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## Missing Toulon teen back at home

By John A. Ballentine

TOULON – An extensive overnight search resulted in the return of a Toulon teen to his family early Wednesday morning.

On Tuesday evening at approximately 9:40 p.m. the Stark County Sheriff's Office received a call from the parents of a 14-year-old juvenile reporting that their son had left from his home at approximately 9 p.m. and was missing.

The Sheriff's office quickly organized a search for the teen and found his cell phone and bicycle at the Indian Creek Bridge east of Gordon Whit-

taker's residence, south of Route 17.

Stark County deputies, Toulon police and Wyoming fire departments, as well as Stark County Ambulance personnel began an extensive search of the area during the night and early morning hours.

Later, the Kewanee Police Department arrived on the scene with a drone unit to aid in the search. Emergency Management Office Director Mat Schneppe also brought a search crew in an attempt to find the missing teen.

In addition to the above, vol-

unteers on four-wheelers joined in the search along with search dogs. The search resumed at 6:30 a.m. when personnel gathered at the Stark County Courthouse to conduct another search.

In the meantime, the juvenile had turned himself into Black Hawk College East at approximately 6 a.m. according to Stark County Sheriff Steven Sloan.

"He was fine and we're just happy that he made it home this way," Sloan said.

Currently, the family is declining comment and asking for privacy in regards to the juvenile.

## GALVA GAINS K9



Submitted photo  
**Galva's new K9 crime dog, Lois, is expected to be on the job in Galva starting Monday with Officer Ian Davis. Lois is a Belgian Shepherd and is shown here during training at Cedar Creek Kennels in Monmouth. Read more about Lois and other Galva news on Page 7.**

## WYOMING WOMAN KEEPS BUSY

### Nicole Reed a woman of many hats

By John A. Ballentine

WYOMING – Nicole Reed is a woman who wears many hats. A Wyoming resident, Reed is president of the Wyoming Chamber of Commerce, a funeral director with Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services, a certified funeral celebrant, embalmer and a member of the Wyoming Lions' Club.

Besides utilizing her time with those activities and occupations, Reed organizes a work-related Trunk or treat event during Halloween.

"Unfortunately, I don't know that we're going to be able to come up with a way to do that safely this year," Reed said, noting concerns about the COVID-19 situation.

If that were not enough, Nicole volunteers with Wyoming's Moonlight Madness event and other projects such as a food

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Submitted photo

**Nicole Reed of Wyoming keeps busy with her job and with various volunteer activities.**

## Toulon sewer system needs lift stations

By John A. Ballentine

TOULON – The City of Toulon is working with the Henry-Stark County Health Departments to resolve a sewage issue.

During a City Council meeting Monday, council members discussed three areas in Toulon that have storm sewers discharging raw sewage into streams.

Some residences in Toulon do not have septic systems because of the age of the homes or because it was not possible to create a septic leach field due to a lack of land associated with the residences.

Those residences were identified during the meeting as being located in the western Thomas Street area, Franklin Street to Prairie Street, and parts of Whittaker Street

continuing south along Whittaker.

"The septic systems are hooked to the storm sewers," Mayor Larry Hollis said. "I've been working with Dorothy David, of the health department."

Hollis suggested lift stations as a solution to the problem in order to bring the raw sewage into the city's sewer system.

A lift station moves wastewater from lower to higher elevations and into the city's sewer system from the residences. According to city engineer Justin Reese, each lift station could cost \$150,000 to \$200,000. For three areas, the cost to the city could be up to \$600,000.

"The issue is this can't continue and as long as we're moving forward try

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**NOTICE – VILLAGE OF BRADFORD**

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Bradford has Candidate petitions for circulation for the consolidated election to be held on April 6, 2021. Anyone wishing to run for office, but not attending the Caucus, May pick up a petition at the Village Office. The filing date for the candidate petitions to be filed at the Village Office is

December 14th – 21st.

The CAUCUS will be held December 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Center.

Petitions are available for the following:

**Village President – 4 year term**

**Village Trustee – 4 year term**

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**Madigan probe paused for U.S. attorney's advice**

By Peter Hancock

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The Democratic chairman and ranking Republican on a special legislative committee investigating House Speaker Michael Madigan both said Tuesday that they are awaiting further guidance from federal prosecutors about how far they can go in questioning witnesses and calling for documents.

The Special Investigating Committee held its first meeting last week, during which members voted unanimously not to take any substantive action that could interfere with an ongoing criminal investigation. They also authorized Chairman Emanuel “Chris” Welch, D-Hillside, and Rep. Tom Demmer, R-Dixon, to contact the U.S. Attorney’s office for guidance on how to avoid interference.

Also during that meeting, Republicans unveiled a list of potential witnesses they would like to give testimony and produce various documents.

Madigan was implicated in July in an alleged bribery scheme involving Commonwealth Edison, the state’s largest electric utility, when officials from the company entered what’s known as a “deferred prosecution agreement.” In that agreement, company officials admitted that, over a period of years, they handed out jobs and contracts to close Madigan associates in an effort to curry his favor for legislation that benefitted the company.

Madigan has not been charged and has denied any wrongdoing. But Republicans in the Illinois House have invoked a House rule to commence a committee to explore punitive actions against the long-serving speaker, up to and including expulsion from the House.

House Republicans have accused Madigan of a of non-criminal charge under House rules – “conduct unbecoming to a legislator or which constitutes a breach of public trust,” which is elaborated as “engaging in a

bribery scheme, an extortion scheme, conspiracy to violate federal and state laws, among other misconduct and misuse of office.”

The six-member investigative committee is evenly divided between Democrats and Republicans, but a majority vote is required to approve such a charge, which means at least one Democrat would have to vote with Republicans to send the charge to a separate disciplinary committee.

In separate emails Tuesday, both Welch and Demmer confirmed that they had spoken by phone with John Lausch Jr., the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and that Lausch had given them clearance to call witnesses.

Interpretations of their conversations differ.

Both Welch and Demmer said they are now waiting for Lausch to provide them with a written summary of the conversation, something they expect to receive as early as this week.

**TOULON: Mayor seeks to avoid EPA involvement**

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ing to rectify the problem, [David] is not going to push the issue as far as turning us in to the [Environmental Protection Agency],” Hollis said. “Because if the EPA steps in, the EPA is going to tell you what to do and we’re not going to like it.”

Hollis went on to say that the health department would rather have the city run sanitary sewers than have all these septic systems inside town.

“I know it’s a lot of money, but [David’s] suggestion was to have the residents kick in some of the money that they would have spent on a new septic system to help pay for the

cost,” Hollis added.

In other agenda items, during committee reports, City Clerk Barb Cantwell said the next election after Nov. 3 is in April of 2021. Toulon will hold a caucus scheduled for Dec. 7 with the mayor, city clerk and city treasurer positions up for election. Also, Donna Lefler’s, Connie Jacobson’s and Ryan Kelly’s seat on the council are also up for election.

The city’s code book of ordinances is close to being completed. Once work is finished on it, ratification of the updated code book will occur.

City employees Jake Streitmatter and Josh Allen have completed a class on how to repair cemetery

headstones and have begun applying their knowledge in Toulon’s Cemetery.

The council discussed replacing four fire hydrants, but before making a decision, council members said they want to know the cost for line stops to be able to shut off the water supply to the hydrants.

Manhole renovations were to begin Thursday with the contractor hired to repair the sunken covers, mostly on Main Street.

Finally, the council approved spending up to \$1,000 to purchase four new body cameras for the police department, plus computer equipment.

**REED: Job offers ‘a good way to continue helping’**

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drive and a Children’s Grief Awareness Day.

The News interviewed Reed recently to learn just who she is and her background. Her parents are Jadon and RoseMary Evans and she grew up in Lovington, Ill. Reed graduated from Central Catholic High School, which is located in DuBois, Pa.

“I went to various community colleges, but I graduated with an Associate’s Degree from Worsham College of Mortuary Science, in Wheeling, Illinois,” Reed said. “Technically, I earned an Associate’s degree in Applied Sciences with a Mortuary Certificate.

“I’ve passed boards, state and national, to become a funeral director. I graduated school in September of 2016 and then I had to complete a year-long apprenticeship. I started here at Haskell in May of 2016 as a student. I was officially licensed at the beginning of 2018 after I completed the apprenticeship.”

Reed says she has always enjoyed helping people and tries to be a friend to people who come to her when they need something. She became a funeral director because in her words, “I felt like this was a good way to continue helping people and

this is a place where people really do need help and maybe somebody to guide them.

“I became interested in funeral service from a job fair at school. A young woman came and talked about her job working as a funeral director and that’s when I realized that this was a good fit for me.”

Reed said she knew it was a good fit after “job-shadowing” at a Decatur funeral home.

“I feel like everybody has a calling and this is my calling,” she said.

Reed works out of both of Haskell’s Princeville and Wyoming funeral homes, depending on where the need is greatest.

What is the difference between a funeral celebrant and funeral director? “A funeral celebrant is basically a person who is trained on officiating funerals, it’s a certification, and we’re trained on how to tell the story of somebody’s life,” Reed says. “We are an option for someone who doesn’t have a church or minister.

“A funeral director is a licensed person. A funeral director does anything and everything from going on the transfer from the place of death and to going and picking them up to where they passed bringing them back in to our care. If they need to be embalmed, I would prepare their

body.

“A funeral director sits with the family and organizes everything, gets the needed information, plans the services and files the death certificate. The celebrant only does the officiating part.”

As president of the Wyoming Chamber of Commerce, Nicole said juggling work and other responsibilities can be difficult. But she said her boss, Bert Haskell, is understanding.

Reed organizes and runs the chamber’s meetings, makes agendas, gathers input and helps plan some chamber events. That has been a challenge in 2020.

“We are doing our best to still do our fall events with social distancing so we are working on that. There’s Moonlight Madness and Trick or Treat Street,” she said.

In her time off, Nicole enjoys gardening and fishing. She is married to husband Devon, and she has a pet dog and cat.

Nicole was recently recognized by Peoria’s WEEK TV station in their “25 Women in Leadership.”

Finally, she contributed “a lot” to help earn the National Funeral Directors Association Pursuit of Excellence Award, in 2019, for Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services.

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**9-4-20** – Ryan M. Miller - Transportation/carry alcoholic liquor.  
**9-4-20** – Hunter K. Briggs - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Travis W. Schnowski - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Gary E. Miller - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Omar L. Astorga - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Karen D. Daum - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – K. Jeffery Kerwin - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Karessa J. Crone - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Adam R. Whitcher - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Maria E. Guerrero - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**8-30-20** – Gurjant Singh - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-10-20** – Logan S. Agostini - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Tyler J. Vetter - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-4-20** – Liz J. Dominguez - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-6-20** – Su Mae - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-6-20** – Jennifer L. Moody - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-6-20** – Anthony K. Meinders - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-6-20** – Brandon M. Franciskovich - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-1-20** – Robert P. Murphy - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-5-20** – Joshua N. Bainbridge - Speeding 35+ mph over the limit.  
**9-8-20** – Cristono G. Gandarilla - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.  
**9-8-20** – Carmen Delgado - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.  
**9-8-20** – Mackenzie A. Ott - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.  
**9-8-20** – Anil R. Oroskar - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-9-20** – David E. Edge - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-9-20** – Austin R. Eslinger - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-9-20** – Brian A. O'Campo - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-13-20** – Clarence L. Hardimon - Operating an uninsured motor vehicle.  
**9-13-20** – Clarence L. Hardimon - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-13-20** – Christian D. Hoover - Transportation/carry alcoholic liquor.  
**9-13-20** – Mathew D. Wiggin - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
**9-11-20** – Loren E. Jackson - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-12-20** – Steven F. Payne - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
**9-13-20** – Ashley T. Jones - Disregard stop sign.



**Felonies & Misdemeanors**

**9-5-20** – DUI traffic - Joshua N. Bainbridge - Driving under the influence of alcohol and driving under the influence of alcohol/BAC 0.08.  
**9-5-20** – Misdemeanor - Sarah E. Ozuna - Dog running at large.  
**3-25-20** – Misdemeanor - Joshua R. Petty - Cause or allow open burning (3 counts) and dog running at large.

**Incidents & Accidents Stark County**

**9-5-20** – Joshua R. Petty, 40, Toulon, was issued a notice to appear for illegal and/or open burning.  
**9-7-20** – Trina L. Wilkins, 36, Wyoming, was ticketed for driving without insurance. She was released with a court date to appear.  
**9-7-20** – Salvador C. Navarro, 20, Peoria, cited for speeding 83 mph in a 55 zone and driving without a license on his person.  
**9-8-20** – Nicole M. Falco Creech, 47, Pekin, cited for speeding and driving an uninsured vehicle.  
**9-9-20** – Jason E. Brown, 35, Galesburg, was arrested on a Knox County warrant for violation of bail bond. He posted \$1,000 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear in Knox County.  
**9-11-20** – Ricardo Gutierrez, 66, Princeville, was arrested on a Peoria County warrant. He was also cited for speeding 70 mph in a 55 zone and driving while his license was revoked. He was taken into custody and extradited to the Peoria County jail.  
**9-13-20** – Riley K. Musselman, 24, Toulon, was cited for disorderly conduct. He was issued a notice to appear.  
**9-13-20** – Dion D. Moore, 48, Princeton, was ticketed for driving without insurance, and illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver. He was released with a notice to appear.  
**9-13-20** – A 17-year-old Wyoming juvenile was cited for illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver.

**Galva Report**

**9-7-20** – Officer dispatched to a residence on NE 4th Ave. to remove an unwanted subject after a verbal altercation.  
**9-7-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of NE 2nd Street for a reckless driving complaint. The offender was located and advised of the complaint.  
**9-7-20** – Officer dispatched to the area of NE 4th Ave. and NE 1st Street for a large fight involving 15-20 people. The group dispersed upon the officer's arrival. Prosecution denied.  
**9-8-20** – Officer dis-

patched to the 00 block of SW 4th Street for a resident with mental issues. A family member was contacted and told of the situation.  
**9-8-20** – Officer dispatched to the 300 block of Market Street for a loose dog complaint. The dog was impounded.  
**9-8-20** – Officer dispatched to Wiley Park for a complaint of juvenile mischief, which involved damage to the restrooms.  
**9-8-20** – Officer dispatched to the 700 block of NW 3rd Ave. for a complaint involving low water pressure. The Galva Water Dept. was advised.  
**9-8-20** – Officer dispatched to the 600-700 block of NW 1st Ave. for a reckless driving complaint.  
**9-9-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of SW 2nd Street for a theft complaint.  
**9-10-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of NE 2nd Street for report of criminal damage to property.  
**9-10-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of SE 1st Street to answer questions about closing a road in the future for an upcoming auction.  
**9-10-20** – Officer dispatched three times to assist a citizen having mental health issues in the 00 block of SW 4th Street. The person was eventually transported by ambulance.  
**9-10-20** – Officer, along with a Henry County Sheriff's Deputy and Black Hawk College police, went to the 00 block of NE 4th Ave. to attempt to serve a warrant. As a result, Randall Porter, 64, Galva, was arrested on a Henry County warrant for failure to appear on the charges of aggravated battery to a nurse, aggravated battery in a public place, aggravated battery to a judge or EMT, threatening a public official, aggravated battery to a police officer, disorderly conduct and resisting a police officer or correctional employee. He was taken to the Henry County jail.  
**9-10-20** – Officer dispatched to a reckless driving complaint in the 600 block of NW 1st Ave.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of SW 2nd Street for a disturbance involving a customer refusing to wear a mask or face covering. Subject was removed from the property.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of SW 4th Street for a mental health issue.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to the 00 block of SE 2nd Street for an attempted phone scam.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to the 200 block of Morgan Road for a loose dog complaint. The dog was returned to its owners.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to a reckless driving complaint in the 300 block of North Center Ave.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to remove an unwanted subject at a residence on NE 4th Street. The subject drove away as the officer arrived. As the result of a traffic stop,

Donn Main, 58, LaFayette, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, DUI with a bac over 0.08 percent, possession of a hypodermic needle, illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver, disobeying a stop sign, and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was taken to the Henry County jail.  
**9-11-20** – Officer dispatched to a traffic complaint on Swank Street. Officer checked the area and was unable to locate the suspect vehicle.  
**9-12-20** – Officer dispatched to a medical emergency at a residence on SW 1st Ave.  
**9-13-20** – Officer dispatched to a neighborhood dispute/ driving complaint in the 400 block of SE 7th Ave.  
**9-13-20** – Officer dispatched to a verbal domestic dispute in the 100 block of SW 2nd Street.  
**9-7-20** – Benjamin Anderson, 28, Galva, was issued a citation in the 00 block of NW 4th Ave. for a violation of classification (no motorcycle endorsement).  
**9-9-20** – Lacey Hall, 32, Galva, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd Street.  
**9-12-20** – A 17-year-old driver from Edwards was issued a citation for speeding in the 1200 block of SE 2nd Street.

**Property Transfers**

**9-9-20** – Pam J. Eberle to Lynville M. Eberle II - Pt block 7 lots 8 & 9 - Original Town of Wyoming - 204 W. Elm Street, Wyoming. Consideration = \$0.00.  
**9-10-20** – Michelle Lyn Ellington to David M. Harper - N1/2 Block 1 Lots 15 & 16 - 605 N. Galena Ave., Wyoming. Consideration = \$1,500.00.  
**9-11-20** – Taul David and Tera Leigh Noard to Brendan D. Endress - Pt Block 2 Lots 2,3,4 - 215 E. Clinton Street, Toulon. Consideration = \$141,000.00.  
**9-1-20** – Secretary of Housing & Urban Development to Daniel Lopez - Pt 24-13-5 SE - 603 West Main Street, Toulon. Consideration = \$20,800.00.  
**9-1-20** – Keith Brunswig to Karrie Brunswig - Pt 24-14-7 SE SW - 340 East Main Street, Bradford. Consideration = \$0.00.  
**9-1-20** – Christopher and Jessica Woods to Scott Piler - John H. Drawyer's Add'n - Lot 9 - 149 Silver Street, Bradford. Consideration = \$0.00.  
**9-3-20** – June G. Orwig to Bradley Ross Milburn - Pt 24-13-5 SE - Culbertson's Western Add'n Block 3 Lots 1 & 2 - 705 West Thomas Street, Toulon. Consideration = \$154,900.00.

**Divorces**

**9-11-20** – Shyann Heather McCeava, Wyoming and Robert Dale Sanson, Godfrey.  
**9-11-20** – Jon M. Warner, Bradford and Felicia P. Warner, Kewanee.  
**9-11-20** – Renae Lois Baker, Wyoming and Christopher Michael Baker, Bradford.

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Great dancers are not great because of their technique, they are great because of their passion.

- Martha Graham



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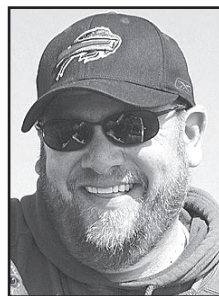
## PERSPECTIVES



## Kudos to our big tomato prize winners!

Rambling through central Illinois, wondering how an NFL opener can get better?

◆◆◆  
We have our winners in this year's annual big tomato contests. Champion here at The Prairie News is **Peg Gray** (at far right), whose winner was 2 pounds, 11 ounces. Gray's tomato was grown from "Fred seeds," which came from the Largent Family and were likely collected in the Hanna City area. Winner at our sister paper, The Weekly Post, is **Jerry Stewart** of Brimfield (pictured at right), whose entry weighed 2 pounds, 13.6 ounces and easily outdistanced the rest of the field in the TWP area. Kudos to both winners and to Stewart, our first Champion of Champions. ... Unfortunately, in a rash of ill-



Jeff LAMPE



advised office cleaning, we've lost the addresses of both winners. So if they want checks, they need to call me at (309) 231-6040. Otherwise, we will donate the top prizes to a worthy cause (aka bet it all on **Stand-fortheanthem** to win in the last race Friday at Arlington Heights). ... Speaking of winners, it was so sad to see **Tom Brady** on the wrong end of a score Sunday. Ha. Hey, if Tampa Bay wanted a QB who would throw pick-sixes, they could have saved a

lot of money and just kept **Jameis Winston**. ... Through Sunday just 2 percent of Illinois corn was harvested. That will change quickly, as combines were rolling Tuesday. ... Parting shot: Read a report in which **Bill Gates** predicts an end to COVID-19 in the U.S. in 2021. Even smart guys are wrong sometimes, right? This pandemic needs to end in 2020.

Contact Jeff Lampe at (309) 231-6040 or jeff@wklypost.com.

## Partisan battles pre-date Trump

To the Editor:

In a letter that appeared Sept. 4 in this newspaper, Michelle Smith stated that "prior to our current president, Democrats and Republicans worked together with mutual respect for each party."

According to her, President Trump is responsible for "seeding hate throughout America and pitting us against each other."

If she has studied history or paid attention to political campaigns and conventions in the past, she must surely remember political leaders on both sides often showing little or no respect for the opposing party.

I ask her, was it really Trump who started all the name calling? Wasn't it the new Democrat party who started all the spying and lying, with the help of the news media and Hollywood personalities and finally made not one but two attempts at impeachment? And now they are planning to try it a third time? Nothing happened the first two times, as their "proof" was a pack lies. The president had done nothing wrong.

The Speaker of the House has called Trump all kinds of names, and a couple of Democrat congresswomen – who by the way are immigrants – have used absolutely vulgar and horrible language in speaking of Trump on several occasions that I, myself, have heard.

The president rightfully speaks of these people as "radicals." They are very much in favor of abortion and accuse all pro-life persons of being women haters. They say anyone should be allowed into this country and that anyone trying to have control over entry must be a racist.

The Speaker of the House has also done everything possible to prevent finishing the wall between the U.S. and Mexico and claims efforts on

Trump's part to deport illegal immigrants somehow proves he is a "racist."

Ever since he took office, President Trump has worked hard to improve things for all of us, but those who get all their news on TV or from typical news stories today seldom hear about the good he has done.

I'll mention a few: 1. He ended billions of dollars in legal subsidies for insurance companies; 2. He made it easier for lower and middle income families to buy health insurance by allowing them to buy from exchanges that are half the cost of Obama Care's Bronze plan; 3. He allowed associations and co-op plants to be formed which let small businesses group together across state lines so they have the same purchasing clout as large, multi-state employers; 4. He declared war on 10,000 ultra violent MS-13 gang members who are in the U.S.; 5. Thousands of ISIS fighters have been killed; 6. He gave the states the option to deny Planned Parenthood's access to Medicaid and other federal grant money because they were using it to conduct more than 328,000 abortions a year.

Until the coronavirus arrived, the economy was growing twice as fast as it was under Obama.

That is just a taste of the good Donald Trump has been doing.

– Betty Sullivan, Bradford

## Democratic party causes most division

To the Editor:

I have been obliged to respond to the letter by Michelle Smith in the Sept. 4 edition of this paper.

Smith tells us "she chooses to think differently than the Republican Party." Very likely that comes from indoctrination rather than choice?

She blames President Trump for sowing the seeds of division and hatred in America. The fact is, decades of work by liberal colleges and universities is coming to fruition.

Does anyone recall being labeled "deplorable" by Hillary Clinton? More recently Maxine Waters attempting to incite violence by telling her constituents to "get into the face" of anyone of conservative belief. The fact is, most of the division and hatred for others comes from the radicalized, progressive Democratic Party.

There have been some peaceful protests which are racial. The killing, rioting, looting and burning has been coming from the organized and well-funded Marxist organizations called BLM and Antifa, supported by the radicalized, progressive Democratic party.

It isn't by accident that the destruction of our cities continues in those cities run by radical liberals who refuse the help of the federal government. It is the duty and responsibility of elected governors and mayors to serve the people and protect the property in their jurisdictions. It isn't the responsibility of the federal government or our president. Put blame where blame belongs!

The civil unrest isn't exclusive to the Trump administration. There were multiple times of rioting, looting and burning of cop cars under the Obama/Biden administration.

If anyone has trouble understanding what is at stake in the upcoming election, they should enlighten themselves on what the bottom line of the progressive agenda is.

– Robert Walter, Laura

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# Local soil testers fill void left by abrupt SGS closure

By Jim Nowlan

**TOULON** – The recent, abrupt closure of the SGS soil testing lab in Toulon has left more than a thousand clients in the lurch, according to former SGS employee Scott Hennenfent of Altona.

Hennenfent, now with GMS Labs soil testing, and well-known soil testing consultant Dave Mowers of Toulon are stepping up to provide testing services to area fertilizer companies and farmers.

“SGS blindsided both its employees and clients,” said Hennenfent of the August closure of the Toulon facility. “Farmers are wondering where to get their soil testing done.”

Hennenfent and Mowers have been recruited by GMS Labs of Cropsey in eastern Illinois to provide testing and independent consulting services to clients in Stark and surrounding counties.

“I chose GMS Labs,”

added Hennenfent, “because they care about their clients, and few labs will give as much attention to detail and precision as GMS.”

Soil testing is a critical service because it determines the precise fertilizer needs of farm fields, one of the biggest expenses of farming operations.

Hennenfent grew up on a farm in Knox County and developed a strong science and computer analysis background during nine years in the U.S. Army, including a tour in Iraq.

In the 1970s, Mowers created a highly successful soil testing company in Toulon, which he later sold. Mowers has since used his agriculture education at the University of Illinois, plus a lifetime of experience in soil analysis, to consult for a wide variety of companies and farmers.

“After all I put into cre-



Prairie News photo/Jim Nowlan

**Scott Hennenfent of GMS Labs (left) and Dave Mowers are shown here during an interview about their soil testing services held recently at The Prairie News office.**

ating soil testing services for the 2,000 clients I had at one time,” Mowers said. “I am extremely disappointed by how SGS left its clients up in the air when it closed in August, without any guidance for the future.”

SGS is a successor company to Mowers Soil Testing. Based in Switzerland, SGS has 94,000 employees and 2,600 facilities around the world.

Companies and farm operators who want to learn more about the soil testing services offered by GMS Labs can contact Hennenfent at Scott.hennenfent@gmslab.com or (309) 335-3223. Mowers can be reached at (309) 238-1000.

# State ‘reviewing questions’ before setting marijuana license date

By RAYMON TRONCOSO  
*Capitol News Illinois*

**SPRINGFIELD** – The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation announced Tuesday that it continues to “review questions” and has still not set a date for a lottery to distribute 75 marijuana dispensary licenses.

After IDFPR announced earlier this month that just 21 applicants qualified for the first 75 social equity licenses, lawmakers and stakeholders immediately raised concerns with Gov. JB Pritzker, asking his administration to temporarily stop the process.

The licenses were originally supposed to be distributed in May, but the process was delayed amid the COVID-19 pandemic. On Sept. 3, an IDFPR spokesperson said the lottery would be scheduled in “late September.” But IDFPR said Tuesday there is still no

scheduled lottery date.

On Sept. 4, the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus listed five requests they wanted resolved before the licenses are awarded. The members of that caucus want to see a detailed rubric of how applicants were graded, the publication of some application information on the IDFPR website, and information on how KPMG – a firm that provides professional services such as auditing – received a \$4.2 million no-bid contract from the state to score dispensary applicants. The ILBC also asked for the ethnic and racial makeup of KPMG’s board and the team behind scoring applicants.

Two rejected applicants are also suing the state to stop the licenses from being awarded, alleging the 21 winners received perfect scores due to political connections, and that at least one had hired a manager tied to KPMG.

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# Bishop Hill using down time to do maintenance

**BISHOP HILL** – While COVID-19 has disrupted most of the normal activities at this tiny, tourist town, the village is still moving forward to prepare for a big 175th anniversary celebration in 2021.

Sept. 12, 2020, would have marked the 124th Old Settlers Day celebration of the founding of the Bishop Hill Colony. But the pandemic curtailed events.

And COVID-19 is not the first infectious disease to challenge the Village of Bishop Hill during its 174-year history. Bishop Hill was settled in 1846, by Swedish immigrants fleeing religious persecution in their homeland who sought to create a communal living society where they were free to read and preach the Bible.

The original colonists endured many hardships during their voyage across the Atlantic Ocean to New York City, across the Great Lakes to Chicago, and the final 150 miles on foot to Bishop Hill. Among those challenges were dangerous cholera outbreaks.

The Bishop Hill Old Settlers Association (BHOSA) is the oldest, active organization in Bishop Hill, and although its annual efforts have been hit hard by social distancing restrictions, the organization has taken advantage of down time to strengthen itself for the years to come.

“Like so many other businesses and organizations, our annual operating fund has certainly been negatively impacted by COVID-19,” said BHOSA treasurer Beth Magnuson. “Bishop Hill has survived for 174 years, and we will survive



Submitted photo  
**From left to right, Bishop Hill Old Settlers Association co-Presidents Roy Magnuson and Randy Anderson, accept a \$1,000 contribution from CSB Personal Banker/Mortgage Lender Amy Lewis to the BHOSA's Window Adoption Campaign for the 1860 Colony School Building.**

this too. We took advantage of the down time in activities and facility usage to do some planned preservation and maintenance work on the beautiful Colony School building.”

BHOSA has also received several donations, Magnuson said.

Community State Bank (CSB), in conjunction with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, made a \$1,000 contribution to the Old Settlers Association's Window Adoption Campaign. The contribution pays the cost of repairing and re-glazing one of the 20 large, nine-over-nine windows in the 1860 Colony School building.

To date, seven of the windows have been adopted – many to recognize or memorialize loved ones.

“CSB is proud to support the Old Settlers Association's window adoption campaign,” said Amy Lewis, Personal Banker and Mort-

gage Lender at CSB. “Preserving the historic Colony School building to be used by community members for generations to come is important to the quality of life and economic vitality of our area.”

In addition to its window campaign, September is also membership renewal month for the Old Settlers. Membership is open to all interested individuals, businesses and organizations, and existing and new members are reminded to renew their \$5 annual dues. Members are also welcome to share ideas for the 175th anniversary celebration Sept. 11, 2021.

Anyone wishing to support the preservation efforts through the Window Adoption Campaign, join the BHOSA, or contribute to the 175th anniversary planning efforts can contact the BHOSA via Facebook or at [www.bhosa.org](http://www.bhosa.org).

## Back in time: August

**By John Ballentine**  
**10 years ago this month**

- Memorial bricks are laid at the Stark County Courthouse monuments, which honor local service personnel.

- Local Wyoming Police Chief William Bauer dies in a fatal car accident. Steven Sloan is hired as Wyoming Police Chief.

- A single-vehicle accident claims the life of Wyoming attorney Richard Fehrenbacher.

- New Main Street business in Toulon opens and is named Gerber's Daisy, a flower and arrangement

shop.

- Kahla Abney is named 2010's Miss OSA at the pageant.

- Cakes Et Cetera, a local Toulon bakery, opens for business.

**25 years ago in 1995**

- Rhonda Milburn is crowned Stark County Fair Queen.

- Ehnle Electric buys Stahl Lumber, in Bradford.

- Stark County School Board may request a vote for a new Junior-Senior High School at Wyoming, but later shelved the plan.

- New phone lines were being installed in Bradford.

**40 years ago in 1980**

- Dale Swank, of rural Toulon, is ranked in the top 200 horseshoe pitchers of The National Horse-

shoe Association.

- Census data shows that Toulon's population increased 190 people to nearly 1,400 total.

- Henrietta Silliman dies at age 95. She was the daughter of Levi and Mary Ellen McKeighan Silliman. She was principal at Toulon High School, retiring in 1932.

- Toulon-LaFayette and Wyoming High Schools open the 1980 football season at Toulon. Wyoming won the game by a score of 52-20.

**50 years ago in 1970**

- New teachers at the newly formed Toulon-LaFayette High School for 1970-71 are: Diana Sperry, Jim Simpson, Scott Martin, John Burcham and Gary Jackson.

- Black Hawk East Campus nears completion at the junction of Routes 34 and 78, near Kewanee.

- Miss Beth Witte and Miss Diane Jacobson, both of rural Toulon, received their nurse degrees.

**60 years ago in 1960**

- West Jersey holds its' annual Harvest Home & Homecoming on August 11.

- Toulon Lionettes women's softball team enters a tournament at Toulon with eight teams involved: Toulon, Rio, Buda, New Bedford, Dixon, Monmouth, Amboy and Galesburg. Earlville replaced Dixon just before the tournament play and finished first with Toulon as second place.

- Bracken's Restaurant, in Kewanee, advertised charcoal broiled steaks from 5:30 to 10 p.m. every night with a Smorgasbord held every Sunday.

- D. O. Dortch is the new principal at LaFayette High School.

- A. C. Loudenberg, of Modena and Bradford, is the Badge Honoree for Toulon's Old Settlers' Reunion.

- Patricia Winslow, of Elmira, and Don Fifer, of Toulon, are wed at the United Presbyterian Church, in Elmira.

- Tools and \$100 are taken from Bradford's Clark Implement Company during a break-in.

- Ron Wallace, of Toulon, is named head of Toulon's Civil Defense Unit.

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# Galva's first K9 officer to arrive Monday

By Carol Townsend and Jeff Lampe

**GALVA** – After a long trip from the Netherlands and time in quarantine and training, the Galva Police Department's newest officer, Lois, is expected to be in town on Monday.

Lois is a Belgian shepherd who will serve as Galva's first K9 dog and will be under the guidance of Officer Ian Davis.

Following training at Cedar Creek Kennels in Monmouth, Lois should be ready to specialize in drug searches, search and rescue and attack capabilities.

"Courts increasingly support dog alerts for drug searches and enforcement," noted Galva Mayor Rich Volkert.

With a well-developed sense of smell, trained mind, and disciplined physical abilities, K9 teams offer an added dimension to apprehending violators and suppressing crime while also keeping officers safer by not exposing them to unnecessary dangers.

Community State Bank has provided the funding necessary to purchase Lois for the department.

"Community State Bank is proud to partner with the City of Galva and its Police Department to bring Lois to our community policing efforts," said CSB President Tim Nimrick. "Anyone who knows the people at the heart of Community State Bank knows that we also love dogs."

Purchasing Lois is only part of getting her ready to serve the community. In addition to CSB's financial gift, city attorney Elisa Nelson also contributed funds to prepare Lois for duty. Additional supporters, including the State Bank of Toulon, are helping cover the costs of training, retrofitting a squad car with caging, preparing kennels, and the additional equipment and accessories needed to support Lois's assignment.

Several corporate programs exist to support ongoing feeding and health care costs for K9 officers.



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**The Galva September Property Pride award went to Chris Holt of 610 Southeast 6th Street. Chris lives in the ranch home that belonged to her grandparents, Kenneth and Rena Holt and later her parents, Leighton and Bette Holt. Drive by and see her beautiful flowers. Another of Rena's hobby is creating stained glass pieces that are shown in some of her windows.**

In addition to some tough assignments, Lois will also have the opportunity to be the community's dog visiting the schools and civic organizations to help forge ongoing support and cooperation for local police efforts.

"We are fortunate to live and work in a community with a strong history of supporting our officers and first responders," said Galva Police Chief Kraig Townsend.

To contribute, contact Galva City Hall or mail contributions to: Galva City Hall, P.O. Box 171, Galva, IL 61434.

**• Book launch** – To celebrate the official publication date of "The Most Amazing Harvest - The Man Behind the Story," a launch party will be held in Galva Saturday, Sept. 19, from 2-4 p.m. under the harvest mural downtown.

The official publication date of the book by Pam Bates and Paul Patty is Sept. 22.

The launch party will feature food, music, book signing and fun. OSF Healthcare Children's Hospital of Illinois/ Heller Center for Kids with Cancer will also be there to help educate and answer questions about their services.

The public is welcome

to attend.

**• Pool closing** – The Galva Park District pool closed in August and the pool was prepped and closed for the season, according to Superintendent Lou Patty.

Treasurer Brittany Stewart updated the board on the solar panels. She said they are producing what was projected as kilowatt hours. After six years, the Galva Park District can buy out the panels for \$9,400.

The grounds crew will start on several projects at the former Herbster house.

One of the items needed to be in compliance was a drain cover. Patty reported that Cental Pool is trying to locate one.

The tennis courts have been painted and there is probably enough paint to do another coat on them in 2021.

Commissioner Larry Morse asked that when employment applications come in next year, that all board members look them over before hiring is done as this needs to be a board decision.

There are several dead trees that need to come down and then several new trees need to be planted.

Next year, the board decided that the bath house and basket room need to be spruced up.

**• Fall decorating** – The Galva Ready to Grow committee is sponsoring a business fall decorating contest. Decorate your business anytime and contact Annette Smith at the Galva Post Office. She will snap a picture of your business.

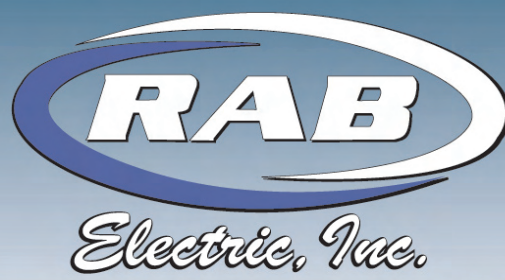
Pictures will be posted and the community will have two days to vote. Voting will end Oct. 13. The winning business will be announced on Oct. 14 and will receive a cake from local cake maker Tina Hutchinson.

**• Red Cross** – The American Red Cross will hold a bloodmobile in Galva on Oct. 6 from 1-6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Epworth Hall at 214 NW Second Avenue.

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The following lg. beautiful home, antiques, Holiday, like new household and outdoor auction will be held at 19 Mohawk Ct. Toulon, IL 61483 (located on the east edge of town in the Arrowhead subdivision of Toulon), on

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH, 2020

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LANA POGLIANO will sell: \*John Deere 8820 Titan II Combine, #X626298, 5531 hrs, hyd 4wd, chopper; \*JD 925 platform; \*Unverferth HT25 head cart; \*JD 1243 12r30 corn head, low tin; \*Unverferth HT30 head cart; \*JD 643 corn head, 6r30; \*Case 1570 tractor, XXXX hrs, 18.4-38 axle duals, pto, 3 pt, 2 remotes; \*JD 750 drill, tricycle, markers; \*Kinze 850 auger cart; \*Kinze 640 auger cart; \*Kinze 400 auger cart; \*JD FM 12r cultivator; \*JD running gear; \*JD RM 6r Cultivator; \*JD 3pt blade; \*Hutchinson 8x30 pto truck auger; \*Hutchinson 8x70 swing a way auger; \*Hutchinson 10x70 swing a way auger, bad screw; \*Glencoe soil finisher; \*JD 216 w/ front blade, as is; \*Lundell 3pt snow blower, bad gear box; \*Hagie 8240 sprayer w/ trailer; \*Cummins upright air compressor; \*Case quick hitch; \*Flare Box wagon

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Others will sell: \*2007 JD 9760 STS Combine, #720591, 3173/1984, XPR2 concave updates, new hydrostat pump and hydraulic pumps, local machine; \*JD 1293 Corn Head; \*JD 2630 monitor; \*J&M 1150 grain cart, scales, rear camera, roll tarp; \*JD 9660 STS Combine #S721730, 3028/2149 hrs., 18.4R42 duals, 28L-26 steers; \*JD 893 Corn head, #X716037, hyd decks; \*Homemade 25' head tote; \*JD 630F hydraflex, #A0736790, full finger; \*EZ Trail 672 30' head cart; \*2003 BII 930 auger cart; \*JD 4055 Tractor, tach shows 1785 hrs, 18.4-38 tires, Open station w/rops, quad range, 2 remotes, 3 pt; \*Yanmar YM2000 diesel tractor, #2TR20, 540 pto, 9.5-9-24 rears; \*1955 Farmall 300 Row Crop #140515J, 11.2-38 rears, pto, 1 remote; \*1981 International 4200 TransStar tandem axle dump truck, Detroit 6V71, 8 sp trans; \*Mayrath 10 x 31 truck auger, 3 phase, Nice; \*NH 499 Haybine; \*NH 851 round baler; \*NH 489 MoCo; \*Misc. hay rakes; \*Frontier 3 pt snow blower; \*Frontier RC2084 3pt mower; \*20' bale elevator; \*Companion 5250KW generator; \*ETQ 7250KW Generator; \*JD Z445 Zero turn mower, 54" cut; \*Honda VTX1800 motorcycle, 10,000 miles; \*2011 Polaris Ranger EV, 96V, 4x4, cab and doors, nice; \*JD 2020 gas tractor w/ GB loader; \*Glencoe 4300 cultivator, 24'; \*1966 Chevy grain truck; \*1987 GMC C6500 boom truck; \*1998 Texas Bragg 20' tandem axle flatbed trailer, 7k axles; \*Demco sprayer, pull type, 500 gal, 45' booms; \*1981 Monte Carlo Trike, runs & drives great, new trans, newer motor

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# OBITUARIES

## Wanda Cutler

WYOMING – Wanda Cutler, 71, of Wyoming, Ill., passed away peacefully on Sept. 15, 2020, at Richard L. Owen's Hospice Home in Peoria. She was born on June 27, 1949, in Kewanee, to Ernest and Pauline (Thompson) Sprowls. She married Michael Cutler on Dec. 4, 1982; he survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Tammy (Dustin) Browning; grandsons, Payton, Brett, and Ben Browning all of Wyoming; granddaughter, Kailey Caldwell of Mark; brother, Carl Sprowls of Farmington; and sister, Paula Sprowls of Speer. She is preceded in death by her parents; one son, Brian; two sisters; and one brother.

Wanda owned and operated a beauty salon in her home before retiring in 1992. She was a Christian and taught Sunday school. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, spending time with family, caring for her cats, and cheering for the Chicago Cubs.

Her family would like to specially thank the staff at OSF Forest Park 1st Floor and Richard L. Owens Hospice Home for their care.

A private graveside service will be in Wyoming Cemetery. Nicole Reed, Certified Funeral Celebrant, will officiate. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanee Animal Shelter, 197 S. Fischer Ave., Kewanee, Ill., 61443.

Condolences may be left for Wanda's family on her tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).

## Mary M. Bryan

TOULON – Mary Madella Allen Bryan, 92, of Toulon passed away Sept. 10, 2020, at her home.

Mary was born June 9, 1928, to George and Lucille Addis Allen in Stark County. She married Jesse E. Bryan on March 5, 1950. He passed away on Oct. 15, 2005.



Bryan

She is survived by one step-daughter, Judith (Rollie) Hannam of Galesburg, one step-granddaughter; two great grandchildren; and several nephews, nieces and cousins. She is also preceded in death by her parents; and three brothers, Clifford, Phillip and Gordon Allen.

Mary attended Stringtown Country School and Toulon High School, graduating in 1946. She enrolled in nurses training at Cottage Hospital in Galesburg and graduated in 1949. She worked at Cottage Hospital for 13 years, and then she and Jesse moved to Salem, Ore., where she worked 23 years with the developmentally disabled at Fairview Training Center. She worked as a cottage nurse, treatment center nurse, hospital nurse, and last the 17 years as Director of In-Service, retiring June 1986.

Mary enjoyed fishing, knitting, crocheting, reading and vacations to Gulf Shores, Ala., in the winter

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time; but most of all was her love of her care givers Charlotte, Gary, Angie, Nikki and Sandy.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020, at Stringtown Cemetery, Wyoming. Rev. Al Harmon officiated. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming is in charge of services.

Memorials may be made to the Toulon Fire Department or Stark County Ambulance Service.

Condolences may be left on Mary's tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).

## Glenn D. Oertley

CHILLICOTHE – Glenn D. Oertley, 100, of Chillicothe, passed away at 1:42 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020, at Heritage Health in Chillicothe.

He was born on March 28, 1920, in rural Stark County to Charles and Emma (Fritz) Oertley. He married Ethel Cheesman on Jan. 21, 1945, in Princeville. They were married for 62 years before her death in 2007.



Oertley

He is survived by two children, Charles (Karen) Oertley of Nashville, Tenn. and Nancy (Harvey) Varness of Chillicothe; four grandchildren, Erik (Kate) Varness of Peoria, Kristin (Nick) Pretasky of Appleton, Wisc., Ann (John) Kantz of Chillicothe, and Jennifer (Jay) LeDuc of Nashville, Tenn.; grand daughter-in-law, Dierdre (Tim) Stringenz of Bozeman, Mont.; eleven great-grandchildren, Emma, Max and Samantha Varness of Peoria, Quinn Varness of Bozeman, Mont., Anika and Naomi Pretasky of Appleton, Wis., Bobby and Charlie Kantz of Chillicothe, Evelyn and Grace Strigenz of Bozeman, Mont., and Remy LeDuc of Nashville, Tenn.; four nieces; and a foreign exchange student, Ludo Claussens of Antwerp, Belgium.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Mabel (Ralph) Streitmatter and Verna (Rollin) Streitmatter; one brother, Charles (Darlene) Oertley; one grandson, Todd Varness; and son, G. David Oertley.

Glenn attended schools near and in Wyoming, Ill., and the University of Illinois at Champaign, earning a Bachelor's of Science in Agriculture in 1941. After farming for five years, he became a professional farm manager and a rural appraiser. He was self-employed from 1951-1998 at Oertley Farm Management Service in Peoria.

He lived a long, active and generous life. He was a member of Alpha Zeta Agriculture Honorary, and was a lifetime member of the President's Council at the U of I. He was a member of the Illinois

Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers for 72 years, a leader and supporter of 4-H programs, a board of directors member for the Heart of Illinois fair for 41 years, a lifetime member (76 years) of Masonic Blue Lodge #479 in Wyoming and a 50 plus year member of the Shriner's International, who support the Shriners Hospital for Children in Chicago. He was an active member of Prospect United Methodist Church in Dunlap since 1969.

Glenn always encouraged others to continue their education and provided financial assistance to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren for their schooling, along with gifts to many others. With his wife, he established the Oertley Family Scholarship at Illinois Central College in 1998, which to date has provided financial assistance to more than 200 students.

He most loved his family, and remained interested and involved with all of them. Glenn also loved farming, being outside, gardening, and baking, especially "Grandpa Bread." He freely shared whatever he had and always enjoyed being with people. His many friends were very important to him; so too was his faith, which formed his core of love and service. His motto was "Accept, adapt, keep moving."

A service and burial in Princeville will be planned at a later date. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Oertley Family Scholarship through Illinois Central College Educational Foundation, 1 College Drive, E. Peoria, IL 61635 or Prospect United Methodist Church 300 E. Ash, Dunlap, IL 61625.

Online condolences may be left for Glenn's family on his tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).

## Marjorie A. Manthe

BRADFORD – Marjorie "Marge" Ann Manthe, 85, of Kewanee, a Bradford native, died Sept. 12, 2020, at Knox County Nursing Home in Knoxville.

Cremation will be accorded and inurnment will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, Sept. 18 at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in rural Kewanee. All friends are welcome and casual attire is requested.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to Hospice Compassus of Galesburg or to the Alzheimer's Association. Rux Funeral home in Kewanee is in charge of arrangements.

Marjorie was born Sept. 2, 1935, in Bradford, the daughter of Andrew and Anna Mae (Bruner) Hutsell. She married Robert "Bob" Manthe on June 21, 1953, and he preceded her in death on Aug. 16, 2010. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her son, Kevin (Lynette) Manthe of Kewanee, her daughter, Kay Shaver (Mike Groom) of Galesburg and a sister, Betty (Harold) Carrison of Bradenton, Fla. Also surviving are a grandson, Dana Peterson, and a great granddaughter, Abby, of Laura.

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THE FAMILY of Harry Foglesong wants to send the most sincere thank you to all who attended calling hours, sent cards, food and more. We mourn the loss of the most cherished husband, father and friend, but remain grateful for the kindness you have shown us. He lived a blessed life and will be fondly remembered by many.

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Fire Protection District, from and after the 24th day of September, 2020.  
Notice is further given that a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance will be held at 5:00 o'clock P.M., on the 27th day of October, 2020, at the Fire Station, Toulon, Illinois, and that final action on said ordinance will be taken by the Board of Trustees of the Toulon Community Fire Protection District in Stark County,

Illinois, at a meeting to be held at the Fire Station, Toulon, Illinois on said 27th day of October, 2020, at 5:15 o'clock P.M.  
By order of the Board of Trustees of said District.  
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**SEE ANSWERS, PAGE 3 Super Crossword**

**ACROSS**  
1 Singer Judd  
6 1960s war zone  
9 Old Glory's country  
12 Morse click  
15 For each  
18 City-related  
19 He played Lou Grant  
21 Haifa native  
23 "Alfie" singer  
25 Boasted of  
26 Idyllic spot  
27 City east of Syracuse  
28 Not inert  
29 See 71-Down  
31 Longtime porcelain brand  
35 Hitter Ripken  
38 Fish-fowl link  
40 Some linens  
41 Desires  
42 Typeface option  
44 Gave birth to  
47 Put — show  
48 Outer: Prefix  
51 City on the eastern shore of Lake Erie  
55 Pouch near a kettle  
60 Aid in crime

**DOWN**  
1 Unclad  
2 Bone-dry  
3 Certain woodwind  
4 Divine food  
5 B&B, e.g.  
6 Pond dweller  
7 "Robin —" (Irish ballad)  
8 Senator Rubio  
9 Bi- less one  
10 Min. division  
11 La. neighbor  
12 Very varying  
13 Designer Mizrahi  
14 Fight stopper  
15 Pint-size  
16 Nine and two  
17 Bill add-ons  
20 Vacillates  
22 Restless  
24 Irish money  
28 Decompose  
30 "To Live and Die —" (1985 film)  
32 Sailor's call  
33 Joker Jay  
34 Put on  
35 Plotters' plot  
36 Caribbean island  
37 Vital factor  
39 Zimbabwe, before 1979  
43 Astern

**ACROSS**  
61 Mix up  
62 "It's my guess ..."  
64 Workshop  
65 Ending for opal  
66 "Quantico" network  
68 Overwhelm  
69 Be inviting to Lou Grant  
70 Former Fleetwood Mac guitarist  
75 Belt holders  
77 They often show DOBs  
78 — chi  
79 Not-so-great grade  
80 Greek "H"  
83 Zagreb native  
85 Part of a flight of steps  
87 Aesir god  
88 Walk shakily  
89 Follower of James Buchanan  
94 Energize, with "up"  
96 Dawn deity  
97 You, in Germany  
98 Piano exercise  
99 Optimal

**DOWN**  
103 Provide with a new outfit  
106 Not-so-great grade  
108 La. neighbor  
109 Laurel and Hardy film  
114 "Woof!"  
116 Effective use of language  
117 Lascivious guys  
119 Cuba's Castro  
123 Spanish dances in 3/4 time  
124 Race held every May  
128 Let go  
129 "Being Julia" star Bening  
130 Diglyceride, e.g.  
131 Some inserts  
132 Steered  
133 Topiary tree  
134 Suffix with shepherd  
135 English county (it can be added to the ends of this puzzle's seven longest answers)

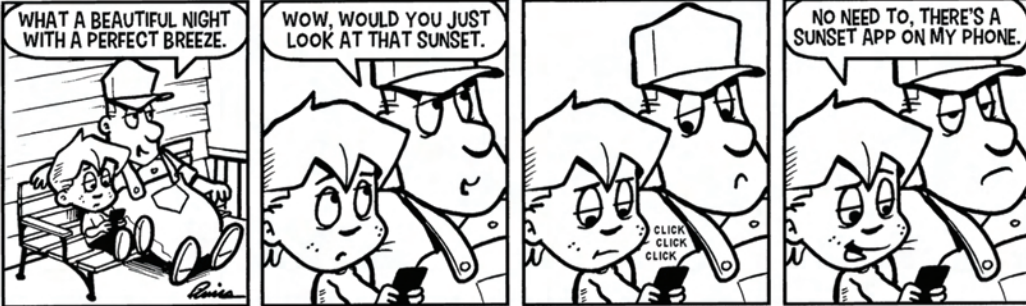
**DOWN**  
45 Plus  
46 Postpones  
49 Hub: Abbr.  
50 Grow incisors, e.g.  
52 Nation  
53 Jack of "Dragnet"  
54 Fuzzy fruit  
56 Voyaging  
57 Feeling blue  
58 Energize, with "up"  
59 Figure out  
63 Written with a #2, say  
65 Foot arch  
67 Loir or chop  
68 Watchdog breeds  
71 With 29-Across, new Apple product of 2013  
72 Author O'Brien  
73 Coins or bills  
74 Pop singer Halliwell  
75 PC monitor type  
76 Jorge's gold  
81 Diacritical squiggle  
82 Attach  
84 Great anger  
86 Friend in France

**ACROSS**  
87 Mo. #10  
90 Paul Anka's "Eso —"  
91 Butter-and-flour mixture  
92 "Dream on!"  
93 — -do-well  
95 Glorified  
99 Diva Streisand  
100 Resounded  
101 Turtles' tops  
102 Private pupil  
104 "That kinda thing": Abbr.  
105 Rich cake  
107 "Piece of cake!"  
110 Virtuous  
111 It isn't poetry  
112 Travel plan  
113 Body tubes  
115 Smart-alecky  
118 Barely earns, with "out"  
120 Intro painting class, maybe  
121 Rival of Lyft  
122 Old stringed instrument  
124 Singer Starr  
125 Suffix with ethyl  
126 Florida-to-Indiana dir.  
127 Moines lead-in

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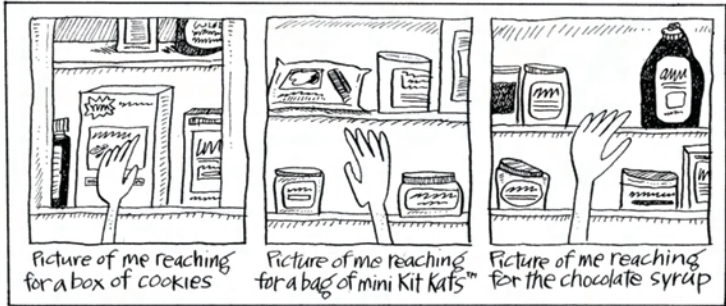


### Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

### Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas



### R.F.D.



by Mike Marland

### The Spats



by Jeff Pickering

### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging

♦♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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For Answers See Page 3

### CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR 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.

IGYWQ CWDNYGO WGY DZQ  
IGYWQ SYNWFOY ZM QEYXG  
QYNEDXAFY, QEYV WGY IGYWQ  
SYNWFOY ZM QEYXG BWOOXZD.  
— KWGQEW IGWEWK

### Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

TRIVIA TEST By Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. STATES: Where is the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame located?
  2. LITERATURE: Which famous novel begins with the line, "You better not never tell nobody but God"?
  3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the nickname of Tulane University's athletic teams?
  4. MUSIC: Acorn, drop, ball and barrel are all types of what?
  5. MOVIES: Which animated Disney movie featured the theme song "A Whole New World"?
  6. GAMES: How many strikes must one throw to achieve a perfect 300 score in bowling?
  7. ANATOMY: Which human organ filters blood, removes waste and regulates salt levels?
  8. HISTORY: How many people survived the sinking of the Titanic in 1912?
  9. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the island of Palau located?
  10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of rhinoceroses called?
- Answers
1. Cleveland, Ohio
  2. "The Color Purple"
  3. The Green Wave
  4. Drumsticks
  5. "Aladdin"
  6. 12
  7. Kidneys
  8. 706
  9. Oceania
  10. A crash or herd
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### top ten

### VIDEOS ON DEMAND

1. The King of Staten Island (R)
2. The Outpost (R)
3. Hard Kill (R)
4. Scoob! (PG)
5. You Should Have Left (R)
6. Trolls World Tour (PG)
7. One Night in Bangkok (R)
8. Deep Blue Sea 3 (R)
9. The Invisible Man (R)
10. Emperor (PG-13)

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### BRIEFS

#### College, career readiness Stark Co. requirement

TOULON – Beginning this school year, all Stark County junior high and high school students are required to complete College and Career Readiness Indicator (CCRI) activities as part of their graduation requirements.

There are four 30-40 minute activities that are required each year from 6th grade to senior year. These activities are designed to help students learn about their interests and to find careers that would be good matches at this time.

The required CCRI activities will be posted on a student's Google Classroom page.

#### Black Hawk celebrating Adult Ed classes

Black Hawk College is celebrating National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week Sept. 20-26.

The college began serving adult learners on July 1, 1969. Today, the Black Hawk College Adult Education program provides instruction in Adult Basic Education (ABE), Adult Secondary Education (ASE), high school credit and English as a Second Language (ESL).

Each year, approximately 1,000 students enroll in GED completion and non-credit ESL classes at Black Hawk College.

More than 36 million adults in the United States cannot read, write or do basic math above a third-grade level, and more than 1.2 million young adults end up dropping out of high school every year. However, adults with a high school diploma or equivalent are more likely to work full-time and make an average of \$9,620 more per year than a non-graduate.

Black Hawk College Adult Education serves individuals age 16 and older who need to improve their basic skills with an emphasis on literacy, mathematics and English language proficiency. Classes are at no cost to

students who qualify.

Instructors work with each student to design an individual learning plan that aligns to his/her goals, such as to: Get, retain or advance in a job.

Get off public assistance and earn a family-sustaining income.

Complete high school or obtain a GED certificate.

Transfer to a community college or training program.

Help their children succeed in school.

Manage their family's health care.

Learn English, understand U.S. culture and be an informed citizen.

Instruction is offered both in-person and online to ensure students' safety and convenience. Classes begin every three weeks. Registration dates are offered weekly, so students can enroll at any time. For more information, call (309) 796-8216.

Tutoring services also are available to enrolled students who qualify. If you are interested in becoming an adult volunteer tutor, call (309) 796-8215.

#### Black Hawk East sets fall campus visit dates

GALVA – Prospective Black Hawk College students are invited to Friday Fall Visit Days at the college's East Campus.

Students and their parents can: Visit campus or participate in online/virtual activities.

Meet faculty members and ag and equine competitive team coaches.

Learn about campus life from Student Ambassadors.

Students can pick a visit day based on their area of interest:

Oct. 2 – Explore East Campus (general visit day)

Oct. 9 – Veterinary Technology

Oct. 16 – Agriculture Business/Production (AAS)

Oct. 23 – Equine

Nov. 6 – Agriculture Transfer

Nov. 20 – Agriculture Mechanics/Automotive Repair/Welding.

Fall Visit Days are from 9 a.m. to noon. Space is limited for the on-campus events. To register, go to [www.bhc.edu/visit](http://www.bhc.edu/visit). Or contact Samantha Rux at [ruxs@bhc.edu](mailto:ruxs@bhc.edu) or (309) 854-1724.

Black Hawk College East Campus is located five miles south of Kewanee at 26230 Black Hawk Road, Galva.

#### Morales elected to UI student government

IOWA CITY, - University of Iowa shared governance bodies elect new leadership each spring semester. Two of the four groups are led by students at the UI: Undergraduate Student Government (USG) and Graduate and Professional Student Government (GPSG).

Makayla Morales of Toulon is one of the 46 student members of USG for the 2020-21 academic year.

#### Stark, Henry Co. release COVID-19 update

The Henry and Stark County Health Department announces that Henry County currently has 586 confirmed positive Covid-19 cases and Stark County has 47 confirmed positive Covid-19 cases. The Department is now releasing its weekly "recovery data" on positive cases:

Henry County Cumulative Confirmed Positive Covid-19 Cases: 586

Stark County Cumulative Confirmed Positive Covid-19 Cases: 47

Henry & Stark County Cumulative Confirmed Positive Covid-19 Cases: 633 (as of Sept. 16)

Symptomatic At Home: 52

Symptomatic Hospitalized: 2

Asymptomatic: 31

Symptoms Resolved: 137

Unknown Symptom Status: 400

Deaths: 7 (as of Sept. 15)

The Stark County Health Department was notified of a second novel coronavirus (COVID-19)-related death in Stark County. The individual, a woman in her 80's, had earlier tested positive for COVID-19.

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**KEWANEE • SEPT. 18 & 19**

HUGE HOUSEHOLD 2020 Garage Sale: 29025 N. 450 Ave., Kewanee, (3 miles out from SE corner of town) on Friday, Sept. 18, 1 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 19, Noon to 3 p.m. \*Please wear a mask, hand sanitizer on site to use before handling items. Computer desk, china hutch, dining table set, Dell computer and printer, piano, guitars/amps, video and digital cameras, power tools, garage and garden items, sand bags, golf clubs, camping, boating, treadmill and exercise equipment, dog supplies and kennels, books, CDs, DVDs, blu-rays, board games, puzzles, jeans, coats, clothing, bedding, curtains, rugs, kitchen items, Fall, Christmas and home decor, sports memorabilia, baby items, lots of misc and some free items. Not responsible for accidents, don't miss it, lots of great quality items!

**WYOMING • SEPT. 18 & 19**

TWO FAMILY Garage Sale: Friday, Sept. 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 19, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., 1/2 mile west of the Rumbold Grain elevator in the Valley (14543 Township Rd. 300 N). Boys clothes 10-12, young mens small - Xlg, boys sz. large white baseball pants, 30x30 dress pants/jeans, brand new Levis jeans 38x30, mens pants 36x30 and 30x32. Nice girl's church dresses, skirts and jumpers 3T, 4T, 5, 6, 6X, 7-8, 8½, 10-12, 14, 16. Nice ladies skirts (most Christopher & Banks) sz. lg - Xlg. & 12-14, ladies shirts lg. - Xlg. (Christopher & Banks), Boys' winter coat, Yamaha electronic keyboard, men's insulated coveralls, weather radio, cradle mattress 31"x15½", Sony and Tarmac camera bags, Thirty-One totes (some brand new), ladies scarves, girl's track shoes sz.10, Sony Cybershot and Canon Powershot digital cameras, Crinolines for prom dresses, toys, stuffed animals, John Deere toy implements, misc. items. No early sales, cash only and no holds.



# Toulon golfer 10th at sectionals

By Jeff Lampe

Stark County 8th grader Jimmy Langdon posted a round of 95 on Sept. 9 to place 10th in junior high sectional action at Quail Meadows Golf Course.

In a normal year, that finish would have earned Langdon a trip to the IESA state meet. But due to COVID-19 restrictions, Langdon had to be content instead with an escort back into town from the Toulon Fire Department.

Aidan Unhold, a Stark County 7th grader, shot 124 to tie for 49th.

In girls sectionals, Stark County 8th grader C.J. Richards was 15th at Madison Golf Course with a round of 116 and Izzy Mayer shot 162 to tie for 48th.

• **Cross country** – Stark County hosted its second cross country meet on Sept. 9 and scored two wins over United.

Unlike the first meet, when the course was shortened due to high temperatures, this meet ran the full 2.75-mile course.

In the girls race, the Rebels topped United, 24-33. Although United had the overall individual winner in Bridget Brokaw (19:44), Stark County won with its depth. With two runners still out with injuries, Alyssa Dyken (2nd, 20:13) was the first Rebel in for the second straight week. Lena Becker (3rd, 20:32) after missing last week was next for the Rebels. Rounding out the scoring for the girls were Riley Menssen (5th, 22:30), Trinity Shimmin (6th, 22:34) and Kimora Barnwell (8th, 24:50) running in her very first XC race.

Caden Daum (2nd, 17:33) held the lead in the boys race for two miles, but was passed by United's Zair Velazquez (17:15).

The other Stark County boys finishers were Payton Stahl (3rd, 17:48), Alex Welch (4th, 17:53), Jack Winans (6th, 19:14) and Colby Carroll (7th, 19:28). The boys posted a perfect 15 score as United didn't have the required five runners for a team score.

Stark County was to run Sept. 16 at Kewanee Dunes Golf Course and will race on its home course again Sept. 23 vs. Princeville and Annawan-Wethersfield starting at 4 p.m.

• **HS golf** – The Mid County boys golf team posted another win Monday in a match with Elmwood at Maple Lane Country Club.

Jaxson Willer shot a 41 to lead Mid County, which also got a 48 from Noah Thompson and Jake McGarry and a 49 from Kaden Willer.

The girls team combined for a score of 221 to finish behind Elmwood (201) and Farmington (215). Faith Erlacher shot 51 for Mid County, finishing ahead of teammates Taylor Haga (53), Sarah Kaiser (58) and Annalyn Lovell (59).

On Sept. 9, the Mid County girls won at Oak Run with a score of 235 to top Williamsfield (250) and Knoxville (255).

The boys placed second to Knoxville at Oak Run on Sept. 9, 175-182. Jaxson Willer was co-medalist with a round of 41 and was followed by Kaden Willer (46), Thompson (46) and McGarry (49).

• **JH softball** – Galva's junior high softball team improved to 10-0 overall and 4-0 in the Lincoln Trail Conference on Monday with a 5-4 win over Annawan-Wethersfield.

Galva is the top seed in its Class 1A regional and receives a first-round bye. Stark County is the No. 4 seed and plays ROWVA on Sept. 21 at 4:30 p.m. at Duryea Park in Wyoming. The winner advances to face Galva on Sept. 24 at Galva Park at 5 p.m.

• **JH baseball** – In IESA Class 1A baseball, No. 5 seed Galva is at No. 4 seed Williamsfield on Sept. 21. The winner will play at Monmouth ICS on Sept. 22 at 4:15 p.m.

In Class 2A, Stark County is the No. 3 seed and plays at Monmouth United on Sept. 22. The winner advances to the Sept. 26 regional title game.

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