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Retired director of MCCD is recipient of the 2025 George and Barbara Fell Award

presented the George and Barbara Fell Award to Ed Collins at their annual dinner on March 20, held at The Radisson Conference Center in

The award is named after the founder of NLI, George B. Fell, and his wife Barbara, who dedicated their lives to the preservation and protection of natural areas for rare and endangered plants. It recognizes outstanding accomplishments in land conservation in northern Illinois. To see a list of past recipients since 1997, visit the NLI website www.naturalland.org/gb-fellaward.

Ed Collins dedicated his career to developing a deep understanding of the ecology and conservation of the woodlands, prairies and wetlands of McHenry County. He retired as Director of Land Preservation and Natural Resources of the McHenry County Conservation District after serving 38 years with the agency. There, he was involved in the preservation and restoration of 25,000 acres of open space. Collins played an important role in the re-meandering of Nippersink Creek in Glacial Park, in the development of the first comprehensive spatial mapping of oak loss in the region, and in the creation of the Hackmatack National Wildlife Refuge.

In every aspect of Collins' work to protect natural resources, he is a proven leader that brings together

tions and funding to fulfill a vision for a healthier world.

Collins is well-known for many things - as a speaker and storyteller, as someone knowledgeable in resource evaluation and scientific data, as a consensus builder, and most importantly, as a conservation champion who advocates for the natural world.

In his speech accepting the award, Collins said, "Thank you to NLI for the honor that this evening represents to me. I will always view it as one of the high points of my four decades spent in conservation

He also talked about the many ways he partnered with NLI over the years, and people that influenced his career such as NLI's founder, "George Fell and the companions he traveled with, his Argonauts if you will, are the origin story of the restoration movement that so many of us have devoted our lives and our passions too. Whatever your project may be, you can trace it backwards and find a connection to this same origin story. The conservation accomplishments of each of us, spring from this single narrative. We are scions born of the same tree."

At the end of his speech, Collins encouraged everyone to continue their efforts for the future of nature, "Sometimes all it takes to change the direction of things is the courage to stand up and speak for the land.

The Natural Land Institute (NLI) volunteers, staff, partner organiza- When the natural world we live in uralLand.org. deep communion with asks us to give voice, remember that the Earth is not without her knights and shield maidens and today they fill this room. Thank you and may your own origin stories grow deep beauty and daring ideas for years to come providing the inspiration for others to find their own connection to nature."

To read Ed Collins' full speech, visit the news section at www.Nat-

About NLI

The Natural Land Institute, an accredited conservation land trust, is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization based in Rockford. The current service area covers 12 counties in northern Illinois. NLI's mission is to create an enduring legacy of natural land in northern Illinois for people, plants and animals. Since 1958 NLI

has protected nearly 19,000 acres of land, primarily in Illinois with some in southern Wisconsin. NLI currently owns 3,471 acres (25 preserves) of protected land and holds 52 conservation easements (voluntary land protection agreements) on 4,589 acres of land owned by individuals and other conservation organizations.

For more information and to donate visit NaturalLand.org.



Ed Collins, pictured with his award, is the this year's recipient of the George and Barbara Fell Award.



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Business-nonprofit collaboration sparks new social work grad student scholarship

Sweet Peach Tree Marketplace funds iCARE4 Adoption Competency Scholarship
olf "School social workers are as well as president/CEO of

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Social work graduate students interested in specializing in supporting the mental health needs of Illinois school children from adoptive, foster and kinship families are eligible to apply for a new scholar-

The new Sweet Peach Tree iCARE4 Adoption Competency Scholarship for School Social Workers is an annual \$500 award, with the first winner to be announced in October. It is the result of a collaboration between Sweet Peach Tree Marketplace, a Wilmette-based purveyor of natural hair and skin care products for multiracial families, and iCARE4 Adoptive and Foster Families, a nonprofit based in Lake Forest.

"As a mom and advocate, I know firsthand how vital it is for adoptive and foster families to feel truly seen and supported," said Kate Shanahan, founder of Sweet Peach Tree Marketplace and the mother of both a biological daughter, age 12, and an adopted daughter, who is 5.

on the front lines, shaping the experiences of these families Families, said the new scholevery day," continued Shanahan, who is funding the scholarship through 2028. "When we invest in those who support our families, we create a world where every child feels truly valued, loved and celebrated."

Eligible to apply are social work graduate students in their final year of graduate school or internship in Illinois who have completed the School-Based Mental Health Professional Training for Adoption Competency. Developed by the Center for Adoption Support and Education, or C.A.S.E., the training includes eight modules covering topics including attachment, loss and grief, trauma-informed assessment and best practices for mental health support. The training is available at adoptionsupport.org/case-training-institute/school-based-mental-health-professionals-train-

biological and adoptive mom,

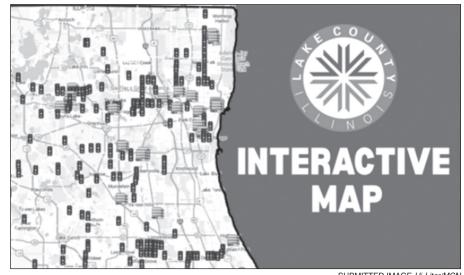
iCARE4 Adoptive and Foster arship will help further the nonprofit's aims.

"We are here to educate, equip and empower all who raise, teach or support adoptive, foster and kinship families," she said of iCARE. With over 300,000 children from these families attending Illinois schools, it is imperative that school social workers receive the training necessary to understand their unique needs.'

To review the list of required application materials and to apply for the scholarship, visit icare4aaff.org/ scholarship-application-portal between April 1 and the Sept. 1 deadline.

For more information about iCARE4 Adoptive and Foster Families, or to make a donation, visit icare4aaff. org, or contact Laura Adams at laura@icare4aaff.org.

For additional information about Sweet Peach Tree Marketplace, visit sweet-Laura Adams, who also is a peachtree.com or email info@ sweetpeachtree.com.



Residents are asked to take a survey by May 1 to help the county shape the content and implementation of comprehensive plan.

Help shape a more accessible Lake County

Residents are asked to take a survey by May 1

Lake County is developing an Amer- ty-owned public properties, programs, sericans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Comprehensive Transition Plan to enhance accessibility across the community. Regular updates to this plan are essential to ensure compliance with ADA standards and to improve access to public spaces, programs and services.

To locate areas of most significant concern to the public, Lake County is seeking input through a survey and an interactive map. The feedback will help shape the content and implementation of the plan, ensuring that Lake County remains inclusive and accessible to all. The comprehensive transition plan is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year.

Public Access Survey

This survey is designed to prioritize areas of accessibility improvements. As you respond, please focus on Lake Counvices, activities and other public amenities.

Interactive Map

The interactive map allows you to provide feedback on pedestrian accessibility, safety and connectivity throughout Lake County. You'll see stoplight icons along County highways and building icons marking County-owned buildings as these are our primary areas of focus for the ADA Comprehensive Transition Plan. However, you are welcome to add comments anywhere on the map to highlight accessibility

The survey and interactive map will remain open until Thursday, May 1, 2025. For more information about the ADA, Lake County and to access the survey and map, visit Lake County website at https://www.lakecountyil.gov/5225/Americans-with-Disabilities-Act.

Raoul challenges blocked public health funding as feds rescinds education dollars

Trump administration claws back hundreds of millions from Illinois agencies

By Peter Hancock

Capitol News Illinois

Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul joined another multistate lawsuit against the Trump administration, this time seeking to block the termination of nearly \$12 billion worth of public health grants to states.

Raoul was part of a coalition of 24 state attorneys general and governors who filed the lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr., for terminating the

of Public Health announced March 26 that HHS was pulling back \$477 million in grant funding that previously had been approved for Illinois. That included \$125 to support laboratory operations in 97 local health departments as well as \$324 million for future work to prevent and treat infectious diseases in Illinois.

The suit, filed in federal court in Rhode Island, argues that Congress appropriated those funds in various

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pandemic-related spending Education rescinds bills, and the administration's decisions to terminate the grants violated the federal Administrative Proce-

"Illinois and states across the nation rely on federal grants to provide state public health services that protect our children and residents from serious diseases or health crises," Raoul said in a statement. "The abrupt termination of this funding that impacts millions of American lives is both callous and

Since the start of the sec-The Illinois Department ond Trump administration in January, Raoul has joined numerous multistate lawsuits seeking to block various executive orders and policy initiatives. Those include Trump's efforts to halt million that was earmarked the recognition of birthright citizenship; to freeze the distribution of federal funds previously appropriated by Congress; to dismantle the U.S. Department of Education, and to terminate the employment of tens of thousands of federal employees.

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millions allocated to Illinois

The Illinois State Board of Education said last week the Trump administration has decided to "claw back" more than \$77 million in federal pandemic relief funds that had previously been approved for Illinois but not yet spent.

Those funds represent the final portion of more than

\$7.8 billion in school-related pandemic relief funds allocated to Illinois. ISBE said in a statement that it made commitments to distribute those funds to various grantees, but some of the grantees had asked for and received extensions on the deadline to actually spend the funds, "to account for supply chain issues, staffing shortages, and other delays due to the pandemic."

On March 28, however, depend on stability in fund-ISBE said the federal agency revoked those extensions, effectively taking back any funds that had not yet been

This decision is a devastating blow to the students and schools that were relying on those approved funds to provide critical services," State Superintendent of Education Tony Sanders said in a statement. "School districts

ing to plan effectively and ensure continuity of services for students. The abrupt reversal of this extension disrupts stability and jeopardizes essential programs that support students' learning The U.S. Department of

Education did not immediately respond to a request for an explanation of its decision.

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County wins Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for current 2025 budget

McHenry County has again won top honors for budget reporting from a respected international organization of its finance professional peers.

McHenry County received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its current FY 2025 budget. The award recognizes that McHenry County met stringent and nationally accepted standards and guidelines in presenting its annual budget to policymakers and the public.

This is the 11th time that McHenry County has won the prestigious award; last year, McHenry County was one of a select few in Illinois and across the nation to receive the

"Recognition by the GFOA puts McHenry County in an elite class when it comes to budgeting and transparency,"

Buehler, R-Crystal Lake, said. 'At a time when government spending is under unprecedented and justified scrutiny,

McHenry County's taxpayers can be assured that County government is a very responsible steward of their money."

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional organization that advances excellence in government finance by providing best practices, professional development, resources, and practical research for more than 21,000 members.

"I'm honored that our hard work is recognized by GFOA, year in and year out, as among the best," Chief Financial Officer Kerri Wisz said. "This award is a testament to the Finance Department's dedicated staff who take our fiduciary duty to the public very serious-

The full 2025 budget is on display through ClearGov,

County Board Chairman Mike a powerful tool that allows viewers to easily examine it in as great a detail as they wish; it can be found on the McHenry County website at www. mchenrycountyil.gov.

Taxpayers also can visit the county's Financial Dashboard, a simpler tool for reviewing expenses and revenues; it can be found at www.mchenrycountyil.gov/financialdashboard, and dashboard reports are available going back to 2017.

In December, the GFOA also bestowed McHenry County with a Certificate of Achievement on McHenry County for its annual comprehensive financial report for the 2023 fiscal year. The annual report lists a government's audited year-end fiscal activities in detail, and the award is the highest recognition the GFOA offers in the area of government accounting and financial reporting.

Judges of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit visited 14 schools as part of the IJA reading project

The Illinois Judge's Association (IJA) "Page It Forward" program is intended for children in grades K-4 to encourage reading appreciation, value, and enjoyment. This program was initiated by one of the 19th Judicial Circuit's very own, now a Justice in the Second District Appellate Court and former president of the Illinois Judges Association, the Honorable Mary S. Schostok.

Justice Schostok said, "This reading deficiency affects student learning and contributes to the high school dropout rate. Our reading project is one small step which we hope will inspire young students to appreciate the value of books as they learn a little about history and our system of justice directly from a sitting judge."

Twenty-one 19th Judicial Circuit Judges made classroom appearances, dressed in black robes, to read books to the students and donate various items to the schools. Judges visited 25 classrooms and engaged a total of 610 students. Twenty gavels were also donated thanks to the Illinois Judges Foundation and the Illinois Judges Association. Additionally, 624 coloring and activity books were donated, courtesy of the 19th Judicial Circuit.

Most importantly, students and school libraries received 257 books donated through funding from the Illinois Judges

Foundation, specifically:

- 45 copies of "Malala: A Hero for All"
- 100 copies of "Abe Lincoln's Hat"
- 21 copies of "Escape North! The Story of Harriet Tubman"
- 23 copies of "George Washington's Dog" • 68 copies of "Who is Ketanji Brown

The IJA's Page It Forward reading and tutoring program is just one of a series of community programs undertaken by the Illinois Judges Association. Other IJA programs include: "Courtroom in the Classroom," a presentation that celebrates the U.S. Constitution; "7 Reasons to Leave the Party," addressing the legal and personal consequences of drinking and driving, taking drugs, and engaging in other unhealthy behaviors; "Worries of the World Wide Web", a program created to address the increasing problem of cyberbullying, electronic harassment, and sexting/ pornography; and "Your Future, Your Choice," educating students about the justice system, how a case goes through the system, the difference between the juvenile and the adult system, and crimes associated with the internet and social media. Information on these programs can be found on the website at ija.org/ school-programs.

Summer youth employment applications available

This popular program, funded by the Lake County Board, will provide meaningful work experiences in various worksites for approximately 175 young people this summer. Applications will be accepted through April 15, 2025.

To qualify for employment, youth

• Live in Lake County, Illinois

age 14 to 22 with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP)

• Attend middle school or high school

• Receive free or reduced-price lunch OR

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19th Judicial Circuit calls for applications for funding from Crime Victim's Services Fund

with Nineteenth Judicial Circuit's Administrative Order 2009-40 and pursuant to 730 ILCS 5/5-510; 730 ILCS 5-5-6-3; 730 ILCS 5/5-6-3.1, a Crime Victim's Services Fund was created. The Crime Victims Services Fund Committee is administered by judges, probation employees, and court staff. The Circuit began able to accumulate sufficient funds to make meaningful contributions to local victims' services programs.

Grant funding is available to Lake County non-profit organizations with a 501(c)3 status, local government agencies, and agencies providing services to the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. A

In 2010, in accordance collecting the \$2 fee and was maximum annual individual grant amount will not exceed \$50,000. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis and must be approved by the Chief Judge upon recommendation of the Committee. The number of grants and amounts awarded will be subject to available funding. Funds can be used to create new programming or enhance an agency's current program-

> The Nineteenth Judicial Circuit began awarding qualifying applicant groups with funding in 2022. Since the distribution of funds began, 11 programs from six organizations have been granted \$466,336. Examples of programs funded are counseling for victims of crime, advocacy for victims who have faced the trauma of sexual violence, advocacy services to children impacted by abuse and neglect, a lasting memorial for victims of violence, raising awareness for child abuse, and civil legal services to victims of domestic and sexual violence. "I am proud to announce

that the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit is again calling for grant applications. The money available through the Crime Victims' Fund continues to make a positive impact not only on the Lake County recipient organizations but,



Pet of the week

Enzo, is about 7 months old, neutered, up-to-date on shots, tested negative for FIV, feline leukemia and heartworm, and microchipped.

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Lake County Sheriff's Special Investigations Group arrest two for drug trafficking, gun possession

Office Special Investigations Group (SIG), a High Inten-

David

Hernandez

Drug Trafficking Area (HID-TA) funded collaboin ration with the Federal Bureau Investigation (FBI) - Chicago Field Division, concluded an investigation

that resulted in the arrest of two Chicago men for drug traffick-

Zaragoza-SIG received a tip that David Hernandez, 29, of the 6300 block of South Campbell Avenue, Chicago and Yastin S. Zaragoza-Barragan, 27, of the 8300 block of South Peoria Street, Chicago, were trafficking drugs through Lake County. SIG detectives and FBI agents developed information that both were in possession of cocaine traveling through Lake County on April 4.

Members of SIG and FBI observed the two traveling in a vehicle in the area of I-94 and Route 60, near Lake Forest, and conducted a traffic stop on their vehicle for a traffic violation. A Lake County Sheriff's Office Canine Team responded. The K9 sniffed around the vehicle and indicated there were drugs inside the vehicle. Further investigation revealed there were two wrapped packages, each containing approximately one kilogram of cocaine, inside of the vehicle. Additionally, detectives found a loaded pistol in the vehicle. Over 2.2 kilograms of cocaine were seized.

Hernandez and Zaragoza-Barragan were both arrested. After reviewing the facts and circumstances of

State's Attorney's Office approved the charges of:

Zaragoza-Barragan: Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver (Class X Felony), Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance (Class 1 Felony), and Aggravated Unlawful Possession of a Firearm (Class 4 Felony).

Unlawful Hernandez: Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver (Class X Felony), and Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance (Class 1 Felony).

Sheriff John D. Idleburg said, "As a federally designated HIDTA Task Force, our Special Investigations Group has the unique ability to collaborate seamlessly with federal partners like the FBI to dismantle drug trafficking operations. This designation brings critical resources and coordination that help us intercept dangerous narcotics before they reach our neighborhoods. I'm incredibly proud of the teamwork that led to this arrest and grateful for the strong partnerships that help us protect the people of Lake County."

"The FBI is unwavering in our commitment to investigate and hold accountable those who threaten the public's well-being and safety," said Douglas S. DePodesta, Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Division of the FBI. 'We extend our appreciation to the Lake County Sherriff's Office for their tremendous work and partnership disrupting those who seek to distribute dangerous substances in our community."

Both Zaragoza-Barragan and Hernandez had remained held in the Lake County Jail pending initial court hear-

Sheriff's office investigating serious injury crash

The Lake County Sheriff's the case, the Lake County and a 69-year-old Huntley man was injured following a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of Illinois Route 176 and North Union Road in unincorporated McHenry County, near Union.

On Tuesday, April 1, at 7:59 a.m. the McHenry County Sheriff's Office, Marengo Fire/Rescue District, and Union Fire Protection District responded to a two-vehicle crash on Illinois Route 176 at the intersection with North Union Road. The vehicles involved were heavily damaged and located in the field near the northwest corner of the

Preliminary investigation indicates that a 2024 Lexus LX 600 was traveling northbound on North Union Road. A 2021 GMC pickup was traveling westbound on Illinois Route 176. The Lexus failed to stop for the stop sign and entered the intersection causing the two vehicles to collide. The crash caused both vehicles to exit the roadway to the northwest and they came to rest in the field area. Illinois Route 176 is not a controlled intersection at this location and traffic on Union Road is controlled by clearly posted stop signs.

The 69-year-old driver of the Lexus was transported by ambulance to Northwestern Medicine Huntley Hospital and is in stable condition. The 57-year-old driver of the GMC was airlifted from the scene to Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville where he is listed in serious but stable condition.

The drivers were wearing seat belts and airbag deployments were activated. The investigation is ongoing by the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Major Crash Investiga-

Man sentenced to ten years for solicitation of child pornography

The McHenry A 57-year-old Woodstock State's Attorney's Office anman was seriously injured, nounces that Lemar E. Wil-

liams, 19, of Madisonville, Texas. sentenced to ten (10) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for Solicita-



tion of Child Pornography, a Class X felony. The sentence was handed down on March 26, 2025, as part of a negotiated plea of guilty before the Honorable Judge Mark R. Gerhardt.

On January 19, 2024, deputies from the McHenry County Sheriff's Department began investigating Williams for solicitation and possession of sexually explicit videos and photographs of a child. The investigation revealed that Williams had contacted a minor victim from McHenry County through the social media app, Snapchat. A search into Williams's text exchanges with the victim determined he had persuaded the minor to send him multiple sexually explicit videos and photographs.

Upon release, Williams will be placed on Mandatory Supervised Release for a period of between three years to natural life and must register as a Sex Offender for the remainder of his life.

McHenry County State's Attorney Randi Freese thanks the victim and their family, whose courage was paramount to seeing that justice was done in this case. Ms. Freese stated, "While our office works diligently for all victims of crime in our county, we are especially motivated to protect our county's youth." State's Attorney Freese also commends the McHenry County Sheriff's Department and Child Advocacy Center of McHenry County for their investigative efforts and assis-

This case was successfully prosecuted by First Assistant State's Attorney Ashur Y. Youash.

Man sentenced to three years for driving under the influence

The McHenry County State's Attorney's Office announces that George Kman III, 71, of Crossville, Ten-

nessee, was sentenced to three years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. sentence was handed down on March 28, by the Hon-



orable Mark R. Gerhardt after Kman entered a negotiated resentence for the offense of Driving Under the Influence, a Class 2 Felony based on a new allegation of Kman committing the offense of Driving Under the Influence in Tennessee.

On December 18, 2021, the McHenry County Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle. Upon making contact with the driver of that vehicle, who was identified as the Kman, the deputy observed Kman to be under the influence of alcohol. Kman was charged with the class 2 felony offense of Driving Under the Influence and pleaded guilty to that offense on April 20, 2023. Kman was sentenced to a term of two years of probation and twenty days in the McHenry County Jail.

On July 31, 2024, while on probation, Kman committed the offense of Driving Under the Influence in Cumberland County, Tennessee. The McHenry County State's Attorney's Office filed a petition to revoke Kman's probation and a warrant was issued for his arrest. Thanks to the coordination between the McHenry County State's Attorney's Office, McHenry County Probation and Court Services, and local Tennessee law enforcement. Kman was arrested on the warrant and brought before the court in McHenry County. On March 28, 2025, Kman admitted to committing

the new offense of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and was resentenced to three years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

McHenry County State's Attorney Randi Freese commends the McHenry County Sheriff's Office on their work in preventing and combating driving under the influence in our county and commends the McHenry County Probation and Court Services department on their diligent work in ensuring that individuals are held accountable to the terms of their probation. This case was successfully prosecuted by Shelby Page.

Fatal singlevehicle crash under investigation

A 57-year-old Capron man died following a single-vehicle crash in the 24700 block of Illinois Route 173 in Dunham Township near Harvard.

On Saturday, April 5, at 3:03 p.m. the McHenry County Sheriff's Office and the Harvard Fire Protection District responded to a single-vehicle crash on Illinois Route 173 to the west of White Oaks Road, west of Chemung. The vehicle involved was heavily damaged and located in a field north of the roadway.

Preliminary investigation indicates that a 1984 Chevrolet Corvette was traveling eastbound on Illinois Route 173. The Corvette was passing vehicles at a high rate of speed prior to the crash. For unknown reasons, the Corvette exited the roadway to the north, went airborne, and rolled over, coming to rest on its top. The sole occupant of the vehicle sustained fatal injuries because of the crash. No other vehicles were involved in the incident.

Speed and reckless driving are believed to be factors of the crash. The investigation is ongoing by the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Major Crash Investigation Unit and the McHenry County Coroner's Office.

Lake County Sheriff's arrest bulletin

The Lake County Sheriff's Dept. reported the following arrests in Lake County. Suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court

Feb. 20

warrant arrest: domestic bat- of a controlled substance;

Gurnee, was cited for criminal damage to property:

Christopher R. Judson, 41,

Shakeia L. Haygood, 44, McHenry, was cited for a war-Kenosha, WI, was cited for a rant arrest: attempt possession

Patience J. Cedzidlo, 40, Colleen M. Dinino, 59, Ingleside, was cited for disorderly conduct - misuse of

Feb. 21

Samir S. Saleh, 23, Lake Barrington, was cited for domestic battery;

Matthew R. Harper, 41, Libertyville, was cited for driving while license revoked;

Ricardo Lara, 22, Park

City, was cited for aggravated unlawful possession of a weapon, reckless driving and no driver's license;

Christopher Vazquez, 32, Round Lake Beach, aggravated fleeing to elude, aggravated DUI, and driving while

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license revoked; Adam J. Thatcher, 42, Mundelein, was cited for a warrant arrest: DUI (Cook

Norman R. Heydenburg, 60, Wheeling, was cited for a warrant arrest: criminal trespass to property;

Feb. 23

Jeordyn C. Famous, 23,

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Fund

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more importantly, the victims they serve. Crime victims require support, and with this funding, local agencies can request resources to sustain existing programs or implement new services," said Chief Judge Daniel B. Shanes.

Please visit our website to read the complete Crime Victims' Services Funding Application instructions. Completed applications are due no later than May 1, 2025, and grants will be awarded by June 1, 2025. Applications are to be submitted via email to CrimeVictimsServicesFund@



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Kenosha, WI, was cited for Feb. 27 driving while license suspended;

Kenneth W. Blanck, 70, Waukegan, was cited for a warrant arrest: DUI;

Meliton Ramirez-Felix. 48, Island Lake, was cited for driving while license suspended;

Agnieszka Jaromirski, 49, Lake Zurich, was cited for disorderly conduct – misuse

David Tobias, 30, Beach Park, was cited for domestic

Feb. 24 Patrick Maniaci, 44, no permanent address, was cited

for a warrant arrest: domestic battery (DuPage County); Viviana Mora, 29, Wauke-

gan, was cited for driving while license revoked; Donald M. Baum, 76, Beach Park, was cited for do-

mestic battery; Gregory G. Mata-Parejo, 34, Libertyville, was cited for no driver's license, and sus-

pended registration;

Rick Jones, 26, Zion, was cited for driving while license revoked, and improper transportation of cannabis;

Montoya, 42, Noemi Waukegan, was cited for aggravated battery and domestic battery;

Jaxeryus Lezine, 23, Volo, was cited for battery;

Jatay McKinney, 20, La-Crosse, WI, was cited for bat-

Marquez Walker, 23, Mundelein, was cited for driving while license revoked, and improper transportation of cannabis;

Aubreigh B. Holper, 36, Round Lake Beach, was cited for violating a no contact order;

Andrew W. Stanton, 37, Kenosha, WI, was cited for a warrant arrest: criminal damage to property;

Veronica M. Bailey, 36, Kenosha, WI, was cited for burglary and retail theft;

Feb. 28

Terrence D. Davis, 51, Gurnee, was cited for a warrant arrest: parole violation homicide (South Carolina);

Zurich, was cited for DUI alcohol;

March 1

Mykel Reddick, Waukegan, was cited for driv- conduct, assault, and resisting ing while license revoked, a peace officer.

and improper transportation of cannabis;

March 2

Jimmy L. Cline, Jr., 32, Zion, was cited for criminal damage to property;

Fernando O. Revolorio, 35, Grayslake, was cited for assault and obstructing identification;

Brittany Woodson, 36, Park City, was cited for DUI alcohol.

March 3

Daniel W. Luitze, 50, Lake Villa, was cited for a warrant arrest: predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, and aggravated criminal sexual assault:

John B. Crusan, 38, Lake Zurich, was cited for child endangerment:

Raymond P. Underwood, 32, Antioch, was cited for aggravated fleeing to elude. reckless driving, driving while license revoked, aggravated speeding (105 mph in 45 mph zone), and no insurance;

Anthony B. Buccieri, 44, Magie L. Guzak, 26, Lake Lake Villa, was cited for a warrant obtained: unlawful possession of meth and driving while license suspended;

Jeffery J. Smith, 46, Lake 35, Villa, was cited for disorderly

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056-3019 Flat Iron Bridge Detour Roadway System Basemapping

Flat Iron Road bridge project underway

The McHenry County Division of Transportation an-Iron Road Bridge Project. The project was scheduled to start March 31 and is expected to be completed by the end of August 2025, weather permitting.

Flat Iron Road will be closed starting March 31,

Route 173. Local access to posted along the designated homes will be maintained at nounces the start of the Flat all times. Waterway closures drivers while the detour is in are to be expected, and signage will be placed to notify water-travelers of the construction zone.

The detour redirects traffic from the intersection of Transportation on Facebook Flat Iron Road and Airport and Nextdoor to stay abreast Road to IL Route 14 and IL of construction projects on from Airport Road to IL Route 173. Signs have been county highways.

route to help guide vehicle place.

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