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DEER ON THE MOVE

Oh deer Be alert while driving

By Prairie News Staff Reports
 SPRINGFIELD – As the days get shorter, the temperatures drop and the leaves change color and fall, the Illinois Department of Transportation and Illinois Department of Natural Resources are reminding motorists that autumn is accompanied by deer mating season in Illinois.

During this time of year, deer become especially active, mainly at dawn and dusk from October through December. That increases the likelihood of deer accidents.

And worth noting is that Peoria County is one of the top 10 counties for deer-vehicle crashes in 2020.

"Although a collision with a deer can happen any time of
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Fall breeding season makes bucks more active and more visible to hunters, as well as to drivers. This Saturday through Monday is the youth deer hunting season in Illinois. Photo by Drew Kleine.

Toulon gets tough on nuisance properties

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – Toulon is getting serious about nuisance properties in the city. Four property owners were ruled upon in Stark County's Circuit Court Friday, Oct. 1 and have been fined for not maintaining their properties per the city ordinance.

Circuit Court Judge James A. Mack accepted the guilty pleas in three negotiated dispositions from the property owners. Charles D. Slightom, Sr., Charles D. Slightom, Jr. and Shane M. Decker were fined \$125 plus \$100 court costs for not keeping their properties up to code.

Mack found the fourth owner guilty "ex parte" after he did not show for his court date. Mark D. Thornton, who

did not appear in court, was found guilty and received the same \$225 court fines and costs.

Nuisances included unmowed grass, non-operational vehicles present and "junk" on the properties.

Mack told the defendants that if they do not clean up their properties, the city will, and then it will charge them for doing such, plus put a lien on their properties to collect the fees.

City Attorney Joshua Herman, of the Miller, Hall and Triggs law firm from Peoria, prosecuted the cases.

Toulon Police Chief Gary Bent indicated that other nuisance properties in Toulon will be prosecuted if they are not cleaned up and continue to be in violation of Toulon's ordinance.

Blooming roadsides offer perfect bouquet

By RON DIETER

For The Prairie News

The roadsides are bursting with blossoms fit for bouquets. The flowers of asters, goldenrod, grasses, and even snakeroot make for attractive floral arrangements.

Goldenrod dominates the scene in our neck of the woods, its golden yellow flowers reflecting the autumn sun across hillsides and pastures. Called Solidago by the horticultural cognoscenti, goldenrod blooms at the same time as common ragweed and is often wrongly blamed for persecuting allergy suf-

ferers.

Illinois is home to 20-plus species of goldenrod and it takes a real plant nerd to sort them out since they hybridize easily. The most common species in Illinois is Solidago canadensis, or weedy goldenrod.

Canada solidago is everywhere. The plant is usually a single stem two to six feet tall covered with lance-like leaves and topped with several flowering stems bearing yellow blooms along their length. Plants mowed in early summer grow back "bushier" and bloom

later. Goldfinches and sparrows are fond of goldenrod seeds.


Fall blooming wild asters can often be found growing with goldenrod. Growing two to four feet tall, depending on the variety, asters produce small daisy-like flowers about an inch across. Each flower has a yellow center with white, pink, purple or blue petals, depending on the species.

In our woods there naturally grows a good number of wildflowers, including one called white snakeroot. The technical name was

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A bouquet of native plants taken from roadsides and prairies rivals anything sold at most florists. Photo by Ron Dieter.



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SNAKEROOT: Used by natives to treat snakebite

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 Eupatorium rugosum, but botanical taxonomists got to rummaging around in the plant's DNA and decided to change the name to Ageratina altissima.

White snakeroot can grow four feet tall or more. The tall stems are topped off with fluffy white blossoms which look very much like those of annual ageratum, the blue-flowered annual. It's native to woodland areas but grows happily in ditches and fence rows too. The plant seeds out readily and can get out of hand if used as an ornamental in a garden. Snakeroot flowers will outlast most others in cut-flower arrangements.

On a recent morning, I took a short walk along our road with a small bucket of water and garden shears. I gathered some of these wildflowers and seedheads of some

tall grasses. I brought them home and enlisted my better half to arrange them. I must say the bouquet looks rather nice as a seasonal accent on the dining room table.

The yellow glow of the goldenrod contrasts nicely with the blue (actually reddish purple) of the asters. Spikes of grass flowers add height and texture while white snakeroot blossoms add sparkle. When arranging flowers, a good rule of thumb is to always add a touch of white. It brings life to the arrangement.

Pardon me while I digress, but white snakeroot has an interesting history. Native Americans ground the roots to make a snakebite remedy. But the plant also has a sinister side. Its tissues contain a toxin called tremetol.

Livestock of early settlers sometimes pastured in areas where

snakeroot was lurking. Young animals grazing on the plant would become lethargic and develop tremors. Older animals were more tolerant and seldom showed symptoms, but their milk was toxic to calves. Humans who drank it would suffer severe abdominal pain, fall into a coma and die in days.

Nancy Lincoln, the mother of Abraham Lincoln, was nursing a neighboring family suffering from "the trembles" when she herself came down with the affliction. She died two weeks later, when Abe was just nine years old.

Later, in the 1830s, young doctor, Anna Hobbs, discovered the link between the cattle's diet and the illness, and snakeroot was eradicated from pastures. It wasn't until 1928 that tremetol was identified as the toxic chemical in snakeroot.

DEER: Don't change course on road for a deer

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 year, we are entering the peak season," said Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. "Deer can often appear suddenly in some surprising environments so you are urged to be on alert. Slow down, pay attention in areas where they are known to travel and remember — don't veer for deer. While the urge to swerve is instinctual, it could cause you to lose control of your vehicle and increase

the severity of a crash." Here are safe driving tips for deer mating season:

- Be aware of your surroundings, especially in areas with deer crossing signs.
 - Scan roadsides for eye shine — the reflection of headlights in their eyes.
 - Slow down if you see a deer. They travel in groups, so more are likely nearby.
 - Prepare for the unexpected. Deer may stop in the middle of the road or double back.
 - If a collision is inevitable, try to glance your vehicle off the deer and avoid swerving into the opposite lanes of traffic.
- In 2020, 13,787 motor vehicle crashes involved

deer in Illinois. Of these, 13,166 resulted in damage to property or vehicles, while 611 caused personal injuries. Ten crashes resulted in fatalities.

More than 43 percent of crashes involving deer in Illinois occurred in October, November and December, with November being the highest-risk month. Rural environments were the site of more than 62 percent of all motor vehicle crashes involving deer, with more than 72 percent occurring at twilight or nighttime.

The top 10 Illinois counties for crashes involving deer in 2020:

1. Cook 469
2. Madison 375
3. Will 322
4. Sangamon 308

5. Peoria 306
6. Kane 275
7. McHenry 271
8. Fulton 268
9. Lake 250
10. Williamson 249

An Illinois resident-driver of a motor vehicle involved in a vehicle-deer collision has priority in legally possessing white-tailed deer killed/injured as a result of a collision with a motor vehicle. If a driver does not take possession of the deer before leaving the collision scene, any citizen of Illinois not delinquent in child support may possess and transport the deer. Anyone claiming a deer must report possession within 24 hours through a Road Kill Deer Report Form, found online.

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Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

- 9-25 - Justin A. Mannon - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
- 9-26 - Jocelyn C. Little - Speeding 26-34 mph over the limit.
- 9-29 - Mathew R. T. Abbott - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.
- 9-22 - Amber K. Taylor - Registration expiration.
- 9-16 - Isaac C. Stahl - Disregard a stop sign.
- 10-2 - Denton Marvin Homan - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.

Felonies & Misdemeanors

- 9-17 - Ordinance violation: Mark D. Thornton - Maintaining a nuisance.
- 9-18 - Ordinance violation: Charles D. Slightom, Sr. - Maintaining a nuisance.
- 5-19 - Ordinance violation: Shane M. Decker - Maintaining a nuisance.
- 9-16 - Ordinance violation: Charles D. Slightom, Jr. - Maintaining a nuisance.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

- 9-23 - Donald L. Barks, Jr., 60, of rural Wyoming reported a possible theft from his residence. The incident remains under investigation.
- 9-26 - Robert W. Down, 48, Wyoming, was ticketed for illegal use of a cell phone while driving.
- 9-27 - A 17-year-old Wyoming girl was cited for speeding 77 mph in a 55 zone, failure to wear a seat belt, and violation of the graduated driver's restriction for driving past the permitted time frame. The teen was released with a notice to appear in court.
- 9-27 - A 17-year-old Wyoming boy was cited for driving 76 mph in a 55 zone, and for violation of the graduated driver's restrictions for driving past the permitted time allotment.
- 9-30 - A theft complaint by an employee from the Toulon Public Library was reported to authorities. The incident remains under investigation.
- 10-3 - Cody L. Dowds, 33, Marquette Heights, was arrested for driving while his license was suspended, unlawful display of a vehicle registration sticker, driving without insurance, use of an unsafe tire, unsafe vehicle equipment, and driving on an expired registration. He was released with a court date to appear.
- 10-3 - Laura Vanstaden, 23, Kewanee, was arrested for driving while her license was suspended, and no proof of vehicle insurance. She posted \$250 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

- 9-27 - to a disabled and abandoned vehicle just north of town. The vehicle was far enough off of the roadway and was not a traffic concern.
- 9-27 - to the 400 block of North



Center Ave. to assist a resident with attempting to locate a dog that had gotten loose.

9-28 - to the 00 block of SW 2nd St. for a theft report. As the result, Franziska Hurliman, 28, Galva, was arrested for theft under \$500. She was given a notice to appear in court and released.

9-28 - to the 00 block of SW 2nd St. for a complaint involving a young juvenile who was walking with no adult supervision after dark. The juvenile was returned home and it was determined that he sneaked out of the house.

9-29 - Officer was flagged down by a juvenile on North Center Ave. for assistance with capturing a loose dog.

9-30 - to the 300 block of Front St. for a two-vehicle collision with very minimal damage. The owners exchanged information and denied needing a crash report.

9-30 - to the 400 block of West Division St. for a check on a suspicious vehicle. Subject was waiting for a delivery.

9-30 - to the 300 block of NW 3rd Ave. for an ongoing issue with a barking dog.

9-30 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 1200 block of SE 2nd St., Drew Maxwell, 26, Kewanee, was arrested for speeding 26 to 35 mph over the posted limit and for operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released with a required court date.

9-30 - to the 100 block of SE 3rd St. to remove an unwanted subject.

10-1 - to the 700 block of West Division St. for a complaint of a possible burglary in progress. A subject was located however, he was an employee of the business.

10-2 - Officer checked on a subject loitering at a business after closing time. Subject was checked and advised to move along.

10-3 - to a disturbance in the 600 block of NW 7th Ave. As the result, Brandon Swank, 25, Galva, was arrested for felony trespass to a residence with persons present, assault, disorderly conduct, criminal damage to property and interference with reporting domestic violence. He was taken to the Henry County Jail.

10-3 - to the 200 block of East Division St. for a loud noise complaint.

10-3 - to Sentry Estates for a child

custody dispute.

10-3 - to the 500 block of SE 2nd St. for a motorist assist involving a subject who was locked out of a vehicle. Tarleton's was contacted to assist.

10-3 - to the 00 block of NE 4th Ave. to remove an unwanted subject.

10-3 - to the 400 block of North Center Ave. for "possible gunshots heard." Officer located a subject who had lit several fireworks.

9-27 - Hermelinda Quezada, 56, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1300 block of SE 2nd St.

9-29 - Joseph Horbenko, 37, Missouri, was issued a citation for speeding in the 500 block of West Division St.

9-30 - Tristin Garrett, 39, Galesburg, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1200 block of SE 2nd St.

10-2 - Julia Lopez-Perez, 27, Monmouth, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

Property Transfers

9-27 - Donald R. Gorden, Sr. to Justin Osborn-Siewert - Vg of LaFayette - Block 30 lot 1 - 310 E. Main St, LaFayette - Consideration = \$0.

9-27 - Juanita E. Lester, Dec'd by Exec. to Clifford, Jeffrey and Nathan Lane, Trustees - Pt 20-14-6 NW - Consideration = \$901,956.

9-30 - James P. Russell, Dec'd by Exec. to Nathan Thumma - Vg of Bradford - Pt lot 32 - 208 South St., Bradford - Consideration = \$55,000.

10-1 - Troy D. Calhoun to One Schott Properties, LLC - Original town of Toulon - Pt 12, Lots 7 & 10 - 311 W. Jefferson St., Toulon - Consideration = \$36,000.

10-1 - Terry J. Cox and Cynthia K. Gephart to Terry J. Cox -Pt 11-12-6 NW - Consideration = \$0.

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10-1 - Terry J. Cox to Tammy A. Browing - Pt 11-12-6 NW and Pt 10-12-6 SE - Consideration = \$0.

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GUEST VOICES



Death taxes really only for the 1 percenters

Most Americans know there are three, unalterable facts of life: death, taxes, and farmers howling about “death taxes.”

And just between you and me, there’s an oft-whispered, rarely acknowledged fourth fact of life: Nearly every farm leader knows there’s no such thing as a “death tax” – federal taxes due upon death – for 99 percent of all farmers.

That’s not an opinion; it is a provable fact. The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Economic Research Service (USDA, ERS) again confirmed it in a 23-page analysis of the American Family Plan, the pending White House tax proposal, in September.

The analysis, wrote ERS, “suggest(s) that of the estimated 32,174 family farm estates in 2021, 1.1 percent would owe capital gains at death, 18.2 percent would not owe capital gains taxes at death but could have deferred liability if the farm assets do not remain family-owned, and 80.7 percent would have no change to their capital gains tax liability.”

In one way, the farm leaders were right. The number of estimated farm estates to be taxed under the Biden plan is higher than the number under current tax law. That number, according to a March 2021 ERS report, is

incredibly tiny.

“For 2020, ERS forecasted 31,394 farm estates would be created from principal operator households, and out of those, 0.6 percent – or 189 estates – would be required to file an estate tax return, and only 0.16 percent of the 31,394 farm estates will have an estate tax liability.”

That means 50 – as in 5-0 or one per U.S. state – “farm estates have an estate tax liability.” Under the proposed changes, that average rises to seven per state.

As the numbers make clear, neither today’s tax laws nor the proposed American Family Plan creates a “death tax” crisis in any state or the nation. In fact, hardly any American – including American farmers – pay taxes after “death.”

And “hardly” means hardly.

According to 2020 estimates compiled by the non-profit, non-partisan Tax Policy Center, “About 4,100 estate tax returns will be filed for people who die in 2020, of which only about 1,900 will be taxable – less than 0.1 percent of the 2.8 million people expected to die in that year. Because of a series of increases in the estate tax exemption, few estates pay the tax.”

So it’s not just farmers not paying “death taxes,” 99.9 percent of all Americans who die don’t pay a penny to undertaker Uncle Sam. That means “death taxes” apply to only the 1,900 Americans either so rich upon death they can’t avoid some taxes or the few who die without a

plan to avoid taxes.

The facts, however, never get in the way of politicians preaching the horrors of phantom death taxes destroying the American family farm. A month before the Biden tax plan became public this spring, South Dakota Sen. John Thune argued that even “One family or business lost to the death tax is one too many.”

And Thune, the U.S. Senate’s second most powerful Republican, wasn’t alone. There was a bipartisan race to the microphones by virtually every House and Senate member to denounce death taxes on family farms despite clear evidence that virtually no family farm pays any estate taxes.

No mind, on Sept. 13, “The House Ways and Means Committee ... released a section-by-section fact sheet on the tax provisions in the [Biden tax] bill to be considered by the committee ... that did not include any references to changes in stepped-up basis for estate taxes,” noted the Hagstrom Report.

So, glory hallelujah, Congress has once again protected every “family farmer” from onerous “death taxes” that only 50 farm estates now pay.

Now, hopefully, they’ll tackle other critical issues like whether the Brooklyn Bridge is actually in Brooklyn.

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There are no words to truly express how I feel. I would like to thank all the churches who have shown their support at this difficult time, we truly are “one” family. Thank you also to this great community for all the cards, food, hugs and prayers we received at the time of Barb’s illness and passing, as Barb would say “Jesus loves you.”

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Sunday, October 10 at 12:00 noon

This is the 2nd auction for Joyce Barry and it will be larger than the first. There will be some absentee online bidding on some items please go to orwigauctionandeventcenter.hibid.com to register and bid.

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This will be a much larger auction than is listed please go to auctionzip.com or my facebook page for pictures and updates. Lunch stand and restroom available. Cash, good check or credit card with a 3% convenience fee. A loader tractor will be available, items to be removed by October 17 unless arrangements have been made.

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Local small businesses are encouraged to take advantage of Back to Business grants by submitting applications before the Oct. 13 deadline.

The General Assembly allocated \$250 million in American Rescue Plan Act dollars for small businesses experiencing COVID-19 losses, and the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity will continue to award grants on a rolling basis.

Eligible businesses are encouraged to apply by visiting the DCEO website (www2.illinois.gov/dceo).

To help restore operational losses incurred during the pandemic, the B2B program will provide grants ranging in size from \$5,000 to \$150,000, commensurate with losses experienced. DCEO will continue to accept applications for B2B grants through Oct. 13.

Community colleges impact local economies

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois community colleges have a multi-billion dollar impact on the state's economy and will be "integral in making a recovery from the pandemic an

equitable one," according a new report from the Northern Illinois University Center for Governmental Studies.

The Illinois Community Colleges' Economic Impacts and Student Employment Outcomes report said the indirect economic output tied to community colleges in 2020 was \$3.5 billion. Directly, the state's 48 community colleges employed 32,867 individuals in 2020 at a total combined salary of \$1.3 billion. Lazaro Lopez, chair of the Illinois Community College Board, said at a news conference unveiling the study that it proves what an economic force the state's community college system is.

"As the largest workforce training provider in Illinois, community colleges create an educated and skilled workforce that addresses current and future needs of many critical industries throughout our state," he said. "And through this work, community colleges provide a substantial economic benefit for the state and local communities where they reside."

An investment in a completed associate degree is worth \$238,000, according to the report, meaning someone completing a degree can expect to earn that much more over

40 years than if they did not. "The internal rate of return on their investment is 26.8 percent," according to the study. "In other words, if a student put \$33,368 in an investment that returned 40 annual payments equivalent to the earnings gains from an associate degree, they would earn interest at a rate of 26.9 percent."

That's factoring in an assumed cost of \$31,883 for the degree, including tuition and other expenses as well as "opportunity" cost, which includes time spent at school instead of work.

A degree or even a narrow certificate can lead to higher wages and likely long-term employment, said Brian Durham, executive director of the ICCB.

– Jerry Nowicki, Capitol News Illinois

Et cetera

• SPRINGFIELD – The Old State Capitol building in Springfield will again welcome visitors to tour the interior of the state historic site beginning Oct. 7, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) announced today.

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Mottaz has had varied roles in ag world

By **JEFF LAMPE**

For The Prairie News

ELMWOOD – Ted Mottaz has always looked beyond the corn in the field. So even while this year’s harvest has been good and prices are very good, Mottaz is pondering what he sees as an uncertain future for corn growers.

Specifically, what will the increase in electric vehicles mean for corn growers who nowadays sell nearly 40 percent of their crop for use in ethanol refining?

“I don’t want to sound alarmist or say we’re going to give up,” said Mottaz, who lives in Elmwood with his wife, Janet. “But it’s going to take one real good player in our production that we’re going to have to find or something to go with it.”

Mottaz speaks from experience. In an agriculture career that dates to the 1960s, he has served a multitude of roles, from ag teacher to lobbyist to truck driver, which is where he was last Friday. Ted Mottaz partners with his brother, Jeff, and nephews Austin and Adam Mottaz to farm ground in Knox, Fulton and Peoria counties. On a warm, windy Friday, they headed to the field after attending a land auction in Yates City where the winning bid on ground they once farmed was \$7,800 per acre. Prices like that are a reflection of strength in the ag market right now, with corn bringing \$5.26 per bushel on Monday – up markedly from just one year ago.

A multitude of factors impact corn prices, but some of that is the lobbying work of people like Ted Mottaz,



Ted Mottaz of Elmwood waits to ship a load of corn to the elevator Friday in a Knox County farm field.

taz, who spent a term as Illinois Corn president and was a team chairman for the National Corn Growers.

One facet of those jobs is spending time with legislators, including a lobbying trip to Washington, D.C., several years ago that earned Mottaz national exposure after Aaron Schock resigned from Congress.

“We were in his office the day he announced his resignation and it just so happened there were a dozen news media people there,” recalled Mottaz, who found himself being interviewed by CNN, CBS and NBC.

That’s one of the more publicized moments of an ag career that saw Mottaz return from a tour as a combat infantryman in Vietnam to start teaching agriculture at ROWVA High School from 1973-79. From there, Mottaz went to Carl Sandburg College to teach ag until 2002.

After that, he went into farming full-time and began spending more time with farm and conservation organizations, including serving as president of the Knox County Farm Bureau and the Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District.

In recognition of his varied roles in the ag field, Mottaz was honored in 2020 by Prairie Farmer magazine as one of five Master Farmers for Illinois. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, an award ceremony was moved to this summer at the annual Farm Progress Show in Decatur. The award is an ag “lifetime achievement” honor of sorts.

“It’s not just the person with the largest scope of operation. What they’re looking for is community involvement and professional involvement,” Mottaz said. “It’s a reflection of the commitment to the community you live in. Improving agriculture is what we’re out to do.”

With that in mind, Mottaz keeps a careful eye on trends and technology.

As for this year’s harvest, Mottaz said downed corn has been a real problem across central Illinois. Fungus has also been an issue due to the cool, wet conditions we saw for so much of the growing season.

“A lot of fungicide was sprayed this year, because if you didn’t, you were going to get 50 percent knock-off on yield,” he said.

Attention to those sort of details is not a surprise coming from Mottaz, who has explained his farming philosophy as, “Productivity. Innovation. Stewardship.”

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STEPHEN L. LOUDENBURG, Deceased. No. 2021P16 NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of STEPHEN L. LOUDENBURG on July 21, 2021.

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the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies.

DATED this 24th day of September, 2021. MARJORIE A. LOUDENBURG, Executor of the Estate of STEPHEN L. LOUDENBURG, Deceased.

ROBERT L. POTTS, Esq. WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD. Attorneys for Executor 118 West Main Street P. O. Box 368 Elmwood, IL 61529-0368 Telephone: (309) 742-3611 becky@whitneyandpotts.com Published 10/1, 10/8, 10/15/21

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 24, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Stark County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as J Warner Home Improvement located at 140 N. Peoria St., Bradford, IL.

Dated September 24, 2021. /s/ Heather L. Hollis County Clerk

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Answers on Page 3 Super Crossword SEVEN THREE WAYS

Crossword puzzle grid with numbered squares and corresponding clues for 'ACROSS' and 'DOWN'.

Continuation of crossword puzzle grid.

ESSEX TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021. Town Fund Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, Road & Bridge District, Construction, Equipment & Buildings Fund. Includes financial tables and signatures of Gary Goodwin, Supervisor.

Ford F150 For Sale 2011 Ford F150, Lariat 182,243 miles White Platinum, 5.0L V8, 4WD, Heated/Cooled Seats, Rear View Camera Newer catalytic converters. \$10,800 Call 309-231-6040

OBITUARIES

Joan E. Delzell

CASTLETON – Joan E. (Fuller) Delzell, 79, of Castleton, passed away at 10:51 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021, at UnityPoint Health Methodist in Peoria. Joan was born on Oct. 1, 1942, in Philadelphia, Penn., the daughter of Horace and Edna (Diston) Manuel. She married Glenn H. Fuller, Sr. in February of 1962. He preceded her in death on May 29, 1994. She later married Michael Delzell on March 3, 2003, in Peoria; he survives.



Delzell

Also surviving are four children Lori Nelson of Kirksville, Mo., Gail Greathouse of Novinger, Mo., Kim VanDyke of Ashburn, Va., and Glenn Fuller, Jr. of Geneseo, Ill.; six grandchildren, Deanna, Adam, Victoria, A.J., Max and Andrew; five great grandchildren, Jaceton, Makenzee, Chelsey, Kylei and Destiny; and one sister, Barbara Harmon of Maryland. She is also preceded in death by her parents; two grandsons, Michael and Brian; and one brother, Robert Manuel.

Joan moved to Illinois in the early 1970s. She previously worked in the banking industry in Philadelphia and for the Bank of Wyoming, Ron's in Wyoming and Cub Foods. She was also a former crew leader for Pioneer Hybrid.

Joan lived a very faithful and Christ-centered life. She was a member of the Princeville Baptist Church and a former member of the Bradford Baptist Church. She loved her family and her grandkids. Her hobbies included gardening, cooking, attending classical music classes at ICC, and she enjoyed driving the tractor while her kids detasseled corn.

Her funeral service will be at 11:30 a.m., Friday, Oct. 8, 2021, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming. Rev. Lee Taylor will officiate. Visitation will be 10:30-11:30 a.m., Friday at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Wyoming.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Joan Delzell Celebration of Life Fund, c/o Princeville State Bank. Condolences may be left for Joan's family on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Joyce M. Holmes

WYOMING – Joyce Marie Holmes, 77, of Wyoming, passed away at 6:46 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4, 2021, at Toulon Rehab & Health Care Center.

Joyce was born Jan. 20, 1944, in Peoria, the daughter of Joseph and Pearl Camp. She married Richard Charles Holmes on May 21, 1963, in Platteville, Wis. He preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 2000.

Surviving are three grandchildren, Zachory Warren of Milan, April (Brandon) Sies of Wyoming, and Jessica (Phil) Seiwel of Speer; three great grandchildren, Braxton Sies, Lawrence Seiwel, and Emmitt Seiwel; one sister, Jean Griner of Pa.; one daughter-in-law, Trudy Holmes of Wyoming; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was also preceded in death by her parents; one son, Michael Holmes, and one daughter, Michelle Holmes.

Joyce worked for L.R. Nelson for 27 years. She enjoyed traveling, country music, gardening and watching her favorite TV shows. She loved her family and friends, and will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021, at Wyoming Cemetery. Rev. Joe Hamilton will officiate. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming is in charge of arrangements. Immediately following the graveside service, all friends and family are invited to St. Dominic Parish Hall for food and fellowship.

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

Barbara S. Pomeroy

TOUNON – Barbara Sue Pomeroy, 65, of Toulon, formerly of Knox, Ind., was a caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She left this world peacefully at 4:08 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021, at her home. Barbara was born on Feb. 16, 1956, in Eureka, S. D., the daughter of Norval and Esther (Bratton) Wixom. She married Leon Pomeroy on Aug. 27, 1977, in Caldwell, Idaho; he survives.



Holmes

Her memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021, at the Toulon United Methodist Church in Toulon. Rev. Mary Kathryn Pearce will officiate. Visitation will be from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Burial will be at a later date in Crown Hill Cemetery in Knox, Ind. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Compassus Hospice or the Toulon United Methodist Church. Condolences may be left for Barbara's family on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Also surviving are six children, Jared Pomeroy of El Paso, Texas, Joshua Pomeroy of Hartland, Mich., Justin (Jana) Pomeroy of Fishers, Ind., Joanna (Renee) Pomeroy of Salem, Mich., Julia (Matthew) Neuer of Knox, Ind., and Joy Pomeroy of Petersburg, Ind.; four grandchildren, Alex, Kimmee, Justice and Ellea Pomeroy; two sisters, Kay (Joe) Tira of Minden, Nebr., and Mary (John) Jamieson of Longview, Wash.; and one brother, Don (Barb) Wixom of Napa, Idaho. She was preceded in death by one daughter-in-law, Laura Wood-Pomeroy; two sisters, Ruth Mickelson and Jeannie Wixom; and one brother, David Wixom.

Barbara graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Christian Education from the former Gulf Coast Bible College in Houston, Texas, in 1979. She served in the ministry alongside her husband, Rev. Leon Pomeroy. Her faith and love for God was expressed in vivid colors in the way she loved and cared for the people around her. She was a tender and compassionate soul with the strength of a lioness. The positive impact she made in the lives of those who crossed her path stands as evidence of her authentic love and genuine faith.

She was the volunteer director of the Stark County Pregnancy Resource Center; volunteer director of the Peer Counseling Center in Petersburg, Ind.; and a founding director of "The SwitchUp" youth center in Van Buren, Ind.; and was national director for 10 years for LTL (Loyal Temperance Legion) in the WCTU (Women's Christian Temperance Union). Barbara homeschooled her children for 26 years, and was an active member of many churches in which her husband was pastor, most recently the Toulon United Methodist Church.

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LEGAL ADS

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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on September 20, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Henry County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as The Rambling Rose located at 328 Commercial St., Galva, IL 61434. Dated September 20, 2021.

/s/ Barbara M. Link
County Clerk

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NOTICE OF SALE

of Property Owned by the City of Galva and Invitation to Bid Thereon PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the corporate authorities of the City of Galva will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the successful

bid, of the fee simple interest in the following real property:

Lot four (4) of Block eighteen (18) in the original town of Galva, excluding property belonging to the BNSF Railway, said railway property commencing at a point on the west line of lot four (4) in Block eighteen (18) in the original town of Galva, Seventeen (17) feet north of the south west corner of said lot, thence south along said west line of said lot to the south west corner thereof, thence north easterly along the south line of said lot one hundred sixty five (165) feet, thence south westerly to the place of beginning: being a triangular piece of land seventeen (17) feet wide on the west end thereof and coming to a point of the east end thereof. TOGETHER with an easement of ingress over and across the existing driveways or gravel roads now located on Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3) and Four (4) of said Block Eighteen

(18). This easement shall follow the land.

Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest in the above described property are hereby invited and will be received by the City Clerk at 311 N. W. 4th Avenue, Galva, Illinois, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM until 25 October, 2021. Said proposals shall be contained within an opaque envelope addressed to:

Mayor and City Council
City of Galva
c/o City Clerk
311 N. W. 4th Avenue
Galva, IL 61434

and shall bear the legend:
PROPOSAL – SALE OF LOT.

All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regular meeting of the corporate authorities of the City of Galva at 6:00 p.m. on 25 October, 2021.

A contract may be awarded to

the highest bidder whose bid is found to be in the best interests of the City of Galva. The corporate authorities reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bidding. The corporate authorities further reserve the right to review and study any and all bids and to make a contract award within 45 days after the bids have been opened and publicly read.

Any prospective bidder may, by appointment, inspect the subject property. Appointments to tour the property may be scheduled in advance with the City Clerk's office. The City Clerk's office may be reached by calling (309) 932-2555 or in writing to: City Clerk, City of Galva, 311 N. W. 4th Avenue, Galva, Illinois 61434. Published 10/8, 10/15, 10/22/21

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Toulon United Methodist Church

Rev. Leon D. Pomeroy
229 W. Main St., PO Box 538, Toulon, IL 61483
(812) 698-9294
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m., All Ages.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 am
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Elmira United Presbyterian Church

Rev. Art Blegen
7874 State Route 93, Toulon, IL 61483
(309) 896-3481
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The Gathering Church

Location: 105 N. 7th St., Wyoming, IL 61491
Sunday mornings @ 10:30 a.m.
Mail: PO Box 322, Wyoming, IL 61491
email: info@thegathering.life
web: <https://www.thegathering.life/>
<https://www.facebook.com/thegatheringchurch.life>

1st Congregational Church of Toulon

Guest Speaker
218 N. Henderson St., Toulon
(309) 286-7340, Leave Message.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. in-person or
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Pastor Josh Ryner
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Sunday Worship: 11:00
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Pastor Ross Wyman
204 N. 7th St., PO Box 35, Wyoming, IL 61491
(309) 695-4091
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110 W. Jefferson St. Toulon
(309) 286-4611
Sunday School 9 a.m. • Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday Youth Group 5-7 p.m.
Wednesday Kid's Club 5:30-7 p.m.
Wednesday Virtual Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
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WANTED

- **HOUSE TO RENT:** 3-4 bedrooms in Bradford School District. Please call Mike or Sherry at (309) 883-2432.

SERVICES

- **FLEA MARKET:** Peoria Flea Market, Exposition Gardens (Peoria), Sunday, Sept. 26, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. For info call Aaron (309) 825-1223.
- **MORE HEAT. LESS WOOD:** Classic Edge Titanium HDX EPA certified OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACE. 26% Tax Credit. Prices start as low as \$9,525! Call today (309) 565-4300.
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ATTENTION

- **MEDICARE RECIPIENTS:** Are you on Medicare or about to go on Medicare? I can help you find the right plan. I am an Insurance Specialist with over 27 years of experience. Call Greg Wages at (309) 695-2244.

Derek L. Stutler

CASTLETON – Derek Lewis Stutler, 36, of Castleton, passed away at 3:13 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021, at his home.

Derek was born on Aug. 9, 1985, in Galesburg, the son of Dwaine "JR" and Stephanie (Sturm) Stutler. He married Taryn Galloway on Jan. 5, 2018, in Toulon.

Surviving are his wife, Taryn; father, Dwaine "JR"; mother, Stephanie; four children, Serynity, Rebelle, Dreivyn, and Gaedryx Stutler; brother, James Stutler; and grandmother, Sandra Sturm all of Castleton. Also surviving are his mother-in-law, Pebbles Nakielski of Claremont, Calif.; four nieces; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Francis Sturm, Mildred Lain, and Dwaine Stutler Sr.

Derek graduated from Stark County High School in 2003. He served in the United States Army from 2003 to 2006, and currently worked as a CNC machinist at O'Brien Steel. He loved sarcasm, comedy, and his idol was Chris Farley "Matt Foley." He brought a



Stutler

smile and laughter to everyone he met. He was extremely hardworking, enjoyed music and, above all, loved his children and the time he spent with them.

His funeral service was at noon on Saturday, Oct. 2, 2021, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming. Veronica Haskell, Certified Funeral Celebrant, officiated. His visitation was from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial with military honors was in Osceola Grove Cemetery in rural Bradford.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Derek Stutler Memorial Fund care of Speer Community Bank.

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

Stanley E. Hall

GALVA – Stanley E. "Stan" Hall, 74, of Galva, died at 3:03 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021, in Bradford.

Cremation will be accorded and private graveside services will be held at Galva Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to a charity of the donor's choice.

Rux Funeral Home in Galva is in charge of arrangements.

Mark E. Megan

TOULON – Mark Edwin Megan, 37, of Toulon died on Saturday,

Sept. 25, 2021, near Victoria.

Mark was born on May 27, 1984, in Peoria, the son of Dale Edwin and Debbie Lee (Alongo) Megan. He graduated from Brimfield High School and received his AAS from Blackhawk College. He went on to open Mark Megan Trucking, specializing in construction hauling. Mark also worked for IDOT in the winter as a snow plow driver.

A confirmed bachelor, Mark loved the outdoors, riding his ATV and side by side. He did not hunt, but enjoyed spending time at the shooting range with his assortment of weapons. Mark was a long-time member of the Laura Small Town Tractor Pull. Mark also loved farming with his cousin and spending time with his family.

Mark is survived by his mom, Debbie Megan of Marquette, Mich.; and one brother, John E. (Jody) Megan of Burns, Oreg.

Mark was preceded in death by his father.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to Watson Thomas Funeral Home and Crematory in Galesburg.

OBITUARIES

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NOTICE
GALVA CEMETERY CLEAN-UP WEEK
This is the second cemetery clean-up for 2021. Artificial flowers, potted flowers, all plants including plants in vases, all shepherds hooks and figurines are requested to be removed. Military markers and solar lights may stay in place. Please remove from the Galva Cemetery by Sunday, October 17, 2021, if relatives wish to save them. No more flowers or items should be placed on the graves until Saturday, October 23, 2021.
Thank you!
Galva Cemetery Board.

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

GERALD THOMAS!
YOU COME HERE THIS INSTANT.
GERALD THOMAS, WHERE ARE YOU?
I BEST HIDE. MY MOM'S USING MY MIDDLE NAME.

by Gary Kopervas

NICE SIX-PACK, GLENN...
THE ABDOMINAL SNOWMAN

by Mike Marland

SO, NATURALLY, WE NAMED HER "AUTUMN".

by Jeff Pickering

SHE NEVER LOSES HER TEMPER...
...SHE ALWAYS HAS IT!!

Weekly SUDOKU
by Linda Thistle

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6					5		2	
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1		7	4					6

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
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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.

Y PQRU BORQ OPW VUCAZOF
TQIIYPT QPIBHLYOLIYM KYIB O
TCCX LCPT OPX O TCCX AOPX.
— KOWZCP EQPPYPTL

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: Which actor portrayed Kevin Arnold in the 1980s-90s sitcom "The Wonder Years"?
- MEDICAL: What is a more common name for rhinorrhea?
- MUSIC: How many members are in the pop group ABBA?
- MOVIES: Who directed "The Godfather" trilogy?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the native country of the kiwi bird?
- ENTERTAINERS: Which American singer/songwriter was born with the name Peter Gene Hernandez?
- SCIENCE: What does a petrologist study?
- GEOGRAPHY: The Cape of Good Hope lies at the tip of which continent?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition known as cynophobia?
- LITERATURE: The novels "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn" are both set in which U.S. state?

Answers
1. Fred Savage
2. Runny nose
3. Four
4. Francis Ford Coppola
5. New Zealand
6. Bruno Mars
7. Rocks
8. Africa
9. Fear of dogs
10. Missouri

Top 10 Movies

- Shang-Chi and the Legend Ten Rings (PG-13)
- Dear Evan Hansen (PG-13)
- Free Guy (PG-13)
- Candyman (R)
- Cry Macho (PG-13)
- Jungle Cruise (PG-13)
- Malignant (R)
- Copshop (R)
- PAW Patrol: The Movie (G)
- Love Story (NR)

SPORTS: Galva and Stark Co. VB meet Monday

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Lincoln Trail action. The Lady Wildcats' effort was led by Kali Yelm with eight digs. Jenna Sud-deth recorded two ace serves. Sarah Kaiser and Ava Anderson each had one block. Lexi Stone assisted on four scores. Kendall Rogers slammed three kills.

Galva was defeated 25-5 and 25-7 on Sept. 29 on the road by Lincoln Trail leader Princeville.

The Lady Wildcats next are at the Monmouth United Invite on Saturday.

Stark County Volleyball

Stark County came up short in a three-set decision on the road Monday to Abingdon-Avon 25-23, 20-25 and 20-25 in non-conference competition.

Shanna Peterson picked up three blocks and five aces. Kylee Frisby blocked three and scored on two

kills for the lady Rebels. Hayley Gillam added two kills. Lauren West defended with 15 digs.

In a 25-14, 25-11 Lincoln Trail setback at ROWVA-Williamsfield last Wednesday, Stark County's effort was led by Payten Hillier with two aces, West's seven digs and Frisby's two kills.

The Lady Rebels next travel to Galva on Monday for a Lincoln Trail matchup.

FOOTBALL: Stark Co. faces A-W Saturday at 1 p.m.

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yard run by Jack Meinders.

R-W finished with 432 yards rushing and averaged 8.0 per carry, which more than made up for its lack of any passing yards.

R-W went on to score once more in each of the last three quarters.

Stark County lost three fumbles to end drives and also failed to convert on fourth-down plays four times.

Despite that, the Rebels racked up 19 first downs and had 263 yards of total offense. Quarterback Ethan Unhold had a hand in most of those yards, rushing for a team-high 83 yards on 16 carries and completing 12-of-31 passes for another 90 yards. Connor Wagenbach was the top receiver, with five catches for 47 yards.

Stark County returns to action on Saturday at 1 p.m. against Annawan-Wethersfield.

Mercer County 23, Princeville 6

PRINCEVILLE – A Mercer County team rounding back into shape after an extended bout of COVID-19 absences was the wrong foe for Homecoming.

Though Princeville's Mr. Football Denver Hoerr got the home team on the board early with a rushing TD and finished with 129 yards on 11 carries, the Princes' hurt themselves with turnovers.

Mercer County (3-3, 3-2) took advantage of two fumbles and one interception by Princeville and scored once in each quarter.

Mercer County finished with 360 yards of total offense, including 262

on the ground.

Things only get tougher for the Princes this week, as they must travel to face unbeaten Abingdon-Avon (6-0, 5-0). The Tornadoes have soared to No. 3 in the Class 1A AP poll and are led by quarterback Easten Schisler, who has passed for over 600 yards and 13 TDs and has run for more than 350 yards and five scores.

Lincoln Trail Conference

Kellen McClay and Payton Hankins combined for seven of eight Knoxville TDs in a 54-26 win over Annawan-Wethersfield. Knoxville is ranked No. 7 in Class 2A. Cormaic Flynn scored six touchdowns in a 66-34 win over Ridgeview: four rushing, one receiving and one kickoff return.

SCOREBOARD

ROWVA-Williamsfield 44 Stark County 8

Stark County 8 0 0 0 - 8
ROWVA-Willifd 24 6 6 8 - 44

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

RW - Sanchez 87 kick return (Johnson run)
RW - Kohl 45 run (Johnson run)
RW - Johnson 47 run (Wight pass from Daner)
SC - Meinders 3 run (Wagenbach pass from Unhold)

Second Quarter

RW - Johnson 4 run (pass failed)

Third Quarter

RW - Sharp 15 run (pass failed)

Fourth Quarter

RW - Sharp 9 run (Sharp run)

Team Statistics

	SC	RW
First downs	19	24
Rushes-Yds	34-173	54-432
Yds per carry	5.1	8.0
Comp-Att-Int	12-31-0	0-1-0
Passing yds	90	0
Penalties-yds	5-35	11-80

Individual Statistics

Rushing - SC: Unhold 16-83, Meinders 11-51, Henry 1-17, Orwig 4-14, Kieser 2-8. RW: Johnson 21-200, Coverdill 6-50, Malek 1-7, Kohl

6-59, Sharp 6-50, Foglesong 2-15, daner 1-(minus-2), Bertlshofer 1-22, Bronaugh 4-31.

Passing - SC: Unhold 12-31-0 90.

RW: Daner 0-1-0 0.

Receiving - SC: Wagenbach 5-47, Swank 3-16, Kieser 2-11, Henry 1-8, Hilan 1-8. RW: None.

Tackles - SC: Rouse 10, Meinders 9, Brady 6. RW: Foglesong 10, Bronaugh 5, Johnson 5.

Mercer County 32 Princeville 6

Mercer County 8 8 8 8 - 32
Princeville 6 0 0 0 - 6

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

P - Hoerr 65 run (conversion failed)
MC - Meece 3 run (conversion good)

Second Quarter

MC - Relander 5 pass from Lucas (conversion good)

Third Quarter

MC - No. 40 3 pass from Lucas (conversion good)

Fourth Quarter

MC - Meece 3 run (conversion good)

Team Statistics

	MC	P
First downs	18	11
Rushes-Yds	50-262	27-203
Yds per carry	5.2	7.5

Prairieland

	Overall	Conf
	W L	W L
Farmington	6 0	5 0
Rushville-Industry	5 1	5 1
Elmwood-Brim.	4 2	3 2
South Fulton	3 3	3 3
Illini West	3 3	3 3
Macomb	3 3	2 3
Lewistown	2 4	2 3
Havana	1 5	1 4
West Hancock	0 6	0 5

Last Week

Elmwood-Brimfield 22, Macomb 18
Farmington 51, Rushville-Industry 12
Illini West 40, South Fulton 6
Lewistown 38, West Hancock 6
Abingdon-Avon 1, Havana 0

Friday, Oct. 8

Farmington at Elmwood-Brimfield
Lewistown at Macomb
South Fulton at Rushville-Industry
Havana at West Hancock
Knoxville at Illini West

Comp-Att-Int 10-14-0 1-3-1
Passing yds 98 8
Fumbles-lost 1-0 3-2

Individual Statistics

Rushing - P: Hoerr 11-129, Hunt 5-24, Brower 3-5, Kieser 7-42, Johnson

Lincoln Trail

	Overall	Conf
	W L	W L
Abingdon-Avon	6 0	5 0
Knoxville	6 0	6 0
Mercer County	3 3	3 2
United	3 3	3 3
Princeville	3 3	2 3
Annawan-Weth.	3 3	2 3
ROWVA-Willmsfld	2 4	2 3
Stark County	1 5	1 4
Ridgewood	0 6	0 6

Last Week

Mercer County 32, Princeville 6
ROWVA-Williamsfield 44, Stark Co. 8
United 66, Ridgewood 34
Knoxville 54, Annawan-Weth. 26
Abingdon-Avon 1, Havana 0

Friday, Oct. 8

Princeville at Abingdon-Avon
ROWVA-Williamsfield at United
Ridgewood at Mercer County
Knoxville at Illini West

Saturday, Oct. 9

Annawan-Weth. at Stark Co., 1 pm

1-3.
Passing - P: Johnson 1-3-1 8.
Receiving - P: Hoerr 1-8.

Tackles - P: Hoerr 10, Hunt 10, Brower 10, Herold 8, To.Kieser 7, McGrath 7.

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Golfers reach sectional

By **JEFF LAMPE**
and **PHIL JOHNSON**

For The Prairie News

Junior Jaxson Willer of Galva and senior James Groter of Stark County both advanced into sectional play in the IHSA golf postseason.

Competing in the Galva Regional on Sept. 29 at Midland Golf Course, Willer shot a 79 and Groter fired an 84 to qualify as individuals for sectional action.

Sherrard won the regional with a total of 322 strokes, while Stark County was eighth with 374. Willer was five strokes off the pace of medalist Austin Fratzke of Sherrard.

Neither of the local golfers made the cut of 83 to advance to the state tournament from the Petersburg Porta Sectional at



Galva volleyball players Kali Yelm (left) and Sarah Rogers return serve in a loss to Princeville last week. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

Shamblee Golf Course on Monday.

Other scoring golfers for Stark County in the regional were Jack Colgan with a 93, Jimmy Langdon with a round of 98 and Colin Streitmatter at 99.

Stark County was fifth out of 10 teams on Sept. 27 at Gibson Woods Golf Course in Monmouth. Colgan and Streitmatter posted rounds of 43, while Groter and Langdon shot 48s.

Cross Country

The Stark County girls team placed 12th out of 19 full teams last Saturday at the Elmwood Invitational at Maple Lane Country Club.

Ashley Orrick (17th, 20:38) crossed the finish line first for the girls and was followed by fellow scorers Paige Rewerts (46th, 21:30), Kokone Kasaya (104th, 23:04), Nina Longabaugh (180th, 24:07) and Sarah Kraklow (277th, 27:03). Kokone

Kasaya and Rewerts ran personal-best times in the race while Paige ran her season-best time.

Alex Welch (63rd, 18:37) led the boys team and was followed by Colby Carroll (93rd, 19:30) and Jack Winans (102nd, 19:40). Carroll and Winans posted season-best times and Welch tied his season best.

Galva Volleyball

Galva (5-17) fell to Ridgewood Monday in
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Stark County, Galva football teams lose

By **JEFF LAMPE**

For The Prairie News

GALVA – The season is not getting any easier for the Galva Wildcats football team, but Coach Tyler Nichols says he is still impressed with his team’s work ethic.

Galva (0-5) lost its Homecoming game to West Central last week, 62-20, and faces a tough home game this Saturday at noon against Decatur Lutheran. But Nichols said his team is still working hard in practice.

“Obviously it’s a tough situation and games aren’t going our way, but they show up every day ready to work,” Nichols said.

Against West Central, Galva got down 16-0 before posting its first score. The Wildcats scored twice more in the third quarter. Scoring for Galva on the day were Jett Olson, Josh Dunn and Jaxson Meier, who ran for one score and

passed to Dunn for another.

“Jackson Meier probably played his best game at quarterback,” Nichols said. “He got going in the run game on our zone read and threw a couple nice passes to Josh Dunn.”

Decatur Lutheran comes to town with a strong running attack and a deceptive 3-3 record that includes two COVID-related forfeits.

ROWVA-Williamsfield 44 Stark County 8

ONEIDA – ROWVA-Williamsfield (2-4, 2-3 Lincoln Trail Conference) opened with an 87-yard kick return touchdown by Matt Sanchez and then added a 45-yard scoring run by Adam Kohl and a 50-yard Seth Johnson run to take control with a 24-0 first-quarter lead.

Stark County (1-5, 1-4) put up its lone points in the first quarter on a 3-
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