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MUSHROOM MANIA AHEAD

Morel memories

All signs pointing to the season’s onset

By **GRETCHEN STEELE**
For The Prairie News

It’s April, spring is springing, turkeys are gobbling and legions of morel mushroom hunters are headed to the forests and the creek bottoms, the bluffs, and berms all in search of the mystical, ethereal, magical morels.

So grab your ‘shroom sack, walking stick, camera and head on out – it’s the perfect time to get out in the spring woods and capture “Morel Memories”.

The key with morels is to find them. There are many myths, stories and suggestions about how and where one will find morels. The simple truth is morels can appear most anywhere; seemingly overnight or between a lunch and breakfast foray. One moment – its bare forest floor; the next there’s a stand of

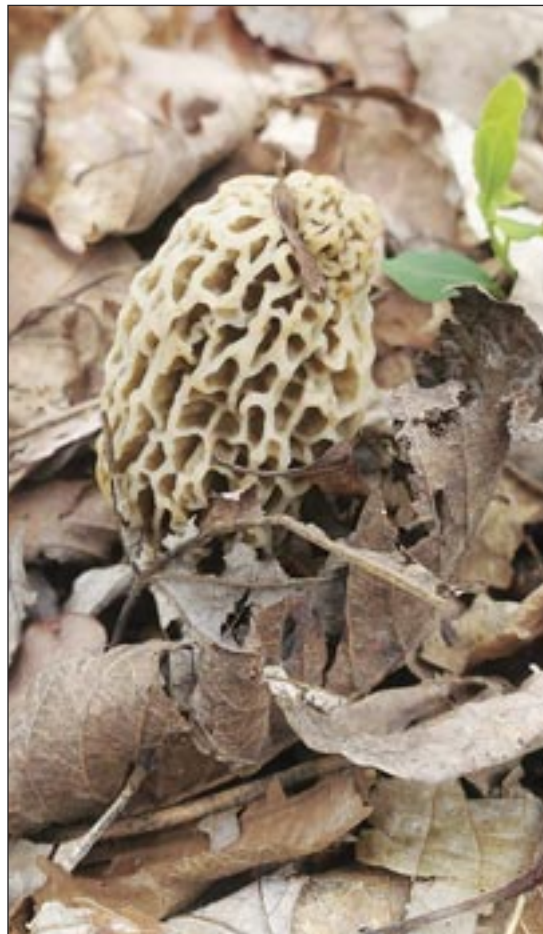
“Big Yellas” as far as the eye can see.

But certain times are better than others. Signs that the time is near include trees beginning to bud, flagship wildflowers begin to make an appearance – with trillium, phlox, trout lily, Dutchman’s breeches, violets, mayapples, wild strawberries and many more painting the timber floor in a natural palette.

When the weather has warm rainy days and nights, with temperatures ranging between high 50s at night to high 70s in the daytime, it’s definitely time to gather up your stick and sack and set out.

Dandelions and lilacs, apple blossoms and spawning crappie are also good indicators that it is time to hit the woods. Spring turkey season also coincides

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Gray morels like this one tend to appear later in the spring than do black morels, which are more likely to follow a pattern. Photo by Gretchen Steele.

No recount in Bradford’s 1-vote election

By **JOHN A. BALLENTINE**
For The Prairie News

BRADFORD – The election of April 6 proved that every vote counts, particularly in the Bradford Village President’s election. The vote total was 60 votes for current board trustee John Cler and 59 votes for board trustee Bob Boehm.

Unlike an ongoing debate about a “stolen election,” there is no big debate in Bradford, where Boehm said he will accept the results of the vote count.

“I’m assuming that the automated vote counters are correct,” Boehm said. “I’ll trust them.”

As far as requesting a recount of the votes, Boehm said, “I’m not going to ask for one, because I’m not one to stir the pot, so to speak. I’ll trust that the voting machines are accurate.”

Boehm, although losing the presidential election, retains his seat on the trustee board.

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Printing business owner picks Princeville

By **COLLIN FAIRFIELD**
For The Prairie News

PRINCEVILLE – While his printing business may have opened on April 1, Jamie Patterson assures that Princeville Prints is no joke.

Patterson opening his business in Princeville was no accident, either. A 2003 graduate of Stark County High School who is originally from Bradford, Patterson said he did a lot of research in picking Princeville to open his storefront at 116 E. Main St., the former Home-town Bank building.

“I looked around. Princeville, was



the best fit for me,” Patterson said. “I like the small-town charm.”

Another reason he picked Princeville is because it is a central location and a short drive from many surrounding towns.

It helps too that Patterson’s girl-

friend, Melissa Sibley, graduated from Princeville, as did her children. And Patterson said his son attends Princeville and he likes it there.

The new storefront is part of a natural progression.

“I started making t-shirts for a band,” Patterson said to explain his start in the business.

That expanded to a home-based business, then online and now to the storefront – one of four at which he looked.

The 116 E. Main St. location of
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Jamie Patterson has opened a new business called Princeville Prints that offers a wide variety of graphic design options for small businesses. Photos by Collin Fairfield.

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BRADFORD: Cler was a trustee for past 16 years

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Cler responded saying, "I appreciate all of the support that I received from the Bradford community, family and friends. I look forward to serving the Bradford community and I'm excited to be the village president and to take care of the people from Bradford."

Cler has been a board trustee for the past 16 years and has lived in Bradford for 36 years.

"Bradford is a great place to raise a family. I love this community and I'm a transplant from a small community that has a similar mindset as Bradford's," he said. "As president, I'll have an open-door policy and will work with the board members to take care of Bradford's business and the community as a whole."

"My concern is the community and I with the board will work together to make Bradford a great

place to live."

Cler said that he speaks from his heart and believes that he can do a good job as president of the village.

"I want to keep things going and improve on things," Cler stated.

He replaces Henry Waldinger as president, who held that position for the past 12 years. Cler said that he hopes to live up to the expectations of the community and follow in the footsteps of past presidents who set the standard for him.

MORELS: Wait for turkey hunters on DNR land

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with morel season in many areas. Remember in Illinois, on most Department of Natural Resources properties that allow turkey hunting, there is no mushrooming until after 1 p.m.

The "where" to find morels isn't quite as simple. Morels can be nearly anywhere, from an old apple orchard to a compost pile.

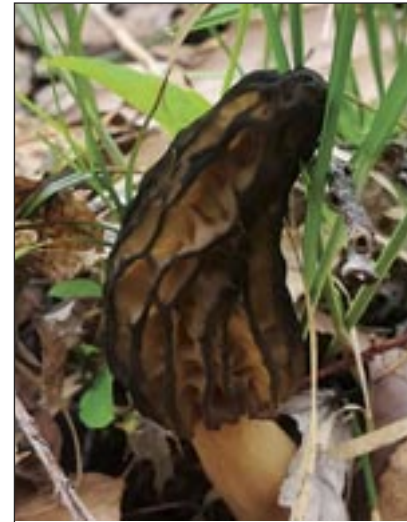
Black morels tend to be more exclusively found in hardwood forests, but not around any particular type of tree. Finding them is often like a connect-the-dots game. When you find one, be still and look nearby. Mark that first morel you spy with your stick. Sit down, look around at ground level, you will most likely be rewarded with masses scattered all the way around you. Follow the trail of mushrooms up or down hill. Blacks will generally lead you along waterways, creek banks, and hillsides.

Envision the way the spring rain-water would flow on the ground and that will help you connect the black morel dots.

White, gray and yellow morels, which tend to appear later than the blacks, are frequently found in forests, fields, orchards, fence rows, hedgerows, islands, railroad tracks, floodplains and grown-over strip mines. Disturbed ground, such as old home sites and junk piles, are notorious for producing big yellows and grays.

Unlike the blacks, the gray/yellow varieties sometimes tend to congregate around certain types of tree, often a tree that is in a death throes — bark peeling, limbs dropping, rotting down at the base. Look for bigger, older, fading away elm, ash, sycamore, cottonwood, and silver maple.

If you find a great "morel tree" that is producing; mark the spot. It's



A black morel. Photo by Gretchen Steele.

not unusual for the same tree to provide you with spongy sweetness for up to five years.

When you head to the woods, it's prudent to wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt for protection. Make sure your clothes and your walking shoes are comfortable. Be sure to liberally apply insect repellent as ticks, mosquitoes, chiggers and morels thrive in same places. Don't forget your camera, as the spring forest floor is filled with photo opportunities. A compass, whistle (for hailing), drinking water and snack are all good things to also have along on your foray. If you will be traversing ditches and creeks a good pair of waterproof knee boots is a must.

The most important item, however, is your collection bag. Avoid using plastic bags, regardless of how handy they may seem. Plastic is fungi's mortal enemy. After a long foray you may return home to find a sludge of soggy broken, slimy yuckiness in the bottom of that plastic grocery or bread sack.

Instead, use mesh bags and tell others why it's important. Recycled orange and onion bags are quite usable and adequate but can abrade the edges of your mushrooms.

What I've found works best for me is a simple lingerie bag found for less than a dollar. I usually pack three or four along, they fold up flat when not in use and can easily be stuffed in a pocket. It doesn't matter which type of collection vessel you use, as long as the spore gets spread.

Let's fast forward to the woods — you've found yourself smack dab in big patch of morels — now what?

First of all, never pull the morel out of the ground, that method breaks the mycelium trail and can destroy future harvests. Pinch off at ground level or use a sharp knife to slice through stem. Give the morel a little shake and toss it the bag.

When arriving home with your bounty, slice in half, rinse under cool running water and place wrapped in damp dishtowels or paper towels in refrigerator. Forget the folk method of leaving them to soak in salt water — that will only net you a slimy, salty, mess. If you are particularly concerned about the little bugs that might be living in the nooks and crannies, a short 15-minute soak in lightly salted water helps to remove them. Rinse well then store as suggested above.

Because the season is so short lived, so fleeting, and so steeped in tradition and history, photos of your mushroom madness are a must. There's nothing more uplifting, inspiring and cheering during a cold winter evening than looking back at memories from that warm spring day when you "found the biggest mushroom ever!"

Now, that you have a guide for the when, where and how; take to the forest, take to the fields and start snapping "Morel Memories" of your own.

PRINCEVILLE: Offers graphic design options

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ferred more space for a showroom and for printing equipment. In addition to screen printing, Princeville Prints also offers graphic design, embroidery, signs, decals, tumblers and business cards.

"I want to help the small business owner," Patterson said.

Hours of operation for now are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. Patterson may close at times on Mondays and Tuesdays to make

free deliveries.

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- 4-2-21 – Alexandria R. Bryan - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
- 4-2-21 – Brandon J. Lumpkins - Speeding 35+ mph over limit.
- 4-4-21 – Levi J. Lamothe - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
- 4-11-21 – Zachary L. Hart - Speeding 26-34 mph over the limit.
- 4-11-21 – Angela J. Rohman - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
- 4-10-21 – Leo Z. Steinkerchner - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.



Incidents & Accidents Stark County

4-4-21 – A deer-related vehicle accident occurred on Route 93 approximately 100 feet west of the South Osceola Road. The driver involved was Kenneth L. Balma, 57, of Utica. No injuries were reported, but estimated damages of over \$1,500 were noted to the 2016 Kenworth semi-truck.

4-9-21 – A two-vehicle accident occurred at the intersection of Main and Franklin Streets, in Toulon. The drivers involved were a 16-year-old Bradford teen and Christopher D. Roark, 18, of Toulon. The teen was initially stopped at a stop sign on North Franklin and during an attempt to pull through the intersection, he struck Roark's vehicle traveling west on Main Street.

The teen's vision reportedly was obscured to stopped traffic in the east bound lane. No tickets were issued and no injuries were reported.

4-6-21 – Rashaud L. Harris, 28, Aurora, was ticketed for driving without a driver's license.

4-10-21 – Cole D. Carlson, 22, Neponset, was arrested on an outstanding Henry County warrant. He was released with a notice to appear in Henry County.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

4-5-21 – to the 600 block of NW 5th Ave. for a sick or injured raccoon. The raccoon was located, but was already deceased.

4-5 – to check on a loose horse near the roadway in the 800 block of SW 4th Street. The owner was contacted and put the horse away.

4-5 – to the 100 block of NW 7th Ave. for a burning complaint. The resident was educated about the city ordinance and burning on a non-burn day.

4-5 – to a suspicious vehicle complaint in the 300 block of SE 3rd Street. As the result, Jason Brown, 36, Galesburg, was arrested for driving while license suspended, as well as, a warrant from Warren County for failure to appear on the charge of fleeing and eluding a police officer. He was able to post bond and was released with required court dates.

4-6 – to assist Henry County and other agencies with a high-speed chase with suspects from a Geneseo area gun shop burglary. The suspect vehicle was southbound from Atkinson. A Galva officer went north of town with spike strips, but the vehicle went east on Route 81 to Kewanee and eventually to the Peoria area.

4-6 – to a one-vehicle accident with minor damage only in the 900 block of SE 2nd Street. A crash report was completed.

4-6 – to assist Knox County with a report of a subject walking south of Galva and a bicycle lying in the ditch. The Galva officer responded but wasn't able to locate anyone or the bicycle.

4-8 – to the 400 block of North Center Ave. for a report of loud music or partying. The resident agreed to turn it down.

4-8 – to the 00 block of SW 4th Street for a loud noise complaint.

4-8 – to the 100 block of NE 9th Street, along with the Galva Fire Department, to check on an activated smoke alarm.

4-8 – to a welfare check on SW 6th Ave. It was determined to be a young child having an allergic reaction. The subject was taken by ambulance.

4-8 – to assist with traffic control for a funeral procession.

4-9 – Officer was notified about a missing juvenile. After checking

with school staff, a biological parent picked the child up and failed to notify the caregiver. The child was fine.

4-9 – to the intersection of South Center Ave. and SE 5th Street for a disturbance involving a group of juveniles. Several parents were notified about the situation.

4-9 – to the 400 block of NW 1st Ave. for a trespassing complaint.

4-9 – As a result of a traffic stop in the 1000 block of North Center Ave., Juan Garfias, 41, Chicago, was arrested for driving while license suspended and speeding. He was released with a required court date.

4-10 – to the 400 block of North Center Ave. for a report involving a vehicle taken without owner's permission.

4-11 – to the 600 block of NW 5th Street for a disturbance complaint involving a subject walking around. The subject was located but was not cooperative with police.

4-11 – to the 500 block of SE 2nd Street to assist a citizen who was asking for the police.

Property Transfers

4-5-21 – BankUnited, N.A. to Joanna Sobran - Pts 20-13-5 SE - 201 Oak Ridge Road, Toulon - Consideration = \$55,300.

4-5-21 – Michael Schlag to Scott Kiefner - Pt 36-12-5 NW - 5498 Duncan Road, Toulon - Consideration = \$80,000.

4-5-21 – Donaciano Aquino-Rojas to William Randall Brickner - Pt 31 lots 4 & 5 - Henderson & Whitaker's Add'n - 213 E. South Street, Toulon - Consideration = \$35,000.00.

4-7-21 – Darcy J. Rosebeck to Justin Osborn-Siewert - Vg of LaFayette block 30 lots 2 & 3 - 306 E. Main Street, LaFayette - Consideration = \$30,000.

4-8-21 – Charlene R. Bourlet, Dec'd by Ind. Exec. to Karen L. Bourlet - Giles C. Dana's Add'n - Pt block 3 lots 6 & 7 - 107 E. Smith Street, Wyoming - Consideration = \$63,000.

4-9-21 – Michelle D. Draminski, Marlo D. Ingram, Marland D. and Matthew D. Rachel to Beatrice L. Rachel - Giles C. Dana's Add'n, - Pt block 3 lots 8 & 9 - 306 South Galena, Wyoming - Consideration = \$0.00.

ANNUAL MEETING STARK COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES

The public is invited to attend the annual meeting and election of officers for Stark County Community Services. Stark County Community Services is the umbrella organization for the Stark County Emergency Food Pantry, the Resource House and the Pregnancy Resource Center.

The meeting will be held at the Stark County Emergency Food Pantry Building located at 322 S. Downend St., Toulon. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 20th, 2021.

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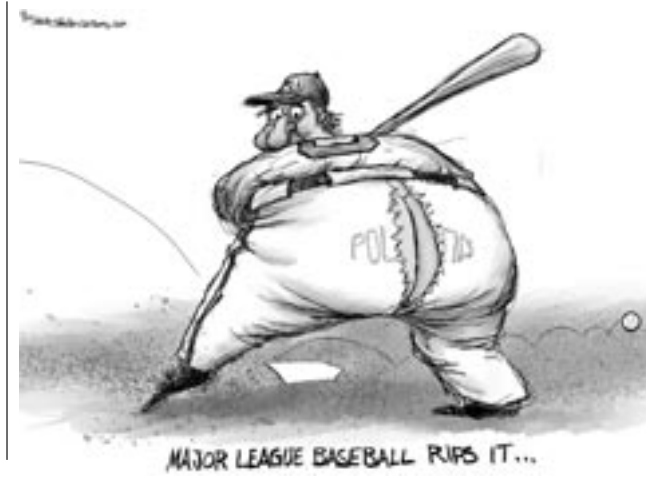
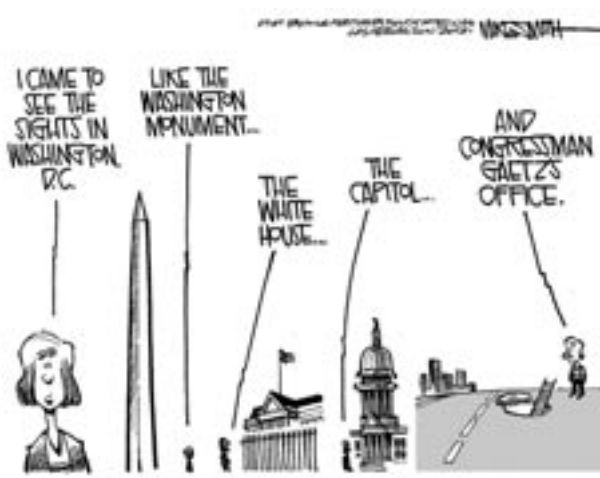
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GUEST VOICES



Global meatpackers file U.S. taxpayers

Like many global meatpacking companies, JBS SA, the giant Brazilian meat and poultry packer with extensive operations in North and South America, Europe and Australia, spent most of the last six months buying its way out of trouble with U.S. customers and the American government.

Even a cursory examination shows JBS spent \$221.5 million in February to settle allegations it helped rig U.S. poultry prices and, last October, it paid \$280 million “to settle charges it violated (U.S.) anticorruption laws.”

Both those deals came after a JBS subsidiary paid the U.S. “\$27 million to settle charges it used illegally obtained money to finance the purchase of Pilgrim’s Pride,” the second largest U.S. poultry company, in 2009.

Even more astonishing, the money river flowed both ways: JBS USA, the serial bad boy of global meatpacking, received \$90 million in “trade mitigation commodity contracts” for pork purchased by the Trump Administration in its 2019-20 tariff fight with China.

Still, as noted here last week, JBS wasn’t – isn’t – the only global meatpacker making an already dirty business even dirtier. Other packers are targets of ongoing market investigations while some, like Tyson Foods, have joined JBS in paying millions to settle civil suits.

In fact, given these settlements and an ongoing U.S. Department of Justice investigation, Big Meat might

just be the most collusive, most corrupt and most unrepentant business sector in the U.S. today.

Which begs two questions: Why do we, both its customers and lawmakers, tolerate so much confessed – and unconfessed – corruption in meatpacking? And what, if any, benefits do we receive in return for all this evident corporate lawlessness?

It can’t be great value because Big Meat doesn’t provide great value.

Indeed, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) data, as meatpacker control on both the animal buying side and meat selling side grew since 2000, consumer prices have risen 82 percent in beef, 44 percent in pork and 33 percent in poultry.

Moreover, it’s not like farmers and ranchers now receive better prices for their livestock and poultry. In fact, if calculated in current 2021 dollars, total “cash receipts” farmers pocketed for their sales have fallen since 2000.

For example, in today’s dollars, farmers received \$76.4 billion for cattle and calves in 2000. (USDA doesn’t divide the two.) In 2021, they will pocket an estimated \$66 billion, or \$10 billion less.

Similarly, in today’s dollars, U.S. farmers received \$25.5 billion for their hogs in 2000. This year, the estimated market value will be more than \$1 billion less, or \$24.3 billion.

Also, two decades ago, broilers (frying chickens) brought farmers \$28.7 billion; this year, they’ll bring 15 percent less, or \$24.3 billion.

So, today, farmers are receiving less for their livestock and poultry, consumers are paying more their beef, pork, and chicken and meatpackers – the highly integrated link

between the two – are paying hundreds of millions in civil and criminal penalties to keep their admittedly-crooked system more than profitable to continue operations and expand their global reach. And expand they are.

On November 10, two months before it announced it will pay \$221.5 million to settle “broiler chicken antitrust civil price fixing litigation,” Tyson Foods announced “plans to invest in new processing facilities and expand existing plants in Thailand, China and The Netherlands.” In early April, JBS, the global poster child of meatpacker malfeasance, announced that it is prepared to spend part of its 2020 “record cash flow” to both “boost capital spending by as much as 48 percent this year” and “actively seek acquisitions.”

Meanwhile, according to recent reporting, U.S. taxpayers sent cattle producers \$7.17 billion under the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program Aid (CFAP), “\$2 billion more than any other eligible livestock or crop,” while “(p)ork producers so far have received about \$1.14 billion...”

Little wonder then why meatpackers like JBS can buy their way out of corruption charges one day and announce plans to expand their empires the next: they’re not using shareholder money to fund any of it. They’re using yours.

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GALESBURG, IL REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

The following nice N. Seminary St. home, Lincoln Sedan car, Harley motorcycle and other personal property will be sold on location at 1086 N Seminary St. Galesburg, IL, on **SUNDAY APRIL 18TH, 2021 AT 12:00 NOON (RE sells first)**

NOTE: This is a condensed ad. For all the details and pictures visit us at www.folgersauctionservice.com. There is parking directly across the street and parking lots nearby to the north.

REAL ESTATE: This very nice historic 2 story 4 bedroom home is conveniently located on north Seminary St. and contains 9 rooms total. It is measured at approx. 2,322 sq ft. Original woodwork, open staircase and many other features make this a wonderful family opportunity. A whole house Generac generator was installed in 2016, along with an electric stair lift. The garage outside is 20' x 20' with a 16' x 7' electric overhead door and a 10' x 18' workshop attached to the back. **TERMS** are a non-refundable 10% down the day of the auction. A valid purchase agreement will also be signed that day. The balance will be due upon closing in approx. 30 days.

CAR, HARLEY, OUTDOOR AND RELATED: The car and Harley will sell around 1 p.m.—2014 Lincoln Sedan MKS 4 door car in great cond. w/17,342 orig. miles, leather bucket seats, keyless start, 3.7 L. motor, all power, fully loaded, back up screen, purchased at Yemm #S-1LNHL9DK4EG601979—2007 Harley Davidson model FLHTCU motorcycle with 31,228 orig. miles, 96 cubic inches electraglide, chrome loaded, saddle bag, luggage bar, deluxe seat, ex. cond. w/cover—nice helmets—vintage men's leather motorcycle jackets, gloves, bags, seat, etc.—Harley patches, table lamp and other adv. items—old motorcycle photo albums, Norton manuals, magazines and more—Regatta girl's 3 speed bike—men's Sears older bike—Craftsman 12 gallon air compressor, 6 drawer chest tool box, torque wrench and other ratchets, wrenches and screwdrivers, all types of hand and power tools—Wissota bench grinder, air tank, hardware, chargers, cords, straps, jacks, fluids, oils, lights, tool boxes and cabinets, hardware—yard tools—sm. gas grill—pole saw—Werner 6' fiberglass ladder—sm. pressure washer—lawn and patio items—Iron Worker well hand pump—old coin operated parking meter and much more.

ANTIQUES, COLL: Galesburg adv. and other local history including Gale contract books, nice framed pencil sketch of GHS, old parade slides (G-burg, Canton, Macomb, etc.)—1969 Silver Streaks seat cushion and other Streaks items—older local campaign buttons and signs—local old adv. ashtrays and more—BR metal pail—very prim. adv. piece from Karl Letthoff Grocer, London Mills, IL—Lg. coll. of old books (1887 History of Columbia, Montour counties, 1800's Home Manual, 1863 Harper's Weekly, children's books, poetry and many more)—set of JRR Tolkien Hobbit/Lord of the Rings books—BMW metal sign and patches—Isabelle Bloom and other pigs, statues, ant. glassware and casseroles—nice ant. mantle and other clocks—tins—lg. oak beveled ant. mirror—ant. metal travel trunk—ant. child's wooden toy chest—Hudson car old manuals and adv.—nice elect. umbrella lamp—smalls—pewter and plate old serving pieces, silverware, utensils, pottery bowls, etc.

FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD: ant. oak framed settee and matching chair—ant. oak pedestal dining table with chairs and leaves—ant. bookshelves—ant. wooden high chair—sm. ant. buffet—ant. bible lectern—ant. top lift writing desk—book and display cases, metal and wood—drop leaf kitchen table and chairs—King bed w/matching high chest, nightstands and dresser w/mirror—double bed and other dressers—office desk and equip., computer items—old IBM elect. typewriter in case—upholstered and wooden chairs, stools—bar stools—rocker recliners, couch, stands—misc. furniture, pictures, household—nice electric Whirlpool digital stove—almond Amana fridge with bottom freezer—Whirlpool washer and electric dryer—dorm fridge—nice Panasonic flatscreen—misc. of all types.

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KNOXVILLE, IL REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

The following large auction of Knoxville property, like new Dodge Caravan, guns, ammo, mowers, antiques, tools and more will be sold on location at 503 Sheridan St. Knoxville, IL, (just south of the schools), on **SATURDAY APRIL 24TH, 2021 AT 10:00 A.M. (Real Estate sells first) (RE sells first)**

REAL ESTATE: See all of the details and pictures of this beautiful 3 bedroom home in Knoxville, IL online at www.folgersauctionservice.com. The house is as clean and maintained as possible with a well manicured yard and attached 2.5 stall garage located very near the schools, 1624 sq. ft. A non-refundable 10% down is required day of auction with the balance to be pd. in full in approx. 30 days at closing. A valid purchase agreement will be signed day of sale. **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK** for more. Real Estate will sell first. The Car will sell around 11:00 with guns and ammo to follow.

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ANTIQUES: Beautiful Towle 12 pc. Sterling silver silverware set w/serving pieces—12 pc. J & G Meakin English china set—Red marked RS Prussia pitcher, bowl—Bavaria, Nippon—14K men's wedding band—10K 1920 men's KHS class ring and woman's 10K 1950 KHS class ring—14K woman's cocktail ring with diamond cluster—gold Mason's rings, pins etc.—carved 10K lieutenant's ring (Statesville)—nice amount of misc. vintage and other costume jewelry, some sterling, signed etc.—new men's 2X John Wayne (Duke) Bradford Exchange leather coat—RedWing 1 and 2 gallon crocks—Griswold #8 dutch oven—old Hiawatha Meteor sled—Pleasant Hill School #77 old class picture—2 old paper mache pumpkins and other Halloween, West Germany cardboard Santa container w/spring bobble head, old ceramic lighted x-mas tree and other Christmas, old plastic and Gurley Thanksgiving turkeys, other nice holiday items—vintage trunks—cast iron other toy tractors—OMC metal adv. ashtray—Holmes Co. pottery vase—old postcards (Wolf Covered Bridge, team of wolves, Knox, Knoxville), local adv. items—2004 Isabelle Bloom angel—McCoy smiley face mug—older Pottery "Cookie" jug—Pyrex casseroles, Correlle dishes, kitchen items and dishes—ant. milk glass cake plate, sherbets and more—books including Knoxville 5 Generation Seq. book, 2006 Knoxville next Generation, Knox Co. Civil War book, complete set of Laura Ingalls Little House books, Louis L'Amour hardbacks, old Linenlike Night Before Christmas, Snow White 1930's books—nice slag glass umbrella elect. lamp—checker boards, marbles, games—local old cookbooks—Murino glass and other clowns—misc. antiques.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

To help settle our family's estate a live public auction will be held at 6157 East 2480 Street Kewanee, IL 61443.

Saturday, April 17, 2021 @ 10 am

This will be the final auction for the Russell Smith family this auction will be highlighted by a large assortment of antiques, primitives and collectibles. This will not be a complete list of everything that will be sold so please go to auctionzip.com or my facebook page for pictures and updates. We may run two rings so bring a friend.

60+ steel wheels of assorted styles and sizes, butcher kettle, steel light posts, wagon seat springs, grinding wheel, scrap iron, well pumps, glass insulators, wheel covers, nail kegs, oil cans, child's wagon, tractor seats, pulleys, glass blocks, buck saws, primitive farm tools, round oak table and chairs, flats of porcelain figurines, china hutch, 25+ oil lamps of assorted styles, buffets, glass front cabinets, fainting coach, buttoons, cream and sugars, salt and peppers, flower frogs, casters, coasters, china, butter crock, child's roll top desk, cedar hope chest, primitive bench, dresser w/mirror, pull toys, blocks, 30+ glass top hats, collector glasses, Frankoma dishes, pottery pcs, marbles, marble top parlor table, wooden porch posts, pop bottles, harness pcs, cast iron, dressers, 8' steel work bench, hand tools, wooden boxes, metal shelving decorative metal pcs, chain hooks, clevis', wagon tongue, galvanized pails and tubs, decanters, 2 man saws, old picture frames, light globes, ash buckets, dolls, spindles, drop leaf table, planters, crates/boxes/kegs, jars/bottles, enamelware, floor lamps, horse collars, hay hooks, fire extinguishers, sewing machine cabinets and bases.

Hope to see you all for a great way to finish up the Smith estate, we will be setting up the week of the auction so we will be finding new stuff everyday.

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Wyoming man concerned about police

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – Concerns about police coverage were voiced by resident Mike Swearingen during the public comment period at the monthly meeting of the city council.

Swearingen was particularly interested in the early morning hours police coverage of the city.

“Unfortunately last June my house was broken into at three o’clock in the morning. My house was ransacked and items stolen by a felon who lived two blocks away,” Swearingen said. “I’m concerned about our community because it seems like there is no [police] patrolling after one or two o’clock in the morning.”

Swearingen claimed that there are quite a few people roaming around the town who he believes are up to no good.

“I’m wondering if there isn’t anything that we can do as a community or with our policing to cover some of those early morning hours?” he asked.

Mayor Pat Maher responded, “I un-

derstand your point, but there is usually only one [police] officer on duty.”

Maher said that Wyoming’s police are on duty during various hours of the day and that there is no set time when the police are on duty.

But Maher also assured Swearingen that increased police presence would begin in Wyoming, particularly in Swearingen’s part of town.

Swearingen inquired about forming a community watch group to which Maher said he believes is a good idea. The mayor encouraged Swearingen to contact police chief Mark James for particulars about forming said group.

In other business, the council heard from the Stark County After-Prom Committee, which requested a donation from the city to aid in holding this year’s after-prom event at the Orwig Center. The council approved a \$1,000 donation.

City Engineer Justin Reese, of the Farnsworth Group, reported that the city has received approval on its water treatment plant project.

Economic Development Advisor Denny Rewerts reported that work is being done in regards to attracting senior living facilities to Wyoming. Rewerts also said that Wyoming is attempting to bring a medical service provider to Stark County.

City Superintendent Joe Kinsella announced that the former Wyoming Locker property cleanup should be completed this week.

Water and Sewer Manager Greg McCauley said that he is taking bids for new filter membranes for the reverse-osmosis water system.

Police Chief Mark James reported that the police department had 30 calls, 3 arrests, 7 assists and numerous traffic stops. James said people are getting their golf carts registered with the city now that the weather has changed to a warmer climate.

Finally, Maher said that a city-wide cleanup could possibly occur in three weeks, or as soon as dumpsters are procured for that purpose. He offered a reminder that people who wish to utilize the cleanup day must show proof of Wyoming residency.

BRADFORD WELCOMES NJHS INDUCTEES



2021 Bradford National Jr. Honor Society inductees are as follows (left to right): Riggins Shafer, Sean Kendall, LeAnn Oleson, Reagan Calder, Justin Warner, Aamire Gullett, Jack Morman, Haylie Moodie, Rose Krider and Mikayla Radowich.



The 2021 National Jr. Honor Society induction ceremony was held April 7 in the Junior High School gym. Superintendent Chad Gripp gave opening remarks and the ceremony to induct new members was led by the current members (left to right), Garrett Bruecks, Keagan Hamilton, Lizzy Null, Haylie Peterson and Chelsey Stotler. (Marina Fisher-Smith is a current member learning remotely and was unable to attend.)

Kewanee man dies in Illinois Route 78 collision

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

A 34-year-old Kewanee man died April 11 after being involved in a head-on crash on Illinois Route 78 south of the Stark and Peoria county line. A passenger in his vehicle, a 32-year-old Peoria woman, was taken to a hospital with injuries sustained.

The Stark County Sheriff’s Office received a call prior to the crash

about a reckless driver traveling south on Route 78. Deputy Sheriff Gary Bent was dispatched and came upon the crash at about 12:20 p.m.

The collision occurred at White Road when David Carman drove a 1998 red Ford Ranger to the left and crossed the center line, crashing into a northbound 2011 F150 Ford pickup truck driven by David P. Murray, 58, of East Peoria, according to the Illi-

nois State police’s report.

Impact caused the southbound vehicle to roll and pinned Carman inside. Carman suffered multiple blunt force injuries, dying instantly. Toxicology results are pending. Route 78 was closed for about six hours from Duncan Road in Stark County to Lorraine Road in Peoria County.

Murray was also taken to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

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Galva to sell Herbster house

By CAROL TOWNSEND

For The Prairie News

GALVA – The Galva Park District board will soon be taking bids to sell the former William and Marvelle Herbster house on the south edge of Galva which sits on about three acres.

The Park District inherited the home, barn, double garage and farm land from the Herbster family. The property is next to the Galva Park District. The Park District board will keep the farm ground.

The Park District board would like to sell the home to someone who will put the home back to it's stately condition.

The board has done many improvements to the home, such as a new roof and new furnace, but would like to see someone get it who could do the necessary upkeep on the home.

The board only uses the home for monthly meetings.



Pictured is the former William and Marvelle Herbster house on the south edge of Galva which the Galva Park District board will be taking bids to sell the home and about 3 acres in the near future.

Anyone who has interest in bidding on the home should contact board member Larry Morse or Katie Laurin.

In other business, the board hired Nathan Glaser as the new Park District Superintendent. Lou Patty had retired in the beginning of 2021.

The first softball/baseball game will be held on April 28 at the Galva Park District. It was also noted that workers might show the coaches how to

rake, mark the field, reset the bases, etc., since that responsibility often falls on teenage umpires. The board felt it would be better if adults were shown how to do these tasks.

The pool opening is on hold, as there is no new information from the State of Illinois and the license has not yet been renewed. The license is normally renewed in February. The pool was open last year and followed the COVID guidelines.

Galva homecoming proceeds

By CAROL TOWNSEND

For The Prairie News

GALVA – Galva's Homecoming is being planned with the theme "On the Big Screen"

The king and queen will be crowned this Sunday, April 18, at 2:30 p.m. at the high school.

The Homecoming parade will follow. The parade will leave the fire lane at 3 p.m. and go down Northwest 3rd Avenue to Main Street.

The parade will go east on Main Street to North Center Avenue and then head north back to the school.

Participants will be in decorated cars and no candy will be thrown.

The community is urged to come out Sunday at 3



The Galva Homecoming Court poses for a picture. Front row (left to right): Spencer Sumner and Chloe Ruhl, freshman candidates; Jett Olson and Jaden Wilson, sophomore candidates; Savannah Platt and T.J. Conner, junior candidates. Back row (left to right) Senior candidates are Bailey Bates, Cal Clucas, Taylor Warner, Ben Smith, Abigail Jones and Michael Hawes. Photo by Carol Townsend

p.m. and see the homecoming parade.

The homecoming bonfire will be Sunday evening at 7 p.m. at the school.

The Homecoming football game will be held Friday, April 23, at the Galva football field. Participants will get two

tickets they can give to their guests. The game is not open to anyone who does not have a ticket due to COVID-19 restrictions.

In the Homecoming game, Mid-County will play Lincoln Trail Conference newcomer Ottawa Marquette.

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BRIEFS

Sen. Stoller hosts Ag advisory committee

SPEER— In an effort to encourage dialogue about agricultural issues, State Sen. Win Stoller (R-Germantown Hills) hosted his first Agriculture Advisory Committee on April 9 at Tanners Orchard in Speer.

Comprised of farmers, farm bureau representatives and other leaders in the agricultural field, the committee discussed ways Illinois could better support the agriculture community and farmers.

“Agriculture is the main foundation of Illinois’ economy and the top jobs driver in the state,” Stoller said. “The members of my Ag Advisory Committee are the experts in our communities, who have years of first-hand knowledge and experience. I am fortunate to have their advice and input.”

The meeting began with a brief welcome by Sen. Stoller, and then remarks from Mark Raney, Associate Director of State Legislation for the Illinois Farm Bureau, who gave an agriculture legislative update. The meeting ended with a roundtable discussion among all attendees.

Health departments offer second dose

The Henry and Stark County Health Department and the Henry County Office of Emergency have opened registration for an April 21, second-dose only COVID-19 Drive Thru Vaccine.

Those eligible to participate are individuals who have received their

first doses of COVID-19 vaccine from previous Henry and Stark County Health Department and OEM clinics. People should always get their second dose of COVID-19 vaccine from the same provider who gave them their first dose to guarantee they are getting the same vaccine.

To reserve your second dose for the April 21 Drive-Thru Clinic, the Health Department and OEM ask people to go to henrystarkhealth.com and complete an online, second dose only, “COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Registration Form.”

Vaccine available for high-school students

The Henry County Office of Emergency, the Henry and Stark County Health Department and Regional office of Education are holding a vaccine clinic specifically for high school students 16 to 18. The clinic will be at Black Hawk East Campus on April 20.

The clinic is available to those students who desire and are eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine, during the school day.

Angie Zarvell, Regional Superintendent of Schools states, “Under current guidance, just as with those who have been vaccinated, students who are fully vaccinated will not need to quarantine if they are identified as a close contact to someone who tests positive for Covid. This will help provide consistency for our students next school year.”

Zarvell adds, “As with the classroom example, athletes who

are fully vaccinated will not need to quarantine if they are identified as a close contact to someone who tests positive for Covid. This will help provide consistency for our teams next school year.”

To register and for more information, please contact the Regional Office of Education at (309) 936-7890 or your local high school.

Galva Clean-up Day seeks volunteers

Galva clean-up day will be Saturday, April 17. Everyone who is available- groups, organizations, families, high school students, individuals are asked to meet at the Galva City Hall at 9 a.m.

Garbage bags and gloves will be provided and trash will be picked up around town and depending how many come, maybe some areas coming into town.

Youth hunters harvest 1,744 turkeys

Youth turkey hunters harvested a preliminary total of 1,280 birds during the 2021 Illinois Youth Turkey Season.

In 2020, a total of 1,744 turkeys were taken, a record total. The dates for this year’s season were March 27-28 and April 3-4. This year, a total of 5,438 youth turkey permits were issued, compared to 5,433 in 2020. The top five counties for harvest during this year’s youth season were Jefferson (48), Fayette (44), Marion (41), Hamilton (38), and Pike (37).

Amber Waves
 by Dave T. Phipps



SPRING IS FINALLY HERE. WE'VE BEEN SITTING INSIDE FOR SO LONG. I'M NOT SURE WHERE TO BEGIN.

WE COULD FIX UP THE TREE FORT, GO FISHING, RIDE DIRT BIKES OR MAYBE PLAY IN THE BARN.

WE HAVE ALL SUMMER AND FALL WITH A LONG, LONG TIME BEFORE ALL THE SNOW, BEFORE COLD...

BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

Out on a Limb
 by Gary Kopervas



WHY? HA! GOT PANTUSO?..

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SOMEBODY CALL MY LAWYER.

AFTER MONTHS OF SURVEILLANCE, THE AUTHORITIES FINALLY BUSTED LOTTIE WIFZIG, HEAD OF THE WICKER CARTEL.

R.F.D.
 by Mike Marland



MUD SEASON KEEPS GETTIN' WORSE'N WORSE.

UH-OH! HERE HE GOES AGAIN WITH THE CLIMATE CHANGE THING!

ALTHOUGH, I GOTTA ADMIT... IT DOES SEEM A MITE MORE EXTREME THIS YEAR.

The Spats
 by Jeff Pickering



HONEY DO YOU THINK I'M SOME SORT OF WEIRDO?

OF COURSE NOT, DEAR...

...YOU'RE A SPECIFIC TYPE OF WEIRDO.

Weekly SUDOKU
 by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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ANSWERS ON PAGE 11

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

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the deepest point in Earth's oceans?
2. COMICS: What is the name of the newspaper in the "Shoe" comic strip?
3. LITERATURE: Which 19th-century novel features the characters Catherine and Heathcliff?
4. MOVIES: What was the name of Yoda's home planet in the "Star Wars" movie series?
5. BUSINESS: When did the social media service Facebook launch?
6. MUSIC: How many strings does a cello have?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of alcohol is distilled from juniper berries?
8. HISTORY: In what year did the first human heart transplant take place?
9. SCIENCE: Which plant can be processed to make linseed oil?
10. LANGUAGE: What is the scientific study of diseases and their effects on population called?

Answers

1. The Mariana Trench in the Pacific Ocean
2. The Treetops Tattler
3. "Wuthering Heights"
4. Dagobah
5. 2004
6. Four
7. Gin
8. 1967
9. Flax
10. Epidemiology

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TOP 10 VIDEOS ON DEMAND

1. Godzilla vs. Kong (PG-13)
2. The Unholy (PG-13)
3. Nobody (R)
4. Raya and the Last Dragon (PG)
5. Tom & Jerry (PG)
6. The Courier (PG-13)
7. The Girl Who Believes in Miracles (PG)
8. Chaos Walking (PG-13)
9. The Croods: A New Age (PG)
10. French Exit (R)

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OBITUARIES

Neil S. Johnson

GALVA – Neil S. Johnson, 92, of Galva, died at 8:50 a.m., Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at the home of his daughter.

A public visitation will be held from 9:30-10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 17, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva followed by

private funeral services with Rev. Randy Swanson officiating. Burial will be held at Galva Cemetery where military rites will be accorded by the Galva Fusiliers.

Memorials may be directed to the Galva American Legion.

He was born July 20, 1928, in Galva, the son of Neil R. and Loris (Kelly) Johnson. He married Beth A. Thompson on Feb. 23, 1952, in Annawan and she preceded him in death on Jan. 30, 2017.

Survivors include his four daughters; Janet (Roozbeh) Tavakoli of Selinsgrove, Penn., and Dawn (Doug) Anderson, Denise Johnson and Elizabeth "Libby" (Mark) Maxwell, all of Galva, four grandchildren; Ashley (Andrew) Willer, Allison (Nicholas) Zurcher and Ariana and Thierran Tavakoli and three great grandchildren; Madelyn and Evelyn Willer and Carson Zurcher. He was also preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Cleos Ann Lundeen.

Neil graduated from Altona High School in 1948. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He had a love for farming and was a grain and livestock farmer for many years. He was affiliated with the Messiah Lutheran Church and was a member of the American Legion and a former member of the Order of the Eastern Star and Burns Grange. He had been in several card clubs with his wife and in his early years played softball with the Bishop Hill Swedes.

He was an avid St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago Bears fan and enjoyed following Big 10 college sports especially the Fighting Illini. Most of all he enjoyed being with his family.



Johnson

This obituary may be viewed and private condolences left at www.ruxfuneralhome.com.

Sally J. Dahman

CHAMPAIGN – Sally J. Dahman, 81, of Champaign, Ill., and formerly of Jacksonville, Ill., passed away March 23, 2021, surrounded by her family.

Sally was born in Williamsfield to Shaw and Lillian Blaisdell Terwilliger on Oct. 12, 1939. She was raised in Milledgeville, Bradford, Rushville, and Virginia with her siblings, John E. (Eddie) Terwilliger, James (Carlene) Terwilliger, Nancy (Jack, deceased) Craig and Judy (Wayne, deceased) Briggs.

Sally was a 1957 graduate of Virginia High School. She then went on to earn her teaching degree from Western Illinois University. She met her husband, H. Marc and they married on June 15, 1963. She taught physical education in Kewanee and Jacksonville before taking time to be home and raise her four children. She returned to work in 1984 at the office of Congressman Bob Michel and then continued her time there with Congressman Ray LaHood until her retirement in 2001.

Sally was a very proud mother and grandmother. Her children, Janet (George) Roadcap of Champaign, Shaw (Janet) Dahman of Jacksonville, Judy (John) Wierschem of Champaign, and Marc H. Dahman (Desiree Padilla) of Schaumburg, were the light of her life, as were her grandchildren, Tom (fiancé Nao), Lily, Scott, Andy, Jack, Henry, Liz, and Ryan. She was also an honorary grandmother to many.

She will be forever remembered for her outgoing and friendly disposition, her strong involvement in her church community, her talent as a hostess and cook, and for her love and support for everyone in her family and community.

Sally is survived by her loving husband, H. Marc Dahman, her children, grandchildren, several nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Shaw and Lillian, and sister, Nancy.

An informal walk-through

visitation, without the family present, will be held Tuesday, March 30, 2021, from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Buchanan & Cody Funeral Home in Jacksonville. A private family funeral service will be held at Grace United Methodist Church with the Rev. Dr. Don Jackson and the Rev. Dr. Mark Jordan officiating. Burial will be held at Diamond Grove Cemetery.

Memorials given in Sally's honor are suggested to Grace United Methodist Church of Jacksonville or New Horizon United Methodist Church of Champaign. Condolences may be sent at buchanancody.com.

Gladys I. Young

DUNLAP – Gladys I. Young, 89, of Dunlap, passed away on April 7, 2021, at 7:20 a.m. at her residence.

Gladys was born on April 2, 1932, in West Jersey, Ill., the daughter of Leonard and Beulah (Libby) Barrett. She married Max Young on Feb. 28, 1952, in Princeville, they were married for 69 wonderful years.

Surviving are her husband, Max; two daughters, Barbara Ashcraft of Princeville and Brenda (Joseph) Slyman of Elmwood; three grandchildren, Chelcee (Justin) Owens, Sarah Slyman, and Michael Slyman; two great grandchildren, Austin and Gavin Owens; one brother, William (Sally) Barrett of Princeville; two sisters, Georgia Peters and Linda Anderson, both of Princeville. She was preceded in death by one son, Michael Young.

Gladys was an avid reader, who enjoyed cooking and was known for baking delicious pies. She and her husband enjoyed spending winters in Mission, Texas. The family would like to extend a special thank you to all of the healthcare workers and to Chief Jim Hansen and his squad at the Dunlap Fire Department.

A private family service will be held. Burial will be in West Jersey Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Dunlap Fire Department.

Online condolences may be left for Gladys' family on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

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BID NOTICE

The Village of LaFayette is currently seeking contractor bids for work on the village's maintenance shed. Work needing done includes, applying spray foam insulation to sheds interior walls and ceiling, installing light fixtures inside, security lights outside, outlets both inside and out. Electrical bid will also need to include trench work and running an electrical line from the water tower pump house to the maintenance shed for power supply. Contractors must provide a copy of proof of insurance when submitting written bids. The maintenance shed measures 35x24x10. For further information please contact, Christopher Smith at (309) 509-2522, or Dean Rosebeck at (309) 238-3600. Bids must be submitted by May 2nd, 2021.

VILLAGE OF LAFAYETTE

The Village of LaFayette is now accepting mowing bids for the village park, and small lot beside library.

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Bids must be received by May 1, 2021.
Proof of insurance is required.

FOID, concealed permits extended

By PETER HANCOCK

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois State Police has given another 150-day extension to people whose Firearms Owners Identification cards or Concealed Carry Licenses have expired due to a backlog in processing renewal applications.

A panel of state lawmakers gave approval Tuesday to that emergency rule after ISP officials assured them that the agency had made significant progress toward clearing a backlog of renewal applications.

“I wouldn’t say we’re over the hump. We’re on top of it,” ISP Lt. Greg Hacker, who heads the agency’s Firearms Services Bureau, told the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

Under the emergency rule, a FOID card or CCL that has expired since the start of the pandemic is still considered valid as long as the holder has applied for renewal, paid the required fees, and the card is not subject to revocation.

Yvette Loizon, ISP’s general counsel, said that in the month of March alone, the agency received 14,847 renewal applications, and it approved 67,847 applications, the largest number of approvals in a single month in more than a year.

ISP saw a huge increase in renewal applications last year, Hacker said, in part because FOID cards are issued on 10-year renewal cycles and the 2019-2020 period marked the end of the program’s first 10-year cycle.

But the program has been beset by funding and personnel shortages, officials have said. The application and renewal process involves extensive criminal background

checks that are paid for with the fees paid by applicants. But that fee fund was often “swept” during the state’s two-year-long budget impasse.

Hacker said ISP began 2020 with only 21 “firearms eligibility analysts,” or FEAs, who are trained to process applications. Since then, he said, the agency has hired an additional 29 FEAs and it plans to hire another five or six by July. In addition, ISP has hired another 25 contractual employees to run background checks.

But Hacker said it has been a slow process to get all of those new employees fully operational because the training process generally takes about six months.

In July, the Illinois State Rifle Association and the Second Amendment Foundation filed a federal lawsuit against ISP, arguing that the FOID card delays were violating the applicants’ constitutional right to bear arms.

Members of the joint committee pointed out that they have been hearing complaints from constituents for months.

“I mean, within the last two days, I’ve gotten emails from folks, they applied last July. We’re nine months in, haven’t heard a word,” said Sen. Donald DeWitte, R-St. Charles.

Sen. Bill Cunningham, D-Chicago, a co-chair of the committee, said he has also heard complaints from constituents.

“So we’re gratified to see that the process is moving up (and) ask you to continue to work with JCAR staff on this,” Cunningham said. “There’s been a long-standing problem that has only gotten worse because of COVID. So it’s something that still demands a long-term solution.”

LEGAL ADS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES P. RUSSELL, Deceased, No. 2020P22

WILL NOTICE AND CLAIM NOTICE-INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of JAMES P. RUSSELL, who died October 21, 2020. Letters of office were issued on March 26, 2021, to MARILYN S. MASTERSON of 216 Grove Street, P.O. Box 3, Camp Grove, Illinois 61424, as independent representative, whose attorneys are Michael Evans Law Offices, 101 West Williams Street, P.O. Box 186, Wyoming, Illinois 61491.

Notice is given to all interested parties who are heirs or legatees in the above proceeding to probate a will and whose name or address is not stated in the petition to admit the will to probate, that an order was entered by the court on March 26, 2021, admitting the will to probate. Within 42 days after the effective date of the original order of admission you 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 6-21 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/6-21).

You also have the right under section 8-1 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/8-1) to contest the validity of the will by filing a petition with the court within 6 months after admission of the will to probate. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court, Probate Division, Stark County Courthouse, 130 W. Main Street, Toulon, Illinois 61483, or with the representative, or both, on or before (a) October 1, 2021, or 6 months from the first date of publication, whichever date is later, or (b) if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by the provisions of Section 18-3 of the Probate Act, as amended, then the date stated in that notice, whichever date is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date or dates is barred.

Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative AND to the Attorneys within 10 days after it has been filed. The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under § 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk of the court. You may obtain a copy of a form of a petition to terminate independent administration from the clerk of the court at the above address or from the attorneys at the address below. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/ethelp.asp>.

Dated this 31st day of March, 2021.

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territories in Illinois. The changes in rates and charges will take effect after hearings and after the Commission issues its final Order.

The Commission docketed these filings as Docket Nos. 21-0048 (RZ I) and 21-0050 (RZ III). A copy of the evidence may be inspected at the Ameren Illinois offices located at 300 Liberty Street, Peoria, Illinois or online at www.icc.illinois.gov/e-docket/. All parties interested in this matter may obtain information with respect thereto either directly from Ameren Illinois or by addressing the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62706.

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NOTICE OF LETTING

Quotations will be received in the office of the Stark County Highway Department located at 411 E. Main St., Toulon, IL 61483 until 9 A.M., on Thursday, April 22, 2021, for providing yard and a small cemetery mowing services for calendar year 2021 to the Stark County Highway Department. Quotations will be publicly opened and read at 9 A.M. Quotations shall be submitted on the Request for Quotation forms furnished by the Highway Department. Please call 309-286-5031 for the form and quotations shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope endorsed with the name of the Mowing Services. Respectfully submitted: Judd R. Giffin, P.E. - Stark County Engineer. Published 4/16/21

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Ameren Illinois (or Company) hereby gives notice to the public that on March 30, 2021, it filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission evidence (direct testimony) regarding the reconciliation of revenues collected from its gas customers under the Company’s Rider TAR and Gas Environmental Adjustment (Rider GEA), with costs incurred in connection with certain environmental remediation activities associated with its manufactured gas plant sites in Illinois from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Rider TAR is applicable to Rate Zone II (formerly the AmerenCILCO service territory) and Rider GEA is applicable to Rate Zones I and III (formerly the AmerenCIPS and AmerenIP services territories, respectively). This reconciliation may result in changes to the Company’s rates and charges with respect to gas delivery service charges throughout the Company’s territories in Illinois. The changes in rates and charges will take effect after hearings and after the Commission issues its final Order.

The Commission docketed these filings as Docket Nos. 21-0048 (RZ I), 21-0049 (RZ II), and 21-0050 (RZ III). A copy of the evidence may be inspected at the Ameren Illinois offices located at 300 Liberty Street, Peoria, Illinois or online at www.icc.illinois.gov/e-docket/.

All parties interested in this matter may obtain information with respect thereto either directly from Ameren Illinois or by addressing the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62706.

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Super Crossword

HIT SINGLES

<p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Insurance giant</p> <p>5 Italian side dish</p> <p>13 Govt. media watchdog</p> <p>16 Once lived</p> <p>19 Cheek makeup</p> <p>20 Put out of memory</p> <p>21 “Impressive”</p> <p>22 Skiing peak</p> <p>23 “Glamorous” singer who’s a member of the nobility?</p> <p>25 Dodgy</p> <p>27 Not disproven</p> <p>28 “This Old House” sner</p> <p>30 Hot and heavy</p> <p>31 Size above med.</p> <p>32 Kind of camera, for short</p> <p>33 “Raise Your Glass” singer being scandalous?</p> <p>36 Cheese variety</p> <p>38 With 82-Across, Tour de France, e.g.</p>	<p>39 Resident doctor</p> <p>40 “Kiss From a Rose” singer</p> <p>43 Lots of coaching?</p> <p>44 Inits. on an ambulance</p> <p>45 — Romeo</p> <p>48 “Marat/Sade” playwright</p> <p>49 With 35-Down, short, easy puns</p> <p>50 Cup edge</p> <p>51 Lowly</p> <p>53 Hostilities</p> <p>54 Titled text: Abbr.</p> <p>56 “Material Girl” singer of high birth?</p> <p>58 “— chance!”</p> <p>59 Neither’s partner</p> <p>60 Bit of dust</p> <p>61 Galena, e.g.</p> <p>62 Ending for peer</p> <p>63 “Every Breath You Take” singer working as a spy?</p> <p>66 — “TURN (traffic sign)”</p> <p>71 Suffix with mountain</p>	<p>72 Writer Haley</p> <p>73 Clutch after burst</p> <p>74 Moty Dick’s “Have You Ever?” singer doing commercials for Mac computers?</p> <p>81 Brazilian soccer great</p> <p>82 See 38-Across</p> <p>83 Make an exit</p> <p>84 Negatives</p> <p>85 In the style of</p> <p>86 Ready-bent</p> <p>87 — “deuce”</p> <p>88 Needle hole</p> <p>89 “Yeah!” singer as a deacon?</p> <p>92 Cheese variety</p> <p>95 Co. leaders</p> <p>96 Cry of pain</p> <p>97 “Hot in Here” singer on edge?</p> <p>100 Vehicle navig. aid</p> <p>101 Bar bill</p> <p>104 UFO pilots</p> <p>105 Outer. Prefix</p> <p>106 Decided by ballot</p> <p>109 Deviate</p>	<p>111 “You Were Meant for Me” singer whom everyone treasures?</p> <p>114 “Sort of” suffix</p> <p>115 Sharp bark</p> <p>116 Most ethereal</p> <p>117 Popular font</p> <p>118 No longer active: Abbr.</p> <p>119 Ocean</p> <p>120 Frightful flies</p> <p>121 Shabby</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Paula of pop</p> <p>2 Tossed</p> <p>3 “Filthy” gain</p> <p>4 Court champ</p> <p>47 “Ah, me!”</p> <p>5 Ernest, e.g.</p> <p>6 Stone stock</p> <p>7 Deduce</p> <p>8 Olympic racer</p> <p>9 Alop. in odes</p> <p>10 “I” game</p> <p>11 Easel, often</p> <p>12 Last non-A.D. year</p> <p>13 Rival</p> <p>14 London’s — garden</p> <p>15 Cavalry cry</p> <p>16 Bit part of a queue</p> <p>17 Alley of dance</p> <p>18 Bit of dust</p>	<p>24 “Wake Up Little —”</p> <p>26 Hitter of high notes</p> <p>29 Revealing, as a bikini</p> <p>33 Dal or Coast</p> <p>34 Actor Linden</p> <p>35 See 35-Across</p> <p>36 Africa’s Guinness —</p> <p>37 ER workers</p> <p>38 Not take</p> <p>40 Bed size</p> <p>41 Nevada city</p> <p>42 “— I a stinker?”</p> <p>43 Ringo who was knighted</p> <p>44 Downy duck</p> <p>46 Air flowers</p> <p>47 “Ah, me!”</p> <p>50 Kind of paint</p> <p>51 Nautical</p> <p>52 Shangri-la</p> <p>54 Seeing red?</p> <p>55 “— is human —”</p> <p>56 — “dovey”</p> <p>57 Super B, say</p> <p>60 Sculpt</p> <p>64 At no time, to</p> <p>65 Lake craft</p> <p>66 Drop of</p> <p>67 Too gaudy</p> <p>68 Not a thing</p> <p>69 Big ol’ gp.</p> <p>70 Northeast, on a map</p>	<p>75 Doth own</p> <p>76 It’s a pain</p> <p>77 Lager, e.g.</p> <p>79 Time between lights</p> <p>80 “Do I have a volunteer?”</p> <p>81 In addition</p> <p>85 “Hey, sailor!”</p> <p>86 Filmmaker</p> <p>89 Jean — Godard</p> <p>88 Nav. rank</p> <p>89 Cartoon pic</p> <p>90 Cowardly evasions</p> <p>91 Struck</p> <p>93 Fiscal sums</p> <p>94 Oz resident</p> <p>95 Leachman of “Phyllis”</p> <p>97 Lowest point</p> <p>98 “Beloved” actress</p> <p>99 Kimberly</p> <p>100 Skain bird</p> <p>101 “Nameley —”</p> <p>102 Really got to</p> <p>103 Tammy</p> <p>106 Connections</p> <p>107 Open a bit</p> <p>108 Lynn or Miles</p> <p>110 Hot tub site</p> <p>112 Above</p> <p>113 Op. — (kin of “abd.”)</p>
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No masks needed in track, baseball, softball

By The Weekly Post

The Illinois High School Association is no longer requiring that athletes in low-risk outdoor sports need to wear masks, as per new direction from the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Those sports and activities include track and field, baseball, softball, bass fishing and tennis. Athletes must still wear masks when on the bench or not competing.

The IHSA Board of Directors also approved state final dates during a recent meeting:

- Class 1A baseball is June 17 at

Illinois State University.

- Class 1A and 2A softball is at Louisville Slugger in Peoria.

- Track and field finals at Eastern Illinois University are June 10 for Class 1A girls, June 11 for Class 2A girls, June 17 for Class 1A boys and June 18 for Class 2A boys.

- **All-state hoops** – Two Lincoln Trail Conference boys basketball players were voted to the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Class 1A all-state team.

Wethersfield senior Coltin Quagliano and Ridgewood senior Gannon Greeman both earned spots on the IBCA all-state squad and will

be invited to play in the all-star game on June 26 in Pontiac.

Five LTC players were on the 29-player special mention squad: Brady Kelley of Wethersfield, Declan and Cormaic Flynn of United, Sam Streitmatter of Princeville and Mitchell Brooks of Ridgewood.

- **IESA track** – The IESA Board of Directors voted to cancel the 2021 state track and field meet but to go ahead and allow sectional meets for those sites with a host in place.

The IESA board also voted to keep its state cross country meet at Maxwell Park in Normal through 2025.

FOOTBALL: Mid-County falls to Mercer County

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Boland ran for five touchdowns and 273 yards on 30 carries as Princeville (4-0, 3-0 LTC) returned to its running roots.

“The world is right again,” joked Princeville Coach Jon Carruthers, whose quarterback Sam Streitmatter passed for more than 270 yards last week.

But when the passing game isn’t clicking ... “Like Sam said, ‘It’s hard to throw the ball when the

MID-COUNTY
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- April 16 - at Ridgewood
- April 23 - vs. Ottawa Marquette (Galva)

running game is going so good,” Carruthers said. “I saw a lot of maturity from Sam. He had some opportunities where in the past he might have forced it, but he just ran it.”

And Boland was on all night, scoring three times in the first half on runs of 2, 1 and 1 yards.

“He has a jump cut you just can’t coach,” Car-

STARK COUNTY
(Games 7 p.m., unless noted)

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ruthers said. “He has pretty good speed, he’s got very good vision and he can get outside and do some nice things.”

Even so, the score was just 21-8 at halftime and Carruthers was not comfortable against a United team that may be winless, but that put up 44 points on Annawan-Wethersfield.

Keian Rice scored in the third and Boland added two tallies in the fourth to ease those worries.

Next up for Princeville is a home game Friday vs. Stark County (1-3, 1-3).

Mercer County 28 Mid-County 8

ONEIDA – Mid-County (0-2, 0-2) managed 79 rushing yards vs. stingy Mercer County (3-1, 3-1) and got its score when Logan Kuberski hit Denver Weedman on a 22-yard pass with 2:23 remaining.

SCOREBOARD

Princeville 41, United 8

United 0 8 0 0 - 8
Princeville 7 14 7 13 - 41

Scoring Summary

First Quarter
P - Boland 2 run (Ahten kick)

Second Quarter
P - Boland 1 run (Ahten kick)
P - Boland 1 run (Ahten kick)

Third Quarter
P - Rice 3 run (Ahten kick)

Fourth Quarter
P - Boland 3 run (kick failed)
P - Boland 14 run (Ahten kick)

Team Statistics

	U	P
Rushes-Yds	29-161	44-336
Yds per carry	5.5	7.6
Comp-Att-Int	-	0-6-1
Passing yds	149	0

Individual Statistics

Rushing - P: Boland 30-273, Rice 7-23, Streitmatter 2-16, Hoerr 4-17, Hunt 1-1.
Passing - P: Streitmatter 0-6-1 0.
Tackles - P: DeGroot 6, Boland 5, Williams 5, Feucht 5.

Annawan-Wethersfield 52 Stark County 6

Stark County 0 0 6 0 - 6
A-W 28 8 8 8 - 52

Scoring Summary

First Quarter
AW - Miller 27 pass from Quagliano
AW - Quagliano 26 run (pass failed)
AW - Miller 14 pass from Quagliano (Miller pass from Quagliano)
AW - Dickerson 50 pass from Quagliano (Quagliano run)

Second Quarter
AW - Miller 10 pass from Quagliano (Quagliano run)

Third Quarter
SC - Groter 26 pass from Unhold (pass failed)
AW - Dickerson 15 run (Gripp pass from Quagliano)

Fourth Quarter
AW - Kelley 15 pass from Quagliano (Dickerson run)

Team Statistics

	AW	SC
First downs	12	11
Rushes-Yds	20-157	29-37
Yds per carry	7.9	1.3

Comp-Att-Int 14-19-0 13-26-1
Passing yds 259 117

Individual Statistics

Rushing - SC: Meinders 12-26, Unhold 8-1, Groter 3-(-5), Porter 6-12.
AW: Dickerson 8-94, Quagliano 4-53, Troxell 2-3, Gripp 3-18, Horrie 1-(-2), Heitzler 1-1, Bryant 1-(-10).
Passing - SC: Unhold 13-25-1 117, Groter 0-1-0 0. AW: Quagliano 14-19-0 259.
Receiving - SC: Groter 10-87, Newton 3-27, Whittle 1-6. AW: Miller 4-57, Kelley 3-42, Troxell 1-8, Gripp 3-64, Dickerson 1-50, Smith 2-38, Bryant 1-(-11).
Tackles - Mercer 3.5, Gibler 3.5

Mercer County 28 Mid-County 8

Mercer County 14 6 8 0 - 28
Mid-County 0 0 0 8 - 8

Team Statistics

	Mercer	MC
Rushes-Yds	-	34-79
Yds per carry	-	2.3
Comp-Att-Int	-	2-2-0
Passing yds	-	52

Individual Statistics

Lincoln Trail

	Overall	Conf		
	W	L	W	L
Princeville	4	0	3	0
Annawan-Weth.	3	1	3	1
Mercer County	3	1	3	1
Ridgewood	2	2	2	2
Ottawa Marquette	2	2	2	2
Stark County	1	3	1	3
Mid-County	0	2	0	2
Monmouth United	0	3	0	3

Last Week

Princeville 41, United 8
Annawan-Weth. 52, Stark County 6
Mercer County 28, Mid-County 8
Ottawa Marquette 30, Ridgewood 14

Friday, April 16

Stark County at Princeville, 7 pm
Annawan-Weth. at Mercer Co., 7 pm
Mid-County at Ridgewood, 7 pm
Ottawa Marquette at United, 7 pm

Rushing - MC: Johnson 9-16, Kuberski 4-2, Davis 3-9, Sornberger 7-15, Ramage 8-29, Clucas 3-8.
Passing - MC: Kuberski 2-2-0 52.
Receiving - MC: Weedman 2-52.
Tackles - MC: Johnson 6, Welch 5, Ramage 5, Dunn 5.

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Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

9	5	3	2	6	1	8	7	4
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1	6	8	7	5	2	9	4	3
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CryptoQuote

answer

The world is like a mask dancing. If you want to see it well, you do not stand in one place.

— Chinua Achebe

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COUNTRY FINANCIAL



A-W rebounds from loss

Stark County falls 52-6 to focused Titans squad

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Prairie News

KEWANEE – For the past decade, there's almost never been an easy time to play the Annawan-Wethersfield football team. But if there was a worse possible time to face the Titans, it was last Friday.

After losing 41-14 one week earlier to Ridgewood to see its 15-game win streak ended, A-W (3-1, 3-1 Lincoln Trail Conference) came out with a purpose in a home game against Stark County (1-3, 1-3).

The end result was a 52-6 blowout win that saw the sixth-ranked Titans grab a 28-0 lead after one quarter and featured senior quarterback Coltin Quagliano putting on yet another show.

Quagliano passed for five touchdowns and 259 yards while completing 14-of-19 attempts and he also ran for 53 yards and a score in just four carries.

"The first half was the best half of football we have played this spring," A-W Coach Logan Willits said. "I thought we came out early and established ourselves and a rhythm to the game. That was a key coaching point in our weekly prep leading up to it. We thought if we could get out of the gate and score and get a stop early we would have way more confidence than we had played with thus far this year. Overall our offensive and defensive efforts were really

good and put quite a bit of pressure on Stark County."

A-W's first score came on a fourth-and-seven play in which Quagliano hit Toker Miller for a 27-yard score. Then, after a Quagliano TD run, Stark County fumbled the ensuing kickoff. Moments later, Quagliano connected with Miller for another score and the rout was on.

"I thought A-W played like they were out to right a wrong [last week's loss]. They played very aggressively, and we didn't do much to stop that," Stark County Coach Jade Noard said. "They took control of the game with a dominant first quarter."

By halftime, A-W led 36-0. The Rebels scored first in the third quarter on a 26-yard pass from Ethan Unhold to James Groter, who was back from injury. But that was the main highlight for Stark County, which ran for just 37 yards on 29 carries.

The schedule gets no easier for Stark County, which plays at unbeaten Princeville today, April 16, at 7 p.m. The Princes are ranked No. 5 in Class 1A, one spot ahead of A-W.

Princeville 41, United 8

PRINCEVILLE – Hunter Boland's jump cuts and vision helped Princeville turn a close football game with United last Friday into a blowout.

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Keagan Newton (3) hustles into the play to make a tackle on Logan Kuberski in Stark County's competitive 22-14 win over Mid-County on April 1 while Christian Brady (75) looks on. Results were not as encouraging for either team last week in losses. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

Galva police assist Stark Co. VB

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Prairie News

GALVA – The Galva Police Department earned an assist in the Galva volleyball team's win over Stark County on April 13.

According to Stark County assistant Sarah Stieghorst, the Lady Rebels had to wait at railroad tracks for a stopped train and "were going to be late for our match."

But Stieghorst said a Galva police officer approached the team bus and offered to lead Stark County to the high school by an alternate route.

Speaking on behalf of the coaching

staff, Stieghorst offered the unnamed officer a thank you.

The match did not go so well for Stark County, though, as Galva won in varsity play, 25-16, 25-20, and also won the JV match, 25-16, 25-20.

On March 12, Galva lost to Sherrard, 25-16, 25-8. On March 10, Galva topped Abingdon, 25-22, 25-13. The Cougars close at home on April 19, 20 and 21.

Elsewhere, Princeville improved to 13-0 with a win over Chillicothe IVC on Tuesday, 25-15, 25-27, 25-16. The Lady Princes are a perfect 8-0 in LTC play.

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SHOES

HORSE SHOE (Full) - \$10

PONY SHOE (Half) - \$8

Hamburger, Ham or Turkey - Add Onion \$1

SIDES:

Cottage Cheese	\$1.75
Apple Sauce	\$1.25

APPETIZERS

Onion Rings	\$5.75
Breaded Mushrooms	\$5.75
Mozzarella Sticks	\$5.75
French Fries	\$3.00
Cheese Fries	\$4.50
Cheese Curds	\$5.75

CHICKEN:

Grilled Chicken Sandwich	\$7.25
Breaded Chicken Breast Sandwich	\$6.75

SOUP & SALAD

Dressings: Ranch, 1000 Island, or Italian - Xtra Dressing 75¢	
Soup Or Chilli (cup)	\$2.75 (bowl) \$3.25
Side Salad - Cheese, Tomato, Onion, -	\$2.50
Garden Salad - Cheese, Tomato, Onion, Egg, Croutons -	\$4.75
Chef Salad - Turkey, Ham, Egg, Cheese, Tomato, Onion & Croutons -	\$7.50
Grilled or Crispy Chicken Salad - Cheese, Tomato, Onion & Egg -	\$7.50
Beef or Chicken Taco Salad - Beef Taco Meat or Grilled Chicken, Cheese, Tomato, Black Olives, Onion Sour Cream & Salsa -	\$7.50

BURGERS

ALL BURGERS COME W/CHOICE OF PICKLE, LETTUCE, ONION & CHIPS.. Substitute Fr. Fries for \$2, or Onion Rings for \$3 - Add Tomato 50¢ / Bacon \$2 / Cheese Sauce \$1.50

HAMBURGER - \$6 CHEESEBURGER - \$6.50 BACON CHEESEBURGER - \$8.50

MUSHROOM & SWISS BURGER - \$7.50

ELLEN'S BURGER - Bacon, Onion Rings, BBQ, PepperJack Cheese - \$8.50

SWISS PATTY MELT - Grilled Onions Served on Rye - \$7.75

BEVERAGES

Coffee	\$1.50
Hot Chocolate	\$1.50
Apple/Orange Jc.	\$2.00
Choc./White Milk.	\$2.00
Iced Tea	\$2.00
Hot Tea	\$1.50
Lemonade	\$2.00

Chicken Strips	\$6.75
Grilled Chicken Wrap	\$8.50