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April 6 ballot features some contested elections

By JEFF LAMPE For The Weekly Post

While there are no major national positions to decide in the upcoming April 6 consolidated election, the ballots for Knox, Fulton and Peoria counties show a fair number of contested races.

Among those is the Elmwood mayoral race, which features four candidates whose signs have been showing up in town with increasing frequency. Running for mayor, all as Independents, are David Courson, David Ramsay, Brandon Butler and John "JD" Hulslander.

Elmwood Township also has contested positions. Running for Elmwood Township Supervisors are Republican Connie Davis and Independent Tammy J. McCoy. Five candidates are running for four seats as Elmwood Township Trustees: Democrats William L. Atwood and Robert E. Shoop and Republicans Gene Gibson, Wyatt McCoy and Brian Windish.

Early Voting

Early voting is underway in Peoria, Knox and Fulton counties. Details, Page 9.

Five candidates are vying for three seats on the Board of Education for the Elmwood School District #322. Running for a four-year position are incumbent Mark Davis, Kathleen "Katie" Vaughan, Thomas M. Maier, Brett W. Powers and Kevin Windish.

Another contested race is in Yates City, though you wouldn't know it from the ballot. Both incumbent Leslie Gavelys and Ken B. Vallas are running to be Village President, but both are write-in candidates.

Actually, Yates City has several write-ins. In the contested race for two seats for a two-year term for Village Trustee, Seth Lekies is an Independent on the ballot. David Mahr and George M. Murphy are write-ins. In the race for three four-year terms as Village Trustees, Thomas D. Kinzer and Matthew M. Ehens are on the ballot, while Ron Smith is a write-in candidate.

In the contested race for Salem Township Highway Commissioner, Independent Blake Clark is on the ballot while John Woodcock is a write-in.

Farmington has a contested race for Alderman in Ward 3 between Independents David *Continued on Page 8*

PLAN AHEAD FOR TROPHY TOMATOES

Start your 'maters!

Plant tomatoes by April 1, enjoy all year

By RON DIETER

For The Weekly Post The first of April is fast approaching and that's an important date if you plan to grow your own tomato and pepper plants from seed. It's six weeks from May 15, the average frost-free date for these parts, and the very earliest you should set these plants out in the garden.

There's a huge commercial grower who supplies vegetable plants to major chains like Lowes and Home Depot. He thinks you should buy his plants instead of growing your own and on his website he lists five reasons why. First, he says, you get a head start. Well, that's true only if you don't get your seeds started on time. All things being equal, there's really no advantage one way or the other.

Second, he claims you can make up for lost time if you haven't started your seeds in a timely manner. I can't argue with that.

For his third reason, he says you'll get instant satisfaction. Just buy his plants, stick 'em in the ground and you're done. While that may be true, what about the gratifying experience of starting the seeds of your favorite tomatoes and nurturing them along to become healthy young plants? I can attest to how gratifying that task can be. It seems to me, if you want instant satisfaction, just buy a can of tomatoes. They're peeled, cooked and ready to eat. Webster's dictionary says satisfaction is the "fulfillment



While you may not save lots of money by starting your own tomatoes, the process can be gratifying – and tasty.

Farmington council OKs cop vehicle

By JEFF LAMPE For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – Against a backdrop of persistent conversation regarding a new City of Farmington building, the City Council on Monday voted on a few items on a relatively light action agenda.

The council voted unanimously to approve two purchases

by the Farmington Police Department. The first was for a new squad vehicle not to exceed \$53,099. That was the price estimate provided by Police

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of a need or want," whereas gratification is an act "pleasing to the mind or heart." So, I'll grant that setting out store-bought plants may be satisfying, but I prefer the satisfying and gratifying experience of starting seeds myself. Fourth, he suggests your garden starts out stronger because his plants are grown in *Continued on Page 2* Chief Chris Darsham for a 2021 Dodge Durango, fully equipped with equipment and police department striping. Darsham also provided a \$48,959 estimate for a fully equipped 2021 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup. The council gave

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TOMATOES: Plenty of reasons to start your own

Continued from Page 1 ideal conditions. And because they're professionally grown, they're less likely to be attacked by cutworms or other problems. Well, I contend that plants subjected to the stresses of cold and poor watering at the chain store are no match for well-tended homegrown plants. And do you really believe the hungry cutworms in your garden will show a preference for homegrown plants?

Finally, he claims harvest time comes sooner. Sorry. Homegrown plants started

in a timely manner will yield fruit no later than commercially produced plants. In fact, I'd be willing to bet that plants started at home will yield sooner than plants subjected to chain store conditions.

Now let's consider starting your own tomatoes and peppers from seed.

First, we've already established that it can be fun and rewarding. It's a great project to enjoy with your kids or grandkids.

Second, you can grow varieties that are not available as plants. There are

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thousands of tomato varieties but only a couple hundred offered as plants. Many heirloom varieties are only available as seeds.

A third reason to start your own is to get earlier yields. I contend properly started plants at home will yield earlier than storebought plants. I've seen racks of tomato and pepper plants sitting outside on chain store lots on chilly nights. I've also seen those plants begging for water. Research shows these environmental stresses will delay flowering and fruit set.

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The second most important condition is temperature. For most vegetable seeds, the warmth radiating from the bulbs will be sufficient. Once the seeds have germinated and begun to grow, the temperature must be reduced to prevent the plants from stretching. This can best be done by moving the plants outside during the day. Outdoors they will get plenty of light yet stay cool. Young plants stretch and become spindly for two reasons - low light and high temperatures.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Upcoming Events

• Mystery Craft - Brimfield Public Library has a "Mystery Craft" Night on Friday, March 26, at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$20. Limited seating, masks required. Call (309) 446-9575.

• Book fair – Farmington Elementary School has an online book fair March 15-28. Find the Book Fair link under "News" on dist265.com, Parent Square or ScholasticBookFairs.com.

• Blood drive - St. Patrick Catholic Church in Elmwood will have a blood drive on March 30 from 1-6 p.m. To register, call Ann at (309) 219-3900.

This Week's Events

• Tai Chi – Tai chi classes Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4 per class. Bring mat and water.

• Yoga – Yoga classes Thursdays at 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4 per class.

• Easter crafts – Salem Township Library is offering Easter crafts on March 17 from 1-4 p.m. Call ahead for reservations at (309) 358-1678.

• Free Food – Food for needy available in food

pantry in the northeast corner of the grassy lot adjacent to St. Patrick's Church. Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul and Elmwood churches.

Future Events

• Spring Suite – Elmwood High School and chorale students perform various numbers in this virtual event on March 26. Watch on the schools YouTube chan-

• Tax Aide – Brimfield Public Library offers AARP Tax-Aide Day on Monday, April 5, in the afternoon. Registration is required. Call (309) 446-9575.

• Virtual chat – Morrison & Mary Wiley Library will hold a virtual Fireside Chat with author John Sandford on April 14 at 7 p.m. John Sandford is the pseudonym

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for the Pulitzer Prizewinning journalist John Camp. He is the author of 29 Prey novels; 4 Kidd novels; 12 Virgil Flowers novels; 3 YA novels co-authored with his wife, Michele Cook,

and 2 other books. The next book in his Prey series, Ocean Prey, will be released on April 13. This will be an online Zoom Webinar. If you have any questions for John, send to the library at elmwoodlib@gmail.com by April 1 and they will be forwarded. Register with your name and email address by April 1 to elmwoodlib@gmail.com.

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Who do we blame for not farming right?

The tree-lined streets of the University of Massachusetts (UMass) and hallowed hallways of Yale University are two places most farmers would not expect to find a hot debate over soil erosion.

And, yet, late this winter, staff at both campuses attacked agriculture's ongoing failure to protect farmland. Don't worry, no ivory tower was toppled. The standard Midwestern view of soil loss – that it's a cost of pro-

duction like seed or fertilizer - took a long-overdue hit, though. The examina-

tion began in mid-February when Yale Environment 360, an online magazine published by the university's School

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of Environment, highlighted a December UMass study that showed "more than a third of farmland in the U.S. Corn Belt" – or about 30 million acres -- "has completely lost its carbon-rich topsoil due to erosion..."

To anyone needing to eat a generation from now, that's stop-the-presses news

And it was - but not in the cornand-soybean Midwest. Instead, the soil loss numbers caught the attention of one-time Iowa farmboy, Verlyn Klinkenborg, a lecturer at Yale and, from 1997 to 2013, a member of the New York Times Editorial Board.

In a March 1 essay titled "How the Loss of Soil Is Sacrificing America's Natural Heritage," Klinkenborg politely chided the UMass geoscientists

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for narrowing the research's shattering news on "catastrophic" topsoil loss into the mollifying language of ag economics: soil loss is about today's dollars, not tomorrow's lives.

"Inevitably, the paper goes on to calculate the economic implications of these findings," he writes. "And that's how the agricultural press (which has barely noticed this study so far) has read it: The loss of topsoil on 30 million acres may result in a possible \$3 billion loss to 'Midwestern farmers."

It's what we do in agriculture, isn't it: we put prices on priceless items like topsoil, clean water, and clean air so we can continue to abuse these "irreplaceable resources" until we're forced to change.

Besides, \$3 billion isn't that much, right?

If we can do that to "an essential part of our common heritage," topsoil, then it's no surprise that "(t)he narrowness of these assumptions... has made it possible to farm in a way that is little more than slow stripmining."

In fact, today's obsessive devotion to economics - money - has flipped an "old - and in big ag circles, forgotten - maxim that good farmers don't really think about raising crops: they think about improving soil."

It's also led to industrial farming and "Industrial farming is like holding up the grocer at gunpoint for a head of lettuce - 'efficient' in the short term, but eventually disastrous," says Klinkenborg.

And disaster is where we now are in topsoil, explain UMass researchers. To measure today's soil status,

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the researchers used high-definition satellite imagery, "soil spectral data," and recent soil carbon indexing to measure how much "A-horizon" soil, topsoil, has been lost on intenselyfarmed Midwestern land.

What they found, says Klinkenborg, was "shocking:" that "the Ahorizon [soil] has been completely removed from 35 percent," plus or minus 11 percent, "of the cultivated area of the Corn Belt."

Plus or minus "11 percent is a large range of uncertainty," he admits. "But its meaning is plain. At best, 24 percent of the topsoil in the Corn Belt has been completely removed by farming. At worst, 46 percent has been lost."

Both numbers are terrible and both point to how "modern" farming must change to remain viable and, simultaneously, regenerative as climate change - not "efficiency" - impacts all farmers. The hopeful part is that we already know what we must do and we know how to do it.

First, however, we'll waste precious time on the blame game.

"It's easy to blame the old farmers," writes Klinkenborg, "...the ones who broke the prairie and their immediate descendants - for not farming in a way that conforms to what we know now. But we ourselves aren't farming the way we now know we should. Who do we blame for that?"

Who, indeed.

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VOICES GUEST



Remembrances of two Elmwood graduates

To the Editor:

The Jan, 30, 2021, passing of Jeffrey L. Coon prompts me to write a remembrance of two Elmwood High School graduates who became informal ambassadors of the region served by your paper.

Jeffrey (EHS Class of 1966) was a

son of Sanford and Carleatt DeWitt Coon and grew up on the family-operated farm then owned by Charles Clinch on Texas Road, just south of the current Christ Orchard retail store. Jeffrey's

participation in Elmwood High's chorus, band and dramatics launched him into a 10-year career as a performer, business agent, and producer in summer stock theatre, starting with Peoria's Corn Stock Theatre.

In 1968 Jeff worked with a summer stock theatre in southern Indiana where his roommate and fellow performer was John Belushi, the later SNL comic and "Animal House" actor. Jeff and John stayed in touch through the remainder of the latter's all-to-brief life.

Jeff continued in theatre in Corning, N.Y., Princeton, N.J., and off-Broadway productions in New York City, where he interacted with several emerging television and stage personalities, while completing a degree in speech and theatre from SIU, Carbondale in 1973.

As his career in theatre wound down, Jeffrey pursued interests elsewhere but returned to NYC, working initially as a floral designer and, subsequently, for 25 years as a personnel officer/trainer for Chemical Bank, now Chase Bank. Living in Brooklyn, he was one of thousands who on Sept. 11, 2001 walked home from work across the Brooklyn Bridge. After retiring, he relocated to Austin, Texas, where he died this past winter at age 72. Although not a thespian like his brother, Ronald D. Coon (EHS Class of 1957) entertained local audiences while in high school with comic skits and declamations in the style of stand-up comedian Don Adams, later famous as the star of the 1960s series "Get Smart." Ron earned a ROTC scholarship to attend UCLA, graduating with a degree in political science in 1963. After a six-month stint in the Army Reserve, Ron was one of the first Illinois residents to enlist in the Peace Corps Program. He taught in Tanzania in east Africa, 1963-67, and followed that with a six-year career with the Institute of Modern Lan-

guages, working in Saudi Arabia, 1968-69; Mexico City, 1970; and then in Washington, D.C. to 1973 as Director of Publications for the IML.

Manifesting an affinity for a cosmopolitan -

but less buttoned-down - lifestyle, Ron relocated to San Francisco and worked for a decade in the health food industry and then until his death in 1993 as a manager of special events and services for the Marriott Corporation in Tucson, Ariz.

Both Ron and Jeff contributed a measure of Midwestern rural, smalltown perspectives to their numerous metropolitan associates and friends, belying glib pronouncements of a deep, unbridgeable American divide.

Jeffrey and Ron are survived by their sister, Sandra Coon McCorry (EHS Class of 1955).

Several of your readers likely remember one or more of the three siblings.

- David L. Coon, Pullman, Wash Did a public record story show racial bias? To the Editor:

I'm writing to address problematic news coverage of the article "Brimfield purse thief caught after chase" (Aug. 13, 2020). This article gives a very detailed account of a robbery that resulted in a woman getting "her purse back" with "all items intact" and a truck with "nothing removed." This seems un-newsworthy compared to other minor stories that detailed comparatively worse crimes. This coverage could underscore potential racial bias in our community. In our society, we have to be cautious of perpetuating the stigma that black people inherently make bad choices or are criminals. We now know that we are all biased in some way, but it's important now more than ever to be diligent in how we tell our stories.

To compare coverage in the public record of that same issue, a white man was pulled over for driving on a revoked license, in an uninsured vehicle that was not his, with cannabis in the vehicle with an aggravated domestic battery charge. The description within the article includes details of having "back-up called" and a K-9 unit and a drone used. It seems that the man with the aggravated domestic battery charge didn't receive nearly any effort being sought out by local police through the description of the public record.

When we demonize one race over another we divide ourselves. In rural areas, like those reached by this paper, we limit our growth as communities when we allow these injustices to happen. Many groups tried to make this more obvious to the public last year but, maybe we needed a personal example to show the inconsistencies that can occur. The differences in the coverages of two crimes may seem miniscule, but it does potentially show racial bias.

- Ava Alford, Williamsfield Organic gardener seeking assistance To the Editor:

If you're looking to learn how to grow and preserve good food for your family, a local organic gardener is looking for help to expand his Jubilee College State Park area garden and help neighbors who are needing food for their families.

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Barn fires spread to Hanna City home

HANNA CITY - Logan-Trivoli Firefighters responded to a reported barn fire at 14326 W Smithville Road in rural Hanna City on March 9 at 3:17 p.m. Upon arrival, firefighters found three barns on fire and the house catching fire.

The owner of the property is Scott Turbett.

Logan-Trivoli Fire Assistant Fire Chief Chris Matzke said firefighters fought winds gusting in excess of 30 mph to extinguish the exterior of the house and the three barns. Three additional buildings were smoking and those were extinguished also.

Three barns ended up being destroyed. Three buildings were saved and the house was saved. A damage estimate is unknown at this time.

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time. There were no injuries. Eight nearby fire departments responded to assist Logan-Trivoli Fire, which remained on the scene till 9:30 p.m.

Police reports

• FARMINGTON - Timothy Martin, 29, of Farmington was arrested for domestic battery on March 15, according to a Farmington police report. He was taken to Fulton County Jail.

• FARMINGTON - Dalton Powell, 19, of Farmington was given citations on March 12 related to a complaint by the management of Circle K Gas Station in the 1000 block of E. Fort St. that Powell had used a fake I.D. to buy alcohol, according to a Farmington police report. Police located Powell at a Farmington residence and took him into custody for possession of a fraudulent driver's license, illegal possession of alcohol by a minor and illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor. He was given a court date of April 15 in Lewistown.

• ELMWOOD - Jesse J. Eldridge, 36, of Elmwood was charged on March 14 with home invasion with injury, aggravated domestic battery, criminal damage to property \$500-\$10,000 and unlawful possession of a weapon.

• FARMINGTON - Jesse R. Davis, 34, of Farmington, was arrested March 7 for resisting/obstructing an office, aggravated fleeing or eluding an officer, reckless driving and DWLS/R according to a Fulton County Sheriff's report.

• FARMINGTON - Annalisa Hogue, 32, of Farmington, was arrested March 9 for domestic battery according to a Fulton County Sheriff's report.

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FARMINGTON: Concerns voiced over new building

Continued from Page 1 Darsham authority to pick which vehicle he wants to buy. Darsham noted that money to pay for the vehicle does not come from taxpayer dollars, but rather from money generated by officers for writing tickets, impounding vehicles and other actions.

"It's kind of a reward for our guys to get a new car every two years or so," Darsham said.

The new vehicle will replace a 2015 squad car that has more than 100,000 miles.

The council also approved the purchase of an alcohol sensor kit for \$3,795. Darsham said Farmington does not have one of the breathalyzer sensors, used to determine whether a driver is under the influence of alcohol. He said the new machine will save time and help keep officers in Farmington, instead of forcing them to drive to Canton or Lewistown, which also have the DUI machines.

Finally, Darsham formally introduced Farmington's newest police officer, Nick Robbins, who is a resident of Hanna City and has previously worked as an officer in Peoria and in Washburn.

The council also approved Mayor Kent Kowal's suggestion of appointing Sherrill Balagna to the Community Economic Development Committee and Kowal's extension of a local state of emergency for the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Hopefully for the last time," Kowal said.

Non-action items dominated most of the discussion during the 85-minute meeting, though, as several business owners voiced concerns over the construction of a new City of Farmington building on vacant lots on East Fort buildings that house The Simple Things and Razor's Edge Hair Salon.

Cassandra Anderson, owner of SoVia Home Showroom in Farmington, also spoke several times and suggested that, instead of constructing a new building, the city could buy and renovate buildings on East Fort St. belonging to O'Brian Companies LLC and Froehling, Weber & Schell LLP.

Anderson also asked to hear benefits of constructing a new building.

"I contend we did give reasons for our choice and we have told you why 10-15 times," Mayor Kent Kowal said. "The 'why' is not something you agree with. We just have a difference of opinions, I think."

Kowal said benefits include constructing a new building that would be pleasing to the eye in a "focal part of the city" and drawing more people to the downtown, which should aid businesses.

The council later approved a construction report that "appointed" D. Joseph Construction Co. as the Design Build entity, giving the company authority to gather information for the project, have a design plan drawn and handle bidding.

The report noted that an agreement for the purchase of the vacant lots has been signed by the city and by property owner Sam Lillie. That transaction hinges on testing that is still to be done on soil compaction.

In other action, the council:

• Accepted the resigna-

tion of Larry Snowden from the Zoning Board of Appeals, since Snowden has moved to Canton.

• Accepted a \$400 check from the Farmer's Closet to help towards the purchase of new garbage cans for the city. Received copies of the 2012 Farmington Comprehensive Plan, with the intent of reviewing and discussing at a later date.
Heard that raccoons have been seen coming in

have been seen coming in and out of anabandoned house on North Wall St.





The Village of Princeville is accepting applications for Manager of the Princeville Aquatic Center.

The Pool Manager position is a seasonal job, generally running May thru August. This position oversees the scheduling of lifeguards, coordination of swim lessons and the daily operations of the pool during the summer season. The Pool Manager meets with the Village Board Pool Committee 2-3 times a year to decide on things such as rates, hours, etc. The current manager will work with the new manager, this year, to acclimate them to the position. Applicants must be available weekends and evenings, have life guard training and live locally.

Applications are available online at www.princeville.org and also at the Village Hall, 206 N. Walnut Ave., Princeville.

Applications will be accepted until April 15, 2021 Questions, contact Village Hall, 309-385-4<u>76</u>5.

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BALLOT: No candidates running for some spots

Continued from Page 1 Black and Jeni Crusen. Farmington Township has a contested race for Highway Commissioner between Travis Mahr, a Democrat, and Steven G. Black, an Independent.

Five candidates are running for three four-year seats on the Farmington CUSD No. 265 Board of Education. Candidates are incumbents Ron Zessin, B.J. Oldfield and Dustin Blunier along with Keith Adam Deppermann and Daniel Gorsuch.

There is also a two-year seat for the Farmington Board of Education listed on the ballot, but no candidate. That's not unusual, either, as contrasting the contested elections are several races that have no candidate.

Hanna City has nobody running for Village Clerk on Peoria County's sample ballot and there are no candidates listed running for three Trustee positions in Hanna City.

In Elmwood, nobody is running to be Township Collector. In Jubilee Township, no candidate has stepped forward to run for Tax Assessor or Tax Collector. The Assessor position is also vacant for the Akron/Princeville Multi-Township and for Farmington Township.

There is no candidate for a twoyear term as a Park Commissioner for the Elba-Salem Park District and none for a two-year term with the Hanna City Park District.

Library boards are also having problems rousing enough candidates. The Elmwood Library District has Rusty Koll and Janelle Meyers running for two-year terms as Trustees, but there is no candidate for a third spot. Similarly, there is no candidate for a four-year term as Trustee for the Williamsfield Public Library. And Shirley M. Sollenberger is the lone candidate for two spots for the Brimfield Public Library District.

Farmington has nobody running for the City Council from Ward 2.

And Leland Wight is the lone person running for two six-year spots on the Regional Board of School Trustees for Henderson, Knox, Mercer and Warren Counties.

Here are other candidates, listed by county, in non-contested races.

PEORIA COUNTY Village of Brimfield

• President - Danny J. Fishel • Trustee (three) – Michael R. Meinders, Allison Lee Porter and Brandee Dibler.

Early voting underway in Peoria, Knox counties

Peoria County offers a variety of early voting options.

Votes can be cast at the Election Commission Office at 4422 Brandywine Dr., Peoria, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through March 26 and from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. from March 29 to April 5.

The commission is also open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 27, noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday April 3 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 4.

Elsewhere, here are details for local early voting spots.

• Princeville – Early voting at Lillie M. Evans Library will be March 22, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Hanna City – Hanna City Methodist Church is open March 23, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Wagner

Village of Hanna City • President – Anthony Fryxell

- Village of Princeville • President – Jeffrey D. Troutman
- Clerk Sarah S. Cordis

• Trustee (three) – Ricky Dean Pope, Teresa Gilroy and Spencer A. Wilson

Akron Township

- Supervisor Floyd Streitmatter
- Clerk Samuel Martin

• Road Commissioner - Jeffrey Streitmatter

• Trustee (four) – Stan Schick, Steve Schaffer, Alan R. Knobloch and Gale Stoller

Brimfield Township

- Supervisor Anthony Karl
- Clerk Michael Karl

• Tax Collector - M. Carroll Carroll

• Road Commissioner – Thomas Coyle

• Trustee (four) - Richard Carroll, August Schaub, Annette Doughty and Robert K. Scherler

Elmwood Township

- Clerk Diana Hall
- Assessor Steven E. Davis
- Highway Commissioner –

David Wagner

- Jubilee Township
- Supervisor Stephen Garnett • Clerk – Robin A. Forney
- Road Commissioner John Ely
- Trustee (four) Dan Bowers,

Jeff Carter, Robert J. Shane and Jason D. Snyder

• Brimfield – Brimfield Public Library is open March 24, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Elmwood – Elmwood Methodist Church is open March 26, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Kickapoo – Kickapoo Township hall voting is March 29, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Knox County – Early voting is from Feb. 25 through April 5 in Galesburg at the Knox County Clerk's office during regular business hours. The office is also open Saturday March 20, and April 3, 9 a.m. to noon.

• Fulton County – Vote at the Fulton County Courthouse in Lewistown, 100 N. Main St., through April 5, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also on Saturday March 27 and April 3 from 8 a.m. to noon.

• Clerk – Bobbie Philbee

- Tax Collector Karen Megan
- Road Commissioner Matthew Perham

• Trustee (four) – R. Andy Carroll, Douglas Whittaker, Dennis J. Whittaker and Jerome Weistart

Princeville Township

- Supervisor Summer Rice
- Clerk Marlys Ely
- Tax Collector Mary DeBord
- Road Commissioner Darrel

Fuchs • Trustee (four) – Robert Ingle, Jerry Broadfield, Jon Bateman and Diane Menold

Rosefield Township

- Supervisor Greg Bledsoe
- Clerk Martin E. May

• Highway Commissioner – Matt Windish

• Trustee (four) – Darren Maue, Dennis Homan, James L. Zinser and Ryan P. McIntyre

Trivoli Township

• Supervisor – Eric L. Stanley • Clerk - Patricia "Trish" Deppermann

• Road Commissioner – David R. Eberley, Jr.

• Trustee (four) – Steve Bucco, Joseph D. Gronewold, Josh Harding and Reid Harman

Brimfield/Milbrook Multi Township

• Assessor - Sandra Powell

Elmwood Library District

• Trustee (four-year term, three) – Harold Jehle, Pam Paige and Doug Whitney

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Kickapoo Township

- Supervisor John Thompson
- Clerk Jamie Johnson
- Assessor Julianne McIntyre
- Collector Bob Barth
- Road Commissioner Daniel Kelch

• Trustee (four) - William Carman, Alan Kelch, Randy Weber and Martin Gensler.

Millbrook Township

• Supervisor – Danny E. Powell

Library District (Also on Fulton County ballot) • Trustee (four) - Maggie Cecil,

Linda Bearden, John Martin and Lisa Uptmor

Lillie M. Evans Library District

• Trustee (four-year term, three) – Diane K. Smith, Deborah Jo Givens and Zach Waldis

• Trustee (two-year term) - Randy D. Ingle



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chez, Wes Wrage and Regina Strom

Brimfield CUSD #309 **Board of Education**

• Member (two-year term) - Patrick Meyer • Member (four-year term, four) – Jason D. Snyder, Matthew Bryce Gillespie, Stephen Updyke and Mark Bell

Princeville CUSD #326 **Board of Education**

• Member (four-year term, three) - Grant W. DeBord, Michael Harmon and Jeremy Duckworth Millbrook Township

Center Board

• Managers (three) – William F. DuBois, Renee Britt and Teresa Joyce Hanna City Park District • Commissioner (three) – Jessica Archdale and Megan Welker

FULTON COUNTY City of Farmington

• Mayor – Kent R. Kowal • Clerk - Nancy Reed

• Alderman, Ward 1 -Nathan Fleming

Farmington Township • Supervisor – Timothy

W. Haley • Clerk – Sandra K. Horn

• Trustee – (four) Linda Bearden, Kevin Wyant, Paul Balagna and Jessica Slater

KNOX COUNTY

Village of Williamsfield • Trustee (three) – Stuart G. Hickerson, Andrew J. Scott and Jeremy Eagle **Elba-Salem Park District**

• Commissioner (four) -Wayne Wrage, Kevin Wilson, Levi Carr and Lora

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Ramp Elba Township

• Supervisor – Roger J. Newell • Clerk – Phillip Goe-

deke • Highway Commissioner - Roland Ekstrand

• Trustee (four) – Paul M. LaFollette, David Lynn, Julie Newell and Lora Ramp

Salem Township • Supervisor – Christine

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5 Years Ago

High school students in Farmington will see new dual-credit courses, plus new offerings in agriculture, earth & space science and career planning under a recommendation presented at the Board of Education's Monday meeting.

Brimfield-Jubilee Road will reopen this week after the Peoria County Highway Department closed the stretch between Kelstadt Road and Jubilee Hills Drive for a culvert replacement.

10 Years Ago

Jenna Scotti, daughter of Greg and Jill Scotti of Elmwood, was among 14 seniors from Peoria County given the Lincoln Senior Award, chosen for having qualities similar to Abraham Lincoln.

Popular farm and home auctioneer Jim Folger of rural Williamsfield was inducted into the Illinois State Auctioneers Association Hall of Fame at the annual meeting and banquet in Bloomington.

20 Years Ago

Mahindra

Brimfield Tigers Pack 153 toured

the Reynolds Palace Theatre in Elmwood. The Pack included Corey Jones, Alex Maher, Eddie Jones, Jordon Kelch, Scott Henderson, Nathan Adlington, Jerry Herbst and Cody Herbst.

Col. Gail Cower Auctioneer from Glasford was inducted into the Illinois State Auctioneers Association Hall of Fame.

30 Years Ago

Todd Stevens of Elmwood helped the Monmouth College men's track team set five league records and a pair of school marks en route to a Midwest Conference team title. 40 Years Ago

The Williamsfield Jaycees were putting up the new street signs. 50 Years Ago

Farmington's boys basketball team won the Farmington Regional, ousting V.I.T. 91-70.

The trailer home of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Predmore of Princeville was completely destroyed by fire. 80 Years Ago

A heavy snow greatly disrupted transportation, in Elmwood. North

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and south roads were the worst affected. Route 78 in both directions from Elmwood was badly blocked. 90 Years Ago

Snow to the depth of six inches was blown by a hard west wind into drifts that cut off all roads in the Elmwood area.

One of the worst blizzards experienced in this area in a number of years raged all day Saturday and Sunday. Mail carriers were able to make only part of their routes on Monday because of snow blocked roads.

An explosion at the Stan-O-Lind station in Laura caused instant death to Mr. Montgomery, head engineer. 100 Years Ago

Old-timers of Elmwood pronounce this winter the finest in their recollection. Fur overcoats have been thrown in the discard, the big overshoes and felt boots have reposed in the corner of the weed shed, the cattle and horses have grazed out in the stalk fields all season long and the coal pile has lasted surprisingly long.



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IHSA board approves dates for state finals

The Illinois High School Association Board of Directors has approved a recommendation to approve dates and parameters for an IHSA State Series in traditional spring sports that include baseball, softball, bass fishing, boys and girls track and field, tennis, girls soccer and journalism.

All tournaments are currently expected to conduct all rounds of competition, including a State Final. State Final qualifiers in some individual sports may be modified to better meet gathering mitigations.

Dates for finals are as follows:

• Bass fishing - Sectionals May 6, State finals May 21-22.

• Girls track and field - Sectionals June 2-4, State finals June 10-12.

• Boys track and field - Sectionals June 9-11, State finals June 17-19. At press time, postseason schedules for baseball and softball had not yet been posted at ihsa.org.

Peoria County expects \$1 million in road work

PEORIA – Peoria County is set to receive over \$1 million in funding for construction projects over the next three years, State Senator Dave Koehler (D-Peoria) announced.

The funds are being distributed as part of the 2019 Rebuild Illinois construction plan and will be distributed in six installments over the three-year period. Road and bridge improvements, new sidewalks and bike paths, or upgraded traffic signals are just a few of the changes the Peoria area may see as a result of this funding.

Projects will be decided upon and managed at a local level, and will be overseen by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

College honors

• Brenna Salverson of Edwards has been named to the Fall 2020 President's List (4.0 gpa) at Georgia Southern University.

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Farmington's Scholastic Bowl team won its second straight regional title last week. Team members include (left to right): Jason Kennelly, Gabe Thompson, Alex Barrett, Cameron Meehan, Lindsey Marinich, Johnathon Long, Ben Claybaugh and Shayleigh Thompson. Photo by Anita Bausman.

Unused portions of trail may transfer to Dunlap

BRIEFS

SPRINGFIELD - State Sen. Win Stoller (R-Germantown Hills) has passed a bill through the Senate that would authorize the transfer of unused portions of the Rock Island Trail from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to the Village of Dunlap.

"I am glad that the Illinois Senate has returned to Springfield to conduct business, and I'm extremely happy that I was able to pass my first bill during our very first week back," Stoller said. "This legislation will benefit the residents using the Rock Island Trail by removing the current blockage in Dunlap."

Currently, this section of the Rock Island Trial is impassable for bicyclists and pedestrians, and has forced trail users onto the Village's streets in order to continue on the trail. The land transfer will improve the safety for everyone who uses the trail.

Senate Bill 84 passed the Senate 56-1, and has been sent to the Illinois House for further consideration.

IDNR launches website for licenses, camping

SPRINGFIELD - The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) has launched a new licensing, registration and reservation platform for outdoor enthusiasts interested in hunting, fishing, boating, snowmobiling and camping.

Visitors to ExploreMoreIL.com and Camp.ExploreMoreIL.com will discover quick and easy solutions for hunting and fishing licensing and permitting; watercraft and snowmobile titling, registration and renewals; as well as campground reservations on any device, at any time.

The platform also features a 24/7 call center (866-716-6550) to enable fast and easy transactions.

The system also provides users a transition from the previous wildlife and fish licensing system and Reserve America. Prior users will simply need to log in as they've done in the past with existing credentials. Et cetera

• The Elmwood Kiwanis Club will not hold its annual Easter egg hunt in town due to COVID-19 restrictions.

• Rep. Darin LaHood (R-Peoria) has been named to the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The committee oversees the nation's intelligence agencies including components of the Departments of Defense, Homeland Security, Justice, State, Treasury and Energy.

• ArtsPartners of Central Illinois is accepting submissions for its 2021 Sky Art Peoria program, which puts the work of local artists on billboards. Apply by April 30 at artspartners.net or skyartpeoria.artcall.org.



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Princeville ponders new remote guidelines

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post PRINCEVILLE – New guidance on remote learning and higher costs than expected for a renovation project were hot topics at the March 9 meeting of the Princeville School Board.

The board discussed new guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education that would change guidelines for remote learning. Instead of requiring school districts to offer remote learning to all students, the new guidance limits the scope to those students who have a medical concern or who live in a household with somebody that has a medical concern. In those cases, medical documentation will be needed.

"I'm sure in the fall, we'll head in that direction," Superintendent

Shannon Duling said. "I just don't know if it's worth making that change midstream with a couple months of school left."

To allow for more discussion, a tentative special board meeting is scheduled for April 6, but may not be used, according to Dulin. The normal April 13 meeting has also been moved to April 27 and the May meeting will be on May 18.

Another topic likely to resurface in those meetings is a renovation of the Unit Office/MHS Building. Due to new guidelines from the State Fire Marshal, the Daycare/ Head Start facility will need to be renovated. An upstairs room will now require a direct exit to the outdoors, and a hallway with direct outdoor access will likely have to be added in the basement. Without the changes,

Duling said the Daycare will likely have to close. The lowest bid so far has been \$220,000, and Duling is uncertain if the Head Start grants will pay for that entire amount in one year, or if the project needs to be spread over several years.

Technology coordinator Kelly Jenkins reported that the district was ordering 480 new HP Chromebooks at \$216 per device for a total cost of \$103,680. The new units would go to staff and would replace current 6th-, 9th- and 12grade devices.

The board also approved a Summer Tech staffing proposal, whereby students are hired to repair chromebooks and computer screens and deal with other tech issues. Hired were Chloe Day, Caitlyn Thole, Elle Schupbach and Rylan Harmon. In other business, the



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board:

• Heard that enrollment has dropped by 31 students to 681 for March.

• Heard a review of the district's MAP testing results and how teachers use them to understand student needs.

• Approved a 36-month agreement for electrical services with Constellation.

• Approved selling a 2007 Bluebird bus to Jay's Auto Salvage for \$2,000. Approved Amanda

Lawson as volunteer softball assistant coach.

• Reviewed culturally responsive teaching and learning standards.

• Heard that Dulce Venegas is winner of the 2021 Lincoln Senior Award for Princeville. She was nominated by teachers and received the top number of votes.



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John J. Dries Sr.

KICKAPOO - John J. "Jack" Dries Sr., 88, of West Peoria died March 7, 2021, at UnityPoint Health-Methodist in Peoria.

Jack was born on July 28, 1932, in Chicago, a son of George W. and Bernadine (Gerten) Dries. Jack proudly served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. He was a plumber, working for Dries Brothers Plumbing for many years.

Jack attended St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kickapoo.

Jack is survived by six children, Jack (Joy) Dries Jr., Beth (John) Meister, Debbie (Jack) Siegel, Cyndi (Chris) Polhemus, Tim Caughey and Dennis (Kim) Caughey; 14 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and first wife, Mary Buchanan.

A funeral mass was March 12, 2021, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kickapoo

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Toni M. Horton

ELMWOOD - Toni M. Horton, 64, of Galesburg, sister of an Elmwood woman, died at 10:39 a.m. Monday, March 8, 2021, in OSF St. Mary Medical Center.

She was born October 27, 1956, in Galesburg, the daughter of Stanley C. and Irene (Winkler) Horton. She is survived by two sisters, Cynthia Dunn of Elmwood and

Dixie Gustafson of Galesburg; and several nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews, including the two she was helping to raise. She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Rhonda McFadden; and a brother-in-law, Rex Dunn.

OBITUARIES

Toni was raised and educated in Galesburg, graduating from Galesburg High School in 1974. She went on to graduate with her B.S. in Nursing from Bradley University in 1978. Her nursing career included work at Galesburg Cottage Hospital, in the home health field for a time, and for the past several years for OSF Galesburg Clinic.

Toni was an avid reader. She taught reading to newly Americanized citizens and enjoyed volunteering at the Galesburg Public Library. She also enjoyed watching classic TV and knitting.

A private funeral service was to be Wednesday. Those wishing to attend the funeral "virtually" may tune into the funeral home's Facebook page at 1 p.m. at www.facebook.com/Hinchliff-Pearson-West-Funeral-Directors-and-Cremation-Services-160333664037824

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Doris M. Keeney

WILLIAMSFIELD - Doris M. Keeney, 85, of Galesburg, a Williamsfield High School graduate, died March 9, 2021, at Heartland Healthcare Center, Galesburg.

Doris was born on Sept. 16, 1935 in Knox County. She was the daughter of Hubert and Gladys (Lethleider) Hodges. Doris married the love of her life, Bob G. Keeney on Aug. 31, 1968 in Elizabethtown, Ill. Together, they celebrated 52 years of marriage.

She is survived by her husband, Bob at home; stepchildren, Bob Keeney of Kankakee and Jesse Keeney of Holister, Mo.; two siblings, Inez Miller of Burlington, Iowa, and Verla Wexell of Galva; four grandchildren; five greatgrandchildren.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents and four siblings.

Doris worked as a secretary for Admiral's in Galesburg; and then later worked with her husband at their dairy farm and also at Emerson Electric in Ava, Mo. Doris enjoyed knitting, crocheting and reading books. Most of all, she loved to spend time with her family and friends visiting.

Funeral Services were March 12, at Hurd-Hendricks Fellowship Hall, Knoxville.

Condolences can be left online at hurd-hendricksfuneralhome.com.

Bernice R. Knapp

PRINCEVILLE – Bernice R. "Bernie" Knapp, 90, of Roanoke, formerly of Congerville and sister of a Princeville woman, died March 4, 2021, at Roanoke Apostolic

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Christian Nursing Home in Roanoke.

She was born Jan. 17, 1931. She married Willis "Bake" Knapp on June 26, 1949.

Surviving are 3 daughters, Lynn (John) Getz of Eureka, Janet (Ben) Leman of Congerville, and Julie (Dave) Schumacher of Eureka; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchild; and 1 sister, Virginia Streitmatter of Princeville.

Patricia J. Lowe

HANNA CITY – Patricia "Patty" J. Lowe, 45, of Hanna City, died Sunday, March 14, 2021, at her home. She was born on Sept. 23, 1975, in Peoria to James L. and Patricia M. (Bales) Lowe.

She is survived by her mother, one son, Trevor Cox; one brother, Jimmy Lowe; and one sister, Teresa (Scott) Skaggs.

Patty is preceded in death by her father; maternal and paternal grand-parents.

Cremation rites will be accorded with Anderson-Sedgwick Funeral Home in Farmington. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Condolences can be left online at www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com.

Dan A. Miller

EDWARDS – Dan A. Miller, 77, of Mason City, father of an Edwards man, died March 1, 2021, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in He was born on July 21, 1943. On May 27, 1994, he married Helen ert Hall.

Leann Owens, who survives. Dan is also survived by his four to children, including Bruce (Christy) h Miller of Edwards; three step-children; 20 grandchildren; and 22 lo great-grandchildren.

Christopher M. Perdue

HANNA CITY – Christopher M. Perdue, 41, of Hanna City passed away at 6:15 p.m. on Saturday, March 6, 2021, at Elmhurst Memorial Hospital. He fought a long, hard battle from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident in September of 2020.

Chris was born on June 25, 1979, in Peoria to Michael (Marla) Perdue and Cathy (Vince) Bublitz. Surviving are his father and stepmother of Washington; his mother and stepfather of Brimfield; two daughters, Christina Brown (Chas Rice) of Elmore and Lynzie Perdue of Elmwood; three grandchildren, Evelyn, Emma and Hayden of Elmore; two brothers, M. Todd (Krystal) Perdue of Elmwood and Michael T. (Traci) Crabtree of Columbus, Ohio; two step-brothers, Jason Gaal and Tony Bublitz; two step-sisters, Mindi Meierhofer and Sara Brattain; paternal grandmother, Peggy Novak of Crete; and maternal grandmother, Pauline Hall of Elmwood.

He was preceded in death by his pa-

ternal grandfather, Homer Perdue; and his maternal grandfather, Robert Hall.

Chris was a graduate of Farmington High School. He dearly loved his children and grandchildren. He liked to live life to its fullest. He loved music, singing and cooking. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

Cremation has been accorded. A celebration of life will be held sometime in the future.

Robertta R. Staples

FARMINGTON – Robertta R. Staples, 94, of Farmington, died March 1 at Farmington Country Manor.

She was born on Sept. 1, 1926, in McCook, Neb. She married Bernard Staples on May 15, 1946. He preceded her in death on June 15, 2010.

Surviving are three children, Larry (Alice) Staples, Lynda (Gary) Langen, and LeAnn Wood; seven grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and one sister, Laura (David) Anderson.

Robertta worked as the treasurer at Manual High School. She was a member of the Elmwood United Methodist Church and also played the organ there for several years.

Graveside services were March 6, 2021, at Elmwood Township Cemetery. Pastor David Pyell officiated.

Condolences can be left online at www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com.



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BRIMFIELD

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

Catholic Church Father John Verrier Brimfield United Methodist Church Pastor Roland Millington 135 S. Galena St., Brimfield (309) 573-1833 Sun. Worship: 9 am Sun. School: 9 am Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm Union Church at Brimfield United Church of Christ Pastor Stephen Barch Church Pastor Kristine McMillan 484 3rd St. Yates City, IL 61572 (NOTE: Church is in Douglas) Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. (Maquon worship: 10:30 a.m.) Facebook Live is 10:30 at Maquon UM Church page

EDWARDS Bethany Baptist Church 7422 N. Heinz Ln., Edwards (309) 692-1755 bethanycentral.org Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10 am St. Mary's Catholic Church Father Joseph Dondanville 9910 W. Knox St., Edwards (309) 691-2030 stmaryskickapoo.org Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm Sat. Mass: 4 pm Sun. Masses: 7 & 11:00 am Mon. Mass: 5:30 pm Daily Masses: Wed-Fri. 8 am ELMWOOD **Crossroads Assembly of God** Pastor Tim Cavallo 615 E. Ash St., Elmwood (309) 830-4259 crossroadselmwood.org Wed. Worship: 7 pm Sun. Worship: 10:30 am Elmwood Baptist Church Pastor Bill Cole 701 W. Dearborn St., Elmwood

(309) 742-7631, 642-3278 Sunday School: 9:30 am Sun Worship: 10:30 am, 1:15 pm Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 pm **First Presbyterian Church** of Elmwood Reverend Marla B. Bauler 201 W. Evergreen, Elmwood (309) 742-2631 firstpresbyterianofelmwood.org Sun. Worship: 10:30 am Sun. School: 9:30 am St. Patrick's **Catholic Church** Father Joseph Dondanville 802 W. Main St., Elmwood (309) 742-4921 Sat. Mass: 5:30 pm Sun. Mass: 9 am Tues. Mass: 8 am Tues. Confession: After mass **United Methodist Church** of Elmwood Pastor David Pvell 821 W. Main St., Elmwood (309) 742-7221 elmwoodumc.org Sun. Worship: 9 am, 10:30 am Youth Sun. School: 9 am Adult Sun. School: 8 am FARMINGTON **Farmington Bible Church** Pastor Tony Severine 497 N. Elmwood Rd. Farmington (309) 245-9870 Sunday School: 9:30

Worship Service: 10:30 **First Presbyterian Church of Farmington** Reverend Andy Sonneborn 83 N. Cone Street, Farmington (309) 245-2914 firstpresfarmington.com Sunday School: 9:15 am Worship: 10:30 am Fellowship: 11:30 am **New Hope Fellowship**

WILLIAMSFIELD

St. James **Catholic Church** Father John Verrier Legion Road Knox Road 1450 N Williamsfield (309) 446-3275 stjameswilliamsfield.org Sun. Confession: 7:30-8 am Sun. Mass: 8 am (8:30 am in the summer) Williamsfield United **Methodist Church** Pastor Teresa Shane 430 N. Chicago Ave. Williamsfield (309) 639-2389 Sun. School: 9:30 am Hospitality (coffee & finger foods): 10:30 am Sun. Worship: 11 am YATES CITY **Faith United Presbyterian** Church Reverend Marla B. Bauler 107 W. Bishop St., Yates City (309) 358-1170 Worship: 9 am Sun. School: 10:15 am Thurs. Choir: 7 pm

314 W. Clay, Brimfield (309) 446-3275 stjosephbrimfield.org Sat. Confession: 3:30-4:45 pm Sat. Mass: 5 pm Sun. Mass: 10:30 am (10 am in the summer) Daily Mass: Tues.-Fri. 8 am St. Paul's **Lutheran Church** The Lutheran Church -Missouri Synod "Preaching Christ Crucified" "Liturgical & Reverential" Pastor Michael Liese 204 W. Clay St., Brimfield (309) 446-3233 Sun. Divine Service: 10 am **Brimfield E-Free Church** Pastor Donald Blasing 11724 Maher Road Brimfield, IL 61517 (309) 446-3571 brimfieldefree.org Worship: 10:30 am Sunday School: 9:30 am AWANA: Wed. 6:15 pm, ages 3-12

105 W. Clay Street, Brimfield (309) 446-3811 brimfieldunionchurch.org Sunday Worship: 9 am Tuesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm • First Sunday each month is Communion Sunday (glutenfree communion offered) Youth group meets 2nd Sunday each month, 12:30-2 p.m. DAHINDA **Dahinda United Methodist** Church **Reverend Teri Shane** 1739 Victoria St., P.O. Box 14 Dahinda, IL 61428 Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Fellowship & Coffee: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:40-11:30 Church: (309) 639-2768 Pastor's Office: (309) 639-2389 Email: williamsfielddahindaumc@yahoo.com

DOUGLAS Douglas United Methodist Assembly of God Pastor Tom Wright 1102 N. Illinois Route 78 Farmington (309) 231-8076 Sun. Worship: 10 am Wed. Worship: 7 pm

PRINCEVILLE Princeville United Methodist Church Pastor Zach Waldis 420 E. Woertz, Princeville (309) 385-4487 princevilleumc@mediacombb.net Sun. Worship: 9 am Sunday School: 10:15 am

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church Monsignor James Kruse 119 Saint Mary St., Princeville (309) 385-2578 Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm Sat. Mass: 4 pm Sun. Mass: 8 and 9 am Mon.-Sat Daily Mass: 8 am

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CLAIM NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, PEORIA COUNTY In Re ESTATE OF

DAVID L. COYLE,) No. 21-P-00061 Deceased. NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of DAVID L. COYLE on January 26, 2021. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to EDNA M. BELLINGER, of 5054 East Elena Avenue, Mesa, Arizona 85206, as Executor, whose attorneys of record are WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, or with the representative or both on or before the 10th day of September, 2021, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 2075, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies. DATED this 18th day of February, 2021.

> EDNA M. BELLINGER, Executor of the Estate of DAVID L. COYLE, Deceased.

ROBERT L. POTTS, ESQ. WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD. Attorneys for Executor 118 West Main Street P. O. Box 368 Elmwood, IL 61529-0368 Telephone: (309) 742-3611 becky@whitneyandpotts.com Published 3/4, 3/11, 3/18/21

> IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, PEORIA COUNTY

In Re ESTATE OF MICHAEL L. MCINTOSH Deceased.

No. 21-P-00084

CLAIM NOTICE - INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of MICHAEL L. McIN-TOSH on November 23, 2020. Letters of Office were issued on March 1, 2021, by the above entitled Court to SHERYL A. McIN-TOSH-SCHMIDT, of 710 West Timber Ridge Drive, Apartment 9, Peoria, Illinois 61615, as Independent Administrator, whose attorneys of record are WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., of 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, or with the Administrator or both on or before the 17th day of September, 2021 or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the Administrator is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the administrator and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 755 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a copy of a form of petition to terminate independent administration to the Clerk of the Court at the above address. DATED this 1st day of March, 2021. SHERYL A. McINTOSH-SCHMIDT, Independent Administrator

of the Estate of MICHAEL L. McINTOSH, Deceased. Stephanie F. Schmieg, Esq. WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD. Attorneys for the Independent Administrator 118 West Main Street P. O. Box 368 Elmwood, Illinois 61529-0368 Telephone: (309) 742-3611 stephanie@whitneyandpotts.com Published 3/11, 3/18, 3/25/21

CLAIM NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, PEORIA COUNTY

In Re ESTATE OF MARY LOU DUCKWORTH. Deceased.

No. 21-P-00091

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of MARY LOU DUCK-WORTH on January 31, 2021. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to JEANNE ANN WOLFORD, of 10823 West Farmington Road, Hanna City, Illinois 61536, as Executor, whose attorneys of record are WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, or with the representative or both on or before the 24th day of September, 2021, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 2075, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claim-ant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies. DATED this 3rd day of March, 2021.

> JEANNE ANN WOLFORD, Executor of the Estate of MARY LOU DUCKWORTH, Deceased.

ASHLEE E. STABLER, ESQ. WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD. Attorneys for Executor 118 West Main Street P. O. Box 368 Elmwood, IL 61529-0368 Telephone: (309) 742-3611 ashlee@whitneyandpotts.com Published 3/18, 3/25, 4/1/21

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING **OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLBROOK**

NOTICE is hereby given to the legal residents of the Township of MILLBROOK, in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Township will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021.

The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 7:30 P. M. on said day at the MILLBROOK COMMUNITY CENTER, in Laura, Illinois, situated in said Township, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of Officers and decide on such measures as may in pursuance of Law, come before the Meeting and especially to consider and decide the following:

Call Meeting to Order; Nomination/Election of the Moderator; Moderator's Oath of Office; Approval of minutes of previous Annual Town Meeting; Annual report of Supervisor; Annual report of Road District Treasurer: Audit of Accounts: Permanent Fund Transfers; General Business; and, Adjournment DATED this 9th day of March, 2021.

BOBBIE PHILBEE, Millbrook Township Clerk.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT **OF ILLINOIS, PEORIA COUNTY** IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

MARY E. ABRAHAM, Deceased.

Published 3/18/21

NO. 2021-P-00078

NOTICE TO KATHRYNE ANN CARSON MURPHY WILL ADMITTED

You are named in the petition as an heir of the decedent. Within 42 days after the effective date of the original order of admission any heir or legatee may file a petition with the court to require proof of the will by testimony of the witnesses to the will in open court or other evidence, as provided in Section 5/6-21 of the

NOTICE OF CLAIM DATE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS, PEORIA COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of MARY E. ABRAHAM, Deceased)

No. 2021-P-00078

Notice is given to creditors of the death of MARY E. ABRAHAM on July 30, 2020. Letters of Office were issued by the Court to DENNIS A. RICKEY, 2727 W. Singing Woods Road, Dunlap, Illinois, as Executor, whose attorney of record is KERRY R. CORDIS, Attorney at Law, 129 N. Walnut Avenue, P. O. Box 445, Princeville, Illinois 61559.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 11th day of September, 2021 or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. Dated: March 11, 2021.

DENNIS A. RICKEY, Executor of the Estate of MARY E. ABRAHAM, Deceased

Kerry R. Cordis The Cordis Law Office, LLC Attorney for Executor 129 N. Walnut Avenue P. O. Box 445 Princeville, IL 61559 309/385-4616 Published 3/11, 3/18, 3/25/21

BY: /S/ Kerry R. Cordis Attorney for Estate

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ELMWOOD

NOTICE is hereby given to the legal residents of the Township of ELM-WOOD in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois, that the Annual Township Meeting of said Township will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021.

The Township Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Township will be held at the hour of 6:00 P. M. on said day at the ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP HALL, located at 111 West Main Street, Elmwood, Illinois, in said Township, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of Officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of Law, come before the Meeting and especially to consider and decide the following:

Call Meeting to Order; Nomination/Election of the Moderator; Moderator's Oath of Office; Approval of minutes of previous Annual Town Meeting; Annual report of Supervisor; Annual report of Road District Treasurer; Audit of Accounts; Permanent Fund Transfers; Resolution appointing the Township Attorney; General Business; and, Adiournment DATED this 9th day of March, 2021. DIANA HALL. Elmwood Township Clerk.

Published 3/18/21

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING **OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCEVILLE**

NOTICE is hereby given to the legal residents of the Township of PRINCEVILLE in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Township will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021

The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 6:00 O'Clock P. M. on said day at the PRINCEVILLE TOWNSHIP BUILDING, located in Monica, Princeville Township, Peoria County, Illinois, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of Officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of Law, come before the Meeting and especially to consider and decide the following:

Call Meeting to Order;

Nomination/Election of the Moderator;

Moderator's Oath of Office;

SUBJECT TO	to wit:	Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-21).		Approval of minutes of previous A	nnual Town Meeting;
MANDATORY MEDIATION	LOT 27 IN BLOCK 4 IN EDGE-	You also have the right under Se	ction 5/8-1 of the Probate Act	Annual report of Supervisor;	
"THIS IS AN ATTEMPT	WATER TERRACE, BEING A SUBDI-	(755 ILCS 5/8-1) to contest the va	lidity of the will by filing a petition	Annual report of Road District Trea	asurer;
TO COLLECT A DEBT AND	VISION OF PART OF LOT 1 IN	with the court within 6 months after	er admission of the will to probate.	Audit of Accounts:	,
ANY INFORMATION	UNDERHILL'S SUBDIVISION OF	Dated: March 11, 2021.		Permanent Fund Transfers:	
OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR	ROME FARMS, ALSO A PART OF			General Business; and,	
THAT PURPOSE"	THE SOUTHWEST FRACTIONAL		A. RICKEY, Executor of the		
W19-1244	QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWN-		f MARY E. ABRAHAM, Deceased	Adjournment.	
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE	SHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF	Kerry R. Cordis		DATED this 9th day of March, 202	
10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERID-	The Cordis Law Office, LLC		1	MARLYS ELY,
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS	IAN, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT	Attorney for Executor			Princeville Township Clerk.
Community Loan Servicing, LLC;	THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT	129 N. Walnut Avenue	DV: /C/ Karry D. Cardia	Published 3/18/21	·
Plaintiff,	BOOK "T" AT PAGE 28, SITUATED IN		BY: <u>/S/ Kerry R. Cordis</u>		
VS.	THE COUNTY OF PEORIA AND	P. O. Box 445	Attorney for Estate		
Sharon K. Van Ostrand;	STATE OF ILLINOIS.	Princeville, IL 61559		Mortgage Investors Trust Mortgage	PART OF LOT 5 IN MCKINNEY
Defendants.	C/K/A: 14720 North Grandview	309/385-4616		Loan Asset-Backed Certificates,	PLACE, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF
Case No. 20 CH 50	Drive, Chillicothe, IL 61523	Published 3/11, 3/18, 3/25/21		Series 2004-WMC5,	LOTS 2 AND 3 IN SLOUGH'S SUBDI-
Judge Presiding	PIN: 10-07-176-011			Defendants.	VISION, AS LAID OUT ON THE
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE	The person to contact regarding in-	The Wirbicki Law Group LLC	tober 1. 2004 MERRILL LYNCH	16 CH 00392	SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST
OF REAL ESTATE	formation regarding this property is:	Attorney for Plaintiff	MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST	NOTICE BY PUBLICATION	QUARTER OF SECTION 32, IN
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE	Sales Dept., The Wirbicki Law Group,	33 W. Monroe St., Suite 1540	MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED	NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:	TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that	33 W. Monroe St., Suite 1540, Chi-	Chicago, IL 60603		UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES	EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL
pursuant to a judgment heretofore	cago, IL 60603. Any questions re-	Phone: 312-360-9455	CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-WMC5	OF HAROLD E BREITENBACH	MERIDIAN, BOUNDED AS FOL-
entered by the said court occurred in	garding this sale should refer to file	W19-1244	Plaintiff,	UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-	LOWS:
the above entitled cause, Sheriff of	number W19-1244. The terms of the	pleadings.il@wirbickilaw.com	Vs.	RECORD CLAIMANTS	COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH-
Peoria, Illinois, will on March 31,	sale are Cash. 10% at time of sale.	I3164903	William Butcher Special Representa-	That this case has been com-	EAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 5;
2021, at the hour of 01:00 PM at 324	with the balance due within 24 hours.		tive for Harold E. Breitenbach, Kara	menced in this Court against you	THENCE WEST ON THE SOUTH
Main Street, Room 203, Peoria, IL	The property is improved by: Single	Published 3/4, 3/11, 3/18/21	E. Breitenbach, Nicholas Breiten-	and other defendants, praying for the	LINE OF SAID LOT 5, 340 FEET;
61602, sell at public auction to the	family home. The Property is not		bach, Unknown Heirs and Legatees	foreclosure of a certain Mortgage	THENCE NORTH 127 FEET, MORE
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gular, the following described real es-	The real estate, together with all	TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	Hillsman, Unknown Owners and	follows. to-wit:	AN ALLEY TO BE RESERVED
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		We Cover The News of West-	Central Illinois With A Passion		



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1. TELEVISION: Which animated series

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the 1920s?

Answers

and Siberia

5. A bear

7. A shiver

9. Octagon 10. A fear of chickens 2021 King Features Synd., Inc

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1. "Family Guy'

4. "To Kill a Mockingbird"

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stars a precocious toddler named Stewie

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4. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century

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advertised with a slogan that called them

9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What shape

10. PSYCHOLOGY: What irrational fear is

8. Mounds and Almond Joy candy bars

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1. Raya and the Last Dragon (PG)

5. The Croods: A New Age (PG)

2. Tom & Jerry (PG)

4. Boogie (R)

3. Chaos Walking (PG-13)

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING **OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JUBILEE**

NOTICE is hereby given to the legal residents of the Township of JUBI-LEE in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Township will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021.

The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 8:00 P. M. on said day at the JUBI-LEE TOWNSHIP HALL, located at 12807 N. Princeville-Jubilee Rd., in Jubilee Township, Peoria County, Illinois, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of Officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of Law, come before the Meeting and especially to consider and decide the following:

Call Meeting to Order; Nomination/Election of the Moderator; Moderator's Oath of Office; Approval of minutes of previous Annual Town Meeting; Annual report of Supervisor; Annual report of Road District Treasurer; Audit of Accounts; Determine time of next Annual Town Meeting; Permanent Fund Transfers; General Business; and, Adjournment. DATED this 8th day of March, 2021.

LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING **OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROSEFIELD**

NOTICE is hereby given to the legal residents of the Township of ROSEFIELD in the County of Peoria and State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Township will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021.

The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 7:00 P. M. on said day at the ROSE-FIELD TOWN HALL, situated in said Township, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of Officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of Law, come before the Meeting and especially to consider and decide the following: Call Meeting to Order; Nomination/Election of the Moderator; Moderator's Oath of Office; Approval of minutes of previous Annual Town Meeting;

- Annual report of Supervisor;
- Annual report of Road District Treasurer;
- Audit of Accounts;
- Permanent Fund Transfers;
- Set time of next Annual Town Meeting;
- General Business; and,
- Adjournment.
- DATED this 10th day of March, 2021. ARTIN E. MAY,

NOTICE OF LETTING FOR CEMETERY MOWING CONTRACT

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Trustees of the ELM-WOOD TOWNSHIP CEMETERY BOARD are accepting sealed bids for mowing, cleaning and maintaining the ELMWOOD, LEHIGH, and SOUTHPORT CEMETERY grounds including all undeveloped land in the ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP Cemeteries, for the period commencing on April 1, 2021 and concluding on March 31, 2024. The contractor shall furnish all equipment, labor and fuel necessary to mow and maintain the cemeteries, shall carry Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance and shall be responsible for removing all waste and debris from the cemeteries. The bids shall be submitted for all cemeteries for the entire term of the contract. The Bid Form and a copy of the Contract, which the successful bidder will be required to enter into, may be obtained by contacting Dale Runyon, Telephone No. (309) 224-9004.

Anyone interested in submitting a bid for such Contract shall submit his or her written, sealed bid on or before 12:00 O'Clock Noon, Thursday, April 1, 2021, to STEVE CONKLIN, P.O. Box 96, Elmwood, Illinois 61529.

The sealed bids will be opened at a Public Bid opening and the contents will be announced at a Public Meeting of the Cemetery Board Trustees to be held at 9:00 O'Clock A.M., on April 5, 2021

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ROBIN A. FORNEY Jubilee Township Clerk.

THENCE EAST 40 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS. COMMONLY KNOWN AS 915 WEST GIFT AVENUE, PEORIA, IL 61604-2733

PIN # 14-32-256-036 and which said Mortgage was made by:

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Farmington Rotary March 2021 Student of the Month Lily Sharum

Congratulations to Lily Sharum who was selected as Farmington Central High School's March Senior of the Month. Lilv is the daughter of Rvan and Elsa Sharum of Trivoli. She has two siblings; Lindsey and Max. Lily excels academically as she is in the top 10% of her class and is a member of the National Honor Society. Along with her studies, Lily is involved in various extracurricular activities including: Cross Country, Track, Band, and ACES. In addition to her involvement in school, Lily finds time to give back as she volunteers within the community. She has donated her time to helping with summer recreational activities at Jacob's Park. She has also assisted students through our tutoring program at FCHS and entertained children at the Wildlife Prairie Park annual Halloween event. Lily will attend Carl Sandburg in the fall and then transfer to a 4-year university. She is undecided on what her major will be at this time. Good luck in all of your future endeavors, Lily! Sponsored by Farmington Community Bank

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Healthier E-B looking for improvement

By JEFF LAMPE

Weekly Post Staff Writer ELMWOOD - With several starters returning and a trio of players back from injury after missing games last season, Elmwood-Brimfield Coach Todd Hollis expects his team to take a step forward from an uncharacteristic 2-7 season.

Moments into the first game last year, E-B found itself without three starters: defensive end Luke Groeper, defensive back Westin McCormick and quarterback Noah Hollis.

"All those guys are back healthy and ready to go," Hollis said, "plus the guys we do have back have experience and great attitudes. A lot of our kids are just pretty thrilled to be out there."

Hollis said at this point, the offense appears to be ahead of the defense. Senior starters back include hard-

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running fullback Hunter Damron, wingback Craig Ramirez, left tackle Adam Centers (6-foot-2, 225 pounds), left guard Sam Rushing (6-0, 175) and tight end Ty Kenney, who started one game. Also back after starting the latter portion of the season is coach's son Hollis.

"Because we do what we do and have done it for so long [on offense], it really comes quickly," Hollis said.

Junior linemen Corbin Draher (5-9, 210) and Jack Trone (5-9, 235) have also looked solid, said Hollis, who

also noted sophomore Aiden Frail as a likely ball carrier.

On defense, the Trojans look to rebound from a tough season thanks to plenty of experience on the line in tackles Rushing and Damron and ends Groeper (6-2, 200) and Kenney.

Ramirez and seniors Charlie Shissler and Max Thompson anchor the defensive backfield. The least experience is at linebacker, where McCormick, Draher and senior Griff Wagner are likely starters.

"We're going to be pretty good up front," Hollis said. "And overall team speed seems pretty good."

Uncertainty clouds opening night, though, as West Hancock played nearly all its games in Missouri last year, and Hollis has no film to scout.

"Coming off the year we had last year, we shouldn't be looking past anybody," he said.

Farmington returns skill players on offense

By JEFF LAMPE

Weekly Post Staff Writer FARMINGTON – While there is work to do to patch up the line, the Farmers have several returning skill players to make their usually potent offense click.

Returning starters on offense from an 8-3 finisher include quarterback Josh McMillin, wide receivers Corbin Rutledge and Ty Anderson and linemen Brock Renner, Cam Oldfield and Chris Haggard. Also back from an injury that sidelined him last regular season is Dridyn Lewis, a hardrunning back who also plays defensive line and linebacker.

McMillin last year completed 122 of 203 passes for 2,231 yards and 23 touchdowns to go with 13 intercep-

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tions. The QB also ran for 663 yards and six TDs. Rutledge had a teamhigh 30 catches for 757 yards and six TDs, but has been battling some medical issues in recent weeks.

Coach Toby Vallas said Anderson who caught 19 passes for 313 yards and four TDs - is "much-improved" in his second season of football.

Senior Drew Vawter is a likely candidate to help on the offensive line.

Farmington has even more experience on defense, where seven players saw starting time in 2019: cornerbacks David Fisher and Sam Fletcher, strong safety Kyle Peckham, linebackers Jake Johnson, Wyatt Perkins and Steven Devries and Haggard on the d-line.

"Haggard is really a special offensive and defensive lineman for us," Vallas said.

Beyond those experienced returnees, though, Vallas said depth could be a problem, since turnout has dipped.

'We're under 60 for the first time and had not even been under 70 in the past," Vallas said.

Opening at expected league power Knoxville will also pose a challenge.

Princeville has good size on both lines

By JEFF LAMPE

Weekly Post Staff Writer PRINCEVILLE - There's plenty of big boys to battle in the trenches this year for Princeville.

"Our line is going to be the biggest I've had for a long time. It's nice to have experience coming back on the line, especially," Coach Jon Carruthers said. "We don't have a lot of depth, but we've got size."

Leading the linemen is 6-1, 290pound all-conference senior Peyton Garcia, a two-way starter who plays tackle on offensive and is anchor of the defense at nose tackle.

"I'm excited to see him play this year," said Carruthers, whose record is 53-37 after a 7-3 mark last year. Opponents should expect to see

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plenty of runs in the direction of Garcia, who is flanked by 6-1, 270pound guard Gage DeVries. Other big linemen include 6-foot, 230pound sophomore Kellen Francis, 6-1, 230-pound senior Zak Hosler and 6-2, 225-pound tackle Chase Williams. Senior Job Feucht also saw starting time last year at guard.

Behind the line is returning quarter-

His top target will likely be Jud Kratzer. Looking to fill the shifty shoes of Carter Johnson is senior running back Hunter Boland, who ran for 469 yards and 6.5 per carry last year, and senior Denver Hoerr, a gifted athlete who could see a big role. Also in the backfield is 5-8, 210-pound fullback Keian Rice, a senior.

Many of those players anchor the defense, which is deepest at linebacker. Back are all-conference inside backer Boland, Rice and senior Chance DeGroot along with Feucht, who played middle linebacker before being lost to injury. Also back as a starter on defense is senior cornerback Alex Butterfield. Carruthers said he expects Mercer County to be very athletic.

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back Sam Streitmatter, who passed for 1,195 yards and 15 TDs last year.

Speed, familiarity should help Mid-County

By JEFF LAMPE

Weekly Post Staff Writer BRIMFIELD - With seven starters back on both sides of the ball and a full season to become familiar with Coach Grant Gullstrand's systems, Mid-County looks poised to improve on a 2-7 finish last year.

Gullstrand took on his first head coaching experience last June. Last summer, instead of learning names of players at practices, he was running football drills. And he had 50 or more players out for practices, even with the fall season very uncertain Now with football finally allowed, Gullstrand looks on offense to returnees like Parker Hopping, Denver Weedman, Nathan Welch, Mark

MID-COUNTY SCHEDULE (All games 7 p.m.) March 20 - vs. United (Oneida) March 26 - at Princeville April 1 - at Stark County April 9 - vs. Mercer County (Oneida) April 16 - at Ridgewood April 23 - vs. Ottawa Marquette (Galva)

Dennis, Seth Johnson, Hunter Ramage and Cal Clucas. Many of the same names started on defense, including Hopping, Welch, Johnson, and Clucas. Other defensive returnees are Chase Davis, Hunter Foglesong and Trevor Bird.

Gullstrand's list of top newcomers includes Logan Kuberski (QB/DB), Carson Malek (QB/DB), Parker Sornberger (WR/DB), Matthew Sanchez (RB/LB), Josh Dunn (OL/DL) and Jett Olson (RB/LB).

"Our team speed is one of our team's biggest strengths. We may not be the biggest time out there, but everyone has become much faster than the fall of 2019," Gullstrand said. "Knowledge of schemes with this being my second year as coach will help out as well."

Familiarity is also an advantage in working with coop communities. In March, Williamsfield was the site for its first football practices in 50 years. That has helped participation, with 31 players this year from ROWVA and 24 from Galva and Williamsfield. On the junior high level, 16 of 33 players are from ROWVA.

Brimfield girls finish unbeaten in hoops

By VICTOR LAMPE

For The Weekly Post Mission accomplished for the Brimfield girls basketball team, which capped an unbeaten season by scoring more than 1,000 points in 16 games.

The Lady Indians (16-0 overall, 6-0 ICAC), controlled the court against Knoxville last Thursday, 78-38.

"We wore them down and stuck to our gameplan," Brimfield Coach Maribeth Dura said.

Haley Wallace led the Lady Indians with 30 points, putting her over 1,800 for her four-year career.

Elynn Peterson and Ella Lune followed with 11 points apiece.

"Going into this game we had a couple of goals we wanted to accomplish, remain undefeated, score 1,000 points this season and get Haley Wallace to 1,800 points," Dura said.

Wallace, Lune and Peterson all made first team ICAC all-conference, with Sophie Bedell making second team.

"We had a really good season, and with 8 out of 11 returning, I am very optimistic for next year," Dura said. Farmington

Farmington (8-5) finished the season with a win over Peoria Heights

last Thursday, 54-28. "It was nice for us to go out on a win," Coach Bradley Whitcomb said. "Unfortunately it had to come to an end."

Emma Vallas led the Lady Farmers with 25 points.

"It was great to see her finish her high school career that way," Whitcomb said, "She was our hardest worker and she really set the tone for the offseason."

Vallas, Reece Putrich, and Delaney Foster averaged around 10 points per game this season.

Elmwood

The Lady Trojans (6-6) narrowly

defeated North Fulton Friday, 38-37. "It was back and forth the whole game," Coach Gregg Meyers said,

"It wasn't our prettiest game, but it

was a win." Molly Malone led Elmwood with 10 points.

"I'm pretty proud of how we finished the season. This win definitely solidified the last half of the season for us."

Olivia Caldwell and Hannah Burkiett were tabbed for the second team in the ICAC, while Malone was honorable mention.

Princeville

The Lady Princes (10-2) won their finale over Ridgewood, 52-42.

"It was close until the end, we had a couple of players in foul trouble early on," Coach John Gross said.

Brenna Shupbach led with 15 followed by Elle Shupbach with 13. Ashleigh Brawley and Caitlyn Thole scored 11 apiece.

Princeville won its third straight Lincoln Trail Conference title. Thole and Brawley were first-team all-LTC while Destiny Harwood and Brenna and Elle Schupbach made the second team.

"We have some good girls

have been playing together

in the offseason and are in

that can hit hard. They

sync with one another."

Williamsfield opened

starters back for Lady Princes LEYBALL: 4

Continued from Page 20 up-and-comers to add to a strong lineup. Returning are three Lincoln Trail Conference first-teamers: seniors Elle Schupbach (a four-year starter at outside hitter) and Ashleigh Brawley (middler hitter) and junior Julianne Kielion (setter) and second-team all-LTC senior Lindsey Meisenheimer (libero).

"We have a well-balanced and aggressive team," Coach Charissa Ouart said. "I'm looking forward to a very exciting season with this group of young ladies."

The Lady Princes opened by topping Ridgewood on Tuesday, 25-9, 25-13. Meisenheimer had 13 digs, Schupbach had 9 kills, Amber Brawley had 4 blocks and Ashleigh Brawley had 4 aces.

Next up is a four gameroad trip to United Wed-

was that much sweeter."

nesday, Wethersfield Thursday, Knoxville Monday and West Central on March 24.

Brimfield

"We are a fast, athletic team with some big hitters and a fair amount of volleyball IQ," said Coach Penny Silzer, an assistant at Elmwood last year.

Brimfield dropped its opener at Peoria Richwoods Tuesday, 25-15, 25-14. Jaclyn Fabry had seven assists, three aces and one block and kill. Brimfield travels to play Havana today and is home to face A-Town on Tuesday.

Farmington "The girls are pumped up

and ready to go" Coach Quincy Thompson said. "After thinking that a volleyball season was out of the question, we are very excited to have the opportunity to finish what we started last summer."

BOYS: Farmington closes with wins

Returning starters from a 12-25 team are seniors Sydnee Barton (OH), Erica Pasley (MH), Emma Vallas (S) and Justyce Jennings (L) along with juniors Holly Shriber (MH) and Emma Evans (S).

Thompson is optimistic about the season saying, "We are playing smarter than ever, and really working as a cohesive group."

The Lady Farmers were to start the season at Knoxville on Tuesday, then enjoy a three-match homestand: vs. Lewistown Thursday, vs. North Fulton Monday and vs. Peoria Heights Tuesday.

Williamsfield

Prominent returnees from a 9-20 squad for Williamsfield in its final season as the Lady Bombers are Molly Warner and Kaitlyn Aldrich.

"Molly Warner is a wellrounded player and Kaitlyn

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Carlson said. "And when we won it all, it

Carlson was also quick to credit other Brimfield teams and players for helping Wednesday at Annawan.

win it all.

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"There were so many seasons and players involved that got us to that point," said Carlson, who started his career relying on man-to-man defense before switching to more zone defense in about 2006 mainly a 1-3-1 zone.

"It all depends on the personnel," he said. "You can't just do one thing because you like it."

Brimfield won on March 9 at Peoria Heights, 46-43, as Levi Moon hit on five 3-pointers and finished with 19 points. Luke Groeper added nine points.

Jakoby McKown led vs. Knoxville with 10 points and Max Walters scored 9.

Elmwood

The Trojans split their final games to finish 9-4, falling at Abingdon-Avon, 43-42, and winning at home on Senior Night over North Fulton, 55-53, despite missing 7 of 13 free throws in the final quarter.

Adam Centers and Victor Lenzi had 10 points apiece to lead Elmwood vs. A-Town. The Trojans also got 9 points from Jason Hise, Sr., Knoxville (U); Jacob Schleich, Sr., North Fulton (U).

Second Team

Easton Schisler, Sr., A-Town; Luke Hoffmann, Sr., Elmwood; Corbin Rutledge, Jr., Farmington; David Hise, Jr., Knoxville; Ryan Sunderland, Sr., Knoxville; Mikey Whalen, Sr., Peoria Heights. Special Mention: Max Walters, Jr., Brimfield.

guard Luke Hoffmann, but were outscored 17-12 in the fourth quarter, during which A-Town was 7-for-10 from the line.

Andrew Marincic led with 17 points vs. North Fulton; Lenzi scored 15 and Centers tallied 11.

Farmington

The Farmers (7-5) capped off a strong close to the season with wins over North Fulton (59-44) and Peoria Heights (62-27). Corbin Rutledge scored 16 against North Fulton and Ty Anderson had 24 against Peoria Heights.

ROWVA-Williamsfield

The Cougars (4-11) closed out the year with a 79-41 loss at Peoria Christian and a 55-48 loss at Illini Bluffs on March 10.

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FOOTBALL SEASON TEES IT UP



Mid-County football players practiced on a grassy field east of Williamsfield High school last week in what is thought to be the first football practice at the school in almost 50 years, Williamsfield, Galva and ROWVA all coop as Mid-County, Photo by Alan Wight,

COVID takes toll on football rosters

By JEFF LAMPE

Weekly Post Staff Writer While changes in sports schedules caused by COVID-19 led to a boost in turnout for some sports last fall, many football coaches have seen just the opposite heading into Friday's start to this unique spring season.

Many teams report numbers are down from their usual levels in the fall. Particularly hard hit is Farmington, where Coach Toby Vallas said COVID "ravaged" his team's turnout.

"We lost a lot of kids to ineligibility and COVID – more from the economic part than the medical part. We have some kids that have had to work for their families," Vallas said. "And almost everybody I've talked to says they lost two or three starters."

With football season in doubt after it was cancelled last fall due to COVID, eligibility issues have also been more of a problem. Without the carrot of sports placed ahead of them, some high schoolers stopped pulling the load in the classroom.

Nevertheless, the season will open Friday across the area and



Trying to block Princeville senior all-conference lineman Peyton Garcia in practice is no easy task for his Princes teammates. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

Season Openers

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- Farmington at Knoxville
- Princeville at Mercer County
- Mid-County vs. United, at Oneida
- See Team Previews, Page 18.

Coach Jon Carruthers said.

"This year, if you've got a lot of returning starters - and especially a starting quarterback you're ahead of the game," Carruthers said.

policy. Elmwood is allowing 250 spectators who must have passes from players, cheerleaders or band members. No visiting fans will be allowed.

Mid-County and other Lincoln Trail Conference teams are allowing 100 visiting fans per game. The rest of the crowd depends on how each school calculates 20 percent of capacity. Minutes from the latest ROWVA School Board meeting state the school plans to distribute tickets to participants' parents, to students and then to the general public.

Brimfield coach retires

For The Weekly Post After a successful 24-year varsity coaching career during which he won 495 games and a Class 1A state championship, Scott Carlson has retired from coaching at Brimfield High School.

Carlson coached his 700th varsity game last Friday in a 59-41 season-ending loss to Knoxville. Three years ago, Carlson announced he planned to retire from teaching social studies, but at that time was uncertain about coaching.

"At the time I wasn't sure coaching was going to be done, but I am now," he said. "I don't know if I'm going to regret it or get the itch again. It was a hard decision."

Carlson, 59, said he is uncertain who Brimfield will hire to replace him. But he is certain of a few other things.

For one, the 2015 state championship win over

Volleyball season opens

By VICTOR LAMPE For The Weekly Post

One year removed from its first volleyball regional title and a 25-5 record, Elmwood has a new coach and lots of new faces in its lineup.

"We have a lot of young talent and I am anxious to see how we grow and work together throughout the season," said new coach Felicia Appell, whose team opened Tuesday at A-Town. "And, because the whole team seems to be very well-knowledged with different positions, it gives us many options. These girls have been working hard in the offseason even during a year of uncertainty, and I can't wait to hit

the ground running."

of winning it all, I just

dreamed of going to state,"

Returnees for Elmwood include seniors Brianna Glover, Alexia Herman and Caroline Colgan, juniors Adeline Webster and Brooke Dawson, and sophomore Liv Meyers.

Retiring Brimfield boys basketball coach

Scott Carlson, shown being interview at

the 2015 Class 1A state tournament,

light of his coaching career.

coaching.

calls winning that tournament the high-

Mounds Meridian ranks as his

also included eight seasons of

"I never really even dreamed

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frosh-soph and eighth-grade

top memory in a career that

"We have a strong front row and the team communicates very well with each other," Appell said.

Elmwood travels to face Williamsfield Saturday, then is home on Monday against Peoria Heights and Tuesday against North Fulton. Princeville Princeville returns four starters from a regional winner that went 28-6 and has several Continued on Page 19

Carlson finishes hoops career 495-205

By JEFF LAMPE

will present some unique challenges for coaches, players and even spectators.

With less practices, experience will be at a premium, Princeville

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