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ORGANIST RETIRES

McKean retires after 26 years

By **ANGIE STANGE**

For The Prairie News

BRADFORD – An era has ended at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.

Last Sunday, Aug. 29, was the last service that church members got to enjoy the music of Mary McKean as their parish organist. McKean has served as parish organist, soloist and choir director for the past 26 years.

McKean started taking piano lessons when she was eight years old. She said music was always heard in the background when growing up, as both of her parents enjoyed music. McKean said some of her earliest memories are of her mother singing to her in a rocking chair.

Mary learned to play the piano and accompanied junior high



Mary McKean played the organ for the final time last Sunday at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Bradford. Photo by Angie Stange.

chorus when she was 12. When she was 14, her music director pulled her aside at church and told her that since they had no one to play the organ that day he wanted Mary to play. McKean said that he literally pulled her out of her pew and over to the organ, which was

in front of the church.

According to McKean, she did a terrible job and it made her mad. A perfectionist, she decided to show that she could play the organ and so she took organ lessons for a year to learn the pedals,

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Fall Fest returns with several new events

By **JOHN A. BALLENTINE**

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – The Stark County Fall Festival is just around the corner and, as always, it is set for the third weekend of September, which is the 18th and 19th of the month.

Events available this year at Thomas Park, in Wyoming, range from a dog pageant at 2 p.m. Sept. 18 to a church service presented by the Gathering Church at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 19.

In between there are plenty of sights to see and vendors, plus exhibits. Peking Foods will again be serving a menu of Chinese food including the eggrolls they are noted for, as well as, Ruth's Chops & More, plus C & S Catering will have Italian beef sandwiches for sale. Wyoming's Chamber of Commerce will have corn fritters for sale, too.

There are events for children that includes "Kid games in the Park" from 1 to 2 p.m. on Sept. 18 and the children's tractor pull at 3:30 p.m. that same day on the basketball court. Also scheduled is an obstacle course for the pedal tractors on the basketball court at approximately 10 a.m.

A Dog Pageant will be held at the bandstand at 2 p.m. in the park with T-Photography taking photos before the event. Bring a bag of dog food to donate and receive a free 5x7 photo of your pet. Additionally, Yer Kiln Me will be giving all participants a free dog print tile.

Categories for the Dog Pageant are: Best Dressed, Best Look-Alike, Best Personality, and Best Manners. Signups can be done by contacting Heather Hamilton through Facebook Messenger
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Fire destroys West Jersey home

By **JOHN A. BALLENTINE**

For The Prairie News

WEST JERSEY – An early morning gutted the rural home of Terry and Crystal Peterson this past Monday, Aug. 30. Terry was at home when the fire, which is believed to have started in the laundry room, erupted. Crystal was at work when the fire occurred.

The Stark County Sheriff's Office received an

emergency call at approximately 7:20 a.m. The Toulon Fire Company, along with the fire departments from Wyoming and LaFayette, were dispatched to the scene.

Stark County Ambulance Service was also called to the scene in addition to Deputy Sheriff Gary Bent of the Stark County Sheriff's Office.

Family and friends were attempting to salvage

what they could of the Peterson's possessions later that morning, but they had to place a second call for the Toulon Fire Company when it was believed that the fire had rekindled.

Injuries to Terry Peterson were unspecified at this time, although it is believed that he received burns to one of his hands.

He received medical treatment for the burns



Shown is the Peterson house that still stands but was gutted by a fire early Monday morning, Aug. 30. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

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McKEAN: Started full time in 1995

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the stops and the different techniques to use on an organ versus a piano. By then, Mary was hooked and she loved it.

During high school she played for church weddings, funerals, graduations and accompanied the high school chorus.

At 19, Mary met and married Pete McKean from Bradford. After marrying, they entered the Peace Corps for several years. Upon returning to Bradford, Mary played part time for St. Johns while rais-

ing the couple's older children.

In 1995, she started playing full time for Sunday masses and other special parish events. Mary said her younger two children do not remember her sitting with the family at mass, as she was in the choir loft singing and playing the piano or organ.

As an expression of its appreciation, the parish honored Mary at a special breakfast and presented her with gifts and many thanks for her years of heavenly music.

FALL FEST: Features "Old Coots"

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at the Stark County Fall Festival Facebook page, or during the day of the pageant at 1:30 p.m.

Do you have a question about the past? On Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. you can "Ask an Old Coot!" A small variety of hand selected "Legends" will be available to answer, plus

they will have artifacts from their childhoods.

At 4:30, an announcement of the winners of the 2021 Lil Miss and Mr. Stark County Fall Festival contest will be made. The selection will be made by the public who will have a chance to vote for their favorite contestants.

Also, during the "Old

Coots" segment, haircuts will be available for \$15 by Rhyl, the local barber. There will be games for the Newly and Not So Newly Wed contestants available from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday. The Wyoming Lions' Club will offer its "Pancakes in the Park" available from 7 a.m. to noon on Sunday morning, which will be under the park's pavilion.

Here are all the scheduled events:

- Saturday, Sept. 18**
- 9 a.m. – Thomas Park opens with food and craft vendors and exhibits.
- 10 a.m. – Kids' Day opens with all free activities: face painting, make and take crafts and more; Super Heroes in the Park; a petting zoo; inflatables; Pedal tractor obstacle course on the basketball court, plus register for the Tractor Pull with five age divisions: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12.
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Unique Twist balloons
- 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – T-Photography and Yer Kiln Me.
- Noon to 2 p.m. – On stage band "Riverton Whiskey" will be playing.
- 1 to 2 p.m. – Kids' games in the Park.
- 1:30 p.m. – Register for the 2021 Dog pageant.
- 2 p.m. – Dog pageant at the band stand.
- 2:30 p.m. – Register for the Kids' Tractor Pull.
- 3 p.m. – Band "Riverton Whiskey" plays again.
- 3:30 p.m. – Kids' tractor pull contest.
- 4:30 p.m. – Announcement of the 2021 Lil Miss & Mr. Stark County Fall Festival winners.
- 5 p.m. – Park closes.
- Sunday, Sept. 19**
- 7 a.m. to Noon – Lions' Club pancake breakfast.
- 9 a.m. – Park opens: Food, crafts vendors, entertainment and exhibits.
- 10:30 a.m. – Community Church Service (bring lawn chairs) by The Gathering Church.
- Noon to 2 p.m. – Ask an Old Coot, plus haircuts.
- 2 to 4 p.m. – New & Not so Newly Wed's game.
- 4 p.m. – End of Fall Festival.

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PUBLIC RECORD

Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

8-28 - Emma A. Corkill - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
8-28 - Madelyn L. Wilson - Speeding 26-34 mph over the limit.
8-28 - Pablo X. Garcia - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
8-29 - Beth A. Wheelhouse - Improper traffic lane usage, failure to reduce speed and transportation of alcoholic liquor.

Felonies & Misdemeanors

8-29 - DUI Traffic - Beth A. Wheelhouse - Two counts of driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content in excess of 0.08.
8-8 - Criminal Misdemeanor - Paige R. Tracy - Resisting a peace officer.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

8-23 - Andrew C. Schieferdecker - 29, Elmwood, was cited for speeding 78 mph in a 55 zone, and for driving without vehicle insurance. He was released with a notice to appear.
8-23 - An abandoned vehicle was located on Route 91 a mile south of the Route 91/93 junction. The vehicle was towed to the Sheriff's impound lot.
8-23 - A 17-year-old Princeville teen was cited for violation of cell-phone use in regards to the graduated driver's license restrictions.
8-24 - Jessi A. Weir, 38, Castleton, was cited for driving without vehicle insurance.
8-27 - Robert Blaine Turnbull, 38, Toulon, was arrested for driving without vehicle insurance, driving on a suspended license and failure to signal when required. Turnbull was released on a \$2,500 personal recognizance bond and given a scheduled court date to appear.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:
8-23 - to the 500 block of NW 1st St. for an incident involving an unknown vehicle running over two garbage cans near the roadway. Officer located the vehicle in question and made arrangements for the driver to pay for new cans.
8-23 - to the 00 block of SW 2nd St. for a gas drive off. Officer did not locate the suspect vehicle.
8-23 - to a residence on NW 3rd Ave. in reference to a used hypodermic needle found in a yard. Officer disposed of the needle and was unable to locate any others in the area.
8-23 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a verbal disturbance involving a neighbor dispute.
8-23 - to the 500 block of SW 5th Ave. to remove an unwanted subject.
8-24 - to the 900 block of SE 2nd St. for a reckless driver complaint. Officer located the vehicle, but didn't observe violations to justify a stop.
8-24 - to the 00 block of NW 2nd



St. to speak to a resident about a lost cat.
8-25 - to the 600 block of Industrial Ave. for a complaint involving cattle out near the roadway. Officer spoke to the animal owner who was putting them back into a pen.
8-25 - to the 500 block of SE 4th St. for a bicycle that was found in a yard. Officer located the rightful owner on SE 7th Ave. and returned it.
8-25 - to assist Knox County with a welfare check in the 2900 block of East 1900 Street.
8-26 - to the 700 block of NW 3rd Ave. for a possible criminal trespass to residence complaint. Officer searched the house but didn't locate any signs of anyone being there.
8-26 - to a residence on NE 1st St. for a complaint involving an unattended young child wandering around. DCFS was contacted. As the result, Kayla Snider, 31, Stephanie Snider, 32, and Brandon Sparrowgrove, 29, all of Galva, were issued notices to appear for endangering the life or health of a child.
8-26 - to the 400 block of NE 5th St. for a tree that fell across the roadway due to a thunderstorm. The Street Department was notified.
8-26 - Officer located a small child walking in the 00 block of NE 2nd St. As the result, Tasha Wilson, 36, Galva, was issued a notice to appear for endangering the life or health of a child. DCFS was contacted.
8-26 - to the 300 block of SW 5th Ave. for a suspicious vehicle complaint. Officer checked the area and wasn't able to locate.
8-26 - to the SE quadrant of town for a traffic complaint involving an ATV or UTV driving recklessly. The suspect vehicle fled town toward the east on Route 34.
8-26 - to speak with several juveniles riding bicycles late at night on N. Center Ave. without lights.
8-26 - to the 100 block of SE 4th Ave. for a wildlife complaint. A phone number was provided for area removal services.
8-27 - to a sinkhole in the roadway in the 00 block of NW 2nd St. The Street Department was contacted to put up a barricade.
8-28 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 1200 block of SE 2nd St., Jamie Aguilera-Perez, 19, Monmouth, was issued a civil law citation for possession of adult use cannabis.
8-29 - to assist Henry County in the 200 block of NE 5th St. for a physical domestic dispute. As the result, Michael Sadowski, 27, was arrested for domestic battery and taken to the Henry County Jail.
8-29 - to the 100 block of NW 5th St. for a found kitten complaint.
8-27 - A 16-year-old subject from Monmouth was issued a citation for speeding in the 1300 block of SE 2nd St.

8-27 - A 17-year-old Toulon subject was issued a citation for speeding in the 1000 block of SW 2nd St.
8-29 - Rachel Rawlings, 36, Galva, was issued a citation for operating an uninsured vehicle in the 100 block of Market St.
8-29 - Robert Fontana, 59, Galva, was issued a citation for having an expired registration in the 200 block of SW 1st Ave.

Property Transfers

8-23 - Linda S. and Roy S. Grant to Julie L. Peacock - Pt Lt 5 Assrs Sub - Sect 2-12-6 NE - 209 W. Agard St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$0.
8-24 - Gale A. and Sonia A. Stoller to Gale A. and Sonia A. Stoller - Pt 28-12-7 NE - Township Road 1500 East, Wyoming - Consideration = \$0.
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8-27 - Patricia C. Code to Raymond L. Code, Jr., Trustee - Pts 36-14-7 NW - Consideration = \$0.
8-27 - Patricia C. Code to Raymond L. Code, Jr. - Trustee - Pt 14-14-7 SE - Consideration = \$0.
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8-27 - Ian Michael Allen, Toulon and William Alan Krusan, Toulon.

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GUEST VOICES



Cycles of Democracy

Part of my duties as Director of Student Activities at College of DuPage in the late 1970s was to serve as advisor to the Student Government Association or SGA.

The SGA was afforded an “advisory vote” on the college’s governing board. As such, the president of the college, paid close attention to the performance of SGA. This led him to come to my office one day where he questioned me as to why SGA was seemingly always in a state of chaos?

SGA was constantly front page news in our weekly student newspaper, where scandals would include elected student representatives found to not be in compliance with attendance requirements, election fraud and evidence that few, if any, students were even voting in elections.

The president’s concerns were legitimate, as SGA oversaw the allocation of the nearly \$250,000 Student Activities budget.

I assured the president that all student funds were being responsibly administered, as faculty sponsors signed off on all expenditures.

More importantly, I pointed out that there was what I called a two year “Cycle of Democracy” at play, wherein students were constantly

writing and adopting new constitutions.

I pointed out several factors which explained the erratic track record of student government :

- College of DuPage is a two-year institution. As such, when freshmen attempted to participate in an SGA that was at peak performance, they found it to be too complicated to understand its rules and regulations.

- These freshmen (or citizens) did not write the constitution they were being asked to comply with. Nor did they have allegiance to its history or founding principles.

- Predictably, voter turnout would fall to nearly zero and apathy would overtake SGA. This portion of the cycle of democracy historically spanned one full school year.

- Returning sophomores then took the time to research, write and adopt their own constitution. They owned this language predicated on their founding principles.

- A new SGA structure would then emerge and voter turnout would improve.

- Then, as experienced office holders graduated, the keys to government were handed over to the incoming crop of uninvolved “citizen” students, thus starting the two-year cycle of democracy all over again.

So what’s my point in sharing all of this ?

I have come to realize that our country is in its own cycle of de-

mocracy, this first one now coming to a close after 237 years.

Many citizens today find it nearly impossible to relate to the complexity of our bureaucratic government.

Adults/parents do not have the time to decipher current rules and regulations (they didn't write them), let alone get involved in their implementation.

Low voter turnout results in the concentration of power in the hands of an elite few.

Civics and a concern for the greater good have now been replaced by lobbyists and special interest groups.

We now have generations of citizens that do not know our history or founding principles, which explains their lack of allegiance to them.

My president’s concerns at the College of DuPage concerning the student governmental chaos spawned every two years by freshman and sophomores may have been somewhat misplaced.

He would have been, however, dead on with respect to the end of the first 237-year cycle of democracy in our real world.

Thomas Schmidt is the former president of Carl Sandburg College and lives in Galesburg.

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Awana club starts in Galva on Sept. 8

GALVA – The Awana club at First Baptist in Galva will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 8 and be held every Wednesday night through April 13.

Registration begins at 5 p.m. each week, a meal is served at 5:15 and classes run from 5:40-7:30. There will also be an adult Bible study each evening, with a meal beginning at 5:45 p.m., class beginning at approximately 6:30 and then the Food Pantry will open at 7:15. Masks will be required as long as there is a mandate to do so.

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Awana is unique in that it is learning about the Bible in a fun environment. Children get to play games in the gym and participate in other fun activities. This year the children will be doing crafts, theme nights and fun contests. Some of the



Pictured above is a doughnut-eating contest held at Awana club in 2019.

Bible stories will be told through skits.

First Baptist is currently offering the following clubs: Cubbies for 3-5 years old (preschool), Sparks for Kindergarten to 2nd Grade and T&T for Grades 3-6.

Parents must register their child on the first night of attendance, so please don't just drop your children off; come in to the registration table in the north-end door across from Wiley Park.

The cost of the program is a

weekly donation of \$1 per child per meeting. However, because the church doesn't want to leave anyone out, scholarships are available for those unable to afford Awana, especially if you have a large family.

To pay for the year, the cost will be \$25 per child.

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Democrats pass new legislative maps

By **PETER HANCOCK**
 Capital News Illinois
 SPRINGFIELD — Democrats in the General Assembly pushed through a new set of legislative maps during a one-day special session Tuesday, although the process they used sparked the ire of Republicans and voting rights advocates.

If accepted by Gov. JB Pritzker, the new maps would replace those adopted in May, which were passed without the

benefit of official 2020 U.S. Census data. But they will also have to pass muster with a federal court, where two lawsuits are pending, and possibly the Illinois Supreme Court.

The plan adopted Tuesday night was actually the third draft of a plan that had been introduced in the span of less than 48 hours. The first was formally released Monday afternoon and was the subject of a contentious public hearing that night. A second, amended version was introduced Tuesday morning, barely one hour before the start of a hearing in the House Redistricting Committee, and that plan was changed slightly again just before the House came into session to debate the package.

"I'm just going to reiterate what I've been hearing from thousands of people over the last several months. We need at least 30 days to review this map," the Rev. Robin Hood, of the Chicago-based United Congress of Community and Religious Organizations, or UCCRO, said during a Tuesday morning hearing. "It would be unfair to us if we didn't have the time to get the map out to all our people and make a decision based

the new proposal, House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 927, wasn't released until just minutes before that time.

The committee also heard from representatives of the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and the Decalogue Society of Lawyers, a group that advocates for Jewish communities in Illinois, both of which urged lawmakers to allow more time for the public to review the latest proposal.

The bulk of the 1,269-page bill is made up of lists of census block numbers, townships, wards and precincts that define each proposed House and Senate district. It was accompanied by a separate resolution explaining how the districts were drawn.

The Tuesday morning hearing followed one held Monday evening, during which several advocacy groups complained about getting short notice of the meeting and little time to review the proposal.

Common Cause Illinois issued a statement Monday afternoon saying it would boycott the hearing out of protest for the way in which lawmakers were conducting the redistricting process.

"Since the beginning,

hearing provides almost no notice to the public. The new maps will be released less than a day before lawmakers vote on them. It's shameful, and our organization refuses to add any legitimacy to such an undemocratic process."

But State Rep. Lisa Hernandez, D-Cicero, who chaired the House committee, defended the process during debate on the House floor.

"The Democrats worked tirelessly to bring stakeholders and communities from across the state together for their input," she said. "Did everyone get everything they wanted? No. But everyone was heard. Redistricting is a complex exercise with many competing interests and priorities."

Republicans, however, complained that the web portal Democrats had set up to allow people to submit their own proposals didn't work and many individuals were unable to use it. They also complained that the final maps brought to the floor did not reflect the concerns that many communities had raised, but instead were drawn to protect the political interests of the Democratic majorities.

"We've had members say what a great process this has been, because we've had so many different hearings," said Rep. Ryan Spain, R-Peoria. "These are hearings that have included locked doors, and no one showing up at all, other than our dedicated Republican spokesperson, and other members of the Republican side of the aisle."

"This is not transparency."

Ultimately, the new redistricting plan passed both chambers strictly along party lines — 73-43 in the House; 40-17 in the Senate.

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Olof Krans Festival coming to Galva

GALVA – Crafters and vendors will be filling Veterans’ Park on Sept. 18 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Olof Krans Art Festival. All crafters of homemade goods are welcome.

Food vendors will be set up on Front Street to provide food for visitors. Local musicians will also be performing in the gazebo.

The Olof Krans Art Festival pays homage to Galva native Krans, whose studio was located on Front Street. Krans painted buildings, numerous commercial signs, stage scenery and various decorative treatments in buildings. He is best known for paintings of childhood memories in Bishop Hill.

An art show for local students will be in the Galva Arts Council building from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The public is welcome to come view these student works.

To learn more, contact the Galva Arts Council at (563) 293-6986, galvaarts@gmail, online at GalvaArtsCouncil.com, or via Facebook.

Old Settlers’ Day is back in Bishop Hill

BISHOP HILL – The Bishop Hill Old Settlers’ Association is celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the founding of Bishop Hill Colony and the 125th Anniversary of the Bishop Hill Old Settlers’ Association on Saturday, Sept. 11.

The day’s events begin at 10 a.m. with a parade around the village park. The traditional parade is held every five years and features historical floats, the Bishop Hill High Society Band, entries of Americana old and new, marching bands, vintage tractors, fire trucks and more.

The traditional Old Settlers dinner will be held at the Old Colony School beginning at 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. Cost of the meal is by donation only. Carry out will be available.

The 125th Annual Old Settlers’ Reunion will begin at 1 p.m. with a concert in the park by the Bishop Hill High Society Band, followed by the program at 2 p.m. Featured speaker is Janet (Troline) Kenyon, a Colony descendent who was raised on the family farm two miles Southeast of Bishop Hill.

Musical entertainment will be provided by Frankie Joe & Kinfolk, a spirited band playing original songs. Bring lawn chairs, as seating is limited.

Also on Sept. 11, author Lilly Setterdahl will host a book signing on the porch of the Steeple Building from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Her two latest books are “Swedish-American Portraits,” interviews of area families, and “Bishop Hill Reframed,” a fresh look at Bishop Hill history. Born in Sweden, Lilly has translated Bishop Hill documents for 60 years and authored 25 books, five of which are novels.

All are welcome. Parade entries must be received by Sept. 5. To enter the parade, or for more information, email: r.j.anderson61419@gmail, or call (309) 883-9209.

Donation to Galva Historical Society

KEWANEE – Galva business owners Ronald and Teri Pankau donated a display to hold a cement star that is from the old John H. Best and Sons building downtown.

The cement star was around the top of the old building and the demolition crew saved one of them when the building was torn down. It

was also donated to the Galva Historical Society.

Ronald and Teri were present Saturday afternoon during an open house held at the Wiley House Museum in Galva to honor the John H. Best family owned business.

Everyone who attended were treated with refreshments, which included homemade star cookies.

The museum, which is full of Galva items, is open on Wednesday and Sundays from 1-4 p.m.

Swihart named U of I horticulture educator

MILAN – University of Illinois Extension announces Emily Swihart as the new horticulture educator for the Henry, Mercer, Rock Island and Stark Counties unit.

Formerly a program manager for Trees Forever, Swihart received her bachelor’s degree in horticulture from Iowa State University and her master’s in landscape architecture from Kansas State University. She brings 11 years of experience working for a non-profit organization, developing and delivering continuing education opportunities for volunteers, community leaders and professionals.



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Emily specializes in urban forestry, native plant ecosystems, landscape design, conservation and natural resource enhancement and preservation and fruit and vegetable production in the home landscape.

Swihart is filling the position vacated by Martha Smith who retired in July. She will be based in the Illinois Extension office located at 321 W. 2nd Ave., Milan. Swihart can be reached at (309) 756-9978 or by email at eswihart@illinois.edu.

Galva Bucks expire December 31, 2021.

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LEGAL ADS

F19090040 RSGNT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY TOULON, ILLINOIS
 NewRez LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing Plaintiff, vs. Robin Linn Sulaski; Debra A. Hackwith; Paul D. Hackwith; Evan C. Sulaski; Defendants.
CASE NO. 21CH1
 315 West Turner Avenue, Toulon, Illinois 61483
NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE
 Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above entitled cause on July 16, 2021, I, Sheriff, Steven Sloan of Stark County, Illinois, will hold a sale on September 28, 2021, commencing at 9:00 AM, at the Stark County Courthouse, 130 West Main Street, Toulon, IL 61483, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit:
 A PART OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 6 RODS EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 19 AND RUNNING THENCE EAST SIX (6) RODS; THENCE NORTH 12 RODS AND TEN (10) FEET; THENCE WEST SIX (6) RODS; THENCE SOUTH TWELVE (12) RODS AND TEN (10) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF STARK, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 315 West Turner Avenue, Toulon, Illinois 61483
 P.I.N.: 04-19-338-007
 First Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$70,730.48
 IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY, OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE

ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY ACT
 Terms of Sale: CASH – 10% down at the time of sale and the balance due within 24 hours of the sale. All payments for the amount bid shall be in certified funds payable to the Sheriff of Stark County.
 IF the sale is not confirmed of any reason, the Purchaser at the sale may be entitled at most only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee's attorney, or the court appointed selling officer.
 The person to contact for information regarding this property is:
 Sales Department at Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC, 1771 West Diehl Road, Suite 120, Naperville, IL, 60563, (630) 453-6960. For bidding instructions, visit www.dallegal.com 24 hours prior to sale.
 This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
 Diaz Anselmo & Associates, LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax)
 Attorney No. Cook 64727, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232
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THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR.
 8061-916994
 Published 8/20, 8/27, 9/3/21

REQUEST FOR FUEL BIDS:
 The Stark County CUSD #100 Board of Education is seeking bids for the following petroleum products:
 • Unleaded gasoline (w/10% ethanol, 87 octane) beginning December 1, 2021, and extending through November 30, 2022.
 • Diesel (#2 ULS clear w/5% bio) beginning December 1, 2021, and extending through November 30, 2022.
 Sealed bids should be submitted to: Superintendent's Office, 300 W. Van Buren, Wyoming, Illinois 61491. Outside of envelope should be marked "FUEL BID". Deadline for

submitting bids: 12:00 Noon, Wednesday, September 15, 2021.
 Interested bidders may contact Superintendent Brett Elliott at 309-695-6123 or belliot@stark100.com for more information.
 The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Stark County CUSD #100 is an equal opportunity employer.
 Published 9/3/21

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF: KENNETH L. GURNSEY, Deceased No. 2021P12
CLAIM NOTICE (Publication)
 Notice is given of the death of Kenneth L. Gurnsey. Letters of Office were issued on August 6, 2021, to Hailey R. Gurnsey, as Independent Administrator, whose attorneys are Barash & Everett, LLC. Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Stark County Courthouse, Toulon, Illinois, or with the representative - or both - on or before March 1, 2022. Any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit: <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider.
 If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit: <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local Circuit Clerk's office.

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 Published 8/27, 9/3, 9/10/21

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until 10:00 AM on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read.
DESCRIPTION OF WORK:
 11500 TON CA-6 (CRUSHED) DELIVERED IN PLACE
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 100 TON CA-16 (CRUSHED) STOCKPILE
 1040 TON SLAG (CA-16 EQUIV) STOCKPILE
 200 TON SLAG ABRASIVES (CINDER/EQUIV) STOCKPILE
COMPLETION OF WORK: All work should be completed by October 1, 2021.
DELIVERY OF MATERIALS: If the delivery is listed to stockpile, delivery shall be made to the Stark County Highway Department building. The Bidder shall deliver a minimum of 200 tons of aggregate per day unless otherwise directed by the County Engineer.
TO OBTAIN PROPOSALS: Proposals will be available at the Stark County Highway Department, 411 East Main Street, Toulon, IL 61483 or by calling 309-356-5393. Published 9/3/21

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY TOULON, ILLINOIS
 U.S. Bank National Association PLAINTIFF
 Vs. Francesca S. Wagley; et. al. DEFENDANTS
 No. 2019CH8
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
 PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 02/28/2020, the Sheriff of Stark County, Illinois will on October 12, 2021 at the hour of 9:30 AM at Second floor courtroom of the Stark County Courthouse 130 Main Street Toulon, IL 61483, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stark and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
 A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. MORE PARTICULARLY

BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS AND BEARINGS ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF DESCRIPTION ONLY:
 BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE NORTH 89°58'00" EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 22, A DISTANCE OF 180.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°00'00" WEST, 411.50 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF AN EXISTING 3.40 ACRE TRACT, THENCE SOUTH 89°58'00" WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT 180.00 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE NORTH 00°00'00" EAST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 33, A DISTANCE OF 411.50 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; SITUATED IN STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
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 If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).
 If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
 If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.
 Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.
 The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.
 IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN
Continued on Page 9

Amber Waves



Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas



RUSTLE MANIA 2021 by Mike Marland



The Spats by Jeff Pickering

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 3

CryptoQuote

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

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 DY DE YPC YGRSEJDEEDMS
 MW WCCTDSB YPC RGYDEY
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 — TCM YMTEYMZ

Trivia test

by Phil Rodriguez

- MOVIES:** What is the name of the trouble-making fraternity in "National Lampoon's Animal House"?
- LITERATURE:** What kind of pet does Neville have in the Harry Potter book series?
- MUSIC:** Which singer/songwriter is nicknamed the Queen of Soul?
- GAMES:** In the NFL, how long is the halftime?
- TELEVISION:** What is the name of Mork's planet on "Mork & Mindy"?
- GEOGRAPHY:** Tokyo is located on which of Japan's four main islands?
- MEDICAL:** What is the common name for deglutition?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of tigers called?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What word represents the letter "J" in the NATO phonetic alphabet code?
- SCIENCE:** What is the "powerhouse" of the cell called?

Answers
 1. Delta Tau Chi or Delta House
 2. A toad named Trevor
 3. Aretha Franklin
 4. 12-15 minutes, except for the Super Bowl
 5. Ork
 6. Honshu
 7. Swallowing
 8. A streak or ambush
 9. Uniform
 10. Mitochondria, the organelle responsible for energy production

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Top 10

- Free Guy (PG-13)
- PAW Patrol: The Movie (G)
- Jungle Cruise (PG-13)
- Don't Breathe 2 (R)
- Respect (PG-13)
- The Suicide Squad (R)
- The Protégé (R)
- The Night House (R)
- Reminiscence (PG-13)
- Black Widow (PG-13)

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Answers on Page 3 — **Super Crossword** — LEAVES AND SHEDS

ACROSS

1 Is lacking
 6 Colombia's national airline
 13 Vid recorder
 16 Q-Tip's music
 19 Sound from Sneezy
 20 Wheels on axels
 21 Ring great Muhammad
 22 Australian bush bird
 23 Start of a riddle
 25 Company employee
 27 Prefix with pop
 28 Pvt.'s superior
 29 Frankenfood item, in brief
 30 A tailor may take it up or down
 31 Riddle, part 2
 37 Goopy mass
 39 Really silly
 40 Nida
 41 Toward sunset
 42 Shared living quarters
 45 Crime that gets MADD mad

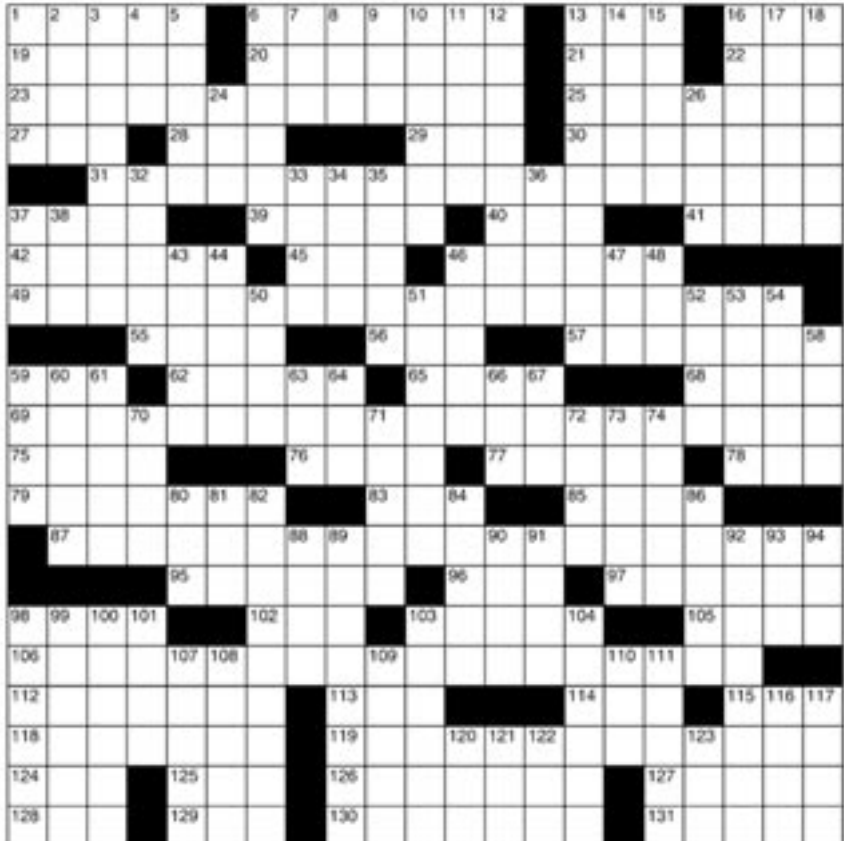
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46 Kumer's partner in films
 49 Riddle, part 3
 55 Crooner
 56 "Proly not"
 57 High-flying eagles, e.g.
 59 "Just — leared"
 62 Bishops of Rome
 65 Hair clump
 68 Et — (and others)
 69 Riddle, part 4
 75 Prefix with -syntrac
 76 Sod
 77 Bursting stars
 78 Kisses, on love notes
 79 Discard
 83 Gp. giving
 85 In addition
 87 Riddle, part 5
 95 Human
 96 Pro-stream
 102 U.N. Day mo.
 103 Minneapolis suburb
 105 Flubs it up
 106 End of the ride

112 Early right
 113 Contract sealer; Abbr.
 114 Blemish
 115 1040 pro
 118 Title sorority of a 1985 film
 119 Riddle's answer
 124 Uno plus due
 125 Tandoor-baked bread
 126 French "Stephen"
 127 Ham it up
 128 Prov. on Hudson Bay
 129 Agcy.
 130 Mailed, e.g.
 131 Tender spots

11 Pinch into small ridges
 12 Part of ASAP
 13 Measures of business profitability
 14 Make changes to
 15 Marlins' home
 16 Distill, e.g.
 17 Makes changes to
 18 Most sinless
 24 String after E
 26 Took to the sky
 32 Desktop introduced in '81
 33 Pantheon figures
 34 Shutout, e.g.
 35 Gibson garnish
 36 Blazing thing
 37 Bikini top
 38 Chaney Sr. or Jr.
 43 Split to unite
 44 "Dogma" co-star Matt
 46 "Meh"
 47 August sign
 48 Day, in Peru
 50 "Tenity"
 51 "Chicago" actress
 52 Mardi —
 53 Coiled shape
 54 Overdone
 58 Cheekiness
 59 Just slightly
 60 "Hawaii" co-star Max von —
 61 Stilted reply to "Who's there?"
 63 Office phone no., often
 64 Erwin of early films
 66 Bogland
 67 Even it, for short
 70 Parasite site
 71 Dnaght
 72 Cole Porter's "Well, Did You —?"
 73 Knightly trait
 74 Point of debate
 80 Unit of resistance
 81 — "Adecan (language family)
 82 Crowding into
 84 "Storage Wars" airer
 86 More mature
 88 Cut in glass
 89 Works by painter Henri
 90 Expedition

91 Yemen's capital
 92 Film VIP
 93 "Yuk" cousin
 94 Raised train lines
 98 In the practice of
 99 Gin joint
 100 Hole to receive a shoelace
 101 Kick a football
 103 Slide through, say
 104 Band around a sleeve
 107 Harpsichord relative
 108 About even (with)
 109 Seven, in Spain
 110 Mai —
 111 Compels
 116 Folk singer Seeger
 117 Greek war deity
 120 Despite this
 121 Yoko from Tokyo
 122 First prime minister of Burma
 123 Network of med. providers



Galva volleyball wins second match

By **JEFF LAMPE** and **PHIL JOHNSON**
 For The Prairie News

The Galva volleyball team upped its record to 2-4 Monday with a 25-12, 25-16 win over Peoria Manual.

Sarah Kaiser led with three aces, while Kali Yelm was tops in points (eight) and digs (six)

Stark County competed in the early season tourna-

ment at Spring Valley Hall on Saturday, losing to Sherrard, St Bede, Seneca and Galva.

Kylee Frisby was the kills leader on the day, while Payten Hillier led SCHS in aces for the tournament.

The Lady Rebels dropped a 25-13, 25-8 decision to non-conference rival Peoria Christian at home last Thursday. Frisby

scored on two kills and one ace. Tori Hawley picked up a kill. Lilly Robinson defended with five digs.

"Although we didn't come out on top, I'm excited about the energy and work ethic we displayed," Stark County Coach Mary Jo Groter said. "This is something we haven't seen for a while, and I'm excited to see how the season progresses."

Volleyball — The Stark County girls cross country team placed fifth Monday at the Annawan-Wethersfield Titan Invitational at Midland Golf Club in Kewanee.

Ashley Orrick was top finisher for the Lady Rebels, placing eighth in 21:39.9. Paige Rewerts also earned a medal, running to 14th in 22:10.2. Other scoring runners for SC were: Kokone Kasaya (26th, 23:56.8), Keagan Hamilton (33rd, 24:39.5) and Nina Longabaugh (51st, 27:51.3).

Alex Welch led the boys team by finishing 14th in 19:14.6 to earn a medal.

Other Rebel runners were Jared Prindiville (34th, 21:19.3), Jack Winans (41st, 21:52.0) and Colby Carroll (46th, 21:56.3).

At Galva, coach Tayer Kuenneth is happy to have a junior high program in place to help feed the high school.

Kuenneth said the top high school runner looks to be Jake Conrad.

"I am very excited to have several new faces on the team and their excitement to participate in cross country and try out a new sport," Kuenneth said. "I hope to have a successful season, with each athlete improving their PRs and demonstrating personal growth as a runner throughout the season."

Golf — Jaxon Willer was medalist for the fourth straight meet for Galva with a round of 39 Monday as the team shot 205.

Tractor sales revving up

By **DANIEL GRANT**
 Farm Week

Supply chain issues haven't stopped farmers and others from buying ag equipment, based on the Association of Equipment Manufacturers' (AEM) mid-year tractor and combine sales report.

AEM reported sales increased 13.7% for farm tractors and 12.6% for combines the first half of the year compared to the same stretch in 2020.

The sales pace also remains above the five-year average, although it did drop below last year's run from May to June.

LARGE ANTIQUE, OUTDOOR/TOOL AUCTION

The following very nice auction of Kubota mower, Ford Explorer, beer and other signs, RR, primitives, antiques and more will be held on location at 309 S Elmwood Rd. Farmington, IL 61531, on **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2021 AT 12:00 NOON**

NOTE: This is a fabulous auction of a great variety of items. Two lines will be running for most of the day, so plan accordingly. The mower, Explorer, trailer and some bigger items will sell around 1 p.m. See many pictures online at www.folgersauctionservice.com and LIKE US ON FACEBOOK.

OUTDOOR, TOOLS: 2012 Kubota ZD20 72" zero turn mower w/1503 hrs., rear mount, 28HP, new belts, runs great—Kubota 5 HP self-propelled mower/bagger—Craftsman 7.25 Briggs Stratton plat. self propelled mower/bagger, like new—1998 Ford 4 x 4 Explorer w/150,000 miles, runs good, new brakes and suspension, new exhaust/cad. converter, good tires, air and 4 x 4 work great—22' enclosed trailer w/Bradford wagon gear, roll up door, good tires, no title—prim. farm barge box wagon w/perfect wooden wheels and tongue, no floor—stack of heavy barn beams—wooden spoked old buggy—McCormick Deering steel wheeled tractor—JD steel wheeled 2 row planter—2 brand new electric bicycles wchargers, manuals etc., one white RadPower Radrover w/40 mile charge and one orange Radwagon RadPower with 40 mile charge—Westpoint, 5 speed Western Flyer and Schwinn older men's bikes, older Sear's woman's bike, 1940's Elgin woman's bike—steel wheels, potato plow, push cult., old planter, reel mower, and other prim. yard tools—Fisher snow skis and water skis, snow shoes—cooler, camping and fishing supplies, outdoor NB lighting, hammock, new smoker, cement bird bath, yard art, metal yard, Coleman and other lanterns, NB trail camera, NB kinetic bird feeder, many rods, reels and tackle boxes, frames of nice lures, black powder, Crossman 400 BB gun, Ocean City 605 and other Big Game reels in box, Clearwater Compound bow, flashing light off truck top, works, truck spot lights—lg. live trap—11"x 28" tractor rim—5 Jeep rims—lg. iron dec. panels—brass boat propellers—nice US mail box—Stihl BR400 backpack blower—Stihl BGE60 electric blower—Bostitch 6 gallon 150PSI port. compressor—wireless broadband router—misc. mechanics, hand, power, welding gauges, yard and other tools, many new—Honeywell Heater NB—Ryobi 18" trimmer—Craftsman laser—10" table saw—prim. vice—scythe—Johnson Sea Horse outboard motor w/stand—boat anchor—Ford, lg. JD and many other old wrenches—6000# new 12v winch—25 amp Stanley battery charger—electric and battery B&D chain saws—Homelite Super2 chain saw—brass Craftsman items, planes, 20 ton jack and MVP superlift jack—tons of hardware and organizers—6' and other ladders—battery oper. weed eaters—mallets, saws and blades, balls, hitches, chain, cords, reels, etc.—prim. coal shovel—framed turkey tail/beard mounts—cast iron bench frames—chairs—so much more.

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES: RI Lines brass bell—Locomotive horn—2 early RR Coach car lites—Chicago NW and RI RR lanterns—RI RR metal step—brass mounted RR lantern—porc. round RR sign—other RR—Miss/Pacific smoking stand with ashtray—Great Norther popcorn popper cart—Lionel train set in box—elect. cars—old AMI lighted juke box with records and key—L.E. 2020 Field of Dreams Budweiser 24"x36" Comm. Mirror (Cardinal/White Sox game that was cancelled due to covid last year, very few and were only available to distributors in IL, IA and MO)—old iron Donald Duck full size coin oper. ride on machine—Proud to be an American Eagle sign—Great Planes Big Stick power airplane—C130 plastic plane—pitcher pump—NOS Schlitz signs—Lg. round metal old Milwaukee round signs—vintage Schlitz gold mounted set of bar lights—older Budweiser metal thermometer—lighted Budweiser clock—2 Budweiser wall retro lamps—Coors Light metal sign—Lite beer cap sign—Budweiser mirror clock—sm. Miller genuine grill—Hires RootBeer clock—John Wayne tall sign—Rexall Products clock—Miller cactus light—Blue Ribbon bucket—Michelob PGA Tour 18th hole neon sign—Budweiser fish sign—Hooter's sign—Winston/Salem cig. Display—metal Assembler's, Inc. IA sign—Corling Black Label plastic beer sign—Lite wooden sign—Miller (if you got the time) sign—complete Galva Blue Star pump—lighted Radio Shack double sided sign—whiskey barrels—1941 wooden Canton/Macomb Coke box—nice glass Planter's Peanut jar w/metal lid—old Galesburg, IL. Dr's full bag and old office scale—sm. JD metal plow (sample?)—1/24 scale die cast stock cars NB—Coke hot dog warmer—North Pole Christmas NB anim. Train—Phillip's 56 spark and Champion Aviation plugs in boxes—2 buggy lanterns—old tractor lamps—old Ford tractor lenses—68 Vette bumper—NB Piranhamax 4 and Sky Rover toys, other NB cars, cases of new Polly's—prim. fireplace frame—disassembled wooden Grandfather's clock, new prim. look—beautiful double globe kerosene flowered brass lamp—Hardware display cabinet full—169166 Economy King old iron separator—7' Converse glass sign, complete—prim. screen, other doors—iron pans—lg. brass deer mount and other brass—vintage cast iron hitching post w/horse hitch—GTJG Alton, IL. Going to the Game jersey—Hubley 450 toy tractor w/spring seat—lg. oil painting—Paddlewheel boat picture—2 Frank McCarthy pictures—Danbury Mint farm plates—outdoor chandelier—horse collar mirror—Kelley's shoe polish display—milk and soda bottles—Telesar telescope—wooden ammo boxes, other primitives—Cash's Dairy cases, bottles and Fort Creamery—lg. set bull horns—sm. Spirit of St. Louis juke box radio—cherry pitters—Kitchen Aid k5FFWH blender—59 Cadillac tail lights—289 Ford Mustang emblems—soybean and other old license plates—carbide lights—several knives—SR76 black powder in cans—Crescent 1925 desk phone—lg. meat cleaver—Emerson osc. and Westinghouse fans—copper items—pool cues—model cars—Casper movie ghosts—candle holder pistols—so much more!

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GALVA SEASON OPENER

8-man debut

Wildcats finish strong in opener

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Prairie News

GALVA – It should come as no surprise that the new Galva football team took one half of football to figure things out a bit.

New program. New uniforms. New style of play. New coach. All of that factored into the debut of 8-man football in Galva last Saturday.

But after falling behind 16-0 to visiting Metro East Lutheran, the Wildcats showed improvement after intermission in a 28-18 loss.

“I was extremely pleased with the effort and toughness our kids showed. Overall, it was a pretty good showing,” Galva Coach Tyler Nichols said. “We outscored them in the second half. We talked at halftime about cleaning up the mistakes we had made in the first half. We talked about controlling what we could control.”

After failing to score on two opportunities inside the 10-yard line in the first half due to miscues, Galva started cashing in during the final two quarters. The first Wildcats score came on a 3-yard run by junior quarterback Jaxson Meier,



Freshman Talan Hull carries for Galva in last Saturday's first game for the Wildcats' new 8-man football team. Hull had an 8-yard scoring run in the 28-18 loss to Metro East Lutheran. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

who was in his first varsity game.

Then after a Metro East touchdown made the score 22-6 later in the third quarter, Galva answered. Speedy sophomore Carter Deveney took the ensuing kickoff 85 yards in for a score to bring the Wildcats within 22-12.

“Carter is definitely a burner,” Nichols said.

Metro East scored again and Galva then closed the scoring in the fourth quarter on an 8-yard run by freshman Talan Hull.

While final statistics were not available, Nichols said Jett Olson

was the leading rusher for Galva with 85 yards and Meier passed for “about 120 yards.”

“The whole team played well, but the one player who impressed me most was Jett Olson,” Nichols said. “He only came off the field on kick returns. Otherwise he was on the field for every play, which in that heat is impressive.”

Nichols was also impressed with the crowd that showed up for the afternoon game despite the 90-degree heat.

Next for Galva is a trip to Pawnee Saturday for a 2 p.m. game.

Rebels roll

Stark County routs Ridgewood, 33-14 despite not attempting a pass

By JEFF LAMPE

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CAMBRIDGE – One time last Friday, sophomore quarterback Luke Rewerts rolled out with an option to throw a pass.

“But he knew it was covered and he tucked it and ran for 8 yards,” Stark County Coach Jade Noard said.

With the ground game going strong and Rewerts thrust into a starting role late last week, there was really no reason to put the ball in the air. And so, for the first time in Noard’s 17-year head coaching career at Stark County, the Rebels did not attempt a pass.

More importantly, Stark County rumbled to an important 33-14 season-opening win over Ridgewood. After spotting the home team a first-quarter score, the Rebels tallied 33 straight unanswered points as running backs Daniel Kieser and Jack Meinders each topped 100 yards for

the game.

“Going on the road and being able to establish a ground game like we did and getting the first one is a big deal,” Noard said. “We know there’s going to come a time when we have to throw the ball. And we feel we can. But it wasn’t Friday.”

Not with an offensive line that was opening big holes for backs, who averaged 9.1 yards per carry en route to a 338-yard rushing total. Kieser had 139 yards on 10 carries and Meinders was at 135 yards for 16 carries.

“That speaks a lot for our line and for the way our backs ran and blocked for each other,” Noard said. “We just opened up some big holes.”

Stark County (1-0, 1-0 Lincoln Trail Conference) answered Ridgewood’s first-quarter score with a 33-yard TD run by junior Kieser.

The Rebels took control *Continued on Page 11*

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