



Warren Webster's bank after March 1903 fire in Poplar Grove

The Fire that Nearly Burnt Poplar Grove to the Ground

By David Larson

On Sunday, March 22, 1903, a major portion of Poplar Grove burned to the ground. The photograph shows men in derby hats clustered around a square edifice with an arched roof. The door was secured with heavy steel bolts penetrating into a concrete frame. The door was made of thick steel and the concrete was at least a foot thick surrounding the sheet steel frame that formed the skeleton of the cube. The vault was all that remained of the bank in Poplar Grove the next day.

When Monday morning arrived, 8 commercial buildings and a residence had burnt to the ground, and but not for combined efforts of the community, the whole town would have been consumed by the spreading fire.

All of the business district was destroyed, except for the Knights of the Globe Building and a barbershop.

The buildings that were consumed by the fire were Webster's Bank (seen in the picture), Cowan's Store, Columbia Hall, a storage building, a structure storing hay and corn, a warehouse, and the residence belonging to a Belvidere man, J.C. Wright, which was considered the nicest home in Poplar Grove.

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Illinois Considers Legalizing 'Human Composting'

While proponents say it's greener than traditional burial, critics doubt its dignity

By Andrew Adams Capitol News Illinois

Religious and environmental ideals are at odds for some in the ongoing debate around what to do with human remains.

A proposal at the Illinois Statehouse would legalize and regulate "natural organic reduction," a process in which human remains are rapidly decomposed into compost. The process is also known as human composting or terramation.

That process turns human remains into dirt over the course of several weeks. Companies that offer this service place a person's remains in a vessel with wood chips, straw and other organic material and heat it to accelerate the growth of microbes that break down the body. This is distinct from "natural burial," in which a body is buried with no casket or in a biodegradable container.

The measure, House Bill 3158, passed in the House Energy and Environment Committee on Tuesday on a 16-10 vote. It now goes to the House for consideration, although its sponsor, Rep. Kelly Cassidy, D-Chicago, said an amendment to the bill is likely.

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Pritzker Signs Measure Guaranteeing Five Days Paid Leave for Illinoisans

Bill passed during General Assembly's lame duck session in January

By Nika Schoonover Capitol News Illinois

Gov. JB Pritzker signed Senate Bill 208 into law Monday, ensuring at least 40 hours of paid leave for Illinois workers.

Effective Jan. 1, 2024, workers will begin to earn paid leave on their first day at a rate of one hour of leave for every 40 hours worked, up to 40 hours of paid leave for the year. Employees can begin using their paid leave either 90 days after their employment begins or 90 days after the act's effective date.

"Today we will become the third state in the nation to require paid time off and the first among the largest states," Pritzker said in a Monday news conference. "I'm exceptionally proud that labor and business came together to recognize the value of this requirement to employees and employers alike."

The measure passed in both chambers earlier this year during the 102nd General Assembly's lame duck session.

Prior to the act's effective date, Illinois workers have not been guaranteed paid time off for sick leave, child care, medical appointments or any other reason.

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Foster Reintroduces Bipartisan Pi Day Resolution

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Bill Foster (D-IL) announced the reintroduction of a bipartisan resolution in honor of Pi Day, March 14.

Pi (represented by the Greek letter π) is an irrational number representing the ratio of the circumference to the diameter of a circle that mathematicians, architects, engineers, and scientists use in calculations. Although the decimal digits of π continue forever, the number is commonly rounded to 3.14, making March 14 the appropriate day to celebrate the number.

“Every year, Pi Day gives us a chance to highlight the importance of investing in science and education,” Foster said. “This day is a great reminder that our young people need education and training in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to succeed in today’s economy. For the United

States to remain competitive in a global economy that is increasingly STEM-based, we need to do all that we can to expose young people to STEM education and the career paths that follow.”

A copy of the resolution is available here. It is co-sponsored by Reps. Susan Bonamici (D-OR), Sean Casten (D-IL), Steve Cohen (D-TN), Chuck Fleischmann (R-TN), Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA), Marcy Kaptur (D-OH), Derek Kilmer (D-WA), Betty McCollum (D-MN), Jill Tokuda (D-HI), Paul Tonko (D-NY), Adam Schiff (D-CA), and Kevin Mullin (D-CA).

Quidnunc



One still has to wonder if the vote on “Pi Day” is a partisan one.



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To the VOTERS of BELVIDERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #100

I strongly urge you to vote for ALLISON REID-NIEMIEC for the School Board April 4th. As a former School Board member, I have watched through the years the lack of preparation and unprofessional actions of some board members. By contrast, Allison has always been well prepared and shown an understanding and concern for the quality of education for District #100 students. As President of the board, she has communicated with students, taxpayers, parents, and teachers to get a well rounded view of the needs of the students. She is a fiscal conservative who believes in getting the most for our taxpayer dollars while preparing students to enter the real world after high school through reading, math, and writing. Some candidates CLAIM to want the best education for our children, however they just seem to show-up at school board meetings with no apparent educational ideas. Allison has proven through her hands-on approach and communication skills with District #100 employees to know the type of education that is needed in our schools.

In my view, it would be a shame to elect an UNKNOWN candidate when ALLISON has displayed the qualities it takes to make a GOOD SCHOOL BOARD member. Please join me in voting PROVEN educational skills and concern for our students for ALLISON REID-NIEMIEC for School Board of Belvidere District #100.

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Justices Consider Constitutionality of SAFE-T Act’s Pretrial Detention Provisions

Abolition of cash bail was placed on hold in December pending appeal to Supreme Court

By Jerry Nowicki Capitol News Illinois

The state’s highest court heard arguments Tuesday in a case that could drastically alter the legal landscape for criminal defendants who are incarcerated as they await trial.

It’s the latest development in the ongoing legal challenge to the pretrial detention provisions of the SAFE-T Act criminal justice reform – short for Safety, Accountability, Fairness and Equity-Today – which the high court put on hold in December just hours before it was scheduled to take effect.

The case pits Illinois’ attorney general, legislative leaders and governor, who wish to uphold the pretrial detention overhaul, against state’s attorneys and sheriffs representing 64 counties who say the legislature should have put a constitutional amendment to voters if they wanted to make such a change.

If the Supreme Court allows the pretrial detention changes to take effect, judges would no longer be able to incarcerate a defendant who is awaiting trial solely because they cannot afford to post bail. The system replacing cash bail would allow a judge to order pretrial detention based on an accused person’s level of risk of reoffending or fleeing prosecution.

But the law would also create a list of lower-level nonviolent offenses for which a defendant cannot be held pretrial if they are not already out on pretrial release when committing the alleged offense or proven to be a “willful flight” risk.

The case was appealed to the Supreme Court by the state after a Kankakee County circuit court judge ruled in December that parts of the law were unconstitutional. The court must decide whether the state’s constitution gives the judiciary a “right” to assess cash bail and whether lawmakers overstepped their bounds by passing a law that infringes on such a “right.”

The law’s opponents based their claims of unconstitutionality on two references to “bail” in the state’s constitution. Section 9 states that “all persons” accused of crimes “shall be bailable by sufficient sureties” except in certain specified circumstances. And Section 8.1, the Crime Victims’ Bill of Rights, notes a crime victim’s right to safety must be considered “in denying or fixing the amount of bail.”

In oral arguments before the high court Tuesday, Deputy Solicitor General Alex Hemmer with the attorney general’s office argued that if the circuit court’s ruling is allowed to stand it would severely limit the future authority of the General Assembly.

The high court, Hemmer argued, has consistently allowed the General Assembly to regulate pretrial practices, including by setting sentencing requirements, prohibiting the use of unsecured commercial bail bonds and prohibiting detention in certain circumstances.

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SAFE-T Act*from page 2*

“We’re talking about six decades of legislative regulation of pretrial practices that are all called into question by plaintiffs’ expansive reading of judicial power and their narrow reading of legislative power in this area,” Hemmer said.

The constitution’s mention of bail and “sufficient sureties” don’t imply a monetary nature, he argued. He said that language was derived from the state’s 1818 constitution which passed at a time when the modern monetary bail system was “all but unknown.”

“Bailable just meant eligible for release on those conditions imposed by a court,” he said.

Judges maintain the authority to impose conditions of release under the new law, he added.

But opponents argued the constitution’s mentions of “bail” essentially serve as a requirement that the state maintains a system of monetary bail.

In particular, the prosecutors argued that the Crime Victims’ Bill of Rights was brought to voters as a constitutional amendment in 2014, which was the proper avenue for such a change.

Kankakee County State’s Attorney James Rowe argued that lawmakers put amendments to the voters in the 1980s when looking to expand the list of nonbailable offenses in the constitution. He contrasted that effort with the January 2021 passage of the SAFE-T Act which moved quickly through the legislature and came for a vote in the middle of the night.

Hemmer countered that the constitution has multiple references to institutions that no longer exist.

“The bail clause itself refers to capital offenses, but there are no more capital offenses in Illinois,” he said. “No one would argue, I think, that the bail clause requires the state to maintain capital offenses simply by referring to it and the same is true here.”

Each side faced questioning from the court which has a 5-2 majority of justices who ran as Democrats.

Rowe was just one sentence into his opening remarks, stating his “oath in the interest of public safety” compelled him to challenge the law, when Chief Justice Mary Jane Theis interjected.

“So I’m gonna stop you right there,” Theis said before questioning whether the state’s attorneys had legal standing to bring the challenge

“This court has said a party has standing to challenge the constitutionality of a statute only insofar as it adversely impacts his or her own rights... How does this statute adversely impact the rights of elected state’s attorneys and sheriffs?” she asked.

Rowe responded the group had standing because they swore a duty to uphold the constitution. Theis responded that judges and lawyers also swear such an oath.

“Are you saying that every lawyer in the state of Illinois has standing to challenge a statute they don’t like?” she asked.

Rowe responded that he was not, but state’s attorneys “stand in a very unique position” because they “are the only ones that can go into a courtroom and file a petition ... to deny bail to someone.”

He added that prosecutors “have an inherent interest in ensuring that we can move cases through the court system, that we can secure a defendant’s appearance at trial.”

“Why don’t you continue to have that right?” Theis interjected. “If you say it’s a right – a constitutional right, I’m not sure – but you say you have a right to ensure that defendants appear ... doesn’t that continue under this Act?” she asked.

“Well, the act abolishes the opportunity for a state’s attorney to even request a monetary bail as a sufficient surety,” Rowe said. “And for the sheriff, the sheriff

has to ensure effectively the safety of every law enforcement officer under his charge.”

Rowe argued that requiring sheriffs to serve a notice to appear and a warrant on two occasions doubles their risk of harm. And he later added prosecutors should be able to assert rights on behalf of a victim.

“So plaintiffs squarely believe that prosecutors and sheriffs have standing to pursue these matters. And we further believe that the act is unconstitutional,” he said.

The court put the case on an expedited schedule and a decision is expected later this year, although the court did not set a specific timeline.

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Moody’s Gives Illinois Another Credit Upgrade

State’s 8th upgrade in less than 2 years, 2nd to put it in ‘A’ category

By Peter Hancock Capitol News Illinois

Moody’s Investors Service announced Tuesday that it has upgraded Illinois’ bond rating to A3, up from Baa1, marking the eighth credit upgrade the state has received in less than two years.

Moody’s is now the second major rating agency to put Illinois in the ‘A’ category following S&P’s decision on Feb. 23 to upgrade the state to A- on its scale.

“This credit upgrade, our second one this year, is the result of the steps we’ve taken in Illinois to put ourselves on firm fiscal footing,” Gov. JB Pritzker said in a statement. “We have balanced our budget, paid our bills on time, cleared out decades of debt, made extra pension payments, and saved billions for a rainy day.”

In its announcement, Moody’s cited the state’s “improving governance” as a key factor in its decision. Moody’s is one of many firms that now assesses companies and governments on an “environmental, social and governance,” or ESG, framework.

The rating agency said it had updated the state’s “issuer profile score” in the governance category to 2 from 3.

“Like other states, Illinois enjoyed solid tax revenue growth over the past couple years, expanding its capacity to build financial reserves and increase payments towards outstanding liabilities,” Moody’s said in its announcement. “The state is on track to close fiscal 2023, which ends June 30, with further growth in reserves that are already at their strongest level in over a

decade.”

Illinois’ “rainy day” fund is slated to reach its highest-ever balance of more than \$1.9 billion by the end of the fiscal year.

The new rating applies to the state’s general obligation, or GO, bonds and its Build Illinois sales tax bonds. Illinois currently has approximately \$26 billion in outstanding GO bonds and \$2 billion in outstanding sales tax bonds.

Moody’s also rated the state’s financial outlook as “stable,” saying that such an outlook “balances the financial progress being made by the state with the uncertainty of the present economic climate.”

“The state’s lean financial reserves and heavy long-term liability and fixed cost burdens make it more vulnerable than other states to a negative shift in the national or global economy,” it said.

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Barge Traffic Back to Normal; Lock Closures Loom

By Daniel Grant FarmWeek

Barge traffic is getting back to normal on the lower Mississippi River for what’s typically a slower time of the year anyway.

“The water levels are back up to normal south of Cairo versus where it was in September and October,” Tom Torretti, of Consolidated Grain & Barge Co., told FarmWeek at the Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Association’s (IFCA) annual convention in Peoria in mid-January. “The low water issue last year was the worst we’d seen since 1988.”

The low water issues, which Torette said made parts of the mighty river temporarily look like a creek, snarled barge traffic and caused freight rates to skyrocket in 2022.

Fortunately, barges are moving again and freight rates are coming down as the planting season approaches. Much of the fertilizer and other input products used on Illinois farms arrive in the state via barge.

“After harvest, things slow down and then start picking up around February as shippers move fertilizer up the river system,” Torretti said. “Bulk rate contracts out of New Orleans are 15 to 20% higher than a year ago. All our costs are up. But what southbound grain freight values do remains to be seen. They’re back to normal for now.”

When asked if farmers will have access to adequate

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Fire *from page 1*

A big storehouse adjacent to the saloon was filled with bales of hay and straw. The fire jumped quickly from the saloon to the storehouse. Next to it was a corn crib and a warehouse that were ignited by the hay and straw.

Poplar Grove had no formal fire protection. The villagers could only fight the fire themselves by forming a bucket brigade, which fought the fire foot by foot. Pails of water, wet quilts, and blankets were used on roofs to keep the fire from spreading to adjacent buildings. Even as the fire began to spread, the villagers' effort succeeded in controlling the early direction of the fire.

The flames then jumped over the railroad tracks from burning embers that ignited the roof of the Webster Bank and Cowan's Store. Above the Cowan building was the Columbia Hall, whose dry shingles quickly caught fire. It was a tall building, and ladders could not reach the fire. This caused the fire to expand in intensity, being unrestricted by the pails of water the villagers were relaying to the frontline. From there, the accelerating fire spread north to the end of the business district, and finally to the J.C. Wright house before it was stopped in that direction.

A telephone message was sent to Rockford asking for help, but the Rockford Fire Chief underestimated the urgency and did not send help. Soon after that call, the fire cut off telephone lines preventing further calls for help. The town was cut off from the world.

Later in the night D.C. Cowan, the store owner, was able to telegraph his brother in Baraboo, Wisconsin who worked in the Madison division of the Northwest Railroad. His brother offered to send a special train with chemical firefighting equipment, but Cowan felt that by the time it could arrive and the degree to which the fire had spread, it would be a meaningless effort. The train was therefore never sent.

In the meantime, the crew from two freight trains, whose passage had been blocked by the fire, abandoned their trains and joined in the effort. The whistles on the locomotives were used to send an alarm, which could be heard in Capron and Caledonia, and drew in more volunteers from the surrounding countryside, who saw the glow of Poplar Grove burning in the night sky.

Sparks from the fire rose high into the air and drifted onto residential roofs in other parts of the village. These buildings were monitored by a brigade throughout the night and extinguished immediately. Hundreds of men, women, and children found roles to play fighting the fire through the night.

Before Cowan's Store was engulfed by the flames, a window of time existed allowing Cowan to save a considerable amount of stock to a place of safety. From the Cowan Store, the fire jumped to the George Renne's restaurant next door. Likewise, Renne had time to save his fixtures and furniture before the fire took the building. The fire then moved to the J.C. Wright

house, where a butter maker by the name of Thompson lived and worked.

When the fire was at its peak, a fortunate shifting of the wind began to carry the sparks away from residential buildings that were across the street. Yet, the fire was so hot it caused the paint to blister on those houses. D.C. Cowan, the store owner, was also the postmaster in Poplar Grove, and the Post Office was in his store. He was able to remove his personal papers and all of the mail. The Bank burnt to the ground, but had a concrete safe which survived the intense fire. All of the money and bank records were found in tact when the vault was opened a few days later.

Businesses which escaped the fire included the hotel run by Ed Clark, Ray & Sons General Store, W. R. Vickers Farm Implements, E.H. Burnside's Hardware, the butcher shop, Nolstrom's Shoe Store in the K of G Building, and the barbershop.

When Warren Webster was asked what he expected to do, he replied that he would open up his banking business at the usual time Monday morning.

Compositing *from page 1*

If lawmakers approve the proposal, Illinois would become the seventh state to legalize this process. Washington, Colorado, Oregon, Vermont, California and New York have already made the process legal, according to the human composting company Recompose.

Recompose pushed for the legalization of human composting in Washington. Its website notes that a body will stay in the vessel for four to seven weeks before the resulting soil is allowed to cure for two to six weeks. A person's loved ones are then left with approximately one cubic yard of soil.

"Natural organic reduction is, in fact, the most environmentally friendly death care option," Haley Morris, a representative of the human composting company Earth Funerals, said during the committee hearing.

"It's less resource intensive than any other option and it reduces carbon dioxide emissions by nearly 90 percent relative to traditional options," Morris added.

Representatives of several environmental groups around the state have also voiced their support of the bill in witness slips filed with the committee. These include the Illinois Environmental Council, the Illinois Chapter of the Sierra Club and Go Green Winnetka.

Cassidy filed an amendment on Wednesday altering some of the fee structures for licensing the practice and indicated in an interview that another forthcoming amendment will modify some of the regulations around testing the compost.

"This is about creating choices and options and in particular choices that are less harmful for the planet," Cassidy said.

Cassidy also said she updated her own will last year to include that she would like her body to undergo the natural organic reduction process.

Notable among the bill's opponents is the Catholic Church. Daniel Welter, the recently retired chancellor of the Archdiocese of Chicago, spoke to lawmakers at the request of the Catholic Conference of Illinois on Tuesday.

"Turning the mortal remains of a human person into compost for the purpose of fertilization, as one would with vegetable trimmings or eggshells, degrades the human person and dishonors the life that was lived by that person," he said during the committee hearing.

Welter added that he and the church "oppose any tendency to minimize the dignity of a human being, even after death."

Representatives of the death care industry also oppose legalizing this process. LeNette Van Haverbeke, a

representative of Illinois Cemetery and Funeral Home Association, told lawmakers that many in the field "oppose human composting as lacking the traditional dignity afforded to the dead."

Others in the field are not as critical. After a similar bill was met with opposition last year from the Illinois Funeral Directors Association, Cassidy met with representatives of the industry to craft new language regulating the vessels used in the process, professional licensing and soil testing among other elements of the bill.

"I'm not saying we're a proponent of it, but the sponsor did listen to us," said Margaret Vaughn of the Illinois Funeral Directors Association.

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Paid Leave *from page 1*

"About 4 million workers...in Illinois do not have access to even a single sick day," said state Sen. Kimberly Lightford, D-Westchester, who carried the bill in the Senate.

The measure has been under negotiation since 2019 and has "changed hands" a number of times since its inception, Lightford said.

Lightford, who is the Senate's majority leader, acknowledged former state Sen. Toi Hutchinson, who served from 2009 until 2019 and was an original carrier of the bill.

"This is an issue that has been lingering around the General Assembly for far too long," Lightford said. "I'm really glad it landed in my lap when it came over to the Senate."

When SB 208 was debated on the floor in January, one key point of opposition was that it would burden small businesses by raising costs.

"My major concern are the little guys. It's the mom-and-pops that have 5, 10, maybe 13 employees, that this has a significant impact on their budgets," Rep. C.D. Davidsmeyer, R-Jacksonville, said on the House floor.

Pritzker pushed back against this sentiment at the bill signing ceremony.

"Just like bigger businesses, small businesses want their workers to be more productive, to be able to deal with their stresses, emergencies at home, so they can be better and more productive at work," Pritzker said. "I want to encourage anybody who's concerned about that to look at, and remind the workers who work for them, how important it is that we have a law like that that protects workers in the state of Illinois."

The measure does not apply to employees subject to collectively bargained contracts, because time off would be subject to negotiations between the union and the employer.

Ultimately, the measure received a few Republican votes in the House but passed the Senate with only Democratic support.

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ANDRE PASLEY, Unknown Fathers and All Whom It May Concern
ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Take notice that on MARCH 1, 2023, a petition was filed under the JUVENILE COURT ACT by Atty. Tricia Smith, State's Attorney, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, in the Circuit Court of Boone County entitled "In the Interest of O'Marion J. Pasley, minor; and that in the County Courthouse in Belvidere, Illinois, at 2:00 P.M. central daylight time on 4/20/2023 & 5/25/23; or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the Court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH THE POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Dated: March 7, 2023 Pamela Coduto, CIRCUIT CLERK
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Public Hearing Notice

Meeting Date: March 29, 2023 at 12:00pm

Agenda Item: Grant application to the Illinois Department of Transportation
Staff Contact: Erin Marshall, PCOM Grant Manager

Boone County Government will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 12:00pm at the Boone County Administration Campus located at 1212 Logan Ave., Belvidere, IL 61008.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider the grant application to the Illinois Department of Transportation for Section 5311 and Downstate Operating Assistance Program (DOAP) public transportation funding. The public is invited to attend and comment.

Rodney Riley
Boone County Board Chair

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Local Notice as Part of the Environmental Notification Process for the Registration of Antenna Structures

All interested persons are invited to review and request further environmental processing of an FCC application proposing the following telecommunications antenna structure at Latitude: N 42 19 51.66 / Longitude: W 88 53 28.48, TBD Beloit Road, Caledonia, Boone County, Illinois. FCC filing number A1237934 proposes a 190 ft self-support lattice communications tower (plus 4 ft appurtenances). Lighting anticipated - None. This application may be reviewed by entering the above file number at this website: www.fcc.gov/asr/applications. Interested persons may raise environmental concerns by filing a "Request for Environmental Review" with the FCC within 30 days of this posting. The FCC requires that all Request for Environmental Reviews be submitted online, instructions for submitting such requests can be found at: www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY of BOONE COUNTY ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

No. DBA4132 - The undersigned person(s) do hereby certify that a TRUCK PARKING business is or is to be conducted or transacted under the name of DC TRUCK PARKING that its location is or will be at 3060 Grant Highway in Belvidere in the County of Boone County, State of Illinois, and that the true or real name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting, or transacting the same with the post office address or address of said person(s) is shown below.

Phone Number: 815-540-9855
James L Dawson, 11595 Olson Road, Belvidere, IL 61008

I, Julie A. Bliss, County Clerk And Recorder of Boone County, in the State aforesaid, do the hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of an Assumed Name Certificate on file in my office. Dated: Friday, March 10, 2023, Julie A Bliss, County Clerk and Recorder

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The Joliet Lock and Dam

supplies of inputs moved on the river this spring, Torretti said, "I think so (based on current conditions and barring spring flooding).

"The fertilizer industry is so good at what it does, buyers always get their products," he continued. "Just, maybe not when they want it."

The barge industry added 226 new covered hopper barges to the fleet last year from previous orders, which will help increase the flow of products on the river system.

But, with the current cost of a new covered hopper barge between \$900,000 and \$1 million, the existing fleet of around 11,800 barges likely won't grow much more any time soon.

"Until steel prices come down, we probably won't see many new builds," Torretti said.

Meanwhile, the barge industry faces more shipping issues this spring and summer – this time of the planned variety.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plans to

close three locks on the Upper Illinois River at Marseilles, Dresden Island and Brandon Road for rehabilitation work from June 1 through Sept. 30. The planned closure for work at the Starved Rock lock has been deferred to a later date, yet to be determined.

"There'll be no traffic at all. You'll have to plan accordingly," Torretti told attendees of the IFCA convention. "We've known about this for two years and been through this before. It is what it is."

The Corps previously closed five locks on the Illinois River at LaGrange, Peoria, Starved Rock, Marseilles and Dresden Island from July 1 to Oct. 29, 2020, for major rehab and maintenance work.

"The timing of the repairs (this year) is after spring planting and before harvest, so it's probably the best time to do it," Torretti said. "But, when the locks do reopen, it will be a mad dash on all commodities. We potentially could be harvesting grain and will certainly be moving fertilizer to put down for the fall season."

This story was distributed through a cooperative project between Illinois Farm Bureau and the Illinois Press Association. For more food and farming news, visit FarmWeekNow.com.

CONSOLIDATED ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023, a Consolidated Election will be held at the usual polling places in the various precincts in the County of Boone and State of Illinois, for the purpose of electing candidates for the following office:

CITIES OF BELVIDERE & LOVES PARK

Aldermen
VILLAGES OF POPLAR GROVE & TIMBERLANE

Trustees
VILLAGE OF CAPRON & CHERRY VALLEY

Trustees
VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA

President
Trustees
BELVIDERE AND ROCKFORD PARK DISTRICTS

Park Commissioners
CHERRY VALLEY AND NORTH SUBURBAN LIBRARY DISTRICTS

Trustees.

Board Members for the following School Districts:

- HARVARD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 50.
- BELVIDERE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100.
- KINNICKINICK COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 131.
- NORTH BOONE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 200.
- HONONEGAH COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 207.
- HIAWATHA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 426.

Trustees for the following Community College Districts:
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 511 (ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE).

KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 523.

McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 528.

Members of the Regional Board of School Trustee for the following:
BOONE AND WINNEBAGO COUNTIES, DeKALB COUNTY & McHENRY COUNTY
COUNTY FIRE DISTRICTS #2, #3, #4 – Trustees, Propositions

AT THE FOLLOWING PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACE

- BELVIDERE 1 COMMUNITY BUILDING - 111 W First St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 2 COMMUNITY BUILDING - 111 W First St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 3 COMMUNITY BUILDING - 111 W First St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 4 COMMUNITY BUILDING - 111 W First St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 5 COMMUNITY BUILDING - 111 W First St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 6 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - W Jackson & Appleton Rd, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 7 BOONE COUNTY CONSERVATION - 603 N. Appleton Rd, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 8 COMMUNITY BUILDING - 111 W First St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 9 BOONE COUNTY ADMIN CAMPUS - 1212 Logan Ave, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 10 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 221 N Main St, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 11 BOONE COUNTY ADMIN CAMPUS - 1212 Logan Ave. (TEMPORARY)
- BELVIDERE 12 KEEN AGE CENTER - 2141 Henry Luckow Lane, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 13 POPLAR GROVE AIRPORT/EAA Hangar-5151 Orth Rd, Poplar Grove
- BELVIDERE 14 BELVIDERE VWF POST #1361-1310 W. Lincoln Ave, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 15 KEEN AGE CENTER - 2141 Henry Luckow Lane, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 16 SWANHILLS GOLF COURSE - 2600 Gustafson Rd, Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 17 HAMBLOCK FORD LINCOLN - 1800 N. State St., Belvidere
- BELVIDERE 18 CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH - 425 Riverside Rd, Belvidere
- FLORA 1 UAW HALL LOCAL 1268 - 1100 W Chrysler Dr, Belvidere
- FLORA 2 FLORA TOWN HALL - 3100 Town Hall Rd, Belvidere
- FLORA 3 UAW HALL LOCAL 1268 - 1100 W Chrysler Dr, Belvidere
- CALEDONIA 1 TIMBERLANE VILLAGE HALL-2940 Charleston Ct. Caledonia
- CALEDONIA 2 CANDLEWICK LAKE REC CENTER - 1812 Candlewick Dr, Poplar Grove
- CALEDONIA 3 CANDLEWICK LAKE REC CENTER - 1812 Candlewick Dr, Poplar Grove
- CALEDONIA 4 TIMBERLANE VILLAGE HALL-2940 Charleston Ct. Caledonia
- CALEDONIA 5 PEACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH - 502 Orth Rd, Loves Park
- MANCHESTER MANCHESTER TOWN HALL- 20904 Grade School Rd Caledonia
- SPRING SPRING TOWN HALL - 3150 Shattuck Rd, Belvidere
- BONUS 1 BONUS TOWNSHIP BUILDING - 9015 Marengo Rd, Garden Prairie
- BONUS 2 CROWN POINT BUILDING-925 Belvidere Rd, Belvidere
- BOONE 1 CAPRON LION'S COMMUNITY CENTER - 305 E North St, Capron
- LEROY LEROY TOWN HALL - 9743 Blaine Rd, Capron
- POPLAR GROVE 1 POPLAR GROVE FIRE STATION - Route 173, Poplar Grove
- POPLAR GROVE 2 POPLAR GROVE VILLAGE HALL - 200 Hill St, Poplar Grove
- POPLAR GROVE 3 POPLAR GROVE FIRE STATION - Route 173, Poplar Grove
- POPLAR GROVE 4 POPLAR GROVE FIRE STATION - Route 173, Poplar Grove
- POPLAR GROVE 5 POPLAR GROVE FIRE STATION - Route 173, Poplar Grove

The polls of said Consolidated Election will be open continuously from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on April 4, 2023, at which the Unisyn Voting System, including the OVO Optical Scan will be in use.
Dated this March 10, 2023
JULIE A BLISS, COUNTY CLERK
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LEGAL NOTICES

TAX DEED NO 2023TX3
FILED JANUARY 6, 2023

TAKE NOTICE

County of Boone, Illinois
Date premises Sold October 29, 2020
Certificate No. 2019-00384.
Sold for General Taxes of 2019.

THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at 3515 Partridge Ln, Belvidere, Illinois 61008
Legal Description 3-44-3 BE-VER KREEK 2ND ADD KTS 4 & 5
(EX BEG SW COR LOT 4 SE 601.84' N 50' NW618.83' SE TO POB) or
Property Index No. 05-03-326-015.

This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on June 29, 2023.

The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6-month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or her or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming.

This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before June 29, 2023.

This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Belvidere Illinois on July 18, 2023 at 9:00am at 601 N Main, Belvidere IL 61008 in courtroom #3.

You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time.

YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY

Redemption can be made at any time on or before June 29, 2023 by applying to the County Clerk of Boone County Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Belvidere Illinois.

For further information contact the County Clerk

ADDRESS: Boone County Clerk's Office

1212 Logan Ave, Suite 103,

Belvidere Illinois 61008

Telephone 815-544-3103

Laura Jo Larke

Purchaser

Dated 2/23/2023

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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
WINNEBAGO COUNTY
DATE FOR REQUEST OF NAME CHANGE (ADULT):
BETHANY ANNE RITTER
Case No. 2023 MR 15

There will be a court date on my Request to change my name from:
BETHANY ANNE RITTER to the new name of BETHANY ANNE
RITTER-BLOMQUIST. The court date will be held on 04/12/2023 at
10:00a.m. At 400 W State St., Rockford IL, 61101 in Courtroom #426
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STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL
BOONE COUNTY

REBECCA ELAINE CORDOVA

Plaintiff

-VS-

CASE # 2022-DC-55

ELIAS MAX CORDOVA

Defendant

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given to you, ELIAS MAX CORDOVA, 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 19th day of APRIL, 2023 a Judgment or other relief as prayed for by the Plaintiff may be granted.

Dated: 2/22/2023

Pamela Coduto

Clerk of the Circuit Court

17th Judicial Court

Boone County, Illinois

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TAX DEED NO 2023TX4
FILED JANUARY 6, 2023

TAKE NOTICE

County of Boone, Illinois
Date premises Sold October 29, 2020
Certificate No. 2019-00701.
Sold for General Taxes of 2019.

THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
Property Located at 1006 Washington St, Belvidere, Illinois 61008
Legal Description 36-44-3 LT 4 BLK 4 AD TURNERS 3RD SUB or
Property Index No. 05-36-256-001.

This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on June 29, 2023.

The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6-month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or her or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming.

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1212 Logan Ave, Suite 103,

Belvidere Illinois 61008

Telephone 815-544-3103

/s/ Laura Jo Larke

Purchaser

Dated 2/23/2023

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff,
vs. CASE NO. 2022FC93
MICHAEL J. BRENNAN; WEST GROVE CONDOMINIUM
ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF PATRICIA
BRENNAN; KRISTEN AANERUD; JENNIFER AANERUD; LAURA
VANGORKUM A.K.A LAURI VANGORKUM; UNKNOWN OWNERS
AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant(s).
Property Address: 5000 TRILLIUM TRAIL, UNIT 5-B POPLAR
GROVE, IL 61065

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF PATRICIA BRENNAN; MICHAEL J. BRENNAN; KRISTEN AANERUD; JENNIFER AANERUD; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS ; , defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

UNIT 5B OF WEST GROVE CONDOMINIUMS AS DELINEATED ON A SURVEY OF CERTAIN LOTS OR PART THEREOF IN THE PLAT OF WEST GROVE SUBDIVISION PLAT NO. 1, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4), PART OF THE NORTH HALF (1/2) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) AND PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) ALL IN SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 15, 2004 AS DOCUMENT NO. 2004R10950 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WHICH SURVEY IS ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "B" TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OWNERSHIP RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 05R05475 IN BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TOGETHER WITH AN UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS, APPURTENANT TO SAID UNIT, AS SET FORTH IN SAID DECLARATION, AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

P.I.N.: 03-23-457-038 NEW; 03-23-455-001 OLD

Said property is commonly known as 5000 TRILLIUM TRAIL, UNIT 5-B, POPLAR GROVE, IL 61065 and which said mortgage(s) was/were made and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 2006R10666, and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Boone County on or before APRIL 10, 2023, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp.

YOU MAY 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 Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program. For further information on the mediation process, please see the NOTICE OF MANDATORY MEDIATION on file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court by contacting the Plaintiff's attorney at the address listed below.

This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC

Attorneys for Plaintiff

1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120

Naperville, IL 60563

Telephone: (630) 453-6960

Facsimile: (630) 428-4620

Attorney No. Cook 64727, DuPage 293191

Service E-mail: midwestpleadings@dallegal.com

6088-930720

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the Consolidated General Election to be held on Tuesday, the 4th of April, 2023, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters of the North North Boone County Fire Protection District No. 3, County of Boone, and State of Illinois.

PROPOSITION

NORTH BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3 PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE LIMITING RATE

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the North Boone Fire Protection District No. 3, Boone County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.22% above the limiting rate for fire protection and ambulance purposes for levy year 2021 and be equal to 0.56917% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2023?

YES

NO

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recent extended limiting rate is \$789,795, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$1,287,418.

(2) For the 2023 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single-family residence and having a fair market value at the time of referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$73.33.

(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2023 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2023.

Julie A. Bliss

Julie A. Bliss, County Clerk
The County of Boone and State of Illinois.

**SPECIMEN BALLOT
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION
APRIL 4, 2023**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN BOONE COUNTY ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023.

Julie A. Bliss

JULIE A. BLISS, COUNTY CLERK
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

MUNICIPAL	
CITY OF BELVIDERE	
FOR ALDERPERSON WARD ONE	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> JOHN ALBERTINI	DEMOCRATIC
<input type="radio"/> No Candidate	REPUBLICAN
<input type="radio"/> CLAYTON STEVENS	INDEPENDENT
FOR ALDERPERSON WARD TWO	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> No Candidate	DEMOCRATIC
<input type="radio"/> DANIEL K. SNOW	REPUBLICAN
<input type="radio"/> JERRY L. HOINESS	INDEPENDENT
FOR ALDERPERSON WARD THREE	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> No Candidate	DEMOCRATIC
<input type="radio"/> WENDY FRANK	REPUBLICAN
FOR ALDERPERSON WARD FOUR	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> No Candidate	DEMOCRATIC
<input type="radio"/> MIKE MCGEE	REPUBLICAN
FOR ALDERPERSON WARD FIVE	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> No Candidate	DEMOCRATIC
<input type="radio"/> RIC BRERETON	REPUBLICAN
CITY OF LOVES PARK	
FOR ALDERPERSON WARD FIVE	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> MARK PETERSON	INDEPENDENT
VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA	
FOR VILLAGE PRESIDENT (For an unexpired 2-year term)	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> MICHAEL GILLETT	INDEPENDENT
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (For a 4-year term)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> CARRIE DOVENMUEHLE	INDEPENDENT
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (For an unexpired 2-year term)	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> OMAR OLIVAR	INDEPENDENT
VILLAGE OF CAPRON	
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> MELISSA LACEWELL	
VILLAGE OF CHERRY VALLEY	
FOR VILLAGE PRESIDENT (For an unexpired 2-year term)	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> DAVID SCHROEDER	INDEPENDENT
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> SALLY M. HOLLEMBEAK	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> JEFFREY B. FUSTIN	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> CARL WEDIG	INDEPENDENT

VILLAGE OF POPLAR GROVE	
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (For a 4-year term) (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> OWEN COSTANZA	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> JEFFREY GOINGS	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> KRISTI RICHARDSON	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> BRUCE MOORE	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> DEAN SVARC	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> DAVID ALLGOOD	INDEPENDENT
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (For an unexpired 2-year term) (VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> RONALD QUIMBY	INDEPENDENT
<input type="radio"/> ELIZABETH STRAW	INDEPENDENT
VILLAGE OF TIMBERLANE	
FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> GREGORY S. HILLS	
<input type="radio"/> ANDREA B. ULBERT	
<input type="radio"/> DONNA LEONE	
PARK	
ROCKFORD PARK DISTRICT	
FOR PARK COMMISSIONER (For a 6-year term) (VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> RUDY VALDEZ	
FOR PARK COMMISSIONER (For an unexpired 2-year term) (VOTE FOR ONE)	
No Candidate	
BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT	
FOR PARK COMMISSIONER (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> MARY MARQUARDT	
<input type="radio"/> GARY THACKER	
<input type="radio"/> CARRIE LENZEN	
LIBRARY	
NORTH SUBURBAN PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT	
FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> RACHEL PARRY	
<input type="radio"/> CHRISTOPHER GALETSSIS	
CHERRY VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT	
FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE (For a 6-year term) (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> KARL R. SCHMITT	
<input type="radio"/> MICHAEL HOLMES	
<input type="radio"/> DONNA M. RIHA	
<input type="radio"/> KAREN R. LANE	
<input type="radio"/> MICHELLE FORSTER	
FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE (For an unexpired 4-year term) (VOTE FOR ONE)	
No Candidate	

SCHOOLS	
BELVIDERE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100	
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is to consist of 4 members from the congressional township that has at least 75% but not more than 90% of the population, and 3 board members from the remaining congressional townships in the school district.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR ONE)	
1 shall be elected from Belvidere Township 44N Range 03E BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP 44N RANGE 3E <input type="radio"/> ALLISON REID-NIEMIEC <input type="radio"/> SARAH BRENNER	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR TWO)	
2 board members shall be elected from the remaining congressional townships. The remaining Congressional Townships <input type="radio"/> JORGE HERRERA <input type="radio"/> HOLLY HOUK <input type="radio"/> MISTY A. CORYELL <input type="radio"/> TOSCA DeGENNARO	
HARVARD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 50	
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is restricted to a maximum of 3 members from any congressional township.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.	
<small>NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 6E (HARTLAND) NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 5E (DUNHAM) NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 46N RANGE 5E (CHEMUNG) NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 46N RANGE 6E (ALDEN) NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 46N RANGE 4E (LEROY)</small>	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR A TOTAL OF THREE)	
THE AREA OF RESIDENCE OF THOSE ELECTED TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERMS IS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN DETERMINING THE WINNERS OF THE FULL TERMS. TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 5E (DUNHAM) <input type="radio"/> CAREN S. MacKENZIE TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 6E (HARTLAND) <input type="radio"/> ROGER K. WILHOIT	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR A TOTAL OF THREE)	
TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 6E (HARTLAND) <input type="radio"/> SANDRA J. THERIAULT TOWNSHIP 46N RANGE 5E (CHEMUNG) <input type="radio"/> JENNIFER A. GARAFOL TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 5E (DUNHAM) <input type="radio"/> SHARON L. McMILLAN	

HIAWATHA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 426	
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is to consist of 4 members from the congressional township that has at least 75% but not more than 90% of the population, and 3 board members from the remaining congressional townships in the school district.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR TWO)	
2 shall be elected from Franklin Township 42N Range 3E FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP 42N RANGE 3 <input type="radio"/> CARISSA BRENDEL <input type="radio"/> AMANDA FISHER	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR TWO)	
2 board members shall be elected from the remaining congressional townships. The remaining Congressional Townships <input type="radio"/> NATHAN WATSON <input type="radio"/> BRONWYN BURGWEGER	
SCHOOLS	
KINNIKINNICK COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 131	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> TRISHA TOUSANT <input type="radio"/> LYNSEY A. WELCH	
NORTH BOONE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 200	
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is restricted to a maximum of 3 members from any congressional township.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.	
<small>NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 46N RANGE 04E NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 46N RANGE 03E NOT MORE THAN 1 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 04E NOT MORE THAN 1 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 45N RANGE 03E</small>	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR A TOTAL OF THREE)	
TOWNSHIP BOONE 45N RANGE 04E <input type="radio"/> MARY MAXEY TOWNSHIP LEROY 46N RANGE 04E <input type="radio"/> ED MULHOLLAND TOWNSHIP MANCHESTER 46N RANGE 03E <input type="radio"/> JOE HAVERLY <input type="radio"/> DEREK PERSSON TOWNSHIP CALEDONIA 45N RANGE 03E <input type="radio"/> LUCINDA MAINA	
ROCKFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205	
DISTRICT D FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 2-YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> NICOLE BENNETT <input type="radio"/> JUDE MAKULEC	

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HONONEGAH COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 207

Instructions to voter: Thirty percent (30%) or more of the taxable property of this high school district is located in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore, at least two board members shall be residents of the unincorporated territory.

ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED FROM ANY AREA OR AREAS.

FOR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
(VOTE FOR ONE)

GAYLE HAAB

FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
(VOTE FOR THREE)

- DAVID J. KURLINKUS
- EVAN SCHOEPSKI
- MARY P. LEWIS
- NADINE M. KELLEY
- JENNIFFER MARAGIA
- JOAN ZIMMERMAN
- BRIAN HUFF

COLLEGE KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 523

FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)

- ROBERT B. JOHNSON
- ROBERT L. HAMMON
- TONDA R. BRUCH

ROCK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 511

FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)

- BOB TROJAN
- RICARDO MONTOYA PICAZO
- MAGDA MOHAMED
- KRISTEN SIMPSON

McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 528

FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)

- DALE MORTON
- ELIZABETH SPEROS
- SUMISH PARIKH

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (DEKALB COUNTY) (Full six year term)
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)
No Candidate

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (DEKALB COUNTY) (For an unexpired four year term)
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)
No Candidate

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (McHENRY COUNTY) (For a six year term)
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)
 Write-in

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (McHENRY COUNTY) (For an unexpired four year term)
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)

BRIAN D. MEYERS (DORR TOWNSHIP)

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (McHENRY COUNTY) (For an unexpired two year term)
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)

TIMOTHY SEBASTIAN (SENECA TOWNSHIP)

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (BOONE AND WINNEBAGO COUNTIES) (For a six year term)
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)

NATHAN DANIELSON (BOONE COUNTY)

FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (BOONE AND WINNEBAGO COUNTIES) (For an unexpired four year term)
(VOTE FOR ONE)

No Candidate

FIRE

BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

FOR TRUSTEE (For a 6-year term)
(VOTE FOR ONE)

MARK HUNTINGTON

FOR TRUSTEE (For an unexpired 4-year term)
(VOTE FOR ONE)

SAMANTHA BRADLEY

NORTH BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3

FOR TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)

- ROBERT CASSIDY
- GAIL WORLEY

BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 4

FOR TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR ONE)
No Candidate

PROPOSITION

BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 PROPOSITION TO LEVY NEW TAX FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE

Shall the Boone County Fire Protection District No. 2, Boone County, Illinois, be authorized to levy a new tax for ambulance purposes and have an additional tax of .40% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein extended for such purposes?

- YES
- NO

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$1,040,513, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$2,737,095.

(2) For the 2023 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$133.33.

NORTH BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3 PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE LIMITING RATE

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the North Boone Fire Protection District No. 3, Boone County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.22% above the limiting rate for fire protection and ambulance purposes for levy year 2021 and be equal to 0.56917% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2023?

- YES
- NO

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recent extended limiting rate is \$789,795, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$1,287,418.

(2) For the 2023 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single-family residence and having a fair market value at the time of referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$73.33.

(3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2023 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the Consolidated General Election to be held on Tuesday, the 4th of April, 2023, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters of the Boone County Fire Protection District No. 2, County of Boone and State of Illinois.

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The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2023.

Julie A. Bliss

Julie A. Bliss, County Clerk
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