

Douglas County Court

Traffic Citations

Erin E. Anderson, 41, Urbana, operating a vehicle with a suspended registration.

Kaitlyn N. Harshbarger, 27, Tuscola, operating a vehicle with a suspended registration.

Anavilla L. Jennings, 60, Champaign, operating an uninsured vehicle.

Lavelle D. Johnson, 27, Country Club Hills, speeding 21-25 MPH above the limit.

John Knierim, 49, Pesotum, operating an uninsured vehicle.

Michael Mboyo Nkombondo, 21, Urbana, operating an uninsured vehicle; operating a vehicle with a suspended registration.

Mary A. Moore, 55, Tuscola, operating an uninsured vehicle; operating a vehicle with a suspended registration.

Michelle M. Bouslog, 56, Chrisman, speeding 21-25 MPH above the limit.

Colton L. Middleton, 19, Lovington, speeding 21-25 MPH above the limit.

Kyle M. Labaume, 22, Paris, disregarding traffic control device.

Tasha T. Perry, 45, Decatur, expired registration.

Herman F. Vann, 58, Memphis, Tenn., transporting alcohol.

Kallee Washburn, 28, Charleston, speeding 15-20 MPH above the limit.

Cathy A. Wheeler, 51, Tuscola, no valid registration.

Marcial Zaragoza, 37, Mt. Zion, disregarded a stop sign; use of an electronic communication device.

Criminal Charges

Jason W. Day, 48, Allerton,

was charged with a class 4 felony for alleged driving on a suspended license; charged with a class A misdemeanor for alleged driving on a revoked license.

Kelsey E. Swickard, 41, Clinton, was charged with a class 3 felony for alleged possession of methamphetamine under five grams.

Criminal Judgments

Mary A. Griffith, 43, Sullivan, pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine under five grams and was sentenced to 30 days of probation.

Galen A. Willard, 25, Tuscola, pleaded guilty to domestic battery and was sentenced to one year in the Department of Corrections and fined \$300.

Real Estate

Jeremie S. and Carla A. Duzan granted a mortgage to First Neighbor Bank, National Association at 404 N. CR 2175 E Oakland IL 61943. Parcel number: 08-10-27-400-005.

Justin William Ford and Heidi Lynn Gaddy granted a mortgage to First State Bank at 1701 N. Prairie St. Tuscola IL 61953. Parcel number: 09-02-26-100-006.

Land Home Financial Services Inc., Anthony and Shelby Moenck, and mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. granted an Assignment to Land Home Financial Services Inc. at 308 E Scott St. Tuscola IL 61953. Parcel number: 09-02-34-328-011.

Charles R. and Rebeca L. Carlton granted a modification of mortgage to National City Mortgage at 1160 N US HIWY 45 Tuscola IL 61953.

Parcel number: 09-02-21-400-007.

Anthony Manzella Administrator and Michael Manzella Administrator granted an administrator's deed to Anthony Manzella Estate and Michael Manzella at 706 N Ohio St. Tuscola IL 61953. Parcel number: 09-02-34-204-012.

Longview Bank granted Allied Properties a release mortgage at 1002 Glenview Dr. Tuscola IL 61953. Parcel number: 09-08-02-105-024.

First State Bank granted Carol Bauer Trust, Denise Bauer Trustee, Lorraine Denise Bauer Trustee, William T. Bauer Trust a release mortgage at parcel number: 05-01-06-100-008.

Austin Duane Kuhring granted Anthony Rodems a warranty deed at parcel number: 03-09-11-100-005.

Austin Duane Kuhring granted Anthony Rodems an easement at parcel numbers: 03-09-11-100-007, 03-09-11-100-004, and 03-09-11-100-004.

The Peoples State Bank of Newton granted a Partial Rel. mortgage to Austin Duane Kuhring at parcel number: 03-09-11-100-005.

Anthony Rodems granted First Federal Savings Bank of Champaign Urbana a mortgage at parcel number: 03-09-11-100-005.

Afflatus Realty Group LLC granted Robert Waggoner a warranty deed at 501 W. Yates Newman IL 61942. Parcel number: 07-06-31-302-007.

Barbara E. and Mervin A. Helmuth granted Ameren Illinois, Ameren Illinois Company an easement at Parcel Num-

ber: 02-07-32-300-008.

Mary C. and Rodney G. Barrett granted a quit claim deed to Rodney G. Barrett at 825 E. Park St. Arthur IL 61911. Parcel Number: 02-07-30-331-005.

Beth and Ross Elson granted Villa Grove State Bank a loan mod. and ex. agreement at parcel number: 09-02-34-204-011.

First Mid IL Bank granted Jack L. and Janice L. Sphar a release mortgage at 500 N State Rt. 130 Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 03-09-27-200-003.

Chester R., Floyd J., Nathan L., and Polly Hershberger granted Christopher Robinson a warranty deed at 472 E. Washington Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 01-14-03-308-013.

Christopher Robinson granted Fisher National Bank a mortgage at 472 E. Washington Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 01-14-03-308-013.

Mary and William L. Jones granted Boulevard Associates LLC a Memorandum of Lease at Parcel number: 09-09-05-200-006.

John W. and Terry L. Milburn granted Rocket mortgage Company a mortgage at 23 N. Prairieview Ave. Tuscola IL 61953. Parcel number: 09-02-26-301-023.

Fisher National Bank, Nationstar mortgage LLC, Rushmore Loan Management, and Michael Whitton granted Nationstar mortgage LLC an Assignment at 509 North St. Villa Grove IL 61956. Parcel number: 04-03-03-403-020.

State Bank of Arthur granted Myron Gingerich a Release mortgage at 117 E. Second St.

Arthur IL 61911 and 121 E. Second St. Arthur IL 61911. Parcel numbers: 02-07-30-109-006 and 02-07-30-109-004.

Gutierrez Gallegos and Amalia De La Gruz De Gutierrez granted State Bank of Arthur a Release mortgage at 458 E Jefferson St. Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 01-14-03-304-005.

State Bank of Arthur granted Flossie J. Risley a Release mortgage at 225 S. Pine Arthur IL 61911. Parcel number: 02-07-30-316-009.

Rankin Land Surveying granted a Plat at Tract Section: 15 Township: 15 Range: 8.

Sue E. Gavin, H & M Wentzel Farm Trust and Steven H. Wentzel Trustee granted Richard Davidson a Corrective Quitclaim at Parcel number: 01-08-15-200-009.

Helen L. Dallas, Helen L. Dallas Estate, and Ricky Eugene Dallas Independent Executor granted Baloo Enterprises an Executor's Deed at Parcel number: 09-02-24-200-001.

Damon G. Allen Independent Administrator granted Jesse and Nancy White an Administrator's Deed at 103 Lakewood Dr. Camargo IL 61919. Parcel numbers: 04-03-26-101-018 and 04-03-26-101-019.

Channel, Chantell L., Tyler W., and Tyler Wesley Benedict granted Farm Credit Illinois FCLA a mortgage at parcel number: 04-03-36-400-002.

Jacob A. and Verna V. Miller granted Ameren Illinois, Ameren Illinois Company an easement at parcel number: 02-13-05-100-012.

Farm Credit Illinois FCLA

granted Laura Marie and Steven Lucas Williams a Release mortgage at parcel number: 08-12-17-200-002.

John D. Frazee granted Chris and Shannon Gordon a warranty deed at 312 S. Smith Newnan IL 61942. Parcel number: 07-06-31-400-016.

Chris and Shannon Gordon granted Longview Bank a mortgage at 312 S. Smith Newnan IL 61942. Parcel number: 07-06-31-400-016.

Rankin Land Surveying granted a Plat at Tract Section: 31 Township: 16 Range: 14.

Mary and Willard R. Diener granted Illinois Amish Information Exhibits Inc. warranty deed at 307 S. Vine St. Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 02-07-34-100-023.

Cox Land Surveying granted a Plat at Tract Section: 34 Township: 15 Range: 7.

Claude Mat Antle Estate and Jayne Antle Executor granted Jamie Lee Ferguson an executor's deed at 214 N Walnut St. Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 01-14-04-409-004.

Jamie Lee Ferguson granted First Neighbor Bank NA a mortgage at 214 N Walnut St. Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 01-14-04-409-004.

Arcola First Bank granted Claude M. Antle a satisfaction of mortgage at 214 N Walnut St. Arcola IL 61910. Parcel number: 01-14-04-409-004.

Broadland's Wind Farm LLC granted Wending Properties LLC an agreement at parcel number: 07-04-01-400-006.

Broadland's Wind Farm LLC granted James W., Jeffery J., Lesa A., and Michelle B. Young an agreement at parcel number: 07-04-01-400-006.

Pritzker hits the road to sell his budget plan

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SPRINGFIELD - One day after delivering his budget address, Gov. JB Pritzker took to the road Thursday to rally support for his proposed "Smart Start" program to expand access to preschool and child care throughout the state.

"It is important for us to make sure that every 3- and 4-year-old in Illinois can go to preschool and has child care available to them," Pritzker said at a preschool in Springfield. "We're going to put more money into the hands of providers to expand their programs, raise quality and hire more staff."

The multi-year plan calls for spending \$250 million next year to increase state funding for child care providers and for early childhood block grants administered by the Illinois State Board of Education. It also includes additional funding for early intervention programs and the Department of Human Services' home visitation program. Additional funding would be required in subsequent years.

Pritzker said the funding would create 5,000 new preschool spots in the first year, with the ultimate goal of creating 20,000 spots over the next four years.

In addition to the \$250 million, Pritzker is also seek-

ing another \$100 million to expand existing child care facilities and build new ones; a \$70 million increase in funding for the Child Care Assistance Program for lower-income families; \$12 million for scholarships and apprenticeships to expand the child care workforce; and \$1.6 million to launch a partnership with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, an initiative to send free books to children under age 5.

"This program will help provide more equitable access to our child care system and allow for more equitable compensation for early childhood educators, regardless of the setting in which they work," Pritzker said.

Pritzker also made stops Thursday at child care and pre-K facilities in East St. Louis and Mount Vernon to rally support for his budget plan.

In Springfield, he was joined by local officials and lawmakers, including Sen. Cristina Pacione-Zayas, D-Chicago, who chairs the Senate's newly formed Early Childhood Education Committee.

"In this, we can actually change life trajectories. We are going to make generational impact," she said. "And that's what is so exciting about this because we're going to ensure equity. We're going to do this through early care and education so that everyone can thrive."

Although early childhood education and child care have popular support, Republican lawmakers raised concerns that launching new programs could lead to tax increases or cuts to other essential services in future budget years as spending pressures increase.

Pritzker, however, said the state is in a vastly improved financial condition than when he first entered office because Democrats who control the budgeting process have used surpluses in recent years to pay the state's debts and pension obligations.

"(It's) very important to note that every budget that I've put forward has had a revenue estimate associated with

it that has been conservative and that we have carefully watched throughout the year," he said.

He noted that in Fiscal Year 2021, at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, his administration cut more than \$700 million in spending in response to a decrease in revenue.

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UI Extension: March 13-19 is Brain Awareness Week

When someone asks you to think about health, wellness or fitness, you usually think about physical health, exercise or nutrition. As people age, they often concentrate on improving and maintaining their physical health, when they should also be working on their cognitive or brain health. Since March 13-19 is Brain Awareness Week, I would like to share a few things you can do to maintain a healthy brain. Getting enough good, quality sleep is important along with eating a heart healthy diet and exercising regularly. I have

heard the phrase "what's good for the heart is good for the brain" more than once while working with this topic. Lowering your stress levels and keeping solid social connections and support also contribute to achieving good brain health. Researchers agree that challenging your brain daily is also beneficial and necessary to maintain brain health and delay cognitive decline as we get older.

You are never too young or old to start practicing brain "fitness." We need to challenge our brains with many

different activities. It is essential to reach beyond what is comfortable and try new exercises and activities that are interesting, varied and make us think a little more. If an activity becomes too easy, we are not really exercising anymore, so we have to adjust the level of difficulty so that we feel we are challenged again. Not only is it important to get out of our comfort zone, but variety is also key. Our brain has many different areas to keep "fit." Just as we wouldn't be considered physically fit if we only exercised our legs, we couldn't

achieve total brain health if we only focus on one area such as short-term memory. When we practice brain fitness, we also have to exercise the areas of critical thinking, spatial reasoning, and long-term memory.

Do you have to take a class to practice brain fitness? No. Will you be more likely to practice brain exercises while having a good time with others if you take a class? I continue to offer monthly Wits Fitness Brain Exercise classes in five different locations. Check out this page of our website to find

out the class details <https://extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/wits-fitness-brain-exercise-classes> There is no cost for the classes, but it is usually a good idea to contact the host location to let them know you are attending. If you have any questions you can also contact me either by phone at 543-3755, or e-mail at cburcham@illinois.edu

Also during Brain Awareness Week, our Unit Facebook page will feature a brain challenge or tip each day. So don't forget to check that out at <https://www.facebook.com/>

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You are never too old to get started, but the earlier you begin, the better. So what are you waiting for? Start working out your brain right away!

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