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Open house for new Stark high school

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE
For The Prairie News

TOULON – The Stark County School District will hold an Open House and tour of the partially constructed new high school building Saturday, April 16, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This will be the second Open House since construction commenced.

According to School District Superintendent Brett Elliott, “This will include tours of the current high

school and junior high along with a sneak-peak at our new high school and junior high renovations.”

Construction of the new high school building is approximately 55 percent complete. The concrete floors of the high school are being poured to date. The tour of the new building will include the inside of the building “as much as allowed for safety” Elliott said.

People attending the open house may park on South Franklin Street

in front of the current high school and on Prairie Street adjacent to the Junior High building. Enter through the main entrance of the current high school.

“An open auction will be held shortly after the last day of school for anyone to make donations for specific items as long as they remove it themselves,” Elliott said. “We will also have additional tours in the summer and of course, when the new building is complete.”



Pictured is an architectural rendering of what the new Stark County High School will look like once it is finished.

BIG BASS TIME IS HERE

Is this the same fish?

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Prairie News

Big fish invite comparisons and questions. How big? How deep? Where? On what? Did you eat it? Seldom, though, does the line of questioning include, “Is that the same fish your kid caught last year?”

But that’s exactly what Don Sullivan of Hanna City and his son, Donny Sullivan of Kickapoo, have been pondering since last Sunday’s fishing trip to a deep Tazewell County lake yielded a lunker bass.

Don Sullivan caught the day’s lone fish, which he said measured 24 inches and weighed just over 9 pounds on a hand-held digital scale.

“We weren’t out fishing for 20 minutes when, bam, I hooked a hog down about 15-20 feet from the boat. I had a [Rapala] crankbait diver on.

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Don Sullivan of Hanna City (above left) and his son Donny Sullivan of Kickapoo (above right) think they may have caught the same lunker bass one year apart based on photos and a comparison of markings (above middle and below).

Galva preparing for pool opening in May

By CAROL TOWNSEND
For The Prairie News

GALVA – The Galva Park District board is busy getting ready for the opening of the pool at the end of May.

Employees have been hired to tend to the grounds, but the park district is still looking for life guards. Clean-up of the grounds was done by Superintendent Nathan Glaser and Larry Halsall.

The April membership special is available. Anyone interested can get an application at one of the Galva school offices, Porter Hay insurance office, or the bulletin board at Community State Bank.

The April special is \$60 for an individual in-district and \$90 for out of district. The April special for a family is \$80 for in-district and \$115 for out of district.

The board has been approached by the Galva Freedom Fest committee about holding the July 3 beer tent at the Park District. The tent has been in the vacant lot west of the Fire Station, but the fire station has expanded onto that lot.

The board tabled the idea until Freedom Fest members can attend and answer questions.

The Galva schools were invoiced \$1,000 for the use of the ball fields for softball and baseball use.

The board heard that 300 flyers will be handed out to elementary students with the dates and information concerning the pool and activities.

The board approved a \$500 pay increase for the treasurer and \$300 pay increase for the superintendent position.

It was reported that either Board President Katie Lauren or her daughter, head life guard Lauren Hopping, will get their food handler management license from the health department so they can help run the concession stand.

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BASS: Both fish caught in almost same spot

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What a fight,” the elder Sullivan said. “My son grabbed the net and in the boat she came. It was huge! Biggest bass of my life. We went crazy.

“We weighed and measured it, then we took some pictures and then I released her back into the water. Off she swam. What a father-and-son moment. A day we will always remember.”

That was caught from within a few hundred feet of where Donny Sullivan last April caught a 22-inch bass that weighed 6 1/2 pounds on a digital scale. Last year the fish bit on an Alabama rig.

In the moment, none of that mattered to the Sullivans, who were busy celebrating.

“We think our excitement scared all the other fish away,” Don Sullivan said, explaining the lack of bites thereafter.

But later that day, Donny started comparing pictures of the bass. Don Sullivan explained that his son takes hunting and fishing more seriously and spends time studying fish they catch and deer pictures they gather on trail cameras.

“My son posted side-by-side photos of the fish on a fishing forum he is on,” the elder Sullivan said. “Right away, everyone was pointing out the identical marks on the fish. Could we have caught the same fish? It sure looks like it.”

Department of Natural Resources fishery biologist Rob Hilsabeck agreed that the markings do look very, very similar.

“I’d say it’s very possible,” Hilsabeck said.

Skeptics may still have doubts, as is natural with any big-fish story. While stories of anglers catching the same fish in the same day are not unusual, tales of a father and son team-

ing up on a fish one year apart are rare. And barring a fin tag or other tracking device, it’s not possible to prove definitively this was the same fish. That’s OK with the Sullivans.

“My wife, Beverly, couldn’t believe I didn’t bring it home,” Don Sullivan said. “I told her it was too big. I had to put it back.”

That release sets up an interesting possibility.

“We are both so grateful for the experience and hope maybe my grandson [Donny Sullivan III] can catch that same fish some day,” Don Sullivan said.

While chances of that seem slim, as Donny Sullivan III is just 4 years old, one way to increase the odds is to fish in late March and early April – prime time for catching big bass in Illinois waters.

You can bet the Sullivans won’t miss that chance next spring.

State may be sending checks to Illinois residents

By JERRY NOWICKI
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – Democrats in the Illinois Senate are touting a \$1.8 billion package of mostly temporary tax relief proposals they hope to include in the Fiscal Year 2023 budget as the legislative session nears an April 8 end.

The package is \$800 million beyond the tax relief package proposed by Gov. JB Pritzker in his budget in February, although it includes many of the same tax reductions backed by the governor. The meas-

ures are contained in eight amendments to Senate Bill 1150 and include direct checks to Illinoisans, a 10-day stay on taxes on schools supplies and qualifying clothing, a six-month stay on the grocery tax and a motor fuel tax increase.

Lawmakers are scheduled to adjourn on April 8, with the budget the main proposal that still needs to be wrapped up. It needs approval from both chambers of the General Assembly and the governor.

Republicans called the plan an election-year gim-

mick.

Sen. Elgie Sims, D-Chicago, a lead budgeteer in the Senate, said the tax relief was made possible by unspecified “additional revenues” made available in the budget.

The plan would include one-time direct checks to Illinoisans. Those earning less than \$250,000 in 2021 would receive a \$100 check, while joint filers earning less than \$500,000 would receive \$200.

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Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

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3-19 - Stephanie Olaguez - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
3-24 - Zachary L. McCann - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
3-24 - Emilie A. Hahn - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
3-31 - Danielle N. Hall - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
3-31 - Keagan N. Newton - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
3-29 - Ryan C. Snider - Operating an uninsured vehicle and seat belt required.
4-2 - Tiffany A. Britt - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
4-3 - Shandra C. Terry - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
4-3 - Zachary J. Bachman - Speeding 26-34 mph over the limit.

Felonies & Misdemeanors

12-7-21 - Criminal felony - Ryan D. Burt - Meth delivery and meth possession.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

3-23 - Ashley J. Williams, 35, Kewanee, was cited for speeding 75 mph in a 55 zone and for driving with no insurance.
3-23 - Wesley F. Foutz, 47, Dunlap, was cited for failure to signal when required, speeding 88 mph in a 55 zone, and for improper lane usage.
3-29 - Patria J. Mann-Edwards, Alton, was cited for driving a vehicle with a revoked registration and for speeding 73 mph in a 55 zone. She was released with a notice to appear.
3-31 - Ryan D. Burt, 41, Bradford, was arrested for unlawful possession of meth and unlawful delivery of meth. His cash bond was set at \$1,000. He was unable to post bond and remains in custody at the Stark County Jail.
4-2 - Jerrill D. Halman, 46, Decatur, was arrested for driving on a suspended and/or revoked license. He posted \$250 cash bond and was released with a notice to appear in court.
4-2 - Lonny E. Dennison, 53, Toulon, was cited for illegal entry to a roadway. He was issued a notice to appear.
4-2 - Mathew Senders, 27, Huntsville, Ark., was cited for illegal transportation of adult use cannabis and for speeding 79 mph in a 55 zone. He was released with a notice to appear.

Galva Report
Officer dispatched:
3-28 - to Sentry Estates for a damage to property complaint.
3-28 - As the result of a parking complaint in the 400 block of W. Division St., an elderly female was located who had been entered as a missing and endangered person by the Elgin Police Department. She was taken to a local hospital for evaluation and family members were notified she had been located.
3-28 - to the 300 block of NE 2nd St. for an out-of-control juvenile complaint. Subject was taken by ambulance.



3-29 - to the Exchange Street railroad crossing after a report that the crossing arm was getting caught on something and was unable to lower. BNSF was contacted for repairs.
3-30 - to the area around Wiley Park in reference to two vehicles that were driving fast in the area. The vehicles were located and the drivers were warned about driving cautiously.
3-30 - to the 00 block of SW 4th Ave. for a disturbance involving an employee who was terminated and had returned.
3-31 - to the 300 block of NW 1st St. for a verbal domestic disturbance. Officer stood by while a female gathered some property and left.
3-31 - to the 300 block of Front St. for a disturbance and trespassing issue. Officer had complainant sign a trespassing notice and it was served by the officer to a subject in the 300 block of NW 1st St.
3-31 - to the 300 block of Front St. to remove an unwanted subject who had previously been banned. As a result, Logan Zaugg, 21, Galva, was arrested for criminal trespass to property and disorderly conduct. He was taken to the Henry County Jail.
4-1 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 700 block of SE 2nd St., Betty Elliott, 81, Kewanee, was arrested on a Warren County warrant for failure to appear on the charge of driving while license suspended. She was unable to post bond and was taken to the Henry County Jail.
4-1 - to Sentry Estates to assist a citizen who had locked himself out.
4-1 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 00 block of SW 1st Ave., Caleb Newburry, 18, Oneida, was arrested for possession of adult use cannabis in a motor vehicle and improper display of registration. He was released with a required court date.
4-1 - to a car-vs.-deer accident with damage only, just north of the high school. A crash report was completed.
4-2 - Officer, along with Stark County Medic, was dispatched to an unresponsive subject in Bishop Hill. The subject was found to be deceased. The coroner was notified.
4-3 - Officer located a subject driving a lawnmower in the middle of the roadway at 12:16 a.m. in the 200 block of NW 3rd Ave. As a result, Michael Bengston, 58, Galva, was arrested for driving while license revoked and improper lane usage. He was released with a required court date.
4-3 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 600 block of S. Center Ave., Dylan West, 18, Victoria, Nathan Whitman, 19, Altona, Tyler West, 19, Victoria, and Todd Walker, 20, Altona, were all issued notices to

appear for illegal possession and/or consumption of alcohol by a minor. They were released with required court dates.
4-3 - Officer, along with the fire department and Stark County Medic, were dispatched to a possible train derailment just west of town along Hayes Road. Officers checked the entire region, but were unable to locate.
4-3 - Officer, along with the Galva Fire Department and Stark County Medic, were dispatched to the 500 block of SE 2nd St. for a possible burning smell.
4-3 - Officer assisted the Kewanee Police Department with locating a subject in the 200 block of NE 4th St. in reference to an incident that occurred in Kewanee earlier. Contact was made and the message was delivered.
4-2 - Jeffrey Heinie, 57, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

Property Transfers
3-28 - RVFM 13 Series, LLC to FACL Holdings, LLC - Foster's Add'n block C lot 5 - 107 South St., Bradford - Consideration = \$100.
3-28 - Dean L. Seckman to Dean L. Seckman, Trustee - Pt Sect 7-13-6 SW & Pts 12-13-5 SE - 5939 Twp Rd 1000 N. LaFayette - Consideration = \$0.
3-30 - Stark County Assets to Jennifer Tillman - Pt 2-12-6 NE - 614 S. 7th St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$160,000.
3-30 - Rosalie A. Goins, Robert E. & Donald L. Hendrick to Curtis, Daryl L., Dennis R., Jennifer L., Kenna R. & Marybeth Wagenbach - Pt 35-12-5 NW, NE, SW - Consideration = \$865,000.
3-30 - Rosalie A. Goins, Robert E. & Donald L. Hendrick to Michael W. Cox - E1/2 Sect 17-12-6 SE - Consideration = \$650,593.
3-31 - EJJNP Properties, LLC to EJJNP Properties, LLC - Pt 32-13-6 NE - Consideration = \$0.
4-1 - Alan R. & Mary Ann Knobloch to Alan R. & Mary Ann Knobloch, Trustees - Und 1/2 Int Pt 11-13-7 NE - 15563 Township Rd 1050 N., Bradford, - Consideration = \$0.
4-1 - Otha Boyd to Clara & Jim Milby - Pt 16-13-7 NE - Kissinger's Add'n to Castleton Block 1 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 - 507 Concord St., Castleton - Consideration = \$0.
4-1 - Samantha L. Fox to Cindy Rehmer-Ruemker & Clemens R. Ruemker, Jr. - B. D. Sweets Add'n - Pts Lot 8 - 422 W. Vine St., Toulon - Consideration = \$118,000.
4-1 - Camp Grove State Bank to Jacqueline Pelaez - Vg of Speer Block 3 Lot 10 - 319 Railroad St., Speer - Consideration = \$5,000.

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3-30 - Adam Ray Witcher, Kewanee and Adriana Mojica, Kewanee.



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Photography doesn't teach you how to express emotions; it teaches you how to see.

- Bereniece Abbott

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We will not run out of food this year

Contrary to the woeful baying by Big Agbiz, the United States – and any nation with enough money – will not run out of food this year. This can be said without reservation for two reasons.

First, war or no war, there is no global shortage of wheat, the crop today’s Chicken Littles are cluck-cluck clucking about. In the last week of March, numerous sources pointed out that the estimated shortfall in Russian wheat export sales due to its war in Ukraine will be about 7 million metric tons (mmt) this marketing year.

While that sounds like a lot, 7 mmt is, in fact, 0.9 percent of Russia’s staggering 778 mmt 2021 wheat crop.

So, no, the loss of less than one percent of any nation’s farm production in any commodity will not lead to global famine.

The second reason the world will not run out of wheat is that when properly functioning markets operate in an open, transparent manner, price rations supply and demand. Yes, that can get coldly expensive but it also ensures the global cupboard never really empties.

And that is what happened in the wheat futures market from mid-February to early March as Russia invaded Ukraine. On Feb. 18, a week before the invasion, Chicago May wheat futures prices were \$8.04 per bushel. After three weeks of volatile, war-fueled trading, May futures had soared to over \$12.

On March 8, however, the May contract rocketed to \$13.63 per bu. just as futures trading began that day. Shortly thereafter, something – or someone – hit the market and May futures fell off the table, down \$2 per bu. By the close of the bruising session, prices had clawed back to \$12.86 per bu., or almost exactly where they had finished the day before.

What happened? No one really knows and, worse, it’s likely no one will ever know because the futures markets’ key regulator, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) – like many government agencies in the past decade – has given most of its oversight functions to the markets themselves, notes Dr. Steve Suppan of the Institute of Agriculture and Trade Policy in Minneapolis (IATP).

In a prescient March 16 post on the IATP website titled “Wheat futures prices and the war on regulation,” Suppan describes the long, anti-oversight game most futures exchanges played with federal watchdogs after post-2008 laws gave regulators greater power to oversee markets.

That fight culminated with a 3-to-2 vote in late 2020 by the five-member board that relinquished “nearly all CFTC authority to the exchanges...” One of the two dissenters on the panel, Suppan notes, said the shift made “the players on the field the referees.”

“In this arena,” however, “the public interest loses.”

It’s hard for the public to see that because futures markets appear to be arcane exchanges where cab drivers become millionaires by

buying soybean futures. Not so – ever.

U.S. futures exchanges are a \$610 trillion dollar a year marketplace where speculators – traders looking to profit – and hedgers, usually buyers and sellers of products or derivatives of products traded on the exchange, meet to establish price based on key ingredients like supply, demand, weather, and war.

And they are critically important in our everyday lives: If the markets don’t function fairly, everyone pays – from the trader who was clipped on some shady deal to the single mother of five struggling to pay the weekly grocery tab.

Farmers and ranchers know this. In fact, today’s volatile wheat market means some rural grain purchasers only buy farmers’ grain when the Chicago futures market is open so the buyer can immediately transfer their ownership risk to someone else.

That also means these purchasers don’t offer any farmer a market after 1:15 p.m. each weekday and not at all on the weekend. Almost every farmer or rancher will tell you that this is a highly risky, potentially costly failure to both you and them.

So, no, we’re not going to run out of food. The real threat is that we’ll run out of markets we can trust.

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Spring ephemeral flowers blooming soon

URBANA – Spring ephemeral flowers are nature’s gems after winter. These short-lived beauties are wildflowers that grow in woodlands in the early spring before the leaves on deciduous trees are open. They are called spring ephemerals because they have a relatively short blooming time.

University of Illinois Extension Horticulture Educator Gemini Bhalsod says these seasonal plants grow, flower and set seed quickly.

“They are usually dormant by mid-summer when the leaves die back again,” Bhalsod says. “In your garden one moment and gone another.”

Examples include skunk cabbage, Dutchman’s breeches, jack-in-the-pulpit, Virginia bluebells, mayapples and blood root.

Spring ephemerals complete most of their life cycle in the early spring before the trees and understory

shrubs leaf out and take over most of the available light. These plants start growing roots in the fall and winter, to fully emerge above ground in the spring. This time of year is a tough time to be a growing plant – soil temperatures are low, the weather is unpredictable and there are few pollinators foraging.

As temperatures increase and sunlight becomes less available, growth slows down, nutrients are stored underground, and the plants begin to die back.

“There is some conflicting information and opinions out there as to whether spring ephemerals are just a special type of spring flower or if they are a spring bulb,” Bhalsod says.

One major difference, with a few exceptions, is that ephemeral foliage dies back in the early summer while the foliage of spring bulbs lasts longer.

With the right location, gardeners can grow spring ephemerals in their yards. Since a lot of spring ephemerals can be slow to grow and spread, plant them in groups to have a sense of fullness.

Plant in high organic matter areas that mimic a woodland; no fertilizer is needed. Water only during establishment or in times of drought. Leaf die back is normal.

Many nurseries sell spring ephemerals these days due to their increased popularity. Planting seeds can be a less expensive, but slower approach and you’ll have to break the dormancy of the seed before it grows.

“Never collect plants in the wild as it is illegal, and can really disrupt natural habitat,” Bhalsod says.

Plants bought online that are mailed, they will likely be dormant with bare roots. Plant them right away.



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Super Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Shoshone woman who accompanied Lewis and Clark

10 Hebrew holy text

15 Chicago hub

20 Rembrandt painted with them

21 You RSVP to it online

22 Tempus

23 Elton and Hogwarts

25 RAM units

26 Nestlé of tennis fame

27 The sun, e.g.

28 Hooded viper

30 Get higher

31 Long-necked beast

35 Companies with cabbies

39 Give the details of

42 Kite's home

43 Suffix with human

44 Skilled thief, singly

48 Adds on

52 Positive vote in Congress

53 "What's the ---?" ("Care to explain that?," singly)

54 Vow

56 Dried up

57 Weightlifting units

59 Cuddle (up)

62 "Stay" singer

64 Teeny

65 Bug B Gon's brand

67 Abbr. on an airport uniform

68 Jacob

71 Platoon unit

73 German wine region

75 Equiper of horse hooves

76 Carnival vessels

79 Backpacked beast, maybe

82 "Chicago" showgirl Hart

84 --- polio

85 "Foodies!"

86 Club get-togethers

89 Bleacher feature

90 PC brand

92 Part of DJ

94 Plant-based saline for treating bruises

96 Longtime CBS series

97 10th month, in German

99 Many golf hits onto the green

103 Comic actor

104 Sweetheart

105 Sitting Bull's tribe

106 Hoped-for result of a throw to a receiver

111 Frosty and the like

115 Face defacer

116 Tofu base

117 Negative votes in Congress

128 Green

129 Homer's aide

131 Out

132 Trip associated with the stars of seven answers in this puzzle

129 With 6-Down, boxing legend's boxing daughter

130 Devilish grin

131 Native of the Raiders' home

132 Fidgeting

133 Literature Nobel

134 William Butler ---

134 Event for unloading household items in an urban area

129-Across

7 Took the gold

8 Units of work

9 Aide: Abbr.

10 Helve of

11 Ian's capital

11 --- slacko diet

12 '16 Olympics city

13 Finally

14 Literature Nobel

15 The sun, e.g.

16 Hoedown

17 Snuffy story

18 Singer Delta

19 Snaky curves

24 Tabby

29 Divine seers

32 Grub

33 Small rules

34 --- temble (hellion)

36 Crosses (out)

37 Analogy part

38 Pouch-bah

40 Aristotons

41 Folding craft

44 Poi plant

45 Australian landmark

46 Stayed silent

47 Dress finely, with "out"

48 Oodles

49 Tacos locale

50 Most bleak

51 Not hidden

55 Stein quaff

58 Fung ---

60 Steer catcher

61 Japan finish?

63 Nests with a Nobel

66 Brewer's kin

69 Revlon rival

70 Yard third

72 Cul-de-sacs

74 Mls. missions

76 Elaine in Trump's Cabinet

77 Commotion

78 Ovens

80 Capital of Yemen

81 Makes glossy, as one's hair

83 Decord deity

87 Street vehicle

88 "Danks ---"

91 Ratna parts associated with monochrome vision

93 D-Day city in France

95 About

98 "Humbly"

100 Golf norm

101 Shrub shapers

102 Sackie --- Day

104 Miami Heat great Wade

106 Small hand drum of India

107 Shark's place

108 Not ignited

109 "--- daisy!"

110 Prefix with payment or partisan

112 Sister of Eva and Zsa Zsa

113 "I Love Lucy" neighbor

114 --- Dame

118 I problems?

119 Bleacher feature

122 "Whoopee!"

124 Shark's place

125 Weightlifting unit

126 MGM rival

127 Waitress at Mel's Diner

128 Racing circuit

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Applications available for Johnson scholarship

TOULON – The Gary Johnson Scholarship Committee announces that applications are now available for the 16th annual Coach Gary Johnson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500.

Applicants must be seniors who have participated in high school football or girls basketball for at least three years, and must be furthering their education following graduation. Contact Coach Scott Paxson, Coach Jade Noard or the office at Stark County High School for an application.

All completed applications must be returned to Paxson or Noard by Wednesday, April 27. The winner will be announced at SCHS Senior Awards Night on May 10.

Americans cooking more at home

Meat fortifies more Americans’ meals, which are now more frequently cooked and eaten at home, a new Food Marketing Institute (FMI) report revealed.

A total of 98.5 percent of American households reported buying meat and nearly 3 in 4 Americans described themselves as meat eaters, according to the 17th annual Power of Meat



The annual Dorothy Lord Reading awards were presented to the students with the most improved reading skills in Bradford’s grades 1-7, and to the best overall reader in the 8th grade. The recipients are pictured above from left to right: Stella Brady, 3rd grade; Molly Wellman, 5th grade; Shelby Bruecks, 7th grade; Rose Krider and Riggins Shafer, 8th grade, best overall readers; Avery Johnston, 6th grade; Logan Guerry, 4th grade; and Mason Streitmatter, 2nd grade. Photo by Becki Hoffer.

study from FMI.

The 2021 report examined the impact of the pandemic on shoppers’ habits and lifestyles. The Power of Meat offers an annual update of shopper habits regarding meat and poultry before they purchase, in the store and at home.

Compared to pre-pandemic levels, sales of all meat by volume increased 3.9 percent. On average, Americans reported eating four home-cooked meals with meat each week.

– Kay Shipman, FarmWeek

Good Friday services being held on April 15

• TOULON – The Toulon First Congregational Church will be

hosting a Community Good Friday Service on April 15 at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

• GALVA – First Baptist Church of Galva will be hosting a Christian Passover meal on Good Friday, April 15 at 6 p.m. This will be a full supper with a fascinating hands-on Bible message and holiday music. Donations will be accepted to offset the cost of the meal and Passover meal. First Baptist is located at 211 Northwest 4th Avenue.

Et cetera

BISHOP HILL – Alaskan singer-songwriter, Kray Van Kirk will perform a live concert Sunday, April 10 at Bishop Hill Creative Commons.

By CAROL TOWNSEND
For The Prairie News

GALVA – Hannah Lind, the Galva Libraries new children’s librarian, began her new position on Friday, April 1.

“I am looking forward to the summer reading program which is a big event here,” Lind said.

She said there is also a pre-school story hour every Wednesday beginning at 11 a.m. The event ends with a craft that can either be made at the

library or taken home.

Lind will work Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. She said she will work full time during the summer reading program. She is replacing retiring children’s librarian Sheri Woods.

Lind and her husband, Brent, live in Galva with their two sons, age 10 and 6.

Hannah’s mother, Hess Sage, is the assistant director of the Galva Library.



Pictured is Hannah Lind, Galva Library’s new children’s librarian.

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Honor Flight to be named for Galva fest

By CAROL TOWNSEND
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GALVA – The 52nd Honor Flight has been designated as the “Galva/Backroad Music Festival Flight” and will take 12 local veterans in a group of 92 who will fly out of Quad City International Airport Tuesday, April 12 for a trip to Washington, D.C.

Backroads Music Festival has hosted a “Beards and Braids” contest for the past five years and has raised \$80,000 for the flight, according to Jason Bates, who will be making his

seventh flight as a guardian next Tuesday.

Local veterans making the trip include: from Galva are Dale Spiegel (Korean War); Garth Mingo, Richard Nash, Jackie Knobloch, Lou Patty, Kenneth Gale, John Wirth, Tom Bedarek and Vernon Engels; Andrew Larson from Bishop Hill; and Dennis Schumacher from Altona.

Area guardians include: Bates, Tyler and Bethany Glaser, Cindy Glaser, Nick Grafelman, Mary Beth Grafelman, James Huffman, Katie Huffman, Kristy Schmidt, Victoria

Connor, Scott Caravello, Mayor Rich Volkert and Galva’s Superintendent of Schools Joe Becker. Reporter Mike Berry of Kewanee will also be flying with the group

Honor Flights takes America’s Veterans to D.C. to where they can visit the memorials dedicated to honoring their sacrifices.

The flight departs the Quad City Airport at 7 a.m. and returns about 10 p.m. Area residents can welcome the group home at 10 p.m.

Century Clover 4-H plant oaks in Toulon

TOULON – Members of the Century Clover 4-H club planted 25 potted oak trees acquired through the Forestry Committee/4-H Tree Planting program last Sunday.

Last fall, the program began to invite interested 4-H clubs throughout the state to apply. The goal of the program is to plant trees in every Soil and Water Conservation District in the state. The two criteria for selection were to plant the trees on public property by local 4-H clubs.

The Stark County School District and the City of Toulon were gracious enough to grant permission to plant trees around the high school baseball field and the little league diamonds.

A goal of the program is to raise awareness of diminishing oak forests in Illinois and throughout the Midwest. Oaks are a keystone species en-



Pictured above are members of the Century Clover 4-H club. Front row (left to right) - Faith Shafer, Isley Shafer, Kaylee Goerks, Kennedy Wall, Kinsley Wall, Logan Goerks, Ryan Murphy, Al Curry and Riggins Shafer. Back Row (l to r) - Addison Down, Kellen Wall and Kendall King.

vironmentally. The tree species planted were 10 white oaks and five each of red, black and burr oaks. As oaks are long lived, they should provide shade to ballgame spectators in addition to wildlife habitat for many decades.

This program is a joint project of the AISWCD and Extension 4-H. Funding for the planting has been provided by grants from the Illinois Forestry Development Council and 4-H Alumni, both in the amount of \$5,000.

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EU and UK are targets for more U.S. ag trade

By TIMOTHY EGGERT
FarmWeek

Creating and marketing a high-value, top-quality good will be vital for Illinois farmers to increase the number of their products in the hands – and mouths – of European consumers.

That was a major take-away from meetings between a 12-member Illinois Farm Bureau delegation and international agriculture officials, industry groups and European farmers during a recent Market Study Tour.

In France and its primary city, Paris, food and the framework around eating are ritualistic and idolized. Parisians, for instance, place a high emphasis on the freshness and quality of their food, as well as the means – strictly organic or blocks away in an urban garden – through which it was grown. They’re also willing to pay more for it.

Those attitudes were on

display in various restaurants and open-air, street-level food markets across the city, where producers sell their products directly to consumers.

They were also present at the Paris International Agricultural Show.

Future trade with the EUGIs and other trade schemes could dictate the requirements of a future agricultural trade deal between the U.S. and the EU, said Mark Gebhards, IFB executive director of governmental affairs and commodities.

There is currently no dedicated free trade agreement between the two partners, despite the U.S. exporting about \$12 billion in ag products to the EU in 2020 and importing \$30.6 billion from the EU the same year.

Many groups the IFB delegation met with at the Paris International Agricultural Show voiced support for renewed talks around the TTIP, or a similar deal.

Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack recently announced USDA will sponsor an international trade mission to the UK, which in 2020 imported \$2.7 billion in U.S. ag products. The U.S. in 2020 imported about \$1.1 billion in UK ag products.

Vilsack’s announcement, and the IFB Market Study Tour, comes as the UK has amassed a collection of trade deals since leaving the EU.

IFB Vice President Brian Duncan said he’s confident the meetings “forged close bonds” with officials and will hopefully lead to more trade opportunities for members.

LEGAL ADS

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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.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider.

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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

Clerk

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

In Re **ESTATE OF DARYL W. PITTMAN**)
Deceased.) 2022PR5

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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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED ANNEXATION CITY COUNCIL GALVA, ILLINOIS

On 25 April, 2022, the City Council of the City of Galva, Henry County, Illinois, will consider the passage of an Ordinance annexing certain real property that is contiguous to the incorporated limits of the City of Galva at its regularly scheduled Council Meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. in the City Administration Building located at 311 NW 4th Avenue, Galva, Illinois. The real property to be annexed complies with the standards for real property qualifying for annexation which are set forth in 65 ILCS 5/7-1-8, and is legally described as follows:

Lots 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38 in Hillcrest Resubdivision, located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 14 North, Range 4 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Henry County, Illinois.

More Particularly Described As Follows:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 26 OF HILLCREST RESUBDIVISION; THENCE SOUTH 00°26’40” WEST, A DISTANCE OF 280.03 FEET ALONG THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WALLACE STREET TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 34; THENCE SOUTH 89°33’58” WEST, A DISTANCE OF 177.32 FEET ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE TO THE WEST LINE OF HILLCREST RESUBDIVISION; THENCE NORTH 00°15’16” EAST, A DISTANCE OF 280.04 FEET ALONG THE SAID WEST LINE OF HILLCREST RESUBDIVISION; THENCE NORHT 89°34’26” EAST, A DISTANCE OF 178.24 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 26 AND 38 OF HILLCREST RESUBDIVISION TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID TRACT CONTAINS 1.14 ACRE, MORE OR LESS.

The same being indicated on an accurate map of the annexed territory which is available for inspection in the office of the City Clerk, during normal working hours, at the City Administration Building located at 311 N.W. 4TH Avenue, Galva, Illinois.

It is proposed that the annexed property shall be zoned B-1 Business in agreement with the proposed Annexation Ordinance, which Ordinance is available for inspection in the office of the City Clerk, during normal working hours, at the City Administration Building located at 311 N.W. 4TH Avenue, Galva, Illinois.

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WEST JERSEY TOWNSHIP

Annual Town Meeting Notice is hereby given to the legal residents of the Town of West Jersey in the County of Stark and State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Town will take place on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 6 o’clock p.m. at the West Jersey Township Building for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town and 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. The regular monthly meeting will follow.

Dated April 1, 2022

Michelle Webster, West Jersey Township Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held before the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Galva, Henry County, Illinois at 6:00 p.m. on 25 April 2022 at Galva City Hall, 311 N.W. 4th Avenue, Galva, Illinois, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the City’s desire to close the at-grade railroad crossing designated BNSF X-ING #079750G, commonly referred to as the E 2150th Street Crossing, for an incentive payment of \$165,000 dollars.

This hearing will be recorded. Those wishing to comment will be required to sign up to speak, and before speaking will be asked to state their name and city of residence. Each speaker will be limited to the subject at hand (the closure) and must present their comments in three (3) minutes or less.

Those that cannot attend are encouraged to submit their comments in writing prior to the Hearing. Written comments may be submitted to the Galva City Clerk, 311 N.W. 4th Avenue, Galva, IL 61434. Submitted comments will be read into the record of the Hearing.

A written transcript of the Hearing will be made available, at their request, to the ICC (Illinois Commerce Commission).

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A part of the SW¼ of said Section 26 T14N, R4E of the 4th P.M., Henry County, Illinois. More particularly bounded and described as follows and bearings are for the purpose of description only:

Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the SW¼ of said Section 26; Thence N 90°00’00” E, along the South line of said SW¼, a distance of 1315.97 feet; Thence N 00°01’00” E, a distance of 59.85 feet to an iron rod at the Southwest corner of a 3.04 acre tract and also on the North right-of-way line of U S Route #34. Said iron rod also being the Place of Beginning for the tract to be described; Thence N 89°39’39” W, along said right-of-way line, a distance of 193.30 feet to the Southeast corner of a 5 acre tract; Thence N 00°01’00” E, along the East line of said 5 acre tract, a distance of 690.55 feet to an iron rod; Thence N 90°00’00” E, a distance of 690.30 feet to an iron rod; Thence S 00°01’00” W, a distance of 250.00 feet to an iron rod; Thence S 90°00’00” W, along the North line of existing tracts, a distance of 497.00 to an iron rod at the Northwest corner of said 3.04 acre tract; Thence S 00°01’00” W, along the West line of said 3.04 acre tract, a distance of 441.70 feet to the Place of Beginning and containing 5.92 acres, more or less. Subject to all easements of record.

The same being indicated on an accurate map of the annexed territory which is available for inspection in the office of the City Clerk, during normal working hours, at the City Administration Building located at 311 N.W. 4TH Avenue, Galva, Illinois.

It is proposed that the annexed property shall be zoned M-2 Manufacturing in agreement with the proposed Annexation Ordinance, which Ordinance is available for inspection in the office of the City Clerk, during normal working hours, at the City Administration Building located at 311 N.W. 4TH Avenue, Galva, Illinois.

Stark board OKs new assistant principal

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE
For The Prairie News

WYOMING – At its last board meeting on March 21, the Stark County School Board hired Mike McGovern to replace Anne Snyder as the Jr/Sr High School assistant principal to Principal Megan McGann for the 2022-23 school-year.

McGovern grew up in Chicago on the Northwest Side. After graduating high school, he attended and re-

ceived his Bachelor’s Degree from Illinois State University in Secondary Mathematics Education. McGovern taught nearly every math class from Algebra to AP Statistics at Peoria High School. For two years, he taught at Peoria High’s Alternative School-within-a-School program for freshmen and sophomores at risk of not graduating on time.

McGovern returned to Illinois State University to earn his

Master’s Degree in Educational Administration. He then accepted the position as assistant principal at Glen Oak Community Learning Center, in Peoria, for one year. For the past two years McGovern has been assistant principal at Lincoln K-8 School, in Peoria.

McGovern said he is excited to join the Stark County School system and is ready for a great upcoming school year in the new high school building.

AUCTIONS & REAL ESTATE

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: See our website for full real estate details and pictures at www.folgersauctionservice.com and **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK**. This well-maintained tri-level home sits just 2 houses from the school grounds. This is a one owner house built is 1973. There is over 2000 sq. ft. A 2-stall garage w/ auto doors is attached. The house is heated with hot water baseboard heat that was new in 2009 along with central air. Three bedrooms, 2 full bath, large family room w/fireplace, full sized updated kitchen, dining area, large living room, utility and storage rooms and ample closet space make up the area of this nice home. **TERMS:** A non-refundable 10% down is required sale day, with the balance to be pd. In full at closing in approx. 30 days. A valid purchase agreement will be signed day of sale.

YARD/GARDEN/TOOLS: Very Troy Bilt TB42 7 speed mower w/42" deck, overhead valve engine, 420cc—like new Troy Bilt 2410 snow blower, multiple speed and 2 reverse, 24" cleaning width, 179cc engine—Toro 22" self-propelled push mower—Predator 3200/4000 w. generator, pull start—electric Remington 3HP, 16" blade chain saw—6' Keller ladder—nice rubber tired metal yard wagon—push lawn spreader—yard ornaments and holiday—5 gallon air tank—B & D battery weed eater and blower w/chargers—sm. Bench grinder and other nice power tools—hand and garden tools of many types—2 wheeled cart—fluids, oil, cans, cords, other misc. garage items—nice 5 gallon drink cooler, like new—Genie 10 gallon wet/dry vac—misc.

ANTIQUES: Very unusual old ornate solid wood chair (marked M609 on the thin back), with claw feet—nice oak Waterbury mantle clock—12" 2003 Isabelle Bloom girl, 1999 Lady Bug and other statues—ant. glass including blue Carnival candle holders, other Carnival, Florentine pink depression veg. tray and 11 footed sherbets, amber dep. platter, nice etched Cranberry liquor decanter w/glass set, crystal stemware and more—Lefton hunter—flowered Mikasa dish set—Wrigley Field baseball—sm. white prim. Dr's? cabinet—wicker seat rocker and chair—iron skillet—coal bucket—nice signed (Kish?) golfing clown picture—misc. antiques.

HOUSEHOLD AND FURNITURE: Very nice lg. black Maytag side x side refrigerator w/water, ice dispenser, like new—very clean Amana white electric stove—nice white Crosley refrig./freezer—GE microwave—Avanti electric heater—solid wood table w/6 chairs—solid wood dark wooden hutch—nice Emerson 38" and 32" Toshiba flatscreen TVs—lighted square curio—nice glass top coffee table w/matching end tables—nice solid wood sofa table—plush parlor style chairs—older couch—full sized bed—wall mirrored shelving bedroom unit—chests of drawers—good metal file cabinets—quilt rack—3 section cabinet—older washer and dryer set, works fine—Hoover steam vac., Shark and Tempo vacs—sm. appliances, dishes, misc. furniture, décor, bedding, fans, much more.

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OBITUARIES

Donald G. Martin

BRADFORD – Donald Gene Martin, 89, of Bradford, Ill., passed away Monday, April 4, 2022, on his late daughter’s birthday, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria, Ill.

He was born Sept.10, 1932, in Princeton, Ill., the son of Robert and Mary (Sullivan) Martin.

Gene married Nancy Alexander on Sept. 10, 1955, at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Tiskilwa. She survives in Bradford.

He is also survived by 6 children, Lucinda Jenkins of Campbellsville, Kent., Rhonda (Roy) Keller and William Martin of Sarasota, Fla., Donald Martin, Jr. of Bradford, Joseph (Karen) Martin of Englewood, Fla., and Linda (Dean) Bailey of Camp Grove, Ill.; 12 grandchildren, Carla Bearup, Jessica (Aaron) Ward, Krista (Rob) Albrecht, Dustin Martin, Corbin Martin, MaKayla Martin, Britnee (Mitchell) Spetsios, Kayla Martin, Shannon Martin, Erika Bailey, Christopher Bailey, and Nicholas Bailey; 5 great-grandchildren: Noah, Alivia, Blake, Audra and Bryant; 1 sister, Ruth Ann Maybry of Missouri; and his special chihuahua, Cora.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Patricia Martin; two sons-in law, Richard Jenkins and Willie Martin; and one brother, Robert Martin, Jr., in infancy.

Gene attended Bradford Schools before enlisting in the United States Navy.

He was a truck driver throughout his life. He started his career helping his father at Martin and Son Trucking and eventually retiring from Bosch Trucking. After retiring from trucking he mowed many lawns in the Bradford area.

Gene enjoyed listening to music, hanging out in his garage, and cruising the back roads with his dog, Cora.

Cremation rites will be accorded and a memorial mass will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 11, 2022, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Bradford with Father John Cyr, officiating. A visitation will be held from 9:30-11 a.m. Monday, April 11, 2022, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Bradford.

Memorials may be directed to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital or St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Bradford.

Online condolences may be sent to www.grant-johnsonfh.com.

Janice K. Bowen

GALVA – Janice K. McCurdy White Bowen passed away peacefully surrounded by her sons on Feb. 25, 2022. She was 82 years old, born June 3, 1939.

Graveside services will be held at the Galva Cemetery on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at 11 a.m. with a Celebration of Life at

the Galva First Baptist Church to follow.

The family is inviting all family and friends to come to the Celebration of Life to share love and stories of Janice.

Lynne Myhre

BISHOP HILL – Lynne Myhre, 83, of Bishop Hill, died Saturday, April 2, 2022, at her home.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, April 8, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva with Jeff Goard officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the services at the funeral home. Burial will be in Bishop Hill Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the VASA Order of America in Bishop Hill or to Illinois Cancer Care in Galesburg.

Lynne was born Feb. 1, 1939, in Auburn, N.Y., the daughter of Walter and Evelyn (Winters) Miller. She married James VanArsdall in 1962, and they later divorced, and he passed away in 2017. She married Theodore A. “Ted” Myhre in 1978, and he preceded her in death in Dec. of 2004.

Survivors include her children, John (Joan) VanArsdall of Walnut Creek, Calif., and Debbie (Ray) Boyle of Lombard, Ill.; two grandchildren, R.J., and Gavin Boyle; three stepsons, David (Christine) Myhre of Sterling, Ill., Mike (Kim) Myhre of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Ted (Willow) Myhre Jr. of Sadorus, Ill.; step-grandchildren, Charity, Daniel, Sam, Matthew, Nathan (Diane), Ben (Sheena) Matthew (Diane), Mark, Joseph, Christian and Christina; two step-great grandchildren, Wyatt and Elouise; and her nephew, Timothy (Nadine) Miller. She was also preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Walter.

Lynne had worked as a nurse in various hospitals. She was an avid knitter and a member of the VASA Order of America in Bishop Hill. She was a long-time member of the Midwest Electric Railway and the Old Threshers Association in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Lynne was a passionate fan of the Chicago Bears and Army West Point football.

This obituary may be viewed and private condolences left at www.rux-funeralhome.com.

Donald N. Robertson

TOULON – Donald “Don” N. Robertson, 61, of Toulon, formerly of Galva, died Friday, April 1, 2022, at his home. Don was born Feb. 15, 1961, in Los Angeles, Calif., the son of Rev. Byron and Donna (Edwards) Robertson. He graduated from Galva High

School with the class of 1979. Don married Joy V. McDaniel on July 29, 1998, in Toulon; she survives.

Don is also survived by his mother; two children, Renee (Tom Nelson) Johnson, Toulon, Charles (Rachel) Manning, Washburn, Ill.; grandson, Maverick Manning; siblings, Loraine Splear, Geneseo, Dawn (Rob) Bowman, Santa Cruz, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father; and a brother-in-law, Sam Splear.

Don worked in quality control with Elecsys Inc, Pekin. He worked for Bryton in West Jersey before Elecsys, Inc. Don was a diehard Cubs, Bears and Chicago Blackhawks fan. He was on a pool and bowling league. He enjoyed fishing and camping at Hook and Bullet.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, April 9, 2022, at Schueneman-Tumbleson Funeral Home. Memorial services will be at 12 p.m., Saturday, April 9, 2022, at the funeral home. Pastor Andrew Christman will officiate. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Henry County Humane Society, Kewanee.

Please leave an online condolence for Don’s family at www.schuene-mantumblesonfuneralhome.com.

Marilyn and Clifford Steward

GALVA – Marilyn Ann (Ingle) Steward was born on Dec. 6, 1932, in Kewanee, Ill., to Ora and Thalia Ingle and passed away on Jan. 15, 2020. Clifford Eugene Steward was born on Sept. 16, 1931, in Oneida, Ill., to Clifford and Myrtle (Murry) Steward and passed away on Sept. 10, 2021.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, April 10, at 1 p.m. at Rux Funeral Home in Galva, Ill. Followed by a reception at the Galva American Legion at 3 p.m.

They are survived by their sons, Ronald (Barbara) and Steven Steward; two granddaughters, Katie (Greg) and Sarah (Rocky); eight great-grandchildren; and sister, Geri McLaughlin. They are preceded in death by their parents; siblings; son, Eugene; and great-grandson Josiah.

Gene and Marilyn were teenage sweethearts. They were married on June 3, 1950, and had three sons. Together they built a life of love, family, farming, toy shows and travel. After 31 years of farming south of Galva, they retired to Zephyrhills, Fla., where they were blessed to become grandparents and enjoy life with a family they loved!

They enjoyed the adventures of travel and Marilyn greeted every stranger as an instant friend. Their hard work, dedication, enjoyment of retirement and the love they had for



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each other are an inspiration. Over the years, they took turns taking care of each other. Neither of them complained, but considered it an honor to be growing old together.

They are truly missed. The love they had for us all will always be with us, and we look forward to being together with them again.

This obituary may be viewed and private condolences left at www.rux-funeralhome.com.

Joan M. Thomas

WYOMING – Joan Marie Thomas, 87, of Peoria Heights, formerly of Wyoming, passed away at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

Joan was born on Aug. 25, 1934, in Peoria, the daughter of D. Hamilton, Sr. and Marjorie E. (Killey) Hickey. She was formerly married to Gordon Thomas, the father of her daughters, for 32 years.

Surviving are two daughters, Rebecca Sue (Greg) Abbott of Peoria and Anne Marie (Jim) Mercer of Wyoming; four grandchildren, Christi (Dan) Foster, Scott (Lilly Burton) Abbott, Eric Mercer and Lindsay (Nate) Phillips; seven great-grandchildren, Daniel Foster, Liam Mercer, Kerrington Mercer, Emersyn Phillips, Jude Phillips, Hunter Abbott and Marida Abbott; four sisters, Suzanne Krause of California, Janet Dean of Washington, Anne Rutledge of Peoria and Terry Abercrombie of Peoria; one sister-in-law, Anita Allen; and many



Thomas

nieces and nephews who she cared for deeply.

She was preceded in death by one brother, David Hamilton Hickey Jr.; and two sisters, Shirlee Von Bergan and Patricia Ringland.

Joan worked in collections and banking throughout the Peoria and Jacksonville, Fla., areas. She was proud to be a United States Navy wife, and member of the Catholic faith. She loved gardening or as she would say, “playing in the dirt,” playing cards with her sisters, and was an avid fan of college sports. Her true joy came from time spent time with her family, especially with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

An informal gathering of family and friends will be from 4-6 p.m. Saturday, April 9, 2022, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pets for Seniors in Peoria or St. Jude Midwest Affiliate.

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

Elsie J. VanVooren

ATKINSON – Elsie J. VanVooren, 93, of Atkinson, Ill., passed away on March 30, 2022, at Allure of Geneseo. Private family services will be held with Vandemore Funeral Home and Crematory-Atkinson Chapel. She will be laid to rest at St. Anthony’s Cemetery in Atkinson. In lieu of flowers and gifts, Elsie’s wishes were to have memorial donations



VanVooren

go to the Elsie VanVooren Memorial Fund to be distributed to her favorite charities.

Elsie was born on Jan. 27, 1929, in Atkinson, the daughter of Camiel and Rosalie (Galle) Mille. She married Royce F. VanVooren on April 18, 1953, and he preceded her in death in 2015.

Elsie and her siblings were the first American born children in her family.

Elsie was a member of St. Anthony’s Catholic Church and the Altar and Rosary Society. Also, the Henry County Farm Bureau and Catholic Order of Foresters.

She loved antiquing, crocheting, reading Danielle Steel books, watching the birds and collecting depression glass, glass baskets and Isabelle Blooms. Elsie enjoyed going to her grandchildren’s various sporting events and activities, and was an avid Chicago Bears fan.

She is survived by her children, Karen Anderson of Galva, Sandra Henson of Peoria and James (Beth) VanVooren of Aledo; grandchildren; Carl J. (Rhonda Blakey) Anderson, Dale L. (Courtney) Anderson, Emma M. (Andrew Latimer) VanVooren and Becca E. VanVooren; sisters-in-law, Mary Margaret (Tom Herm) Susman and Bonnie (Ron) Obrecht; and all her loving nieces and nephews and their families.

Elsie was preceded in death by her parents; husband; siblings, Helen Demanes Kreighbaum, Joseph Mille, Dorothy Hallas and infant brother, Leonard Mille; son-in-law, Dennis Anderson; and one infant grandson, Matthew Anderson.

NOTICE

Spring Cemetery Clean up week:

All grave blankets, artificial flowers, potted flowers, and all other plants are requested to be removed from the Galva Cemetery by Sunday, April 10, 2022 if relatives wish to save them.

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WOW, OK...SORRY, I'M NOT SURE WHO YOU ARE.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

LOOK EVERYBODY...IT'S DUH-G! I BET HE CAN'T EVEN WALK AND CHEW CUD AT THE SAME TIME.

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by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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FOR ANSWERS
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is LONGFELLOW

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

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What was the first food eaten in space?
2. LITERATURE: A character named Piggy is featured in which 20th-century novel?
3. GEOGRAPHY: What are the residents of Cyprus called?
4. MEASUREMENTS: How many pounds are in a stone?
5. LANGUAGE: What does Ph.D stand for?
6. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the color of a giraffe's tongue?
7. MEDICAL: What is the common name for oryctolagus?
8. HISTORY: What is a more common name for the 19th-century killer known as the "Whitechapel Murderer"?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the color of "black boxes" used to record flight data on aircraft?
10. SCIENCE: What is considered to be the ideal "room temperature"?

Answers

1. In 1961, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin ate peanut meat and then chocolate sauce.
2. "Lord of the Flies"
3. Cypriots
4. 14
5. Doctor of Philosophy
6. Blue, black or purple
7. Ingrown nail
8. Jack the Ripper
9. Bright orange to aid in recovery
10. 68-72 degrees Fahrenheit

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TOP 10 MOVIES

1. The Lost City (PG-13)
2. The Batman (PG-13)
3. RRR (Rise Roar Revolt) (NR)
4. Uncharted (PG-13)
5. Jujutsu Kaisen 0 (PG-13)
6. X (R)
7. Dog (PG-13)
8. Spider-Man: No Way Home (PG-13)
9. Sing 2 (PG)
10. Infinite Storm (R)

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The Prairie News Sports

Stark Co. boys win Wethersfield Invite

By JEFF LAMPE and PHIL JOHNSON
For The Prairie News

KEWANEE – The Stark County boys track team placed first and the girls were second in team results at Monday’s Wethersfield Open.

Stark County had a top-two finisher in every boys event except the long jump, in which the Rebels swept third through fifth.

Keagan Newton won in four events for the Rebels: the 110 hurdles (18.55), 300 hurdles (47.12), high jump (5 feet, 6 inches) and triple jump (40-5).

Other event winners for Stark County included Alex Welch in the 3,200 (11:55.14) and Blake Orwig in shot put (51-6.5 inches) and discus (131-8).

Second-place finishers were: Colby Carroll in the 100 (11.95), 200 (24.81) and 400 (54.57); Welch in the 800 (2:25.38); Arvid Steudte in the 100 hurdles (20.21) and 300 hurdles (48.68); Colby Stotler in shot put (41-11.25); and the 4x100 relay (49.09), 4x200 relay (1:45.93), 4x400 relay (3:59.22) and 4x800 relay (10:58.71).

Top finisher for Galva was senior Jacob Pierce, third in shot put (39-6.5) and fourth in discus (102-6.25).

In girls competition, Lindley Johnston won in three events for Stark County: the high jump (5-4), 200 (27.28) and 400 (1:03.39). The

Lady Rebels also won the 4x800 relay (11:01.06).

Second-place finishers included: Paige Rewerts in the 800 (2:44.86), Ashley Orrick in the 1,600 (6:01.69) and 1,600 (6:01.69), and Lauren Orwig in shot put (30-10).

Freshman Addie Moore was top placer for Galva with a third in high jump (4-4).

Today is the Dale Collis Invite at Galva, with first events set for 4 p.m.

Stark County Baseball

Knoxville was a tough customer for Stark County (0-5) on March 29 an 11-0 non-conference road loss. The hosts started out with five in the first and didn’t look back, including hitting three round trippers.

For the Rebels Ryan Hillan had the only hit, a double. Avery Whitte pitched for SCHS, yielding seven hits, six earned runs and striking out four.

Stark County next goes against Lincoln Trail Conference rival West Central at home today.

Stark County Softball

The Lady Rebels fell to 0-4 on Monday with a 15-2 loss at home against Peoria Christian.

Stark County’s highlight came in the bottom of the second, when Payten Hillier tied the game, 2-2, with a two-run double. She finished 2-for-3. Other Lady Rebels with hits were Olivia Orwig, Hayley Gil-

lam, Anissia Rucker, Hailey Peterson and Lauren Best.

Galva Softball

Galva (2-1) found its hitting stride Monday in a 21-5 win at Midland.

The Lady Wildcats rapped out 13 hits in three innings and scored 13 in the first. Taylor Haga led the way with a home run, two hits and three RBI. Ava Anderson had a triple and double and two RBI and scored three times. Lexi Stone, Sarah Kaiser, Kendall Rodgers also put up two hits in the win.

Haga allowed two hits and fanned four on the mound and Libby Anderson struck out the side in her one inning of relief.


Galva Baseball

Galva (0-2) fell 9-4 to Midland at Varna on Monday in a non-conference meeting.

“We showed some positives for our second game,” Galva coach Van White said. “Our hitting showed good signs, and our pitchers threw well. Our defense was problematic, that our errors were costly.”

Talon Hull pitched four innings for the Wildcats, striking out eight. Tyler Piester relieved, striking out two.


Hull batted 3-for-4 with two stolen bases. Jaxson Meier hit 2 for 4 with two RBI. T.J. Conner had a 2-for-4 on the day, adding an RBI.



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