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# First vaccine shipment may be smaller than expected

**By JERRY NOWICKI** 

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD - The first shipment of COVID-19 vaccines to the state of Illinois may be less than one-quarter of what officials had originally been told to expect.

Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike said Tuesday the latest word from federal officials is that the first shipment may contain only about 80,000 doses, or one-fifth of the 400,000 doses state officials were expecting last week.

"We know that even if everything goes through smoothly in the next couple of weeks and the vaccine is shipped, there won't be many doses," Ezike said. "I know I had originally quoted 400,000 doses because that's what we've been told. That number has already been downgraded to something like 80,000. Again,

all of these numbers are constantly in flux and so we are staying very nimble in order to adjust."

Interest in state plans to distribute a vaccine has heightened in recent days as pharmaceutical companies have announced plans to apply for emergency use authorization from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Last week, Pfizer and BioN-Tech announced they had sub-

mitted an application for two vaccines the companies are developing jointly, and the FDA said it would put those applications on a fast track for approval, which means a limited number of doses could be publicly available by the end of December. Moderna Inc. has also said a vaccine it is developing a vaccine that has shown promising results in clinical trials.

Ezike said the first people in

line to receive the vaccines will be frontline hospital workers who treat COVID-19 patients and other first responders.

Meanwhile, both Ezike and Pritzker continued to urge Illinoisans to avoid gatherings over the upcoming holidays and possibly for the next several months to limit the spread of the disease.

"The vaccines that seem to be on the horizon can't help you if Continued on Page 6

# **MOBIL MAN RETIRES**

# Reid's Mobil closing in **Kickapoo**

By BILL KNIGHT For The Weekly Post

KICKAPOO - Two weeks before the Dec. 5 auction that will mean the end of one of the area's most reliable fixtures -Reid's Mobil on Kickapoo-Edwards Road at Interstate 74 – Reid Larson returns from testdriving an SUV and sits down to talk.

Outside on the 2-acre lot, more than a dozen cars and trucks are parked on the perimeter, beneath and beside a few trees, ornamental shrubs and scrub brush.

Inside, Larson walks in wearing a light-blue Mobil shirt with a "Reid" patch on his chest, dark slacks and scuffed work shoes. The 70-year-old mechanic and businessman settles in at a table surrounded by cases of soft drinks and tea, stacks of



ing after running Reid's Mobil in the Kickapoo and Edwards area since 1977. Photo by Bill Knight.

Reid Lar-

son is retir-

batteries and wall-mounted license plates

He points to a series of Iowa plates and says, "Those were my father's, who died in 2002 at the age of 93."

Other plates from cars he took in are from Virginia, Arizona and even Aruba.

The shop may be filled with memories, but some may see

"I didn't want to leave all this for my daughters to have to deal with," he says. "It has to be done. I have enough stuff around my house. My daughters say if I get any more I'll be like those hoarders on TV, but it's not that bad."

Mobil opened the station in 1966, and after Reid finished trade school in 1967, he started

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# Elmwood schools OK slight cut to tax rate

By BILL KNIGHT For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD - The Board of Education on Monday formally approved the 2020 tax levy (for the 2021-22 school year), increasing projected funds 1.69 percent.

At the same time, the board voted to reduce the overall tax rate, a decision made possible bu increasing Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) of homes in the school district.

The unanimous vote OK'd slight increases to all categories, from mandated categories Education, Operations & Maintenance, and Transportation to special education and tort immunity. The only declines were slight differences in retirement funds.

"The County Assessor has projected that our EAV will increase by approximately 1.9 percent," said Superintendent Chad Wagner. "The Tort Fund will increase by \$5,000 to

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cover increased risk-management strategies.

"All other funds with set rates will be requested to receive those percentages per the established levy limits," he added.

The overall tax rate should be reduced by about 1.4 cents, to 5.5147. A home worth 100,000 – therefore with an EAV of \$33,000 – will pay \$1,819 to fund District 322.

The previous tax rate was 5.52906.

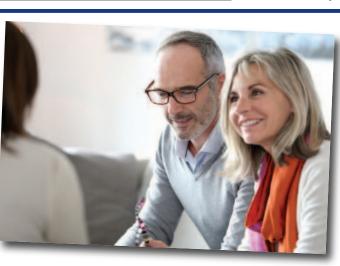
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By BILL KNIGHT

For The Weekly Post PRINCEVILLE —

Princeville's comprehensive plan and land-use map is a step closer to fruition, as the Village Board on Nov. 17 reviewed the proposal, which will be published for three weeks, be open for public comment and considered for adoption in January.

"The Tri County Regional Planning Commission did a really good job putting it together," said Village President Jeff Troutman.

Apart from long-range

plans, near-term adjustments in property taxes will be the subject for a truth-intaxation hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 7, when a tentative tax levy will be open to the community for discussion.

The board proposed a 29 percent increase in property taxes this year followed by a 24 percent increase the next year, Troutman said, a move made necessary by the Village not modifying the levy enough annually for some time.

"It could be two big years, then we'll be caught

up," Troutman said. "It's because taxes were steady or declined for six years."

Meanwhile, the Village has applied for \$71,500 in relief through a CURE grant, a federally funded program to help municipalities administered by the state of Illinois.

"It's based on population in part," Troutman said, "and is set up to offset some COVID-19 expenses. With help from [State Rep.] Ryan Spain, we're asking for funds related to our public safety spending."

In other news:

• Trustees approved temporarily closing the highway at Stevens Square Park to accommodate the Civic Association's tree-lighting ceremony, which has more than doubled public participation this year. Forty trees were sponsored and decorated in 2019, and at least 86 trees will be featured at the event early the evening

of Sunday, Dec. 6, Troutman said. Sponsors each contribute \$40 and decorate trees in memory of someone or something; the Village provides electricity, and extra funds are donated to the local good pantry.

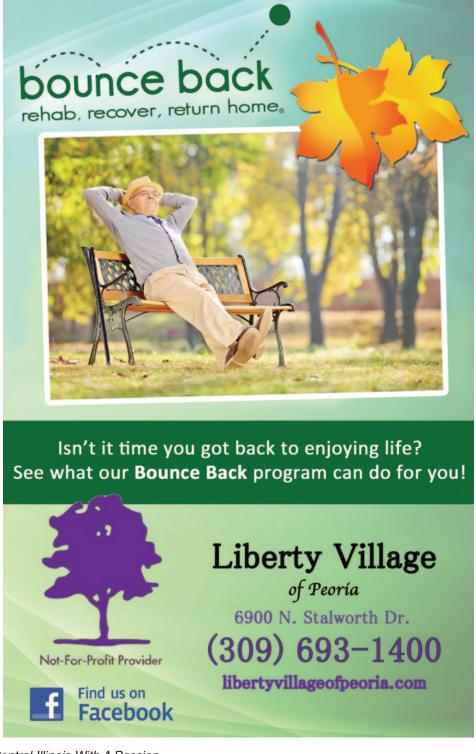
- The Board approved Tax-Increment-Financing funding for a beautification and renovation project at Princeville Tap.
- Trustees OKd the \$780 purchase and installation of two security cameras at Stevens Square Park.
- The Village is working with the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau to develop a marketing plan to help attract tourists and businesses, Troutman said.
- Trustees approved vacating First Street, which was unofficially OK'd last spring, affecting about 200 feet of roadway and two homeowners.

  BILL KNIGHT can be reached









# THE WEEK AHEAD

# **HOT PICKS Ahead**

- ▲ Free Bread Free bread distributed every Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Harrison Hall in Brimfield. Call (309) 696-4542.
- ▲ **Blood Drives** The Apostolic Christian Church in Princeville has a blood drive Dec. 10 at the Fellowship Hall at 710 E. Main from 12:30 to 6 p.m. Visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass or call (309) 238-0769.
- ▲ Tree Lighting Tree Lighting and Holiday Stroll put on by Princeville Civic Association on Dec. 6 from 4:30-7 p.m. at Princeville's Stevens Square.

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# Prairie Park wins business award

PEORIA - Wildlife Prairie Park on Nov. 19 was announced as the Peoria Area Chamber of Commerce's 2020 Outstanding Small Business award winner for companies with 26 to 150 employees.

Named at the Chamber's Thanksgiving Luncheon, the awards are presented to small businesses that demonstrate stability, innovation, commitment to the community and ability to overcome challenges.

"It is an honor to be recognized by our community," said Roberta English,

Wildlife Prairie Park's Executive Director. "We are proud to call the Peoria area our home since 1978 and will continue to strive to bring more wonder and beauty.

"Moving forward, we want to exceed expectations as we enter into 2021 with hope and enthusiasm,."

Last July, Prairie Park completed six new cabins that overlook the elk and bison pasture. The additional lodging has boosted park revenues.

- Bill Knight



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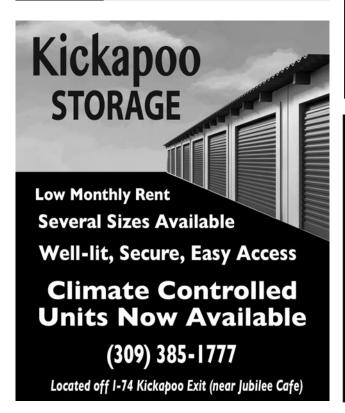


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# **GUEST VOICES**





# Of hard work, tax cuts & sad Sundays

Rambling through central Illinois,

pondering flying cars.

Work hard and good things will happen has always struck me as a good motto. The longer I live, the more I wonder if it's true. Still, it has been nice to hear tributes to Reid Larson, who on Dec. 2 will retire after working hard and

running Reid's Mobil in Kickapoo since 1977. In an email, Reid's customer **Charles Bush** praised Larson as "a throwback to the previous days of 'service sta-



"he might drive you home after dropping off the car for service and return it to your driveway when the work was done." I see similar behaviors from other local garages – one of many nice things about small towns, where customer service still matters.

I almost fell out of my chair read-

ing that the Elmwood school district responded to an increase in equalized assessed value by cutting the tax rate. While the cut is fairly small, the symbolism is not. Reducing taxes resonates with a sizable segment of the population – particularly when there's no reduction in services (although that is going to be necessary very soon for much of our state). Because the EAV is increasing for Elmwood, the schools are not out anything by shaving 1.4 cents off the tax rate. I wonder if other districts, many also seeing an EAV increase, will follow suit? ... Elmwood's Morrison & Mary Wiley Library is open for pick-up services only. Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 1-5 p.m., Wednesday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays (starting Dec. 5) 10 am, to noon. Call to let librarians know the items you want at (309) 742-2431. ... Got free time at work? Visit covid-dashboard.fsm.northwestern.edu to check COVID-19 trends by Illinois zip code. As you do, ask yourself, why on Nov. 6 did the state start counting "probable cases" along with "actual cases" – a

decision that has no doubt increased positivity rates?

This is how weekends go. Pack as much as possible into Saturday and Sunday. Live life. Plant trees. Hunt. Fish. Go to sports events. Go to mass. Eat meals with family. Smile. Laugh. Savor. Then, full of life, head to the office and mourn the dead. Sunday is obit night and, for me, most obituaries strike a chord. By the end of Sunday, after a few glasses of Jim Beam. I head into Monday grouchy and lamenting the loss of friends I barely knew, but suddenly miss. We are so mortal. Every Sunday makes it more clear. Such is life in the obit department. ... Parting shot: Where would you rather live? In a community that announces, periodically, that it has cut taxes? Or in a community that announces every year that taxes are increasing? I really believe there is a positive public relations spin to be put on tax breaks for residents. It's a shame too few politicians agree.

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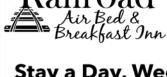




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# PUBLIC RECORD

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# Police reports

• FARMINGTON – According to Farmington Police Chief Chris Darsham, there is a surge in unemployment scams right now. He said, "There are a ton in Farmington and Peoria is getting a bunch, too."

If you receive a letter saying that someone filed for unemployment in your name and you haven't filled out any forms, contact law enforcement and the unemployment office.

- PRINCEVILLE Dustin E. Weller, 30, of Princeville was charged on Nov. 19 with domestic battery.
- FARMINGTON Joseph C. Carpenter, was charged on Nov. 1 with driving on a suspended license and failure to appear in court on a possession of dangerous drugs charge, according to a Farmington police report.
- FARMINGTON Donald Wykoff, 54, of Farmington was charged on Nov. 2 with failure to appear in court related to a charge of aggravated battery, according to a Farmington report. He posted bond and was released.
- FARMINGTON Jeffrey Lee, 49, of Farmington was charged on Nov. 4 with a failure to appear in court related to a charge of domestic battery, according to a Farmington report. He posted bond and was released.
- FARMINGTON A car stopped for a traffic violation on Nov. 6 resulted in an additional charge of illegal possession of adult-use cannabis for Christopher Moore, according to a Farmington report. He

posted bond and was released.

- FARMINGTON Ellis Brownell, 18, of Farmington was charged with criminal destruction of property over \$500 on Nov. 9 when he broke the window of a vehicle at the Farmington library, according to a Farmington report. He was given a notice to appear in court.
- FARMINGTON Both driver and passenger of a car stopped for a traffic violation on Nov. 8 were found to have outstanding warrants, according to a Farmington report. Shauna Windsor, 33, of Canton was charged with failure to appear in court related to possession of methamphetamine, illegal possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor vehicle, possession of methamphetamine with intent to deliver, unlawful use of a weapon, and obstructing/driving while her driver's license was revoked. Derek Pollitt, 33, of Canton was charged with illegal possession of cannabis in a motor vehicle, failure to appear in court for damage to property, possession of methamphetamine with intent to deliver, and illegal possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor vehicle.
- FARMINGTON After being stopped for a traffic violation on Nov. 13, Brandon Hutchison, 23, of Farmington was charged for illegal possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor vehicle, according to a Farmington report.
- FARMINGTON After being stopped for a traffic violation on Nov. 14, Erukah Moncrief, 23 of Fort Madison, Iowa, was charged with driving with no valid insurance in the vehicle, according to a Farmington report. The passenger, Cu-

atarius Harris, 23, of Peoria was charged with illegal possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor vehi-

- FARMINGTON A Farmington woman incurred several charges after she struck a man with her car on Nov. 15, according to a Farmington report. Sabrina Wright, 27, was charged with aggravated domestic battery, failure to report an accident, leaving the scene of a personal injury accident, and reckless driving. She has a notice to appear in a Fulton County court. The victim, who sustained a slight head injury, refused medical care.
- FARMINGTON After being stopped for a traffic violation on Nov. 20, Kimberly Johnson, 27, of Canton, was charged with possession of cannabis manufactured to deliver, according to a Farmington report. Police found at least 50 bags of individual packages.
- FARMINGTON After being stopped for a traffic violation on Nov. 22, L Scroggins, 48, of West Peoria, was charged with illegal possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor vehicle, according to a Farmington report.
- TRIVOLI Eric C. Luncsford, 30, of Trivoli, was charged on Nov. 22 with aggravated domestic battery.
- ELMWOOD A "maroon Ford Fusion" took off and left from a traffic stop on Main Street in Elmwood on Nov. 22. There was no pursuit, according to an Elmwood police report.



# Notice of Public Hearing for 2020 Tax Levy Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for the Village of Princeville

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the Village of Princeville for 2020 will be held on December 7, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Princeville Village Hall, 206 N. Walnut, Princeville, IL.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Julie Delbridge, Village Treasurer, 206 N. Walnut, Princeville, IL, (309) 385-4765.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for the vear 2019 were \$79,657.78.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2020 are \$103.500.00. This represents a 29.94% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2019 were \$0.00.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2020 are \$0. This represents a 0% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2019 were \$79,657.78.

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# **VACCINE:** Public doses in March, April at best

Continued from Page 1 you get sick now," Pritzker said.

On Monday, Pritzker was asked about ensuring access to the vaccine.

"I just want to say that one of the big concerns that I have is making sure that we do this with an equity lens, and that includes not only people of color but rural communities, places that often are left out and left behind, forgotten," he said. "This vaccine is going to roll out over quite a number of months. We're not really going to see, as I understand, the vaccine coming to the general public until perhaps March or April at the

Ezike said the hospital workers set to receive the vaccine in the first rounds include staff who are not health care professionals, such as the cleaning and food staff.

Essential workers outside of hospitals and at-risk individuals, including people 65 years of age and older, will be next in line to receive the vaccine in the first phase of distribution when limited doses are available.

Ezike said the initial doses of the vaccine will be distributed through hospitals in the state's 11 regions.

Pritzker also urged downstate cities

and counties to take advantage of the Local CURE program – a \$250 million program the state launched this year, with money it received from the federal CARES Act, to help local government defray costs incurred due to the pandemic.

Brad Cole, executive director of the Illinois Municipal League, however, said many communities haven't applied because they have "limited to no staff that can navigate the multiple steps put in place by (the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity) to receive their allocation."

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# LARSON: Technology has evolved dramatically

Continued from Page 1 leasing it in 1977. He bought the shop in 1985.

"I added a second bay in 1988 and added a second building, for heavy repairs, in 1998," he says. "That second building will be auctioned, too. If I get almost anything, someone can dismantle it and haul it away."

The decision to retire wasn't sudden. Larson says, chuckling.

"It was a four-yearprocess just to get the [Illinois] EPA's 'letter of closure'," he says.

Before that, Larson worked with Peoria County Zoning to change from being a gas station to a business zoned C-2 commercial, allowing the business to be a gas station and garage, warehouse and ambulance site, and to sell fast food and cars.

Larson looks forward to a different pace after 43 years here, and a different situation at home. His wife Barbara died in July.

"We had 51 years together," he says. "She took care of the house and everything, so now I'm learning: cooking, cleaning and so on.

"I need to start taking care of me," says Larson, who lists high blood pressure, high cholesterol and bad feet as reasons for pain killers he takes.

"My doctor told me, 'Your work is going to kill you'," he says, "and I hope to get off some of the medicine."

Reid's Mobil, like most businesses, has changed since he started – particularly the technological innovations, which came fast and have accelerated in the last decade, he says.

"It's different, especially all the electronics," he says, marveling at the gadgets and gizmos on a 2020 Honda he bought. "It's complicated with all the sensors and recalibrating required even if you have a little fender bende

You need a laptop to even repair windows and seatbelts.

"I haven't kept up like I should have."

But he's kept up with relationships with patrons and has fond memories.

"Gary Uftring brought me a '64 Chevy Impala 409 with a dual quad to work on," he says, sighing. "It was pretty rare. That was fun."

His regular customers have ranged from the late Peoria County's State's Attorney Jerry Brady, to retired Caterpillar CEO Doug Oberhelman, to a regular customer from Peoria who lives in her car.

"She's had a hard life," Larson says. "She'd bring in her car and I'd do the job and she'd say, 'I'll pay you soon,' and guys would say 'Why do you do that?' But I felt sorry for her and she always paid."

Beck's Oil, founded in 1949 and based in Princeton, is buying the property, says Larson, and plans to build here. Kickapoo will become Beck's fourth travel center and 18th site across Illinois.

"A few people knew of the possibility, and just through word of mouth, Beck's came down and looked over the place and made an offer," says Larson, who says the company typically spends millions in building such sites.

"First, they'll take out the [fuel] tanks, then they're going to level it," he says. "When it's done, it'll be a truck stop with gas, gaming, a convenience store, package liquor and chicken."

As for his own plans, Larson rubs his white hair and smiles slightly.

"I don't know. I will say that almost everything I've even done my whole life

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has involved cars," he says. "When I get over this hurdle, I'll think about it."

He is looking forward to leaving behind his short commute from Peoria and his long work days.

Looking back at a career and a commitment to service others, he says he'll miss the customers, if not the hours, the standing and all of the jobs.

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They were married on November 28, 1970 in Streator, IL. The couple have four children, Jennifer Beard and husband, Jason, of Dahinda, Rebecca Hennenfent and husband, Bill, of Gilson, Ryan Potts and wife, Rachel, of Kildeer, IL, and Jessica Ramagost and husband, Brent, of Gonzales, Louisiana. They also have eight grandchildren, Easton and Hayden Beard, Blake, Case and Dane Hennenfent, Jackson and Gracie Potts and Cadence Ramagost.

The couple met at the University of Illinois while Bob was in law school. He was a bus boy at Gayla's sorority. They were married after a short courtship and moved to Elmwood, IL, where Bob has practiced law at the Whitney & Potts, Ltd. law office for the last 50 years. They moved to Williamsfield and then on to Dahinda where they currently live. Gayla is the bookkeeper for the firm. If Bob is not at the office, he loves spending time on the farm helping his brother Les, with their registered Angus cattle herd. Gayla enjoys sewing and gardening. In their free time, they love getting together with family and friends watching their grandchildren

show cattle and their annual train trip to Louisiana. While in-person gatherings cannot occur this year due to COVID, anniversary cards are encouraged. They can be sent to 1518 Knox Highway 15, Dahinda, IL 61428.

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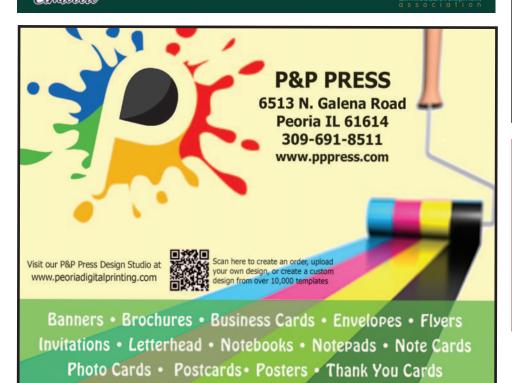
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# **Brimfield board OKs several items**

#### By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Weekly Post
BRIMFIELD — Brimfield's school board acted
on several items at its
Nov. 11 meeting.

The board approved 10 policies, ranging from grievance procedures to prohibitions of student harassment.

Approved was the purchase of technology through an IDEA grant in the amount of \$64,504.

Also approved was an insurance proposal for the school district from Unland insurance for a total of \$95,199, up from \$82,474 last year.

Approved was a lawn mowing bid from Steve Cramer – Pain in the Grass lawn service for \$18,000, which includes all grounds at the Brimfield School District.

A Memorial Wall stone has been completed by

#### **Delay** in return

A return to in-person learning for Brimfield schools scheduled for Nov. 30 has been pushed back to Dec. 7. Staffing issues were cited as the cause for the delay.

Wyoming Monument and is to be shipped to the school district in the near future.

Brimfield School District Superintendent Tony Shinall reported that the school board will be voting to approve the tax levy for the next fiscal year in December. Shinall said Brimfield's equalized assessed value has increased approximately 3.9 percent from \$117 million to \$121.9 million.

Shinall also reported that the State Board of Education has approved a Health/Life Safety Amendment for the grade school bleacher project.

Brimfield High School Principal Billy Robison reported that SAT results have been distributed to seniors who took the exam and that Jeremy Ott was named student of the month for October.

Grade School Principal Julie Albritton said the Veterans' Day program was held virtually due to COVID-19; Smart Boards could be delivered by Dec. 7; 53 new Chromebooks are expected to be received by mid-December; and extracurricular activities have been affected by COVID-19.

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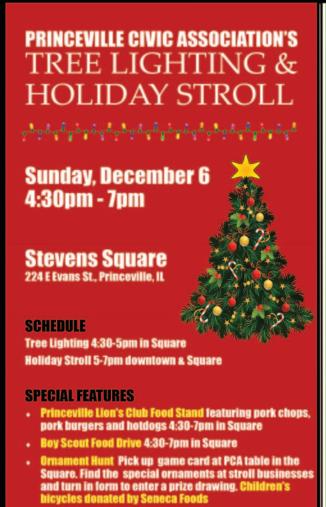
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# **ELMWOOD:** Superintendent contract extended

Continued from Page 1 the board also abated taxes levied for the year 2020 to pay debt service on general obligation school bonds (alternate revenue source), series 2020, in accordance with requirements tied to the County School Facilities

Sales Tax.

In other news:

• Due to the updated Tier 3 mitigation strategies enacted by the State of Illinois, all school-related practices and activities have been suspended until further notice. Wagner reviewed criteria on whether school will close entirely due to COVID-19 and noted that the main reasons are mandated from the state or the inability to adequately staff.

Asked if the Board wanted to respond to a possible recommendation by the Peoria County Public Health to close, Board members agreed that local control has been effective, so the administration should be responsible for any action determined by local information.

• In personnel, the Board unanimously approved Wagner's contract through the 2023-24 school year; the employment of Lynn Bernal as cafeteria aide at a rate of \$11/hour; Conner Sharp as Junior High boys track coach, Alex Coulter as Junior High girls track coach, and Tiffany Bell as Junior High Science Olympiad coach; and the Retirement Incentive Program for Christina Herridge, Cynthia Alcaraz, and Lori Caulkins per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, which provides 6 percent salary increases for their final three



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# Elmwood institutes solar regulation

ELMWOOD – An ordinance regulating solar energy within the city limits of Elmwood was passed by the City Council on Nov. 20 during a special meeting. The Elmwood Zoning board had previously held a public hearing on Nov. 10 in regards to the ordinance.

Definitions were outlined describing the parts of a solar system that included the collector, equipment, facility and what consisted of residential or non-residential systems. In addition, standards were defined for setbacks, heights, minimum conditions for special use permits, minimum

conditions for a building permit, etc.

Also explained is a decommissioning plan should the solar system be removed due to the end of the project life, or abandonment.

Finally, financial security is regulated as part of the decommissioning plan, which enables the city to have access to funds in order to complete the decommissioning of a solar facility if the removal of it is not done within six months

This was the only agenda item.

– John A. Ballentine











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# **OBITUARIES**

# Frederick E. Balagna

FARMINGTON – Frederick Earl Balagna, 91 of Farmington, Ill., passed away at 12:12 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020, at Courtyard Estates of Farmington.

He was born on May 7, 1929, at the family home in Farmington. to Charles Sr. and

Alice (Aston) Balagna. He married Mary Louise Savill on Sept. 20, 1953, in Canton, Ill.; she preceded him in death in 1980. He married Harriet (Wilkinson) Clauson on



Balagna

Feb. 13, 2001, in Farmington; she survives.

Also surviving are his four children with Mary Lou, Kathy (Mike) Connor of Amarillo, Texas, Crystal (Darrel) Gomes of Farmington, Kenny (Sherill) Balagna of Farmington, and Keith (Cindy) Balagna of Farmington; 10 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Jean Riccioni of Farmington; 1 brother, Chuck (Joyce) Balagna of Farmington; and 1 sister-in-law, Shirley Hogan of Springfield, Ohio. He was preceded in death by one brother, Delbert Balagna, and three sisters, Threasa Sprague, Bea Jacobus and Charlotte Davison.

Fred graduated from Farmington High School in 1947 where he was a member of the 1946 undefeated football team which was inducted into the Greater Peoria Sports Hall of Fame in 2004. He served as a mechanic in the United States Army during the Korean War. He was involved in many community projects and served on the Farmington School Board. Fred was a member of Calvary Temple Assembly of God in Peoria, Ill., the Farmington Moose Lodge, and the American Legion Post 140.

Fred was the owner/operator of Balagna House Moving in Farmington. He built the business and fabricated many of the tools and devices still in use today. He handed over the reins to the business to his son Kenny in 1985, but photo documentation proves he was still riding atop houses well after that date. When Fred finally did retire, he enjoyed working the acreage on Harriet's farm and helping her prepare the old school house for her annual open house and skunk contest.

Private graveside services with Military Honors were conducted by

the United States Army & Farmington American Legion on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020, at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Farmington. Pastor Andy Sonneborn officiated. Memorials can be made to the Farmington Rescue Squad 1100.

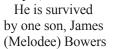
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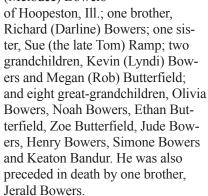
# Franklin E. Bowers

YATES CITY – Franklin "Tip" E. Bowers, 94, of Yates City, Ill., passed away at 1:02 p.m., on Monday, Nov. 16, 2020, at Graham Hospital in Canton.

He was born Aug. 13, 1926, to Harry and Bernice (Dikeman) Bow-

ers, in Yates City. He married Jean Mathews on Dec. 10, 1949, in Yates City. She preceded him in death on May 2, 2018.





**Bowers** 

Tip farmed until 1972 when he started working for Westbay Equipment Co. He retired from there after 25 years of service. He served in the Army during World War II.

He was also a member of the Knox County Farm Bureau, Farmington Moose and the Farmington American Legion.

Tip was a mountain of a man with a generous heart. He was ornery, kind, loving, and the glue of this family. Tip enjoyed long rides through the countryside and would reminisce about who once lived there, and a story would follow. His family was his first priority and he always made a point to attend as many events as possible. Tip was a husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and most of all a friend to everyware.

and most of all a friend to everyone.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A graveside service will be held at Yates City Cemetery and a Celebration of Life will follow at a later date. Memorials may be made to B.Y.E. Ambulance and Elba-Salem Fire Department.

To leave online condolences or

view Tip's memorial service, please visit oakshinesfuneralhome.com

Oaks-Hines Funeral Home and Crematory in Elmwood is in charge of arrangements.

#### Thomas M. Evans

ELMWOOD – Thomas "Tom" M. Evans, 73, of Elmwood, passed away at 3:35 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, at Methodist Medical Center in Peoria.

He was born Dec. 16, 1946, to James Clark and Ella Mae (Swift) Evans, in Canton. He married Peggy Jaggard on April 6, 1965, in Lewistown. She survives.

He is also survived by three chil-

dren, Kim (Dave)
O'Dell of Pekin,
Michael (Kim)
Evans of Norwood, and Jennifer
(Gary) Blackard of
Farmington; one
brother, James
(Pat) Evans; two
sisters, Carol Danz



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and Linda Morgan; three grandchildren, Elizabeth, Meghan, and Caleb; and five great-grandchildren, Jensen, Harper, Ella, Jackson, and Cadence.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Joe Evans and Bobby Evans.

Tom worked at the Michela and Clark grocery store in Farmington and then at a food brokerage, PAVEY Sales Force, where he was "Salesman of the Year" several times becoming District Manager of the business. He later was a Pharmacy Technician at Methodist Medical Center for 12 years where he retired from in 2012.

Tom was a good, funny, kind man who loved his family ... and golf. He was the past president of Maple Lane Country Club for several years. He has now joined the rest of his weekend foursome.

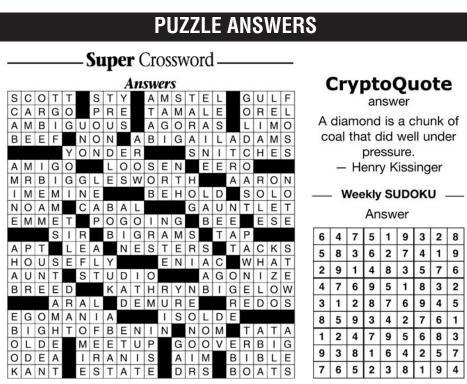
Cremation rites have been accorded. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m., on Friday, Nov. 27, 2020, at Elmwood Township Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to B.Y.E. Ambulance and Elmwood Fire Department.

To leave online condolences, visit www.oakshinesfuneralhome.com.

# Anna M. Hicke

BRIMFIELD – Ann Marie Hicke, 45, of Brimfield, Ill., passed away Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, at the OSF Richard L Owens Hospice Home in Peoria, Ill. after a nine-year battle with colon cancer. She was sur-





# **OBITUARIES**

rounded by family and friends. She was born Aug. 15, 1975, in Smithshire, Ill., the daughter of Barbara Lafary. Ann married Matt Johnson in 1995. They later divorced. She then married David Hicke Jr. in Nevada, Mo., on March

Ann was a 1993 graduate of Southern High School in Stronghurst, Ill., received a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work from Western Illinois University in 1997, and received her Master's Degree in Social Work

from Illinois State University in 2008. Ann worked as a licensed social worker in the healthcare field her entire career, home health, long-term care and hospital settings, most recently at OSF



Hicke

Medical Group in Galesburg, Illinois. She served many years as a **Human Rights Authority Council** member and served diligently to ensure the rights of the elderly, disabled and disadvantaged. She was an advocate for their care, service and

Ann was passionate about family, friends, their traditions and memories. They were the center of her life and she was extremely proud of them. You could always find her attending one of their athletic or school activities. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, friend and the list goes on. She was raised around the football field, attending her uncles football games and events from infancy. She was an avid St Louis Cardinal and Dallas Cowboy fan. Most Sunday afternoons in the fall/winter, she was coaching the Cowboys from the couch, yelling at the coaching staff and players. She was also active in the Brimfield Evangelical Free Church and assisted with the AWANA program.

She was preceded in death by her

grandfather, Ralph Lafary, mother Barbara Lafary and "sister" Pam Hubbard.

Ann is survived by her husband, David; her children, Parker Johnson and Pyper Hicke of Brimfield, Ill.; her stepchildren, Cole (Ashleigh) Hicke of East Peoria, Ill., and Cordt (Emily) Hicke of Auburn Hills, Mich.; her grandchildren, Brigham and Oliver; her grandmother, Janet Lafary of Raritan, Ill.; four uncles, Marty (Lisa) Lafary of Gladstone, Ill., Scott (Dana) Lafary and Danny (Jennifer) Lafary, both of Stronghurst, Ill., and John (Kathy) Lafary of Smithshire; along with her numerous cousins and special, extended family, Nola Talbott, Tammy Martin, Chris Lung. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends and all whose lives she touched.

People paid their respects, Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2020, from 2-4 p.m., followed by a service, at the Brimfield Evangelical Free Church, 11724 North Maher Road, Brimfield, IL. Pastor Don Blasing offici-

Friends may call as they desire on Saturday Nov. 28, 2020, from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Stronghurst. A graveside service will follow at 2 p.m. Saturday in Walnut Grove Cemetery, near Media, Ill.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CDC restrictions will be observed. Face masks and social distancing are strongly advised. Attendance may be limited. Please visit Ann's obituary at banksandbeals.com, to sign the guest book and leave a condolence.

Memorials may be made to the Colorectal Cancer Alliance or Brimfield E-free Youth Ministries.

# Josephine M. Lester

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Josephine M. Lester, 89, formerly of Avon, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020, at Seasons Care Center, Kansas, Missouri.

Jo was born on July 19, 1931, in

Amsterdam, Bates County, Mo. She was the daughter of Harold and Lillian (Miller) Ennis. Jo married Gene Sherman on Aug. 25, 1950, in Yates City, Ill. She later married Kendell Lester on Oct. 8, 1976, in Quincy, Ill. Kendell preceded her in death on Aug. 14, 2020.

She is survived by her children, Jerald (Debbie) Sherman of LaBelle, Fla.; Ed (Kim) Sherman of Helena Mont., Kathy Powell of Seattle, Wash., and Rosemary Friend of Kansas City, Mo.; siblings LaVerne

Ennis of Ocala, Fla., Fred (Carol) Ennis of Piperton, Tenn., and Vada (Tom) Ireton of Bartonville; 14 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; and stepson Mark Lester of Galesburg.



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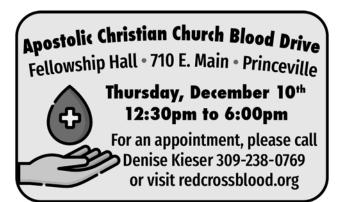
Along with her husband Kendell, she was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Harold Ennis, Jr.; one grandson, Brian Sherman; one daughter-in-law, Diane Sherman; and one son-in-law, Bill Powell.

Jo was a member of the Elmwood Methodist Church. She worked at Maytag for 29 years, retiring in 1996. Jo enjoyed quilting, crafting, woodworking, gardening and watching the birds in her yard. She made the BEST applesauce around. Most of all, Jo enjoyed spending time with her family, especially the little ones. Per Josephine's wishes, cremation rites will be accorded. Private family graveside service will be held at the Goodhope Cemetery at a later date. Memorials contributions may be left to the Seasons Care Center, 15600 Woods Chapel Road, Kansas City, Missouri, 64139.

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321 S. Jefferson St., Brimfield (309) 678-2208 Sun. School: 9:30 am Sun. Worship: 10:40 am Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm St. Joseph

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Pastor Donald Blasing 11724 Maher Road Brimfield, IL 61517 (309) 446-3571 brimfieldefree.org Worship: 10:30 am Sunday School: 9:30 am AWANA: Wed. 6:15 pm, ages 3-12

#### **Brimfield United Methodist Church**

Pastor Roland Millington 135 S. Galena St., Brimfield (309) 573-1833 Sun. Worship: 9 am Sun. School: 9 am Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm

#### **Union Church at Brimfield United Church of Christ**

Pastor Stephen Barch 105 W. Clay Street, Brimfield (309) 446-3811 brimfieldunionchurch.org Sunday Worship: 9 am Tuesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm · First Sunday each month is Communion Sunday (glutenfree communion offered) · Youth group meets 2nd Sunday each month, 12:30-2 p.m.

#### DAHINDA **Dahinda United Methodist** Church

Reverend Teri Shane 1739 Victoria St., P.O. Box 14 Dahinda, IL 61428 Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Fellowship & Coffee: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:40-11:30 Church: (309) 639-2768 Pastor's Office: (309) 639-2389 Email: williamsfielddahindaumc@yahoo.com

**DOUGLAS** 

**Douglas United Methodist** 

# Church

Pastor Kristine McMillan 484 3rd St. Yates City, IL 61572 (NOTE: Church is in Douglas) Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. (Maquon worship: 10:30 a.m.) Facebook Live is 10:30 at Maquon UM Church page

**EDWARDS Bethany Baptist Church** 7422 N. Heinz Ln., Edwards (309) 692-1755 bethanycentral.org Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10 am

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Father Joseph Dondanville 9910 W. Knox St., Edwards (309) 691-2030 stmaryskickapoo.org Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm Sat. Mass: 4 pm Sun. Masses: 7 & 11:00 am Mon. Mass: 5:30 pm Daily Masses: Wed-Fri. 8 am

# **ELMWOOD**

**Crossroads Assembly of God** Pastor Tim Cavallo 615 E. Ash St., Elmwood (309) 830-4259 crossroadselmwood.org Wed. Worship: 7 pm Sun. Worship: 10:30 am

**Elmwood Baptist Church** 

Pastor Bill Cole

#### 701 W. Dearborn St., Elmwood (309) 742-7631, 642-3278 Sunday School: 9:30 am Sun Worship: 10:30 am, 1:15 pm Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 pm

# First Presbyterian Church of Elmwood

Reverend Marla B. Bauler 201 W. Evergreen, Elmwood (309) 742-2631 firstpresbyterianofelmwoo Sun. Worship: 10:30 am Sun. School: 9:30 am

# St. Patrick's **Catholic Church**

Father Joseph Dondanville 802 W. Main St., Elmwood (309) 742-4921 Sat. Mass: 5:30 pm Sun. Mass: 9 am Tues. Mass: 8 am Tues. Confession: After mass **United Methodist Church** of Elmwood Pastor David Pyell

821 W. Main St., Elmwood (309) 742-7221 elmwoodumc.org Sun. Worship: 9 am, 10:30 am Youth Sun. School: 9 am Adult Sun. School: 8 am

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#### **PRINCEVILLE Princeville United Methodist Church**

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#### WILLIAMSFIELD St. James **Catholic Church** Father John Verrier

Legion Road Knox Road 1450 N Williamsfield (309) 446-3275 stjameswilliamsfield.org Sun. Confession: 7:30-8 am Sun. Mass: 8 am (8:30 am in the summer)

# Williamsfield United **Methodist Church**

Pastor Teresa Shane 430 N. Chicago Ave. Williamsfield (309) 639-2389 Sun. School: 9:30 am Hospitality (coffee & finger foods): 10:30 am Sun. Worship: 11 am

#### YATES CITY **Faith United Presbyterian** Church

Reverend Marla B. Bauler 107 W. Bishop St., Yates City (309) 358-1170 Worship: 9 am Sun. School: 10:15 am Thurs. Choir: 7 pm

# Amber Waves



Out on a Limb

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#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging **♦♦♦** HOO BOY!

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## FOR ANSWERS **SEE PAGE 10**

# **CryptoQuote**

is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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#### TRIVIA TEST By Fifi Rodriguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What is another name for the vegetable known in some parts of the world as a courgette? 2. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "Ars longa, vita brevis" mean? 3. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel begins with the line, "When he was nearly thirteen, my brother Jem got his arm badly broken at the

4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a pudu?
5. MOVIES: Which 1983 movie featured the character of Tony Montana? 6. TELEVISION: What was the name of the vacuum cleaner on the children's

series "Teletubbies"? 7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What color is carmine?

8. SCIENCE: What was the first mammal to be cloned successfully from an adult cell?

9. FIRSTS: Who was the first African American man elected to the U.S. Senate? 10. U.S. PRESIDENTS: What was the name of President Bill Clinton's family

#### **Answers**

- 1. Zucchini
- 2. Art is long, life is short 3. "To Kill a Mockingbird"
- 4. Small South American deer
- 5. "Scarface," Al Pacino
- 6. The Noo-noo
- 7. Dark red
- 8. Dolly the sheep
- 9. Hiram Rhodes Revels, 1870 10. Socks
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- 1. Hocus Pocus (PG)
- 2. Spell (R)
- 3. After We Collided (R)
- 4. An Imperfect Murder (R)
- 5. The Nightmare Before Christmas (PG)
- 6. Ava (R) 7. Fatima (PG-13)
- 8. Wolf of Snow Hollow (R)
- 9. Happy Halloween, Scooby-Doo (NR) 10. Friendsgiving (R)

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# Alice M. Steidinger

BLOOMINGTON - Alice Marie Menold Steidinger went to meet her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020. She had been hospitalized briefly at OSF in Bloomington, Ill. Her granddaughter Shanna was by her side, enabling her extended family to share their love and memories virtually with her at her time of passing.

A private funeral was held online at Bloomington Apostolic Christian Church on Wednesday, Nov. 25, starting at 10 a.m. The funeral service may be watched at bnac-



Steidinger

church.org. Burial will be at the Apostolic Christian Cemetery at Mercy Creek, near Towanda, Ill.

Alice was born on Dec. 29, 1938, in Sabetha, Kan. to parents John and Dorothy Kaeb Menold. She married Donald E. Steidinger on Feb. 26, 1961 in Sabetha. He died on Feb. 17, 2011. They had nine children: John (Pam Kafer) of Murfreesboro, Tenn.: Luann (Larry) Hartzler of Creston, Ohio; Ted (Sara Bahler) of Cropsey, Ill.; Amy Bahler (Joe Richmond) of Towanda, Ill.; Mary Lynn (Steve) Stoller of Rittman, Ohio; Jay (Amy Kinzer) of Forrest, Ill.; Darwin of Goodfield, Ill.; Ryan (Lori Fehr) of Florissant, Colo. and Chris (Carol Streitmatter) of Princeville, Ill.

She is survived by five sisters:

# **OBITUARIES**

Miriam, Marjorie, Helen, JoAnn, and Wilma and one brother, Donnie. She has 29 grandchildren and 37 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two brothers: Leroy and James, and a sister, Judy.

Alice was a loving and hardworking mother who dedicated herself to her family. She was a wonderful cook, who loved catering for family and friends and worked in the deli at Dave's Supermarket for a time. She was also a brilliant seamstress, working for many years doing alterations for Von Maur and Jos. A. Bank.

She loved gardening, tending to her home, and reading her Bible. She loved to travel – visiting her kids and grandchildren as often as she could, and going to Haiti on mission trips. She was an active member of the Bloomington Apostolic Christian Church. She will be greatly missed by all who loved her.

Memorials will be given in Alice's name to the Moriah Foundation and Haiti Missions.

Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made to www.calvertmemorial.com.

# Sharon 'Jean' Vicary

BRIMFIELD - Sharon "Jean" Vicary, 78, of Brimfield, passed away at 5:59 p.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

She was born Nov. 19, 1941, to Willis and Mildred (Baldwin) Hargrave in Equality, Ill.

She married Frank Vicary on Sept. 12, 1959, in Peoria. He preceded her in death in 1990.

She is survived by five children, Mark Vicary of Elmwood, Jeff Vicary of Brimfield, Todd (April) Vicary of Elmwood, Cara (Andrew) Aquino of Milwaukee, Wis., and Emmie (Will Mullens) Vicary of Brimfield; one sister, Shirley "Joan" Cody; and nine grandchildren, Chance, Michael, Mitchell, Mackenzie, Christopher, Victoria, Makayla, AJ, and Connor.

Jean was a homemaker and worked for the Catholic Social Services and the Department of Children and Family Services as a foster parent taking care of 150 chil-



Vicary

dren over the course of 30 years.

To our loving mother and grandmother, we are deeply saddened by your loss but we find comfort knowing you are at Peace with the Lord. We love you, we miss you, and we will treasure our memories of you until we meet again.

A private service will be held with immediate family only with a burial following at Oak Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Elmwood Educational Fund, memo to: Kimi Pettit or Keith LaFollett.

To leave online condolences or to watch Jean's service, please visit oakshinesfuneralhome.com.

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75 Spying setup 77 Likely (to) 80 Meadow

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# **Super** Crossword

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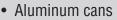
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The candidate's petitions must be filed with the Village Clerk along with the receipt of Statement of Economic Interest, no earlier than 8am on Monday, December 14, 2020 and no later than 5pm on Monday, December 21, 2020.

The following positions are open:

Village President - 4 year term Village Clerk - 4 year term Village Trustee - 4 year term Village Trustee - 4 year term

Village Trustee - 4 year term

In order to run for office you must be a registered voter.

You also must have resided in the Village limits for one year.

Petition Packet Contains:

Statement of Candidacy

Consolidated Primary Petition (Nonpartisan)- Need 3 to 15 signatures

Loyalty Oath

Statement of Economic Interest- Needs to be filed with the County Clerk. Peoria County Clerk, 324 Main Street, Peoria, IL 61602. You can also file online or view more information on Statement of

Economic Interest at www.peoriacounty.org/247/Statement-of-Economic-Interests

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#### FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT **PUBLIC NOTICE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION** April 6, 2021

Petition packets are available at the Farmington City Building for individuals wishing to seek election in the Consolidated Election for one single position of Farmington Township Park District Trustee.

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#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for "BRIMFIELD CUSD 309 GRADE SCHOOL BLEACHER REPLACEMENT" will be received by the Board of Education, Brimfield Community Unit School District #309, hereinafter known as the Owner, until 2:30 PM prevailing time on Thursday, December 10th, 2020 at the Brim-field District/High School Office, 323 E Clinton St, Brimfield, IL 61517 at which time Bids will be publically opened, read aloud, and recorded. Accommodations for social distancing will be made.

Bids shall include labor, materials, tools, equipment, and services for completion of the entire Project under a single fixed-price General Contract, between the Owner and the General Contractor

Every bid shall consist of two (2) fully completed copies of the Bid Form Documents and shall be accompanied by a bid guarantee consisting of bid bond, certified check or cashier's check made payable to BRIMFIELD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #309, in amount of five per-cent of total bid amount. Failure of bidder to submit an acceptable bid bond, certified check or cashier's check in amount to cover proposals bid upon is cause for rejection of his bid.

Bids which are mailed or delivered prior to the bid opening should be placed in a sealed envelope and clearly labeled "BRIMFIELD CUSD 309 GRADE SCHOOL BLEACHER REPLACEMENT" and should be addressed to Superintendent Tony Shinall, at the Owner's above listed address. Bids that are received after the stated time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Successful bidder will be required to provide Surety Performance Bond and separate Labor and Material Payment bond, each in amount equal to 100% of contract price, within 10 days after prescribed forms are presented for signature. Surety on bonds shall be a duly authorized company acceptable to Owner.

No bid shall be withdrawn for 60 days after opening of bids without consent of Owner. The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and to accept or reject any or all bids when in the opinion of the Owner, such action will service the best interest of the Owner PROJECT: BRIMFIELD CUSD 309

# **GRADE SCHOOL BLEACHER REPLACEMENT**

**Brimfield Grade School** 216 E Clinton St.

Brimfield, IL 61517

OWNER: Board of Education

> Brimfield Community Unit School District #309. 323 E Clinton St., Brimfield, Illinois 61517

ARCHITECT / ENGINEER: Contract Documents have been prepared by:

Keach Architectural Design, Inc. 99 Commerce Drive, Morton, IL Architect's Project Number: 20039 Project Dated November 24th, 2020

The scope of the Project is defined by the Contract Documents and

generally consists of the replacement of the existing manual and motorized telescoping bleachers with motorized telescoping bleachers with contoured molded plastic seats.

Pre-bid Conference/Tour: A "Pre-Bid" Meeting and guided jobsite tour is scheduled to begin Thursday, December 3rd, 2020, at 2:30 PM prevailing time, at Brimfield Grade School, 216 E Clinton St, Brimfield, IL 61517 in the cafeteria. The Architect and the Owner will not respond to questions orally regarding the Project outside of the Pre-Bid Meeting. All requests for clarifications or interpretations outside of the Pre-Bid Meeting shall be made in writing and will be answered by Addendum when appropriate.

It is anticipated the Brimfield CUSD 309 Board of Education will award the Project at their regular meeting, in the month of December 2020. The Architect will issue a Notice to Proceed with the Project. All correspondence shall be directed to Keach Architectural Design, Inc.; 99 Commerce Drive; Morton, IL 61550; (309) 263-4545; (309) 263-5515 Fax; Attention: Lee Gerrietts

Bids on all work of this contract shall be subject to the provisions of the "Illinois Prevailing Wage Act" (Illinois Revised Status, Chapter 48, Section 395S - 1-12).

This project is TAX EXEMPT.

Drawings and Project Manual will be on file at:

1. Keach Architectural Design, Inc.; 99 Commerce Drive; Morton, IL 61550; (309) 263-4545; (309) 263-5515 Fax. 2. Greater Peoria Contractor's and Suppliers Association; 1811 West Altorfer Drive; Peoria, IL 61615; (309) 692-5710; (309) 692-5790 Fax.

Project Document Sets will be available on November 8th, 2020. Bidders may obtain Bidding Documents from The Wassi Group, 208 S. 1st Avenue, Morton, IL 61550, http://wassigroup.com/twg/, (309) 266-6545, by making a deposit for each set. Deposits for Bidding Documents shall be in form of checks for \$80 for each set, made payable to Keach Architectural Design, Inc., or CIB-AGC Document Request/Security Cards. Each General Contractor may obtain up to 3 complete sets of Bidding Documents. Subcontractors may obtain 1 complete set of Bidding Documents. Deposits will be returned to bidders who return all the complete sets of Bidding Documents in good condition to The Wassi Group within 10 days after date of opening of bids. Bidders may receive a single Bidding Document set of digital PDF files online. Registering through The Wassi Group is required for online sets.

Board of Education

Brimfield Community Unit School District #309

Brimfield, Illinois

By: Mr. Tony Shinall, Superintendent

Published 11/26/20

# BRIMFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT #309 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative

office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

323 East Clinton St, Brimfield, IL 61517 309-446-3378 Brimfield Community School District No. 309 SCHOOL DISTRICT/JOINT AGREEMENT NAME ADDRESS TELEPHONE

OFFICE HOURS Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net. SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2	020									
		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	3,654,670	575,350	1,045,901	238,843	132,378	208,649	63,144	277,244	59,510
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	1,291,575	0	0	248,824	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	338,658	0	111,165	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		5,284,903	575,350	1,157,066	487,667	132,378	208,649	63,144	277,244	59,510
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		5,209,589	670,506	292,721	531,505	194,197	462,291		273,610	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	(300,000)	1,082	0	0	300,000	0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2019		2,971,650	729,860	456,118	430,499	294,967	95,005	354,748	447,761	252,445
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances, June 30, 2020		3 046 064	334 704	1 221 545	206 661	222 140	141 262	417 902	451 305	211 055

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# **DEER:** First buck makes for 'a wonderful world'

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At that time, Owen was small in stature, weighing just over 80 pounds. He was 10 and not carrying a gun. We were to be about 50 yards in the timber. Before stepping in, I whispered to Owen, "If we see a deer do you want to shoot it?"

His answer was obviously a "Yes." "Now these are the rules," I said. "If I give you the gun, the safety will already be off. Just aim and fire. But I only want you to shoot once. If a big buck comes I'll keep the gun."

Fifteen minutes into the drive, a nice doe trotted across the cornfield to our west. She was in the open, but there was 50 yards of timber between us. She was not a deer I was interested in and I decided that it was too hard of a shot for a 10-year-old.

As the doe ran out of sight, I'm sure my grandson was thinking "grandpa

is a lying son-of-a-gun." About five minutes later, we spotted a yearling buck working through brush towards us. At 50 vards, he went down a little dip, meaning that when we saw him again, he would be pretty close. I handed Owen the gun and everything was in his ballpark. He had never fired a 12-gauge automatic shotgun and was only a few seconds away from the experience of a lifetime.

The deer came out of the dip and stopped at 25 yards. Owen, who was shooting slightly uphill, squeezed the trigger. I saw two different things at the same time. My left eye saw a hole in the heart area of the deer, which quickly filled with gushing blood.

My right eye saw Owen flying backwards, one step, two steps, and then sliding on his back and butt. He was still holding the gun and I was between him and the deer ... which is why I am glad he remembered the rule about only shooting once.

"Nice shot," I said while hastily retrieving my gun.

We tagged the deer, as it did not go far. Then we went back to the drive and I told Owen to "be cool' when we met back with his father and not tell him right away.

We had heard shots and when we met up with Ribeye, he had shot two big does (141 and 144 pounds).

"What did you shoot?" he asked. "Your son shot a yearling," I calmly

"How did he like you using his permit?" Ribeye asked.

This time I got right in his face, my voice crackled and tears rolled down my cheeks. Without whispering I said, "Your son shot a yearling."

As Louie would say, "It's a wonderful world."

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# **LEGAL ADS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF **ILLINOIS - PEORIA COUNTY** 

IN RE. THE REQUEST FOR **CHANGE OF NAME (MINOR CHILD) DULCE SELENE LOPEZ,** 

Farmington, IL 61531

(309) 245-4712

Case No.: 20-MR-00884

Sat - 8-noon

Closed Sundays

Petitioner. **NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE PROCEEDING** 

Notice is hereby given to FERNANDO ALVARADO that on the 11TH day of January, 2021, in Courtroom 203 of the Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, at the hour of 10:30 a.m., the Petition to Change the Name of ISELLA SELENE ALVARADO to ISELLA SELENE LOPEZ filed by DULCE SELENE LOPEZ on November 12, 2020, will be heard pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided. Dated: November 19, 2020 at Princeville, Illinois.

Kerry R. Cordis, Attorney for Petitioner **CORDIS & CORDIS** Attorneys at Law 129 N. Walnut Street P.O. Box 445

Princeville, IL 61559 309.385.4616 (t)

309.385.0054 (f) Published 11/19, 11/26, 12/3/20

# **LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790**

#### **NOTICE OF CAUCUS**

Notice is hereby given that on December 1, 2020, a caucus of the Republican Party in Rosefield Township, Illinois, will be held at the Rosefield Township Maintenance Building, 16221 W. Southport Rd., Brimfield, IL 61517, commencing at 7:00 pm for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices:

> Clerk Supervisor Road Commissioner Four (4) Trustees

> > Darrin Maue, Presiding Officer

**PAYMENTS OVER \$2,500, EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES** 

Published 11/26/20

# **NOTICE OF CAUCUS**

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> Clerk Supervisor Road Commissioner Four (4) Trustees

Duane Demmin, Presiding Officer Published 11/26/20

# WILLIAMSFIELD C.U.S.D. #210 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

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office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

Williamsfield C.U.S.D. #210 325 W. Kentucky Ave, Williamsfield, IL 61489 309-639-2219 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. SCHOOL DISTRICT/JOINT AGREEMENT NAME TELEPHONE ADDRESS OFFICE HOURS

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Local Sources	1000	3,254,464	518,528	294,476	240,811	220,266	128	0	75,270	74,810
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	356,040	50,000	0	144,214	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	112,443	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		3,722,947	568,528	294,476	385,025	220,266	128	0	75,270	74,810
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		3,668,089	519,438	133,128	348,127	196,973	248,455		73,149	995,527
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	0	0	0	300,000	0	0	2,500,000
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2019		996,438	154,235	6,589	321,445	(88,112)	10,145	0	(16,159)	46,800
Other Changes in Fund Balances		(500)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2020		1,050,796	203,325	167,937	358,343	(64,819)	61,818	0	(14,038)	1,626,083

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Advanced Plumbing & Mech.	8,000	CIT Trucks	8,797	Instructure, Inc.	10,389	Rask Transportation	2,924
Aetna	56,610	CNA Surety Direct Bill	3,941	Interstate Fence & Constr. Co.	12,400	ROE #33	6,745
Airgas, USA LLC		Collopy Trucking	13,009	Journeyed.com, Inc.	3,582	RK Dixon	3,278
Allsource Environmental LLC	4,870	Dreambox Learning	13,770	Kemper Constr. Inc.	39,132	ROWVA School District	6,581
Alpha Baking Co.		Dura Wax Company	4,471	Knox Warren Special Education Dist.	126,962	Servicemaster of Central IL	4,925
Altorfer, Inc.	6,820	IRS/SSA	103,763	Kohl Wholesale	84,233	Sherwin Williams	3,416
Ameren IL	17,124	E.T. Paddock	7,550	Ladd's Food Mart	4,508	Skyward Accounting Dept.	2,771
Apple Computers	7,445	FIRST	9,000	Laverdiere Const. Inc.	77,810	Specialized Data Systems, Inc.	12,000
Atlanta National Bank	122,075	Stephen Fleming	14,000	Lowe's	5,363	Spoon River Landscape LLC	10,562
Blucker, Kneer & Assoc.	7,510	Galesburg Area Vocational Center	9,000	MC Sport and More		Stalker Sports Floors	2,575
Breedlove's Sporting Goods	3,099	SYNCB/Amazon	70,555	Menards	3,930	Sunbelt Rentals	5,780
Brimfield Hardware	6,599	German-Bliss	9,665	Midwest Bus Leasing, LLC	10,192	T.H.I.S. Fund	20,494
Burris Equipment	3,893	G & M Distributors, Inc.	4,438	Mid Century Telephone	18,885	Tinyeye Therapy Services	26,636
Capital One Bank N.A.	79,351	Grainger	4,927	Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk	3,394	Traphagan Construction	4,555
Carl Sandburg College	20,128	Heartland Bank & Trust Co.	11,053	Morland Environmental Serv. LLC	12,200	Teachers Retirement System	32,596
CDW Government Inc.	36,090	Heartland School Solution	6,272	Music Makers	3,592	U.S.Cellular	2,537
Central IL Epoxy LLC	16,050	Heart Technologies, Inc.	6,583	Nextera Energy Services	35,635	West Central FS	32,254
Central IL Ed. Insurance Trust	286,751	Hein Construction Co. Inc.	125,494	Oberlander Electric	3,195	Williamsfield Water Dept.	5,202
Central States Bus Sales	40,345	H & H Industries, Inc.	2,693	Open Up Resources	11,670	Wells Fargo Financial	24,498
Chapman & Cutler LLP	14,000	IL Assoc. School Boards	3,853	Phillips & Assoc. Inc.	157,870	Wight Chevrolet	31,756
Christenberry Systems	3,474	IL Counties Risk Mgmt Trust	64,702	Premier Furniture & Equip. LLC	11,182	Wigand/PDC Area Co.	6,045
Cintas Corp.	4,034	IL Municipal Retirement Fund	95,443	Project Lead the Way	7,528	Wilson Paper Co.	8.083

# A deer hunt to remember

By TERRY 'T-BONE' FARQUER Weekly Post Staff Writer

This story happened a few years ago and this is how I recall it.

They were born premature, my grandchildren Mackenzie and Owen. They weighed around three pounds. After a few days, Mackenzie began to get better, but Owen's system didn't have the correct amount of white blood cells to fight off infection. He remained in critical condition for about six weeks.

Fast forward to noon on a beautiful sunshiny November day – the last of the first three days of shotgun deer season. We were hunting land belonging to my friend, Pearhead, and had split into two groups for a deer drive. My son, "Ribeye," my nephew, "Cool Hand Luke" and my grandson, Owen, were with me on the south tract. Another group was to the north.

Our tract was a deep, straight, wooded gully that ran west to east. It was surrounded on three sides by a picked cornfield and eventually ran into a large tract of timber at the east end. Ribeye would be a sitter at the east end and Luke would begin the drive at the west end, which was narrower and only needed one driver.

A couple hundred yards from the start was a finger of land that jutted south, and Owen and I waited there for Luke. Upon his arrival we would become drivers also. We would do the south side and Luke would do the north. We would usually be able to see each other.

Both our part of the drive and the drive that was going on north of us were to start at the same time thanks to texts from the electronical geniuses (definitely not me). While starting times were similar, arrival times would vary, depending on who screwed up.

Most boys were allowed to have a gun in a stand when they were 10, but if we were driving the age was 11. Mark, Pearhead's son, was penalized one year for shooting out the window of my Oldsmobile with a BB gun.

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# IHSA, IESA sports put on pause

By JEFF LAMPE Weekly Post Staff Writer

School sports are on hold across Illinois as part of the latest round of COVID-19 mitigations.

The Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Board of Directors met Nov. 19 and issued guidance to pause all IHSA winter sports. The Board will revisit the status of winter sports on Dec. 2, and again on Dec. 14, if necessary.

"Taking into account the current state mitigations, the Board believes that early to mid-December will be the most reasonable target to review the status of

winter IHSA sports and activities," said Craig Anderson, IHSA Executive Direc-

The sports pause includes open gyms, conditioning and weight training and practices – except for outdoor practices in groups of 10 or fewer while wearing masks and social distancing.

IESA boys basketball and girls volleyball were not scheduled to start their seasons until January, but the sports pause does put an end to practices. Coaches can conduct one-on-one workouts while wearing masks and avoiding physical contact.





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