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## ST. JUDE FUNDRAISER

### My Place benefit back after hiatus

By JEFF LAMPE  
For The Weekly Post

YATES CITY – Persistence and hard work have been two keys to success for the annual My Place St. Jude Benefit, which two years ago raised \$126,112.12.

That was the 17th straight year the fundraising total had increased. But organizer Jody McKinty isn't so sure this year's numbers will be up – and she isn't really worried.

After missing a year due to COVID-19 restrictions, she's just happy to be having the one-day event again and even backed off a bit on the months spent gathering auction donations.

"We didn't solicit like we usually do, because I think businesses are still hurting," McKinty said. "I don't to feel like I'm putting pres-



Yates City will once again be packed with people Saturday for the My Place St. Jude Benefit, shown here in a 2014 aerial photo. The 5 p.m. live auction is a favorite and this year features several unique wood creations, pictured below.

sure on business that are still hurting from COVID."

That said, there's still time to make donation for the live auction, which generates a big portion of the money raised. Co-organizer Sharon Coykendall said donations can be brought to the Yates City

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### Back to normal

#### Capacity restrictions lifted on Friday

By PETER HANCOCK

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The state's COVID-19 metrics continued to improve ahead of Friday's planned statewide reopening.

Gov. JB Pritzker's office has confirmed that Phase 5 will begin Friday, essentially lifting all COVID-19 capacity restrictions in place for over one year. That means businesses, large-scale events, conventions, amusement parks and seated-spectator venues can all return to full capacity beginning Friday.

That announcement came as the state's COVID-19 case

positivity rate – a disease spread indicator that has been widely used to determine what level of restrictions would be in place throughout the pandemic – continued to plummet, hitting a new low of 1.1 percent Monday. That's far from the recent 4.4 percent peak from April 12 and well below its 13.2 percent height since June 2020, when testing became more widespread.

"After a tremendously challenging year, Illinois has now reached a defining moment in our efforts to defeat COVID-19," Pritzker said. "Thanks to the hard work of residents ac-

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### Farmington businesses may get ARP funding

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – As many as 23 Farmington businesses may receive a share of the city's proceeds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) of 2021.

City Administrator Rollen Wright reported at Monday's city council meeting that those 23 businesses – 20 with retail storefronts and 3 that are home-based – responded to a letter from Mayor Kent Kowal outlining the city's plans to disperse ARP funds. Another 28 businesses did not respond. To be eligible, busi-

nesses needed to have been deemed "non-essential" during the COVID-19 pandemic or to derive a majority of their business income from customer traffic that was impacted due to pandemic-related restrictions.

The council has yet to determine how ARP funds will be divided, since the money can also be used to provide premium pay for essential workers, to fund infrastructure investment, to replace lost municipal revenue and more. And while there are reports Farmington will respond. To be eligible, busi-

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### Songbird season

#### Peak of nesting is here in Illinois

By GRETCHEN STEELE

For The Weekly Post

While the nesting season for Illinois songbird species ranges from early March to the end of August, the peak time for egg laying is now.

Our common Illinois summer birds employ a variety of strategies on how they select nest sites. I think all of us have had at least one experience with a songbird that chose

to build its nest in a precarious spot or a spot that left us wondering, "What the heck? What do I do about this?"

Two examples at my house come to mind. Wrens built a nest in a window well while I had the screens off for spring cleaning. Needless to say, the screens stayed off that window until the baby wrens flew off to the big sweetgum tree at the cor-



An Indigo Bunting, one of Illinois' most common summer songbirds, enjoys a snack of grass seeds near a driveway edge. Photo by Gretchen Steele.

ner of the house.

The other most vexing was when a robin decided that building a nest smack

dab on top of the trolling motor looked like a perfect spot. Thankfully, we *Continued on Page 8*

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# FARMINGTON: 61 pounds of garbage per house

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ceive \$270,000, no check has yet arrived.

At Monday's meeting, the council merely approved the application process businesses underwent. Still to come are more specific details in the future – including a possible 6:30 p.m. special meeting prior to the next scheduled council gathering on June 21.

After further discussion, it was agreed that businesses receiving funds would be included in the bills-paid list distributed before each meeting.

The council also approved two ordinances. One was to remove the property of new council member David Rose from

the TIF district. That is standard operating procedure when new members join the council who own property in the TIF district.

The other ordinance was to approve a \$3,131.25 commercial redevelopment grant for a \$4,175 concrete drive replacement project at the Farmington Locker. Locker owner Mike Thurman is paying for the remaining 25 percent.

The council also approved funding 36 repair projects for residents that totaled more than \$54,000. Projects included tree removal, replacement or repair of garage doors, installation of new windows, roof repairs, fence

building and repair and more. The maximum grant award is \$2,000.

Payment of the latest grants leaves \$38,856.56 remaining to be spent on projects in the TIF district and \$2,671.15 left outside the TIF.

City Manager Rollen Wright reported that the recent Farmington Clean-Up Days were a success, with a total of 30.55 tons of refuse collected in 10 dumpsters – a 34.9 percent increase from last year's total of 22.65 tons.

Wright said that tonnage meant the clean-up accounted for an average of 61 pounds from each house in town.

Police Chief Chris Darsham reported that he has a verbal agreement from Addison Blair to fill the open police officer position. Darsham said Blair will attend the police academy in Champaign on Sept. 13 and should graduate on Dec. 16. Blair will be sworn in closer to starting at the academy.

During public comment, Russell Spencer, owner of Ashers Bar & Grille, said he would like to start a festival in downtown Farmington with live music, vendors and mer-

chants and a parade of jeeps, muscle car and motorcycles. Spencer said some proceeds from the event would benefit autism awareness.

Spencer was informed that the East Street Market scheduled for Aug. 21 will feature live music, food and vendors.

In other business:  
• Diva Florist owner David Sanders questioned whether four new concrete garbage cans with black rain hoods, approved for purchase at the May 17 meeting (for \$396 each), are appropriate for a historic district.

• Kowal read the Declaration of Local State of Emergency. "I'm hoping that's the last time he has to read that," Wright said.

• At its May 17 meeting, the council approved the showing of monthly movies in Reed City Park by the Council of Churches. No admission will be charged and refreshments will be available.

• On May 17, the council also approved spending \$258,666.43 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for street maintenance with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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*Mother Teresa*

# ST. JUDE: Side-by-side ride is new

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Community Center until Saturday morning.

"We have everything from weed whackers to a poker table, lots of kids stuff, quilts, hand-painted pictures, wagons and more," McKinty said.

Beyond the auction, the event features its usual busy schedule that starts with a 7 a.m. biscuits-and-gravy breakfast and ends in the wee hours with a group of tired but happy volunteers cleaning up.

New this year is a side-by-side ride that starts in Yates City at 11 a.m. and returns by 4:30 p.m. Extra parking space is being allotted for trailers to haul the side-by-sides, which will travel up to the Wolf Covered Bridge and then into BR's Place in Maquon, Spoonies in London Mills, Tracy's Supper Club in Norris and Elmwood's Corner Inn.

Favorites back from the past include a 5K run/walk, kids carnival, benefit ride, tractor drive, bags tournament, 50-50 drawing at 8 p.m. and a \$5,000 cash drawing at 9.

Food will be served starting at 11 a.m.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Upcoming Events**

- **Band Concert** – Princeville’s Music in The Square concert series continues Friday, June 11, featuring P.S. Jazz. Food available starting at 6 p.m., music starts at 7 p.m. Other concerts include: June 18 - New Cats; June 24 - Central Illinois Banjo Club. Concerts hosted by Lillie M. Evans Library District.
- **St. Jude Fundraiser** – The 18th annual My Place St. Jude Fundraiser in Yates City is Saturday, June 12, with a variety of events held all day, starting with race registration at 6:30 a.m. and a live auction beginning at 5 p.m.

**The Weekly Post Seven-Day Forecast**

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly Sunny	Sunny	Partly Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny
<b>86</b> 67 NE 7 mph	<b>90</b> 69 ENE 5 mph	<b>88</b> 67 NW 7 mph	<b>88</b> 67 NW 7 mph	<b>87</b> 59 NNW 10 mph	<b>84</b> 56 NNE 7 mph	<b>84</b> 57 NNE 7 mph

**This Week’s Events**

- **Garden Colors** – A free program given by John Becker of Best Buds in West Peoria on using flowers and plants to incorporate colors in the garden and landscape was to be Wednesday, June 9, at Brimfield Public Library at 6:30 p.m.
- **Bingo** – Salem Township Library offers bingo on the second and fourth Thursday each month, including today, June 10, at 10 a.m. Play for food and household items.
- **Farmers Markets** – Elmwood’s first farmers market in Central Park is Friday, June 11, from 4-6:30 p.m. Markets held each Friday through Aug. 27.
- **Tai Chi** – Tai chi classes Tuesdays at 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4. Bring mat, water.
- **Bible School** – Bible school June 14-18 at Brunswick Community Church on Stone School Road, Trivoli, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Call (309) 362-2473 or 362-2322  
SonTreasure Island bible school June 21-25, 9 a.m. to noon, at Princeville Presbyterian Church for ages 4 to 5th grade.


Call (309) 385-4402, 385-4487 or 635-2813. Forms available at Princeville Presbyterian and United Methodist churches.

- **Yoga** – Yoga classes Thursdays at 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4 per class.  
Classes held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. at Princeville’s Lillie M. Evans Library.
- **Elmwood Band** – The Elmwood Municipal Band has a concert Sunday, June 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the east end of Central Park. Bring a lawnchair. Concerts continue through Aug. 1.

**Future Events**

- **Harvest Home** – Harvest Home fundraiser dinner is June 17 and offers dine-in or carryout. Fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans, roll, dessert and drink served 4:30-7:30 p.m. Cost \$10.
- **Garage Sales** – Village-wide garage sales in Princeville will be held June 18-19. Map of participants at village hall.
- **Cruise-In** – Canton will hold its 20th annual Cruise-In Friday, June 19, from 4-8 p.m. downtown. Free registration.

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- Grant Wood

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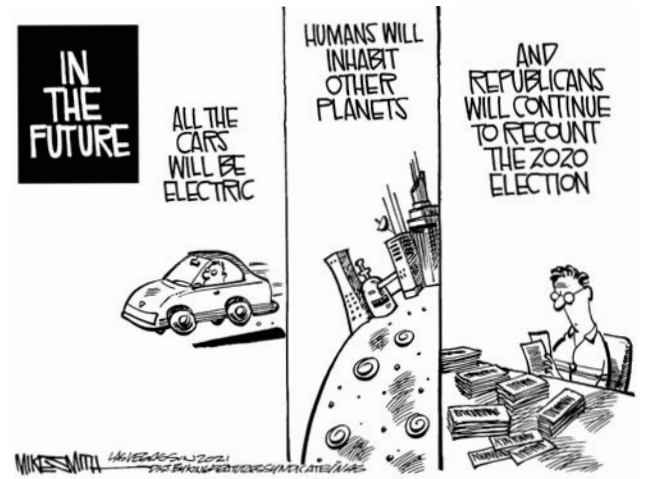
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## GUEST VOICES



# Of a real normal, the perfect cow & cougars

I've never been comfortable with that common phrase of the past year, "the new normal." There's nothing normal to me about avoiding everyone, wearing masks and having conversations from a distance. That may have been necessary, but it's not normal.



Jeff LAMPE

However, there is everything normal about what has been happening in recent days. For me, the change started about three weeks ago at an outdoor track meet where people were smiling. By that I mean, it was clear they were smiling, something that's hard to decipher under a mask.

Since then, every day has brought more of the same, capped by a wonderful weekend.

If the huge, happy crowds at Elmwood's Strawberry Festival weren't enough to energize a person, then the scene at St. Patrick's church last Sunday was for sure. Even people with bad voices (like me) were compelled to sing after more than a year of "no singing allowed, or aloud."

After mass, people were practically giddy to shake hands and talk.

Thank goodness we have come through this pandemic. Thank goodness COVID case numbers are down. Thank goodness we can take off the masks, fill restaurants and movie theaters and get back to normal – back to the real normal ... not a fake "new

normal" some charlatans tried to pass off as reality.

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As part of the return to normal, more and more people are visiting TWP headquarters. While there's still been no sign of **The Mayor of Oak Hill**, we can hope he'll arrive once he hooks a fish worth bragging about. Until that time, others are filling the void. First to arrive Monday was 75-year-old **Jim Haney** of Edwards, who is reluctantly selling the farm house and 20 acres that have been in his family since 1837. That's when his Tucker ancestors came to Peoria County. A few years later in 1848, Haney said Tuckers brought the first Hereford cattle into Illinois. He said they were billed as the perfect cow: a beef cow that also gives milk. Haney had plenty more stories, and we could have filled the Monday with tales if time had allowed. Alas, work called. ... So did the **Kennellys**, specifically **Phil and Linda** of Yates City. They arrived to discuss mountain lions. Both say they have seen cougars in central Illinois and have talked to plenty of other locals who have also seen lions nearby. Phil told of one sighting very close to our French Creek farm, which made me pause. He had another story about a guy who claimed to have found a cougar den north of Metamora, from which he took a kitten home. While he returned the young lion unscathed, as the story goes, that night an adult mountain lion circled the man's house crying in anger. ... Crazy? You won't hear me say that. Not while the

federal government is fessing up about UFOs and aliens. The next federal intel to be released will probably confirm **Bigfoot**. My problem with mountain lion sightings is this: if there are so many in Illinois, more people would have credible trail camera pictures – and more people would be shooting cougars, legal or not. My belief is that cougars occasionally wander into Illinois and some may even linger in the big river valleys and the Shawnee National Forest. But while bobcats are present in every Illinois county, I don't believe that's true of our transient mountain lion population.

...

Hell hath no fury like a baker or quilter scorned. The other day, **Dianne Burwell** noted primly that she was not mentioned as the baker whose pie was muse for last week's column. In the interest of keeping the pie-pline flowing, I must mention that Burwell's concoction of heavy whipping cream and Ready Whip on shortcake was the bomb. No wonder they sold 700 shortcakes at the Strawberry Festival food tent. My only regret is stopping at two. ... Parting shot: Kudos to the Prairie Quilters for their show at Elmwood Presbyterian Church. These women obviously have a passion for what they do. And while there were many beautiful quilts, my eyes were drawn to the colorful creations made by **Mary McCormick** of Knoxville.

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## Ask Republicans about the 'power grab'

I will say that no one wins when one party makes all the rules.

I believe it would be in everyone's best interest if an independent committee would draw the lines for the voting districts in Illinois.

With that said, I would ask the Republican Party (or what's left of it) to explain the "power grab" happening all over this great country.

- Christopher Dean  
Brimfield



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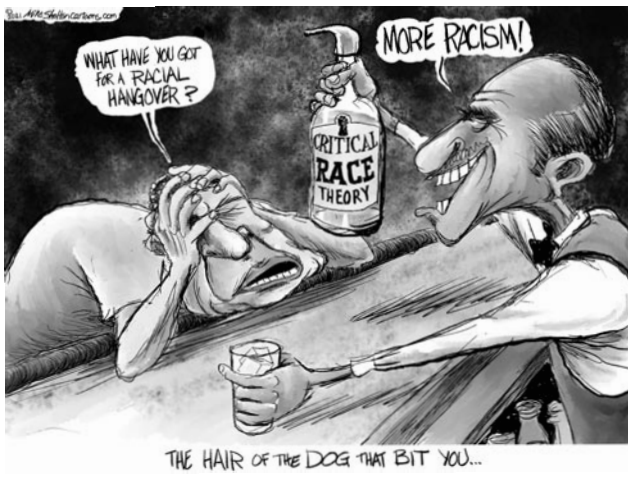
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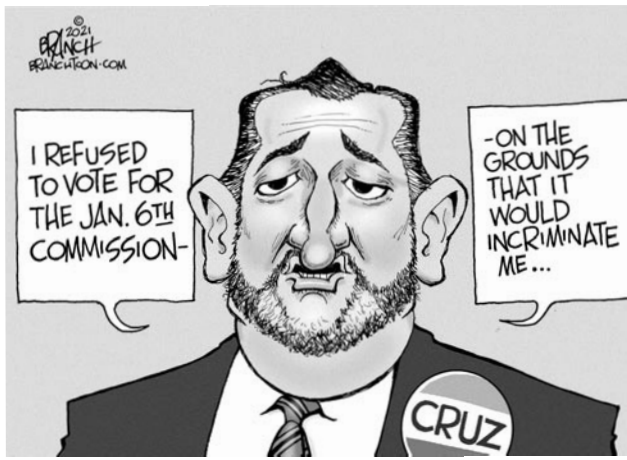
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**GUEST VOICES**



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**Ongoing adventures in ag journalism**

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**Alan GUEBERT**

Its start came about like many efforts in journalism: I got fired. It's a long story, so you might want to get comfortable – and even grab a cold beverage.

In early 1993 I was nearing the end of my eighth, year-long contract with Farm Journal magazine. My arrangement with FJ was simple: it sent me a check at the start of every month and, by the end of every month, I sent it three stories.

The freelance deal, claimed the FJ boss, was "the best in ag journalism." That had to be a whopper because in eight years the monthly money never changed even though the stories had to.

Then, in February or March, the Big Boss telephoned to say he had a problem. What? I asked, genuinely puzzled.

"You," he announced; "you can't walk down the middle of the road." I had no idea what he meant so after an uncomfortable silence, I suggested, "No one with any sense walks down the middle of the road because cars can hit you going and coming."

Four, maybe five, seconds later the axe fell.

Lucky for me I had a back-up plan, a weekly newspaper column on farm and food policy. Well, sort

of a plan.

First, I had to discover if any newspaper wanted to buy such a column, then write four sample columns, send the columns to each and, finally, contact the newspapers again to sell them on it. Easy.

Still, I had modern tools – like newspaper directories at the public library, a touch-tone desk telephone, and the local post office – to help.

I began with telephone calls to 130 daily newspaper editors from Minot, ND to Zanesville, Ohio. To my happy surprise, 124 encouraged me to send sample columns. In mid-May, the lovely Catherine and I mailed each a personalized cover letter, my resume and four sample columns.

After fretting in silence for two weeks, I hesitantly telephoned one central Illinois editor to ask if he liked the columns.

"I loved them," he said. "We published the first one last week and we're publishing the second one tomorrow. What's the price?"

Price? Like any good journalist, I thought about stories, not price. I don't know, I stammered. "What do you pay 'Dear Abby'?"

"Dear Abby?" the editor nearly yelled, "what's she got to do with farm policy?"

Like him, I had no idea so I quickly pulled a figure out of thin air. The editor scoffed, immediately cut it in half and, skilled negotiator that I was and remain, I immediately agreed.

I called a second editor and had a similar conversation that ended with me again naming a price, the editor again halving it, and me

again agreeing.

Wow, two calls and two newspapers; candy from babies.

I called a third editor and, oh my, the same result – she loved the columns, cut my offered price in half, and I agreed.

Then I spent the next two weeks telephoning the other 121 editors on my list and not one purchased the column. Not. One.

Still, I had three newspapers in my syndicate – yes, three customers is a syndicate when it's my syndicate – and I was in newspaper column business. By October, however, I had 11 paying subscribers.

Then, again, nothing for months.

Finally, while sharing New Year's Eve dinner, inspiration struck: I begged Catherine to do the calling while I did the writing. She warily agreed (whew) and within 18 months, she had convinced several dozen of newspapers from Maryland to Montana to buy the column. Lovely.

And now, 28 years and a million words later, here we both are.

You and me, that is, because the lovely Catherine got out of the ag journalism business decades ago at the very, very top.

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## PUBLIC RECORD

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### Police reports

• **FARMINGTON** – Michael Gabbert, 31, of Peoria Heights was charged on May 30 with unlawful tinting of windows, driving while license is revoked and operating an uninsured vehicle, according to a Farmington police report.

• **FARMINGTON** – Police were called to the Farmington Pizza Company restaurant on May 5, where burglary to a motor vehicle was taking place, according to a Farmington police report. Ray Ban aviator sunglasses and a toolbox containing socket sets were taken. A

radio system was damaged from an attempt to remove it. Police are investigating.

• **FARMINGTON** – Several charges were added to a traffic violation for a Farmington woman on June 6 when she was stopped at S. Main and E. Central Streets for no registration light, according to a Farmington police report.

Natasha Lesones, 18, of Farmington was charged with illegal transportation of alcohol by a minor, illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor and illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver. A charge for possessing a fraudulent driver's license landed her a notice to appear in a Peoria County court in July.

Lesones admitted the stash of alcohol was intended for a party in rural Farmington. The vehicle was impounded.

• **ELMWOOD** – As of June 2, Rocky Allen Garwood, 34, of Elmwood was being held for another law enforcement agency.

• **FARMINGTON** – Police Chief Chris Darsham reported the following activity for the Farmington Police Department in May: 1,206 business checks, 4,611 building checks, 1 crash handled, 1 property crime, 51 ordinance violations, 7 crimes against people, 13 miscellaneous incidents, 78 traffic stops, 12 arrests, 13 assists to other police departments.

## Elmwood council studying chicken ordinances

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Weekly Post

**ELMWOOD** – The subject of allowing chickens to be kept within Elmwood's city limits was discussed for 20 minutes last Thursday, with the city council ultimately deciding to take sample ordinances home to be studied.

Mayor J. D. Hulslander suggested that the council come back to the next council meeting on July 8 with questions and ideas on how to form Elmwood's ordinance regarding chickens. Councilman Nathan Brunnelson said that a committee should be formed concerning this topic.

The chicken issue was to be listed on the July meeting's agenda under unfinished business. Discussed were parameters for keeping chickens, an enforcement policy and penalties provision, what fees

would be charged and what residential areas would qualify for keeping chickens in town. Also at issue was how many chickens would be allowed per household.

A straw poll of the council was inconclusive, with several members leaning in favor while others were apprehensive to commit to a decision.

Economic Development Director Amy Davis reported that the qualification for Elmwood's Business Sustainability grant program was changed to allow applications for grants from businesses that can show a 2019-20 loss of revenue of 25 percent or more for a fiscal quarter.


Three businesses – Dawson Chiropractic, Elmwood Insurance Services, LLC and Lampe Publications LLC – applied for grant funding for a total of \$11,130. Payments to

these businesses will occur prior to June 30, as per State of Illinois requirements.

Under the original terms of the grant program, only the Uptown Café applied and received \$3,500 plus \$500 for adaptability changes for the safety of the public in operating its business. Elmwood budgeted \$30,000 in funding this grant program, which is to be reimbursed by Illinois for the grants issued.

Police Chief Aaron Bean gave his May report to the council stating that there were 2 arrests, 14 stops, 3 citations issued, 15 warnings, 26 reports completed, no notices to appear issued, 3 open doors, 3 ordinance violations cited and 66 incidents handled by the police department.

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# STEELE: Make yards safer for summer birds

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had extra trolling motors in the rack, or that could have interfered with spring crappie fishing for a while!

Fortunately, many of our favorite backyard birds prefer nesting boxes and birdhouses. Some want dead wood for cavities; some prefer to nest in shrubs, grasses, and on the ground. Unfortunately, our human wants, needs and practices may put nests in danger of accidental destruction from our everyday human activities in residential or rural areas. Our quest for neat, tidy, well-manicured, and landscaped yards does not always help attract birds. Like me, birds like it a little messy, frowsy, and weedy.

Here are few tips to help make your yard and home more amenable and safer for the summer birds.

• **Use caution when trimming trees, hedges and shrubs.**

While we want to trim up trees, shrubs, and hedges, many of our bird species use those spots to house their nests. So to keep from accidentally pruning out a nest site and to give the birds more options, consider trimming trees between September and January. And keep a sharp eye open when attacking the hedges and shrubs. If you find a nest, leave it be, wait it out, and leave the area surrounding the nest untrimmed. You can neaten things up after the baby birds fledge later in the season.

• **Delay mowing near roadsides and field edges.**

So many ground-nesting species lose their nests each year to our efforts to mow and keep things looking neat and tidy. Generally ground bird nesting peaks more in late April, then again in mid-August.

However, ground-nesting birds still need those habitats at the edge of fields and roads as cover for their young and food sources.

Consider leaving the edges of large fields, grassy areas, and roadsides intact when mowing. Consider planting a buffer strip of native plants and wildflowers that will keep things looking pretty and provide the food and cover that many of our bird species desperately need.

• **Don't disturb nests you find.**

Oh, this can be a toughie! Especially when you have nests in high traffic areas or in spots that are not convenient for us. Add in our strong desire to watch a nest closely, peeking and peering and nosing around to watch the process unfold, and it can be tough to share space with nesting songbirds. Songbirds and other migratory bird species tend to get especially stressed with human interaction, especially when protecting their nests. Frequently visiting nest sites may inadvertently attract predators to the nest site as well.

• **Keep cats inside.**

Speaking of decreasing predator encounters for nesting songbirds, I'll

apologize to all the cat lovers right now. Hey, I love cats too, but they are predators at heart and incredibly problematic for songbirds.

It is well-documented that outdoor cats have the potential to wreak havoc on wild bird populations.

Cats have strong prey drives, and even the best-fed and cared-for cat will hunt when allowed to roam outside. Nests in low-growing shrubs, grasses, weedy areas, and low tree branches are especially vulnerable to cat predation.

By keeping your cats inside, you can also spare yourself from the dreaded bird corpse on the porch, rug, or kitchen floor.

If you want to learn more about encouraging birds to nest and thrive in your yard, an excellent place to start is at the local extension office. The knowledgeable folks there can help you build a backyard paradise that is pleasing to the eye and encourages wildlife and songbirds.

For those interested in building nest boxes and structures, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources offers an excellent guide in PDF format for a variety of wood projects to encourage wildlife and birds to visit your backyard. You can find the booklet online at: [www2.illinois.gov/dnr/publications/documents/00000211.pdf](http://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/publications/documents/00000211.pdf).

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Answers on Page 14 **Super Crossword** CITY HITS

**ACROSS**

- 1 Shoe statistic
- 6 ExxonMobil, BP, Chevron and such
- 12 "Lemme think about that ..."
- 15 "This looks bad"
- 19 New Olds in 1999
- 20 Get excited
- 21 Lead-in to classical
- 22 Cuban money
- 23 1964 Elvis Presley hit
- 25 Native of France's capital
- 27 Retired NBA star Ming
- 28 Ellipsis part
- 29 Article in many rap song titles
- 30 Printer insert
- 31 1974 Paper Lace hit
- 35 Copy and Paste setting
- 37 Demand (of)
- 38 '60s prez
- 39 Horn blast
- 40 Stocking-holding band
- 44 "It's my turn now"
- 45 Throw softly
- 48 Rear target in bowling
- 51 1985 Jan Hammer hit
- 55 Equine animal
- 56 — Moines
- 58 World Series org.
- 59 Cry of epiphany
- 60 Pie's place
- 61 Zest and Coast
- 63 Dangling bit of jewelry
- 65 Tip over
- 66 1959 Freddy Cannon hit
- 69 Battle reminders
- 71 Missionary "Mother"
- 72 "Sands of Iwo Jima" director
- 73 Raines of old films
- 74 Riverbed sand
- 75 Suffix with duct or project
- 77 Big klutz
- 78 Pig's place
- 81 1969 Glen Campbell hit
- 85 Rich Italian ice cream
- 87 Rescue request
- 88 Note after fa pieces?
- 89 Time
- 91 Noted times
- 92 Move to and
- 93 Droop down
- 95 Carrier to Milan
- 98 1975 Elton John hit
- 105 Atlas feature showing altitude
- 106 Former big record gp.
- 107 Ultrasecret govt. org.
- 108 Big klutz
- 111 Quick web ordering option
- 112 1986 John Cougar Mellencamp hit that summarizes this puzzle?
- 115 Friendly bat of the eye
- 116 Mr. — (Clue-like board game)
- 117 Cry of epiphany
- 118 Some upscale hotels
- 119 Some jeans
- 120 G.P.'s field
- 121 Looks hard
- 122 Occupy, as a desk

**DOWN**

- 1 Like tildes
- 2 Figure skater
- 3 Private prayers
- 4 "—la-la"
- 5 Poker variety
- 6 Moistening while cooking
- 7 Hip-hop mogul Gotti
- 8 "Pride — before destruction"
- 9 Need (to)
- 10 Son of Abraham
- 11 Guitar maker
- 12 Empty a suitcase
- 13 Comic Anne
- 14 Home loan offerer
- 15 Good aspect
- 16 Klum on many covers
- 17 Inedible type of orange
- 18 Fine-tuned
- 24 Top-caliber
- 26 Asimov classic
- 30 Lead-in to gender
- 32 URL lead-in
- 33 Apra Harbor locale
- 34 Mata —
- 35 Bluesy James
- 36 Performs
- 41 Cup part
- 42 Writer Gay or editor Nan
- 43 Diplomats' residences
- 44 Winter fight projectile
- 45 Flood barrier
- 46 Ill sign, say
- 47 Be flexible
- 49 Huge heroes
- 50 Sci-fi writer Stephenson
- 52 Sensed feeling
- 53 Land in the water, in Livorno
- 54 Cabbie's cry
- 57 Of positional relations
- 61 Wife of Abraham
- 62 Turtle topper
- 64 Purviews
- 65 Consumption
- 66 Shower powders
- 67 Intro drawing class, maybe
- 68 Wallop
- 69 Embroiders, e.g.
- 70 Ad biz award
- 74 Didn't waver
- 76 Water, to Henri
- 78 Of utmost importance
- 79 And the like: Abbr.
- 80 Prone to pry
- 82 Haifa's home
- 83 Close to
- 84 Close to
- 86 Jared of "Mr. Nobody"
- 90 "Burnt" hues
- 92 Movies, informally
- 93 Quenched, as thirst
- 94 Instagram, for one
- 96 Breather
- 97 Baking potatoes
- 98 Be on the hunt
- 99 Skating legend Sonja
- 100 Graff of "Ladybugs"
- 101 Pageant VIP
- 102 Folder's call
- 103 Ghana port
- 104 Phony sort
- 109 Thai's home
- 110 Swift
- 112 Where one lives: Abbr.
- 113 '50s prez
- 114 Former big record gp.

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# Williamsfield village hall to be repaired

By **JEFF LAMPE**

Weekly Post Staff Writer

WILLIAMSFIELD – Village President Matt Tonkin told board members Monday that the USDA has approved a grant to fund repairs to the Village KP Hall.

The hall was damaged in a storm two years ago and has been largely unusable since, Tonkin said. The grant will help pay for repairs to the building, a replacement bathroom and improvements to ADA accessibility for the public.

As far as action items, the village board voted unanimously to waive the base water rate for the Legion Hall in Williamsfield. The non-profit Legion Hall uses very little water

and, despite losing money from the cancellation of events, has provided support to the village and to other organizations during the COVID-19 pandemic, Tonkin said.

Most of the other discussion at the meeting was reports from trustees.

Trustee Jeremy Eagle reported for the Parks Committee and asked the board to consider a fundraiser for the Williamsfield Summer Baseball Association, whose fundraising efforts were hampered due to no concessions sales during the pandemic.

Trustee Andrew Scott reported for the Infrastructure and Maintenance Committee that top priorities moving forward were sidewalks, some unsightly buildings and relocation of

the village's emergency siren.

Tonkin discussed the last meeting of the Williamsfield Veterans Park Committee. At that meeting, tentative recommendations to the trustees were discussed, including a draft landscaping plan that would focus on honoring veterans and plan for expansion in the north side of the park to allow for a park sign and additional monuments. Plans for the south side of the park call for focusing on Williamsfield's railroad foundations and history.

Finally, the board heard that the village phone system has been upgraded by MidCentury to include electronic voice mail and other services to aid communication.

# REOPENING: Fewer than 1,000 cases daily

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ross the state, Illinois will soon resume life as we knew it before – returning to events, gatherings, and a fully reopened economy, with some of the safety guidelines we've adopted still in place."

While businesses will still be allowed to have stricter masking and social distancing policies than the state, the new guidance follows the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendation that face coverings are not needed indoors for vaccinated individuals.

Masks are still "recommended" for unvaccinated individuals, according to the governor's office.

Masks will still be required for people traveling on public transporta-

tion, in congregate settings, in health care settings, as well as in schools, day cares and educational institutions, according to the governor's office.

"The vaccine is giving us our freedoms back and allowing us to move to Phase 5. Let's keep the vaccination momentum going so we can put this pandemic in the rearview mirror and not look back," Illinois Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike said

According to IDPH, more than 11.6 million vaccine doses have been administered in the state, with 50.3 percent of the state's aged-12-and-older population having been fully vaccinated. About 60 percent of those 12 and older have received at least one

dose, while that number increases to 62.5 percent for those 18 and older and 82 percent for those 65 and over.

On a seven-day average, however, about 38,975 vaccines were administered as of Monday, meaning the pace of those being vaccinated has slowed substantially. That number was over 130,000 in mid-April.

But as the vaccination pace has slowed, so have the number of new COVID-19 cases recorded and the number of people hospitalized for the disease. For 12 straight days, there have been fewer than 1,000 new cases reported each day. Thus far in June, COVID-19-related deaths have hovered between six and 42 each day. At the pandemic's height in December, 238 died in one day.

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# Japanese lilacs fill void of blooms in June

By **RON DIETER**  
For The Weekly Post

Lilacs are in full bloom again, only this time the flowers are creamy white. You can see them blooming right now in front yards, along streets and in public parks.

I'm not talking about the common lilacs, the small to tall shrubs with most often purple, but sometimes white, flowers. The lilacs I have in mind at the moment are Japanese lilacs, *Syringa reticulata*. Usually grown as small single-stemmed trees, but sometimes as multi-stemmed shrubs, Japanese tree lilacs will top out at 25 feet at maturity.

Most of the year, Japanese tree lilacs hide in plain sight, blending into the surrounding landscape. But in early June, well after common lilacs have flowered, they burst into

bloom with large creamy white flowers. They fill the flower void that occurs between late spring and summer.

They are especially showy this year for some reason I cannot explain. In my own landscape, a specimen is blooming for the very first time. I planted it 10 years ago and now it's probably 15 feet tall. It is situated in a spot that is shaded in early morning and late afternoons. Not exactly the recommended full sun exposure.

This year, however, my tree is putting on a pretty good show. And that seems to be the case all over. I'm seeing Japanese tree lilacs in lots of places where I've never noticed them before.



The Japanese tree lilac offers an abundance of white blooms during early June and is blooming well this year across central Illinois.

scent with a very slight hint of vanilla. I would say it's "dis-tinkt." Fortunately the odor isn't noticeable unless you're up close.

The bark is especially handsome, reminiscent of cherry bark. It's a shiny reddish brown with white horizontal markings. On older trees the bark exfoliates, yielding lustrous dark curls, an attractive feature especially in winter.

Because the tree lilac is a small tree, it's often planted in parkways or near power lines where taller trees would be out of the question. You can plant it near the house without fear of it crashing through the roof in a storm. Landscapers sometimes plant them in a group of three or five as an accent along a walkway or path where the attractive bark can be appreciated up close.

If you want a Japanese tree lilac for your own landscape there are a couple of cultivars worth looking for. The cultivar I have is 'Ivory Silk'. It flowers at a young age and is especially floriferous. 'Ivory Silk' has been around for 50 years and is still considered one of the most desirable. The flowers are ivory white.

Two other cultivars under the trademark names Signature and Snow Cap are good performers and more compact than 'Ivory Silk.'

A subspecies, the Pekin lilac, is a multi-stemmed shrub that grows to fifteen or twenty feet at maturity. It has especially beautiful exfoliating bark.

Unlike their common cousins, Japanese tree lilacs are not troubled by mildew or insects. They thrive in most home landscapes with little care.

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### BRIEFS

#### College graduates

• **Allison Meyers** of Elmwood graduated from Monmouth College this spring.

• Graduates from the Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing on May 15 who earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing included: **Jennifer Burnham** of Brimfield, **Lacey Givens** of Princeville, **Mattie Plumer** of Hanna City and **Richard Stevens** of Trivoli.

**Douglas Bowers** of Edwards graduated with a Master of Science in Nursing.

• Western Illinois spring graduates included **Amber K. Williams** of Dahinda (Bachelor of Social Work, Cum Laude); **Julie A. Van Dran** of Williamsfield (Bachelor of Arts); **James J. Record** of Farmington (Bachelor of Science in Education); **Bridget K. Schuler** of Edwards (Bachelor of Science in Nursing); **Julia M. DePriest** of Elmwood (Bachelor of Science, Forensic Psychology); **Randal S. Hammond** of Hanna City (Master of Science in Education); **Robby B. Reeder** of Hanna City (Master of Science in Education); and **Brandon P. Vanlaningham** (Magna Cum Laude, Bachelor of Business, Supply Chain Management).

• **Brittany Passmore** of Farmington graduated from the Graham Hospital of Nursing.

#### College honors

• Earning a spot on the Dean's List (3.5 gpa or better) at Monmouth College in the spring se-



Tim Gilmore of Canton won Best of the Fest at Saturday's Strawberry Festival in Elmwood with his Pontiac Firebird. A total of 146 cars showed up for the show. Photo by Jennifer Beard.



Daniel Pearson of Elmwood caught this 26.9-pound blue catfish on a recent outing on the Mississippi River in Missouri.

mester were local students **Allison Meyers** of Elmwood, **Adam Greer** of Brimfield and **Jordan Peckham** of Farmington.

• **Regan McFall** of Elmwood made the Dean's List (3.75 gpa or better) at Northern Illinois University in the College of Health & Human Sciences.

• Dean's List (3.5 gpa or better) honorees at Iowa State University this spring were **Cody E. Rickard** of Elmwood (Kinesiology and Health), **Will J. Feucht** of Prince-

ville (Agricultural Business), **Emily K. Green** of Princeville (Civil Engineering) and **Benjamin L. Warner** of Williamsfield (Agricultural Engineering).

• **Eleanore Burwell** of Elmwood made the Dean's List at Maryville University for the spring semester in the College of Arts and Sciences.

#### Et cetera

• Evans Mill Road, just south of Legion Hall Road, will be closed for a bridge replacement project starting June 8. Work is expected to last into October.

• The Bishop Hill Heritage Association is holding free programs on Father Day's weekend. On June 19, Lilly Setterdahl, author of 25 books, will present a program on the Women of the Bishop Hill Colony at 2 p.m. in the Dairy Building. On June 20, Dr. Larry Cook will present a program on presidents with connections to Illinois at 2 p.m. in the Dairy Building.

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# Canton to host 30th Cruise-In on June 18

By Weekly Post Staff Reports  
**CANTON** – The Canton Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 30th annual Canton Cruise-In on Friday, June 18, in downtown Canton from 4-8 p.m.  
 Antique and classic cars, muscle cars, trucks, jeeps

and motorcycles will fill the square and the adjoining streets throughout the downtown. Trophies will be awarded for Best of Show - Mayors Choice, 1949 and Older - Committee's Choice, 1950 and Newer - Sponsor's Choice. Registration is free and owners may register their vehicles and motorcycles in the gazebo in Jones Park beginning at 3 p.m.



The first 300 owners to register will receive a free dash plaque for their vehicles. Parking spaces are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Vehicle owners can pre-register by filling out a form available at the Canton Area Chamber of Commerce office building at 209 E. Chestnut in Canton. Or send an email to cantonareachamber@gmail.com and request the form to be sent to you.

The Bike Show will set

up in the inlet parking lot at the south end of Jones Park in the downtown. Trophies will be awarded for Best Custom Bike, Best Classic Bike and Best Sport Bike. Once registered, motorcycle owners are automatically entered into the bike competition.

To better accommodate downtown businesses, the Chamber of Commerce is asking car owners to park after 2 p.m. The road will be blocked off at 3. Before 2, parking spots in front of

businesses will remain open for customers only.

New this year; there will be an area designated for a variety of car, truck, jeep and motorcycle focused booths. Free giveaways and possible prizes will be given away throughout the event.

Oldies Music will be provided by 3-D Sound Company, inflatables for the kids will be available as will balloon artists from The Unique Twist.

Food vendors, spread out throughout the event, will sell everything from pork-chop sandwiches, lemonade shake-ups, cupcakes, corn dogs, to loaded nachos, soft baked pretzels, and more.

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### 5 Years Ago

Maple Lane Country Club celebrated its 50th anniversary with a look back to 1966, when the well-known country club in Elmwood was still a concept and the golf course that now graces the old farm was still being planted in beans and corn. The original group of members helped bring to fruition the ideas of Richard Whitney, Bob Lott and a few other Elmwood citizens. The plan was to purchase an old farm and house north of town to provide a family recreation center that would include a swimming pool, fishing lake, golf course, tennis court and clubhouse. By enlisting members, the organizers raised enough money to purchase the property for \$35,000 on April 26, 1966.

The Farmington City Council accepted a bid from Stark Excavating, Inc. to begin construction on a parking lot at South Main Street.

### 10 Years Ago

Caldwell Cottage, Williamsfield's oldest house and museum, was open on Saturday, June 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Members of Spoon River Chapter NSDAR, acted as docents.

### 20 Years Ago

The Princeville Heritage Center held a dinner to honor those who have made significant contribution to the Center.

Mrs. Rice's and Mrs. Cordis' 5th grade classes took a field trip to the Princeville Heritage center to listen to Pearl Harbor survivor Finch Stowell talk about his experience of being on the USS Oklahoma the day that Japanese planes attacked

Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

The Masons of Elmwood Lodge #363 recently donated a check to the Job's Daughters, Bethel #111 of Elmwood.

Tammy Jefferson and John Herman, both of Williamsfield, announce their engagement. A June 23 wedding is planned.

### 30 Years Ago

Knox County delegates to the 4-H Focus in Washington D.C. included Missy Asbury, Brenda Gibbs and Todd West.

### 40 Years Ago

Gene Smith was honored at an open house for serving 14 years as mayor of Williamsfield. Approximately 50 people attended.

### 50 Years Ago

Farmington firemen were called out Tuesday evening at about 6 p.m. to the living quarters behind Dorothy's Beauty Shop, 32 W. Fort Street. A fire had started in a waste basket container next to the stove.

### 60 Years Ago

Ronnie Purtle, of Elmwood, had the misfortune to get a foot badly cut in a power mower Friday evening. He was treated by Dr. Clark.

The Western Auto Store in Farmington was sold to Irby Johnson and he opened it for business Monday morning.

### 70 Years Ago

The Elmwood 4-H club met at the VFW Hall in Elmwood. Talks were given by Mary Bourgoin, Celia Cowley, Janet Harlan, Linda Parker, Patty Boice and Diane Winn.

Garbage pick up in Farmington was operating on a test basis and was to go into full operation as soon

as contracts were written.

### 80 Years Ago

Lowlands between Elmwood and Peoria are mostly under water due to the constant rain and flooding.

A committee appointed by Mayor Kemp, of Elmwood has secured action toward the surfacing of two double tennis courts in West Park.

Fred M. Davis, 66, a former Princeville grain dealer, passed away in a Fort Dodge, Iowa, hospital. His parents were pioneer residents of Elmwood.

### 90 Years Ago

Fred Hadler of Gilman leased the former Morris chicken building across from the M. & St. L. depot in Farmington and was going to open a cheese factory there.

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Struck down milking a cow at the Joseph Young pasture in the north part of Elmwood, Mrs. Oliver Dickinson suffered serious injuries when the cow with its hoof cut a cheek open and nearly severed an ear.

### 100 Years Ago

Thomas Ryan, of Farmington, was killed in a mine accident at Bryant.

Tom Tucker, Williamsfield's clay bird sharpshooter, journeyed to Davenport, Iowa, and entered a shooting match with 45 other trap shooters, winning the championship and a silver cup.

The Farmington Presbyterian Church tennis court was opened Friday evening.

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The collection is for one day only and will take place between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. There is no charge for the oil collection.

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they are emptied of oil, diesel, or antifreeze.

Vehicles bringing disposable product to the Peoria County Farm Bureau will be directed through the upper-level parking lot and around the driveway on the west side of the building to the lower-level parking lot, where the product will be transferred to larger containers.

For more information, contact the Peoria County Farm Bureau at (309) 686-7070 or visit the Farm Bureau website at [www.peoria-countyfarmbureau.org](http://www.peoria-countyfarmbureau.org).

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**OBITUARIES**

**Joy D. Baurer**

PRINCEVILLE – Joy D. Baurer, 85, passed away unexpectedly Monday, May 31, 2021, at 4:40 am at OSF in Peoria. Her sudden death was brought on by an apparent fall which led to a severe head injury.



Baurer

She was born Sept. 8, 1935, in Eureka to John and Dorothy Bittner and married Arthur Baurer Oct. 9, 1955, at the Apostolic Christian Church in Roanoke.

Joy is survived by three children, Bradley Jay (Cheryl) of Roanoke, Clark Thomas (Irica) of Chicago and Deonne Marie (Philip) Snare of Vienna, Va.; seven grandchildren: Brooke (Andy) Feucht, Brock (Jen) Baurer, Amelia and Simon Baurer, Victoria, Garrett and Katherine Snare; and seven great grandchildren: Annika, Alexa, Eliana and Drew Feucht and Audrey, William and Thomas Baurer. Two sisters, Judie Bittner of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Peg (Don) Heinold of Eureka, Ill., a sister-in-law, Carol Baurer and a brother-in-law, Noah Herrmann, also survive.

As a member of the Apostolic Christian Church, Joy sang for many years in the choir in addition to singing at hundreds of funerals. She volunteered at the Skyline Nursing Home for more than 30 years, and at the Methodist Medical Center, while frequently participating in mission trips. Joy also worked for over 10 years at The Bixby Eye Center in Peoria.

Joy Baurer's legacy lives on in her children, their spouses, her grandchildren and her great grandchildren. She loved the Lord greatly, along with her family and friends, who relished her warmth, gentle strength and undeterred joy. A life this rich and full leaves an

enduring presence, long after the physical body departs us. We are grateful that Joy has left us with countless memories to cherish and an example to follow that will continue to touch future generations.

Her funeral was held June 4, 2021, at Princeville Apostolic Christian Church. Ministers of the church presided. The burial service was performed at the Princeville Apostolic Christian Cemetery. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you make memorial contributions to Apostolic Christian Skylines or Jill's House, 9011 Leesburg Pike, Vienna VA 22182, jillshouse.org.

Condolences may be left for Joy's family on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

**Beverly A. Holmes**

BRIMFIELD – Beverly Ann Holmes, 89, passed away peacefully in her home, with family at her bedside, 12:28 a.m. Friday, June 4, 2021.

Born Aug. 14, 1931, in Cincinnati, Ohio to John C. and Olive L. (Wilson) Eisele, she married Donald Wendell Holmes on July 28, 1957, in Peoria. He preceded her in death May 11, 2015, in Peoria. She was also preceded in death by her parents and one son, Dean A. Holmes, with whom, we are certain, she is enjoying much long-awaited conversation.

Surviving are their son, Mark W. Holmes of Edwards; daughter, Karen E. Holmes (A.B. Ghazanfari) of Peoria; four grandsons, Idan V. Ghazanfari, Matthew W. and Steven L. Holmes and Joseph D. Ghazanfari; and two brothers, Jack R. (Judy) Eisele of Germantown Hills and Jim W. Eisele of Bartonville. Care for her, in her home, could not have been possible without the love, devotion and prayers of Joan Kelch, Twylla Streitmatter and Cindy Youngren.

Beverly attended Bradley University, where she joined Sigma Kappa

Sorority and made life long friends/sisters. She enjoyed "lunch with the girls," Mary Dinan, Joan Schmidt, Dotie Mugavero and Sherry Haig, for the rest of her life. Bev joined the debate team at Bradley. She and her partner won a national debate championship in the mid-1950s. She went on to teach at Princeville with a beloved co-worker, Corky Robinson, both of whom, went on to Peoria Central High School, where she taught English until retirement.

She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Professional Sorority, and served as president for a period of time. She was a city girl, but adapted quickly to farm living, as she married a farm boy. They enjoyed challenges together. They designed and built their own home and started a you-pick strawberry business. They enjoyed collecting American Brilliant cut glass, played Bridge, Pitch, Scrabble and doing crossword puzzles together. Bev loved to travel, and fondly remembered being placed on a train, at 12 years of age, by herself. (Her dad worked for the R.R. and knew she was in good hands!) She loved to read and garden.

Beverly was a 60-year member of Salem Lutheran Church in Peoria, where her funeral was to be at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, 2021. Pastor Craig Swenson was to officiate. Guidelines regarding social distancing and wearing of masks were to be followed. Visitation was to be from 1 to 2:45 p.m. at the church. Burial will be at Brimfield Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Preston-Hanley Funeral Homes & Crematory in Pekin.

Memorial contributions may be given to Salem Lutheran Church, 1700 West War Memorial Drive, Peoria, IL 61614.

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## OBITUARIES

92, mother of a Princeville man, died June 1, 2021, at the OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria.

Mary was born on Nov. 22, 1928, in Parkston, S.D., a daughter of Albert and Frances (Friedrich) Roth. She grew up on the family farm in Saybrook. She married Thomas William Davis Jr. on Sept. 22, 1956, in Peoria. They were married over 27 years until Tom passed away on March 18, 1984. She was also preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, Robert, Sylvester and Eugene.

Mary is survived by two sons, Thomas W. (Susanna) Davis III of Gulf Shores, Ala., and Daniel (Miley) Davis of Princeville; one sister, Bernice (Donald) Vrobel of Cincinnati, Ohio; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was June 4, 2021. Burial was at Resurrection Cemetery. Condolences can be left online at [www.wrightandsalmon.com](http://www.wrightandsalmon.com).

### Nelda F. DeForest

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. – Nelda F. (Goodwin) DeForest, 89, of New Port Richey, Fla., died April 7, 2021 at the Marliere Hospice Care Center in New Port Richey.

Nelda was born on Dec. 20, 1931, in Maquon Township, Knox County, to the late Walter and Florence Dikeman.

She married James M. Goodwin in Yates City on Sept. 17, 1950.

Nelda was a stay-at-home mother before expanding her opportunity to go to work. She began a lengthy and successful career working at the Abingdon Argus. She also worked as a Manager at General Nutrition Center in Sandburg Mall in Galesburg for several years.

Nelda moved to Florida in 2008 where she lived at the Landings of St. Andrews for six years.

She was preceded in death by her parents as well as sons, Gregory and Jeffrey Goodwin; husbands,

James M. Goodwin and LaVergne D. DeForest; brothers, Wilson and Harold Dikeman and sisters, Dorothy Dikeman Cooper and Evelyn Dikeman Loy.

Survivors include: her daughter, Peggy Goodwin Boyer, Florida, and her son Thomas Goodwin (and Debra) of Galesburg; six grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of the life of Nelda Goodwin DeForest will be held June 19 at 11 am. at the Yates City Cemetery. Dress as you would for a gathering of friends rather than a somber event.

Food and drink will be provided afterwards at the Yates City Community Center, where you are welcome to bring your precious memories and stories to share.

### Charles C. Haggerty

CANTON – Charles C. “Chuck” Haggerty, 86, of Canton, a Farmington native and brother of an Elmwood man, died June 2, 2021, at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

He was born on Sept. 29, 1934, in Farmington, a son of Ira C. and Lael (Ebbe) Haggerty. He married Carol Spiegler on June 30, 1956, in Des Plaines. She survives.

Also surviving are two children, Andrea (Randall) Mooberry of East Peoria, and Chris (Jennifer) Haggerty of Bloomington; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one brother, James (Colleen) Haggerty of Elmwood; and one sister, Lael Boerckel of Peoria.

Chuck was an owner, along with his family, of American Pest Control, retiring after 61 years, and he also enjoyed farming.

Funeral services were June 8, 2021, at Anderson-Sedgwick Funeral Home in Farmington. A burial followed the services at Brunswick Cemetery.

Condolences can be left online at [www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com).

### Sonita M. Negley

FARMINGTON – Sonita Marie Negley, 73, formerly of Farmington, passed away on May 29, 2021, at Aperia Care in Marseilles.

A celebration of Sonita’s life will be held at a later date. Ottawa Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements.

Sonita was born on Jan. 23, 1948, in Canton to Clifton and Irene (Tourtillott) Negley. She grew up in Farmington, where she also raised her three daughters.

Sonita is survived by three daughters, Michelle Taylor of Colchester, Tristann (Bruce) Saari of Montgomery and Teresa Maccanelli of Pittsburgh, Pa.; six grandchildren; one great-grandson; and her siblings, Ronald Negley, Randy (Kathy) Negley and Rae Gina (Jane Dille) Negley; and her sister-in-law, Sue Negley.

Condolences can be left online at [www.ottawafuneralhome.com](http://www.ottawafuneralhome.com).

### Robert L. Zimmerman

ELMWOOD – Robert L. Zimmerman, 90, of Metamora, father of an Elmwood man, died June 2, 2021, at the Apostolic Christian Home of Roanoke.

He was born on March 20, 1931, in rural Metamora to Louis and Fannie Yergler Zimmerman. He married Madlyn M. Widmer on Aug 30, 1959, in Fairbury. She passed away on March 21, 2007.

Surviving are two sons, Robert (Kathy) Zimmerman of Elmwood and Stan Zimmerman of Metamora; one daughter, Tamara (John) Lehman of Wolcott, Ind.; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother, William (Myrna) Zimmerman of Georgia; and one sister, Mary (Robert) Bradle of Roanoke.

Funeral services were June 7. Condolences can be left online at [knappjohnsonharris.com](http://knappjohnsonharris.com).

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Box 14 Dahinda, IL 61428 Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. (NOTE: Due to COVID-19, cancelled until further notice are: Fellowship &amp; Coffee and Sunday School) Church: (309) 639-2768 Pastor's Office: (309) 639-2389 Email: <a href="mailto:williamsfielddahindaumc@yahoo.com">williamsfielddahindaumc@yahoo.com</a></p>	<p><b>DOUGLAS Douglas United Methodist Church</b> Pastor Kristine McMillan 484 3rd St. Yates City, IL 61572 (NOTE: Church is in Douglas) Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. (Maquon worship: 10:30 a.m.) <i>Facebook Live is 10:30 at Maquon UM Church page</i></p> <p><b>EDWARDS Bethany Baptist Church</b> 7422 N. Heinz Ln., Edwards (309) 692-1755 <a href="http://bethanycentral.org">bethanycentral.org</a> Sun. Worship 8:30 &amp; 10 am</p> <p><b>St. Mary's Catholic Church</b> Father Joseph Dondanville 9910 W. Knox St., Edwards (309) 691-2030 <a href="http://stmaryskickapoo.org">stmaryskickapoo.org</a> Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm Sat. Mass: 4 pm Sun. Masses: 7 &amp; 11:00 am Mon. 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Main St., Elmwood (309) 742-7221 <a href="http://elmwoodumc.org">elmwoodumc.org</a> Sun. Worship: 9 am, 10:30 am Youth Sun. School: 9 am Adult Sun. School: 8 am</p>	<p>(309) 245-9870 Sunday School: 9:30 Worship Service: 10:30</p> <p><b>First Presbyterian Church of Farmington</b> Reverend Andy Sonneborn 83 N. Cone Street, Farmington (309) 245-2914 <a href="http://firstpresfarmington.com">firstpresfarmington.com</a> Sunday School: 9:15 am Worship: 10:30 am Fellowship: 11:30 am</p> <p><b>New Hope Fellowship Assembly of God</b> Pastor Tom Wright 1102 N. Illinois Route 78 Farmington (309) 231-8076 Sun. Worship: 10 am Wed. Worship: 7 pm</p> <p><b>PRINCEVILLE Princeville United Methodist Church</b> Pastor Zach Waldis 420 E. Woertz, Princeville (309) 385-4487 <a href="mailto:princevilleumc@mediacombb.net">princevilleumc@mediacombb.net</a> Sun. Worship: 9 am Sunday School: 10:15 am</p> <p><b>St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church</b> Monsignor James Kruse 119 Saint Mary St., Princeville (309) 385-2578 Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm</p>	<p>Sat. Mass: 4 pm Sun. Mass: 8 and 9 am Mon.-Sat Daily Mass: 8 am</p> <p><b>WILLIAMSFIELD St. James Catholic Church</b> Father John Verrier Legion Road Knox Road 1450 N Williamsfield (309) 446-3275 <a href="http://stjameswilliamsfield.org">stjameswilliamsfield.org</a> Sun. Confession: 7:30-8 am Sun. Mass: 8 am (8:30 am in the summer)</p> <p><b>Williamsfield United Methodist Church</b> Pastor Teresa Shane 430 N. Chicago Ave. Williamsfield (309) 639-2389 Sun. School: 9:30 am Hospitality (coffee &amp; finger foods): 10:30 am Sun. Worship: 11 am</p> <p><b>YATES CITY Faith United Presbyterian Church</b> Reverend Marla B. Bauler 107 W. Bishop St., Yates City (309) 358-1170 Worship: 9 am Sun. School: 10:15 am Thurs. Choir: 7 pm</p>
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# Inmate voting rights still on the table

By **PETER HANCOCK**

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois lawmakers could take up a bill later this month that would restore voting rights to convicted offenders serving time in county jails or state or federal prisons, according to the bill's House sponsor.

Rep. La Shawn Ford, D-Chicago, said the bill almost came up for a vote during the final days of the regular session but was delayed due to some last-minute confusion.

Lawmakers wrapped up the bulk of their spring session on June 1, but they did not formally adjourn the session because negotiations were continuing on a massive energy bill that would put Illinois on a path to producing 100 percent of its electricity from renewable, carbon-free sources.

Gov. JB Pritzker said last week that all the parties in that discussion had agreed on a broad outline of the energy bill and that he expected the bill to be introduced soon. On Tuesday, the Senate announced it will return on Tuesday, June 15, to vote on the energy bill, Gov. JB Pritzker said last week that all the parties in that discussion had agreed on a broad outline of the energy bill and that he expected the bill to be introduced soon. The Senate has announced it will return on Tuesday, June 15, to vote on the energy bill, and House

Speaker Emanuel "Chris" Welch announced that the House would be in on Wednesday, June 16.

"As I indicated before we adjourned on the final day of session, the House is expected to return next week on Wednesday, June 16 to take care of some final-action legislation," Welch said in the statement. "Items such as the energy proposal, unemployment insurance, and an elected school board for Chicago will be at the top of our list."

Ford's proposal to restore voting rights to convicted inmates, originally contained in House Bill 1872, was the subject of a committee hearing in March, but the committee never voted on it.

During that hearing, Rep. Patrick Windhorst, R-Metropolis, questioned whether it would require a constitutional amendment before it could take effect because the Illinois Constitution states that, "A person convicted of a felony, or otherwise under sentence in a correctional institution or jail, shall lose the right to vote, which right shall be restored not later than upon completion of his sentence."

Advocates for the bill noted that the words "not later than" suggest that the framers of the constitution anticipated that lawmakers might want to restore those voting rights earlier than upon completion of a sentence.

According to a Democratic analysis of the bill, the question of whether prisoners should be allowed to vote was the subject of considerable debate at the 1970 Constitutional Convention. While some delegates argued that allowing them to vote served a rehabilitative purpose, others argued losing the right to vote served the purpose of punishment. In the end, delegates chose to give lawmakers flexibility to decide the issue as public views on the issue evolved.

In hopes of getting the bill through in the final days of the session, Ford introduced what is known as a "gut and replace" amendment to a Senate bill, SB 828, which passed committee last week before stalling.

Under current law, anyone who has been convicted of a crime and is serving a sentence of confinement is prohibited from voting.

Ford's bill would delete that language and restore the right to vote to anyone who is otherwise eligible to vote and is incarcerated in a state, federal or juvenile detention facility, county jail, serving probation or parole, on work release or furlough, released on electronic monitoring, housed in a halfway house or other transition center, or who owes court fines or fees.

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

In Re ESTATE OF ARDITH A. HERRMANN, Deceased. ) No. 21-P-00205

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **ARDITH A. HERRMANN**, on March 18, 2021. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to **DEREK J. HERRMANN**, of 507 West Melbourne Avenue, Peoria, Illinois 61604, and **FAITH H. CARLSON**, of 5422 North Montclair Avenue, Peoria, Illinois 61614, as Executors, whose attorneys of record are **WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368**. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois, or with the representatives or both on or before the **10th day of December, 2021** or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representatives is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. **Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.** Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representatives and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies.

DATED this 26th day of May, 2021.  
**DEREK J. HERRMANN and FAITH H. CARLSON, Executors of the Estate of ARDITH A. HERRMANN, Deceased.**

**ROBERT L. POTTS, ESQ. WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD. Attorneys for Executors 118 West Main Street P.O. Box 368 Elmwood, IL 61529-0368 Telephone: (309) 742-3611 becky@whitneyandpotts.com**  
 Published 6/3, 6/10, 6/17/21

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ELMWOOD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BUDGET**

NOTICE is hereby given that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the ELMWOOD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT of Peoria and Knox Counties, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection weekdays from and after the 11th day of June, 2021, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. at the ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP HALL, by contacting David Wagner, President of the Board of Trustees, at (309) 231-3774.

NOTICE is further hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at **2:00 O'Clock P.M., Monday, the 12th day of July, 2021** in the ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP HALL, located at 111 West Main Street, in Elmwood, Illinois, and that final hearing and action on this Ordinance will be thereafter taken at a meeting of the Trustees of the ELMWOOD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.

DATED this 2nd day of June, 2021.  
 CHAD JORDAN,  
 Secretary, Elmwood Rural Fire Protection District.  
 Published 6/10/21

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ELMWOOD RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BUDGET**

NOTICE is hereby given that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the WILLIAMSFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT of Knox and Peoria Counties, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2022, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection from and after 5:00 P.M. on the 11th day of June, 2021, at the WILLIAMSFIELD FIRE STATION, 200 East Gale Street, Williamsfield, Illinois.

NOTICE is further hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at **7:00 P.M., the 12th day of July, 2021** in the WILLIAMSFIELD FIRE STATION, 200 East Gale Street, Williamsfield, Illinois, and that final hearing and action on this Ordinance will be immediately thereafter taken at a regular meeting of the Trustees of the WILLIAMSFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.

DATED this 2nd day of June, 2021.  
 TY O. LANDON,  
 Secretary, Williamsfield Fire Protection District.  
 Published 6/10/21

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS PEORIA COUNTY**

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., PLAINTIFF,  
 VS.  
 DONALD LEE ADERMAN, JR.;  
 CONNIE SUE ADERMAN; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DONALD L ADERMAN, SR. A/K/A DONALD L ADERMAN, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; BLAKE DUNLAP, GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR NADINE R STURDIVANT-ADERMAN; LINN PERKINS, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DECEASED MORTGAGOR, DONALD L ADERMAN, SR.; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF STEVE M ADERMAN, SR., DEFENDANTS.

NO. 19 CH 00129  
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 JUDGE  
 PRESIDING JUDGE  
 NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on June 2, 2021, Sheriff of Peoria County will on 07/21/2021, in ROOM 203 OF THE COURTHOUSE, 324 MAIN STREET, PEORIA, IL 61602, at 01:00 PM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Peoria, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

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Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 20-033421L

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.  
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### Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

### Out on a Limb

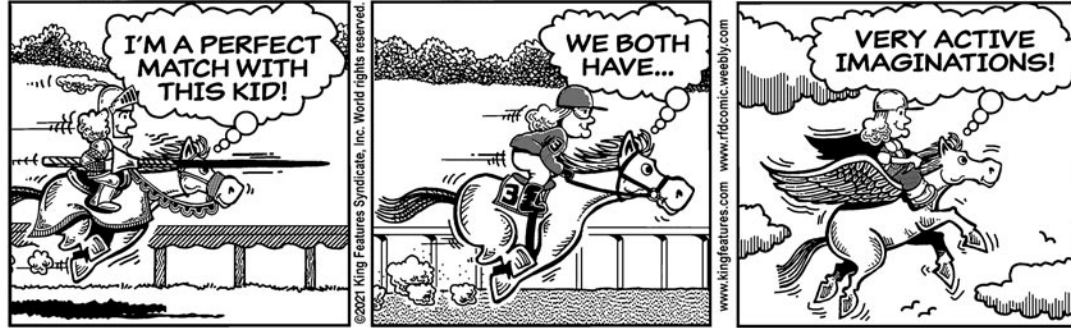


by Gary Kopervas



by Mike Marland

### R.F.D.



by Jeff Pickering

### The Spats



## BASEBALL: R-W won 9-2 in regional semifinals over Midland

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hit and striking out five.  
"I thought Seth developed a little discomfort in the second inning, so as a precaution we took him out, and Logan was good from the get go," Gonzalez said. "He consistently got ahead in the counts and continued to attack."  
"I'm extremely happy for these seniors, as well as the entire ball club for continually working each day to get better. "It's one of our daily sayings, to make yourself better each and every day you step on the field," Gonzalez said. "A good effort by our team was fueled by a great, supportive and enthusiastic crowd."  
R-W won its way into the title game with a 9-2 victory over Midland last Friday at home. The Cougars scored a combined nine runs in the first four innings with a 10-hit total game barrage.  
Secrist was 2-for-3 with one RBI and a double, McGarry drove in two, Wight was 2-for-3 with a double and a triple and one RBI. Kohl, Stewart and Kuberski each had an RBI in the win.  
Kuberski was stellar on the

bump with two hits allowed, eight strikeouts and no walks in four innings of work. Weedman threw two frames, fanning one and walking one. Secrist threw to no hits and one walk in Midland's last at bat.  
Illini Bluffs (10-6) defeated Gardner-South Wilmington, 6-4, on Tuesday for its regional title. That set up Wednesday's sectional semifinal at Glasford between R-W and Illini Bluffs at 4:30. The Cougars won the regular season meeting, 3-2, on Weedman's walkoff single.  
The winner advances to the sectional final Friday at 4:30 vs. the winner between Delavan and Kewanee Wethersfield.  
**Brimfield-Elmwood**  
A 20-5 Brimfield-Elmwood season came to a heartbreaking end Friday at Chillicothe in a 6-5 IVC walk-off win in the regional semifinals.  
The Indians took a 5-4 lead in the fifth. IVC evened things in the sixth and IVC's Nathan Cooley ended it with an RBI single in the bottom of the seventh.  
Drew Bryant pitched, giving up no walks, 10 hits and striking out six.  
Frank Kelch hit 2-for-3 with a

double and an RBI. Mason Kieser drove in a run and Bryant went 2-for-4 at the dish.  
"This loss hurt because we gave it away. Bryant kept us in the game from the mound," B-E Coach Brandon Porter said. "We just didn't make enough plays in the field, which led to two unearned runs for IVC."  
"We bring back six starters next season. We were grateful to get a season in this year. We didn't think we would make it this far in 2021."  
The Indians concluded their regular season with a 10-inning 6-5 win on the road at Peoria Heights on June 1. Down 5-2 in the bottom of the seventh, B-E rallied, concluding with Eddie Peterson scoring the tying run.  
In the bottom of the 10th, a wild pitch gave the win to B-E. Jude Strahm had two hits, Marty Gensler was 3-for-5 and Kyle Binder drove in two runs. Caleb Tyre pitched four plus innings, fanning five. Levi Moon tossed five plus, yielding one hit and striking out three.  
"Levi Moon was great in relief," Porter said.  
**Princeville**  
Princeville (4-18) dropped a 14-1 decision to always strong

Putnam County in the regional semifinals on the road last Friday.  
The hosts came out slugging and never stopped. Free passes to Putnam County also added to the home team's total.  
The Princes had four total hits. Gage DeVries, Griffin Crear, Chance Pulley and Ted Fritzenmeier each had one hit.  
"We are graduating four seniors from this year's team. We will be welcoming in 10-11 freshmen next year," Princeville Coach Chris Delbridge said. "Being a young team, we are hoping and looking forward to building on the experience we gained this season."  
"We will return all of our pitching wins and our most productive hitter, Devries, and we're also looking forward to getting him back on the mound next year."  
Princeville orchestrated a 5-4 comeback win over Stark County last Wednesday on the road in a regional quarterfinal. A three-run rally in the top of the seventh led to a regional semifinal advancement.  
DeVries went 2-for-4 with two RBI and a double and ended up with a .490 batting

average for the season and a .552 on-base percentage.  
Wyatt Pitman, Liam McGrath and Crear each drove in key runs in the win over Stark County.  
Crear pitched six frames with six strikeouts. Chase Williams got the save, helped by striking out two.  
**Farmington**  
Farmington's season concluded last Wednesday on the road in a 3-2 regional quarterfinal setback to El Paso-Gridley. It was a pitcher's duel with Riley Embry going all the way for the Farmers.  
"Both pitchers hit their spots throughout the game," Farmington Coach Justin Begner said. "Riley pitched his best game of the year."  
The Farmers (5-14) had a good rally in their last at bat, but came up short with the tying and go-ahead runs on base.  
"Our batters put the ball in play throughout the game but were hitting balls right at them," Begner said. "We had nothing to hang our heads about. It was a great game to coach and watch."  
"It just turned out to be their day."

### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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### Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIE: Which 1985 Brat Pack movie featured the theme song "Don't You (Forget About Me)"?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is the color of the spirit called absinthe?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which Central American country used to be called British Honduras?
- TELEVISION: What is the dog's name on "Family Guy"?
- MEDICAL: What is the common name for the condition called lateral epicondylitis?
- LANGUAGE: What does the Japanese word tsunami mean in English?
- BUSINESS: In what year did Amazon launch?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What animal has no vocal cords?
- U.S. STATES: What is the only state that borders just one other state?
- SCIENCE: What is empirical science?

**Answers**

- "The Breakfast Club"
- Green
- Belize
- Brian
- Tennis elbow
- Harbor wave
- 1994
- Giraffe
- Maine
- Science based on observation and experiment

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**FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 14**

### CryptoQuote

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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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## Boys track teams set for sectional in Kewanee

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

On one hand, it was nice for schools that had not run on the new surface at Kewanee Wethersfield High School to get a preview of the track they will compete on this Friday for Class 1A boys sectionals.

But for sectional favorite Elmwood-Brimfield, last Friday's Sectional Prep meet at Wethersfield was a little like showing your hand before betting in a poker game.

E-B won the meet with 113 points, placing ahead of Monmouth-Roseville (101), Stark County (81) and Princeville (74) in a nine-team meet that was missing a few teams that will compete Friday. Field events start at 3 p.m. and running events begin at 4.

Sectional qualifiers advance to the Class 1A state meet on June 17 at Eastern Illinois University.

And while E-B will almost certainly qualify athletes for that meet, the Trojans have also been pondering a third sectional title for much of this season.

"We're kind of sitting in a spot where everybody else is trying to figure out how to beat us," E-B Coach Gregg Meyers said. "We're in an interesting situation. When you've got the 800, 1,600 and 3,200 and you've got the top two times in all of those, all it takes is one person popping a good race in those and it could mess with our points."

That's significant because Stark County is strong in the field events, Princeville is strong in the sprints and hurdles and Monmouth Roseville has depth across the board. Add in some teams that did not participate last week and the sectional could take on a different look.

As expected last Friday, E-B dominated distance races. Thomas Harmon posted a personal record time of 1:59.72 to win the 800 ahead of teammate Luke Hoffmann, who also had a PR of 2:03.87. Trojans



The Elmwood-Brimfield relay of Aiden Frail, Brayden Lehman, Jakoby McKown and Johnny York tied a school record last Friday with a time of 1:35.2. Photo by Mike Sullivan.

runner Eli Stevenson won the 1,600 in a PR of 4:47.7, but is behind teammates Hoffmann (4:32.42), Harmon (4:32.6) and Isaiah Hill (4:37.71) heading in that event.

Princeville's Denver Hoerr was second in the mile (5:04.67) and third in the 800 (2:05.07) at the sectional prep.

Tyler Sheridan won the 3,200 for E-B in 10:48.7 ahead of teammate Victor Lampe (10:59.54). Sheridan is expected to run the two-mile along with Hoffmann, who posted a PR of 9:48.6 at Lewistown in the rainy Prairieland Conference meet, which is not included on athletic.net's sectional seeding list.

Johnny York also had a strong day for E-B, placing second in the 200 (24.0), taking third in the long jump (19 feet, 5.75 inches) and running a leg on two top relays. York was anchor on the winning 4x200 relay with Aiden Frail, Brayden Lehman and Jakoby McKown. The quartet's time of 1:35.2 tied the school record set in 2012 by Collin Reicheneker, Joey DePalma, Nathan Ingersoll and Isaac Ramsay. Including Knoxville (1:37.47) at the sectional could spur E-B on to top the record, since the Trojans ran by themselves on the last leg Friday.

York was also anchor on the second-place 4x100 with Frail, Lehman and McKown, whose 46.17 time was behind Princeville's

46.04. The Princeville relay included Marcel Primera, Hoerr, Tayshaun Kieser and Grant Hunt.

E-B also won two other relays: the 4x400 (3:41.92) of McKown, Hill, Lehman and Blake Rosenbohm; and the 4x800 (8:52.5) of Stevenson, Hill, Brendan Williams and Nick Feller.

The Trojans also got a second-place finish in the shot put from Jack Trone, whose PR of 42 feet was behind only Stark County thrower Blake Orwig's PR of 50-9.75.

For Princeville, Hunt won the 200 in 23.65 and the 400 in 54.10, but did not have to compete with rival Kaiden Droste of West Central. The two Lincoln Trail Conference standouts will resume their season-long battle Friday. They are ranked first or second heading into the sectional in the 100, 200 and 400.

Princeville's Parker Melick was fourth in the 400 with a PR of 57.1 and the Princes also got points from Seth Stalter, who was second in the 110 hurdles (PR of 19.73) and fourth in the 300 hurdles (PR of 47.68).

Princeville placed fourth in the 4x400 relay (3:57.54) with Kieser, Cole Brower, Primera and Melick and Brower was sixth in discus after a throw of 112-7.25.

### Farmington

The Farmers did not compete at Wethersfield last Friday, but did enter a triangular Monday in Macomb.

Highlights for Farmington included: Brayden Morse winning the pole vault with a PR of 10 feet, 7 inches; Logan Morse winning the high jump by clearing 5-10; and Dane Hitchcock finished first in the 110 hurdles in 18.7.

Farmington was also second in the 4x800 relay in 10:58.8, Chandler Whisenand was third in high jump (5-6) and Matt Kenney was third in pole vault (10-0).

## GIRLS TRACK: Dearing lone Princeville qualifier

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she said was 10 feet but that athletic.net has recorded at 9-11.75. Either way, Hursey is the top-seeded local athlete heading to state, ranking 15th.

Hursey also placed second in the 100 in a personal record of 13.15 seconds and is seeded 19th at state.

To speed up the state meet, there will be no preliminaries or semifinals. Field athletes will get four attempts and runners will get one shot in a heat determined by their sectional times.

That's fine with sophomore Anna Webel, who won the discus at sectional with a throw of 100-4.75 and ranks 23rd heading into state.

Webel, who placed fourth at state in discus in 7th and 8th grade, said she was upset with not being able to compete last spring.

"It was a big change from junior high to high school in general, but then when we didn't get track at the end of the year it was very frustrating for me," she said. "I do other sports, but track is my thing."

Webel said she had a "bad sectional" but added, "I think I've got more in me."

Farmington's other top individuals

were second-place finishers: senior Deidra Lange in the 100 hurdles (PR of 17.66) and senior Addison Gilstrap, who broke her PR in the discus by 5 feet with a throw of 95-5.25.

Also qualifying for state was Farmington's 4x200, which placed second in 1:54.98 and at sectional consisted of freshman Mariah Hayden, junior Emma Basalay, senior Emma Vallas and freshman Kyleigh Miller.

Lange will fill in for Hayden at state after having also scored for Farmington in three other events at sectional. The future Dubuque University athlete was fourth in the 300 hurdles (53.83), sixth in long jump (14-6.75) and sixth in triple jump with a PR of 30-5.25.

Farmington also got points from its 4x100 relay (fourth in 54.6), 4x400 relay (fifth in 4:37.81) and 4x800 relay (fifth in 12:31.78).

Senior Grace Dearing was the lone Princeville athlete to qualify for state. Dearing won the 100 meters in a personal record of 13.15 seconds and was second in the 200 in 27.28. She just missed advancing in the 400, placing third in 1:03.12.

Dearing is seeded 20th in the 100

and will run in the third heat and ranks 23rd in the 200.

"Grace Dearing was amazing and gutty in her performances at sectionals," Coach Brian Wonders said. "She had a bad start in the 100 meters, being the last one out of the blocks, and was in fourth place at the midway point. But she pulled it off with a photo finish win with the lean at the end. Then entered her in the 400m for the first time all year. She was in the first heat and won her heat by 7 seconds. Finished third overall and just missed qualifying for state. Would have loved to see what she would have done if she was in the second heat and running against the girls that qualified for state. Then she followed that up with qualifying for state in the 200m again."

Other scoring athletes for Princeville at the sectional were Carrie Gill (sixth in 400 in 1:10.25), Kyra Hilsabeck (fourth in 3,200 in 14:15.95), the 4x800 relay of Emma Stutzman, Amber and Ashleigh Brawley and Gill (fourth in 12:23.16), Ashleigh Brawley (fifth in shot put with a throw of 33-0.5), Amber Brawley (fifth in discus, 90-4.25) and Brianna Brodie (sixth in discus, 90-3.75).

# SOFTBALL: 8th straight regional win

*Continued from Page 20* had three RBI and Hunt had a triple.

On the mound, Aldred struck out four, allowed just two hits and did not walk a batter.

"It's been a total team effort. We've been able to get some great hits by Calyn Garza, Maddie Nelson and, mostly recently, Ashlyn Murdock," Coach Joel Zaiser said. "We've had solid pitching by Katelyn Aldred and Ava Landon. We had several really great defensive plays by Avery Rigg and Whitney Godsil in the outfield.

"We are looking forward to finishing off the season strong and seeing how far we can go with this team."

### Princeville

Since starting 0-9, the young Lady Princes have been on a hot streak that carried over into three straight postseason wins, two in the regionals.

The turning point for Princeville, according to Coach Brian Holt, was a 10-6 win over Monmouth United back on May 27.

"Getting that first win over a good United team gave them the confidence that the hard work was paying off," Holt said. "All and all it was time ... time that the younger players needed to adjust to varsity and gain confidence."

The return of freshman shortstop McGinn – who missed the first eight games with an injury – has also helped, Holt said. McGinn has hit .444 with 10 RBI to provide another bat alongside Perkins (.446, 16 RBI) and to sup-

port pitcher Gilroy (89 strikeouts in 80 innings pitched and a 2.53 ERA).

McGinn had four RBI in last Friday's 13-2 win over Peoria Christian in the regional title game, while Perkins drove in two runs and scored twice. Gilroy was 3-for-4 and got the win on the mound, fanning 14 and allowing five hits in five innings. Breckan Bottenberg also had two hits in a 13-hit attack vs. Peoria Christian.

Perkins, McGinn, Bottenberg and Gilroy had six of seven hits last Thursday in a 6-4 upset win over No. 2 seed North Fulton. Princeville was seeded seventh heading in their subsectional grouping.

Gilroy, who had the game-winning RBI on a groundout in the top of the seventh during a four-run frame, allowed six hits and three walks vs. North Fulton in pitching to the win.

Overall, Princeville has improved at the plate. After nine games, the Lady Princes were hitting .217 as a team with 28 runs scored and 70 strikeouts. Since then, they are batting .313 with 60 runs scored and just 28 strikeouts.

"So the strike zone and hitting discipline has really improved," Holt said. "The freshman have gotten a solid month of playing and practice ... about the time that was missed with the late start and volleyball season overlap."

### Brimfield-Elmwood

BRIMFIELD – Brimfield-Elmwood (14-2) suffered a 5-3 loss at home to Chillicothe IVC last

Thursday in a Class 2A regional semifinal.

No. 3 seed B-E started the game well and led 3-2 through five innings behind homeruns from Haley Wallace in the first inning and Kierra Johnson in the fifth.

Kylee Vaughn doubled for the only other hit by a B-E batter off IVC pitcher Katie Petran, who fanned 12 and allowed two walks. Lauren Troxell scored the Lady Indians' other run in the third inning.

But No. 6 seed IVC finished with nine hits and finally took control by scoring once in the sixth inning and twice in the seventh for the win.

Maddie Hessing took the complete-game loss for B-E, fanning eight and allowing four walks and nine hits.

B-E had defeated IVC in its season opener, 12-7. In that game, the Lady Indians rapped out 14 hits and collected four walks vs. Petran.

### Farmington

SHERRARD – The Lady Farmers lost at Sherrard, 8-0, last Thursday in a Class 2A regional semifinal.

Alyvia Marcotte had two of three hits for the Lady Farmers and Kyleigh Carpenter had the other.

Sherrard (11-14) scored three in the first, three in the third and one each in the fifth and sixth innings.

Holly Shriber pitched for Farmington and yielded seven hits and two walks. Farmington was also hurt in the field by seven errors.



ROWVA-Williamsfield won its second straight softball regional last Friday. Pictured are: Front row (left to right) - Kendra Bennett, Jada Abraham, Ashlyn Murdock and Whitney Godsil. Back row (l to r) - Assistant Coach Cory Garza, Assistant Coach Beau Burnett, Calyn Garza, Katelyn Aldred, Jenna Woodside, Bella Kuelper, Ava Landon, Katalena Hunt, Madison Nelson, Olivia Farquer, Moriah Fleming and Coach Joel Zaiser. Photo by Collin Fairfield.



Princeville won its eighth consecutive softball regional title last Friday. Pictured are: Front row (left to right) - Kinley McGinn, Claire Dearing, McKenna Roberts, Kiara Cilha, Bridget Gilroy and Emmaline Perkins. Back row (l to r) - Coach Brian Holt, Neleh Geiger, Breckan Bottenberg, Jamey Wilson, Briana Brodie, Greta Dwyer, Elizebeth Sutherland, Jacee Craig, Assistant Coach Alyssa Dial, Assistant Coach Amanda Lawson. Photo courtesy of KD Photography.

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## SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS



Among the seven members of the Farmington girls track team headed to state today are (from left to right): Anna Weibel (discus), Kyleigh Miller (4x200 relay), Miranda Hursey (pole vault), Addison Gilstrap (discus), Deidra Lange (hurdles, 4x200 relay) and Emma Vallas (4x200 relay). Not pictured is Emma Basalay. Photo by Jeff Lampe.

## Surprise sectional crown

### Farmington girls top Knoxville for sectional title

By **JEFF LAMPE**  
For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – The bonuses keep coming for the Farmington track team. One year after not being able to compete due to COVID restrictions, the Lady Farmers not only qualified eight athletes for Thursday’s Class 1A state track meet, they also won a surprise sectional title last week at Knoxville. The Lady Farmers tallied 66 points

to top host Knoxville (64 points) and Kewanee Wethersfield and Stark County (62). Princeville was eighth with 38 points.

“I think we were all in shock, because we thought Knoxville was going to win,” said junior Miranda Hursey. “So we were really happy about that.” Hursey played a role in Farmington’s sectional win, placing first in the pole vault after clearing a personal record

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## Princeville, R-W win regionals

By **JEFF LAMPE**  
For The Weekly Post

Two local softball teams ended last Friday hoisting Class 1A regional plaques – one expected and one a surprise champion. Actually, regional plaques are being mailed by the IHSA since there were technically no home regionals. But the point is, two teams earned a postseason title after following different paths.

While top-seeded ROWVA-Williamsfield routed two regional foes, 18-0, a young Princeville squad continued its late-season improvement with a pair of wins.

And neither showed any sign of slowing in the sectionals, with each winning 1-0 pitcher’s duels on Tuesday.

For R-W (17-11), Katelyn Aldred allowed three hits in eight innings and Ashlyn Murdock scored the winning run in the bottom of the eighth after reaching on a bunt single. She advanced on a bunt by Olivia Farquer, who reached on an error, and Murdock then scored on a two-out single by Ava Landon.

Princeville (8-10) topped Sterling Newman Central Catholic, 1-0, Tuesday as Bridget Gilroy allowed just two hits and fanned five in seven innings of shutout pitching. Emmaline Perkins tripled for one of six Princeville hits and scored the game’s lone run as Kinley McGinn drover her home.

That sets up a sectional final showdown between R-W and Princeville today at 4:30 p.m. in Princeville. R-W won the regular season meeting, 6-2.

Here’s a rundown on the regionals.  
**ROWVA-Williamsfield**  
WILLIAMSFIELD – The Cougars



Ava Landon of ROWVA-Williamsfield allowed three hits and struck out seven batters in a 10-0 shutout of Henry-Senachwine in last Friday’s regional championship game. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

pounded out 23 hits and 18 runs to win two regional games, while R-W pitchers Aldred and Landon yielded just five hits in the two shutouts.

R-W (16-11) earned its second straight regional title with a 10-0 win over Henry-Senachwine last Friday.

Landon allowed three hits and one walk while fanning seven. She got plenty of support in the first two innings, as R-W scored four in each frame and sent 10 batters to the plate in the first.

Calyn Garza led the hit parade with a 3-for-4 showing, three RBI and a triple and double. Bella Kuelper was 2-for-4 with two RBI for R-W.

In the semifinal, the Cougars got two hits apiece from Jenna Woodside, Landon, Kataleena Hunt and Farquer. Landon also

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## Cougars claim baseball regional

By **PHIL JOHNSON**  
For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – Hot bats and a pair of pitchers delivered a Class 1A regional title to ROWVA-Williamsfield Monday in an 11-1 thrashing of Roanoke-Benson.

Ahead 6-1 after five innings, R-W (11-5) scored five in the bottom of the sixth to end the game by way of the 10-run rule.

The Cougars put on a 10-hit parade, which was very well distributed throughout

### Sectional pairings

ROWVA-Williamsfield was to face Illini Bluffs Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in a sectional semifinal at Glasford. The winner advances to the title game Friday at 4:30 p.m.

the lineup. Brodie Secrist hit 4-for-5 with one RBI, Hunter Ramage was 2-for-4 with a triple and an RBI, Denver Weedman drove in two, Adam Kohl tripled and had one RBI and Logan Kuberski hit a double and

drove in one.

Jake McGarry, Graham Wight and Parker Sornberger each added an RBI in the win.

“Brodie had a nice day, and constant output from the entire lineup allowed us to be competitive for the entire game,” R-W Coach Arnie Gonzalez said.

Seth Stewart pitched two frames, giving up just one run, but he gave up five free passes. Kuberski pitched the final four, yielding just one  
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The ROWVA-Williamsfield baseball team won a regional title Monday with an 11-1 victory over Roanoke-Benson. Pictured are: Front Row (left to right) - Nathan Welch, Adam Kohl, Dylan Tucker, Parker Sornberger, Hunter Ramage, Logan Kuberski, Bryan Bertlshofer, Lewis Sams, Lance Trotter and Hunter Swanson. Back row (l to r) - Denver Weedman, Brodie Secrist, Seth Stewart, Graham Wight, Jake McGarry, Cade Farquer and Wyatt Self. Photo by Amanda Secrist.

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