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Wilmington works on cleaning up financial accounting systems

BY MARNEY SIMON

With a new finance director at

the helm, the city of Wilmington has begun the process of wading through the city's financial documents and bank accounts in order to make sure everything is up to par.

Nancy Gross was hired as the city's new finance director in October. the Committee of the Whole meeting, city makes to even out that line item.

combing through accounts, looking for more continuity in the accounting of the city's various funds.

Smith said one area to be addressed is the Catfish Days fund. Each year, the city appropriates a line item of \$30,000 for Catfish Days. The Catfish Days committee utilizes the funds to pay for the summer festival, December then returns the profits the festival

administrator Jeannine Smith updated city leaders on the long process of the festival funds have been accounted for since 1999, the city should have more documentation on hand. The funding itself is not in question, however, just the organization of those

> Smith also said that somewhere along the line, two bank accounts were opened for those funds, which means Catfish Days is paid for utilizing two checking accounts, which ultimately seems unnecessary.

"We're not talking about taking away money that they need [to operate Catfish Days]. We're talking about, there are two separate checking accounts [and] it's just not good practice," Smith said. "Catfish Days is a city-sponsored event. I think it's appropriate for us to have enough money in the account to cover their startup funds, but, to have more... nobody can show the money trail, that's the problem... All of the accounting should be held in house.

So, when it comes time for us to try to figure out why we have two pots of money, or the auditors ask questions, we have to be able to produce backup evidence.'

Smith noted that there is not any suggestion that the funds are being mishandled in any way, but rather that the city has a fiduciary responsibility to account for every dollar

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Review

The stories that kept Wilmington talking in 2022

It was a busy year in 2022, as pandemic restrictions were lifted and much of the world made a return back to normalcy. And, there was plenty to talk about around town.

Here, a look at some of the stories that made headlines in Wilmington over the past 12 months.

Loves Truck stop approved One of the most contro-

versial stories to make the news in 2022 came in November, when the City Council approved an annexation agreement to allow a Love's Travel Center to be built at River Road and Route 53. The measure narrowly passed the Wilmington City Council on Nov. 15, following a two hour public comment period where several members of the public asked for the city to reject the proposal, after the Planning and Zoning Board also said no to the project.

Love's intends to develop 11 acres of the 32 acre parcel to include a 13,000 square foot travel center and fast food restaurant, car and diesel gas pumps, truck scales, 62 car parking spaces, and 71 truck parking spaces. The site will include construction of a private road into the new development between Kankakee River Drive and River Road. The plan represents a \$15 million investment from Love's.

Commissioners with the Planning and Zoning Board and members of the public raised concerns over the project, including diesel pollution, traffic noise, air quality, light pollution, increased garbage, the potential to negatively impact property values for homes in Water's Edge, Northcrest and Foxtail Commons, negative affects on other local businesses, the potential for added crime, and the potential to increase truck traffic in an area already saturated with trucks.

Those who spoke out against the plans cited concerns that trucks and truck traffic are already wreaking havoc on the city and its roads, and building a truck stop only benefits those damaging trucks, not residents.

Bur city leaders said with-

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Year in When time stood still



THE TOWN CLOCK at Claire's Corner Park in downtown Wilmington is ticking again after city workers removed the interior parts earlier this month, took them to the city garage, and refurbished them. Kyle Davis (on ladder) said surprisingly the clock is more electronic than mechanical, despite its antique appearance. The workers cleaned the face plates on all four sides, rewired the timing devices which had become brittle and cleaned the glass, all things that haven't been done in almost 18 years. It takes four sets of timers to rotate the dials, other than that there is not much else inside. Despite the suggestion from a newspaperman to set the clock five minutes early so residents would always be on time, Davis wanted it to be accurate using the time off his cell phone.



WILMINGTON'S NEW POLICE CHIEF Adam Zink shakes hands with Alderman Thomas Smith as Alderman Jonathan Mietzner looks on. Zink was officially sworn in on Dec. 20.

Zink is new Chief of Police

BY MARNEY SIMON

The Wilmington Police Department has a new top

On Dec. 20, Adam Zink was appointed as the city's new Chief of Police. Zink has been with the department for 15 years, spending the past two as Deputy Chief.

Also during that meeting, Karl Jurgens was sworn in as Sergeant, and Jacob Jasnosz was sworn in as the city's newest patrolman.

Earlier this month, Chief

Zink told the members of the Committee of the Whole that the department's efforts at eliminating truck traffic on local roads not designated as truck routes was working well.

'Truck enforcement, they're doing a great job out there. Another \$15,000 in fines for November, and another \$3,000 in traffic citations," Zink said.

Zink reported that a total of 54 trucks were weighed based on a suspicion of being overweight and fined accord-

SEE WPD. PAGE 2

Candidates file for spring election

STAFF REPORT

The stage is set for local elections in April, with only one available seat on the Wilmington City Council to be

The consolidated election takes place on April 4, 2023. In Wilmington, one alderman in each of the city's four wards is on the ballot, each for a 4-year term. Wilmington operates on a mayor/alderman form of government, with the city divided into four wards, each with two elected aldermen serving as representatives.

Candidates for the consolidated election are:

1st Ward - Marty Orr,

Kevin Kirwin 2nd Ward - Dennis Vice 3rd Ward – Leslie Allred 4th Ward – Todd Holmes At Wilmington School

District 209-U, the following

candidates will be on the ballot

for the Board of Education: Board Member, unexpired year term (vote for one)

Lauren Kempes Board member, 4 year term (vote for three) - CJ Dziuban, Terry Anderson, Lisa

While only the 1st Ward seat is contested for City Council, and no seats are contested for school board, each candidate will be provided a candidate questionnaire regarding some of the top issues they will face should they win the election. The results of those questionnaires will be printed closer to election day.





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out the annexation agreement, the truck stop can seek approvals though Will County. meaning the truck stop is likely to be built regardless. Approving the plans means the city has a say in how the project moves forward.

Aldermen also noted that the addition of the travel center could help make up for some of the revenue that will be lost when D'Orazio Ford and Arnie Bauer Buick move out of Wilmington. Both dealerships have signed a development agreement to move to Braidwood by the end of 2024.

The final vote was 6-1, with Alderman Kevin Kirwin the lone no vote. Alderman Leslie Allred was not present.

The truck stop is expected to break ground in spring, and be complete by late fall of

A place to park

In October, the long awaited downtown parking lot was finally completed, thanks to grant funding the city received from the Heritage Corridor CVB.

In spring 2022, city leadannounced Wilmington had been awarded approximately \$236,000 to help pay for the lot. The parking lot combines two vacant city-owned properties that sit along the west side of North Water Street between Jackson and Van Buren Streets.

The new lot includes 35 regular stalls, two ADA stalls, and two electric vehicle (EV) charging stalls, and adds 480 square feet for hardscaping, and provides needed extra space for downtown businesses as well as special events.

The completed improvements include planters and picnic tables.

The parking lot was constructed by PT Ferro.

Dam, that's different

riverfront The Wilmington got a new look in 2022, at least for a football field length portion nearest to the dam.

In the spring, the city removed the jersey barriers near the Kankakee River dam in the city-owned South Island park, and replaced those barriers with an 8-foot tall aluminum commercial grade fence that starts from the

Crampton petitions

for name change

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF WILL, SS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETI-TION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF Jennifer Crampton TO Reagan Lane, Case

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned on behalf of herself/himself,

Jennifer Crampton adult, shall appear in

Jefferson Street Joliet II 60432 court-

room 905 at 9:00 a.m. on the 14th day of February, 2023 before the judge assigned to hear said matter, and then there present

a petition requesting the name of Jennifer

Advocate on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2022;

Attorney Lynch files

Pillow estate claim

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

SHARON M. PILLOW, Deceased; No. 22

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the death of Sharon M. Pillow. Letters of Office were issued to Pamilyo M. Scarpace

whose address is 22839 Judith Drive

Plainfield, Illinois 60586 as Independen

Administrator, whose attorney of record is

Jennifer M. Lynch of June, Prodehl, Renzi & Lynch, L.L.C., 1861 Black Road, Joliet,

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Will County Courthouse, 100 W. Jefferson

Street, Joliet, Illinois 60432, or with the rep

resentative, or both, on or before the 14th day of June, 2023 if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975,

the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must

be mailed or delivered by claimant to the

representative and to the attorney within

BY: Jennifer M. Lynch

1861 Black Road

Joliet, IL 60435

815-725-8000

ten (10) days after it has been filed. Jennifer M. Lynch

For the Estate of Sharon M. Pillow,

Illinois 60435.

Crampton be changed to Reagan Lane. Jennifer Crampton
Published in the Free Press

Will County Courthouse,

No. 22 MR 411

Jan. 4 and 11, 2023.

guard rail at the one car bridge over the mill race and extends 330 feet into the exclusion

The fence was placed for two reasons-safety, and lia-

bility.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources considers Wilmington's dam one of the most dangerous dams in the state. At least 16 people have died at the site since 1982, and the city remains in litigation with two families over three different deaths.

Due to the city's long term legal issues over dam safety, the city's liability coverage related to incidents at the dam was limited to \$500,000 in

The hope is that the fence will provide a bigger obstacle for those who are determined to get close to the dangerous dam. The fencing is in addition to other measures added for safety over the years, not to replace or repeal those items.

In 2018, the city created the exclusion zone on the west bank of the South Island Park, from above the dam to Baltimore Street. The penalty for entering the water in the zone is \$250 for the first offense, with a maximum of \$750 for additional offenses.

The \$21,800 fencing project was approved in 2021, and was placed by C&D Custom Fence and Deck of Kankakee.

While the city has an adhoc committee dedicated to coming up with solutions at the dam, be those solutions removal, changes, or to just leave the dam alone, the dam has not come up for discussion since spring 2022.

Chief hired, chief leaves

After an extensive search, Wilmington appointed a new police chief in 2022. But, Chief Joseph Mitchell's tenure was short, after he left the post just nine months into the job.

Mitchell was sworn in as chief on March 15, and officially took up duties on April 4. But, the city's top cop tenured his resignation

Before his departure, Mitchell told city officials that throughout his brief tenure, Wilmington Department was able to help reduce crime, increase truck violation efforts, create liaisons with other community organizations, and increase patrols along the Kankakee River to keep people away from the dam.

expressed a desire to keep Mitchell on board, the chief said some expected terms of his contract simply were not met, and with other offers on the table, he had to make the choice to exit the position.

"I appreciate your time, thank you," Mitchell told the council in October. "Seven months is a long time, ladies and gentlemen, to reach an agreement. Seven months. I have family. My children are going to college. Somebody comes up to me, looks me in the eye, tells me that they're going to give me a written agreement on something, I stand by that agreement... I've asked repeatedly ladies and gentlemen to get this thing resolved. I've asked repeatedly. And all I've gotten was, we're working on it.

The details of that contract were not disclosed, but council discussed Mitchell's contract agreement in executive session earlier this month.

On Dec. 20, Deputy Chief Adam Zink was elevated to the role, earning unanimous consent from the members of the City Council to serve as the now-current Chief of Police in Wilmington.

Community rallies over stolen flags

If one thing showed the way a community can come together, it was how folks from all over town rallied to replace 26 flags that were stolen or tossed off the bridge over the Kankakee River in May.

Just a week after the incident was reported to the WPD, local residents, civic groups and businesses collected enough funds to help the Wilmington Moose Riders replace those flags that went missing over Memorial Day Weekend.

Moose Riders chapter for the Wilmington Lodge has been placing the flags during patriotic weekends and events since 2018. But within just a few days of the flags going missing, the community collected almost

\$2,000, enough to place an order for new flags. The flags were reported missing on Sunday, May 29, one day after the members of the Wilmington Moose Lodge

Riders had placed them along

the bridge's walkway. Shortly after the report, four flags were discovered in the river. The case remains

Money

approved and spent.

"Going forward, there has to be accountability and accounting for it, in and out. It can't just be accounting by the committee," Smith said, "Whether you're an employee of the city or a committee of the city, any financial transactions have to go through [a process], we need to minimize the cash handling, because it can be problematic. But, they (Catfish Days) will have their start up money. But, we have two accounts. We don't need two

Meanwhile, Smith also told city leadthat another change regarding finances will address the city's practice of accepting credit card payments for utility

"One of the things that we're going to be putting into place will be when a resident comes in to pay [a utility bill] at the window, and they're paying with a credit card, our practice has been to take the card and manually input the information," Smith said. "We'll no longer be doing that, we're going to be getting card readers that will work with the software that we have so that the residents will be doing their own card swipes. And that really serves two purposes: We don't want to handle their property, and number two, there will be less errors than manual

Smith also told the committee that the audit of the MFT fund is underway, and results of that audit should be ready for the City Council in January.

WPD

ingly.

Zink also reported the following activity for the month

6 Pedestrian/Suspicious Stops
133 Business (Walk and Talk) Checks (officers enter-

ing businesses during normal hours) 11,045 Premise Checks (officer checking cursory

checks of businesses after hours

• 13 misdemeanor and/or warrant arrests

• 1 felony arrest

• 46 written traffic citations

• 36 written traffic warnings

• 13 compliance (local ordinance) tickets • 1 parking ticket

Officers handled an additional 326 calls for service

Letter to the editor

Association Funding 2023 will

be here before you know it and

will be reflecting on the suc-

cesses and challenges the

presents itself, CHA focuses on

how we can help those affect-

ed. Higher utility bills, gaso-

line prices, and food prices

have created an increase of

individuals needing hands-on

support from the very sup-

portive Wilmington communi-

encourage you to join our mis-

sion and to donate to CHA.

Monetary donations can be

As 2022 is wrapping up, I

(CHA) faced in 2022.

and wrote 51 related reports The report also noted that officers in the department

participated in a total of 96 hours of off-site training in November, and all members have completed an online training course on the topic of racial profiling, implicit bias, and cultural competency.

Zink also reported that the department has been

awarded a \$4,178 grant from ONEOK to use toward the purchase of a drone.

One more thing to due

Christian Help Association boxes are in 40 businesses in

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Association, 635 S. Main

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the Wilmington area. Look for

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Cynthia J. Ragain,

President

before the new year

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McCann petitions for name change

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF WILL, SS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETI-TION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF Case No. 22 MR 406

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned on behalf of himself, Jerome McCann adult, shall appear in the Will County Courthouse, 100 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL 60432 courtroom 905 at 9:00 a.m. on the 21st day of February, 2023 before the judge assigned to hear said matter, and then there present a petition requesting the name of Jerome McCann be changed to Jerome McCann

Jerome McCann Published in the Free Press Advocate on Wednesday, Dec. 21, 28,

Attorney Harrop files Veigelt estate notice

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ILLINOIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS In the Matter of the Estate of MILO

VEIGELT, Deceased. Case No.: PR642 **CLAIM DATE NOTICE**

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of Milo Veigelt, and Letters of Office were issued on the 1st day of December, 2022 to Dennis R. Veigelt, 3409 Old Ashbrook Road, Corinth, MS 38834 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is JOAN N. HARROP, 220 West Main Street, Suite

300, Morris, Illinois 60450. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Circuit Clerk

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service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filvisit https://www.illinoiscourts.gov /FAQ/gethelp.asp, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Will County Court House 100 W. Jefferson Street, Illinois, 60432, or with the representative, or both, on or before June 19, 2023. 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

Dennis R. Veigelt

Joan N. Harrop, #6237262 GOMIEN & HARROP, LTD

Advocate on Dec. 14, 21 and 28, 2022

First Midwest Bank Building 220 West Main Street, Ste. 300 Morris, Illinois 60450 (815) 942-0071 Atty No.: 06275404
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Top two music students in tune



TWO WHS STUDENTS were recognized for their outstanding work by the Illinois Music Education Association. Tyler Sivertson (sec-

ond from left) and Hannah Basinger (right) were recent participants in the ILMEA District 1 Senior Band Festival held at Elmhurst University. Sivertson was selected by choir teacher Alyssa Lesch (left) to perform in the District choir while Basinger was picked by WHS band director Ellen Georgeff (second from right) to participate in the District 1 Band. The students joined chorus and band members from other schools for a day of practice to put on an afternoon concert. The two were recently presented with plaques recognizing the honor.

Celebrate the King of Rock & Roll at the library

birthday party fit for a king, the king of rock & roll that is.

Elvis would have turned

88 on Jan. 8, and to celebrate

Attorney Lynch files Yakich estate claim

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOIS YAKICH, Deceased; No. 22 PR 759 CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors of the death of Lois Yakich. Letters of Office were issued to William J. Yakich and Robert E. Yakich whose address is 507 Ann Court, Joliet, Illinois 60435 as Independent Administrator, whose attorney of record is Jennifer M. Lynch of June, Prodehl, Renzi & Lynch, L.L.C., 1861 Black Road, Joliet, Illinois 60435.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Will County Courthouse, 100 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois 60432, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 21st day of June, 2023 if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered by claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. Jennifer M. Lynch For the Estate of Lois Yakich,

and Jan. 4, 2023.

BY: Jennifer M. Lynch 1861 Black Road Joliet, IL 60435 815-725-8000 Atty No.: 06275404 Published in the Free Press Advocate, Wednesday, Dec. 21, 28, 2022

The library will host a the Wilmington Public Library will show the new critically acclaimed and highly nominated movie about Elvis's life on Friday, Jan. 6 at 1 p.m.

Refreshments will served, including one of Elvis' personal favorites, grilled peanut butter and banana sandwiches. To register, stop by the library or call 815-476-

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> Eric D. Fisher, publisher Marney Simon, editor

New Year's traditions, how Will County celebrated in 1874

made your resolutions yet? Are you buying special foods for the first day of the new year? Have you got your date lined up? We are all

pretty much aware of Christmas traditions, but I think not so aware that

the things we all do at New Year's also have a long history.

The New Year's celebration is the oldest continuing celebration we have. It started 4,000 years ago in Babylonia, now Iraq. It was celebrated in early spring, when nature starts her renewal cycle. This tradition spread through the ancient world to Rome. But the Roman emperors kept changing the calendar to honor themselves, so soon the celebration of New Year's was no longer at the beginning of spring. Finally, Julius Caesar, in 46 B.C., redid the entire calendar, declaring that the new year would begin on January It has been there ever since.

The early Church was opposed to celebrating New

Year's, condemning it as a pagan holiday. a m o Europeans, New Year's has only been celebrated for the last 400 years, when the Church finally agreed on the celebration as long as the baby Jesus was represented in the holi-

day. Thus started the tradition of a baby representing the New Year. The Germans added the banner across his chest about 200 years ago. Traditionally it has been thought that you could affect your luck in the coming year

by what you do and whom you are with on New Year's Eve. Surrounding yourself with good friends and people who cared about you was thought to protect you from bad luck for the next year.

I have found that the New Year's party was much more a community affair in the 19th century than it is today. Let's take a random year, 1874, and see what the people in this area were doing to start that

In Braidwood the Free Masons and the Odd Fellows each gave a New Year's Eve dance and banquet that lasted until the wee hours and featured ovsters as the main dish.

In Wilmington "America, No. 1" the fire company representing the Water Street area sold 230 tickets to a costume ball held on New Year's Day at Empire Hall. It was estimated that over 100 people were on the dance floor at one time

In Joliet a "calico hop" was put on by the black citizens of the town, which was described as the social event of the season. Politicians looking for votes in the upcoming spring election begged to be invited. In Gardner some 80 couples danced the night away, eating an extravagant feast at midnight, courtesy of the Eagle

And finally on New Year's Day, the 7 hook and ladder companies from Wilmington put on their best uniforms and paraded themselves and their equipment up and down the major streets of the city. The



DILLMAN'S RESTAURANT opened its doors on New Year's Day, 1874, in the old Exchange Hotel building, at the northeast corner of Baltimore and Water streets. The space continued to be a restaurant well into the 20th century — some will still remember it as Bullock's located at Water and Baltimore streets where Claire's Corner park is now.

highlight of the parade was a new "machine" which could pump water from the river at an incredible rate. It was yet

Now let's look at traditional foods eaten on the first day of the year. Anything that was in the shape of a circle was considered lucky, so among the Germans, doughnuts were a popular food. In many cultures beans and peas were considered lucky, and I have eaten hoppin' john, a dish with black-eyed peas and rice, more than once while living in the South.

Among the Italians, seafood was considered a

good thing to eat, especially oysters and clams. The hog symbolized prosperity among many cultures, and eating pork is a worldwide tradition on the first day of the year. I am not sure that we do this very much now, but back in our random year, 1874 it was still going strong. During December of 1873

the price of hogs in our part of the world started to climb. Live hogs went from \$3.25 (\$81 today) to \$4 (\$100), while dressed hogs made it up to \$6.50 (\$162). One Wesley Township farmer, Homer Castle sold 18 May and June hogs to Alanson Gooding that weighed an average of 307 pounds each.

Those hogs were destined for the local market, especially restaurants Dillman's, that opened its doors on New Year's Day, 1874 in the old Exchange Hotel building. By the way, the space occupied by Dillman's would continue to be a restaurant until the mid-20th centu-Some folks will still remember it as Bullock's.

Happy New Year to all of

WHS students of the month



WHS SENIORS Tristen Doyle and Aneliz Mejia were among eight students who were selected at Wilmington High School as students of the month for November. The staff and faculty nominate two students from each class each month who go out of their way to be friendly, do random acts of kindness and/or help out in a big



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH representing the WHS junior class are Izabella Rivera and Courtney Croarkin.



WHS SOPHOMORES Michael Todd and Reese Van Duyne are the students of the month for November.



WHS FRESHMEN Logan Van Duyne and Aubrey Strong were named students of the month for November.

Wilmington High School seniors of the week

BY CHLOE PROFFITT WHS STUDENT REPORTER

Each week the Free Press Advocate features members from the Wilmington High School class of 2023. Featured this week are Marjorie Donovan, Audrey Mumma and Mya McCubbin who completed our questionnaire.

Marjorie Donovan

What do you plan to pursue upon graduation? JJC

What is something most do not know about you? I enjoy reading

What's an every day activity you could win an Olympic medal at? Sleeping Favorite thing on the

school menu? Nachos What is one thing you refuse to eat? Chilli

A sport or club that made an impact on you and why? Dance. It was something I tried for fun but ended up being one of the things I look

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

What class would you create? A class where everyone can just take a break and

Famous person (dead or alive) you would like to meet? Taylor, I've been a huge fan of her sense I was young.

Teacher shoutout? Mosier underclassman? Don't stress



MARJORIE DONOVAN Mya McCubbin

What is something most

activity you could win an

school menu? Biscuits and

What is one thing you refuse to eat? Mushrooms

an impact on you and why? Dance has made a huge impact on me. It's taught me discipline, how to treat others and to be proud of myself. If you could travel any-

Italy for the food

What class would you *create?* Home Ec

Famous Person (dead or Advice you would give to alive) you would like to meet? year. It helped me open up



What are you going to pursue in college? Pre-Law

do not know about you? I have been dancing for 12

What's an every day Olympic medal at? Sleeping Favorite thing on the

A sport or club that made

where, where would you go?

Whitney Houston because and come out of my shell



MYA MCCUBBIN

my car is named after her. Teacher Shoutout? FAR-**RELL MY DOGGGG**

Advice you would give to underclassman? Don't be a brat it will catch up to you later on.

Audrey Mumma

What are you going to pursue in college? Speech pathology

What is something most do not know about you? I know how to gut and process

activity you could win an Olympic medal at? Talking (outside of school)

Favorite thing on the school menu? The Mac and

Cheese is the best! What is one thing you

refuse to eat? Not picky A sport or club that made an impact on you and why? Being in the musical every



AUDREY MUMMA

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go? Backpack around Europe

What class would you create? A sleeping class because school starts way too

Famous person (dead or alive) you would like to meet? My Grandma Audrey because I am named after her and she seems like an amazing per-

Teacher Shoutout? Lesch, because I can always go to her for anything and she's always there for me. She has helped me so much and made musicals so much fun. She has so much energy in class and it makes it a lot more fun.

Advice you would give to underclassman? Don't stress about classes. As much as you don't like talking to the teachers, you should. They are not scary, they are there to help

Library to hold **Craft Corner**

The Wilmington Public Library will be hosting "Kat's Craft Corner" on the second Thursday of every month from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Kat will gladly teach interested patrons how to knit, or you can feel free to bring your own craft project to work on and enjoy some company.

Library to host **Genealogy Club**

The Wilmington Public Library will be hosting a Genealogy Club on the first Monday of every month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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Mud slinging elections

ready, because the political battle that plagues our city is once again going to show its ugly face above our heads. Finger pointing, accusations, rumors and more will be fired off as it usually does every four years. Street corners and public right-of-ways are going to be littered with campaign signs and the local Facebook political groups are going to be filled with people backing and bashing one candidate or another. Candidates are going to try and drag their opponents through the dirt with absolutely no truths or factual information to back up their allegations. Braidwood is famous for its mud slinging elections but the only ones who end up with a face full of dirt are the residents who are caught in the crossfire.

Don't forget them

COAL CITY—We sat down for Christmas dinner when our 8-year-old son surprised us all during payer. We spoke around the table of people who needed to be remembered in our prayers. When it came time for him to give thanks he said, "To all the men and women soldiers around the world who keep our country free." It surprised all of us that he would think to remember those in the military. We all agreed and thanked him for including them in our prayers. It was such a surprise to us all when other kids would be thinking about Santa. God Bless all those in the military.

Talk in public

BRAIDWOOD—During the Braidwood City Council meeting on December 13th, a vote was taken to approve the change of garbage and recycling providers. They were in such a rush to get a vote completed that when Commissioner Smith put the brakes on it by asking for additional information, it seems like they wanted to silence him quickly. Why not talk about what you are voting on in public before you vote on it? Just saying that the information had been set out on a counter inside City Hall for the public to view isn't good enough. Just how much is the cost for service going to change year to year? It may be less now, but will there be an increase per year over the life of the contract and how long will it be until they have to raise the cost to the resi-

We need Beth

BRAIDWOOD-Was hoping Beth Dutton (from "Yellowstone") would have filed for a seat in the city council election. Someone needs who will slap some sense into some of these commissioners. They show up and just nod their heads instead of truly bring things to the table that will better all of the community. If you're going to run for office, make it your goal to do your homework before each meeting and become a contributor to the community.

Snowy roads

COAL CITY—To all those complainers on

Facebook of snow-covered roads I ask, what do you expect? When it snows roads get slippery and icy, it's been that way ever since the first road was built. The answer is for drivers to slow down, use extra caution, especially at intersections. If you can't handle driving in snow and icy, I suggest you don't drive or move to Florida.

The wish list

COAL CITY—On Wednesday, Dec. 21 there was an article in our Coal City Courant about the idea of replacing the football field with artificial turf. Didn't the school district look into this years ago and decided against it because it was too costly? What has changed to make it more affordable now? It's fine and dandy to come up with a wish list of ideas but before we go any further maybe there needs to be a referendum before the voters asking if they want to spend money on things like turf fields and sports stadiums. The school board better explain how projects on the wish list will be paid for. Especially when in the same issue we read the village is borrowing over \$6 million to upgrade the water plant and we're all gonna have to pay for that. And which items will benefit the entire community? Will the Coal City Miners get to use the football field? Or how about the Coal City Area Baseball getting to play there? We've got top-of-the-line school buildings and I'm all for that with the tax dollars we get from Dresden Nuclear. And I get the idea things need to be done now before Dresden closes years from now and those dollars are lost. But what about plain and simple learning for our children? Academics should be our top priority before turf fields. Coal City has always had an excellent reputation for it schools. Don't let that slip away because the main focus should be on what's best for the

Volunteer audits, except

WILMINGTON—Democrat Obama had his taxes audited all eight years while in office. Democrat President Biden has had his taxes audited in both years in office. Republican President Trump did not have his taxes audited until 2019 when it was brought to the IRS's attention. Anyone else see something fishy about this?

Don't blame Apple

WILMINGTON—You've had 51 years to record or even buy a copy of A Charlie Brown Christmas. Stop blaming Apple, this one is on

Resolve to vote

ELWOOD-If you're going to make any New Year resolutions be sure to include one that has to be done if we will every see any improvements in our state. Make sure vou vote. Illinois has gotten so corrupt because our socalled leaders in Springfield have protected themselves with laws that benefit them most. They get into office, build up millions in their personal political funds, then do all they can to keep the status quo. For years the state unions



have promised these "keep the status quo' politicians their votes and look what it has done...bankrupted this state. They cheat us taxpayers by handing out unfunded state pensions to workers and now we'll all have to pay for it. Illinois is the biggest deadbeat state in the nation and those in office are doing little to change it. So the only way the common man can have any say is in the voter's booth. Time to become an educated voter and get these status quo politicians out for good.

See when shown

WILMINGTON-Leonardo da Vinci said "There are three classes of people: Those who see when shown and those who do not see."

Penny Lane

Reading on cue

SHADOW LAKES—I'm watching President Zelinski from Ukraine on the news as I've seen a few times this week and he reads what he wants to say. Very few presidents in this country, Trump included, had to read what they wanted to say. If you know what you want to say, you don't have to have it written out. Good example? Dufus Biden.

Lies, lies, lies

WILMINGTON—Now that Trump's taxes have been released I hope the Trumpees out there take note that he lied about not taking the \$400,000 a year presidential salary. He also lied about being under audit. He has lied to all three of his wives and all of his children so why wouldn't he lie to his cult of believers? Grow up people, he is a bad man.

Harsh decisions

COAL CITY—Regarding "So you know" in last week's paper, that is a very poor explanation for the board's recent decision to raise the area club dues so much, especially regarding the senior citizens. A \$100 hike in dues? Where in the world did the board feel that was neces sary or even fair? Are they trying to weed our the senior citizens? Not sure why they would want to do that because we all know they sure don't ever take in any new members. I, for one, feel there should have been a special meeting notice to the members so they could have had a say in making such a harsh decision. And not allowing any new senior memberships? The senior citizens have been paying dues for many years at the regular fee and now that they can finally catch a little break in their fees they can't even do that? And your increase in duck hunting, speed boat and boat dock fees does not apply to seniors so why are you pushing those things on them? I think it's insane but I guess the board can do whatever they want whenever they want and the members have no say in

any of it. Start with older buildings

COAL CITY—Are you kidding me? Didn' we just get new home bleachers at the high school a few years ago? Some questioned the home bleachers facing west. Guess no one listened. We are in need of improvements in the forgotten buildings, the Elementary and Intermediate Schools. Start spending on the buildings full of mold and are just too old. Think of the students and staff's health for once. Quit trying to compete with Morris and other stadiums.

Commentary

Illinois needs competitive tax reform

BY JOHN HENDRICKSON

Iowa taxpayers will start seeing income tax relief in just a few days as a result of the historic tax reform the legislature passed and Gov. Kim Reynolds signed into law this

At this moment, Iowa has a progressive income tax, with nine brackets topping out at 8.53 percent. In 2023, this will change to four brackets with a top rate of 6.5 percent. By 2026, Iowa will transition to a 3.9 percent flat tax, below Illinois' 4.95 percent rate. Just Illinois, income in Iowa will not be subject to state taxation.

Additionally, Iowa's corporate tax rate of 9.8 percent will be lowered to 8.4 percent in the coming year. The corporate tax rate will eventually phase down to a flat 5.5 percent. In Illinois the corporate rate is 9.5 percent.

In 2022, Iowa led the nation in tax reform enactments, as a leader in what has become known as a "flat tax revolution." Other states whose residents will see major tax relief in 2023 include:

• Arizona, which will transition from a progressive tax rate system with a top rate of 4.5 percent to a 2.5 percent flat

· Idaho, whose progressive income tax with a top rate of 6 percent will be reduced to

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• Mississippi, where a flat tax rate of 5 percent will be implemented, replacing the which is projected to increase. previous progressive rate structure

• North Carolina, where a flat 4.99 percent rate will be lowered to 4.75 percent and the corporate tax will be eliminated by 2030

Other major state tax reforms will surely be enacted in 2023. North Dakota Gov. Doug Burgum, for example, has recently outlined a progrowth tax reform that, if passed, would create a 1.5 percent flat tax – the lowest in the nation!

The United States will benefit from the continued spread of this "revolution," and states such as Iowa and North Carolina are demonstrating how tax reform can be done responsibly. For several years, North Carolina has been the gold standard in state tax reform, having lowered income tax rates while controlling spending. This is the formula for success: Prudent budgeting and gradu-

This year, Gov. Reynolds and the legislature have not only made Iowa's tax code more competitive, but also followed prudent budgeting principles. The fiscal conservatism of state officials has allowed pro-growth tax reforms. Iowa is on track for a \$1.9 billion budget surplus

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and \$830 million in reserves. The Taxpayers Relief Fund will have a balance of \$1.6 billion,

The model of wise budgeting and lower tax rates has strengthened the economy and established a strong fiscal foundation for government operations. Moving forward, signs indicate that Gov. Reynolds and the legislature understand Iowa is in competition with other states, creating opportunities for further reform, such as lowering the

3.9 percent flat tax rate. The legislature is also poised to make property tax reform a priority for action in 2023. High property taxes affect both individuals and businesses, and they deserve, and are demanding, property tax relief.

In neighboring Illinois, with its state and local tax burden at \$2,338 per person, talk last week centered on more people who have moved out of state. Meanwhile, Iowa saw a net gain in population where individuals can expect to pay half the taxes on average, per person in Illinois. And in Iowa it's about to get even lower.

It seems Illinois lawmakers could follow Iowa's example with competitive tax reform and fiscal conservatism. It just might calm the

John Hendrickson serves as policy director for Iowans for Tax Řelief Foundation

Illinois researcher finds benefit of hybrid crops for strong yields

BY ZETA CROSS

Drought resistant hybrid crops make for a successful harvest.

Picking the right genetically modified plants for an Illinois corn or soybean farm is a daunting process. Since the 1930s, researchers at the University of Illinois have been studying the different varieties and publishing their findings as a tool for produc-

"We're the 'Consumer Reports' for corn and soybean hybrids for Illinois," principal U of I researcher Darin K. Joos told The Center Square. "Our goal is to provide unbiased, third-party data so that producers can make the right selections for their farms.

This past year, U of I tested 174 varieties of hybrid plants from 18 different company-developers, Joos said.

The 2022 harvest wound up being one for the record books. Joos credits hybrid plants, in part, for the good yields. In spite of dry conditions, yields were better than what farmers and researchers had expected, Joos said. Southern Champaign County officially reached severe drought conditions on the drought monitor map. However, Champaign County had "unbelievable yields" at harvest time, Joos said.

"I can't say for certain, but

what we have seen over the plant's root system to expand past several dry years is that and look for moisture," Joos he crops have taken advantage of what little moisture they have gotten. Somehow the companies have increased water use efficiency," Joos

U of I researchers have studied corn hybrids since they were first introduced in the 1930s and 1940s. It took until the 1960s before hybrids were widely embraced by farmers. In the year 2000, Joos harvested his first 200 bushel plot, he said. Less than 20 years later, he harvested his first 300 bushel plot.

'It is a steady line up. It hasn't plateaued yet," he said.

Even with the hardy decent weather crops, remains the most important factor for a good harvest, Joos argued.

"The number one takeaway from this year is the weather," he said.

Lack of rain in the spring may have helped the plants.

"Some people say that early drought will cause the

said. "A bigger root syste benefit the plant in the rest of the season by bringing the

nutrients out of the soil." The weather during the weeks of harvest was practi-

cally perfect. We had a string of weather so that we started harvesting and never really stopped," Joos said.

Yields increased because farmers didn't have to leave toppled corn in the fields.

Farmers say that they "set the table" and then Mother Nature takes over.

"By setting the table, they mean putting everything in place: the right hybrid, the right fertility, the right crop

protection package," he said. After setting the table, all that is left is to hope for rain, Joos said. Because this is Illinois, the rain comes 90% of

'On a consistent basis,

Illinois gets the rains every year," Joos said. "It's really rare that we don't.'

300,000 retiring soon

remains an economic powerhouse in Illinois, manufacturers here and across the country are facing the threat of an aging workforce.

Over the next decade, it is ties.

Though manufacturing estimated that 300,000 men and women will leave the industry as baby boomers begin to retire, presenting numerous career opportuni-

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If you're going to decorate the house and load up the Sinatra's with Christmas Album, might as well have a proper Martini in hand.

THE SUNDAY

Brian Rung

Only two ingredients are needed to turn out a world class Martini, the rest comes down to preparation and presentation.

For starters, we are going to need gin and vermouth. Martinis are made with gin and dry vermouth, period. Martinis are not pink or blue, and if you make it with vodka it is a Vodkatini.

At some point during the "Mad Men" era of the 1950s it became macho or manly to order a Martini with as little dry vermouth as possible, with some even going as far as skipping the vermouth altogether.

If you skip the dry vermouth you do not have a Martini, you have a glass of gin. Nothing wrong the sipping gin, but gin alone is not a

What kind of gin is best for a Martini?

In general, the two types of gin that are best for Martinis are London dry gins, and Plymouth gins. Neither variety

you are If brand new to Martinis and are looking to add a Martini gin to your home bar, pick up of bottle Beefeater, Tanqueray no. 10, Bombay

Sapphire. All three are approachable gins that can be used in nearly any gin cocktail. You will also need a bottle

of dry vermouth, reach for Noilly Prat or Martini brand dry vermouth if you have the option. Remember, vermouth will begin to spoil quickly upon opening. Refrigerate any unused vermouth, discard after a few days.

The biggest mistake aspiring mixologists make when it comes to Martinis is in the preparation, specifically the dilution, or lack thereof. A balanced Martini requires dilution and while the drink may be diluted through shaking, stirring is the preferred.

Stirring a Martini with ice is the easiest way to add the perfect amount of dilution, plus if you have a host of small bar spoons on hand you can taste the drink before straining into the glass to ensure that everything is just right.

The mixing glass does not have to be fancy, although Martini aficionados tend to keep nicer barware on hand for drink preparation. I use a pint glass, a basic bar spoon, and a Hawthorne strainer to prepare Martinis, and it gets the job done.

A bar spoon is a must in any home bar. Bar spoons is overloaded with botanicals and spice which makes them have long handles and small ends which are ideal for stir-

both ideal for mix- ring in small glasses. There is a proper way to hold a bar spoon, and a proper way to stir. Consult YouTube or your local bartender for some pointers on proper stirring technique.

How long should a Martini be stirred to achieve optimal dilution?

The proper way to stir a Martini is not a question of how long, it is matter of how many revolutions. The magic number is 21 times. Martinis, as well as Manhattans are stirred with ice 21 times (21 revolutions) to achieve optimal dilution. I'm not sure who figured it out, but "stir 21 times" seems to work well and is the number taught in bartending schools.

In addition to just the right amount of dilution, stirring with ice 21 times ensures that the drink will hit the glass at the proper temperature. The proper temperature for a Martini is arctic. As cold, and as clear as possible.

Once you have turned ordinary gin and dry vermouth into an extraordinary, ice cold, perfectly balanced concoction, it's time to serve. Strain into your chilled glass and gar-

When it comes to the Martini with added olive brine, Martini garnish, the two most popular options are olives and the lemon twist. Neither garnish is more "correct" than the other, and it all boils down to personal preference.

A lemon twist will be more of an aromatic addition as the oils from the lemon twist settle on top of the glass. Be sure to actually "twist" the twist of lemon over the top of the glass to express the oils on to the drink before dropping the

Olives are perhaps the responsibly.



most popular garnish among the Martini faithful. It's more about flavor than appearance when using olives (or olive brine) in a Martini, but presentation absolutely matters. There are a few unwritten

rules of cocktail garnishing that come into play here. First when it comes to olives and cherries, always garnish in odd numbers. The typical olive Martini garnish is 1 or 3 skewered olives, never 2. Also, keep in mind that

olives are always skewered when used as a garnish, not merely dropped in the drink Cherries are typically dropped in when used as a garnish, olives are skewered. Many, if not most Martini fans will remove the skewer and eat the olives after a few sips. If you are making a "dirty'

Never pour olive brine directly into the drink, use your smallest bar spoon to add the olive brine until it's just right. The classic Martini is

start small with the brine.

built in a mixing glass, served in a chilled cocktail glass.

Combine in mixing glass: 2 1/4 oz. gin 3/4 oz. dry vermouth Stir with ice

Strain into chilled glass Garnish with lemon twist Until next week, enjoy

Gas prices may rise after Winter blast

Even though gasoline prices across Illinois fell 11.7 cents per gallon last week, the arctic blast that shutdown much of the nation could trigger a price increase.

While the national average declined for the seventh straight week, with oil prices rallying, it remains to be seen if we will manage another week of gasoline price declines. We're still waiting for the national average to fall below \$3 per gallon, something that is suddenly a bit less likely given the extreme cold weather, interrupting refining operations in the south, curbing gasoline production and potentially driving prices up slightly," said analysis at GasBuddy.

Gas in Wilmington was \$2.58/g Monday at one Lorenxo Rd. station. In town the next lowest price was \$2.99/g with rewards program and \$3.39/g at oth-

Braidwood stations were charging \$2.99/g and \$3.01/g on Monday while in Coal City prices were \$3.28/g to \$3.48/g.

"While some of the nation's lowest priced gas stations will probably be forced to raise prices slightly, with some declines still happening in the West Coast, there remains a chance, albeit smaller one, that we could still see the national average fall Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum below \$3 per gallon. With the New Year on

the doorstep, however, the biggest question motorists have remains what will happen in 2023 - a question GasBuddy's annual Fuel Outlook will answer later this

Prices in Illinois are 66.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 20.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 8.6 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.68 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Illinois was priced at \$2.59/g while the most expensive was \$4.99/g, a difference of \$2.40/g.



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Janet Fisher-Schatz

New year to bring new laws in Illinois

BY PETER HANCOCK CAPITOL NEWS ILLINOIS

SPRINGFIELD – By now, almost everyone in Illinois has heard that Jan. 1 will mark the beginning of a significant change in the state's criminal justice system - the elimination of cash bail.

It's an issue that dominated the 2022 campaigns and has been both praised and criticized on editorial pages in newspapers across the state. It essentially means that starting Jan. 1, the decision as to whether a criminal suspect should be held in jail while awaiting trial will be based on public safety and the likelihood the suspect will flee rather than their financial ability to post bond.

And while that criminal justice reform has received widespread attention, it is by no means the only new law that will take effect when the calendar turns over to 2023.

For most people who work a minimum wage job, the new year will bring a pay raise to \$13 per hour, a \$1 increase over the current wage. That's the result of a law Gov. IB Pritzker signed in 2019, his first major legislative victory after being sworn into office a month earlier. The law will eventually raise the wage to \$15 an hour on Jan. 1, 2025.

The new \$13 hourly rate does not apply to all minimum wage earners. People who receive tips at work will see their base wage rise to \$7.80 an hour. And people younger than 18 who work fewer than 650 hours per year will see their wage go up to \$10.50 an hour.

The higher wage will probably come as welcome news for those who drive a car to and from work. That's because the new year will also bring higher motor fuel taxes.

The same year Pritzker signed the minimum wage bill, he also signed a multi-year, \$45 billion transportation and capital improvements bill known as "Rebuild Illinois," which is funded in part with higher motor fuel taxes that are scheduled to increase with inflation each year.

The adjustment in the tax rate is supposed to take effect on July 1 of each year, the first day of the state's fiscal year. But last spring, in the face of rising inflation and healthy state revenues, lawmakers authorized a six-month delay in the scheduled increase, putting it off

As a result, starting Jan. 1, the motor fuel tax people pay at the pump will go up 3.1 cents per gallon, and then it comes around on July 1, 2023. Criminal law

will go into effect Jan. 1, including three that deal with sex offenses.

One of those prevents people who solicit sex from a minor or a person with a severe or profound intellectual disability from asserting a defense that they simply did not know the person was underage or intellectually disabled. House Bill 4593, signed into law May 27, puts the burden of proof on the defendant.

Another new law changes the definition of when a person is "unable to give knowing consent." Under current law, a person cannot give knowing consent when the accused person "administers any intoxicating or anesthetic substance or any controlled substance" that causes the victim to lose consciousness of the nature of the

House Bill 5441, signed June 16, broadens that definition to include when the victim has taken any intoxicating or controlled substance causing them to lose consciousness of the nature of the act, even if the substances were administered by someone else.

Another bill expands certain employment restrictions that apply to convicted child sex offenders. Currently, they are prohibited from being employed by, or even being present at, child day care centers, schools that provide before- and after-school programs for children or any facility that provides programs or services exclusively for people under age 18.

Senate Bill 3019, signed May 27, expands that to prohibit convicted child sex offenders from working at carnivals, amusement enterprises, county fairs and the State Fair when people under age 18 are present.

Carjacking

Three new laws taking effect Jan. 1 are intended to address a spike in carjackings around the state. All were signed on May 26.

House Bill 601 expands the crime of possession of burglary tools to include possession, with the intention to enter and steal a vehicle, of devices to unlock or start a vehicle without the key to that vehicle, or devices that capture or duplicate a signal from a key fob to unlock or start the vehi-

an existing state council charged with providing grants and financial support to law will increase again when the identifying, apprehending and on their financial need. House next regular adjustment date prosecuting carjackers and Bill 4201, signed June 7,

recover stolen vehicles.

And, House Bill 3772 Several new criminal laws ensures that victims of carjackings are not liable for costs and associated with impounding a vehicle that was stolen or hijacked, provided the owner files a police report in a timely manner.

Education

To address a shortage of substitute teachers throughout the state, House Bill 4798, signed April 27, allows students enrolled in approved teacher training programs who have earned at least 90 credit hours to obtain a substitute teaching license. Before, applicants had to hold a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education.

House Bill 4716, signed May 27, calls on the Illinois State Board of Education to adopt "rigorous learning standards" for classroom and laboratory phases of driver education programs for novice teen drivers. Those will include, at a minimum, the Novice Teen **Driver Education and Training** Administrative Standards developed by the Association of National Stakeholders in Traffic Safety Education in association with the National **Highway Transportation Safety** Administration.

Higher education

In an effort to get more people to pursue careers in human services, Senate Bill 3925, signed June 10, establishes a student loan repayment program. Subject to appropriations, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission will award loan repayment grants to qualified individuals with an associate degree or higher who works for a human services agency that contracts with or is grant-funded by a state agency that provides "direct or indirect services that ensure that individuals have essential elements to build and maintain physical, emotional, and economic well-being at every phase of life."

Awards can be made for a maximum of four years. Maximum amounts are \$3,000 per year for someone with an associate degree, \$15,000 per year for a person with a bachelor's degree and \$25,000 per year for a person with a master's degree or higher, with a \$5,000 per-year add-on if the applicant holds certain professional licenses.

Meanwhile, students currently enrolled in any program House Bill 3699 expands at a public university or community college will have access to trained individuals who can help them apply for federal, enforcement agencies to aid in state or local assistance based

requires those institutions to designate a "benefits navigator" to help students identify and determine their eligibility for various benefit programs.

Alzheimer's care

Senate Bill 3707, signed May 27, requires all employees and people who work for agencies that contract with the Illinois Department on Aging who provide direct services to individuals participating in its Community Care Program to receive at least two hours of training in Alzheimer's disease and dementia, as well as safety risks, communication and behavior associated with the

Hunting

Starting Jan. 1, deer hunters in Illinois will have a new option for the type of firearm they use. House Bill 4386, signed May 27, authorizes the use of single-shot centerfire rifles – guns that can fire only a single round of ammunition that contains primer in the center of the cartridge and not in the rim of the cartridge. Before, only shotguns, handguns and muzzleloading rifles were allowed.

State symbols

Illinois will have two new official state symbols effective Jan. 1. House Bill 4821 establishes the eastern milksnake as the official state snake. That was an initiative of Gentry Heiple, a snake enthusiast and Carterville Junior High School seventh grader. And, House Bill 4261 establishes dolostone as the official state rock. That was an initiative of a group of students from Pleasantdale Middle School and Maplebrook Elementary School.

Vehicles

People who own vehicles that were manufactured in Illinois will be able to apply for a slight break on their registration fees starting Jan. 1. Senate Bill 3609 allows those drivers to apply for a one-time \$25 rebate, "if the vehicle is manufactured in this state and the application for title is made no more than one year after the month in which the vehicle was manufactured.





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Study looks favorably on Illinois' ability to handle its waste

BY KEVIN BESSLER

THE CENTER SQUARE

A new study gives Illinois high marks for managing waste.

The website LawnStarter compared 50 states based on over 30 metrics, including their waste-reducing policies, infrastructure, waste production and recycling rates.

Editor-in-Chief Jeff Herman said Illinois fared well in their rankings.

"Illinois landed at No. 11 in the group and recycling is where it landed best, but there is also another thing, in the production waste that is recycled and Illinois is No. 3 in that, so there are a lot of good things going on in Illinois

in terms of recycling," Herman said. Between Thanksgiving and New Year's, Americans throw away up to 63 pounds of garbage a week, almost double the usual

This week is the busiest waste hauling periods of the year.

"We've been getting all those online boxes for things we've ordered shopping wise. What do we do? Do we trash those boxes or do we recycle them? That's a question to ask.

Size matters when it comes to waste management. For America's two smallest states by land area, that's the biggest challenge. Their borders aren't expanding, but their trash prob-

Once again, Rhode Island and Delaware ranked among the bottom five states in landfill waste volume.

States in upper latitudes claimed none of the top 10 spots. According to the study, the top three states for waste management are Connecticut, California and Vermont.

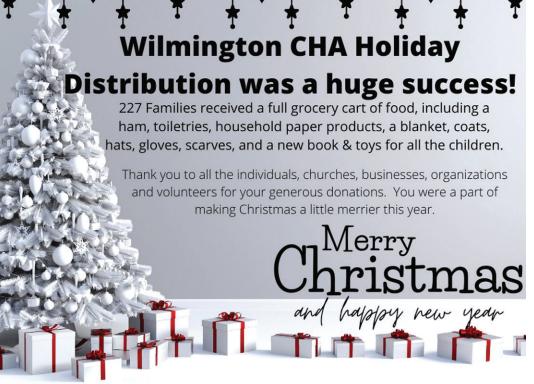
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was a loving father of Kathryn "Katy

Denny (nee Ernst), Steve Rhodes,

OBITUARIES

__ Jeremy Obert

Michael Flores

COAL CITY—Jeremy William Obert, 37, of Coal City, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2022 at Ascension St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet. Born Jan. 4, 1985 in Hinsdale, IL,

Jeremy was a son of Melinda (Doug)

Warriner, of Diamond and Jeffrey

William Obert, of Arizona. He was

raised in Coal City, graduated from Coal City High School with the class of 2003 and attended Joliet Junior College. Jeremy served locally and held employment with various restaurants including Cracker Barrel, Big Fish and Morris Chop House. A life long, avid book reader, he enjoyed gardening, cooking with his kids and playing video games. Jeremy was a kind, tender hearted and thoughtful soul, who was soft spoken and just a caring person. He will most be remembered for the love in which he held for his children, whom were his world.

Survivors include his parents, three children: Benjamin William Obert, Andrew Connel Obert and Evelyn Jane Obert; the love of his life and the mother of his children, Kristen Higgins, of Coal City; brother, Justin (Jennifer) Obert, of

WILMINGTON—Michael Flores, 37,

of Wilmington, passed away peacefully

Born Oct. 1, 1985 in Chicago,

on Thursday, Dec. 22, 2022 at the

Michael Kevin was a son of Ralph

Flores and Jana (Janulis) Flores. He

was raised and educated in

Wilmington and graduated from

Wilmington High School with the class

of 2004. Mike worked for Servpro doing

property damage reconstruction and was a

member of First Christian Church in

Wilmington. He took great pleasure in spending

time outdoors, especially fishing by the river

and barbecuing or grilling out. Mike's kind

nature and goofy sense of humor was infec-

tious, and his love for his family and children is

a lasting impression that he will leave on all

Survivors include his mother and father,

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those who loved and knew him.

Lightways Hospice Home in Joliet.

Diamond; his sister, Jessica (Cody) Hicks, of Coal City; five nieces and nephews: Cole, Lillyan, Jackson, Nola Lee and Willis; his grandfathers: Connel Ade (Helen) Willis, of Steger, IL and William Patrick Obert, of Chicago, and several aunts and uncles.

Jeremy was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Eileen Joyce Lawsen and Arlene Obert. Funeral services were held at Reeves

Funeral Home in Coal City on Monday, Dec. 26, 2022. Pastor Jamie Deuser officiated, and cremation rites were accorded following the Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may

be made as gifts to the family for the benefit of Jeremy's children. Family and friends are encouraged to log

onto www.ReevesFuneral.com to sign the guest book, upload photographs and share Jeremy's memorial page online through social media.

Funeral services and cremation arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City.

Jana Flores, of Wilmington and Ralph

Flores, of Bradley; his wife, Nicole

Bragiel, of Wilmington; three children:

Madelyn and Hayden Loren and

Malachi Flores; one brother and two

sisters: Jennifer Flores and Brooklyn

Flores, both of Wilmington and Axle

Flores, of Bradley; as well as several

aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and

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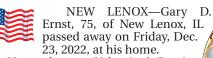
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Gary D. Ernst _



Market and Storage.

He was born on Valentine's Day in 1947 to Carlton and Jeanette (nee Berlin) Ernst. His father was an executive for the Chessie System and they lived across the nation. He attended Homewood-Flossmoor High School, Prairie State College and joined the Navy in 1967. He proudly served his country in the Vietnam Conflict. He was a Train Master at Bailey and Benjamin Aviles, 18 great-grandchil Corwith railroad yard in Chicago, serving Santa Fe and BNSF railways, retiring in 2006. Gary was a kind and loving soul, his home was always open to those in need. He was passionate about animals, taking in strays and loving them as family members. He also loved "treasure hunting," that is, antiquing. In 2007 with his wife of

37 years they became proprietors of Milltown

Tammy (Phillip) Rhodes-Cleary, Kelly (Jeff) Rhodes-Cordova, and Heather Rhodes-Aviles; proud grandfather of Samuel and Charles Denny, Erica Rhodes, Rebecca Jowett, Christina Rhodes-Smicker, Brandy Mills-Albers, Jovonna Cleary-Moore, Phillip R. Cleary Lillith Zazueta, Paige Cordova, Amber,

dren and dear brother of Bruce (Sharon) Ernst. A Celebration of Life will be held Friday Dec. 30, 2022 from 10 a.m. until time of Prayer Service at 11 a.m. at St Jude Church 241 W.

Second Ave., New Lenox, IL 60451. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Mercy Home or K9's For Warriors are appreciated.

For more information and to register online go to www.HickeyFuneral.com.

Deacon William F. Bevan III

JOLIET—Deacon William F. Bevan III, D.D.S., 86, and a lifelong resident of Joliet, went to eternity on Dec. 25, 2022.

Born July 30, 1936 in Joliet, William was a son of Dr. William F. II and Marguerite (Welch) Bevan. He was proud to have been the great-grandson of Fred Bevan, a Roman Catholic who came from England; served in the Civil War, and is laid to rest in Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee, as well as Herman Welch who emigrated from Germany; also served in the Civil War, and is laid to rest in St. Joseph Cemetery in Cabery, IL.

A graduate of St. Raymond's Grade School (1950), Joliet Catholic High School (1954), Joliet Junior College and Lewis University, William completed his post graduate work at Northern Illinois University and Marquette University. He received his Doctorate of Dental Surgery at Loyola University, and post graduate work at the University of Michigan Dental College. Dr. Bevan practiced Dentistry in Joliet with his father, Dr. William F. Bevan II for 53 years, a practice his grandfather started in 1896.

Dr. Bevan was a life member of the American and Illinois Dental Society; past president of the Will County Dental Society; life member of the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree, and was a member of The Catholic

Baptized at Sacred Heart Church in Joliet, William received his First Holy Communion,

Confirmation and was ordained a Deacon at the Cathedral of St. Raymond's. He was assigned a Deacon at St. Paul Catholic Church in Joliet, and most recently at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Deacon Bevan will lie in state at

the Cathedral of St. Raymond, 604 N. Raynor Ave. in Joliet on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023 from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Vigil Service. Funeral services will follow Friday morning, Jan. 6, 2023 at 11 a.m. in the Cathedral. A Mass of Christian Burial will be cel-

ebrated with Rev. Michael Lane presiding, and Deacon Karl Huebner assisting. Burial will be in Resurrection Cemetery in Romeoville, where he will be laid to rest with his

Pallbearers will be fellow Ioliet Diocesan Deacons. Honorary Pallbearers are John Cronin, Jim Sefcik, Art Hrvatin, David Skorupa, Jim

Skorupa, John Rems, Tom Grohar, and classmates from the Joliet Catholic graduating Class In lieu of flowers, Masses are preferred. Family and friends are encouraged to log onto www.ReevesFuneral.com to sign the guest book, upload photographs and share Deacon

Bevan's memorial page. Funeral services and arrangements have been made under the direction and care of

Reeves and Baskerville Funeral Homes.

Tai Chi class to begin

The Wilmington Lions Club announce a 12-week session of Tai Chi on Fridays beginning Jan. 6 at the Lions 805 River Wilmington.

Class will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. The fee for the 12 weeks is \$35. Seniors and veterans pay \$30 or students who have completed a previous 12week session will pay \$25.

Tai Chi has been shown that this type of activity is perfect for strengthening the tissues around joints improving balance strength.

The beginning Tai Chi student will be introduced to the basics of Tai Chi, that of weight transfer as they learn the positions. Register by 9 a.m. Jan. 6 For more details call Wayne 815-478-4016.

Dear EarthTalk: How will

California's recent decision to

require all new car sales to be

electric vehicles (EVs) begin-

ning in 2035 affect other states' timelines for adopting

similarly stringent measures?

California governor Gavin Newsom and the California

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In late August 2022,

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- 63. Local area network

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- 46. They hold things together
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- ZEVs are considered to be either EVs (electric vehicles), PHEV (plug-in hybrid electric vehicles), or hydrogen fuel cell. Gas vehicle sales will slowly be phased out, with the first checkpoint being that 35

be a ZEV by 2026.

This piece of legislation represents an important step in actively working against the negative impacts of climate change

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Reducing the number of gas-powered vehicles on the road will help cut smog producing pollution, therefore reducing the amount of health issues related to vehicle pollu-Air emission improve-

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approves California's law. As of now, Washington, Virginia and Massachusetts are expected to be the next three states to adopt similar mandates after approval of the rule in California. Governors in New York, Rhode Island, Oregon, Maryland and New Jersey are also considering similar legislation.

These states are among the 17 other states that follow California's greenhouse gas regulations. Car manufacturers have few concerns about their ability to generate ZEVs, but better ZEV infrastructure nationwide (i.e., more vehicle charging stations) is needed.

Under the Clean Air Act, the EPA gave California the ability to enforce more strin-

California pioneers new movement on electric cars and how it might effect us in the future

> California's example when it comes to emission standards, and experts believe that a similar trend will occur with the Advanced Clean Cars Rule. Such a movement will put unprecedented pressure on

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motive industry. Non-California residents may be thinking of ways to support this legislation and

car makers to generate ZEVs,

which will generate a huge and

long-awaited shift in the auto-

gent emissions standards push for its approval in their than the federal government. own states. Getting in touch Past evidence shows that with local Congress members, followed petitioning and being aware of candidates in support of legislation to reduce emissions are some of the best ways to get

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SAFE-T Act update will allow the arrest of trespassers

Majority Leader Jehan Gordon-Booth (D-Peoria) headed up chamber's efforts to amend the controversial SAFE-T Act this The day before the came up for a vote, I asked her what were, in her opinion, the largest misconceptions

reform law.

Gordon-Booth pointed to the trespassing issue. "I don't care if you live in rural, urban, suburban. The trespassing [issue] was one that just made a lot of folks incredibly uncomfortable."

Gordon-Booth got a taste for that last summer, she said, when she sat down with a young, millennial police officer who she described as a "cop's cop." She also met with her local Peoria police chief and the chief's top brass.

Their top concern was the perceived inability for police to make trespassing arrests under the existing provisions of the SAFE-T Act. Some of her fellow legislators also expressed that concern, so, Gordon-Booth decided, "we just needed to be far more clear about what our intent was." That intent, she said, "was obviously not as it was framed," by opponents. We just had to be more clear about how we wanted the language to read so that it was



Rich Miller

everybody, by all parties.' So, changes were made that make it now

explicitly clear I also asked Gordon-Booth to reflect a bit on the

opposition to the new law. She said she'd witnessed

about the 2021 social justice some major national backlashes throughout her life, so the fact that people would try to gin up another one on this law didn't surprise her.

She said she had no illusions "that the SAFE-T Act was going to be used as a tool to fear-monger, to try to get Illinoisans to believe that somehow those of us that are elected officials, many of us who live and represent communities that are also plagued by the violence that we all find abhorrent, many of us also being crime victims. I wasn't surprised that they used the fear tactic and used the SAFE-T Act as the tool to try to drive the fear." But, she said, "It still punches you in the gut when you see it play out."

Even so, Gordon-Booth said. "We knew that we put together a strong body of work that we could stand behind, stand on and not run from,' adding, "it's a great feeling to know that those fear-mongering tactics did not work."

The tactics may not have

interpreted the worked politically, but Rep. Maurice West (D-Rockford) wrote a powerful op-ed for the Rockford Register Star about how SAFE-T Act misinformation caused harm.

up West and his family was, "a

guy who called our office look-

ing to see if the 'N-word' was

there," West said. "My office

assistant tries to calm him

down and tell him that I wasn't

there, but she's willing to talk

to him about the legislation.

He calls her a lying c**t and

said he doesn't believe her and

he's coming to the office

regardless." Rep. West said he

shut the office down for the

addresses are easily accessible

online, and because the

harassment and threats cause

his family so much angst and

fear, West said he is now "work-

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Legislators'

address as well.

Rep. West, the "only Black legislator in the northern that arrests can be Illinois region," wrote in his op-ed that the misinformation spread about the legislation, "strategically led people down a path to think of dark-skinned people being let out of jail to destroy our community. Once that bell is rung," he wrote, "you can't un-ring it."

And that, he wrote, is why he is having trouble accepting an attempted walk-back from his local Republican State's Attorney J. Hanley, who was recently quoted as saying he regretted helping spread that misinformation, which West claimed, "led to confusion and anger in our community and threats to me and my family personally.

Because of this misinformation," Rep. West, a church pastor, wrote, "my faith was questioned, my life threat-ened, and the N-word was used so expressively and easily by some. All while my fellow local elected leaders, on both sides of the aisle, threw me under the bus for their political survival.'

I reached out to West to talk to him directly about his experiences. He said much of the harassment involved calls to his legislative office, "with a quick hang-up after using racist remarks.

The one that really shook

Coal City United Methodist Church to host soup supper

Methodist Church, located at 6805 E. McArdle Road in Coal City, will hold a Hallelujah' Soup Supper on Saturday, Jan. 7,from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

They will be serving their delicious homemade chicken noodle soup & chili. Each meal includes your choice of soup, a

United sandwich, crackers, a beverage, ice cream & dessert.Carryouts are available.

The cost is \$12 for ages 13 & older; \$5 for children ages 3 12 and children age 2 & under eat free. All proceeds will go to the church's building fund. Tickets will be sold at the door.

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Invasive black carp's spread threatening Illinois waterways

BY KEVIN BESSLER THE CENTER SQUARE

Illinois waterways are being invaded by another invasive species that could threaten the ecosystem.

Black carp, which are native to east Asia, were first imported into the U.S. to control snails in fish farms where fish are bred. How they escaped is unknown.

Some states ban possession of black carp, and importation of black carp into the U.S. has been prohibited since their 2007 listing as an injurious species under the Lacey

Black carp can grow quickly and reach more than 3 feet long. A fisherman once caught a 115-pound black near East Cape Girardeau, Illinois, near the Illinois-Missouri border. The fish was then sent to Southern University Carbondale for study.

species becomes established, eradication can be difficult, but it can also be challenging to collect robust information during the onset and early stages when abundance is typically low," said Gregory Whitledge, a professor with the Center for Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Aquatic Sciences at SIU and the lead author of the study.

This research includes the largest sample size and is the most robust analysis of wild black carp in the Mississippi River basin, helping inform those making decisions to curtail further expan-

Black carp have been observed in several locations, but exact species abundance and distribution isn't currently known because the probability of catching them in the large rivers they inhabit is low.

'While prior studies have indicated that wild black carp might be established in parts of the Mississippi River basin, this is the most comprehensive study and the first research to provide strong evidence that they are present and sustaining on their own," said Patrick Kroboth, a research fish biologist with the U.S. Geological Survey and co-author on the

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources thinks black carp have moved up the Illinois River as far as central

A silver carp was removed from Lake Calumet in August, triggering a closer search for the species in the area. Lake Calumet is only seven miles from Lake Michigan. If the invasive carp enter the Great Lakes, they have the ability to dominate the food chain and cause major disruptions to the ecosystem.

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\$6,198 for six people. The level of assistance

Low-income families can time payments directly to received is needs-based, and last year's LIHEAP recipients received an average of \$1,330 per household, according to

the governor's office. Grundy County residents seeking assistance can call Kendall-Grundy Community Action at 815-941-3262 and Will County residents can obtain information through the Will County Center for Community Concerns at wcccc.net or by calling 815-



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December 7, 2022

Notice of Semi-Retirement

To my clients and friends:

After 40 years in a rewarding career that allowed me to help and counsel thousands of clients on their legal matters, I am announcing my retirement from the full time practice of law while I am still healthy and able to properly finish business at hand. Starting Jan. 1, 2023, I will be semiretired, handling limited estate planning and real estate legal matters through Meents Law, P.C. coordinated by my partner, Frank Meents and other attorneys in the law firm. All my client files and records will be retained and kept under my supervision through Meents Law, P.C.

Over the past four decades I've had the privilege and honor to represent many entities and individuals during some of the best events in their lives such as buying or selling a home, starting new business or standing before a judge to help a couple adopt a newborn child. Other clients experienced tragic events such as the death of a family member, work accidents or personal injuries arising from a motor vehicle accident. Every day of my law practice was handling different challenges dealing with many personalities and fact situations that kept my career interesting. I appreciate all the business and clients for the support they provided so I could live in Wilmington and raise my family.

It has been my great pleasure and sincere honor to represent you as clients, and many of you are, and have remained, my friends over the years. I tried to provide each client with honest and diligent representation to the best of my ability. I hope your contact and experience with me met your expectations.

My health continues to be good as does that of my wife, Theresa, but we never know for certain how much sand is left in our individual hourglass. I hope to travel and spend more time with my children, grandchildren and friends. I have many activities and hobbies I still want to participate in and accomplish. There are many books to be read, places to see and community events to attend. I also plan on volunteering for charitable causes and to pass on my knowledge and experience to the Associates at Meents Law, P.C. I know I have an excellent partner, Frank Meents, who has the skills, compassion and ethics to uphold the legal standards I followed in building my practice. May you have the same confidence in Meents Law, P.C. as you had with

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OFFICE OF CLAIMANTS; Defendants, 20 CH 5 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Forecloentitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., Donald F. Black, 201 Liberty Street, Suite 211, Morris, Illinois 60450, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following de-scribed mortgaged real estate: P.I.N. 05-03-303-012.

Commonly known as 322 East North St., Morris, IL The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a com-mon interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Ms. Mary E. Spitz at Plaintiff's Attorney, Sottile & Barile, LLC, 7530 Lu-cerne Drive, Middleburg tile & Daily, Screen Drive, Middleburg Heights, OH 44130. (440) 572-1512. INTERCOUNTY IIIDICIAL SALES CORintercountyjudicialsales.com 13209279 Press Newspapers Wednesday, E 21 & 28, 2022. December 14,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 13TH JUDICIAL all information. If this prop GRUNDY erty is a condominium unit, - MORRIS, ILLIthe purchaser of the unit at NOIS ARVEST CENTRAL MORTGAGE COMPANY than a mortgagee, shall Plaintiff. -v.- RAYMOND M. the assessments and FARCUS et al Defendant the legal fees required by 2022 FC 18 NOTICE OF Condominium Prop-Act, 765 ILCS SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS erty Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condo-HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment Foreclosure and Sale enminium unit which is part of tered in the above cause on December 8, 2022, an a common interest community, the purchaser of the Judicial for The unit at the foreclosure sale Corporation, will at other than a mortgagee 11:00 AM on January 25, 2023, at the Grundy Courthouse, 111 Vashington Street County East Washington Street front door entrance, MOR-RIS, IL, 60450, sell at a public sale to the highest YOU bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly MAZON, IL 60444 Property 09-07-200-010 ILLINOIS The real estate is improved THE residence. terms: 25% down of the LAW. highest bid by certified funds at the close of the photo sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in-cluding the Judicial Sale foreclosure sale fee for the Abandoned Residential Property Mu-nicipality Relief Fund, nicipality 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 chaser not to exceed \$300. in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the CIAL mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pur-Drive, 60606-4650 suant to its credit bid at the 236-SALE You can sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the resi-Corporation dential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to gen-CIATES, P.C. eral real estate taxes,

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shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGA-(HOMEOWNER), HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSES-SION FOR 30 DAYS AF-TER ENTRY OF AN OR-DER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF MORT-FORECLOSURE You will need a identification issued by a government agency etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONT-AGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876 THE JUDI-SALES CORPORA-One South Wacker 24th Floor, Chicago, visit The Judicial Sales www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. CODILIS & ASSO-15W030 NORTH FRONT-AGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE IL, 60527 630-794-5300

E-Mail: pleadings@il.csle-gal.com Attorney File No. 14-22-01588 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Case Number: 2022 FC 18 Number: 2022 FC TJSC#: 42-4588 N NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act,

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D.Gilleland estate notice

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS -IN PROBATE

In the Matter of the Estate of DONALD GILLELAND, Deceased. Case No.: 22 PR

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given to creditors, of the death of DONALD GILLELAND, of New Lenox, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued December 16, 2022, to DEBORAH

KING, whose address is 16433 Manhattan Rd., Manhattan, IL 60442 and DONALD E

GILLELAND, whose address is 110

Wyndstone, Elwood, IL 60421, Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney of record is Timothy J. McGrath, of 440 S. State Street, Manhattan, IL, 60442. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 5/28-4 of the Prohate Act (IL Compiled Stat 1992)

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Ch. 755 par. 5/28-4) any interested persor

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Claims against the estate may be filed with the Clerk of the Court at the Will County Courthouse, 100 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois, 60432, or with the representative, or both, on or before the day of June 28, 2023, or 3 months from the

date of mailing or delivery, whichever is later, and that any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a

claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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J. Gilleland estate notice

New Lenox, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued December 16, 2022, to DEBORAH KING, whose address is 16433 Manhattan Rd., Manhattan, IL 60442 and DONALD E GILLELAND, whose address is Wyndstone, Elwood, IL 60421, Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney of record is Timothy J. McGrath, of 440 S. State Street, Manhattan, IL, 60442. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (IL. Compiled Stat. 1992. Ch. 755 par. 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate

mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS -IN PROBATE In the Matter of the Estate of JEANETTE E. GILLELAND, Deceased. Case No.: 22 PR

CLAIM NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, WILL COUNTY ILLINOIS -IN PROBATE

In the Matter of the Estate of DONALD A. DUFFY, Deceased, Case No.: 22 PR 665 **CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is given to creditors, of the death of DONALD A. DUFFY, of Wilmington, Illinois, Letters of Office were sued November 2, 2022, to NANCY J DUFFY, Independent Administrator, whose address is 106 Eula St., Wilmington, IL 60481, whose attorney of record is Timothy J. McGrath, of 440 S. State Street, Manhattan, IL, 60442. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (IL. Compiled Stat. 1992, Ch. 755 par. 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk

Claims against the estate may be filed with the Clerk of the Court at the Will County Courthouse, 100 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois, 60432, or with the representative, or both, on or before the day of June 28, 2023, or 3 months from the date of mailing or delivery, whichever is later, and that any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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Attorney Wysocki files

Woodard estate claim **PUBLIC NOTICE**

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF William J. Woodard, Deceased; No. 22 PR

PUBLICATION NOTICE INDEPENDENT **ADMINISTRATION TO CREDITORS** CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN HEIRS & LEGATEES

Notice is given to creditors of the death of WILLIAM J. WOODARD. Letters of Office were issued to Mary A. Woodard whose address is 1420 E. Washington St., Joliet, Illinois 60433 as Independent Executor, whose attorney of record is June, Prodehl, Renzi & Lynch, L.L.C., 1861 Black Road, Joliet, Illinois 60435.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Will County Courthouse, 100 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois 60432, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 28th day of June, 2023 if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered by claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

On December 8, 2022 an Order Admitting the Will to Probate was entered. Within forty-two (42) days after the effective date of the original order Admitting the Will to Probate, you may file a petition with the Court to require proof of the validity of the Will by testimony or witnesses to the Will in open Court, or other evidence, as provided in Section 5/8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1). The estate will be administered without Court supervision unless an interested party terminates independent administration by filing a petition to terminate under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4). Marilyn L. Wysocki

For the Estate of William J. Woodard, Deceased BY:Marilyn Wysocki

1861 Black Road Joliet, IL 60435 815-725-8000 Published in the Free Press Advocate, Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2022;

City of Wilmington to hold hearing to amend Rink properties Annexation agreement

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, IL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON JANUARY 17, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M., A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILM-INGTON AT THE CITY HALL LOCATED AT 1165 S. WATER STREET, WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS, PURSUANT TO 65 ILCS 5/11-15.1-1 ET SEQ., FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND CONSIDERING TESTIMONY AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PETITION OF ROBERT RINK, MARTHA RINK, ROBERT F. RINK, JACQUELYN K. RINK AND RINK AGRICULTURAL AND INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP, LP FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THAT CERTAIN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 16, 2010 BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS AND ROBERT RINK, MARTHA RINK, ROBERT F. RINK, JACQUELYN K. RINK AND RINK AGRI CULTURAL AND INVESTMENTS, LP ("PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT"), WITH RESPECT TO AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE INSTAL-LATION AND CONNECTION OF CERTAIN POTABLE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER LINES TO THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT AND WITH RESPECT TO AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR A PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT RELATIVE TO THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT. THE FORM OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CITY CLERK. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT MAY BE CHANGED, ALTERED, MODIFIED, AMENDED OR REDRAFTED IN ITS ENTIRETY AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING. ALL INTER-ESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING AND WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD. THE PROPERTY TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT IS AS FOLLOWS: PARCELS A & B

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PIN: 03-17-21-100-006-000010.22 ACRES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, IL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON JANUARY 17, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M., A PUB-LIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AT THE CITY HALL LOCATED AT 1155 S. WATER STREET, WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS. PURSUANT TO 65 ILCS 5/11-15.1-1 ET SEQ., FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING

AND CONSIDERING TESTIMONY AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PETITION OF ADAR RIDGEPORT INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS, LLC, ADAR RPLL, LLC, AND THE CITY OF WILLMINGTON, ILLINOIS TO AMEND THE AMENDED AND RESTATED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG ADAR RIDGEPORT INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS, C, ADAR RPLL, LLC, RIDGEPORT LOGISTICS CENTER PROPERTY OWNERS SOCIATION AND THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS (RIDGEPORT LOGISTICS ENTER), AS AMENDED, WITH RESPECT TO AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE NSTALLÁTION OF CERTAIN POTABLE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER LINES IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT. THE FORM OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CITY CLERK. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTI-FIED THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT MAY BE CHANGED, ALTERED, MODIFIED, AMENDED OR REDRAFTED IN ITS ENTIRETY AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING, ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING AND WILL BE GIVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD. THE PROPOSED AMEND ANNEXALIDAD OF THE PROPOSED AMEND AND AMEND AMEND AND AMEND AMEND AND AMEND AM TION AGREEMENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF AREA TO BE ANNEXED

PARCEL 1: (A-24) THE NORTH 263.13 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1,350.95 FEET OF THE WEST 840.83 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 2: (A-25)
THE NORTH 181.31 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1,037.86 FEET OF THE WEST 840.83 FEET
OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9
EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. TAX PIN. 03-17-21-300-014

THE NORTH 181.31 FEET OF THE SOUTH 725.24 FEET OF THE WEST 840.83 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. TAX PIN. 03-17-21-300-013

PARCEL 4: (A-28) THE NORTH 181.31 FEET OF THE SOUTH 543.93 FEET OF THE WEST 840.83 FEET

OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY. ILLINOIS. TAX PIN. 03-17-21-300-019

THE NORTH 181.31 FEET OF THE SOUTH 362.62 FEET OF THE WEST 840.83 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. TAX PIN. 03-17-21-300-022

PARCEL 6: (A-31)

THE SOUTH 181.31 FEET OF THE WEST 840.83 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. TAX PIN. 03-17-21-300-021

TOGETHER WITH THE ENTIRE RIGHT OF WAY OF KAVANAUGH ROAD ADJACENT TO PARCELS 1 THROUGH 6 DESCRIBED ABOVE.

THE NORTH 10 ACRES OF THE SOUTH 30 ACRES OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

THE NORTH 40 RODS (660 FEET) OF THE EAST 40 RODS (660 FEET) OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE. 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EXCEPT THAT PART TAKEN FOR PUB-EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EXCEPT THAT PART TAKEN FOR PUBLIC ROAD PURPOSES PER DOCUMENT NO. R2005-192642, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THAT PART OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 08 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST 109.47 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST 33.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 46 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST 70.71 FEET TO A POINT 60.00 FEET SOUTH AS MEASURED PERPENDICULAR WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 75.76 A FEET NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 75.76 A FEET NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 75.76 A FEET NORTH MET AND PARALLET. ONDS WEST 576.94 FEET ALONG A LINE. 60.00 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL WITH SAID NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST 40 RODS (660 FEET) OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE NORTH 0.1 DEGREE 08 MINUTES 36 SECONDS W EST 60.00 FEET ALONG SAID WEST LINE OF THE EAST 40 RODS (660 FEET) TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH SAID NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE. NORTH 89 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 660.00 FEET ALONG SAID NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; AND ALSO EXCEPT THAT PART TAKEN FOR PUBLIC ROAD PURPOSES PER DOCUMENT NO. R2006-128098 DESCRIBED AS BEING THE EAST 33 FEET OF THE NORTH 40 RODS (660 FEET) OF THE EAST 40 RODS (660 FEET) OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17, IN WILL COUNTY,

TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF LORENZO ROAD ADJOINING TO AND CONTIGUOUS WITH THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PROPERTY.

AND
THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, EXCEPT THE
SOUTH 30 ACRES THEREOF, IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE
THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
ADDRESS: 29929 S. KAVANAUGH RD., WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS 60481 PIN NC).: 0317, 16, 200, 200.00.

17-16-300-005-0000

PIN: 03-17-20-200-020-0000 / 5.37 ACRES
THE SOUTH 182 35 FEET OF THE NORTH 1095.76 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF
THE NORTHEAST 114 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF
THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS 30430 S. PIN: 03-17-20-200-013-0000 10 ACRES

PARCEL 1: THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH. RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LAYING WEST OF THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 634.95 FEET AND LAYING EAST OF THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 330 THEREOF: TOGETH-

PARCEL 2: THAT PART OF THE SOUTH 39 39 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER FORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 20, LAYING WEST OF THE WEST THE EAST 634.95 FEET AND LAYING EAST OF THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 330.00 THEREOF ALL IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 24946 MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-20-201-004-0000 / 0.80 ACRES
LOT 1 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF
OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9
EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINIGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21. 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511
AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607.

03-17-20-201-004-0000 / 0.80 ACRES

PIN: 03-17-20-401-001-0000 / 1 ACRE LOT 10 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAS I QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9

OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24945 W. MURPHY RD PIN: 03-17-20-401-003-0000 0.87 ACRES LOT 8 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUM IER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MEDIDIAN WILL MINISTON TOWNSHIP MILL COLIN

OF THE SOUTHEAST QUM IER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP. WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21. 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24931 W. MURPHY RD PIN: 03-17-20-401-004-0000 / 1 ACRE LOT 7 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH. RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MEDIDAN WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH. RANGE 9

EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUN-TY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24919 MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-20-401-005-0000 / 1 ACRE LOTS 6 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF LOTS 6 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 3/1 FEET OF THE AST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24907 MURPHY RD PIN: 03-17-20-401-006-0000 / 1 ACRE LOT 5 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 3/1 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 3/1 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 30. TOWNISHIP 23 NORTH, BANGE OF

OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS

AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24859 MURPHY RD PIN: 03-17-20-401-007-0000 / 1 ACRE LOT 4 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-17607, 24457 M, MURDINY, DOCUMENT

AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24857 W. MURPHY RD PIN: 03-17-20-401-008-000 I 1 ACRE LOT 3 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R70 17607, WILDENLY NO.

AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. W. MURPHY RD PIN: 03-17-20-401-009-0000 / 1 ACRE LOT 2 IN PINE GREEN SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 371 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20. TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1978, AS DOCUMENT NO. R78-37511 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED MAY 24, 1979 AS DOCUMENT NO. R79-17607. 24825 W. MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-21-100-032-0000 / 2.5 ACRES

THE WEST HALF OF THE FOLLOWING PARCEL TAKEN AS A TRACT: THE WEST 335.08 FEET OF THE EAST 365.08 FEET OF THE SOUTH 650 FEET OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS 24630 W. MURPHY RD

24630 W. MURPHY RD PIN: (03-17-21-100-031-0000 / 2.5 ACRES THE EAST HALF OF THE FOLLOWING PARCEL TAKEN AS A TRACT: THE WEST 335.08 FEET OF THE EAST 365.08 FEET OF THE SOUTH 650 FEET OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30626 RAGAIN LN

PUBLIC NOTICE

THAT PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 555 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21, AND RUNNING EAST 60 FEET ALONG THE PUBLIC HIGHWAY, THENCE NORTH 165 FEET, THENCE WEST 60 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 165 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 24510 MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-21-200-011-0000 /5.06 ACRES
THAT PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE
9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST 299.31
FEET, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE CENTER OF AN EXISTING DANIMACE DITCH: THENCE NORTH SECTION WITH THE CENTER OF AN EXISTING DRAINAGE DITCH: THENCE NORTH 50 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 56 SECONDS EAST 46.05 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 49 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST 28.72 FEET. ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH: THENCE NORTH 71 EAST 26.72 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 71 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST 61.66 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER 0F DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 4G SECONDS EAST 47.50 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER 0F DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 70 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST 68.73 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER 0F DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 64 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST 82.22 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER 0F DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 65 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST 16.71 THENCE NORTH 65 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST 16.71 FEET ALONG SAID CENTER 0F DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 65 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST 16.71 FEET ALONG SAID CENTER 0F DEGREES 51 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST 116 11 FEET. ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 67 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST 139.36 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 63 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 41 SECONDS EAST 67.71 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH: THENCE NORTH 68 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST 205.43 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 71 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 78.05 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 60 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 60 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST 151.11 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST 141.67 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 09 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST 86.79 FEET, ALONG SAID CENTER OF DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 31 SECONDS EAST 61.71 FEET, TO AN IRON PIPE ON THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE PROPERTY CONVEYED BY DOCUMENT NO. R83-38006; THENCE SOUTH 09 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST 235.06 (MECORD), SOUTH 11 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST 235.06 (RECORD). ED), ALONG SAID WESTERLY LINE OF DOCUMENT NO. R83-38006, TO AN IRON PIPE; THENCE SOUTH 02
DEGREES 02 MINUTES 44 SECONDS EAST 416.28 FEET (MEASURED), SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 413.87 FEET (RECORDED), ALONG SAID WESTERLY LINE OF DOCUMENT NO. R83 38006. TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST 644.67 FEET, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER, TO A POINT 125.20 FEET (MEASURED), 125.00 FEET (RECORDED) EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE PARCEL CONVEYED BY DOCUMENT NO. 772588; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST MENT NO. 172306, THENCE NORTH OF DEGREES OF MINUTES OF SECONDS WES 173.85 FEET (MEASURED), NORTH OF DEGREES OF MINUTES OF SECONDS WES 171.00 FEET RECORDED), ALONG TI IE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID DOCUMENT NO 772588 TO AN OLD IRON ON THE SOUTH EDGE OF SAID DRAINAGE DITCH 7/2588, TO AN OLD IRON ON THE SOUTH EDGE OF SAID DAYAINAGE DITCH; THENCE SOUTH 66 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 09 SECONDS WEST 134.81 FEET, ALONG SAID SOUTH EDGE OF THE DRAINAGE DITCH AND THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID DOCUMENT NO. 772588, TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER AT A POINT 124.00 FEET NORTH OF SAID SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST 124.00 FEET, ALONG SAID WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 24304 MIJRPHY RD.

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF

SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES CO MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER FOR A DISTANCE OF 1255.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 658.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 330.66 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 658.39 FEET TO A POINT WHICH FALLS ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 330.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING, CONTAINING 5.000 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

ALL LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF WILL, STATE OF ILLINOIS. MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-21-200-009-000015 ACRES
COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 'ME NORTHEAST QUARTER OF
SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL
MERIDIAN; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG
THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER FOR A DISTANCE OF 1588.86 FEET TO 1HE POINT OF BEGINNING: THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 658.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 330.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 658.39 FEET TO A POINT WHICH FALLS ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUAR TER; THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 330.85 FEET TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING, ALL LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF WILL STATE OF ILLINOIS. 24126 W. MURPHY RD

03-17-21-100-029-0000 1.02 ACRES

03-17-21-200-009-000015 ACRES

THAT PART OF THE EAST 1'2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER, THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE, 1330.63 FEET TO A POINT THAT IS ALSO 25 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 114 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 22' 30" EAST, 198 FEET; THENCE EAST 225 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 22' 30" WEST, 198 FEET; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE, 225

PIN: 03-17-21-100-030-0000 / 1.39 ACRES

THAT PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21. IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOL-LOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 25 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21. AND RUNNING THENCE FAST 530 FEET: THENCE NORTH 198 FEET, THENCE WEST 530 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 198 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE WESI 225 FEET AND ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM TK IE EAST 5 FEET THEREOF, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. W MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-21-200-010-0000 / 5 ACRES COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF

SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER FOR A DISTANCE OF 1920.73 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 658.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 330.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 658.39 FEET TO A POINT WHICH FALLS ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUAR TER: THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 330.85 FEET TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING, CONTAINING 5.000 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, ALL LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF WILL. STATE OF ILLINOIS. W. MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-21-100-027-0000 6 ACRES
THE SOUTH 746.74 FEET OF THE WEST 350 FEET OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE
NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9, EAST OF
THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30625 S. KAVANAUGH RD

PIN: 03-17-21-100-022-0000 2.04 ACRES
THE EAST 250 FEET OF THE SOUTH 930 FEET OF THE WEST ONE HALF OF THE
NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21. TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF
THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE WEST 220 FEET
OF THE EAST 250 FEET OF THE SOUTH 650 FEET OF SAID WEST ONE HALF OF
THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21), TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9
EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30550
RAGAIN IN

PIN: 03-17-21-100-024-0000 12.36 ACRES THE NORTH 192.5 FEET OF THE SOUTH 799.0 FEET OF THE EAST 535.5 FEET OF THE WEST 548.0 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH AND RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCI-PAL MERIDIAN, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30561 S RAGAIN LN

PIN: 03-17-21-100-025-0000 /62.96 ACRES
THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, EXCEPT THE
SOUTH 1244.57 FEET OF THE WEST 350 FEET, THEREOF, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 33
NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN WILL COUNTY AND
EXCEPT THE EAST 250 FEET OF THE SOUTH 930 FEET; AND ALSO EXCEPTING
THEREFROM THE WEST 220 FEET OF THE EAST 250 FEET OF THE SOUTH 650
FEET OF SAID WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER AS PROVIDED IN WILL
COUNTY RECORDER DOCUMENT R71-9734; AND FURTHER EXCEPT THE WEST
355.08 FEET OF THE EAST 365.08 FEET OF THE SOUTH 650 FEET OF THE WEST
HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, PER DOCUMENT R73-16073. 24700 MURPHY RD

PIN: 03-17-21-100-020-0000 / 5 ACRES

THE EAST 535.5 FEET OF THE WEST 548 FEET OF THE SOUTH 606.5 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EXCEPTING THERE-NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE HIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE EAST 523 FEET OF THE WEST 548 FEET OF THE SOUTH 198 FEET THEREOF, ALL MEASUREMENTS TAKEN ON LINES PARALLEL TO THE WEST AND SOUTH LINES OF SAID SECTION 21, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. S RAGAIN LN PIN: 03-17-21-100-034-0000 / 4.05 ACRES

THE SOUTH 332.61 FEET OF THE NORTH 588.61 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1785 FEET OF THE WEST 548 FEET, EXCEPT THE WEST 8.50 FEET THEREOF; ALSO, THE EAST 8.0 FEET OF THE WEST 16.50 FEET OF THE WEST 548 FEET OF THE SOUTH 204.69 FEET OF THE NORTH 793.50 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1785 FEET, ALL IN THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN: 03-17-21-100-028-0000 / 4 ACRES

PIN: 03-17-21-100-028-0000 / 4 ACRES THAT PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21; THENCE NORTHERLY ON HE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 746-74 FEET TO AN IRON PIN AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTHERLY ON SAID WEST LINE, 497.83 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE EASTERLY AND PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 350 FEET TO AN IRON PIN: THENCE SOUTHERLY AND PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 497.83 FEET TO AN IRON PIN: THENCE WESTERLY AND PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 350 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30515 S. KAVANAUGH RD COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30515 S. KAVANAUGH RD

PIN: 03-17-21-100-035-0000 /2.58 ACRES
THE NORTH 793.5 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1785 FEET OF THE WEST 548 FEET OF THE
EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21 IN TOWNSHIP 33
NORTH, AND IN RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; (EXCEPTING
LAND DESCRIBED IN DOCUMENT R90-53390 AND LAND DESCRIBED IN DOCU-MENT R91-013524) ALL IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 30525 S. RAGAIN LN.

PIN: 03-17-21-100-023-0000; 2.81 ACRES THE SOUTH 1,785 FEET .OF THE WEST 548 FEET OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF

THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE EAST 535.5 FEE OF THE WEST 548 FEET OF THE SOUTH 799 FEET THEREOF AND ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE NORTH 793.5 FEET THEREOF, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS 30539 S. RAGAIN LN.

PIN: 03-17-21-200-002-0000 / 0.42 ACRES

THAT PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21 IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. SITUATED IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWENTY-ONE AS THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE EAST 125 FEET; THENCE NORTH 171 FEET TO THE SOUTH EDGE OF THE DRAINAGE DITCH; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG TH SOUTH EDGE OF SAID DRAINAGE DITCH TO A POINT ON WEST LINE OF SAID NORTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION TWENTY ONE THAT IS 124 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER SECTION, THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID WEST LINE OF SAID QUARTER SECTION TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING 24356 W. MURPHY RD

THAT PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER THAT IS 665 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST COR NER OF THE SAID EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SAID SOUTH LINE OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER. 151 FEET TO POINT; THENCE NORTH ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER. 165 FEET TO A POINT AND THENCE WEST ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 151 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 165 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 24456 W. MURPHY

PIN: 03-17-21-100-012-0000 / 0.54 ACRES THAT PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAI BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER THAT IS 665 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SAID EAST HAL OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER: THENCE EAST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 151 FEET TO THE REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCI NORTHERLY ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HAL OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 165 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WEST ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 151 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 32 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 32 FEET TO A POINT. THENCE TO A POINT WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, 32 FEET TO A POINT. POINT: THENCE EASTERLY ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER 246 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG A LINE PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWES' QUARTER, 197 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWES QUARTER, THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWES QUARTER TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS 24444 MUR

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THAT PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21.
IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN
DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS; COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF
SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 611 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21, AND RUN NING THENCE EAST 54 FEET, THENCE NORTH 198 FEET, THENCE WEST 55 FEET THENCE SOUTH 33 FEET. THENCE FAST 1 FOOT. THENCE SOUTH 165 FEET T THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY. ILLINOIS. 24502 W. MURPHY ROAD

BEING PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION, OF TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN: DESCRIBED AS FOL-

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST, 33.00 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 20; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 38 SECONDS EAST, 160.02 FEET TO 20, THENCE SOUTH OF DEGREES 41 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST, 10.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 03 SEC ONDS EAST, 55.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2154.71 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 678.35 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST. A DISTANCE OF 102.25 FEET TO A POINT OF NON TANGENT CURVATURE; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY, ALONG A CURVE, CONCAVI TO THE NORTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 540.69 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OI 526.37 FEET, A CHORD BEARING NORTH 58 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST, AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 505.83 FEET TO A POINT OF NON-TANGENCY THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF DISTANCE OF 99.04 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1125.13 FEET TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

THE SOUTH 20 ACRES OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

LOT 4 IN PINE GREEN NORTH, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHEAS QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 17, 1994, AS DOCUMENT R91-53142, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

EXCEPT THEREFROM: THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER

SECTION 20 TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH RANGE 9 FAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LAYING WEST OF THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 634.95 FEET AND LAY ING EAST OF THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 330 THEREOF, ALL IN WILL COUNTY

THAT PART OF THE SOUTH 39.39 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 20, LAYING WEST OF THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 634.95 FEET AND LAYING EAST OF THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 330.00 THEREOF, ALL IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

THE SOUTH 182.35 FEET OF THE NORTH 1095.76 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

EXCEPT THEREFROM:

THAT PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS; DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 21; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 38 SECONDS EAST.

ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 50.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 87 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST, 1312.03 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST, 140.11 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, 1070.25 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST, 55.01 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, 241.99 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 38 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 165.08 FEET TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPT THEREFROM: THAT PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COM-MENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SEC-MINUTES, 38 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST OF THE NORTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES, 38 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 11.23 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 88 QUARTER, 11.23 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, 2832.42 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY AND SOUTHERLY 1231.13 FEET, ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE, CONCAVE SOUTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 775.00 FEET, AND CHORD BEARING OF SOUTH 46 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 59 SECONDS EAST, 1105.71 FEET TO A POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST, 977.95 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST, 120.00 FEET. THENCE NORTH 80 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 28 32 SECONDS EAST, 120.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST, 977.95 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE; THENCE NORTHERLY AND NORTHWESTERLY, 1421.76 FEET, ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE, CONCAVE SOUTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 895.00 FEET, AND CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 46 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 59 SECONDS WEST, 1276.91 FEET, TO A POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST, 1562.88 FEET; THENCE NORTH 48 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 26 SECONDS WEST 109.73 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 1189.85 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 38 SECONDS EAST, 195.00 FEET TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING.

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City of Wilmington to hold hearing to amend Tameling Annexation Agreement

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, IL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON JANUARY 17, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M., A PUB-

LIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AT THE CITY HALL LOCATED AT 1165 S. WATER STREET, WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS, PURSUANT TO 65 ILCS 5/11-15.1-1 ET SEQ., FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND CONSIDERING TESTIMONY AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PETITION OF TAMELING MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENTS SERIES, LLC FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THAT CERTAIN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 16, 2010 BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, ILLINOIS AND TAMELING MANGEMENT AND INVESTMENTS SERIES, LLC ("PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT"), WITH RESPECT TO AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE INSTALLATION AND CON NECTION OF CERTAIN POTABLE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER LINES TO THE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT THE FORM OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CITY CLERK. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT MAY BE CHANGED, ALTERED, MODIFIED, AMENDED OR REDRAFTED IN ITS ENTIRETY AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING AND WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD. THE PROPERTY TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDED ANNEXATION AGREEMENT IS AS FOLLOWS: THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 33, IN TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, AND

IN RANGE 9, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ALL IN WILL COUNTY, ILLI-

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WILDCAT SPORTS



Wildcats come out on top in slugfest with Momence

The Wilmington boys basketball team endured on Tuesday when they edged Momence 37-35.

"It was a hard fought game from start to finish. I am proud of the way we kept battling and never backed down, commented coach Doug Krop.

Wildcat junior Joey Cortese crashed the boards for 11 rebounds, turning several into second chance shots to finish with 13 points.

Reid Juster helped out with nine points and three rebounds while Kyle Farrell hustled for seven points and three rebounds, Ryder Meents tallied five points and three rebounds while Cade McCubbin finished with four points, seven rebounds and two assists.

The win improves Wilmington's record to 3-5 overall.

The varsity Wildcats are playing in the Marquette High School tournament through Thursday, Dec. 30.



Photo by Alyssa Ohlund

WORKING THE BALL underneath for the varsity Wildcats is junior Joey Cortese who finished with 13 points and 11 rebounds.



Photo by Zadie Sims WILMINGTON SENIOR Breanna Horton fights for the ball against a Reed-Custer defender during last week's contest in Braidwood.

Lady Cats battle it out in Braidwood



Photo by Zadie Sir

ONE STEP AHEAD of a Reed-Custer defender is Wilmington's Lexi Liaromatis who makes a layup.



WILMINGTON'S CLARA SMITH tries to keep the ball away from a Reed-Custer opponent. The Wildcats' next game will be Jan. 5 at Peotone.

JANUARY FITNESS CENTER SPECIAL For the month of January, Godley Park District annual fitness center memberships will be 50% off for new members that have not held a membership in the past year. All annual renewals will be 10% off.



FITNESS CENTER AMENITIES:

Weight Machines, Free Weights, Kettlebells, Cardio Equipment, TV's, Locker Rooms with Showers, Free Access to Gymnasium when available.

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