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Local schools reporting limited COVID-19 cases

By **BILL KNIGHT**

For The Weekly Post

A disturbing summer trend – the spread of COVID-19 – is getting worse, possibly tied to re-opening schools, both K-12 and colleges. Despite more than 140 confirmed cases in the communities that feed into the Brimfield, Elmwood, Farmington and Princeville school districts, school officials report they have been largely spared.

Whether due to good luck, good hygiene, conscientious mask wearing, or information being withheld by parents, there are very few positive cases in local schools.

Students or staff who've been in close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case must be isolated for 14 days after the last exposure to the confirmed or suspected case, said Elmwood Superintendent Chad Wagner.

“These students have to stay home for the 14-day quarantine period, unless they test positive, in which case it would be a 10-day isolation period,” he said. “In both instances, students would need a ‘Release from Quarantine’ letter issue by the local health department.”

Thus far, Elmwood’s student-absence high water mark was 50 early in the term.

The Peoria City/County Health Department and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) last weekend (Aug. 29) reported these COVID-19 cases in zip codes within area school districts: 29 in Brimfield, 16 in Elmwood, 37 in Edwards, 11 in Farmington, 19 in Hanna City and 29 in Princeville.

IDPH reported no cases in District 210’s area (Williamsfield and

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Metro East restrictions tighten

By **Capitol News Illinois**

SPRINGFIELD – From taking down statues to new rules for voting and teen e-cigarette use, there’s plenty to discuss in state politics. Here’s a rundown on some recent Springfield-related news.

• **Bars closed** – State officials Tuesday announced additional efforts to curb the spread of COVID-19 in the Metro East area along the Missouri border.

The Illinois Department of Public Health reported a 7-day rolling test positivity average of 9.6 percent in Region 4, which includes the Metro East area, as of Saturday. Officials previously said mitigation strategies would be implemented in regions ex-

periencing a positivity rate of at least 8 percent for three consecutive days.

Residents in the Metro East area, as of Wednesday, will be unable to consume food or alcohol inside a restaurant or bar. All such establishments must close at 11 p.m. daily and re-open after 6 a.m., and residents are prohibited from congregating indoors for any reason.

• **Statue removal** – Representations of two slave-owning men with historical ties to Illinois will be moved from the Statehouse grounds in Springfield to a secure storage site, a panel of four officials voted recently.

The decision comes almost six weeks after House Speaker Michael

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This statue of Stephen Douglas at the Illinois Statehouse is slated to be removed. Capitol News Illinois photo by Jerry Nowicki.

Elmwood school eyes large budget deficit

By **BILL KNIGHT**

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – News that a likely collapse in state revenues is reflected in budget predictions shared with the Board of Education on Monday was somewhat offset by young students’ exceptional performance in KIDS, a state measure of their readiness.

Further, even with District 322’s estimate of a deficit budget, to be considered by the Board at its

Sept 28 meeting, the administration’s forecast is a worst-case scenario, so Elmwood may finish down but not out.

“We’re looking at a pretty sizable deficit,” Superintendent Chad Wagner said. “The days of proration may be back.”

Proration occurred in recent years when the legislature cut state funds so districts received a percentage of required amounts.

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ELMWOOD: Kindergarten survey encouraging

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District budget projections for 2020-21 show a possible \$2 million deficit, which includes a \$821,000 deficit in the four operating funds: Education (-\$642,000), Operations & Maintenance (-\$103,000) and Transportation (-\$117,000). Working Cash, could finish with a positive balance (\$41,000).

All of those funds, plus the other five funds, are still projected to finish with positive overall balances, and the District's overall balance could remain above \$3 million.

Besides revenue shortfalls anticipated from the state, the spring closure required by COVID-19 also eliminated in-house revenues, Wagner said, including no revenue from lunches, athletic or other activity admissions, or child-care. However, some financially related factors are more positive. The County School Facilities Sales Tax is expected to fall, but it appears to not be as dire as

feared. The District last March received about \$18,000, and this March received about \$14,000, he said.

Also, the County Supervisor of Assessment said the District's Estimated Assessed Valuation, upon which property taxes are based, may increase more than 5 percent, to \$87 million.

Nevertheless, even with glimmers of hope, Wagner cautioned, "I'll be shocked if we're not in the red."

Adding to short-term concerns is a trend in enrollment that shows a decline of 8.5 percent, to 619 students. Elmwood now has some 78 percent in school for face-to-face instruction, with the rest relying on remote learning. Also, 13 students are now being home-schooled, said Wagner, adding the graduation of the Class of 2021 will result in a net loss of 25 students.

It was a gain, however, when the Illinois State Board of Education on Aug. 20 released its Kindergarten Individual Development Survey

(KIDS) findings. Elmwood children were assessed to be almost twice as ready at state-wide numbers in the three categories of development: Social/Emotional, Language/Literacy, and Math. The percentages of local Kindergarteners prepared in those areas (and the statewide numbers) were 98 percent for Social/Emotional (56 percent statewide), 81 percent in Language/Literacy (47 percent statewide), and 88 percent in Math (compared to 35 percent statewide).

In other news:

- Elmwood may receive a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant to underwrite some extra costs for cleaning and sanitizing.
- Wagner said if the District plans to use one of five "remote planning days," parents will get two weeks' notice.
- An audit by Gorenz and Associates found that Elmwood's financial score improved from a 3.5 to 3.7.

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▲ **Historical Society** – The Farmington Historical Museum is open Wednesdays through Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Future Events

▲ **Suicide Support** – Support for families who have lost loved ones is offered Sept. 16 at Farmington Family YMCA at 6 p.m. Meetings held the third Wednesday of each month thanks to the

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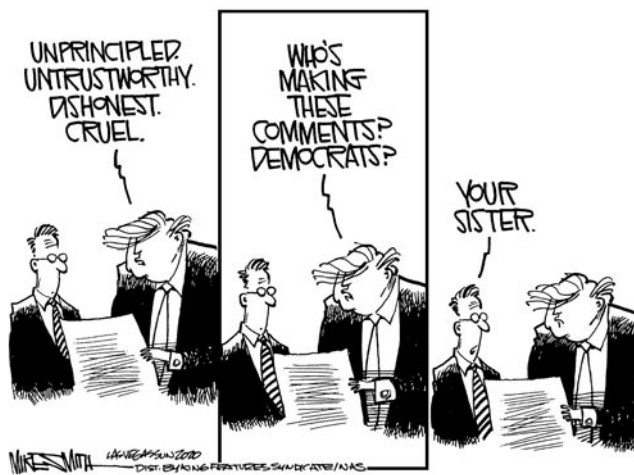
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GUEST VOICES



Of creeks, droughts, books and tidy librarians

This is a story about a creek, a drought, a book and why librarians make me worry sometimes. Creeks and rivers in our area are running very low. My favorite stretch of French Creek is the lowest it has been since I first started listening. See, the creek is not visible until you look over the edge of its high banks. But the sounds describe what you will see before you can confirm with your eyes.



Jeff LAMPE

In periods of high water, the creek is silent. Bad news. No way to get across. As water levels drop, the sound changes. I'm always happiest to hear water clattering over rocks at our ford. A noisy creek means we have a chance to cross. This is particularly valuable information during deer season when crossing in the dark. Wet boots are no fun on a 30-degree day. Lately, the sound has been a faint trickle. If not for rocks we put in as part of a streambank stabilization project, the creek would likely be silent. Pondering these changes took me back to an audio book my father gave me years ago: "River Notes" by Barry Lopez.

There's something about listening to a book that makes it stick. Passages from "River Notes" run through my mind regularly, particularly from the last chapter, "Drought." This short chapter describes what happens to a creek during a drought, starting with

the change in sound and then tracing events that unfold, from death to despair to rebirth – all told by an entertaining narrator.

Lopez is among my favorite nature writers, despite tending toward heavy mysticism. To me, that stuff makes more sense when it comes to nature, which is fairly mystical. Even so, I occasionally need to put Lopez down for a reality check. And sometimes the blend is right, as in this chapter.

"Day after day as the river fell by imperceptible increments its song changed, notes came that were unknown to me. I mentioned this to no one, but each morning when I awoke I went immediately to the river's edge and listened."

That's where I learned to listen. But these six pages taught me more.

"As deer and coyote sipped from the same tiny pool they abrogated their agreement, and the deer contemplated the loss of the coyote as he would the loss of a friend; for the enemy, like the friend, made you strong."

The climax comes before rain returns. There's mysticism involved and a talking Blue Heron, so be warned. But the heron makes sense and even provided me a mantra: "A person cannot be afraid of being foolish. For everything, every gesture, is sacred." That's a good message for life: Don't be afraid to do, but own what you do.

Recently, after a visit to the trickling creek, I searched for the audio book to refresh my memory. But it's a cassette, and I no longer have a good way to play a cassette. Sigh.

So I went online and ordered.

When the package arrived, peace came ... until I saw that my "new" book once sat on a shelf at the Idaho Falls Public Library. Evidently, at some point a librarian decided "River Notes" – published in 1979 and seemingly topical in a state filled with rivers and streams – was no longer of value and sold it for \$1.

The book reseller got considerably more than that, which makes me happy. And in fairness, there are likely several libraries that still have "River Notes" on the shelf, making it available for an interlibrary loan (an idea that has improved my life).

Yet this practice of discarding books makes me (the son of a book hoarder) nervous. Sure, books go out of style. Some fall apart. So librarians deem it necessary to "weed books." There's even a website (awfullibrary-books.net) where librarians give examples of "weedable" books.

But there are problems with weeding. A few years ago, my father found a first edition in a library's discard pile. He was stunned, then sold it for a nice profit. That money could have helped the library in question.

A bigger problem is seeing books discarded even when empty shelf space abounds. No library should give up books to empty shelves.

Finally, what is the criteria? "Not many people are checking out 'War and Peace' lately, let's ditch it." "Mark Twain is not funny. Yank his books."

Why does any of this matter? Because as Lopez tells us, "... everything, every gesture is sacred."

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Senate needs to take action on Heroes Act

To the Editor:

It is inexcusable that Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell sent senators home while a staggering number of Americans continue to file for unemployment and the HEROES Act – the next coronavirus economic relief package, passed by the House 208-199 on May 15 – hasn't even been considered in the Senate.

Now, as the virus wreaks havoc across the country, peaking and continuing to spread in many states, laid-off workers have yet another burden to face: the end of the \$600 federal supplemental jobless benefits provided by the CARES Act. This additional stipend, which expired July 3, literally meant life or death for millions of American families. It gave people the means to pay their rent or mortgage, make car payments, or afford groceries and prescriptions.

Let's be clear: Nobody wants to be unemployed. A job is about more than a paycheck – it's a source of dignity. Millions are out of work through no fault of their own. Unless the Senate passes the HEROES Act, which proposes continuing these payments into January, Americans will needlessly suffer, our economy will continue to spiral downward, and any recovery will take longer.

It's time to pass the HEROES Act, extend unemployment, and keep working people whole.

– **Tom McLaughlin**, President West Central Illinois Labor Council
Blaming Columbus misses the mark

To the Editor:

Blaming Christopher Columbus, who was searching for a quick way to China and not for a new land to subjugate, for the uprooting and

killing of Native Americans is the equivalent of blaming Carl Benz, credited with inventing the first workable automobile in 1885, for the amount of air pollution caused by our use of internal combustion automobiles in 2020.

– **Dimitri Beres**, Elmwood
Nothing 'radical' about disagreeing with Trump

To the Editor:

I am worried about our precious country and how hateful and divisive we have become. Especially when the leader of our country is the author of this hate and divisiveness. I am tired of being called the "radical left" just because I am not a member of the

Republican party.

Prior to our current president, Democrats and Republicans worked together with mutual respect for each party and with an understanding that working together was how we made our country united and strong. Sadly now votes are made for "constituents" rather than what is best for the country.

I am an American who loves this country and deeply cares about our citizens (all of them) and the many problems we face as a nation. We are dealing with a virus that will impact our country for years to come. Racism has once again raised its ugly head and I see fellow humans who are fearful of their safety and freedoms just because of the color of their skin. I see our poor get poorer while the rich get richer. I worry about our sick and elderly who have no insurance and no health care coverage. I worry when I see those who proclaim they are Christians on Sunday, yet spout hateful and racist verbage right along with this hateful

president during the week.

President Trump has taken everyone who chooses not to support him and grouped them all together calling them radicals and unpatriotic.

Just because I choose to not agree with Trump does not make me a radical. I am a Christian. I believe in the right to life and am very much against abortion. I care about my fellow man and the problems and issues they face. I am very active in my community and love and care about the people who live here with me.

I believe education guarantees that our children will be able to achieve their future goals and dreams and their future careers. I believe education should be a priority. I believe our leaders should be an example of love, kindness and respect to one another (no matter their political party). I believe Americans have the freedom to express their opinion and peacefully assemble and protest their concerns. None of these beliefs make me a radical.

I am tired of the hate President Trump has seeded throughout America, pitting us against each other. These seeds have grown into full blown racism, hatred and intolerance toward those who think differently, calling us the "radical left." I am one of millions of Americans who choose to think differently from the Republican Party. That doesn't make us radical, it simply makes us Americans who view things differently from the Republican right.

It is time to stop fighting, calling each other names and being hateful. A nation divided will eventually crumble, but a nation united will thrive and grow. I ask fellow Americans to reach out to one another and work together for the good of our country. Let's put away the hate and divisiveness and emulate love and kindness instead.

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Princeville sheriff's deputy accused of theft
 PEORIA – Matthew C. Hawkins, 47, of Princeville has been accused of twice walking into a Peoria Kroger store in August and stealing alcohol while in uniform.



Hawkins

A 24-year Sheriff's Department veteran, Hawkins was arrested and taken to Peoria County Jail by Illinois State Police on Aug. 26.

Hawkins was in Peoria County Circuit Court Aug. 27 on charges of burglary, official misconduct and retail theft for two incidents that allegedly occurred on Aug. 14 and Aug. 18.

Hawkins posted \$10,000 bond and faces another court appearance Sept. 24. The burglary charge is a Class 2

Felony and is punishable by up to seven years in prison.

Police reports

• **BRIMFIELD** – Roberto Salgado, 52, of Brimfield was charged on Aug. 26 with aggravated sexual assault/felony and two counts of criminal sexual abuse/force.

• **ELMWOOD** – Illinois Route 78 north of town was closed Aug. 27 after a semi-truck carrying pumpkins pulled in front of a Jeep, causing an accident in which fuel spilled. One person involved had a minor injury.

• **KICKAPOO-EDWARDS** – A driver informed police that a chunk of asphalt was thrown through the back of his vehicle while southbound on Kickapoo-Edwards Road at Fox Chapel on Aug. 25.

• **PRINCEVILLE** – A vehicle stolen from the Princeville area was recovered at Crusens in West Peoria on Aug. 27.

• **ELMWOOD** – Amanda M. Coulter, 36, of Elmwood was charged on Aug. 30 for failure to appear. She was charged again on Aug. 31 for

theft between \$500 and \$1,000.

• **FARMINGTON** – A failure to signal at the intersections of Elmwood and Vernon Streets in Farmington on Aug. 24 resulted in an additional charge for driving while license is revoked for Jonathan Halverson, 24, of Mahtowa, Minn., according to a Farmington police report. The vehicle was impounded.

• **FARMINGTON** – A driver responsible for a reckless driving complaint sped off when officers attempted to stop their vehicle at the intersection of Illinois Highways 78 and 116 on Aug. 26, according to a Farmington police report. Emily Dean, 23, from Canton was eventually stopped one-quarter mile west of Trivoli and charged with DUI, aggravated fleeing, attempting to elude police and improper lane usage. The vehicle was towed and impounded.

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 JUDGE PRESIDING JUDGE
 NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT
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SCHOOLS: Siblings also impacted

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Dahinda), though the Knox County Health Department said there are 38 cases in rural areas, county-wide.

Rising infection rates are alarming health, government and business officials, and rural counties' infections nationally rose by 46,000 in the week ending Aug. 22, reported the Center for Rural Strategies (CRS). In Illinois in the last two weeks, most increased positive test results are in rural areas, according to Johns Hopkins University.

"We have not been made aware of any positive cases in our schools," said Brimfield Superintendent Tony Shinall. "Students being sent home for symptoms has been minimal. Families, as well as the faculty and staff of both buildings, have been amazing in being willing to do whatever it takes to ensure minimal interruptions."

Elmwood also has seemingly escaped any need to quarantine students.

"We are notified by the parents if they have tested positive," Wagner said. "IDPH has not notified us in those situations. When they do, we will be working directly with IDPH in order to conduct contact tracing for quarantine guidance."

"IDPH has been accessible through our weekly Zoom meetings (with the ROE and County Superintendents) as well as via email," he continued. "We have not been contacted as of today's date (Aug. 28) by IDPH with a confirmed, positive case of COVID in our schools, for either students or staff."

In Princeville, Superintendent Shannon Duling said, "We have had lots of communication with the health department about the number of cases in the Princeville area. They have been great at keeping us informed and in answering our questions."

He's also unaware of any student who's tested posi-

tive since school started, although some students and staff have been out of school after contact tracing determined possible exposure (being within six feet of an infected person for more than 15 minutes).

Two staff members at Princeville tested positive. Both recovered and were cleared to return to work.

If schools rely on families to self-report infections, triggering contact tracing, absences or quarantines, that's inconvenient to households and schools alike. There have been some absences, mostly because of students or their siblings showing COVID-19 symptoms. Those exhibiting a symptom must not attend school until they have a negative test result or a doctor's note with an alternative diagnosis. But symptomatic people's siblings must be excluded, too.

"If we have a student who has a headache and sore throat, they need to go home as well as their brothers and sisters," Dul-

ing said. "We have had many of these situations, including some that have affected our staff (as parents of a sick child). Thus far, all of our kids who were sent home with a symptom, or kept home with a symptom, have returned with either a negative test result or a note from their doctor."

Nationwide, the pandemic is not receding as hoped and youngsters can contract the virus. There have been about 70,000 new cases in children in the U.S., according to a study by the American Association of Pediatrics and the Children's Hospital Association. August's rate of hospitalization for kids was up, too, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Illinois officials said Intensive Care Unit admissions are at their highest since June and the state's daily death toll last week reached 37, which included a Cook County teen last week and is highest in almost two months.

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Princeville taxes could increase by over 5%

By **BILL KNIGHT**
For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – The Village Board on Aug. 24 set a “truth-in-taxation” public hearing for today (Sept. 3) at 6 p.m. about a proposed increase in property taxes, which are necessary to make up for previous miscalculations, according to Mayor Jeff Troutman.

State law requires taxing districts that are considering raising the aggregate tax levy more than 5 percent greater than the prior year’s tax extension to conduct public hearings about the proposal. The hearing should compare the amount of the proposed property tax levy to the amount of taxes for the Village in the previous year.

“Our projections for revenues

haven’t been adjusted right for years,” Troutman said. “Looking back the effect was minimal for the first couple of years, but last year, in the Board’s mid-year [financial] review, we saw that the forecast of about \$130,000 was only about \$70,000.”

The Board on July 21 unanimously OK’d projected revenues of \$2.3 million from May 1 through April 30, 2021, about \$40,000 less than the previous Fiscal Year. Trustees also approved an appropriations ordinance planning \$3,007,479 in expenditures.

In other news:

• The Board held its Aug. 24 session as a special meeting, which was called after a scheduled Aug. 18 meeting didn’t have a quorum of

members in attendance to take action.

• As a consequence of some vandalism at Cutter’s Grove Park on the south end of town, the Village will be adding more security cameras in the area.

• Troutman reported that Seneca Foods on the south side of town is increasing production and using more than 600,000 gallons of water a day, and will probably use about 1 million gallons daily over the next several weeks.

• All Trustees and Troutman took the oath to serve as the Village’s Emergency Services Disaster Agency, empowered to set procedures in the event of disasters or civil emergencies.

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BRIEFS

Investigation continues into human remains

GLASFORD – No positive identification or cause of death has yet been determined after the discovery of a human skull with teeth and several other bones along the Illinois River on Saturday.

After a forensic autopsy, Peoria County Coroner Jamie Harwood said officials were able to report “with certainty” that the remains are not those of three people missing in the Peoria area: Alexis Scott, Marck Bohannon or Janie Sellers.”

Illinoisans 75 and over get extra license year

SPRINGFIELD – Driver’s licenses for Illinoisans 75 or older are valid one extra year beyond the currently listed 2020 expiration date, Secretary of State Jesse White announced.

Those roughly 147,000 seniors do

not need to visit a motor vehicle facility until just prior to their birthday in 2021.

The expiration date for all other Illinoisans’ driver’s licenses and plate stickers was pushed to Nov. 1. The office is encouraging residents not to visit a driver services facility for matters that can be handled online.

F&M Bank staff named to IBA committees

Three F&M Bank employees have recently been appointed to 2020-21 Illinois Bankers Association (IBA) committees.

Pat Colwell, vice president and project manager, was appointed as a member of IBA’s technology and operations committee.

Rhonda Houzenga, VP of marketing and public relations, is now chairman of IBA’s communications and marketing committee.

Diana Whitson, VP of human re-

sources and executive administration, was named to the IBA human resources committee.

President’s List

Taylor Sims of Elmwood and Lindsey Stenger of Brimfield both made the President’s List at Spoon River College for the spring of 2020.

Stenger was a first-team all National Junior College Academic All-American for Spoon River’s softball team and Sims was third team academic All-American. Both earned Mid-West Athletic Conference academic all-conference honors

College graduates

GALESBURG – Carl Sandburg College announced the following 2020 summer graduates:

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Shirley J. Bantz

ELMORE – Shirley J. Bantz, 91, a resident of Aperia Care in Galesburg, formerly of Elmore, died at 5:05 a.m., Friday, Aug. 28, 2020, at the center.

Funeral services were to be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 2, at the Williamsfield United Methodist Church. Visitation was to be one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in the Glendale Cemetery in Elmore. Memorials may be directed to the Williamsfield United Methodist Church.



Bantz

Rux Funeral Home in Williamsfield is in charge of arrangements. COVID-19 regulations of wearing face masks and social distancing will be required at the church.

Shirley was born June 5, 1929, in Elmore, the daughter of John and Mattie (Hart) Lumberry. She married Maurice E. Bantz on Feb. 1, 1947, in Peoria and he preceded her in death on Oct. 7, 2016. She was also preceded in death by her parents, brothers; Harland, Raymond and Paul and sisters; Audrey, Marjorie, Wyona and Golda.

She is survived by five sons; Don, John, Harley, Dennis and Larry Bantz, 9 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Shirley had worked at Alcoa Build-

This Week's Obituaries

- Shirley J. Bantz, 91, Elmore
- Karen Dalton, 77, Yates City
- Virginia S. Dunkel, 84, Elmwood
- Ruth V. Ista, 93, Peoria
- George E. Smith, 79, Princeville

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ing Products in Princeville as a machine operator. She retired after 20 years in 1991. She was a member of the former Elmore Methodist Church and she enjoyed going to the races, cooking, baking and canning. She was especially proud of her grandchildren and great grandchildren and loved supporting them and attending their sporting events.

This obituary may be viewed and private condolences left at www.rux-funeralhome.com.

Virginia S. Dunkel

ELMWOOD – Virginia S. Dunkel, 84, of Elmwood, Ill., passed away at 9:29 a.m., on Friday, Aug. 28, 2020, at her home.

She was born Aug. 2, 1936, in Louisville, Ky., to Simon and Lillian (Paulonis) Nork. They preceded her in death.

Surviving are two sons, Bradley (Stacey Kirk) Dunkel of Anderson, S.C., and Curtis (Christine)



Dunkel

Dunkel of Elmwood; eight grandchildren, Aryton Dunkel, Matt Dunkel, Tyler Dunkel, Trevor Dunkel, Julianna Dunkel, Kevin Dunkel, Kirklyn Dunkel and Christian Dunkel; and one great-grandchild, Landon Dunkel.

She is also preceded in death by one son, Brian Dunkel.

Virginia grew up in Baltimore, Md., before moving to Glen Elyn, Ill. to attend high school. She went on to graduate from Northwestern University. She spent most of her adult life living in Rockford, Ill., where she was a member of the Rockford Women's and Red Hat Clubs. She enjoyed playing tennis and needlepoint. In 2000, she retired from a career at Sunstrand Corporation.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A private graveside service will be held at a later date in Rockford.

To leave online condolences, please visit oakshinesfuneralhome.com.

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

Ruth V. Ista

PEORIA – Ruth V. Ista, 93, of Peoria, passed away at her home on Aug. 26, 2020, in Peoria.

She was born Feb. 22, 1927, in Peoria to Henry and Johanna (Samp) Siebels. She married Aaron J. Ista on Dec. 6, 1947, in Peoria. He preceded her in death in 2003. Her parents and six siblings also preceded her in death.

Surviving are her three children, Steve (Linda) Ista of Brimfield,

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Sandy (John) Rahn of Peoria, and Susan (Scott) Bradley of Dillon, Colo. Also surviving are 5 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, a sister-in-law, Donna Gogele of Peoria and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Ruth was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Peoria and worked as an administrative assistant for Travelers Insurance for many years. She enjoyed researching the Siebels' family genealogy, stamp collecting, and many vacations with friends and family. She was devoted to her high school friends throughout life as a member of the social club, the Woo-Woo's.



Ista

A service was Aug. 31, 2020, at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Peoria. Burial was at Lutheran Cemetery in Peoria. Davison-Fulton Woolsey-Wilton Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Redeemer Lutheran Care Ministry. Online condolences can be submitted to www.woolsey-wilton.com.

George E. Smith

PRINCEVILLE – George E. Smith, 79, of Princeville passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2020, at 6:53 a.m. at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

He was born on April 9, 1941, in Princeville to parents Frank "Jake" and Helen (Dunlap) Smith. He married Patricia Driskell on Sept. 8, 1963 in Peoria; she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Greg (Ann) Smith of Princeville and Michael (Michelle) Smith of Canton; five grandchildren, Miles, Thomas, Talon and Joey Smith, all of Princeville and Aliyah Smith of Canton; two sisters-in-law, Shirley Howell of Peoria Heights and Dorothy Kelso of Eureka; one brother-in-law, Donald "Tubby" Driskell of Metamora; and his beloved dog, Gracie. He is preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Don Jones.



Smith

George was a lifelong farmer in Princeville and took a passion in serving his community. He loved fishing, was a Scag dealer, and was past President of the Princeville Lions Club. He faithfully served the Lord in many ways through his work with youth, as a speaker at Wesley Weekends, and was a past lay minister, deacon, and elder at the Princeville Presbyterian Church.

An outdoor visitation was Aug. 29, 2020, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Princeville United Methodist Church. George's funeral followed

the completion of the visitation. Burial was in Princeville Township Cemetery. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville is in charge of arrangements.

To leave online condolences for George's family, please visit his tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com. Memorial contributions may be made to Princeville United Methodist Church or Princeville Lions Club. One of George's favorite verses in the Bible and his message for everyone is "Whatever you do, do it as unto the Lord" (Col 3:23).

Karen M. Dalton

YATES CITY – Karen M. (Harms) Dalton, 77, of Yates City, died Aug. 29, 2020, in Bradenton, Fla., where she resided.

Karen was born on Oct. 14, 1942, in Peoria to Oscar John "Bud" and Roberta Harms who preceded her in death.

She was first married to William E. Oyler and later to Kenneth Dalton in 1984. Kenneth Dalton preceded her in death in 2015.

Surviving are her children: Byron E. Oyler, of Cary, N.C., and Keri Clifton of Jacksonville, Fla.; her siblings: John Harms, Jean Sylvester, Peg Ralston and Mike Harms; and three grandchildren.

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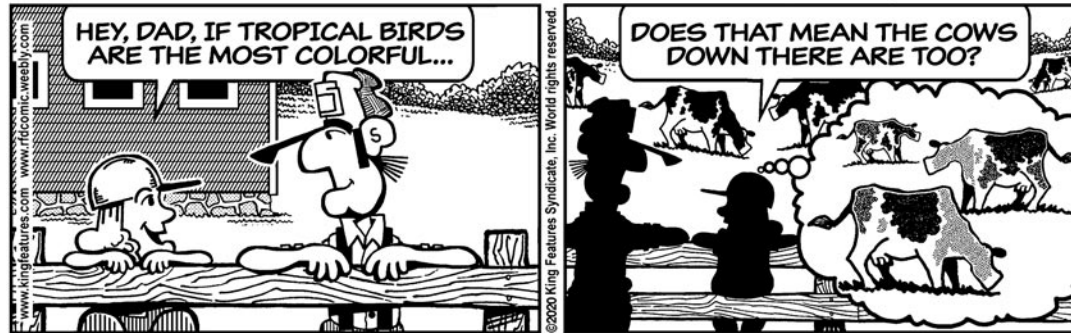
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Pages From The Past

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5 Years Ago
All four districts that fund B.Y.E. Ambulance have now approved a change to its contract that will allow B.Y.E. to serve the south and east areas of the Williamsfield Fire Protection District, according to Russ Galbreath.

Things are moving in Williamsfield. In the last few months, St. James Catholic Church moved its main building and the public library moved into a new facility. Another, emotionally moving experience was relocating a 1968 Huey helicopter from the cemetery to the American Legion Hall.

50 Years Ago
Lloyd Taylor of Yates City met with an accident on a recent afternoon while sitting in his yard. A tree branch knocked a brick from the chimney which struck Taylor on the top of his head.

65 Years Ago
Princeville State Bank announces a new 24-hour banking service with installation of a night deposit vault.

80 Years Ago
Milk coming to the Elmwood Cheese Factory has increased three-fold. Fred Hadler reports prospects for a continuous increase are most favorable. With rains, milk produc-

tion is picking up and other cheese factories in this territory report nice increases.

90 Years Ago
Hunting licenses were received recently and demand for them is large. Licenses were delayed because it was believed that the legislature would make some changes in the game laws.

Oil has been added to the streets in Elmwood this week and the application was so plentiful that one lady was heard to say that we had another hard rain when a little girl responded, "Well, it must have rained black cats, Mama."

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JUDGE PRESIDING JUDGE

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on July 1, 2020, Sheriff of Peoria County will on October 12, 2020, in ROOM 203 OF THE COURTHOUSE, 324 MAIN STREET, PEORIA, IL 61602, at 8:30 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Peoria, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:
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by Linda Thistle

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FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 10

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

TRIVIA TEST By Fifi Rodriguez

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- GOVERNMENT: What is the subject of the eighth amendment to the U.S. Constitution?
- TELEVISION: What was the name of Jed Clampett's bloodhound on "The Beverly Hillbillies"?
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- FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which 20th-century novelist wrote, "And all the lives we ever lived and all the lives to be are full of trees and changing leaves"?
- MEASUREMENTS: How many tablespoons are in a half cup?
- LITERATURE: What was the name of the tiger in "The Jungle Book"?
- SCIENCE: When did the first space shuttle launch?
- MOVIES: Which 1980s movie had the tagline, "He may be dead but he's the life of the party"?

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 - Australia
 - GEICO
 - Virginia Woolf
 - Eight
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 - "Weekend at Bernie's"
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Brimfield golf attends visitation

By PHIL JOHNSON For The Weekly Post

The Brimfield golf team postponed its match last Thursday vs. Williamsfield to attend the visitation of classmate Aaron Miller, who suffered a traffic death on Aug. 19.

"Many of our golfers have been supporting each other and the Miller family during this difficult time," Brimfield coach Trent Trotter said.

The team lost a close one last Wednesday to Peoria Richwoods, 172-173, but took first in a triangular meet on Aug. 25 over Havana (183-189) and North Fulton (213) in Canton.

Brimfield will face Peoria Christian at Kellogg Golf Course on Sept. 8.

Elmwood

The Elmwood girls picked topped Monmouth United on Aug. 26, 200-215, at the Gibson Woods course in Monmouth. Claire Carnes led the Lady Trojans with a 44. Emma Woods and Ellie Claerhout each shot 51. Abi Davis carded a 54.

"Claire was in a groove with birdies on the fourth and eighth holes, helped by a chip-in on No. 8," Elmwood coach Diane Burwell said.

The boys were bested by United, 184-193. Charlie Wake shot 43 to edge

younger brother Tanner Wake, who fired a 44. Charlie Shissler registered a 51. Garrett German finished the day with a 55.

Elmwood faces Peoria Central at Newman Golf Course today (Sept. 3).

Farmington

Farmington's girls traveled to Dahinda last Thursday to match up with Peoria Central at the Oak Run course, but Central had only two golfers.

"Our girls used the trip to learn on a new course and work on their game," Coach Jodi Rathbun said.

Next up for the Lady Farmers is a trip to Baker Park in Kewanee Tuesday to take on the Lady Boilermakers.

Princeville

Princeville's boys fell to Mercer County last Wednesday, 172-197, in Aledo. Scout Schock shot 45 and Eli Garner carded a 49. The girls came up short to Mercer with Bridget Gilroy firing a 51, and Caitlin Thole registering a 58.

The Princes are at Lacon Country Club vs. Midland on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

Williamsfield

Williamsfield was idle this past week, but the Bombers and Lady Bombers will next be at Oak Run next Thursday vs. North Fulton and Henry.

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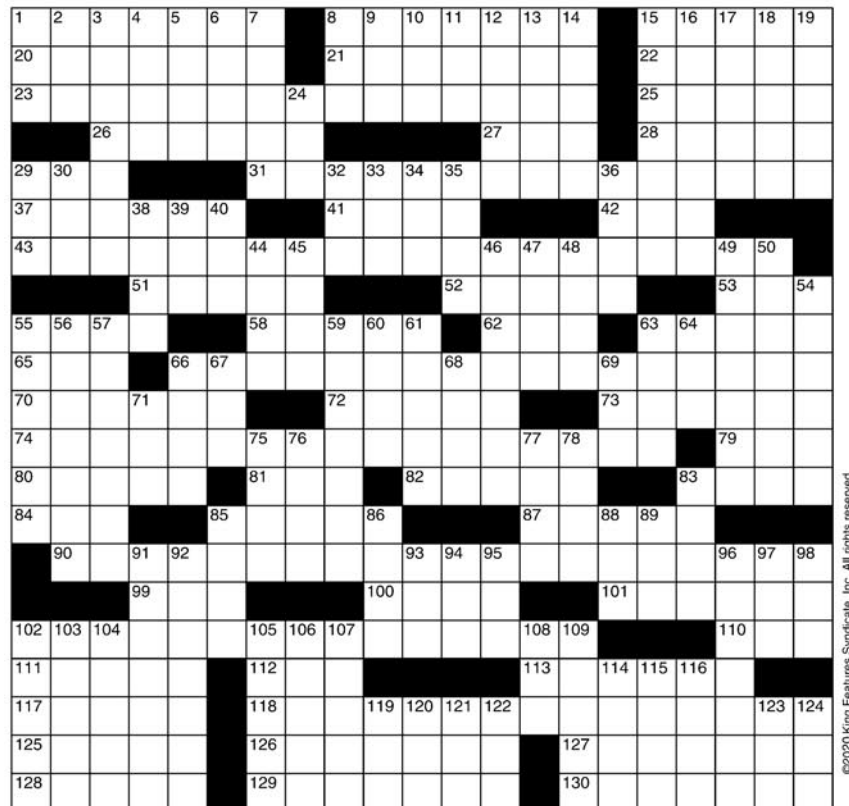
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The Supervisor of Assessments has applied an equalization factor to the below listed classes of property in Elmwood Township: Property Class Equalization Factor Residential 1.02 Commercial 0.98 Industrial 0.98 Farm Home site and dwelling 1.02

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DAVID E. RYAN Supervisor of Assessments Peoria County, Illinois

ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP

Table listing property owners and values for Elmwood Township, including entries for Windish, Steve & Eilen Harding, Ennis, Harold & Louise, etc.

Table listing property owners and values for other areas, including entries for Barrett, Mark, Century Enterprises Inc, Dull, Donna & Shawn, etc.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSFIELD ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF VILLAGE TREASURER FOR THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSFIELD, KNOX COUNTY, ILLINOIS FROM MAY 1, 2019 THRU APRIL 30, 2020 GENERAL RECEIPTS

Table listing various expenses and receipts for the village, including items like Illinois Municipal League - Clerk Membership, Illinois Public Safety Agency Network - Police, Integrity Comm. Bank - Gas & Electric Payment, etc.

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CAPITOL: Half of teens used e-tobacco in 2019

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Madigan asked the Office of the Architect to evict the representations of Stephen A. Douglas and Pierre Menard from the Capitol.

Douglas was a slave owner who served as Illinois' secretary of state and in the U.S. Senate.

Menard, also a slave owner, was the first lieutenant governor of Illinois who supported political action devised to ensure slavery was legal in the state.

Firms have been contacted to remove the statues and their bases and foundations in three months.

The process is also underway to move a bronze, 300-

pound likeness of Martin Luther King Jr. to "an appropriate location" at the Capitol.

• **Voting rules** – The Illinois Department of Public Health has released in-person voting guidelines.

Changes announced include moving polling locations from senior living facilities, maintaining social distancing for voters and workers, creating outdoor spaces for citizens to wait and switching to single-use items. Those rules also apply to early voting.

According to Illinois law, individual county clerks are obligated to comply with the department's rules as

well as produce their own plans to minimize potential COVID-19 infections.

While masks will be provided statewide, "election authorities are prohibited from preventing a noncompliant voter from casting a ballot for refusal to wear a face covering outside or inside a polling place," the health department said.

Poll workers are also barred from screening citizens for COVID-19.

• **E-Cigarettes** – Half of Illinois high school students reported using an electronic tobacco product last year, a U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention survey found, "erasing gains"

made by health advocates in recent years to curb tobacco use.

That trend is on par with the U.S. at large, which prompted the surgeon general to label electronic tobacco use an "epidemic."

In Illinois, electronic cigarettes are not included in a statewide ban of smoking at virtually all public places..

• **Census news** – Illinois is poised to have one of the top census response rates in the country. Illinois sits at a 69.1 percent self-response rate as of Aug. 27, up two points from its 67 percent self-response rate on July 19. The national rate was 64.2 percent.

XC: Farmers boys, girls take second

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Addy Neal (3rd, 25:26) and Annabelle Easley (4th, 26:57) led followed by freshman Allyson Gorsuch (6th, 28:18) and senior Lily Sharum (9th, 29:09).

On Monday, the Farmers were second to Tremont in the boys race (15-55) and girls race (15-52). Basalay (7th, 19:32) was the top boys finisher and Morse (8th, 20:35) was next fastest. Hintz (8th, 23:19) led the girls, followed by Neal (9th, 24:07) and Easley (10th, 25:09).

Farmington runs again Sept. 9 at home.

Elmwood-Brimfield
The Trojans two state-

ranked teams were to have run at Metamora Tuesday, but the meet was moved to Wednesday due to rain.

E-B's girls team is ranked 10th in the Mile-SplitL rankings, while the boys squad is rated No. 4 in the Class 1A poll.

Princeville

The Princes were to open their season Wednesday with a home meet vs. Stark County and United and then travel to El Paso on Sept. 5. An Aug. 27 home meet was cancelled due to the heat.

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ShaZam Racing offers hope for modified XC title races

By **JEFF LAMPE**
Weekly Post Staff Writer

The cross country season has started in earnest for local teams ... and so has talk of possible state championship races.

Prompting the conversation is ShaZam Racing of Peoria, which has announced plans to hold the 2020 XC Championships for grade school and high school cross country runners this fall. Those races are not possible under tcurrent guidelines stipulated by the Illinois High School Association, which allow only for "a single round of regional geographic competition" the week of Oct. 19-25.

According to Adam White, owner of ShaZam Racing and RC Outfitters in Peoria, races would be held at Three Sisters Park near Chillicothe. Dates are Oct. 31 (junior high), Nov. 1 (Division 1, in essence Class 1A), Nov. 7 (Division 2, Class 2A) and Nov. 8 (Division 3, Class 3A). Girls would race in the morning, boys in the afternoon.

White said participants will run for club teams with no official affiliation to a school program. But each club must consist of runners

from the same school. Point of contact will not be a coach or school official. Entry cost is \$20 per runner.

"Everything we have put together on paper – and with the location where we're hosting this – there's no reason we should not be able to do this," White said. "We're going to work with all the powers that be to check all the necessary boxes to make it a safe event. And we have to be sensitive to the fact that safety protocols and measures for outside events that we have today might be different tomorrow."

But White said if current sports guidelines remain in place this fall, the races will happen.

He said the grade school race would be for all schools combined in one division, with up to 20 teams and 30 individuals.

The same formula would be used for high school boys and girls: up to 20 teams and 30 individuals per division, invited by organizers. ShaZam Racing and the MileSplit Illinois website handle the election committee.

Races would be flighted, with the No. 1 runners from each team competing in the first race against the 30 individuals invited. A second race would involve No. 2-3 runners from each team. Flight three would feature No. 4-5 runners from each squad. The last



While the epic start of a IHSA state cross country meet at Detweiller Park (above) can't happen this fall, there is hope for some sort of postseason race for junior high and high school cross country runners.

race would be for a team's No. 6-7 runners.

"Three Sisters gives us plenty of acreage for a course that doesn't have to overloop on itself," White said.

Teams will be invited "based upon their 2020 body of work, but not limited to the fall 2020 body of work," White said.

"We understand there are schools and individuals who have not even been given the opportunity to race," he said. "We're just excited to be in a position to be able to do something for the kids."

Elmwood-Brimfield high school boys coach Gregg Meyers said he likes the idea, even though he would not be able to coach his team at the event.

"If there is something at the end of the season and the kids can have something even somewhat

resembling a state meet, I think it would be fantastic for the guys to have that opportunity to compete, if they qualify," Meyers said.

"How much of this season is going to happen? Hope is the thing we are holding onto here.

"It's not going to be like the IHSA state meet. It's not going to be perfect," Meyers continued. "But if it's an opportunity to go race with your buddies one more time against great competition, enjoy it and have fun with it."

Meanwhile, across the state, schools are using creative methods to hold multi-team races. St. Thomas More of Champaign holds its Saber Corn Classic last week with 13 teams – down from the usual 30-plus but still a sizable number. The race course was widened and runners competed in flights consisting of: boys and girls races for each team's top

three runners, boys and girls races for each team's 4-6 runners, and then a race for No. 7 runners of both genders.

Here's a look at local results from the first week of the season.

Farmington

The Farmers started Aug. 25 with a home meet against Lewistown. Both Farmington teams won, though Lewistown had only four boys runners.

Senior Adian Basalay of Farmington won the boys race in 20:34 while freshman Brayden Morse was second in 21:36 and the next three fastest Farmers were senior David Pepple (4th, 22:18), junior Aidan Foshay (6th, 24:58), and sophomore Alex Barrett (7th, 26:08).

The Farmington girls edged Lewistown 30-36. Seniors Makenna Hintz (2nd in 25:05),

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