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Stark Co. school board hires principal

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE
 For The Prairie News

WYOMING – The Stark County School board hired Michael McGovern as an assistant principal as part of several personnel moves made at its monthly meeting on March 21.

After meeting in closed session, the board approved McGovern to replace Anne Snyder as Assistant Principal for the Junior/Senior high school. McGovern was unavailable for questions until next week.

The board accepted several resignations: from Lonnie Dennison as di-

rector of transportation and all coaching positions; from Amy DeBoerver as district clerical; from Sherry LaPayne as assistant cook; and from Emile Hahn as high school English teacher.

The board also approved hiring Toni Nowlan as interim transportation director, Elizabeth Dietz as a kindergarten teacher, Rachel Kellogg as a third grade teacher and Danielle Hall as district clerical. Melissa Jackson was approved to be promoted from assistant to head of the Student Council.

In sports, approval was given to Kim Becker as volunteer junior varsity track coach, Tim Giesenhagen from JV to varsity baseball coach, Donald Peterson as JV baseball coach, Dylan Miller as assistant high school football coach, Cody Minder as head junior high football coach and Cade Tuthill as volunteer junior high football coach.

In his report, School Superintendent Brett Elliot announced that the annual Spring Musical will be held March 31 through April 3. May 18 is

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Stark County students sign their names on the final wall of the new school building. Submitted photo.

ELECTION 2022

New district Luft faces challenger in 93rd

By JEFF LAMPE
 For The Prairie News

In years past, recent weeks would have been heated for state politicians during the annual March primary. Not this spring. Due to a confusing and oft-delayed state redistricting process last summer, the Illinois primary was pushed back to June 28.

For some voters, it will take that long to figure out who they are represented by in their redrawn districts. Consider the case of the new 93rd District, which traces a long, narrow

band of land stretching from Pekin almost to the Quad Cities and encompassing a good portion of The Prairie News circulation area.

Republican Mark Luft (R-Pekin) is the incumbent state representative for the 93rd, though he won in 2020 in the 91st and is now running in a district that includes 90 percent new territory.

That is one factor that lured Travis Weaver, 30, into the Republican primary. The son of former State Sen. Chuck

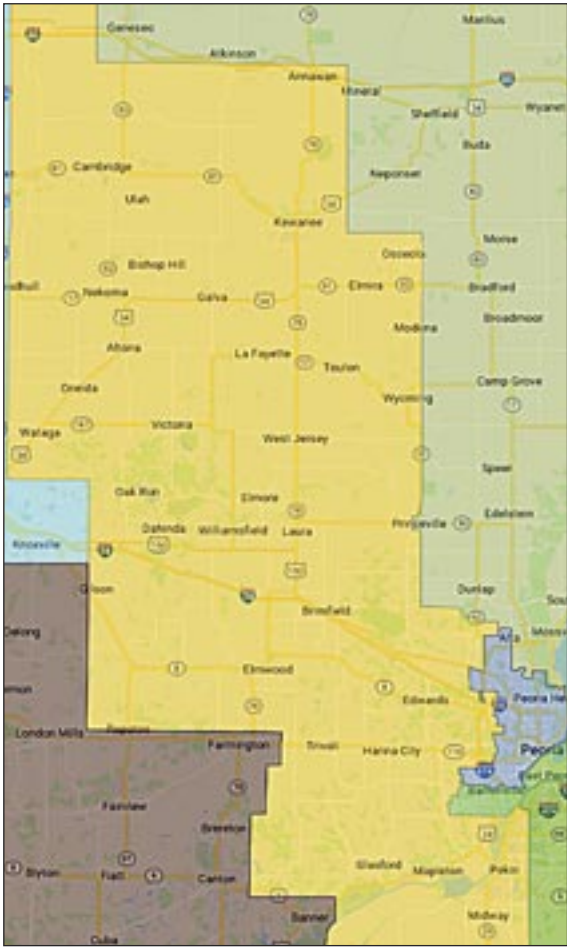
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Luft



Weaver



Illinois' newly drawn 93rd District, in yellow, now stretches from south of Mapleton to outside the Quad Cities.

Galva's Kate Huffman speaks at Ag Day event

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE
 For The Prairie News

KEWANEE – There's a common thread that runs throughout Kate Huffman's busy life: farming.

Huffman, 30, of Galva, was keynote speaker on March 22 at the Kewanee Rotary Club's Ag Day event at the United Methodist Church.

In addition to being a Pink Hat Farmer – a social media group she started to encourage women farmers, who she said now run 40 percent of farms – Kate wears a financial hat, as well. She works full-time as a financial officer at Compeer Financial, in Geneseo, helping farmers achieve financial goals.

Huffman then returns to Galva as a sixth generation farmer to work for a few hours on the family farm and her own farm.


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Kate Huffman, of Galva, speaks to Kewanee Rotary Club members during their Ag Day celebration on March 22. Photo by John A Ballentine

In 2009, Huffman graduated from Galva High School and then from the University of Illinois in 2013, earning a bachelor's degree in finance.

In addition to her two jobs, Huffman chairs the Henry County Farm Bureau Young Leaders Committee and is a member of the Henry County Farm Bureau board.



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DISTRICT: No Democrat slated for primary yet

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Weaver, Travis Weaver, 30, said, “It’s a 90 percent new geography territory for him. I believe people in Elmwood, Brimfield, Kewanee and Galva all should have a right to choose who their representative is – not somebody who is going to clearly win the primary and clearly win the general.”

At present, there is no Democrat candidate announced for the primary. Luft acknowledges redistricting has caused a major shift. Consider that the district of Rep. Ryan Spain (R-Peoria) was shifted to the east while that of Rep. Dan Swanson (R-Alpha) moved west to make room for the 93rd.

But Luft said all that is out of his hands and reflects, “a sham process intentionally designed to create even more exaggerated single-party rule.” And Luft said he can serve the new district well.

“Across the state, Democrats have gerrymandered the new map in really grotesque ways. And, frankly, in some cases it appears that they just did it because they could,” Luft said. “The current district includes Fulton, Tazewell, and Peoria counties. The conservative values I represent and my record of service and experience make me the best candidate in the race to continue representing the district and I welcome the addition of

Knox, Henry and Stark counties to the existing territory.” Weaver has a different take on the race. A graduate of the University of Alabama and Northwestern’s Kellogg School of Management, Weaver left a job with Caterpillar after five years to find a new path. At first he planned to teach, and he has subbed in the Brimfield district. But he was approached by people whose urging eventually led him to run for office as a way to serve his community.

“[Luft’s] old district was a left-leaning district. Before Mike Unes, a Republican hadn’t won it in history. And so I think the Republican that we put in there was a pretty moderate, left-leaning Republican,” Weaver said. “Now this newly drawn district goes from being a left-leaning district to more like a two-thirds Republican district.

“I am a proud, life-long conservative. And my opponent just frankly can’t say the same thing.”

Luft disagrees. “I am a conservative Republican in the truest sense,” Luft said. “I believe it is the job of government to protect lives, liberties and property. Social engineering, over-regulation and large or centralized government doesn’t make people more creative, successful, or free. My record reflects protection of local control and personal liberty, and no one in this

race has an actual voting record stronger for conservative values than I do.”

Luft is a former U.S. Army combat medic who worked for Illinois American Water Company for 26 years and was president of the Pekin JFL. He has also been mayor of Pekin since 2019, another issue of contention in this primary.

“I’ve talked to a lot of small-town mayors. Over 15 have agreed to endorse me,” Weaver said. “You talk to Gary Mohr, mayor in Kewanee, and he says, ‘I want a state representative who is as concerned about Kewanee as they are about Pekin.’”

Luft said that has not and will not be an issue.

“When I decided to forego a salary as Mayor of Pekin and serve as state representative, I did so because I wanted to make sure no conflicts existed. When I was encouraged to run, I didn’t know serving in the General Assembly is a part-time position and that most members hold other professional responsibilities,” Luft said. “After I looked deeper into it, I found there are lawyers, ministers, real estate agents, investment advisors, farmers, and yes, even other mayors, serving in both chambers. My level of concern for all my constituents is constant across the district, as it should be, and it will remain constant for as long as I serve.”

SCHOOL BOARD: Rebel mascot voting April 1-18

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the eighth grade promotion ceremony. Spring Break is April 11-18 with school resuming on April 19.

The Rebel mascot rede-

sign campaign submissions are due March 31 and the first round of voting on the designs is scheduled from April 1-18.

In addition, Elliot said that the emergency plan meeting for the schools was held and another will

occur once the new high school building is open.

Construction on the new high school is 55 percent complete with the final wall having been installed March 16.

Other action included approval of bus bids with

Midwest Bus Sales being the winning bidder. Midwest will supply leased busses to the school district. M&M Lawn Service was approved to maintain the football field and surrounding property at a rate of \$45 per hour.

HUFFMAN: Bought farm at age 27

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She also chairs a new committee for Henry County Farm Bureau – the Health and Safety Committee of Farmers. The committee focuses on raising awareness about grain bin safety, looks at accidents involving farm vehicles and explores mental health in the farming industry.

“It’s a very, very real and serious thing,” Huffman said. “Farmers are very private people who don’t like to talk about hurting. Ending the stigma about mental health is something we need to be doing.”

Huffman said her return to farming is not a typical story. After graduating from college, Kate tried to work in the Chicago

area for nine months. She then began thinking about returning to the family farm.

“It’s OK to try things, but you can always come back,” she said.

She started working full-time on the family farm in 2014 with her father. Kate bought her first farm in 2018, at age 27. She realized her first profitable year on her farm in 2021.

She said her passion is helping young farmers as a financial officer and watching young farmers purchase their first farm.

“It’s an incredible feeling that can’t be described,” Huffman said. “I’m honored to be their financial advisor.”

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Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

3-13 - Matthew A. Denham - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
3-14 - Spencer W. Thompson - Driving 21-25 mph above the limit.
3-16 - Timothy J. McKune - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
3-20 - Isaiah A. Duran - Operating an uninsured vehicle and display plate attachment.

Felonies & Misdemeanors

3-15 - Domestic Violence - Rachel W. Newton - Domestic battery.
3-14 - Criminal Misdemeanor - Tyler E. Frisby - Criminal trespass to vehicles.
1-7 - Criminal Misdemeanor - Kaiden M. W. Leezer - Unlawful display TTL/Certif/PLT.
3-9 - Criminal Misdemeanor - Erica M. Salibury - Possession of drug paraphernalia.
2-2 - Criminal Misdemeanor - Joshua A. Hurley - Possession of drug paraphernalia.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

3-8 - A single-vehicle accident occurred on Route 17 and 700N. The driver involved was identified as Ronald E. Peterson, 72, of Wyoming. Peterson reported to authorities that he left the roadway and drove on the right lane shoulder when the car swiped traffic signs before hitting one with the front of the vehicle. No injuries were reported and no tickets were issued.
3-9 - A two-vehicle accident occurred on 800N at the intersection of 900E. The drivers involved were identified as Lovely P. Arconado, 34, and Ronald L. Roach, 52, both of Wyoming. No injuries were reported and no tickets were issued.
3-13 - Amanda R. Perry, 21, Toulon, was cited for driving without insurance.
3-14 - A 17-year-old Kewanee teen was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and for driving without insurance. She was released with a court date to appear.

3-14 - Tyler E. Frisby, 28, Wyoming, was arrested for criminal trespass to a vehicle and motor vehicle theft. On March 16, Frisby was released with a notice to appear.
3-15 - Rachel W. Newton, 45, LaFayette was arrested for domestic battery. She posted \$547 cash bond and was released with a court date.
3-16 - Paul R. Carlson, 51, Toulon, was arrested for disorderly conduct. He posted \$197 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear.
3-16 - Heather D. Rucker, 42, Toulon, was issued a notice to appear for breach of peace.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:
3-14 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 1000 block of SE 2nd St., Traci Rooth, 51, Galva, was arrested for driving while license suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle. She also had a warrant from Mercer County for failure to appear on a theft charge. She was taken to the Henry County Jail.
3-14 - Officer advised of a controlled burn taking place west of the high school at the prairie plot.



3-14 - to meet with a subject in the 300 block of NW 4th Ave. in reference to a criminal damage to property report.
3-14 - Officer spoke to a resident in the 800 block of N. Center Ave. in reference to a city ordinance violation.
3-14 - to the 100 block of E. Division St. for a report of an intoxicated subject lying in their yard. The subject was transported by ambulance.
3-14 - Officer went to the 100 block of SE 3rd St. to attempt to locate a wanted subject. As the result, Anthony Shappard, 43, Galva, was arrested on a Henry County warrant for failure to appear on the charge of domestic battery. He was able to post bond and was released with a new court date.
3-15 - Officer checked on a suspicious vehicle that was parked at a business after closing hours in the 500 block of SE 2nd St.
3-15 - to the Exchange Street railroad crossing after the crossing arm came down and struck a vehicle and began malfunctioning. Officer directed traffic until BNSF arrived to complete repairs.
3-15 - to the 400 block of N. Center Ave. for a complaint involving a loose pit bull. The dog was returned to its owner.
3-16 - to the 500 block of SW 6th Ave. for a property line dispute.
3-16 - to the 00 block of SW 4th Ave. for a report involving the theft of a catalytic converter from a vehicle.
3-16 - Officer went to a residence in the 100 block of S. Center Ave. to attempt to locate a wanted subject. As the result, Howard Field, 76, Galva, was arrested on a Henry County warrant for failure to appear on numerous traffic charges. He was given a notice to appear in court and released.
3-16 - Officer went to a residence in the 700 block of NW 4th St. to attempt to locate a wanted subject. As the result, Leianne Fabry, 61, Galva, was arrested on a Henry County warrant for failure to appear on the charge of criminal trespass to a residence. She was unable to post bond and was taken to the Henry County Jail.
3-17 - to the 500 block of SW 6th Ave. for a property line dispute. One subject was issued a written banning letter in reference to trespassing.
3-17 - to the 00 block of NE 4th Ave. for a possible attempted phone scam.
3-17 - to the 100 block of NE 4th St. for a loud music complaint. A subject was advised to turn the music down.
3-17 - Officer was advised of a controlled burn taking place in the

2000 block of Olaf Krans Ave.
3-17 - to a residence on NW 7th Ave. to check the welfare of a subject.
3-18 - to a residence just east of town on Route 34 to check the welfare of a subject. Officer ultimately forced entry into the residence and found the resident on the floor needing an ambulance. Subject was transported by ambulance for treatment.
3-19 - Officer located a loose dog running in the 500 block of NW 10th St. The animal owner, Robert Kremer, 61, Galva, was issued an administrative warning ticket for allowing a dog to run at large.
3-19 - Officer was requested by Kewanee Police Department to attempt to locate a subject who reportedly violated an order of protection in Kewanee. Galva officers located Jeffery Lucas, 47, Galva, in the 400 block of SE 7th Ave. He was taken to the Henry County Jail.
3-19 - As the result of a traffic stop [and Galva K9 deployment] in the 600 block of West Division St., Natalie Davidson, 31, Galesburg, was arrested for possession of methamphetamine between 100 and 400 grams [a Class X felony] as well as possession of adult use cannabis in a motor vehicle. Mark McKinzie, 28, Galesburg, was charged with possession of methamphetamine 100 to 400 grams [a Class X felony] and also issued a citation for illegal transportation of alcohol by a passenger.
McKinzie was found to have a Knox County warrant for failure to appear on the charge of DUI-alcohol. Both subjects were taken to the Henry County Jail.
3-20 - to the 100 block of Main St. for a complaint involving a suspicious vehicle circling the area. Officer were unable to locate the car.
3-20 - dispatched to Sentry Estates for a complaint involving harassing text messages that had been recieved the last three nights.
3-20 - Officer advised of a controlled burn that was taking place on Olaf Krans Ave.
3-20 - to the 300 block of SW 4th St. for a complaint involving harassment through Facebook.
3-14 - Tyler Popejoy, 28, Kewanee, was issued a citation for having expired registration in the 200 block of N. Center Ave.
3-18 - Cody Williams, 28, Dunlap, was issued a citation in the 300 block of Front St. for failure to secure new registration upon new residency.
3-19 - Victor McMullan, 74, Springfield, was issued a citation in the 600 block of S. Center Ave.

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3-18 - Jason Scott Jackson, Kewanee and Brittany Jo Jackson, Peoria.

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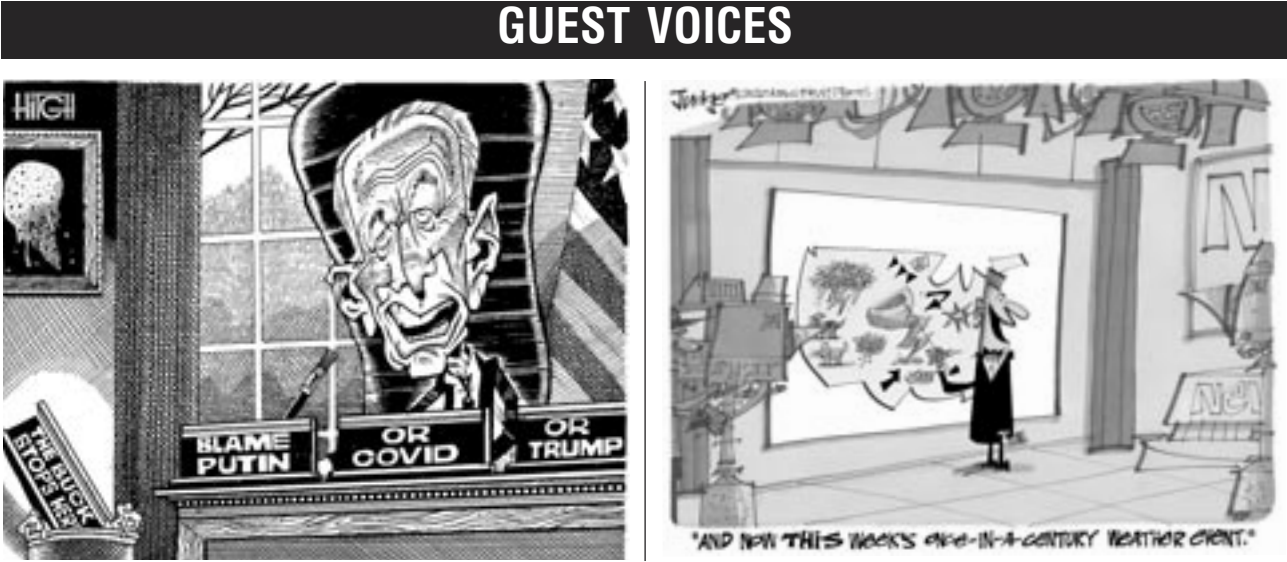
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Most years these fights are decided by a variable – and often-times volatile – combination of three elements: what market prices are calling for, how government farm programs could affect prices, and agronomy.

The latter can be as subjective as “I don’t like growing soybeans” (my father’s long-held bias) or as objective as late spring rains requiring planned corn acres to be switched to soybeans.

In the last generation, these acre battles have taken on a new participant, the public, who now play a growing role in American farm and food policy. And why not; they pay the lion’s share of the nation’s food and farm program tab.

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hit 93 million (the same number, incidentally, of planted corn acres in 2021).

Every one of those new, 28 million acres – and three to five million more most years – is devoted to the now legally-required ethanol market. As such, it’s almost impossible to overstate the impact ethanol has had on U.S. planted acres, net farm income, and farm program costs.

That massive switch cost other crops precious acres. In 1981, before anyone knew how to spell ethanol, U.S. wheat acres hit a record-high 88 million. By the mid-1980s, after the introduction of both ethanol and the Conservation Reserve Program, total wheat acres had declined to 65 million. Today, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) pegs 2021/22 total wheat acres at 37 million.

That deep drop means the number of U.S. acres now devoted to both wheat, a foodgrain, and corn to make ethanol, a fuel additive, currently hover in the mid-30 millions. This single fact puts the food-versus-fuel debate in a telling perspective: We love our cars at least as much as we love food.

Equally striking, however, is that in the last 40 or so relatively peaceful years, American eaters haven’t even noticed wheat’s losing fight to corn and ethanol. Now, though, with two key wheat growing and exporting nations, Russia and Ukraine, at war with each other, world wheat prices—and, ironically, gasoline prices—are on a daily roller-coaster ride. New crop wheat futures prices, in fact, are two times their price of barely a month ago.

Change is hard

I am a creature of habit who does not like change. Perhaps most of us are. Changes which I do not have to make and can be delayed or not made at all with no great discomfort are easy to put aside – I still carry a flip phone.

Other changes are not in my personal control; that makes acquiescence mandatory until something



Dimitri BERES

happens that returns my comfortable norm.

I don’t accept the “WOK” concept. I can get along fine.

I believe the members of the U.S. Supreme Court and all courts should make decision on the basis of the evidence presented, but I know my decisions and the decisions of others are influenced by personal bias. And the media tell us the appointed justices are not independent but governed by their political affiliation.

Harry Truman once stated that when one appoints a friend as a jus-

Both are fueling inflation. On March 10, the U.S. Department of Labor reported today’s annual inflation rate at 7.9 percent, its highest level since 1981. Over the last 12 months, gasoline prices are up 38 percent and food about 8 percent.

Despite all the political jabber on how to lower both, there’s little anyone can do about either. Changes in planted acres for major U.S. crops like corn, soybeans, wheat, and cotton come slowly and then only marginally. As such, war or no war, don’t expect large shifts in acreage when USDA issues its Prospective Plantings report March 31.

The same is true for ethanol. U.S. farmers and farm groups have spent decades turning ethanol into ag’s most sacred cow and it will take years, if not decades, before that cow is put out to pasture. That means ethanol has more than enough rural and political cover to withstand today’s ongoing fierce debate over carbon pipelines and rising food costs.

But just like U.S. wheat acres a generation ago, nothing in U.S. agriculture is bulletproof forever. Circumstances change and when they do, crop acres change.

Just ask a wheat farmer – if you can find one.

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GUEST VOICES

Spring brings hope amid uncertainty

The first day of spring historically coincides with National Ag Day each March.

As a farmer, I view it as the unofficial launch of the approaching planting season for Illinois farmers and those businesses who help get our raw product from field to table. Farmers of all sizes and commodities are ready to start their growing season and feed our customers locally, regionally, and globally.



Richard GUEBERT

For those working in agriculture, Ag Day is every day as we continue to grow a crop to feed a growing world.

National Ag Day, which this year was Tuesday, March 22, offers the chance to recognize the role agriculture plays in providing safe, abundant, and affordable products, along with highlighting the essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong economy and career opportunities that exist in the agriculture, food, and fiber sectors.

As Ag Day was happening two years ago, our focus was making sure those of us in agriculture could continue to work as the pandemic unfolded right before our eyes. What transpired over the next two

years revealed the resiliency of our American food system while supply chains were challenged.

The food and agriculture industries' vital roles in feeding Americans is well known, but their incredible impacts in feeding and growing the nation's economy is less talked about. While farmers represent less than 2 percent of the population, we provide a tremendous value to the domestic food and economic sectors.

Two years later, our focus is on our fellow Ukraine farmers. Ukrainian farmers are just like us, and we hope and pray they can plant a crop, just like what we are preparing to do.

As the Ukraine conflict began several weeks ago, our commodity markets experienced market volatility, including fuel prices responsible for a large percentage of input costs. I again remind consumers, "farmers are price takers, not price makers."

I continue to take calls from reporters wondering if Illinois farmers will pivot and plant more wheat this spring due to the concerns of the Ukrainian export market. We all took the role Ukraine farmers play in the world wheat export demand for granted.

Ukraine farmers and the Black Sea region typically account for about 30 percent of world wheat ex-



ports and are a vital supplier of wheat to less-developed nations in the Middle East and Africa, among other destinations.

As for the opportunity for Illinois farmers to plant more wheat, our winter wheat is already in the ground, and the upper Plains would be better positioned to grow more wheat to fill the global demand due to the Ukraine conflict. Friendly reminder, not all climate and soil types are suited for certain crops – and this is especially true for wheat.

So, as we move through the coming days of this 2022 growing season, I want to leave you with this reminder: Agriculture continues to produce what is needed.

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1 "Rabbit food"
6 Back-and-forth talk
12 Cold case solvers, often
20 Oven maker
21 Source of weather upheaval
22 This instant
23 MTV's first Latina video jockey
25 "Don't go anywhere"
26 Dresses up
27 Cubs' and Eagles' gp.
29 Mazda two-seater
30 Common conjunction
31 Social climbing snob on "Keeping Up Appearances"
37 Op. in the Arab League
40 Funny Conan
42 Bends to mush
43 35th president's mother
46 Banquet flock
47 Inking
51 Carve — career
52 Post-Q string
53 "The Sea, the Sea" novelist of 1978
56 Highway jam
58 Achilles' rolls
60 German king called "the Great"
61 Verb suffix in London
62 When Hamlet's soliloquy is recited
66 — New Guinea (island nation)
69 L'I Abner's mother
71 Friend of Lucy van Pelt and Patty
76 Beef up
77 Clout
79 Gold, in Peru
80 "You can't — train"
83 Actress Dianne
84 Famed killer whale
86 "Lost Souls" novelist of 1992
90 Penpoint
93 Siberia locale
94 Chuchi
95 Tehran locale
96 Vampire TV housewife
100 Shortland whiz, in brief
102 Poe's "radiant maiden"
103 Cleveland-to-Raleigh dr.
104 Aunt of Harry Potter
109 DJ's platters
111 Level, grassy plain
112 Pub fixture
113 Ball-shaped blooms
117 Aim for
121 Hippies (and an alternate title for this puzzle)
125 Faded up
126 Novelist Gay
127 Trashed stuff
128 Declared
129 Declared
130 Busybody
DOWN
1 "Smooth Operator" singer
2 "Walk Like —"
3 Woody's den
4 Actor Williams
5 Ovary
6 God, in Latin
7 — de-France
8 Actress Sheridan
9 Ignited
10 Last year before the first century
11 Busybody
12 HMO VIPs
13 Petty peeve
14 — Khan
15 Lymphoid organ in the neck
16 Moral code
17 Sort not to be trusted
18 Eggy cake
19 Elbow grease
24 "Giant" novelist Edna
26 Wolf-headed Egyptian god
31 Inking
32 "— have!"
33 Common conjunction
34 Uno plus dos
35 Ship's wheel
36 Romeo
37 Bit of expert advice
38 Writer — May Alcott
39 "Your Best Life Now" author Joel
41 ICU figures
44 Water, to
45 "Gardockal"
47 Dog collar attachment
48 Part of many an emotion
49 Friendly introduction?
50 Sushi tuna state, Abbr.
54 Keanu of the screen
55 Driving paths
57 Check-giving time at work
58 Fri. follows it
59 Arid target
63 Film dancer
64 Wise kid
65 Ring victory, for short
66 Cooking vessels
67 Muhammad —
68 Guitar piece
70 Overly sweet
72 Suffix with journal
73 Celebrity tributes
74 Fighting forces
75 1983 Lionel Richie hit
78 Film holder
80 Health club
81 Blue Jays, on sports tokens
82 Decide
84 Water, to
83 Triumph in the end
85 Keeps
87 Tube-shaped pasta
88 La — Tar Pits
89 Senator Paul introduction?
90 Big Apple's city and state, Abbr.
91 "I'd say," in a text message
92 Coarse sack material
97 Unwell
98 Spike of films
99 They may cry "Uncle!"
100 One napping noisily
101 Inserted plant shoots
104 Main course of action
105 Nobody — (name alone)
106 Spanish bar appetizers
107 Link up
108 Messy impact sound
110 MIT business school name
113 Historical slave Scott
114 — facto
115 Counterteror
116 Filter slowly
118 Slog doc
119 Golf prop
120 Singular
122 Ending for Motor
123 Soggy
124 Suffix with journal



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New political filing rules a hot topic in state

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Prairie News
In a state too well known for political corruption, any law that seeks to curtail those problems is a good one, right? Perhaps you haven't met Illinois Public Act 102-0664, an ethics bill designed to increase transparency involving elected officials and government employees. As part of the bill, effective Jan. 1, Illinois elected officials, appointed members of board, some government employees and pension fund board members must fill out a revised Statement of Economic Interests form. Previously, the form asked officials to disclose relationships with businesses that might also have dealings with the council or board for which they serve or work. The new form is much more de-



Congratulations to the Bradford Scholastic Bowl for winning the BVEC Scholastic Bowl conference tournament. Pictured are: Front row (left to right) - Gracie Atteberry, Jack Morman, Haylie Moodie, Rose Krider, Jake Primo, Bailey McDermott and Blake Kieser. Back row (l to r) - Sean Kendall, Riggins Shafer, Carter Peterson and Olivia McDermott. Photo by Becki Hofert.



The Wyoming Chamber of Commerce recently had a ribbon cutting for Marnae Benz, the new owner of Seventh Street Boutique. Pictured above (left to right) are Dorothy Morrissey, Nicole Largent, Denny Rewerts, Hattie Rose, Bailey Brooks, Cody Benz, Marnae Benz, Savannah Potter, Melody Anderson and Sheila Rumbold. The boutique is open Wednesdays through Saturday.

tailed, requiring additional details on assets, sources of income, creditors owed and other information. Those who don't file, or who file incorrectly, face possible penalties of up to one year in prison or a \$2,500 fine. That change has many scrambling in the face of a May 1 deadline for filing. In a letter to Illinois House and Senate leaders, Bill Cole, executive director of the Illinois Municipal League (IML), seeks changes based on feedback from across the state. "Since the Act's January 1, 2022, effective date, IML has heard from hundreds of municipal officials with concerns about accurately and adequately completing the form," Cole wrote. "In some communities, officials are considering resigning their positions out of fear of legal repercussions for being noncompliant with the new requirements, and out of the

belief that some of the required information is too intrusive and personal." Others note the requirements could have a "chilling effect" on political participation at a time when interest is already lagging. Writes Cole in his plea to legislators, "Something must be done, respectfully. IML requests that members of the General Assembly act to modify these requirements, or, at the very least, provide greater clarification on how local officials can complete this or a more simplified form. The unintended consequence of pushing-out good local officials is significant, while bad officials at all levels will still likely ignore the rules and process completely. We need your help." The Illinois Municipal League has an online fact sheet available at www.impl.org/file.cfm?key=23597.



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Galva schools extend Becker’s contract

By CAROL TOWNSEND
For The Prairie News

GALVA – The Galva School board unanimously extended the contract of Superintendent Joe Becker until June 30, 2025.

Becker told the board that the Galva School District will have a high school math teacher vacancy for next year.

City Administrator David Dyer attended the meeting and told the board that the City of Galva wants to create a new TIF district. He said the TIF would be for 23 years.

The city presently has three TIFs:

- The downtown TIF which expires Dec. 31, 2022, will generate \$198,048 for the school district.

- The Big River TIF, which expires Dec. 31, 2024, will generate \$383,617 for the school district.
- Another part of the Big River TIF will expire Dec. 31, 2028, and will generate \$96,363 for the school district.

The city is working on bringing in two new businesses at the present time and also working on creating a new TIF district.

Dyer said the present equalized assessed value (EAV) for Galva is \$54 million. He said he hopes to get Galva to \$100 million of EAV before he retires.

Superintendent Becker said the EAV for the school district is \$89 million.

The board approved the following personnel items:

- Approved Ryan Anderson as high school boys track coach for 2021-22.



Seniors David Mock and Samantha Wisecup were crowned King and Queen of Galva’s Spring Fling dance held last Saturday at Galva Junior-Senior High School. David is the son of Jim and Miriam Mock and Samantha is the daughter of Terry and Jessica Wisecup. Photo by Carol Townsend.

- Approved Tony Garcia as assistant high school baseball coach for 2021-22.
- Approved Brooke Jackson and Rachel Remmert as assistant high school softball coaches for 2021-22. They will split the stipend.
- Approved Charlie Brooks as elementary head cook.
- Approved Mandi Girkin as Jr/Sr High head cook.
- Approved Nicole Sterling as Jr/Sr High assistant cook.
- Assigned third-year probationary teacher Holly Wangelin to fourth-year probationary status for 2022-23.
- Assigned third-year probationary teacher Heather Sellers to fourth-year probationary status.
- Assigned third-year probationary teacher Jessica Dean to fourth year probationary status.
- Assigned fourth-year probationary teacher Amanda Dynes to tenured status for 2022-23.
- Assigned fourth-year probationary teacher Katie Bosnich to tenured status for 2022-23.
- Assigned fourth-year probationary teacher Rachel Remmert to tenured status for 2022-23.
- Assigned fourth-year probationary teacher Josh Morris to tenured status for 2022-23.
- Assigned first year probationary teacher Tyler Nichols to second year probationary status.
- Rehired Tyler Nichols as Dean of Students for 2022-23.
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Genealogical Society databank has 18,000 burials

By DON SCHMIDT
For The Prairie News

The Stark County Genealogical Society (SCGS) was founded in June 1992. Early members walked the 27 cemeteries in Stark County and recorded the inscriptions on gravestones. These records were compiled cemetery by cemetery and sold in booklets.

Now, 30 years on, the SCGS records of the dead in our graveyards include information beyond what is inscribed on the headstone. Full birth and death dates, names of the fathers and mothers, and marriage dates and names of spouses, the military service of men and women have been added. This holds



Pictured above is Stringtown Cemetery in Stark County.

true for the majority of the dead, but not all. Official death records and obituaries are generally not available for citizens who died prior to 1880. Sources of genealogy statistics

come from the SCGS collection of obituaries, marriage records, death certificate records, and compiled family histories. Recently, old newspapers from Bradford, Wyoming, Toulon, Kewanee, Galva and Henry have become an important online source. SCGS’s burial databank now covers over 18,000 people buried in Stark County. We receive a few queries each month asking if, when and where someone is buried in Stark County. We are happy to answer these requests. In return most patrons proffer a freewill donation to help us with our society expenses.

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LEGAL ADS

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT KNOX COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of
MARY E. TRACY, deceased
No. 2022PR19

Notice is given of the death of MARY E. TRACY. Letters of Office were issued on February 9, 2022, to CHARLES LA FOLLETTE of PSC 709 Box 456, APO AP 96339, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Michael E. Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Knox County Circuit Clerk, Knox County Courthouse, 200 S. Cherry, Galesburg, IL 61401, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of the claim files with the clerk must be mailed, or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Massie & Quick, LLC
Attorneys for Estate
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Published 3/11, 3/18, 3/25/22

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

In The Matter of The Estate of DONNA L. CURRIER,

Case No. 22 P 4

Deceased.

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of DONNA L. CURRIER, of Stark County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued to PRESTON R. CURRIER and ANITA L. MILBURN, Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney is DAVID L. COVER of Cover Law Group, LLP, Twin Towers Plaza, Suite 203-456 Fulton Street, Peoria, Illinois 61602, and 107 West Main Street, Toulon, Illinois 61483. Claims must be filed on or before September 26, 2022, or six (6)

months from the date of the first publication of this Claim Notice, whichever is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred as to the estate. If mailing or delivery of a notice from the independent executor is required by the provisions of Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, then the date of filing claims shall be the later of the date stated above or three months from the date of mailing or delivery.

Claims must be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Stark County, Illinois, or with the Independent Executor, or both. Within ten (10) days after a claim is filed with the court, a copy of the claim must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Co-Executors and to their attorney and file with the court proof of mailing or delivery of the copies.

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Dated: March 15, 2022
Preston R. Currier and Anita L. Milburn, Co-Executors
/S/ David L. Cover
David L. Cover, their attorney

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

CITY OF WYOMING, ILLINOIS,

Plaintiff,

IN CHANCERY
Case No. 2022FC2

v.

ETC D. RODRIGUEZ IRA #Z081326 (C/O PIP-WEST, LLC); UNKNOWN OWNERS; AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above-captioned cause, that the above-captioned foreclosure action was filed on March 17, 2022, and is now pending.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs, the Court in which this action was brought, and the Case Number are identified above.

2. The name of the titleholder of record is: ETC D. RODRIGUEZ IRA #Z081326 (C/O PIP-WEST, LLC)

3. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:
A plot of ground beginning at a point 100 feet North of the SW corner of Block "T" in GILES C. DANA'S ADDITION to the City of Wyoming, Illinois; running thence East 155 feet to an alley; thence North 47 feet; thence 155 feet to Galena Avenue; thence South 47 feet to the place of beginning, Stark County, Illinois
PIN: 04-36-319-007

4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 103 N. Galena Avenue, Wyoming IL 61491

5. An identification of the Demolition Lien sought to be foreclosed is as follows:
a. Names of Respondent: ETC D. RODRIGUEZ IRA #Z081326 (C/O PIP-WEST, LLC)
b. Name of Claimant: CITY OF WYOMING, ILLINOIS
c. Date of Demolition Lien: June 17, 2021
d. Date of Recording: June 17, 2021
e. County Where Recorded: Stark

County, Illinois

f. Recording Document Identification: 2021-108226

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint for Foreclosure in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Stark County, Illinois, Stark County Courthouse, 130 W. Main St., Toulon IL 61483, on or before April 28, 2022, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a Judgment for Foreclosure may be entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint for Foreclosure.

/S/ Julie Kenney
Stark County Circuit Clerk

Barash & Everett, LLC
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS STARK COUNTY

In Re **ESTATE OF)**
DARYL W. PITTMAN) 2022PRS
Deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE

INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **DARYL W. PITTMAN** on June 28, 2021. Letters of Office were issued on March 18, 2022, by the above entitled Court to VENETTE S. PITTMAN, of **8675 Grain Bin Road, Toulon, Illinois 61483**, as Independent Administrator, whose attorneys of record are **WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., of 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368, Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368**.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Stark County Courthouse, Toulon, Illinois, or with the Administrator or both on or before the 30th day of September, 2022 or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the

Administrator is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. **Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.** Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the administrator and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing or delivery of copies.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under 755 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a copy of a form of petition to terminate independent administration to the Clerk of the Court at the above address.

DATED this 18th day of March, 2022.

VENETTE S. PITTMAN,
Independent Administrator of the Estate of DARYL W. PITTMAN, Deceased.

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING NOTICE OSCEOLA TOWNSHIP

To the legal residents of the Town of Osceola in the County of Stark and State of Illinois, that the Annual Township Meeting of said Town will take place on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 being the second Tuesday of said month. The township meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Township will be held at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on said day at the Osceola Township Office building. When the moderator having been elected, will proceed to

hear and consider reports of officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting; and especially to consider and decide the following: Supervisors Annual Report, C.D. Investments and possible fund transfers.

Dated this day 10th of March 2022
Ralph Moodie,
Osceola Township Clerk
Published 3/25/22

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MILO TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING AND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN To the legal Voters of the Town of Milo in the County of Bureau and the State of Illinois, that the Budget Hearing of said Town & Road District will take place on: **Tuesday, April 12, 2022** being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 7:00 PM.

Note: Copies of the proposed Budgets are available for viewing prior to the hearing at the home of the Milo Township Clerk: Thomas D. Ashby, 15863 245 North Ave, Bradford, IL. Call before coming 309-897-8483. Or Supervisor: Steve Cowser, 2358 1625 East St, Bradford, IL. Call before coming 309-238-8044

Followed by the Annual Town Meeting at the hour of 7:30 PM at the Milo Township hall for the transaction of the miscellaneous business of the said town; and after a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers, and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting; and especially to consider and decide the following:

- The disposition of excess township property.
- Other items as may be brought before the electors. Dated 4 March 2021,

Thomas D. (Tom)
Ashby,
Milo Township Clerk,
Bureau County, IL
Published 3/25/22

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AUCTIONS & REAL ESTATE

LARGE ESTATE AUCTION OF LG. IRON BELL, PRIMITIVES, GUNS, ANTIQUES, ADVERTISING AND MORE

The following items of this large estate will be sold on location at 11676 E IL Rt. 116 London Mills, IL 61544 (a few miles east of London Mills on Rt. 116), on

SUNDAY APRIL 3RD, 2022 AT 12:00 NOON

NOTE: This is a vague list of a much larger sale. See pictures online at www.folgersauctionservice.com and LIKE US ON FACEBOOK for updates. Two lines will be running all day of similar items, so bring someone with you and plan accordingly. Guns, bell and specialty rack will sell around 1 p.m.

GUNS: All gun/ammo buyers will have proper FOID and ID. All regulations will be followed. GUNS: Like new Titan Buffalo Scout model E15 22 revolver, 4 shot—New in box Cimarron Lighting .38ST #J08940 38 revolver 3.5 mm barrel—like new Browning 2000 20 ga. #06414 D57 28" barrel—like new P. Beretta Model AL2 20 ga. w/28" barrel—Harper's Ferry 1847 black powder musket—Ithaca #371397674 model 37 20 ga. Featherlight—Hawes Firearms western six shooter 22 revolver w/ holster #80830—L.C. Smith 12 ga. double barrel #57311, missing forearm piece—new 300 blackout 1:8 rifle barrel—new 5.56 NATO 1:8 rifle barrel—AMMO: 1 box new Black Hills ammo 38 special—new Winchester 20 ga. 2 ¼" 5 shot, 8 shot, 4 shot, 6 shot and 7 ½ shot—new box Remington Express 2 ¼" 4 shot—5 boxes 44 mag brass spent rounds 7.62—2 boxes 5 lot gun shell primers #57 30-30—2 boxes 22 cal. Special blanks, spent rounds 357 brass—Hilti powder actuated—Phil Albertson will be handling the guns. A 12.00 fee will be charged per gun purchased for handling fees.

ANTIQUES AND PRIMITIVES: Very old lg. cast iron Plantation? bell, complete with wheel, bracket and yolk, mounted on metal stand, marked simply NO (see pics online)—prim. ornate iron JD tractor seat w/3-legged deer marked 1847—prim. wrenches and tools—lg. coll. of old milk bottles from ½ pint to gallon size from a variety of places—lg. set Bob White dishes—Pyrex, FK, Art and much other glass—hundreds of figurines and bells—many vintage Paperboys—transistor and other old radios—prim. Nat. Motor Co. clamp—sm. metal enclosed trap—Burl. Rt. old book and ashtray—Native American items—McCoy, Abingdon, Monmouth and other pottery—a few crocks—many brass items, some old—old eagle head knife and sheath—old sword—some toys and old children's books—metal dragon cigarette case—Mr. Peanut set in box—Buddy L, Tonka, Cat. and Ertl, some NB—blue, etched white and other lightening rod globes—Matchbox/HotWheels—Daisy flyover race set #4001, complete in box—retro sm. slot machine in box—Barbie—coll. of pocket knives—old pictures—steins—old punch boards—Craftsman elect. razor—many old plats, catalogs, magazines and almanacs—cast iron sheep door stop—signed Chief old baseball—Bull Durham poster—sports items—roller—1998 plaque of Sammy Sosa, NB—Kurt Warner Rams signed poster—Rams pennants—prim oak telephone w/cradle phone—Carl Sandburg Western mugs—glass oil bottle—lg. coll. of records (Elvis) and 45s—MF plow book—grates—Griswold top boiler piece, cornbread and muffin pans—Johnson reel in old box, many reels, rods, lures, (some old)—Goat weather vane—prim. iron tools, milk cans, crates, wooden utensils—duck decoys, some old—pig bells, prim. goat yolk w/bell attached—saw blades, cross cut saws—50# wts.—cistern pumps—Uke, violin old instrument in case—3 metal yard gates—interlocking shelving and stands—old Schwinn girl's bike w/basket—metal tables on wheels—yard statues—walk behind 1 bottom plow—2 older full size shopping carts—old 1 row New Aspen potato planter on steel wheels—old IH knife section in orig. box—JD 50 Chevy and other banks—JD watch fob—some jewelry and many smalls—toy Cub Cadet lawn tractor w/blade and removable head—70's Coca Cola carnival glasses—tokens, foreign coins and stamps—old Keline padlock w/key—signed country music pics—old cartoon reels and player—cartoon glasses—S & Ps—old comics—paper wts.—military field kit, flashlight, pins—old books, some history—too much to list.

ADVERTISING ANTIQUES: ant. seed corn sacks from local and other companies including Pioneer, Waynes, Holmes, Pillsbury, E.W. Doubet, Hog Mix (see online ad for more)—very old local yearbooks from most towns including (42 Hawcreek Township HS, many old Knoxville from 1913-1970s—Maquon 36 and 46, London Mills 24, 27, 28, 30—Elmwood Ulmus from 1917, 18, and 20s, Williamsfield 45 and 54)—huge coll. of yardsticks with adv.—Robert Pumfrey Funks rain gauge—1958 Victoria Motor Co. adv.—R.H. Sornberger Standard Oil farm book—1934 Bishop Hill Artsnstuff calendar—1946 Kd Cook Victoria calendar—1949 Moore's Transfer calendar—1800's books—1912 Victory School Fulton Co. class list—Bushnell Bottling Works bottle—History 90th division book—Kent Harpman adv.—Knox Co. Oil ashtray—metal Avon Farmer's Elevator ruler—Fairview and Rapatee adv.—Cale Funeral/Drug London Mills fan—Knoxville Locker thermometer—Bushnell Homer Fert. Crow bar—Henderson Service Co. picture—Galesburg adv. Items—Peoria adv.—many cookbooks from local churches and groups—2 new JD safari type hats—Gertrude's Maquon adv.—Galva monopoly—Galesburg wrist watch—JD Yates City old ruler—Williamsfield Farmers Co-op and Wights rulers—Peoria Stock Yard ruler—old Coca Cola ruler—much more will be added by sale day. We are still searching for treasures. More auctions will follow.

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WYOMING, IL REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

The following very nice home and personal property will be sold on location at 405 Madison Ave Wyoming, IL 61491 (2 houses north of the football field), on

SUNDAY APRIL 10TH, 2022 AT 12:00 NOON

REAL ESTATE: This well-maintained tri-level home sits on a .29 acre lot just 2 houses from the grade school grounds. This house was built in 1973 by the original owner. The main level of this home includes a nice large kitchen with much updated oak cupboard space and modern counter tops. The dining area attached to the kitchen contains patio doors that lead to a back poured cement patio. A large living room and closet areas are also located on the main floor making much space for family. The lower level is mostly finished with a family room and brick gas fireplace. Utility and storage rooms are separated off for appearance and convenience. The basement is dry but 2 sump pumps and a back up battery are installed in case of an emergency situation. The upper level of this home contains 3 nice sized bedrooms and 2 full baths. There is over 2000 sq. ft. of actual living space. An attached 2 stall garage with automatic doors and much storage improves the value of this property. The house is heated with hot water baseboard heat that was new in 2009 along with central air. The house is in very good shape and any updating needed is basically cosmetic. Windows, roof and siding are all in good condition. TERMS: A non-refundable 10% down is required sale day, with the balance to be pd. In full at closing in approx. 30 days. OPEN HOUSE: An open house will be held on Tuesday March 15th, 2022 from 5-6 p.m. Watch for a full list of personal property and see pictures online at www.folgersauctionservice.com and LIKE US ON FACEBOOK for more. Personal property will include very nice appliances, antiques, furniture, a nice Troy Bilt TB42 7 speed mower w/42" deck, a very nice Troy Bilt Storm 2410 snow blower, Predator 3200/4000 w. generator, an electric Rem. Chain saw, garage items and so much more.

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It's time for an "Anything But Household Auction" at 7642 Grain Bin Road Toulon. ANYTHING BUT HOUSEHOLD AUCTION Sunday April 3 @ 12:00 noon

Early consignments include: Coats 1010 tire machine, Lincoln welder, Trail King 14" skid steer trailer, John Deere 2010 gas wide front loader tractor, trailer ramps, belt/disc sander, diamond plate tool box, Stihl curve shaft gas trimmer, Banshee Quad compound bow, electric meat slicer, hard long gun cases, lawn chairs, large commercial meat grinder, 5 Everbilt 1/3hp sump pumps, 4 235/40 R18 tires, 4 205/65 R15 tires on Ford rims, Craftsman EZ walk push mower, Toro Super Pro push mower, Toro 2000E snow blower, Ebbtide Dyna tank 5 person fishing boat w/ trailer and Turbo 565 trolling motor and Mercury 150 outboard, ATV tires, long handle tools, 4 35-12.5 R20 tires, ATV ramps, Westfield 10-31 truck auger, John Deere 3 point sickle mower, John Deere 3 point 6' disk, 3 42"x10' work tables on castors, 3 point bale mover, several partial sheets of diamond plate, large amount of long handle tools, power tools, much more coming

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Toulon, IL 61483

NOTICE

Pleasant Valley & Snareville Cemetery Clean-Up

Please remove all items that you wish to keep. Must be removed by April 15, 2022

Thank you, Penn Township

NOTICE

Penn Township is accepting mowing bids for Pleasant Valley & Snareville Cemeteries

Bids should be for the whole mowing season. Bids may be for both cemeteries. Bids should be submitted in writing and returned by

March 31, 2022 to:

Supervisor Mary Groter
9148 Snareville Rd., Wyoming, IL 61491
Penn Township board has the right to accept or reject any bid.

Public Auction

To help settle the estate a live auction will be held at 8753 Vineyard Road Toulon

Saturday, April 2 at 9 a.m.

This is going to be a larger than normal auction that will have something for everyone. We will be offering online bidding on some of the items so stay tuned for the details on that.

Items to be sold include: 45 outboard motors including Buccaneer, Sea King Sea Horse, Sears, Eska, and Mercury, John Deere 3800 pressure washer, Stack On tool chest, floor mount grinder, lawn chairs, 100,000 BTU Reddy Heater, Porter Cable 240 volt 60 gallon upright air compressor, Honda Big Red 250 3 wheeler, Porta Heat 150 heater, bench vise, squirrel cage fan, Hudson spray, air pig, T post puller, Porter Cable pancake compressor, metal stamps, welding table, fishing poles, table saw, floor jacks, 4 step TriArc aluminum ladder, 6' aluminum step ladder, 8' fiberglass step ladder, bakers scaffold, Fimco ATV sprayer w/boom, engine lift, aluminum extension ladder, 3 point quick hitch, King Kutter 3 point single shank ripper, Dayton 150,000 btu heater, Ariens roto tiller, 14 sheets of ½" OSB, 24 sheets ½" styro foam insulation, 250 gallon fuel barrel w/pump, Ingersoll Garden tractor sign, 2 Rubber Maid water tanks, The Elms dining and cocktail sign, S&T store sign, Bud sign, Woods Cadet 72" 3 point mower, 5' stainless table, exhaust fan, old plows, metal shelving, corn sheller, railroad jacks, oil lamps, pony saddles, railroad lanterns, brass buckets, wooden pulleys, wood planes, cedar press, forge tools, hay harpoons, grinding wheels, juke box, milk cans, treadle sewing machine, platform scales, Hit and Miss motor, meat grinders, several air conditioners, large amount of LP records, electric motors, pumps, license plates, large amount of bottle jacks, string trimmers, goat wagon, bar stools, 3 basin sinks, old Victrola style phonographs, old school desks, planter stakes, LP tanks, log chains, ATV ramps, handy man jacks, hitch pins, chain binders, come alongs, floor mount drill press, Hawke 60,000 lb press, Buffalo metal band cutting saw, scrap metal, parts bins, electrical wire, Generac EZ switch, Onan Pro 6000 generator, Lincoln 225 welder, poulan chainsaw, pole trailer, 30' dual axle flat bed trailer, 23 1" 4x4 sheets of stro foam insulation, leg hold traps, 20+ sheets of 1" styro foam insulation, chop saw, wheel weights, garden wagon, 3 point post driver, tools, building materials, fuel barrels, log chains, farm primitives, truck tires, large tire rack, large deer stand, fencing material, restaurant equipment, fishing poles and tackle, power tools, cordless tools, long handle tools, electrical supplies, much, much more.

This is only a very partial listing. we will be posting another ad shortly. Multiple ring will run all day so plan accordingly. We will accept cash, check or credit card with a 3% convenience fee. Online purchases will be charged a 15% buyer's premium. Lunch stand and restrooms will be onsite.

Pee Wee Duncan, estate
James Duncan executor

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OBITUARIES

Judy L. Anderson

GALVA – Judy L. Anderson, 70, of Galva, Ill., passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, in Viola, Ill., with her daughter Heidi by her side. Judy’s strength and endurance throughout her battle with cancer truly amazed her family, friends and even her doctors and nurses. Her strength was fueled by the great love of her family.



Anderson

Visitation services will be held from 4-7 pm, on Friday, April 1, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva. Friends and family are also invited to attend a Celebration of Life in Judy’s honor to be held at the Galva Arts Council on April 2, from 11 a.m-3 p.m. Bob Lewin will be providing a prayer service at 11:30 a.m. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Donations may be made in Judy’s memory to the Shriner’s Children’s Hospital, Henry County Humane Society, the Galva Arts Council, the Galva Freedom Fest, or the Galva High School Class of 1970 in c/o Connie (Rick) Anderson.

Per Judy’s wishes, cremation rites have been accorded through Watson Thomas Funeral Home in Galesburg. All other arrangements are being handled by Rux Funeral Home in Galva.

Judy was born on March 11, 1952, the daughter of Howard Lee and Rose (Holmes) Craig, in Kewanee, Ill. She is survived by three sisters: her twin sister, Trudy, sister Tina and her youngest sister Patty. Judy graduated from Galva High School and married Larry G. Anderson of Altona, Ill., in April of 1972, and together they had two daughters, Heidi and Jennifer. The couple later divorced. Judy worked hard during her life in order to provide for her daughters, which included working as a certified nurse’s aide, at the Kewanee Leather Factory and Dixline Corporation in Galva.

In her younger years, Judy enjoyed crocheting and cross-stitch, ceramics, fishing, karaoke and going on lunch outings and shopping with her loved ones.

Her family was her driving force in life, and she always looked forward to all family holidays and get togethers. Judy and her sisters shared the planning and hosting of an individual annual holiday event, with Judy’s annual holiday celebration being the 4th of July. Her yearly freedom celebration was a family favorite and consisted of lots of food and drink, talent shows, horseshoes the parade and fireworks at the Galva Park District. Judy was famous in her

family for her delicious zucchini bread, and brownies; both of which no one can quite replicate. Judy was very blessed to know how many people truly cared for and loved her with all of the gifts, cards, letters, messages, food and flowers she received on almost a daily basis during her illness. The love from her friends and family kept her spirits up and helped her stay hopeful even on her hardest days. She was able to celebrate her milestone 70th birthday with her twin sister and loving family.

Those left to cherish her memory include daughters, Heidi (Jeff Cook) Martin of Viola and Jennifer (Shawn) Rohrig of Galva; and three grandchildren, Kylie Martin of Peoria, Ill., Tyler (Maia Leach) Henry of Lafayette, Ind., and Wyatt Rohrig of Galva. Her grandchildren were the light of her life, as she was theirs. Also left to cherish her memory are; her twin sister Trudy (Steve Knasko) Kircher of Dubuque, Iowa/Galena, Ill., her sister Tina (Bill) Hutchinson of Galva, and sister Patty (Larry) Collinson also of Galva; along with nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and a great-nephew who were all very dear to her heart. Judy is also survived by several family canine companions, whom she loved very much.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents, Howard Lee and Rose Craig, and her nephew, Frank Sellers.

The family would like to give special thanks to Hospice Compassus for providing such wonderful care in our time of need, and also to Western Illinois Home Healthcare, for their care and compassion, not only from a patient standpoint, but also for their compassion, patience and understanding for their employee, Judy’s daughter Heidi, as she took time off to care for her mother. Also, a special thanks to Kathryn Sharer of Aledo, Ill., Judy’s caregiver and daytime angel.

Joan M. Rumbold

LaFAYETTE – Joan Marie Rumbold, 85, of LaFayette, passed away at 7:55 a.m. Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at her home.

Joan was born on Sept. 15, 1936, in Peoria County. She was the daughter of George and Clara (Streitmatter) Berchtold. She married Raymond Rumbold on June 30, 1957. She is survived by her husband, Raymond Rumbold; 2 sons, Randy (Jill) Rumbold of LaFayette and Rick (Joyce) Rumbold of LaFayette; 1 daughter, Brenda (Michael) Rose of Galva; 9 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Kath-



Rumbold

erine Peterson; and her brother, Lavern Berchtold. Joan was deeply loved and cherished by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved spending time with her family and was always looking for an opportunity to host a family event so everyone could spend time together. Birthdays, holidays, anniversaries, and late fall wiener roasts were all times that the family could count on Grandma wanting to gather and spoil her family.

Joan graduated from Princeville High School in 1954 and began working at Caterpillar. In 1959, her first son was born, and she left Caterpillar to be a homemaker and to help her husband with the family farm. Joan loved to garden and spend time taking care of her yard. She spent many hours in the seat of her mower trimming her yard to perfection. She attributed her love for mowing to her memories of mowing her parents’ lawn as part of her childhood chores. Joan was also an exceptionally talented baker and cook. Her family always looked forward to enjoying her cooking and baked goods whenever they could. She also loved to share her gift by providing meals and baked goods to various events and people over the years. She was a member of the Princeville Apostolic Christian Church.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 26, 2022, at the Princeville Apostolic Christian Church. Ministers of the church will officiate. Visitation will be from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, March 25, 2022, at the Princeville Apostolic Fellowship Hall. Additional visitation will be from 9-9:45 a.m. Saturday at the Church. Burial will be in the Princeville Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Midwest Food Bank or Apostolic Christian Skylines in Peoria. To leave condolences for Joan’s family, please visit her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Alan D. Johnson

WYOMING – Alan D. Johnson, 59, of Wyoming, formerly of Dundee, Ill., and Las Vegas, Nev., passed away on March 15, 2022, at his residence. He was born on April 22, 1962, in Evanston to parents David and Jacqueline (Prost) Johnson. He is survived by his brother, Brian (Nancy) Johnson of East Dundee.

Alan grew up in Northbrook. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming is assisting the family with arrangements.

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Court asked to define river access limits

By PETER HANCOCK
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Supreme Court is being asked to decide the extent to which property owners can block anyone else, including neighboring property owners, from accessing a river that runs through their property.

It's a question of law that Illinois courts have not fully addressed before and one over which different states have vastly different policies. The case involves two property owners who own land along the Mazon River, in Grundy County, a portion of which has been declared a National Historic Landmark because it has significant and unique fossil deposits dating back some 300 million years.

The Mazon River is designated as non-navigable under Illinois law, meaning it is not wide or deep enough to carry commercial traffic such as barges.

Adam Holm and his family own two noncontiguous parcels of land along the river, one of which is accessible by road and one of which is

not.

Holm, who operates a fossil-hunting business, used a kayak to traverse down the river from one parcel of land to the other to gather fossils, passing through land owned by Peter Kodat, who also operates a fossil hunting business.

In September 2016, Kodat called the Grundy County Sheriff's Office to report two people kayaking in front of his property. Sheriff's officers responded and informed Holm that he was trespassing by kayaking on the river, even if he remained in the kayak and never went on land.

Holm then sued, asking the court to declare that as a riparian landowner, he had a right to access the full length of the river, even if that meant traversing across Kodat's property.

Although there were allegations that Holm had, in fact, been taking fossils from Kodat's property, that was never adjudicated in court.

At first, the trial court sided with Holm, saying he had a right to access the entire surface of the river. But Kodat asked the court to reconsider that decision. In March 2020,

the court reversed itself and held that Kodat had an absolute right to exclude anyone from accessing the portion of the river that flowed across his property. The 3rd District Court of Appeals upheld that decision.

At issue, Holm's attorney Zachary Pollack said, is whether a "civil law" principle should apply, allowing a riparian landowner to use the entire surface of a non-navigable river or whether courts should apply a "common law" principle that says riparian landowners have a right to exclude others from accessing the portion of a river crossing their property.

Pollack said some states, like New Mexico, have laws that effectively make rivers and streams public property, thus prohibiting landowners from barring public access.

In Illinois, he said, courts have never directly addressed the question of the civil law principle that applies to accessing rivers, lakes and streams. Most decisions have dealt with access to lakes.

The court is likely to issue its ruling on the case later this year.

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

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. LITERATURE: Who wrote the poem "Nothing Gold Can Stay"?

2. TELEVISION: Eric Taylor was the dad in which 2000s TV drama?

3. MATH: What is the Arabic number equivalent of the Roman numerals MDCCCLXXVI?

4. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the Tyrrhenian Sea located?

5. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient in the canned product SPAM?

6. ADVERTISING SLOGANS: What product did football player Joe Greene promote in the "Meet Joe Greene" TV commercial?

7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How fast do honeybees fly?

8. MOVIES: Who was the famous person portrayed in the movie "Lust for Life"?

9. HISTORY: When was Elizabeth II crowned queen?

10. EXPLORERS: Which early European explorer named the Pacific Ocean?

Answers

1. Robert Frost

2. "Friday Night Lights"

3. 1776

4. Between the west coast of Italy and the islands of Sicily, Sardinia and Corsica

5. Pork

6. Coca-Cola

7. 20 mph

8. Vincent van Gogh (by actor Kirk Douglas)

9. 1953

10. Ferdinand Magellan

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TOP 10 MOVIES

1. The Batman (PG-13)

2. Uncharted (PG-13)

3. BTS Permission to Dance on Stage

4. Dog (PG-13)

5. Spider-Man: No Way Home (PG-13)

6. Death on the Nile (PG-13)

7. Radhe Shyam (NR)

8. Sing 2 (PG)

9. Jackass Forever (R)

10. Scream 5 (R)

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The Prairie News Sports

Stark County track athletes excel indoors

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

For The Prairie News

. MONMOUTH – Lindley Johnston had a role in a strong showing by Stark County track athletes Saturday by qualifying for the indoor state meet in three events and winning the high jump in the 30-team Silver Streak Last Chance event at Monmouth College.

“Lindley came right out of the gates with a great start winning high jump,” girls track coach Clint Terwilliger said.

Blake Orwig also had a strong day, breaking his own school record in the shot put with a throw of 51 feet, 0.5 inches to win by almost 5 feet over the runnerup from Galesburg.

The other boys medalist was Keagan Newton, who won the triple jump with a leap of 41-3 and medaled in high jump (fifth after clearing 5-10) and 60-meter hurdles (sixth in 9.72).

Fourth-ranked triple jumper Newton and fifth-ranked shot putter Orwig (51-0.75 best) will also compete in the Illinois Top Times meet today and Saturday at Illinois Wesleyan.

Johnston is ranked second in high jump after clearing 5-4.25 during the outdoor season and will also compete in the 200 meters (28.18)



Stark County's Lindley Johnston is a top performer whether she's competing outside, as above or inside, as last weekend when she qualified for the Illinois Top Times meet in three events.

and 400 meters (1:04.95). She was third in the 400 at Monmouth.

Stark County's 4x800 team of Keagan Hamilton, Sarah Kraklow, Paige Rewerts and Ashley Orrick placed third at Monmouth in 11:07.27 against larger foes No. 1 Pleasant Plains (10:35.87) and No. 2 Sherrard (10:36.63). Terwilliger said Kylee Frisby (30-5.25) and Lauren Orwig (32-1.75) had strong throws in the shot put as well.

Stark County Softball

The Lady Rebels have three starters back from an 8-11 finisher and look to field a young team this spring.

“We are a young but coachable team with contributions coming from both upperclassmen and underclassmen,” second-year coach Trey Swanson said.

Top hitters back are junior Lauren West (.395 batting average), sophomore Olivia Orwig (.380) and junior Haylel Gilliam (.375).

Shanna Peterson is the top pitcher back after going 5-3 with 42 strikeouts and a 5.04 ERA,

Galva Baseball

Galva began the 2022 campaign Monday with a 16-1 non-conference loss at Port Byron Riverdale.

TJ Conner had a hit and a walk for the Wildcats. Talon Hull scored the team's run by way of a steal, followed by a failed pickoff attempt.


“It was our first game, and it showed. We weren't ready for game speed,” Galva Coach Van White said. “We will look to rebound next game.”

Galva next goes to Midland on Monday, April 4.

Stark County Baseball


Stark County (0-1) began 2022 play with a 10-2 home loss Tuesday against Farmington in non-conference action.

The Rebels were scheduled to play at home versus Morrison Thursday in a non-conference contest.



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