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## HOMECOMING ROYALTY

## Wyoming cleanup is May 8

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE  
 For The Prairie News

WYOMING – The Wyoming City Council set May 8 as the date for a city-wide cleanup during its Monday meeting and heard that tickets will be issued to residents who do not cleanup their properties, according to Mayor Pat Maher.

In a previous council meeting, Maher said cleanup day is for Wyoming only and people have to prove residency in order to participate. Dumpsters will be available for residents to bring acceptable items for disposal.

City Attorney Michael Evans swore in four elected officials at the beginning of the meeting. Those officials are Mayor Pat Maher, City Clerk Diane Baker, Ward One Alderman Ginger Carlisle and Ward Three Alderman Dan Hardman.

Evans reported that the sale of a small piece of city property to Mid-Century will be concluded this week and that a right-of-way fee requires discussion by the council in regards to companies wanting to perform underground directional boring

that utilizes the city's right-of-way property.

A letter will be sent to the owners of 119 E. Williams Street concerning action on that residence. City officials want the owners to show that they are actively fixing the property up or the city will demolish the residence.

Also, the old Wyoming Locker property has been cleaned up and documents are needed to sell it. The city has a lien on that property for the cost of clearing it of debris and hauling off that trash that had accumulated there.

During public comment, representatives from the Stark County Baseball Athletic Program discussed the need for a sewer connection to the city's sewer system. A septic system is not feasible at the North Baseball Diamond because of water level concerns.

Superintendent Joe Kinsella said that a hook-up to the city's sewer system would be possible, but estimated the cost at \$15,000. The Athletic Program currently does not have the funds for such a project

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Pictured is Everett Thuline and Katie Kocan who were crowned King and Queen of Galva's Prom Saturday night at the River Experience in Davenport. Everett is the son of Tim and Julie Thuline of rural Galva and Katie is the daughter of Chris and Molly Kocan of Galva. Photo courtesy of Mersman Memories of Galva.



Pictured is King Caden Daum and Queen Lena Becker of Stark County's Homecoming Court. Caden is the son of Marjorie Daum and Phil Daum. Lena is the daughter of Kim and John Becker. The King and Queen were crowned during halftime of last Friday's Homecoming football game. Submitted photo.

## Bradford First Baptist Church razed; will become parking lot

By ANGIE STANGE  
 For The Prairie News

BRADFORD – A Bradford landmark is no more.

The First Baptist Church, the oldest church in Bradford, and Kline Hall which were located on Main Street in Bradford were torn down in early April. Both buildings had been vacant for approximately 15 years.

On May 1, 1870, almost a year after Bradford was officially established, the Bradford Baptist Church was formally organized. The congregation chose the name "First Regular Baptist Church of Bradford." Since there was no available building for services, the congregation made do by meeting in various locations. One such place was Doyle's Hall located above Doyle's Saloon. With the need for a more permanent building, the congregation decided to build a church.

Land on Main Street was donated by Bradford Foster and construction of the church building was begun in 1871. The original debt of the building was \$2,725. There was a slight delay in opening the church as the windows that had been sent to Chicago to be glazed were destroyed in the Chicago Fire of October 1871.

The first service held in the new church was on Christmas Eve of 1871. The Baptist Church on Main Street served the congregation until its final service on Palm Sunday 2006. Easter Sunday, 2006, was celebrated in the new First Baptist Church located on Bonita Avenue.



Pictured is the original Bradford First Baptist Church with the original bell tower, which was removed for safety reasons in 1908. Submitted photo.

in 1908, as a safety measure requested by the Phoenix Bank located to the east of the church. Kline Hall was added west of the church in 1972 as a place for Sunday school classes and gatherings.

Then in 1994, the second tower and bell were removed for structural and safety reasons. In 1995 a combined sign and bell rack were built on the lawn in front of the church. On June 11 of that year, in celebration of the 125th anniversary of the church, the bell was rung 125 times by members of the congregation.

Now that the church and hall have been removed, the area will become a parking lot to accommodate extra parking near the Bradford Fire Department and EMS building. This project is scheduled for completion by June 1, in time for use at the Bradford Hog Roast which is scheduled for Saturday, June 5.

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On Saturday, May 8th, the City of Wyoming will have two Roll Off Dumpsters available for City residents only. They will be located south of the Water Tower on Main Street from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. I.D.'s will be checked to verify residency. One dumpster will be for Appliances and metal items. The other dumpster will be for all other items (couches, chairs, mattresses, etc.). Residents will be responsible to unload items.

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# Galva extends deadline for property cleanup

By CAROL TOWNSEND  
 For The Prairie News

GALVA – The City Council heard Monday that 43 of 110 property owners who received letters in March concerning junk, unlicensed vehicles etc., have complied. That was the word from Galva Police Chief Kraig Townsend, who said eight others have partially complied, bringing total compliance to 35-40 percent.

It was noted at the March 29 city council meeting that those remaining properties had two weeks to comply. Violators are now given until the conclusion of Galva's clean ups days, to be held June 21-25.

In the past, residents who can transport items they wish to discard, were asked to bring them to a roll off at the City Maintenance building during certain hours. More details will be available on clean-up days at a later date.

The council also heard that residents can put yard waste out in yard waste bags, but must have a sticker on each bag. The city picks up the bags every first and third Monday morning of the month. Residents must have bags out by 6 a.m. and stickers can be purchased by calling City Hall at (309) 932-2555.

Fire hydrant flushing will occur on May 17 and 28, so Galva residents should be aware that process can re-

sult in rusty water. A major water leak was discovered under U.S. Route 34 near the Grace Methodist Church. The road will have to be dug up to repair the underground leak. The repair will begin next week and Ratliff Brothers of Kewanee will do the excavating.

The council approved a franchise for Mid-Century for the installation of high-speed internet access which will be available in Galva residential areas. Several sections have enough subscribers for Mid-Century to begin work.

Mayor Rich Volkert said several remote workers would like to live in Galva, but have not been able to make that work given current internet suppliers.

The council approved Night Watch security to provide cameras in Wiley Park. There will be a camera on the new band shelter, playground, picnic shelter and outside the restrooms for a cost of about \$5,000. The DVR will store about 30 days of action.

Third ward alderwoman Jackie Lucas asked several questions regarding the response to children surveilled on camera doing damage or other actions of misconduct.

Chief Townsend said parents would be notified first before possibly making a juvenile referral or court date. "Maybe this will wake up some

parents," Volkert said. Townsend said sometimes community service is required as "they like to punish the child not the parent." Townsend said he feels it will help just getting the word out, since cameras previously used in the parks need to be updated.

A presentation was given from a representative of BOW Renewables for a solar project at the former landfill in the northeast corner of Galva. The project could produce 5,343 megawatt hours per year which would help 507 households.

If the city could successfully lease the property, the solar project could generate \$912,781 over a 30-year span for the City of Galva.

The company is going to send a lease for the city to review.

In regard to questions about an increase in trains blocking crossings in Galva, Chief Townsend said recently all tracks were blocked for 1 hour and 20 minutes. Anyone needing to cross the tracks had to drive East of town to The Dunes to cross.

Volkert said all city officials have called BNSF and he urges the public to get involved. The number to call BNSF police is (800) 832-5452 or (312) 850-5678. They will ask for the crossing number, which at the Chester Street crossing is 079756X and at Exchange Street is 079757E.

# WYOMING: Medical groups hesitant to open facility

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 because COVID restrictions have curtailed their fundraising events. Maher suggested to the representatives that they find out exactly how much the cost would be to hook into the city's sewer system and return with those costs to the next council meeting.

Economic Development Advisor Denny Rewerts reported that he has met with medical groups in an attempt to get a medical facility in Wyoming. This is an ongoing project that has yet to be realized. Rewerts said that medical groups are hesitant to open a facility in Stark County because they believe that it would not

be profitable. In other action, the council approved \$5,500 for a new city map to be drawn by Chamlin and Associates. It has been 18 years since the last map was drawn. Also, a new shed to store city documents was approved for \$10,882 from Diamond Buildings, LLC.

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**Incidents & Accidents**

**Stark County**

**4-20-21** – Jordan B. King, 22, Wyoming, was cited for illegal cell phone use while driving.

**4-20-21** – Rama J. Mathews, 18, Peoria, was ticketed for littering.

**4-20-21** – Colton M. Godfrey, 29, Wyoming, was cited for operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

**4-22-21** – Cassel O. R. Taylor, 23, Kewanee, was found wanted on an outstanding Henry County warrant. He remains in custody on pending charges in Stark County. His Henry County cash bond was set at \$5,000.

**4-24-21** – James L. C. Junker, 20, Castleton, was arrested for theft and taken to the Stark County Jail. He posted \$150 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear.

**4-25-21** – Lane S. Rice, 34, Toulon, was arrested by Stark County authorities on an outstanding Henry County warrant for failure to appear on a charge for possession of cannabis and for driving under the influence. He posted \$300 cash bond and was released with a court date.

**Galva Report**

**Officer dispatched:**

**4-19-21** – to the 300 block of Market Street to remove an unwanted subject from a public bus.

**4-20** – to the 400 block of South Center Ave. for a traffic hazard involving a motor home parked on the city terrace that was blocking the view of motorists.

**4-21** – to the 800 block of NE 3rd Ave. for a 911 open line call. Officer checked the residence, but no one answered the door.

**4-21** – to meet with a resident at the Galva Police Dept. to file a report involving identity theft. An unknown person possibly obtained the complainant's phone number and social security number.

**4-21** – to a residence on NW 7th Ave. for a phone scam complaint involving several thousand dollars.

**4-21** – to a domestic dispute in the 100 block of NE 7th Street.

**4-21** – to a residence in the 400 block of North Center Ave. to at-



tempt to locate a wanted subject. As the result, Brandon Swank, 25, Galva, was arrested on a Henry County warrant for failure to appear on the charges of criminal trespass to a residence with a person present and criminal damage to property. He was unable to post bond and was taken to the Henry County Jail.

**4-22** – Officer was notified about a train that had stopped in Galva and was blocking all Galva crossings. BNSF was notified and the train eventually moved along.

**4-22** – to a loose dog complaint in the 400 block of North Center Ave. The dog owner was located and retrieved the dog.

**4-22** – to a reckless driving complaint on the east edge of town. As the result, Ronald Bombliss, 62, Galva, was issued citations for having only one tail light and for not having a rear bumper. He was released with an optional court date.

**4-23** – Officer spoke to a resident in the 100 block of NE 4th Street in reference to a city ordinance violation involving putting up a fence without the required permit.

**4-23** – Officer noticed that a train had stopped and blocked all of the Galva crossings for about 80 minutes. BNSF was contacted and eventually the train moved along.

**4-23** – As the result of a traffic stop in the 400 block of North Center Ave., Dylan Hopkins, 24, Galva, was arrested for unlawful possession of hypodermic syringes. A passenger, Jennifer Jaco, 45, Galva, was also arrested for unlaw-

ful possession of drug paraphernalia. They were both released with required court dates.

**4-24** – to the 200 block of SW 2nd Ave. for a motorist assist. The subject had a flat tire. Tarleton's was contacted.

**4-24** – to an activated burglar alarm in the 100 block of Exchange Street. The door had been inadvertently left open.

**4-24** – to a harassment complaint in the 400 block of S. Center Ave.

**4-24** – to the east end of town for a reckless driving complaint. Officer located the suspect vehicle, but couldn't find probable cause for a traffic stop.

**4-25** – to the 400 block of NW 2nd Ave. for a loose dog complaint. The dog owner was located and the dog was returned.

**4-25** – twice for a Facebook harassment complaint in the 900 block of SE 2nd Street.

**4-21** – Nickolas Ogorzalek, 36, Kewanee, was issued citations for speeding and operating an uninsured vehicle in the 500 block of South Center Ave.

**4-23** – Clair Whiteside, 49, Galva, was issued a citation for illegal side window tint in the 600 block of SE 2nd Street.

**4-24** – Wesley Cozad, 19, Kewanee, was issued a civil citation for possession of adult use cannabis in the 500 block of South Center Ave.

**Property Transfers**

**4-19-21** – Michael H. Barto, Dec'd by Ind Exec. to James C. and Jill M. Barto - Undiv 1/3 Int block 2 & 3 Vg of Lombardville - Consideration = \$0.00.

**4-19-21** – Taylor D. Bent to Jeremy Mether - Pt block 5 lot 2 - Giles C. Dana's Add'n - 210 E. Agard Street, Wyoming - Consideration = \$29,000.00.

**4-23-21** – James E. and Joyce E. Price to Brandon I. Stevens - Giles C. Dana's Add'n Pt block 4 lot 3 - 411 S. 7th Street, Wyoming - Consideration = \$75,900.00.

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It will be free to all residential households in the corporate limits of the City of Wyoming. Per state laws they cannot pick up any electrical items. Large non electrical appliances and large pieces of furniture as in couches, large chairs, mattress and box springs will require a tag at a cost of \$10 each. Tags can be purchased at City Hall. City Hall's hours are Monday - Friday, 7:30 to noon and 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. Anything placed out should be easily picked up by one man and placed into the back of the garbage truck. Bundle items when necessary so they may be picked up quickly. The following will not be picked up:

- 1) Electrical items.
- 2) Landscape waste.
- 3) Hazardous material as in kerosene, fuel oil, paint thinners, batteries and tires.
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## BRIEFS

### Galva Arts to announce Levitt Amp music lineup

**GALVA** – The Galva Arts Council would like to invite you to Wiley Park in Galva Saturday, May 1, to be among the first to hear the 2021 Levitt AMP Galva Music Series lineup.

At 6 p.m. Beth Bombara and her band will perform, followed by a video showcasing the 20 acts performing this summer. This free event is open to the public and family friendly. Guests are strongly encouraged to adhere to COVID-19 guidelines. Food and beverage vendors will not be onsite for this first event, but will be for future events and guests are invited to bring a picnic dinner.

The series begins on May 30 and runs every Sunday through Aug. 8, except for July 4. Each of the free concerts will be held at Wiley Park and runs from 6-8 p.m., with two acts. Visit galvamusic.com.

### Aging agency sponsors Wyoming 'coffee clutch'

**WYOMING** – The Central Illinois Agency on Aging is again planning a new activity for seniors in Stark County. On Monday, May 23, an opportunity for socialization will be available at the Paramount Theatre.

The event is called a Coffee Clutch and will involve various activities and refreshments, including coffee, games, prizes and conversation. There is no cost. The time is from 10 a.m. to noon.

The agency is interested in extending its services to rural areas.

Since many meal sites are still closed, this event provides an opportunity for the public to gather. All regulations as proscribed by the state will be enforced. Masks and social distancing will be required.

### Board re-elects officers and park pool date set

**GALVA** – The Galva Park Board heard that the city pool is set to open

Saturday, May 29, weather permitting, and re-elected its officers at a recent meeting.

The pool will open for 2021 season with the same limited capacity and COVID regulations.

Katie Laurin was re-elected as park board president; Larry Morse as vice president and Laura Nordstrom as secretary.

Board member Doug Anderson told the board that Galva's TIF 1 will expire at the end of 2021. The park district would receive tax dollars that had gone to the TIF starting in 2023. Anderson said he felt the board should consider lowering their tax rate at that time. Anderson pointed out that the park mowing equipment was suffering age and wear and needed to be updated.

Anderson will resign at the May board meeting and be sworn in as Galva's third ward alderman. He cannot serve on both boards. Pete VanDeVelde will replace Anderson on the park board.

The board will offer its annual pool membership special in May. Swimmers can get applications and save money. Applications are available at Porter Hay Insurance, 314 Main St. in Galva.

Adult aerobic classes are available June 8 through Aug. 12, 6-7 p.m. at \$2.50 per class or \$20 for 10 sessions. Daily pool fees are \$3 for ages 3 and over, and free for those aged 0-2. Pool hours are noon to 6 p.m. daily. Swimming lessons will not be held this year due to the proximity required for instruction.

– Carol Townsend

### Jumping worms seen in Peoria County

Jumping worms have been confirmed in Peoria County and are an invasive earthworm, probably brought into the country as fishing bait. They go by many names, such as crazy worms, Alabama jumpers, or snake worms.

The worms are known to change the soil structure, and deplete

nutrients, damage plant roots, and water-holding capacity of the soil. This is a concern in forests, where organic matter is limited. It is important to stop the spread of these worms, which have a characteristic milky white band that encircles their body. These worm jump and thrash wildly, move in a snakelike manner and can shed their tails when threatened.

The species can be found in leaf litter and top soil and appear in mid to late summer.

### Mitchell achieves academic accolades

**MACOMB** – Paul Mitchell, Jr., of Galva is one of six Western Illinois University students who have been named as College Scholars for their academic excellence.

Global Education and Outreach Scholar Mitchell will graduate with a bachelor's degree in general studies and a minor in sociology, with highest academic distinction, summa cum laude.

After graduation, Mitchell plans to continue his role as shop manager for a large manufacturing business. He is the son of Paul and Judith Mitchell.

### Cambridge launching farmers market

**CAMBRIDGE** – A farmers market is coming to College Square Park in Cambridge starting May 2 from noon to 3 p.m.

Vendors are local to Cambridge and surrounding areas and will be offering farm fresh vegetables, meat, spices, eggs, house plants, cut flowers, local honey, baked goods, candles, yard art, wood art, crafts and up-cycled clothing.

After the May 2 opener, the market will be held every Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to noon, and Sundays from noon to 3 p.m. through October.

To learn more, contact Gaylene Gilbert at ggilbertwv1@gmail.com or (309) 714-3856.

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## OBITUARIES

### Dr. Josef Unhold

WYOMING – Dr. Josef Unhold, 92, of Wyoming, Ill., passed away at 2:29 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, 2021, surrounded by his family at the home-stand.

Josef was born on July 11, 1928 in Rudolfsnad, Yugoslavia, to Franz and Eva (Galbach) Unhold. He married Sunna Schefzik on Aug. 2, 1952 in Linz, Austria; she preceded him in death on Aug. 6, 1991.



Unhold

Surviving are six children, Gerald (Sharon Dreeben) Unhold of LaJolla, Calif., Heidi Unhold of Aurora, Colo., Eva Unhold of New York City, Martha (Richard) Hultgren of Maple Grove, Minn., Erika Unhold of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Ernie (Stacy) Unhold of Wyoming; seven grandchildren, Monica (Andrei) Villarreal, Nicholas Unhold, Paul (Emily) Hultgren, Nathan (Channing) Hultgren, Anna Hultgren, Ethan Unhold and Aidan Unhold; four great-grandchildren, Sebastian, Leonardo, Robert Josef, and Hadley; one brother, Michel (Helga) Unhold; several sisters-in-law including, Heidi (Mike) Colgan; numerous nieces and nephews around the world; and partner-in-crime, Roger (Ruth) Garrison. Josef immigrated to the United

States in 1956 after attending Karl-Franzens University in Graz, Austria. He served his internship at Saint Barnabas Hospital in Minneapolis and his residency at the former Methodist Hospital in Peoria. Throughout his career he worked for St. Francis Hospital, Kewanee Hospital, as a general practice physician in Wyoming from 1958 until his retirement in 1996, and for Proctor First Care even after his retirement. He loved his patients and serving his community through his practice.

He was a member of St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in Wyoming, Wyoming Lions Club and the Peoria Medical Society. He loved traveling and began a new passion in gardening to continuing Sunna's love of flowers after her passing.

Josef was an avid sports fan, following the Green Bay Packers, Atlanta Braves, L.A. Lakers, Wyoming Indians, the Stark County Rebels, and all of the sports and events that his children and grandchildren participated in.

Josef's funeral service will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 1, 2021, at the WyHi Community Center in Wyoming. The funeral service can also be viewed live on the Facebook page "Josef Unhold's Funeral Service." Visitation will be from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Saturday also at the WyHi Community Center. Please wear a face covering and respect social dis-

tancing guidelines. Burial will be in Wyoming Cemetery. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Wyoming or the Wyoming Lions Club for Youth Athletics.

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

### Roy E. Magnuson

BISHOP HILL – Roy E. Magnuson Jr., 73, of Bishop Hill, died April 24, 2021, at his home.

No services are planned.

He was born Oct. 11, 1947. He married Beth Ann Guarino on July 8, 1978. She survives as do his children, Roy (Shannon) Magnuson and Amelia (Patrick) Light, four grandchildren and two sisters.

### Anthony C. Strom

GALVA – Anthony Clark "Tony" "Bone" Strom, 58, of Victoria, a former Galva resident, died April 23, 2021 at OSF St. Mary Medical Center.

Tony was born Oct. 16, 1962. He is survived by his children, Sumner and Ava Strom; the mother of his children, Melisa Mundwiler all of Galva; and his sister, Beth Ann (Dan) Knox of East Moline.

Visitation is 3-6 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at Hinchliff-Pearson-West Galesburg Chapel. Private services will be held at the chapel.

## Bradford sets May 14 for 8th-grade promotion

By Prairie News Staff Reports

BRADFORD – The Bradford School Board on Monday approved a tentative eighth-grade promotion for May 14 to be held in the junior high gym. Graduates will be limited to four family members apiece for the graduation ceremony.

The board also approved a parade through town for eighth graders and for high school seniors, similar to what was conducted last year.

Board members who won in the recent election were sworn in during the meeting. Election winners were Sherri Code, Reyna Barto-Colvin, Brad Kieser and Jessica Peterson.

Tanya Walker was voted in as board president, while John Murphy will be

vice president and Peterson is secretary.

Superintendent Chad Gripp outlined uses for funds from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief fund. He said \$65,000 will go toward the purchase of 120 Chromebooks, cleaning supplies and other technology upgrades and \$257,000 will fund summer school and tutoring, curriculum upgrades, drinking fountains and sinks, purchase of a new van, bus cameras, air conditioning units, Smart TVs for classrooms, livestream equipment, cafeteria tables and student chairs, tables and desks, among other things.

Gripp said the budget looks "very good" but suggested a few changes

prior to the end of the fiscal year, necessitating an amended budget.

During public comment, Betsy Dunechew and Mary Trobaugh introduced themselves to the board, which is seeking a school photographer.

In other action, the board:

- Approved the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. as the regular meeting time in the Junior High Health Room.
- Approved the amended 2021 calendar, with a last day of May 26.
- Set the amended budget hearing date for June 21 at 7 p.m. in the Junior High Health Room.
- Hired Lauren Shaner as assistant girls basketball coach and MacKinley Newman as kindergarten teacher.

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# FOOTBALL: Last game at Galva

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pattern of battling back.

Hunter Boland began finding holes, as he has all season despite playing with what this week proved to be a broken right hand. Sam Streitmatter capped the drive with a pass to Denver Hoerr for a score to make it 14-7.

Princeville replied after another quick A-W score to make it 22-14 on a Boland 2-yard run. A-W

scored again and then, in a key sequence, Princeville was stopped at the 1-yard line just before halftime.

“That was probably the turning point of the game,” A-W Coach Logan Willits said.

The stop loomed larger when Boland scored early in the third to make the tally 30-22. From there, A-W got a rushing score from Quagliano and a final TD pass. For his career, Quagliano passed for

6,435 yards and 74 TDs and ran for 1,622 yards and 24 scores.

## Ottawa Marquette 30 Mid-County 0

GALVA – Ottawa Marquette scored twice in the second quarter to take control in Galva’s Homecoming game – the last for the community as part of the Mid-County co-op.

“Finishing 4-2 against this conference is nothing to sneeze at, and we got better every single week,” Marquette Coach Tom Jobst told Shaw Media.

## SCOREBOARD

### Mercer County 50 Stark County 8

Mercer County	8	6	14	22	-	50
A-W	8	0	0	0	-	8

#### Scoring Summary

##### First Quarter

MC - Meece 1 run (Relander pass from Lucas)  
SC - Unhold 1 run (Groter pass from Unhold)

##### Second Quarter

MC - Williams 11 run (pass failed)

##### Third Quarter

MC - Lucas 4 run (pass failed)  
MC - Meece fumble recovery in end zone (Relander run)

##### Fourth Quarter

MC - Gray 19 pass from Lucas (Gray

run)  
MC - Bridgford 25 fumble recovery (Lucas run)  
MC - Relander 1 run (run failed)

#### Team Statistics

	MC	SC
First downs	22	5
Rushes-Yds	26-217	30-74
Yds per carry	4.7	2.5
Comp-Att-Int	7-12-0	1-11-1
Passing yds	99	5
Fumbles-lost	3-1	7-4

#### Individual Statistics

Rushing - SC: Meinders 11-68.  
Groter 8-25, Unhold 9(-19), Newton 1-0.  
Passing - SC: Unhold 1-11-1 5.  
Receiving - Gibler 1-5.  
Tackles - SC: Baxter 10, Porter 6,

### Annawan-Wethersfield 42 Princeville 22

Princeville	7	7	8	0	-	22
A-W	14	16	0	12	-	42

#### Scoring Summary

##### First Quarter

AW - Gripp 80 pass from Quagliano (Quagliano run)  
AW - Miller pass from Quagliano (conversion failed)  
P - Hoerr 14 pass from Streitmatter (Ahten kick)

##### Second Quarter

AW - Troxell 27 pass from Quagliano (Gripp run)  
P - Boland 2 run (Ahten kick)  
AW - Troxell 34 pass from Quagliano (Dickerson run)

##### Third Quarter

P - Boland 4 run (Boland run)

##### Fourth Quarter

AW - Quagliano 13 run (conversion failed)  
AW - Miller 37 pass from Quagliano (conversion failed)

#### Team Statistics

	P	AW
First downs	18	7
Rushes-Yds	45-173	17-93
Yds per carry	3.8	5.5
Comp-Att-Int	12-24-0	13-22-0
Passing yds	184	321
Fumbles lost	2	1

#### Individual Statistics

Rushing - P: Boland 31-205, Rice 6-18, Streitmatter 6(-33), Hoerr 1-1, Kratzer 1(-18). AW: Quagliano 4-30, Dickerson 10-23, Gripp 3-40.  
Passing - P: Streitmatter 12-22-0 179. AW: Quagliano 13-22-0 320.  
Receiving - P: Hoerr 5-92, Kratzer 2-13, Stahl 2-14, Boland 1(-1), Conrad 1-17, Smith 1-49. AW: Miller 4-123, Troxell 4-80, Gripp 2-80, Kelley 1-17, Nelson 2-20.  
Tackles: P: Feucht 8, DeGroot 6, Rice 5. AW: Miller 9.5, Lambert 6.5.

## Ottawa Marquette 30 Mid-County 0

Ottawa Marq.	0	14	8	8	-	30
Mid-County	0	0	0	0	-	0

#### Second Quarter

OM - Graham 1 run (conversion failed)  
OM - Nelson 25 pass from Graham (Durdan run)

#### Third Quarter

OM - Reynolds 2 run (Reynolds run)

#### Fourth Quarter

OM - Reynolds 3 run (Battestelli run)

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## Rebels lose, A-W wins

Titans tops Princes to win LTC championship

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – If ever a football season could be seen mostly as a building block for the future, this was the one. No playoffs, players coming and going due to quarantine and a limited schedule made the spring football campaign a bit of a mess.

That's good news for the Stark County Rebels, who finished 1-5 following last Friday's 50-8 season-ending loss to Mercer County (4-2, 4-2 Lincoln Trail Conference).

While the spring was not a success in terms of wins and losses for Stark County, there could be pay-offs soon enough, as the next season is just three months away.

"We did get a lot of kids experience. Hoping that pays off in the fall," Rebels Coach Jade Noard said.

Indeed, the Rebels' young roster took plenty of lumps against a Lincoln Trail slate that was loaded with senior-dominated teams like Annawan-Wethersfield, Princeville and Ridgewood. And last week's foe, Mercer County, looks to be on the way back up.

Even so, Stark County was in the game at halftime trailing just 14-8. After Mercer County ran for a score on its first possession in the first

quarter, the Rebels responded with a 1-yard scoring run by quarterback Ethan Unhold to tie the game and eat up the rest of the first quarter. While MC scored again on a run in the second quarter, the Rebels also made two big fourth-down stops in the quarter.

But in the second half, turnovers and mistakes cost the home team, which had five drives end on turnovers.

"We just gave away too many scores," Noard said. "Hurt us all year."

After a scoring drive to open the third quarter, Mercer County went on to score on a fumble in the end zone and ran another fumble back for a score to put things out of reach.

Braden Williams finished with 212 rushing yards on 39 carries for the Golden Eagles, who also passed for 99 yards.

Jack Meinders had 68 of Stark County's 95 rushing yards. Unhold was 1-for-11 passing for 5 yards.

**Annawan-Wethersfield 42 Princeville 22**

ANNAWAN – Coltin Quagliano saw his first varsity action as a quarterback for Annawan-Wethersfield in a game vs. Princeville four years ago. He also saw his final action vs. the Princes last Friday.

### Lincoln Trail Conference

	Overall		Conf.	
	W	L	W	L
Annawan-Wethersfield	5	1	5	1
Princeville	5	1	4	1
Mercer County	4	2	4	2
Ridgewood	4	2	4	2
Ottawa Marquette	4	2	4	2
Stark County	1	5	1	5
Mid-County	0	4	0	4
Monmouth United	0	5	0	5

#### Last Week

Annawan-Wethersfield 42, Princeville 22  
Ottawa Marquette 30, Mid-County 0  
Mercer County 50, Stark County 8  
Ridgewood 54, United 30

You can't blame folks in Princeville for being glad they'll never face Quagliano on the football field again. Not after the senior's performance in the finale of this COVID-shortened season.

Quagliano passed for five touchdowns and 321 yards and ran for another score as A-W (4-1, 4-1 Lincoln Trail) used a big-play offense to claim its third straight LTC title.

"The kid is a stud. He's an all-state quarterback, there's no doubt," Princeville Coach Jon Carruthers said. "They never drove the ball on us. It was just big play after big play."

Among Quagliano's scoring passes were tosses of 80, 37, 34 and 27 yards. The 80-yarder came on the fourth play from scrimmage. But after A-W got up 14-0 in the first on another Quagliano TD pass, Princeville began what would be a

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