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Barickman experiences identity theft, warns constituents

BLOOMINGTON—After discovering he was a victim of unemployment insurance identity theft, state Senator Jason Barickman (R-Bloomington) is reminding people to be vigilant and to report suspected unemployment fraud to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) and Illinois Attorney General.

"This is a perfect example of how easily this can happen to any of us, there are no job titles or people that are immune to this type of scam," said Barickman. "If you receive a notice from IDES regarding unem-



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ployment benefits that you didn't apply for, please report it immediately."

In addition to serving as the senator for the 53rd District, Barickman is also an adjunct professor at Illinois State University. It was his teaching position that was targeted in the unemployment scam. Barickman is urging people to be vigilant and to keep an eye out for any clues that they may have been targeted as well.

According to IDES, the most common signs that you may be the victim of unemployment fraud are:

- You receive a debit card or an unemployment insurance letter (UI Finding) and has not filed a claim for benefits.
- You are notified by your employer that a claim for benefits has been filed when you have not been separated from employment.
- You attempt to file a claim online and one already exists.
- You receive IRS correspondence regarding unreported UI benefits.
- You receive notice of a state or federal tax offset.

The agency recommends that if you suspect unemployment fraud, you should immediately report it to IDES by calling the Benefit Payment Control Division at 800-814-0513.

Earlier this year, IDES reported that there were more than 120,000 suspected cases of unemployment fraud in Illinois from March through August.

"We may not be hearing about unemployment fraud and similar issues as much on the news right now, but the threat remains, so please be vigilant," said Barickman. "If you are having issues with unemployment fraud or obtaining benefits, please feel free to contact my office. While I don't have any direct control over IDES, I will continue to work to make sure your issues are brought to their attention."

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From the Blotter

No injuries were reported in an accident at 1:55 p.m. Thursday at South Third Ave. and West Penn. Police said Dalton Leyva, 22, of Hoopeston, in a 2015 Nissan Altima, was northbound and did not see a 2014 Ford utility vehicle driven by Kermit Hasselbring, 78, of Milford.

Levyva was ticketed for failure to stop at a posted intersection and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

Chase R. Hensley, 25, of Hoopeston, was arrested after officers were called at 2:31 p.m. Saturday for a civil disturbance in the 700 block of East Penn. He was charged with disorderly conduct, resisting/obstructing

justice and was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Court.

Karla Cassady, 38, and Scott J. Howe, 36, both of Hoopeston, were each ticketed for restraint of dogs by owner after police were called at 3:17 p.m. Saturday for a dog running loose in the 600 block of West Elm. Each received a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Christopher R. Hollis, 33, of Milford, was arrested by Milford Police on November 30. He was charged with driving while license suspended and possession of meth-amphetamines. He was take to the Iroquois County Jail, where he was released on bond.

Kevin L. Lambert, 34, of Milford, was arrested by

Obituaries

HARMS - Rev. Raymond L. Harms, 87, of Reedsburg, Wis., formerly of Milford, died Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020 at Sauk County Health Care Center. Private family service was held Sunday at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Loganville, Wis. Burial was in St. John Cemetery, Loganville. Visitation was Saturday at Farber Funeral Home, Reedsburg. Memorials are suggested to the Lutheran Hour, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Concordia Seminary - St. Louis or St. Peter's video broadcast. Condolences may be left at www.farberfunerahome.com.

Rev. Harms was pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Milford, for six years, installed in late 1991. In spring 1992, the church began its "Word of Life Ministry" a live broadcast of the Sunday morning service on WGFA radio. The program is still aired on WIBK. His voice can still be heard at 5 a.m. daily when WGFA airs the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer.

KEITH - Thomas "Tom" Keith, 84, of Wellington,

Lunch Menus

Hoopeston Area Grade School menu

MONDAY: Chicken patty, broccoli/cheese, applesauce, cucumber slices, milk

TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza, baby carrots, peaches, milk

WEDNESDAY: Hotdog/bun, fries, celery, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Taco, chips & salsa, salad, baby carrots, pineapple milk

FRIDAY: BBQ/bun, baked beans, mixed fruit, Dragon juice, milk

died at 1:50 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 2020, at Iroquois Memorial Hospital, Watseka. He will be cremated. Visitation will be 10 a.m.-noon Monday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Due to Covid restrictions, 10 people will be allowed in the funeral home at a time. Masks and social distancing are requested No burial will be held. Memorials are suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

Court Dispositions

Amber Zarate, Rossville, failed to appear at status hearing for possession of cannabis; case sent to state for further enforcement.

Jarod Zollar, Rossville, failed to appear at sentencing for bicycle lighting requirements, found guilty by default, fined \$180; status hearing November 18.

Josh Hasbargen, Hoopeston, failed to appear for sentencing for bicycle lighting requirements, found guilty by default, fined \$180; status hearing November 18.

Max Jones, Hoopeston, found guilty at trial of breach of peace, fined \$180; status hearing November 18.

Max Jones, Hoopeston, found guilty at trial of trespassing, fined \$180, status hearing November 18.

Weather

Chance of flurries today. High 40. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 26. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 42, low 29.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

Milford Police Wednesday. He was charged with theft under \$500 and was taken to the Iroquois County Jail, where he was released on bond.

Perry D. Carswell, 58, of Hoopeston, was arrested

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by Iroquois County Sheriff's Police Wednesday. He was charged with driving while license suspended and obstructing identification. He was taken to the Iroquois County Jail, where he was released on bond.

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