55 billion in “other postemployment obligations,” including health, dental, vision and life insurance for retired state and university employees.

Finally, the state faces a large amount of long-term debt. Illinois ended the year with roughly \$30 billion in general obligation debt – or debt backed by the full faith and credit of the state – plus another \$2.3 billion in “special” obligation debt, which is backed by revenues specifically pledged to pay off that debt.

Interest and principal payments on that debt totaled nearly \$3.8 billion during the fiscal year.

Although improvement was dramatic in fiscal year 2018, the state is far from recovery of the damage during the two-year budget impasse, and

systematic budgetary issues still impede further significant reductions in the state’s unpaid bills, the report stated.

**Critical Data, and Time, Lost in Compiling State Financial Report**

*Public assistance information deleted during system update*

by **REBECCA ANZEL**  
*Capitol News Illinois*

A major tech failure at two of Illinois’ largest agencies and a lack of a uniform financial system contributed to officials publishing a key document detailing the state’s fiscal health eight months late.

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, released Thursday, is used by ratings agencies to determine Illinois’ credit rating, which affects the interest rates it receives for bonded projects.

Auditor General Frank Mautino and Comptroller Susana Mendoza, whose offices contribute to the document, agreed a primary reason Illinois’ report was the last one completed in the country was due to the loss of one quarter of the state’s Medicaid data.

The Department of Human Services and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services both use a system that determines residents’ eligibility for public assistance, for which the state receives federal reimbursements. When a third-party technology vendor was completing an update to that system, 25 percent of Illinois’ Medicaid program data was deleted, Mautino said.

Agency officials asked for an extension to work with the federal government to verify the accuracy of information lost in that erasure. Before the CAFR can be completed, auditors verify the books of each agency, sending that data then to the comptroller’s office.

“This is the thing that’s different this year that I don’t know of has happened anywhere at any other time,” Mautino said. “It’s a big factor.”

The mistake was additionally impactful because of the two agencies it affected. Combined, Mautino said, they make up 28 percent of the revenue and 31 percent of the expenditures of all governmental funds in Illinois.

“That is a big number, and when you have a problem with that number, it impacts the financial statements of the state,” he said.

Mendoza criticized former Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner’s administration for its use of third-party contractors.

“We should not expect outside consultants to perform critical government functions, especially regarding data involving eligibility determinations under the state’s Medicaid program serving the state’s most vulnerable citizens, without adequate controls to protect the state’s program and ultimately state taxpayers,” she said in a press release.

The auditor general and Mendoza did not agree the state’s lack of a uniform financial system contributed chiefly to the report’s delayed publication.

Mautino said Illinois officials do not have “great financial controls” because each agency has its own financial reporting system that “can’t speak to each other.” When auditors compile information for the CAFR, they must convert the data first. That takes more time and leaves open the possibility for human error.

“Accurate and timely financial reporting problems continue to exist even though auditors have: continuously reported numerous findings on the internal controls, ... commented on the inadequacy of the financial reporting process of the state, and regularly proposed adjustments to the financial statements year after year,” states an opinion of the CAFR published by the auditor general’s office Thursday.

Mendoza noted in a news release she “agrees” Illinois needs a uniform financial system, but pushed back against the idea it was a “primary” reason for the report’s late release.

**Hotel**

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harvested from the river in winter kept the beer cold in the summer.

In 1908, the City of Rockford passed a referendum that prohibited the operation of saloons, and prohibited the Rockford Brewing Company from selling beer in the City of Rockford. The company survived by selling wholesale beer outside of the city. It also diversified into the soft drink business. The saloon business in Rockford turned to the retail sale of soda pop and cigars to stay open, if possible.


The owner at the time, John V. Petritz, was vilified by the clergy of the city. He also had a business reputation as a union buster.

But when the referendum passed, Petritz was already in motion. It was legally permissible to drink beer in Rockford but, it just could not be served in public, nor could a local brewery sell directly to the public. Interstate commerce laws did permit out-of-state breweries to ship beer directly to Rockford residents. The local newspapers were rich in advertisements seeking orders for liquor home delivery.

The Rockford Brewing Company setup an office in Beloit. Barrows of beer were shipped to Beloit and stamped received. Without unloading the barrows, they were shipped back to Rockford for distribution to Rockford residences.

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By 1920, the Eighteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution became effective, and the whole country went dry. The religious temperance movement held the high ground politically. Brewers and distillers were only allowed to produce alcohol for medical consumption, similar to medicinal marijuana laws today.

Prohibition gave rise to an expansion of violent criminal behavior from coast to coast. The Mafia became a permanent cohesive criminal organization because of the new financial opportunity that prohibition created. In 1933, the experiment in social engineering ended. The financial strength that Prohibition provided allowed the Mafia to become international and diversify into narcotics.

Today, many visit and live in the apartments, restaurant, bars and banquet hall of the Rockford Brewing Company building, which is on the east bank of the Rock River, and operated under the name of The Prairie Street Brewing Company.

The Rockford Brewing Company building is one of many interesting projects that have arisen from repurposed factories. The Starline Building in Harvard, (which nearly burned to the ground before renovation) is now a thriving arts center and restaurant. Another example is the award-winning, Beloit College Powerhouse, a recreation center and student union designed by Jeanne Gang. The Powerhouse is a former power generating facility that has been repurposed. It would be interesting to know more about the building to the north of the Belvidere Hotel in this picture. Today, it is a parking lot with murals.

## Keicher Bill Protects Home-Based Business from Stalkers

### Press Release

Victims of stalking and petitioners for an order of protection who operate a home-based business have a new protection in state law to shield their privacy, as legislation sponsored by State Representative Jeff Keicher, R-Sycamore, was signed into law by Governor Pritzker on August 23 to allow them an alternative course to comply with requirements on business owners to publish their address.

Local small business owner and women's advocate Michele Costa brought this issue to her legislator's attention. "I thank Representative Keicher for leading the charge for finding ways to make it safer for women to operate and grow their businesses," Costa said.

Specifically, House Bill 2528 provides that a person operating a business under an assumed name at his or her personal residence may list the address of their local county clerk as the default agent for service of process to meet the publication requirements, if the following conditions are met: (1) the person reasonably believes that publishing his or her home address would put his or her safety at risk, and lists the reasoning for such on the form submitted to the county clerk, which shall be kept confidential; (2) the form is accompanied by a court order or police report that there is a true need for the address to be kept confidential; and (3) the person provides the address of his or her residence to the county clerk, which shall be kept confidential.

"Individuals who operate a home-based business deserve the peace of mind of knowing that a perpetrator cannot use the law against them to find their current address," Representative Keicher said. "This is an issue where Democrats and Republicans came together to work with me to get this done. I thank the Governor for his support by signing this measure into law."

DeKalb County State's Attorney Rick Amato expressed his support for the new law from a prosecutor's perspective. "This common sense adjustment to state law allows us to better protect those who are victims of stalking or covered by an order of protection," Amato said. "It may only impact a small number of people in DeKalb County, but the law should always be written in such a way to ensure equal protection for everyone in our community. It will take our entire community working together with all of our assets, like this new statute, to put an end to the oppression and trauma that domestic violence causes."

For questions or more information, please call Representative Keicher's District Office in Sycamore at (815) 748-3494.

## Sheriff David Ernest Announces

### Press Release

On Friday, August 30, 2019 the Boone County Sheriff's Office arrested a 15 year old juvenile on Felony Disorderly Conduct charges after the juvenile was identified as a person who created fear on social media by threatening violence at a Belvidere School.

On August 29, 2019, at approximately 5:30 pm, the Boone County Sheriff's Office received information on a possible school threat to a Belvidere school. Boone County Sheriff's Detectives along with School Officials worked through the night investigating the threat. Boone County Sheriff's Detectives were able to identify the juvenile offender and determine that at no time was any student and/or school in danger.

These type of threats are taken very seriously by the Boone County Sheriff's Office and Belvidere School District 100. The Boone County Sheriff's Office continues to investigate the threat. The juvenile offender was arrested and charged with the severest charge available under state law.

Parents, as well as students, are encouraged to report any information on these types of cases as soon as possible. It is important that parents talk with their children of the severity of these types of threats. Offenders who threaten and cause havoc to the children of Boone County will be held accountable for their actions. These offenders will be arrested and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

The Boone County Sheriff's Office encourages anyone having information on this or any crime to call 815-544-2144 or Boone County Crime Stoppers at 815-544-7867.

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# How To Navigate Government And Politics

by Jim Nowlan

I am giving a talk to long-term state prison inmates, soon to be released, about how to navigate government and politics. This, on the premise they will need licenses to drive and ply some trades, and maybe even want to get involved in politics.

Background: Illinois is divided into 10,000 voting districts called precincts, each with roughly 500 voters. Political parties have long used precincts to organize and contest elections. Precinct committeemen are elected at primaries to advocate for their respective parties (called "captains" in Cook County, where they are appointed by party higher-ups).

When I was in politics half a century ago, political party organizations were important in navigating politics. Citizens would go to their committeemen to find out who to contact to resolve their problems with, say, the DMV or other state agencies. That no longer happens, with rare exceptions.

Patronage jobs in government, which committeemen and captains once coveted, are mostly gone. So, why seek the post? In addition, television ads and money have basically replaced party as campaign tools. As a result, candidates for offices such as state legislator now must build their own personal organizations of volunteers and committees to raise money for campaigns.

To a citizen who wants to navigate politics, I suggest getting to know, maybe even volunteering with, the local state legislator (Illinois House and Senate members) and his or her small staff. Why this office?

Local officials, such as city council members who are basically volunteers, are generally lacking in political savvy (with the exception of well-paid Chicago aldermen). Higher up the political ladder, U.S. congressmen represent three-quarters of a million citizens each, and thus are often located too far away physically and psychologically to get to know you well.

In contrast, each state House member represents a more manageable 108,000. This lawmaker has one or more offices in the district, and a legislative assistant or two.

This assistant is paid to respond to, often solve, your problems with government. These assistants are generally quite approachable — it's their job.

The assistant also cooperates with several counterparts in each U.S. congressional office. These aides are specialized to help, respectively, with problems of veterans, Social Security, Medicare, getting a military band for your parade, whatever.

The best way to address a problem with government is, ideally, to introduce yourself to the legislator's aide in the district office. And if the assistant makes an effort to help you, say Thank You, Thank You. This little gesture goes a long way.

The assistant is also sometimes, in off hours, involved in helping re-elect her boss, or would know whom to contact if you wanted to volunteer.

Thus, if you want to get personally involved in politics, the state House or Senate member would also be a good place to start. If your local lawmakers' values are not compatible with yours, find one in a nearby district who is simpatico. As I said, elected officials now build their own "organizations," to help them in re-election and maybe even in moving up the ladder to higher office. These political organizations appreciate really good volunteers. Note: I said "really good."

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# Seed Saving Program Presented by Boone County Master Gardeners

Seed saving is the practice of saving seeds from vegetables, grain, herbs, and flowers for use from year to year in your garden. This practice has a long history and has recently started to regain popularity among gardeners. It takes a bit of knowledge and proper planning in order to be successful with seed saving and now is the perfect time to start saving seeds from your gardens. Join University of Illinois Extension Boone County Master Gardeners for a FREE presentation and learn the history, methods, and planning techniques for saving seeds from the garden.

This presentation will be on Monday, September 9 at Ida Public Library located at 320 N. State Street, Belvidere. It will be from 6:00-7:30pm. While this is a FREE program, participants are encouraged to register by Friday, September 6. To register, contact Ida Public Library at 815-544-3838. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact the Boone County Extension office at 815-544-3710.

## Letter to The Editor

Mayor and City Council,  
General Mills Park at Christi Lane and Highline Street began to happen in 2015. The City paid \$10 for the land. The Mayor broke a council deadlock to acquire the property and proceeded with development.

Public Works, Fire and Police departments initiated construction and programs in the summer of 2016. Moving ahead to 2018 General Mills donated \$20,000 for playground equipment. The City's Finance person worked to obtain grants. Kids Around the World and volunteers helped install equipment and a summer lunch program happened.

In August 2018 an \$8,000 donation from Jeanne Baker to help with expenses was received. It was used to make a border of gravel, concrete and mulch around the park. It paid expenses for Kids Around the World. There were services for children including "Summer Lunch Fridays", Police and Fire Department outreach programs and the YMCA provided recreational activities.

December 2018 saw the Boone County Community Foundation approve a grant request of \$4,000 to be used to pay a portion of the cost of a park shelter/pavilion. In May 2019 the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois provided a grant of \$2500.

June 2019 the Belvidere Board of Realtors received a grant and donated \$2500 to help construct the pavilion. Also "Y on the Fly" brought recreational programs for the youths residing around the property being named General Mills Park.

August 2019 the Belvidere Cosmo Club donated \$2800. And finally the First United Methodist Church of Belvidere closed out expenses with a donation of \$9,778.94. Grants and dollars donated to make the park totaled

\$51,306.03.

The City and citizens of the Belvidere Community saw a need- recreation for children- and responded. The City is the Dutch Uncle of all local government working with all to meet residents' needs. Individuals who work for the City went above and beyond their job descriptions establishing the park.

The City and a litany of volunteers, organizations and donors made the park happen. I want to say THANK YOU to everyone for seeing a need and responding in a most positive manner.

THANK YOU ALL

Andy Racz

Dear Editor,

About a new law in Illinois prohibiting smoking in a vehicle containing a minor authored by Dem. Sen. Julie Morrison or Deerfield, you might be tempted, if not to cheer, then to shrug and say, "Who cares? People shouldn't smoke, and children shouldn't have to breath second-hand smoke!" Moreover, as with the law requiring seat-belt usage, 30 years ago, which soon became a primary, stoppable, and ticket able offense, Illinoisans can rest assured that this new law will be invoked only secondarily, to a motorist stopped for some other reason. Right!


Consider, however, that we've already, in a free country, turned those wretches who still smoke into such pariahs that the only two places, almost, where they're still "free" to smoke are in their own car, and in their own home. People's INNER SANCTUMS!

Presumably, between these last two redoubts, the reason that only-so far- the automobile was successfully chosen for targeting is its relatively close quarters. We must assume here that state legislators are unaware that car windows can be opened.


But then, its only a matter of time until they realize, as well, how few smokers live in mansions, where while they smoke in the east wing, the kids can study or watch TV in the west wing. And then they will legislate on that. Depend on it, folks: This "car" law is coming to a home near you.

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# Fight Back Against Telemarketers and Scammers: Part Two

by Pat R. Glass

In the preceding article, I set the groundwork for what follows. If you happened to miss part one, you may be able to pick up a copy of the previous Journal which was the Boone County Fair. Here are some tools to at least fight back against these constant and annoying and sometimes costly calls and emails. I will repeat what I wrote earlier: Time is money to scammers and telemarketers. The trick is to first, never let them get any of your money and secondly, put a dent in their time by creatively and comically wasting as much of it as possible. And when doing so, I believe that your time is not wasted but rather can be used as a salvo against these seemingly untouchable crooks. Albeit, a small salvo perhaps, but a shot fired in the right direction to say the least.

If you ever wanted to be an actor, or comedian or great orator, this will be right up your alley. Let's get started. Rule one: When prompted to press "1" to speak with a "representative" or "agent" or whatever title they happen to use, do it! The original call is usually a prerecorded notice and timed to make you think you are actually conversing with a person at that time. Go ahead, let that go on and try to answer every question with "yes" or "OK". For example: "Hi, this is Mandy calling on a recorded line. We have some exciting news for you as you have been selected for a free cruise. Can you hear me OK?" Say yes and let them go on until they transfer you to an "agent". When speaking to them, try and agree to whatever question they ask. However, don't give out any personal financial information, (NEVER!) Don't hesitate to request they repeat what they had said. You can claim it's a bad connection or that you are a bit hard of hearing. I actually had one person literally screaming so I could hear them. I just kept saying "that's a little better" and/or "please speak louder". Again, this is taking up their time. Also, ask as many questions as you

deem fit for the particular caller. Be creative as fits the scenario. Now, my fishing analogy: Folks like me who spend time messing with these idiots are referred to as "Scam Baiters". While they are trying to bait us, we actually bait them, but as in fishing, there is a bit of finesse involved. Pull too hard on the line or too soon, and you may lose the fish. If this seems confusing don't worry; I will give detailed examples later in the writing. If the fish (scammer) acts like he wants to run a bit, let him/her do it. If they seem to be tiring of being hooked (of course they should have no idea that they are the ones being played), use some sincere sweet talk to bring them back.

Most of us were raised to be decent and caring individuals, who take pity on the poor and unfortunate. Many of us donate money to organizations who funnel those funds to the needy around the world. Whether it be poor in India, Bangladesh or the Sudan to cite a few examples, this money goes a long way to feed and clothe a lot of people. In the case of callers who are obviously calling from those countries with an Indian or other accent, I must remind you that these callers are not among the needy. They are, however, among the "greedy". So if your upbringing tends to make you feel sorry for the caller, it may be better if you just hang up and/or get rid of your phone. They are totally aware that they are scamming you in an attempt to rob you. It's as simple as that. This also applies to the USA based callers, who try and sell you an actual product that you truly do not want or need. Most of those things can be found at Amazon.com or at Walmart.

If you are with me and ready to strike a blow for goodness, honesty and justice, watch for the final installment of this 3-part article in next week's paper. Until then I bid you best regards and a scam free life.

**Beattie is....Arts Festival-** Rain or shine; the Rockford Area Arts Council is hosting the Beattie Is....Arts Festival in the second year of its return on Sunday, September 8! Or more information on attending or volunteering at Beattie Is... Back, please visit [www.artsforeveryone.com](http://www.artsforeveryone.com) or [www.BeattieIs.com](http://www.BeattieIs.com); Contact Caitlyn Baylor [caitlynbaylor@artsforeveryone.com](mailto:caitlynbaylor@artsforeveryone.com) or call the Arts Council: 815-963-6765.

**Illinois Extension to Host Sheep and Goat Program-** Join Teresa Steckler a Commercial Agriculture Educator with Illinois Extension for a program on raising sheep and goats. The program will be held on Tuesday, September 17 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 Vine St., Elizabeth, IL 61028. There is no charge to attend the program, but pre-registration is requested by September 16. For more information or to register for the program please call the Jo Daviess County Extension Office at 815-858-2273.

**Kirkland Historical Society Fall Meeting-** Wednesday, September 18th, 2019 at 7PM at the Olson Chapel, 309 S. 5th St., Kirkland. The program will be "Kirkland's Hemp Mill" by Connie Worden. All are welcome-Refreshments will be served.

**Rock Valley College and Rockford University Hosting Career & Internship Fair-** Rock Valley College and Rockford University will be co-hosting a Career & Internship Fair on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Physical Education Center (PEC) gymnasium on RVC's main campus (3301 North Mulford Road). Pre-registration is strongly encouraged but NOT required. Walk-ins are welcome and can register at the door for FREE. This event is free to students, alumni, and the community. More information is available online at [rockvalleycollege.edu/careerservices](http://rockvalleycollege.edu/careerservices)

**Community Building Complex Committee Regular Board Meeting-** Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Building Board Room.

Winnebago County CASA Program to Hold Oktoberfest Golf Outing- The CASA program will hold a fundraiser on Friday September 20, 2019 at Forest Hills Country Club (5135 Forest Hills Road, Rockford). To purchase tickets and for more information visit [www.WinnebagoCountyCASA.org](http://www.WinnebagoCountyCASA.org).

**24th Annual National POW/MIA Recognition Candlelight Remembrance Ceremony-** Friday, September 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. located at the Loves Park City Hall, 100 Heart Blvd. Refreshments will be served.

**MERIT Program Riverboat-Themed Fundraiser-** The University of Illinois College of Medicine-Rockford will host Riverboat Royale at the Rockford Country Club, 2500 Oxford Street, on Saturday, September 21, from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Tickets are \$125 per person and can be ordered online at [go.uic.edu/RiverboatRoyale](http://go.uic.edu/RiverboatRoyale). For more information, call 815-395-5745.

**Fall Into Gardening-** Join the Jo Daviess County Master Gardeners on Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 9 a.m. to noon at the CTE Academy, 950 Hwy 20 W. Elizabeth,

IL, for their first annual Fall Into Gardening event. Check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the cost of the event will be \$5 per person. Pre-registration is required by Monday, September 23, 2019. To register or for more information on this program please call the Jo Daviess County Extension Office at 815-858-2273.

## Community News & Events

**The Fox On The Fairway-** The Fox On The Fairway will be performed September 5-22 in the Cheek Theatre in the Clark Arts Center at Rockford University. Performances are Thursdays at 7:30, Fridays at 7:30, Saturdays at 4:00 and 7:30, and Sundays at 2:00. Thursday tickets are \$19. All other performances are \$30, \$28 for seniors, and \$10 for students. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.artistsensemble.org](http://www.artistsensemble.org) or by calling 815-394-5004.

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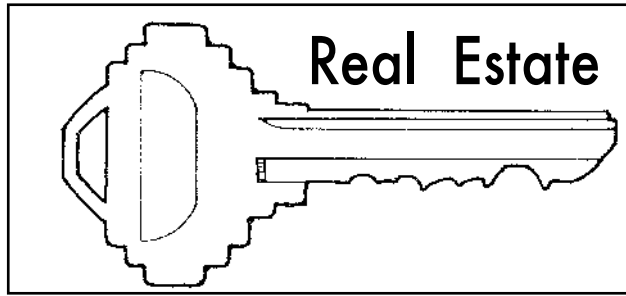
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For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876

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BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,  
v. Case No.: 2019CH106  
EDUARDO CARABALLO; STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; UNKNOWN OWNERS; AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant(s). Residential Mortgage Foreclosure  
Property Address:  
420 Gardner St.  
Belvidere, IL 61008  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, this case has been commenced in this Court against you and others, asking for foreclosure of the Mortgage held by the Plaintiff on the property located at 420 Gardner St.

Belvidere, IL 61008, more particularly described as:  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY  
LOT 1 IN H.H. HICK'S SUBDIVISION, AS PLATTED AND RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE CITY OF BELVIDERE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Permanent Index Number: 05-25-152-011  
Commonly known as: 420 Gardner St., Belvidere, IL 61008  
This case is set for a Case Management Conference in courtroom 3 on 02/18/2020 at 1:30PM. FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN THE CASE

BEING DISMISSED OR AN ORDER OF DEFAULT BEING ENTERED.

UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the Office of the Circuit Court of Boone County at the Boone County Courthouse located at 601 N. Main Street, Belvidere, IL 61008 on or before September 30, 2019, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE.

THIS COMMUNICATION IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

BELVIDERE, BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
vs. CASE NO. 19-CH-73

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES OF SUSAN M. SIEK, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF SUSAN M. SIEK, DECEASED, UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS AND LIENHOLDERS AGAINST THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES OF SUSAN M. SIEK, DECEASED, DEBORAH L. SCHROEDER, KIM YUREK, DAN YUREK, STATE OF ILLINOIS-DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE and SHERRY ZACK, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF SUSAN M. SIEK, DECEASED, Defendants.  
PROPERTY ADDRESS:  
2360 RANDOLPH ST.  
CALEDONIA, IL 61011

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown Heirs and Devises of Susan M. Siek, deceased, Unknown Claimants and Lienholders Against the Estate of Susan M. Siek, deceased and Unknown Claimants and Lienholders Against the Unknown Heirs and Devises of Susan M. Siek, deceased, Defendants, this case has been commenced in this Court against you and others, asking for foreclosure of the Mortgage held by the Plaintiff on the property located at 2360 Randolph St., Caledonia, IL 61011, more particularly described as:

i. The names of all plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.  
ii. The court in which said action was brought is identified above.  
iii. The names of the title holders of record are: Heirs and Devises of Susan M. Siek, deceased  
iv. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:  
Lot Three (3) in Block Twelve (12) of J.A. Cornwell's Addition to the Town of Caledonia Center, situated in Boone County, State of Illinois.  
Permanent Index Number: 03-21-176-010

v. A common address or description of the location for the real estate is as follows:  
2360 Randolph St., Caledonia, IL 61011

vi. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

Names of the Mortgagors: Susan M. Siek and Deborah L. Schroeder  
Names of the Mortgagee: Chase Bank USA, N.A.  
Date of the Mortgage: July 13, 2005  
Date of the recording: October 25, 2005  
County where recorded: Boone County

Recording document identification: Document No. 2005R12501

YOU MAY STILL BE ABLE TO SAVE YOUR HOME. DO NOT IGNORE THIS DOCUMENT. By order of the Chief Judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, this case is subject to the Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program. You must follow the instructions issued by the Program to participate.  
UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 North Main Street, #303, Belvidere, IL 61008-2644 on or before September 30, 2019, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE.

CLERK OF THE COURT  
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Property Index No. 06-31-104-009

When I was running statewide and presidential campaigns, my staff and I would remark that for every 10 people who “volunteered” in our campaigns, we would be delighted if one proved to be of any value. After all, these well-intentioned folks are volunteering. As such, the times when a campaign needs help often prove inconvenient to a volunteer, so they don’t show. And walking precincts door-to-door or rallying for parades is not everyone’s cup of tea.

Really good volunteers always show and do most anything asked of them; they are remembered and valued.

Politics (getting into office) and government (serving in office) are obviously related, yet separate. In my day, the line of separation was blurry. Today, the line is sharp, because of increased public sensitivity to our state’s reputation for corruption.

For example, in the 1960s, former Governor William Stratton was acquitted by a federal jury of using campaign contributions for his wife’s jewelry, fancy clothing, and furnishings — without reporting the money as income. More recently, Chicago ex-Congressman Jesse Jackson, Jr. and former, very effective, Governor George Ryan have been sent away for arguably lesser offenses. Times, and the attitudes of juries, change.

So, never, ever give even a passing thought to offering to trade something of monetary value to earn a favor from a government employee or elected official. Your granddad might have suggested that such is the way to do political business, and it often was in his day. Not today.

I could teach — and have — a semester-long course out of this general topic. Politics is important to democracy. I hope you will at least stick your toe into the water.

For many years, Jim Nowlan was a senior fellow and political science professor at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. He has worked for three unindicted governors and publishes a weekly newspaper in central Illinois.

**Bio sketch of Jim Nowlan**

Jim is a jack-of-all-trades in Illinois public affairs. He has been an Illinois legislator, statewide candidate, state agency director, senior aide to three unindicted governors, campaign manager for U.S. Senate and presidential candidates, professor, newspaper publisher and columnist.

Jim received his BA, MA and PhD degrees in political science, with minors in economics, from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Whenever kicked out of government or politics, Jim has taken refuge as a senior fellow at the University’s Institute of Government and Public Affairs. He has also taught courses in American politics at the U. of I. in both Urbana and Chicago, Northern Illinois University, and Knox College

Jim is a “foreign expert” with the School of International Relations and Public Affairs at the elite Fudan University in Shanghai, where he has taught courses in American politics on three different occasions in recent years. When in China, Jim has also been invited to give lectures at major universities throughout China, including at Beijing, Nanjing, Suzhou and Northwestern (Xian) universities.

Jim is the author or co-author of seven books, including *Illinois Politics* (University of Illinois Press, 2010) and *Fixing Illinois* (U. of I. Press, 2015). Jim recently completed a four-year term as member, then chair, of the Illinois Executive Ethics Commission.

At present, Jim is president of Stark County Communications, which publishes newspapers in his rural home county in central Illinois.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
POPLAR GROVE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Poplar Grove Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Village Board Room, 200 North Hill Street, Poplar Grove, Illinois, 61065 upon the following:

The Village of Poplar Grove, 200 North Hill Street, Poplar Grove, IL 61065 is proposing an amendment to their Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Sections 8-2-3 Definitions, 8-6-9(B) General Business District, 8-6-10(B) Central Business District, 8-6-11(B) Light Industrial District, 8-6-12(B) Heavy Industrial District, 8-6-13 Permitted Uses Table, 8-7-10 Adult-Use Cannabis and 8-7-11 Temporary Uses and Special Events in accordance with Section 8-5-4, Text Amendment. The request will permit adult-use cannabis business establishments by special use in the General Business, Central Business, Light Industrial and Heavy Industrial Districts.

The proposed text amendment is available for public review at the Poplar Grove Planning Office (401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere) during regular business hours.

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

Jake Dykstra, Chairman,  
Poplar Grove Planning and Zoning Commission  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, October 4, 2019, at 9:00 A.M., in Suite 501 of the office of Hart, Southworth & Witsman located at One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, Illinois 62701. At the hearing, the Authority will consider issuing its Agricultural Development Revenue Bond in an aggregated principal amount not to exceed \$105,000.00. Proceeds to be used by Andrew J. Fitch and Katherine M. Fitch for the purchase of all or a portion of the cost of farmland reached by driving from Belvidere, IL travel on US 20 approx 4 miles west. The property is about ½ west of Olson road on US 20. Subject property is in Boone County, Belvidere Township, Illinois. Interested members of the public may attend and comment. Project Number 2019-10-0002

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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 Farming business in said County and State under the name of Vilchis Farming at the following addresses: 2109 Candlewick Dr. SE, 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: Gustavo Vilchis, 2109 Candlewick Dr. SE, Poplar Grove IL, 61065 Signed: Gustavo Vilchis 08/29/19

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me, this 29th day of August 2019.

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 Photography business in said County and State under the name of Karen Chambers Photography at the following addresses: 1103 Maple Ave, 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: Karen Chambers, 1103 Maple Ave., Belvidere IL, 61008 Signed: Karen Chambers 08/20/19

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me, this 20th day of August 2019.

Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Giselle Lenover, Deputy  
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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.

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.

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Attorney ARDC No. 00468002  
Attorney Code. 21762  
Case Number: 2016 CH 28  
TJSC#: 39-5240

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**

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

Notice is hereby given that the Boone County Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, 1212 Logan Ave, Belvidere, IL 61008 for the following petitions:

The applicant, Jeffrey L. Runyan, 629 East Lincoln Ave., Belvidere, IL 61008, is requesting a Variance pursuant to Section 3.2.4 (Lot Development Standards) of Section 3.2 (Agricultural Preservation District) of the Boone County Zoning Ordinance to allow the following to continue existing and based on future realignment of property lines: 1) a front setback reduction to 7 feet from the required 75 feet, a 68 foot reduction, 2) an accessory structure front setback reduction to 26 feet from the required 75 feet, 49 feet at 1697 Cherry Valley Road Kirkland, IL 60146 in unincorporated Flora Township, Boone County, Illinois. Legally described: 28-43-3 IRREG 3.23 AC TRACT PT NW 1/4 E OF RD AS DESC IN 75-3003 1697

AND  
1) a front setback reduction to 51 feet from the required 75 feet, a 24 foot reduction, and 2) a residential use in the A-1 zoning less than 2 acres at 1745 Cherry Valley Road Kirkland, IL 60146 in unincorporated Flora Township, Boone County, Illinois.

Legally described: 28-43-3 BEG CNTR OF SEC., W143’, NW 1105’ TO POB, NE200’, NW PAR TO RD 21’, SW 200’ TO CENTER LINE OF RD, S E 217.8’ TO POB

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

Tony Savino, Chair, Boone County Zoning Board of Appeals  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PETER M. FREDERICK, DECEASED

CLAIM NOTICE 2019P44

Notice is given of the death of PETER M. FREDERICK of 522 Julien Street, Belvidere, Illinois 661008. Letters of Office were issued on August 27, 2019 to Mary K. Fahey, 13014 Timber Trail, Palos Heights, Illinois 60463 whose attorney is Scott D. Becker, 213 West Main Street, Genoa, Illinois 60135.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Boone County Court House, 601 N. Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, or with the representatives, or both, on or before March 7, 2020 and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless an interested party terminates independent administration by filing a petition to terminate under Section 28-4 of the Illinois Probate Act.

Linda Anderson (Clerk of the Circuit Court)  
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