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St. Mary's working to stay afloat

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

KICKAPOO – The St. Mary's Catholic Church parish has helped support a school since 1862. How much longer that continues remains to be seen.

The combination of declining enrollment, unpaid tuition, an aging congregation and COVID issues brought the school's situation to a critical point earlier this year. While all parishes subsidize their Catholic schools to some extent, St. Mary's was footing the bill for more than 100 percent of costs for several months last year, despite a \$200,000 COVID-related grant. And parish support remained at 96 percent as this school year began.

That is the highest level of any of the 158 parishes in the Peoria diocese, with the average subsidy closer to 40 per-



The entire St. Mary's School staff and student body recently posed for a picture in the school's gymnasium. Photo by Jenna Alwood.

cent, according to a letter distributed on Oct. 28 to parish and school families by Father James Pankiewicz, the parish priest.

Wrote Pankiewicz, "Our beloved school faces a grave threat to its continued survival."

The school's plight was first publicly aired at an April 26 town-hall meeting with parents, teachers and community

members. Since then, a strategic planning committee has met twice a month to search for solutions.

Efforts by the committee and the community in the months since have made a difference, said Bill Lamb, principal at St. Mary's for the past four years.

"My confidence level for next year is

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Farmington sells former football field

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – Buyers have finally come forward to purchase the former Farmington High School football field and have indicated they plan to ensure at least one more season of JFL play at the site.

The Farmington School Board on Monday approved an offer to purchase the field for \$50,000 from Eric McMasters, Tim Swarzenski and Ray DePriest of Industry Technical Solutions.

"We've got an electrical business and we've been looking for a shop and a building

and we thought, 'That's the perfect location for us right now,'" DePriest said. "And if it can help out the JFL, that's good too."

DePriest said the plan is to sign a one-year lease with the Farmington JFL for use of the

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Elmwood may increase water, sewer rates

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – Water and sewer rates next year in Elmwood probably will increase more than anticipated, but it could be worse.

That was the message Elmwood City Councilman Nathan Brunnelson gave his colleagues during their meeting Dec. 6.

Brunnelson, who helps oversee public works, was anticipating a 3 percent hike for 2023. That would be in line with recent years, he said. But inflation has

affected the cost of chemicals, testing and employee salaries, among other expenses.

"The 3 percent won't cover those costs," Brunnelson said.

Brunnelson suggested a rate increase of 4½ percent would be sufficient, although he considered one of double that figure. The city has been receiving more revenue from penalties, which helps mitigate the proposed rate hikes.

The current minimum monthly water rate for use of 1,000 gal-

lons or less would rise from \$17.13 to \$17.90, based on a 4½-percent increase. Between 1,001 and 3,000 gallons would cost \$4.66 per thousand, up from \$4.46. From 3,001 to 6,000 gallons would rise from \$4.23 per thousand to \$4.42.

Between 6,001 and 11,000 gallons would cost \$4.17 per thousand, up from \$3.99. The rate per thousand for 11,001 to 20,000 gallons would rise from \$3.30 per thousand to \$3.45. Above

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WINTERFEST RETURNS




Williamsfield's Class of 2025 built this float for Saturday's Winterfest in Williamsfield, which made a successful return to town after nearly a two-decade absence. Photo by Dallas Self. Details, Page 11.

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ELMWOOD: Sealcoating for 2023 approved

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 20,000 gallons, the per-thousand rate would be \$2.22, a 10-cent increase. The monthly sewer rate would increase from \$15.19 to \$15.87. The fee for each 1,000 gallons of water used would rise from \$2.78 to \$2.91.

"That would offset a lot of the price increases and keep the budget in the black," Brunnelson said. "It's definitely going to increase the budget, but I don't think 8 or 9 percent is the way I want to go. "I'm not panicking, by any means. I think we're

sitting very well financially. But I don't want to get to the point where we are panicking two or three years down the road." During its meeting Jan. 5, the council is expected to consider an increase. If approved, the new rates would take effect with the Jan. 15 billing.

twice as large as normal, given the Rebuild Illinois funding. That balance is about \$138,200.

Among roadways scheduled for sealcoating are Cypress Street and Rural Avenue between Magnolia and Main streets, Morgan Street between Maple Row and Main Street, Rose Street between Maple Avenue and Main Street, and Walnut Street between Maple Row and Main Street.

In other activity during its only December meeting, the council approved sealcoating in 2023 for all or portions of at least 13 thoroughfares.

The estimated cost, about \$220,800, is to be paid with Rebuild Illinois funds and state motor-fuel-tax money.

Mayor JD Hulslander said the project is about

Hulslander isn't sure when the work might commence, although it usually is done in late summer and early autumn.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

This Week's Hot Picks

- **Free Movie** – A free showing of “Evan Almighty” will be offered Saturday, Dec. 17, at 2:30 p.m. at Elmwood’s Palace Theatre. Free popcorn, too. Sponsored by Elmwood First Presbyterian Church.
- **Cookie Walk** – Brimfield’s Union Church has a cookie walk Saturday, Dec. 17, from 8:30-11 a.m. Cookies \$7 per pound, with many varieties offered. Candy \$8 per pound.
- **Food Pantry** – Christ Alive Church in Kickapoo will open its food pantry the first and third Monday each month, including Dec. 19, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

This Week's Events

- **Harvest Home** – Harvest Home Festival fundraiser dinner is today, Dec. 15, at the Yates City Community Center, 4:30-7 p.m. Meal features walleye, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, rolls, dessert and drink, \$13. Carry-out or dine in.
- **Free Movie** – A free showing of the 1954 musical “White Christmas” will be Friday, Dec. 16, at 1 p.m. at Brimfield Public Library. Free popcorn, water and snacks, too. Ages 18 and older.
- **Christmas Celebration** – Jubilee College State Historic Site will hold a non-denominational celebration based off the Episcopal Church’s Advent lessons and carols on Saturday, Dec. 17, from 2-4 p.m. Light refreshments served after the service.
- **Christmas Worship** – Hanna City and Trivoli United Methodist Churches have an “Old Fashioned Christmas” service

Sunday, Dec. 18, at 10:30 a.m. at the Hanna City United Methodist Church. All are invited. Refreshments served at 9:30 a.m.

- **Wrapping Station** – Princeville’s LME Library offers a self-service present-wrapping station when the library is open, until Dec. 22. Tape, wrapping paper and tags provided.

• **Toddler Gym** – Youngsters can play at Elmwood Community Center every Friday school is in session from 9-11 a.m. Cost \$1. Call Bonnie at (309) 742-8507.

• **Yoga** – Yoga classes Thursdays, 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4. Classes also on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. at Princeville’s Lillie M. Evans Library.

Future Events

• **Bingo** – Salem Township Library in Yates City has bingo on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, including Dec. 22, at 2 p.m.

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GUEST VOICES



Of soft needles, a bark-eating beaver & a King

Rambling through central Illinois, wishing the people who owe the most would pay as quickly as the people who owe the least.

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Christmas preparations last weekend signaled the end of an era for our clan and for others. Over the past two decades, we have frequently cut down a live tree at Roffey's Tree Farm southeast of Elmwood. We've also hung lights and ornaments on trees bought from other local growers like Grady's and Cinnamon Tree Farm. But **Bill**



Jeff **LAMPE**

Roffey, wife **Trudy** and their family always made us feel at home. They first planted trees as a retirement investment in 1994 in an old pasture where **Bill's** parents, **Helen** and **Lyle**, had grazed beef cows and calves. In the years since, **Bill** and **Trudy** have made regular trips to Elmwood from their Iowa home to tend the trees and visit relatives. The whole operation would culminate during the three weekends after Thanksgiving when various Roffey children and grandchildren would come help sell trees and hand out candy canes. Last weekend marked their last trip, as the Roffeys have sold the farm and trees. "It's bittersweet to leave it," 79-year-old **Bill** said. "We've had fun with it." They will be missed.

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As far as Christmas trees go, my favorites are firs: Canaan, balsam or anything else with soft needles. That's one more reason I liked Rof-

fey's, where Canaan and concolor firs were two of the more common species sold. My wife, who does not participate in decorating the tree and has even openly discussed the possibility of an artificial tree someday (maybe after I die), prefers cheaper, more prickly options like scotch pines or even blue spruce. This year, rather than argue, we agreed she could stay home while the youngest and I selected a thin Canaan fir that looks regal in our living room, even though the middle boy asked if **Charlie Brown** picked it out. ... With Christmas fast approaching, here's my only advice: Shop on Thursdays if possible. The wife and I hit the stores last Thursday and found that most other shoppers were older than us (so I could actually out hustle somebody to the checkout counter). Plus, there were not near as many people out as on the weekend. As I am increasingly starting to understand, old people are smart.

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Well, nothing about deer season went as expected, except for **John Powers** getting some of my money after the boys shot some does. And that's fine. We really enjoy eating Elmwood Locker's deer jerky, deer sticks and deer sausage and, lately, the dog has drooled over the combination of ground deer mixed with dry food. ... But aside from hunting with the boys and my buddy **The Farmer**, my deer season highlight came Sunday morning when I watched a large beaver plop under my tree and eat bark off a half-dozen sticks. He ate it like corn on the cob - chewing quickly, sliding it around a little and then chewing quickly the other way. This made me wonder which bark

tastes the best? Is there a sweet corn of bark? Is there a dessert bark? Also made me wonder if the beaver, who I assume was the father for reasons you will soon understand, was just trying to get a break from his two kits, who swam around making squeaking noises that "Dad" ignored. ... If the beavers would promise to only eat buckeye trees, their hungry presence would be no issue. Problem is, in years past they eventually develop a taste for oaks, walnuts and sycamores - among them some trees I planted. Time to get on the phone. "Hello, **Scot Davis**, feel free to trap once again this year." ... Another highlight was watching a mink catch fish in the creek. Hmm. Was he catching chubs or smallmouth bass? Oh Mr. Davis.

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Among the many problems with getting old is that some professional people you rely on also get old. Doctors. Accountants. Plumbers. Christmas tree growers. Trappers. We all age and everyone deserves a chance to retire as early as possible. Still, it doesn't make things easier when you have developed a relationship of trust and then have to develop a new one. ... These IT wizards are so smart. Got an email Monday informing me that a "new device was using our Netflix account." Where? The email said, "United States (This location may not be exact.)" Hmmm. Was that a warning, or just a definition? ... Parting shot: Put together your own list of top Christmas crooners, but make sure to include **Nat King Cole**, who arranges and phrases the holiday classics as well as anyone. Ever.

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House's new ag boss doesn't offer much new

While his Republican House colleagues were fighting for votes – and party majority – a week after the Nov. 8 midterm election, Pennsylvania incumbent Glenn Thompson, the ranking GOP member of the House Ag Committee, was basking in the glow of another blowout re-election.

His hammering, 40-point win wasn't his biggest. That came in 2020 when he won his sixth term by a crushing 47 points. Even then-President Donald J. Trump, running for reelection, couldn't top that; Trump won Thompson's district by "just" 43 points.



Alan GUEBERT

That empowering victory – and the fact that Thompson represents one of the largest, reddest rural districts east of the Mississippi – should tell every farmer and rancher west of the Ohio where he stands on most ag issues when he assumes the House Ag Committee chairmanship in January.

For starters, Thompson hates WOTUS, the Waters of the U.S. rule. Additionally, he believes SNAP, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, needs "work and job training" requirements "for certain beneficiaries."

Yes, that old "no work-no SNAP" idea, rejected in the 2018 Farm Bill debate, will likely see its reprise under Thompson.

He's no fan of new ideas, either. He openly opposes any proposed Securities and Exchange Commission rule that requires publicly traded companies to disclose their climate-change impact. That's especially true for companies involved in agriculture.

To say he's a rock-ribbed conservative slanders both rocks and con-

servatives: Thompson is a tough, outspoken Republican critic of both the Biden White House and its Department of Agriculture (USDA) leaders and he makes no apologies for it.

That's especially so when it comes to the White House's recent push to acknowledge agriculture's role in climate change. In September, Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack announced almost \$3 billion of new funding for "climate-smart commodity" research projects. Thompson blasted the spending because, he claimed, it "endangered the bipartisan support" for "traditional Farm Bill conservation" spending.

It's a novel argument: USDA shouldn't fund new research on how to protect critical natural resources during climate change because it will harm ongoing research on how to protect critical resources during climate change.

To ensure House Dems got his meaning, Thompson then upped the ante in an interview two days before his reelection.

Speaking to the Pennsylvania Capital-Star, a non-profit, nonpartisan website that covers Keystone State politics, Thompson said that he didn't "feel bound by any amount of funding or the specific program allocation passed in the partisan IRA bill," the White House's Inflation Reduction Act, passed last summer, that aims to cut U.S. carbon emissions 40 percent by 2030.

Sure, he said, "I have been leaning into the climate discussion, but I will not have us suddenly incorporate buzzwords like 'regenerative agriculture' in the Farm Bill or overemphasize climate."

As new chairman of the House Ag Committee, Thompson now has the muscle to push all Farm Bill talk on climate change onto any of his subcommittees' back burners.

That doesn't mean, however, that

climate-change programs – and their buzzwords – won't be incorporated into the Senate draft Farm Bill.

In fact, Thompson's pre-Farm Bill pronouncements sound eerily similar to the partisan markers the GOP laid down during the contentious, two-year long 2018 Farm Bill fight.

Back then, like in 2023, the GOP ran the House. Unlike next year's wafer-thin GOP majority, however, its 2018 majority was rock solid. Even at that, none of the GOP's most conservative proposals for the bill – especially any work requirements for SNAP benefits – made it into law because GOP leaders couldn't corral their members.

And too, holding fast against any new SNAP work requirements then was the Dem leader of the Senate Ag Committee, Michiganander Debbie Stabenow. Since Democrats held their Senate majority Nov. 8, guess who's still chair of Senate Ag?

As such, the 2018 Farm Bill fight might be a good blueprint for the upcoming 2023 fight: House Republicans pass tough Farm Bill "reforms" while defunding climate change; Senate Dems do neither but watch the clock; House Repubs finally concede and a no one-is-happy, 2018-looking Farm Bill struggles over the finish line.

In short, if the recipe stays the same, the sausage will too.

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Movie 'Devotion' offers uplifting tale of heroism

To the Editor:

We have so many entertainment choices, but Dec. 16-18 will give us a special opportunity. The movie "Devotion" will be featured at Elmwood's Palace Theatre for three days only.



This true story of two good friends and exceptional pilots is an uplifting tale of heroism

and sacrifice during the Korean War. Its flight scenes are amazing; its impact is unmistakable. It is rated PG-13. All veterans who attend the movie can enter a drawing for an American flag.

We all know the best way to encourage movie studios to make excellent films is to support them when they

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– **Janet Mottaz**, Elmwood

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Princeville 2-year-old wanders off from home

PRINCEVILLE – A 2-year-old boy not dressed for cold weather wandered from his residence to another, apparently in search of Princeville Grade School.

The incident happened about 10 a.m. Dec. 8, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office. A woman who resides on North Town Avenue heard a light tapping at her front door. The child at the door said he was looking for an orange building, the same color as the grade school, where his siblings were.

According to a heavily redacted sheriff's-office report, the child was wearing a short-sleeved T-shirt, pajama pants and shoes caked in mud. The temperature was about 29 degrees. The woman gave the boy a blanket and some water, then transported him to the grade-school front office.

Deputies performed a welfare check at the boy's residence, in the 100 block of E. Craig St., about one-half mile from where the boy was found.

The front door of the Craig Street apartment was open and the residence had dirty clothes and dishes scattered everywhere, according to the report. There also was a distinct odor.

A woman inside the residence said she didn't realize the boy was missing. She arrived at the school about 11 a.m. and transported the boy home. A deputy contacted the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

Police reports

• **FARMINGTON** – A Farmington man was accused of beating his 16-year-old brother, who ended up in a hospital emergency room.

Christopher R. Roper, 26, was implicated in the incident, which took place at a residence in the 100 block of S. Main St. in Farmington. City police officers were notified shortly after 2 a.m. Dec. 4.

A private vehicle transported the victim, who resides in Delavan, to UnityPoint Health-Pekin. According to a Farmington Police Department report, the victim had abrasions on his elbow and left forearm and under his right eye. He also had a scratch on his upper-left thumb and a possible broken toe.

Roper was arrested for domestic battery and transported to the Fulton County Jail in Lewistown.

• **PRINCEVILLE** – Someone smashed a vehicle into the rear end of another parked along a Princeville thoroughfare, according to two witnesses.

The accident happened about 4:30

p.m. Dec. 3 in the 600 block of N. Town Ave. A red Chevrolet Malibu collided with a 2012 Nissan Altima parked legally on the southbound side of the street, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report.

Both witnesses said the Malibu reversed and continued south afterward. One witness said the driver was a heavy-set white male, probably in his late 40s. There was a front-seat passenger and three children in the back seat. The other witness said the Malibu's front hood was curled in the collision.

The Altima's rear bumper was punctured and the car's exhaust pipes were pushed upward, the report stated. One of the witnesses alerted the vehicle owner. Damage was estimated at more than \$1,500.

• **TRIVOLI** – A Trivoli man's vehicle rear-ended another as it was stopped to make a left turn, authorities stated.

About 8:15 a.m. Dec. 1, Logan P. Dean was driving a 2004 Dodge Dakota east on Farmington Road about one-quarter mile east of Trivoli Road when the vehicle struck the back of a 2019 Volkswagen Atlas. Its driver was Deborah K. Wagler of Trivoli.

Dean said he didn't see Wagler's vehicle, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's report. A deputy noted the windshield of the Dakota was covered with frost and ice. Dean was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid a collision. Both drivers refused medical treatment.

• **PEORIA** – A Farmington man was cited in a two-vehicle accident that took place near the Peoria international airport.

Shortly before 6 p.m. Nov. 30, Dustin P. Williams was turning a 2012 Toyota sport-utility vehicle west onto Plank Road from northbound Airport Road when the SUV collided with a 2011 Chevrolet Malibu driven by Steven M. Curless of Peoria, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report. Curless' vehicle was southbound on Airport Road.

An ambulance transported Williams to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center for evaluation. He had no apparent injuries, the report stated. Neither did Curless, but two of his five passengers were transported to St. Francis. The other passengers refused medical treatment.

Williams was accused of making an improper left turn into oncoming traffic. His vehicle sustained significant damage to its front, according to the report.

• **PRINCEVILLE** – A 20-year-old man was accused of alcohol-related offenses following a single-vehicle accident south of Princeville.

Gavin Abbott, whose hometown was unavailable, sustained facial and hand lacerations because of the accident. It happened about 7:30 p.m. Nov. 28 in the 18700 block of N.

Mendenhall Rd.

According to his 18-year-old male passenger, Abbott was driving about 90 mph northbound when he lost control of the vehicle. It struck a utility pole in an east-side ditch, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report.

The passenger was transported to UnityPoint Health-Methodist in Peoria. Abbott was transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. There, Abbott denied driving 90 mph but admitted he was distracted. He also said he had one or two beers about 2 p.m.

Inside Abbott's vehicle were found two empty cans and two full cans of Twisted Tea alcoholic beverages, the report stated.

Abbott was cited for illegal transportation of alcohol, being a minor in possession of alcohol and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

• **BRIMFIELD** – A vintage vehicle sustained apparent hit-and-run damage while parked in the lot of a Brimfield automotive business, according to authorities.

Right-rear fender damage to the 1986 Ford LTD Crown Victoria parked at Satterfield Automotive, 408 E. Knoxville St., was reported about 10:45 a.m. Nov. 21, per the Peoria County Sheriff's Office. The business owner said the damage happened sometime during the previous weekend.

• **HANNA CITY** – Shortly before 6 a.m. Dec. 1, Shane L. Jepson of Hanna City was driving a 2017 Toyota Tundra east in the 9300 block of W. Smithville Rd. when the vehicle struck a deer. The vehicle sustained more than \$1,500 in damage, including the driver's-side front bumper, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report. Jepson reported no injuries and drove away.

• **BRIMFIELD** – Keith A. Lilley, 46, of Brimfield was arrested at 9:30 a.m. Dec. 11 and accused of driving under the influence of alcohol, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **ELMWOOD** – Agnes S. Garner, 41, of Elmwood was arrested at 4:30 a.m. Dec. 8 and accused of failure to appear in court, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **HANNA CITY** – Todd E. Werenburg, 59, of Hanna City was arrested at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 7 and accused of failure to appear in court, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **EDWARDS** – Cormac W. Flanagan, 49, of Edwards was arrested about 10:30 p.m. Dec. 6 and accused of driving under the influence of alcohol; illegal transportation of alcohol; improper stopping, parking or standing; and resisting/obstructing a peace officer, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.



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13 Person sleeping next to you, often	58 Ending for serpent	109 In — (imitated)	8 French wines	46 — know do (marital art)	92 Buckwheat noodle of Japan
20 Like many nuclei	59 Microscope component	110 Habited sister	9 Linguistic expressions	48 TV "Science Guy" Bill	94 Fail to put in
21 Surprise attacker	62 Her first	111 Slip — (some shoes)	11 Teeth; Prefix	50 Frontiersman	96 Caviar source
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ST. MARY'S: Lamb confident for next year

Continued from Page 1 very high," Lamb said. "I can't say for sure, but I see some things going on that will give us another year to keep trying."

One is a fundraiser that through Dec. 9 had generated \$103,000 in donations — already over the goal of \$100,000 that was targeted for Feb. 1.

Enrollment has also increased, to 67 — slightly above a minimum requirement of 63 students at the school, which spans pre-K through eighth grade.

And several families that had past-due tuition have paid their bills. A backlog of unpaid tuition had surpassed \$35,000 prior to the recent efforts, according to Pankiewicz.

The last two enrollment and tuition items are among four "benchmarks" for the school to reopen next fall that Pankiewicz outlined in his letter. Other benchmarks included an end to any previous tuition "deals" that had been



Students at St. Mary's dressed as various saints for All Saints Day this year and paraded outside the school on Nov. 1. Photo by Jenna Alwood.

promised and establishment of two tuition rates: full price or parishioner price for those who attend Mass and support the church.

Tuition will also increase slightly for next year to \$4,230 for one student under the parish rate vs. \$6,005 for the non-parish rate.

Lamb said he has been impressed by response from the community, noting that people "are literally walking up to me every day handing me envelopes."

Surpassing the fundraiser goal of \$100,000 means the parish subsidy rate will drop to 70 percent for this year, which Lamb called "manageable for the diocese."

But surviving this year does not ensure the school will open again in August. "A lot of people have stepped forward. A lot of people have great love for the school, even if they don't have children in it," Pankiewicz said. "So there's been a good response. But it's important to maintain that, as well as to boost enrollment."

"The diocese wants to give people the chance to respond."

Moving forward, enrollment must not dip below 63 students, Pankiewicz said. And anyone who enrolls must be caught up with past-due tuition.

Lamb believes that can

happen. A former public school teacher and administrator at Stark County, Deer Creek-Mackinaw and East Peoria, Lamb calls his position at St. Mary's "the best job I've ever had in my life, hands down."

"The parents are very much more on board with what's going on in the school," Lamb said.

The staff at St. Mary's includes seven full-time teachers, one part-time religion teacher, one band and music teacher, one full-time aide, one after-care employee, one administrator (Lamb) and one secretary. Five volunteers also come in regularly to help with reading, math and science.

School supporters say that students who attend St. Mary's are very successful once they reach high school. Secretary Jenna Alwood said graduates of St. Mary's who attend Peoria Notre Dame High School have a GPA of 3.8 or better.

Lamb said the student body comes from 11 different school districts, with students traveling to Kickapoo from many local communities as well as Galva, Kewanee, Dunlap and Farmington.

"We do a very good job of preparing our kids for high school," Lamb said. "Our graduates are doing very well in competitive situations."

Moving forward, the

hope is to better market that fact, Alwood said. Signs are going up in the area to promote the school and teachers have developed a new curriculum called CONNECTed to expand on the learning already being done.

"It's a way to inject STEM and related educational fields into the curriculum for our kids," Lamb said. "Instead of reading, writing and arithmetic, which we are still teaching, this is a way to also have some hands on applications."

Activities include cooking, coding robots to direct their actions and flying drones. Part of the curriculum also includes a progressive physical education approach that introduces students to "activities they can do through their whole life," Lamb said. Those include yoga and other exercises.

St. Mary's also maintains art, music and band programs and will have its annual Christmas program today (Dec. 15) at 6:30 p.m.

The bottom line, however, comes down to enrollment.

"I am hopeful we'll be in the upper 60s (heading into next fall)," Lamb said. "We'll have a small growth this year and then will have to work even harder."

"To be successful we need a three-year plan to grow enrollment each of those three years. The external support is good for the short term, but it's not a long-term solution."

Interestingly, according to the "Kickapoo Sesqui-centennial" book, St. Mary's faced the threat of closing in 1971 when the Sisters of Notre Dame moved to another location. But at that point, thanks to the efforts of Father August L. Mey and the congregation, the school remained open.

The name of St. Mary's was given to the school in the early 1900s, though it had operated since 1862.

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Williamsfield OKs tuition waiver

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – Tuition waivers for children of Williamsfield school employees who don't reside in the district are to continue for at least another five years.

During its meeting Monday night, the Williamsfield school board voted unanimously to renew the waiver. It's been in effect for 10 years, according to Superintendent Tim Farquer, who praised it.

"It's been a good carrot to get some folks here, and I think it's been good for the overall climate," Farquer said. "You take a little bit more ownership in this space when your kids are served by it."

About five or six employees and about 10 to 12 students are subject to the waiver, Farquer estimated. Students come from Farmington, Galesburg and Peoria, among other places.

Out-of-district tuition at Williamsfield can vary from year to year, but it usually is about \$12,000 to \$14,000 annually. The school has no tuition-paying students currently, according to Farquer.

Williamsfield Principal Zack Binder is among employees who receive the waiver.

"There are five Binder

children who benefit from this plan, so I am in favor," a chuckling Binder told the board. "Our whole goal is to bring as many students as possible into this building, so it's a win-win."

Farquer reported the Billtown district is getting more money than usual from the Knox County School Facilities Sales Tax. In the 2022 fiscal year, the district received \$238,000 from the 1 percent tax on qualifying retail purchases, an increase of almost \$40,000 from 2021.

Higher prices and an increase in retail spending are among the reasons, according to Farquer. So is an 11 percent rise in Williamsfield's enrollment-based share from the county.

"Even though our enrollment has pretty much stayed level, a lot of the other districts in the county have dropped," Farquer said. "Our share of the penny sales tax goes up accordingly."

Usually, the district plans for \$150,000 in Knox County sales-tax revenue. The district also receives about \$6,000 annually from the Peoria County school-facilities tax, which is half the Knox County rate. Money goes to the district capital improvement fund, which was \$317,000 to begin the fiscal year.

The board also approved policy updates, which almost mirror those the Illinois Association of School Boards recommends. An exception is the deadline for students' required-immunization records. The state deadline is Oct. 1, but the Billtown deadline is the first day of classes.

"The incentive is to have all your requirements done before you start school," Farquer said.

Following a closed executive session, the board authorized the hiring of Darien Gordon as a high school English Language Arts teacher.

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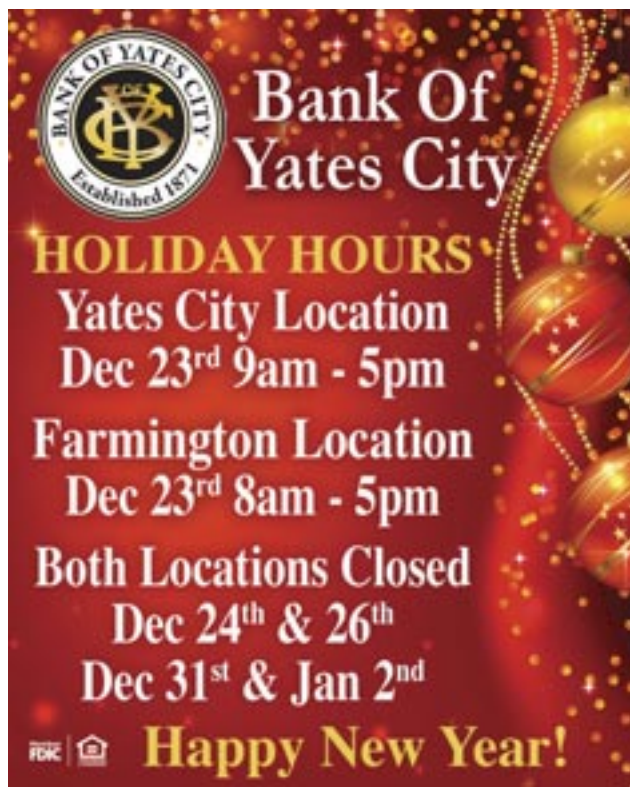


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FARMINGTON: HVAC upgrades approved

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 field, which hosted its first high school games in 1926 and has been home to the JFL since 2006.

Farmington JFL Director Tom Oldfield said the end result is a good one, since it ends months of uncertainty and means the league won't have to move its equipment, bleachers and scoreboard.

Oldfield was uncertain how terms of the lease will work but suggested, "It might be something like we had with (Farmington) Township, which is where we take care of the property."

Oldfield said this also provides more time to come up with a possible alternate site for the JFL to play on school property, should that be necessary at some point.

"The school said if anything happens, they will start working with us to build a facility," Oldfield said.

Farmington Superintendent Zac Chatterton confirmed that and said he was uncertain of a closing date for the sale of the field.

In other business, the board unanimously approved a 2022 tax levy that will show a slight decrease for taxpayers due to a corresponding 3.66 percent increase in the equalized assessed value of properties in the district.

A hearing for the levy was held Monday prior to the regular meeting. There were no public comments.

The board also approved a bid from Helm Services for \$391,734 for an HVAC project to be completed this summer. Helm will install CO2 sen-

sors on air handlers in each room, according to Chatterton. When sensors detect CO2 in a room, they direct the HVAC system to raise the temperature to 68 degrees. When there is no longer any CO2 in a room, temperature will be maintained at 65 degrees.

Federal ESSER III funds will be used to pay for the project, which includes a new electrical monitoring system for the heating and cooling system.

"It's basically the IT side of the HVAC," Chatterton said.

High School Principal Dennis McMillin was recognized for being named the Illinois Principal Association Central Illinois Valley High School Principal of the Year. McMillin is one of 21 Illinois principals to be honored and is in the running for overall state principal of the year, according to Chatterton.

"He's just a really behind-the-scenes, hard-working, dedicated principal who is student and staff focused," Chatterton said. "For him to be recognized is very special because he's not a very visible person, he's always in the sidelight and showcases our students and staff."

Also honored were several students and staff members and two all-state students.

Violet Easley was selected as an all-state theatre student and will perform in the Illinois High School Theatre Festival's performance of "Shrek The Musical." Easley was one of 179 students who auditioned for the musical, according to Farmington

teacher Ryan Lambert, executive director of the IHSTF. Lambert said Easley is Farmington's first all-stater in theater.

She will perform in a dress rehearsal this Sunday at Downers Grove South High School and will then take part in five shows from Jan. 12-14 at the University of Illinois' Krannert Center.

Also recognized was all-state quarterback Gage Renken, who was praised by Coach Toby Vallas for passing for 30 touchdowns last season, then this year as a senior gaining strength and running for more than 1,000 yards while also passing for more than 1,000 yards.

After executive session, the board passed several personnel items.

- Hired Jacqueline Legaspi (elementary student supervisor), Kelly Holloway (elementary school teacher, second semester), Renee Nannen (long-term elementary substitute, second semester) and Natalie Vohland (district bookkeeper).

- Approved Ashley McCabe (junior high scholastic bowl coach), Avery Efnor (JH scholastic bowl assistant coach), Kristina Tull's status changing to full-time high school teacher and administrative leave for Shelly Higgs.

- Acknowledged resignations of Amy Oldfield (bookkeeper), Kerry Beoletto (JH scholastic bowl coach), Ashely McCabe (JH scholastic bowl assistant coach), Mary Plumer (COFFA sponsor) and Rebecca Marvel (JH cross country coach).

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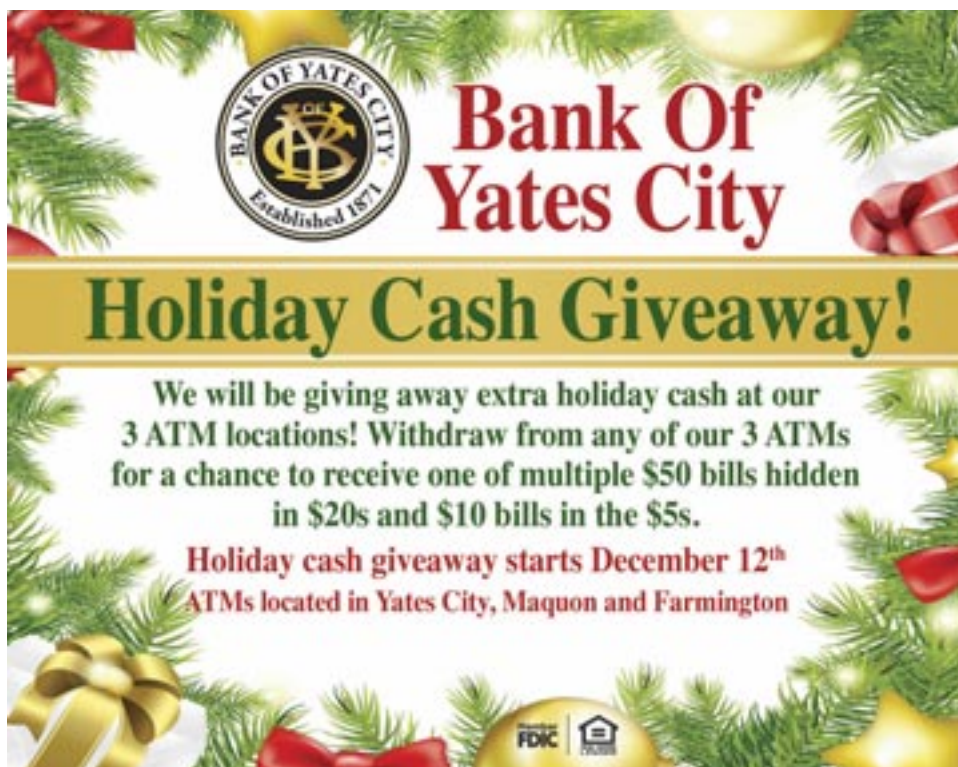
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Jubilee College historic site to hold Christmas service

BRIMFIELD – The Jubilee College State Historic Site will host a historical Christmas service on Saturday, Dec. 17, from 2-4 p.m.

The nondemoninational event is based off of the Episcopal Church's Advent Lesson and Carols and will include some readings and Christmas carols. The service will start promptly at 2 p.m. and is open to the general public.

The service also offers a chance to celebrate the winter season and Philander Chase's 247th birthday. Chase was the first

Episcopal Bishop of Illinois and Ohio and the founder of Jubilee College in Illinois and Kenyon College in Ohio.

Light refreshments after the service will be provided by the Citizens Committee to Preserve Jubilee College.

Managed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Historic Sites Division, Jubilee College was founded in 1839 by Chase. The main building was restored in the 1970s and 1980s to feature a library, study, dormitory and

chapel representative of the original school.

Jubilee College State Historic Site open is typically open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. but is closed Dec. 24-27.

Call (309) 243-9489 or visit www.facebook.com/JubileeCollegeStateHistoricSite for more details.

• **Bishop Hill event** – The Christmas tradition of Julotta returns to Bishop Hill State Historic Site with a nondenominational church service at 6 a.m. Christmas Day at Colony Church.

The word "Julotta" comes from the Swedish words for "yule" and "before dawn." Christmas morning in Sweden historically begins with attendance at the Julotta service.

The public is welcome to attend the service at the restored Colony Church, constructed in 1848 by Swedish immigrants. Leading the liturgy will be the Rev. Lisa Unger of the Stronghurst United Methodist Church.

Coffee and rusks, a Swedish pastry, will be available after the service.

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Winterfest a hit in Williamsfield

By DALLAS SELF

For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – The village of Williamsfield resembled a scene from a Christmas movie for the first time in over a decade this past weekend. Saturday marked the return of Williamsfield's Winterfest, and it did not disappoint.

The Williamsfield Public Library sponsored the event, with director Kelly Goodin at the helm, and Lacey Williams, Eric Bell, Jana Kutkat, Pam Courson and Abigail Gruber all helping the planning committee.

"2005 was the last Winterfest in town. Plans were made for a fest in 2006 and 2007, but were canceled due to bad weather. In 2020 the library began discussing re-starting Winterfest, but were delayed due to COVID," Goodin said. "In 2022 the library handed off the community Easter egg hunt to the Parks Association and local churches to free up time and resources to bring Winterfest back to Billtown."

Goodin praised the generosity of the local businesses, Williamsfield schools and all the citizens who donated time and money to help create the event. She said the library plans to make this an annual event to be held the second Saturday in De-



Santa sets up shop in the train caboose at Veterans Park during last Saturday's Winterfest in Williamsfield. Photo by Dallas Self.

ember every year.


The evening kicked off at 5:30 p.m. with a parade that ended at the four-way stop in the middle of town. Most downtown businesses had their doors open and were handing out snacks, cocoa, free gifts and more.

Santa Claus made his entrance in a classic red convertible and then stationed his lap in the train caboose, in Veterans Park.

To visit Santa, you had to pass by Tifanie Self's "Shop Around the Corner," where Tifanie was handing out hot cocoa to sip on while you waited in line. After seeing Santa, the park

was full of activities for kids, including pin-the-tail-on-the-reindeer and making ornaments out of Christmas cookies.

Residents could enter a Christmas-light competition by decorating their homes and the high school had a float competition. People voted on their favorite float by donating cans to a canned-food drive. The class of 2025 won with a Winter Wonderland float. Robert and Frieda Johnson won the lighting contest. John and Abigail Gruber and Mark and Susan Ott received honorable mention.



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Orpheum Theatre holds holiday radio play

GALESBURG – The Orpheum Theatre will reprise its annual holiday radio play this year, recording “Christmas on the Air: A Live Radio Play” on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 7 p.m. in front of a live audience.

General admission tickets are \$10 and on sale at the Orpheum box office, open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Or go online at www.galesburgorpheus.org/tickets.

Christmas on the Air features holiday episodes written by Tim Holmes. Set in a radio studio, patrons take on the role of the live studio audience during a Christmas Eve broadcast. A small cast of actors perform the stories with old-fashioned microphones, accompanied by live sound effects, musical underscoring, vintage commercials and more.

The show will be broadcasted on Tri States Public Radio over the Christmas holiday weekend. Listen on WIUM-FM 91.3 Macomb or 106.3 FM Burlington, WIUW-FM 89.5 Keokuk/Warsaw, or WVKC-FM 90.7 Galesburg. Listeners may also listen-in at the designated times via live stream on Tri States Public Radio’s website, tspr.org.

Spotlight sets off alarm at Elmwood school

ELMWOOD – An electrical issue in a spotlight in the Elmwood school building created sparks and smoke and set off a fire alarm at around 11:50 a.m. on Tuesday.

“Students and staff evacuated their respective buildings according to our fire drill procedures perfectly,” Superintendent Chad Wagner wrote in



Crews worked Tuesday morning to set the final steel beams on the new Illinois Route 8 bridge south-east of Edwards. Photo by Doug Whitney.

an email to parents. “I want to thank everyone for remaining calm and following the appropriate protocol. This is precisely why we do these drills throughout the year.”

Illinois Supreme Court makes history

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Supreme Court made history when two newly seated members gave the bench a 5-2 majority of woman judges. Justices Elizabeth Rochford and Mary Kay O’Brien were sworn in Dec. 5. The two Democrats were both elected to the high court in November.

Justice Joy V. Cunningham, who was appointed to replace retired Justice Anne M. Burke, was sworn in on Dec. 1. The new justices join Lisa Holder White, the court’s first black woman justice.

The court will be led by Chief Jus-

stice Mary Jane Theis, the fourth woman chief in the court’s history.

Gorman chief judge of Tenth Judicial Circuit

PEORIA – Circuit Judge Katherine S. Gorman was unanimously re-elected by a group of 10 of her judicial peers to serve as Chief Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit. Her term starts Jan. 2 and will run through Jan. 6, 2025. There are 21 judges in the Tenth Circuit, which spans Peoria, Tazewell, Marshall, Putnam and Stark counties.

Dean’s list

• **Cory Alcaraz** of Hanna City was named to the Dean’s List (3.2 gpa or better) for the fall quarter at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. Alcaraz is pursuing a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering.



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Lawmakers hear from assault ban backers

By PETER HANCOCK

Capitol News Illinois

CHICAGO – Victims and survivors of multiple mass shootings urged state lawmakers on Monday to pass a ban on assault weapons, arguing that communities throughout Illinois have felt the pain of deadly mass shootings.

“I was shot multiple times on the Fourth of July in Highland Park,” Lauren Bennett said during a legislative committee meeting in Chicago.

She described the “maelstrom” of bullets that tore through a crowd during an Independence Day parade this year.

“As a gunshot survivor, a mom and a citizen of Illinois, I sit before you today to provide my support for the proposal to provide additional protections to communities as it relates to assault weapons, high-capacity magazines, and raising the age of gun purchases,” she said. “Something has to change.”

Lawmakers have considered assault weapons bans in the past, and Gov. JB Pritzker has campaigned on what he says is a need for stricter gun laws in the state. But it was the Highland Park shooting on July 4, which left seven people dead and dozens more injured, that

vaulted the issue to the forefront and brought pressure on lawmakers to act decisively.

That could happen early next month when the General Assembly convenes a lame-duck session, scheduled for five days from Jan. 4-10. Among the proposals expected to be debated is House Bill 5855, the “Protect Illinois Communities Act,” by Rep. Bob Morgan, D-Deerfield, whose district includes Highland Park.

“In less than one minute, less than a minute, the assailant shot 83 bullets into the crowd, killing seven and injuring dozens of my neighbors and constituents, people that lived in the district, people who did not,” Morgan said, quoting in part from a resolution he has sponsored mourning those who died in the shooting.

But many other people came to the hearing to remind lawmakers that Highland Park – an upscale, predominantly white suburb north of Chicago – is not the only community in Illinois to experience a mass shooting and that black and brown communities are far more likely to be the scenes of such violence.

“On July 4 of this year, when the tragedy occurred in Highland Park, my

heart went out to them. ... I continue to pray for them,” said Jaquie Algee, a South Side resident who lost her only son in a different shooting. “But at the same token, in black communities around the city and state, there were 10 – in this city – 10 black kids that were shot and killed that day. There were 62 that were shot and injured.”

Among other things, HB5855 would make it illegal to manufacture, sell or purchase an assault-style weapon, assault-weapon attachment, .50-caliber rifle, or .50-caliber cartridge. And starting 300 days after the bill takes effect, it would make it illegal to possess such a weapon or ammunition unless it is registered with the Illinois State Police.

Large-capacity ammunition-feeding devices also would be prohibited under the bill.

The bill would also repeal a provision of current law that allows people between the ages of 18 and 21 to obtain a Firearm Owners Identification Card with parental consent, unless the applicant is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces or the Illinois National Guard. And it would require that when people under age 21 are

hunting under the supervision of an adult, the adult must possess a FOID card.

Additionally, it would amend the state’s Firearms Restraining Order Act to provide that a petitioner could request a one-year, rather than six-month, restraining order against someone believed to be a danger to themselves or others.

More hearings will be held, including one scheduled for today, Dec. 15.

Meanwhile, Rep. Jennifer Gong Gershowitz, D-Glenview, said more gun-safety legislation could be forthcoming.

“We know that there is not just one measure that is going to make a difference, that is going to begin to turn the corner on the pain that has been expressed in this room today,” she said.



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Kenneth L. Miars

ELMWOOD – Kenneth "Kenny" L. Miars, 80, of Elmwood, passed away at 4:17 p.m., on Thursday, Dec. 8, 2022, at home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born April 12, 1942, in Princeville, to John K. "Pete" and Susie (Newman) Miars. He married Deborah Johnston at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Elmwood. She survives.



Miars

He is also survived by two children, Tara (Eric) Yarbrough and Jennifer (Wes) Crew; four grandchildren, Hannah, Madisyn, Draven and Riggs; four siblings, John (Marlene) Miars, Patricia Brooks, Charles (Janet) Miars and Teresa Meservey.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Carl. Kenny graduated from Brimfield High School in 1961. He then served in United States Marine Corps.

Kenny was a member and past commander of V.F.W. #4724 and American Legion Post #638 in Elmwood.

He was also a sports official for over 40 years and had the honor of umpiring for the Little League World Series events in Cooperstown, N.Y. In 2014, he was inducted into the Illinois NSA Hall of Fame.

Kenny attended Farmington New Hope Fellowship Church.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16, 2022, at Oaks-Hines Funeral Home in Elmwood. A visitation will be held prior to the service from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will immediately follow the service at Yates City Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Elmwood Athletic Department and VFW Post #4724.

To view Kenny's video tribute or to leave online condolences, please visit www.oakshinesfuneralhome.com.

John F. Ruck

WILLIAMSFIELD – John F. Ruck, 68, of Williamsfield, formerly of Peoria County, passed away on Dec. 11, 2022, at his residence.

He was born on April 2, 1954, in Peoria, the son of Carl and Patricia (Caldwell) Ruck. John married Cecilia Caughey on Jan. 21, 1978, in Peoria.

He graduated from Woodruff High School Class of 1972. John later worked and retired from Bemis after 40-plus years and Langston Bag Factory in Peoria. He enjoyed tractors, trucks and heavy equipment.

John is survived by his wife, Cecilia Ruck of Williamsfield; two brothers, Carl (Brenda) Ruck Jr. of Dunlap and Steven Ruck of Peoria County; one sister, Donna (Donald) Ernst of Brimfield; and a host of loving nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Francis Tiff, and two brothers, Ronald Johnston and Gary Buchanan.

A visitation will be held on Sunday Dec. 18, 2022, at Cumerford-Clary Funeral Home in Peoria from 5-7 p.m. Burial will be held at Swan Lake Memory Gardens in Peoria at a later date.

Memorial contributions in honor of John may be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Online tributes and condolences may be made at www.cumerford-clary.com.

Peter N. Schaub

ELMWOOD – Peter N. Schaub, 83 of Elmwood, passed away at 10:48 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, at the OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria.

Born June 30, 1939, in Oak Hill to Edward and Hilda (Kelch) Schaub, he married Cleo Patterson on Feb. 7, 1970, in Peoria. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Edward (Telena) Schaub of Dunlap; one daughter, Nicole (Aleksandr) Shuster of Brimfield; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Hugo (Denise) Schaub of Brimfield and August (Debbie) Schaub of Elmwood.



Ruck



Schaub

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, John Schaub; and three sisters, Mary Ellen Comisky, Violet Schmitt and Katherine Schaub.

Peter was a veteran of the United States Army, serving at Fort Clayton in the Panama Canal.

He was the President of Schaub Mobile Line Boring Service, Inc. Prior to that, he had worked for R.A. Cullinan for 16 years.

He was a member of the Operating Engineers Local #649 and the Brimfield American Legion.

He lived the American Dream. He married the woman he wanted, had children he loved, built them a home and had his own business.

His funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 12, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kickapoo. Father James Pankiewicz and Father John Verrier officiated. Visitation was Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022, at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Hall. Rosary was held at 4 p.m. Burial was in St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery, where military honors were provided.

Memorial contributions may be given to the St. Mary's Catholic Church or School.

Jamie L. James

PRINCEVILLE – Jamie Leigh James, 39, of Yorkville, formerly of Edelstein and the daughter of a Princeville woman, passed away on Dec. 6, 2022.

Jamie was born on Jan. 1, 1983, in Peoria to Martin Blair and Elsie (Riley) Begner. She married Christopher James on May 16, 2009.

Surviving are her husband Chris; four children, Kaylee, Makenzee, Landon and Cassidy James; father Martin Blair of Edelstein; mother Elsie Begner of Princeville; three sisters, Ashley (Adam) Smothers of Latham, Erika Blair of Peoria and Kelsy (Sean Birchenall) Blair of Edelstein; her parents-in-law Jon and Diane James of Chillicothe; and brother-in-law, Josh James of Davenport, Iowa.

Jamie graduated from Princeville High School in 2001.

Her funeral service was Dec. 12, 2022, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville. Burial was in the Princeville Township Cemetery.

Condolences can be left online at www.haskellfuneral.com.

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Pages From The Past Compiled by Hannah Dobra

5 Years Ago

- The Elmwood 7-2A girls basketball team finished second to Paris Crestwood, losing 41-18, as Ashley Wessels led with six points and Taylor Glover and Olivia Meyers had four apiece. Melody Glenn had scored 12 to lead Elmwood in its 27-24 semifinal win over Beecher City. Ainsley Faulkner scored five points in that win.
- Princeville's girls basketball team celebrated an 8-2A sectional title, after being led in scoring by Caitlyn Thole, and the Farmington girls celebrated an 8-3A sectional title.
- Three residents and one dog escaped injury when 10 area fire departments battled an apartment building fire in Farmington at 600 E. Fort St.
- The Peoria County Board was considering zoning codes to regulate solar farms and a draft ordinance was being considered.
- J.B. Pritzker was one of seven candidates to file for the Democratic nomination for governor in the March 20, 2018, primary.

20 Years Ago

- Williamsfield's Chris Massie is coming off a big game of 22 points and 24 rebounds in a 60-48 victory over Avon.
- Brimfield High School held its Homecoming Dance, with the theme of the dance being "Midnight in the Garden." The Brimfield 2002 Homecoming Queen and King were Jamie Fuller and Ryan Hafey.
- Navy Seaman Recruit Wade N. Taylor, son of Connie and Van Taylor of Elmwood, recently graduated from the Basic Enlisted Submarine Course at the Naval Submarine School in Groton, Conn.

40 Years Ago

- Jeffrey Campbell of Williams-

field was one of 67 students at the University of Illinois who received the Jonathan Baldwin Turner Agricultural Merit Scholarship. Six hundred and 25 people attended a banquet where the students received the \$1,000 award.

62 Years Ago

- The 1960 census listed the city of Farmington's population at 2,831.

- Santa Claus arrived in Farmington Saturday with a crowd of 500 to 600 children on hand to greet him.

70 Years Ago

- Sixty men and boys participated in the "Fox Hunt Roundup" held at Elba Township. Three foxes were taken. The Elba ladies served roast chicken dinner to the hunters.

74 Years Ago

- Alex Mason was awarded the King's Medal by the King of England for services rendered during the war.

- Miss Joan Lint, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lint, had received the Conlee-Kent cup, one of the highest honors given by MacMurray College.

- Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Wright purchased the Farmington Shopper from Mr. and Mrs. George Was-

85 Years Ago

- Work resumed on the entrance to the Palace Theatre in Elmwood, where the lobby will soon be enclosed with large doors containing glass sufficient to admit light for the space. A canopy is also to be added.

90 Years Ago

- Joe Stura of Farmington was badly cut and bruised about the legs and shoulders Monday morning when he was caught in a fall

on slate while at his work at the No. 5 mine.

95 Years Ago

- Burlington railroad is hauling 100 cars of coal a day through the Elmwood/Yates City area, the coal being delivered at Peoria by the Illinois Midland railroad

- A local Ford garage show room drew large crowds as Mr. Clemmer and his assistants were kept busy explaining the details of a new Ford coupe which was exhibited.

100 Years Ago

- The coldest weather of the season so far was registered in Williamsfield, with the thermometer registering 7 degrees below zero.

104 Years Ago

- Two Lewistown men, John Thorn and Harry Belts, claim to have perfected a whiskey still, small enough to go by parcel post and to sell for \$5. The Lewistown Record says the men have put up money for the purchase of lots whereon to build a factory. If laws are not enacted to prohibit private distilling, the scheme will go through and a \$50,000 factory will be erected.

- Theodore Ingold shipped 15 hogs to the Peoria market recently, receiving \$7,000 for the lot.

110 Years Ago

- In Williamsfield, the Santa Fe Railroad was announcing the only extra-fare train between Chicago and Los Angeles. The "Santa Fe-De-Luxe," once a week, only 63 hours all the way. The train ride will include an arbor, ladies maid, manicurist and stenographer and every travel luxury, including a bath.

120 Years Ago

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AREA CHURCHES

BRIMFIELD

Baptist Church of Brimfield
Pastor Doug Seeley
321 S. Jefferson St., Brimfield
(309) 678-2208
Sun. School: 9:30 am
Sun. Worship: 10:40 am
Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm

St. Joseph

Catholic Church
Father John Verrier
314 W. Clay, Brimfield
(309) 446-3275
stjosephbrimfield.org

Sat. Confession: 3:30-4:45 pm
Sat. Mass: 5 pm
Sun. Mass: 10:30 am (10 am in the summer)

Daily Mass: Tues.-Fri. 8 am

St. Paul's

Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod
"Preaching Christ Crucified"
"Liturgical & Reverential"
Pastor Michael Liese
204 W. Clay St., Brimfield
(309) 446-3233
Sun. Divine Service: 10 am

Brimfield E-Free Church

Pastor Donald Blasing
11724 Maher Road
Brimfield, IL 61517
(309) 446-3571
brimfieldefree.org
Worship: 10:30 am
Sunday School: 9:30 am
AWANA: Wed. 6:15 pm, ages 3-12

Brimfield United Methodist Church

Pastor David Pyell
135 S. Galena St., Brimfield

BIBLE TRIVIA

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Immanuel in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Which Old Testament prophet said the most about the birth of Christ? Isaiah, Daniel, Ezekiel, Jeremiah
3. From Matthew 1:18, when Mary became pregnant, she and Joseph were ...? Married, Engaged, Just friends, Strangers
4. In Luke 2:8-11, how did the shepherds learn of Christ's birth? Magi informed, Joseph

(309) 221-4879

Sun. Worship: 8:30 am

Sun. School: 8:30 am

Union Church at Brimfield

United Church of Christ
Pastor Stephen Barch
105 W. Clay Street, Brimfield
(309) 446-3811
brimfieldunionchurch.org
Sunday Worship: 9 am
Tuesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm
• First Sunday each month is Communion Sunday (gluten-free communion offered)
• Grief & Loss Group meets Tuesday afternoons 3-4:30 p.m. until further notice.

DAHINDA

Dahinda United Methodist Church
Pastor Teri Shane
1739 Victoria St., P.O. Box 14
Dahinda, IL 61428
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Church: (309) 639-2768
Pastor's Office: (309) 639-2389
Email: williamsfielddahin-

announcement, Mighty wind, Angel appearance

5. Where did the wise men go first when they arrived in the Holy Land? Nazareth, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Hebron
6. What does the Bible record as to when Jesus was born? Late September, Dec. 25, March 17, Does not

Answers

- 1) Neither, 2) Isaiah, 3) Engaged, 4) Angel appearance, 5) Jerusalem, 6) Does not

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DOUGLAS

Douglas United Methodist Church

Pastor Kristine McMillan
484 3rd St.
Yates City, IL 61572
(NOTE: Church is in Douglas)
Sunday Worship: 8 a.m.
(Maquon worship: 11 a.m.)
Facebook Live is 11 am at Maquon UM Church page

EDWARDS

Bethany Baptist Church
7422 N. Heinz Ln., Edwards
(309) 692-1755
bethanycentral.org
Sun. Worship: Inside services at 9 & 10:30 am

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Father James Pankiewicz
9910 W. Knox St., Edwards
(309) 691-2030
stmaryskickapoo.org
Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm
Sat. Mass: 4 pm
Sun. Masses: 7 & 11:00 am

Daily Masses (Mon., Wed. Thurs., Fri.): 8 am

ELMWOOD

Crossroads Assembly of God

Pastor Tim Cavallo
615 E. Ash St., Elmwood
(309) 830-4259
crossroadselmwood.org
Wed. Worship: 7 pm
Sun. Worship: 10:30 am

Elmwood Baptist Church

Pastor Bill Cole
701 W. Dearborn St., Elmwood
(309) 742-7631, 642-3278
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Sun. Worship: 10:30 am, 1:15 pm

First Presbyterian Church of Elmwood

Reverend Marla B. Bauler
201 W. Evergreen, Elmwood
(309) 742-2631
firstpresbyterianofelmwood.org
Sun. Worship: 10:30 am
Sun. School: 9:30 am

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Father James Pankiewicz
802 W. Main St., Elmwood
(309) 742-4921
Sat. Mass: 5:30 pm
Sun. Mass: 9 am
Tues. Mass: 8 am
Tues. Confession: After mass

United Methodist Church of Elmwood

Pastor David Pyell
821 W. Main St., Elmwood
(309) 742-7221
elmwoodumc.org

Sat. Worship: 5 pm
Sun. Worship: 10 am
Youth Sun. School: 9 am

FARMINGTON

Farmington Bible Church

Pastor Tony Severine
497 N. Elmwood Rd.
Farmington
(309) 245-9870
Sunday School: 9:30
Worship Service: 10:30

First Presbyterian Church of Farmington

Pastor Cindy Bean
83 N. Cone Street, Farmington
(309) 245-2914
firstpresfarmington.com
Sunday School: 9:15 am
Worship: 10:30 am
Live on Facebook also
Fellowship: 11:30 am

New Hope Fellowship Assembly of God

Pastor Tom Wright
1102 N. Illinois Route 78
Farmington
(309) 231-8076
Sun. Worship: 10 am
Wed. Worship: 7 pm

PRINCEVILLE

Princeville United Methodist Church

Pastor Zach Waldis
420 E. Woertz, Princeville
(309) 385-4487
princevilleumc@mediacombb.net
Sun. Worship: 8:30 am
Sunday School: 9:45 am

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church

Father Corey Kregiel
119 Saint Mary St., Princeville
(309) 385-2578

Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 pm

Sat. Mass: 4 pm

Sun. Confession: 8-8:45 am

Sun. Mass: 9 am

Tues., Thurs., Sat. daily Mass: 8 am

WILLIAMSFIELD

St. James Catholic Church

Father John Verrier
Legion Road Knox Road 1450 N
Williamsfield
(309) 446-3275
stjameswilliamsfield.org

Sun. Confession: 7:30-8 am

Sun. Mass: 8 am (8:30 am in the summer)

Williamsfield United Methodist Church

Pastor Teresa Shane
430 N. Chicago Ave.
Williamsfield
(309) 639-2389
Sun. School: during worship
Hospitality (coffee & finger foods): 10:30 am
Sun. Worship: 11 am

YATES CITY

Faith United Presbyterian Church

Reverend Marla B. Bauler
107 W. Bishop St., Yates City
(309) 358-1170
Worship: 9 am
Sun. School: 10:15 am
Thurs. Choir: 7 pm

LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY – IN PROBATE

In The Matter of the Estate of)
) Case No. 22 PR 310
EDWARD U. BOND III, Deceased)

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Please take notice that EDWARD U. BOND III died on September 26, 2022, in Peoria, Illinois. His residence address was 2220 West Brooklyn Place, Peoria, Illinois. An estate has been opened as Case No. 22 PR 310, in PEORIA County, Illinois. All claims against the estate should be made to Michael T. Marincic, Attorney for the estate, 2337 N. Taylor Rd., Hanna City, Illinois 61536, telephone number is (309) 645-4012, by JULY 10, 2023, and filed at the PEORIA County Courthouse under the name of EDWARD U. BOND III and Case No. 22 PR 310.

/S/ Michael T. Marincic
Attorney for the Estate
2337 N. Taylor Rd.
Hanna City, IL 61536
(309) 645-4012

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

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC,
PLAINTIFF,

VS.
ADAM C WESTER; SARAH PRINCE;
ROLLING ACRES HOMEOWNERS'
ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN
OWNERS AND NON-RECORD
CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.
NO. 21 CH 00110
2106 WEST WINNEBAGO DRIVE
PEORIA, IL 61614

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO
JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment
of Foreclosure and Sale entered by
the Court in the above entitled cause
on September 21, 2022, Sheriff of
Peoria County will on 01/09/2023, in
ROOM 203 OF THE COURTHOUSE,
324 MAIN STREET, PEORIA, IL
61602, at 08:30 AM, sell at public
auction and sale to the highest bid-
der for cash, all and singular, the fol-
lowing described real estate
mentioned in said Judgment, situ-
ated in the County of Peoria, State of
Illinois, or so much thereof as shall
be sufficient to satisfy said Judg-
ment:

Lot 586 in Rolling Acres Section
Eight, a Subdivision of part of the
Southeast Quarter of Section 18,
Township 9 North, Range 8 East of
the Fourth Principal Meridian, ac-
cording to the Plat thereof recorded
in the Office of the Recorder of Peo-
ria County, Illinois, Plat Book "Y", at
Page 92, situated in Peoria County,
Illinois.

TAX NO. 14-18-426-008
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 2106
West Winnebago Drive
Peoria, IL 61614

Description of Improvements: The
property is a single family. The
property has a one car garage. The
garage is attached. The exterior is
vinyl siding. The color is tan.

The Judgment amount was
\$158,559.36.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale
for "CASH". The successful bidder
must deposit 10% down by certified
funds; balance, by certified funds,
within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to
general real estate taxes, special as-
sessments or special taxes levied
against said real estate, water bills,
etc., and is offered for sale without
any representation as to quality or
quantity of title and without recourse
to plaintiff. The sale is further sub-
ject to confirmation by the court.
Upon payment in full of the bid
amount, the purchaser shall receive
a Certificate of Sale, which will en-
title the purchaser to a Deed to the
real estate after confirmation of the
sale.

The property will NOT be open for
inspection. Prospective bidders are
admonished to check the court file
to verify all information.

The successful purchaser has the
sole responsibility/expense of evic-
ing any tenants or other individuals
presently in possession of the sub-
ject premises.

If this property is a condominium
unit, the purchaser of the unit at the
foreclosure sale, other than a mort-
gagee shall pay the assessments
and the legal fees required by The

Condominium Property Act, 765
ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR
(HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE
RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION
FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN
ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN AC-
CORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-
1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Visit our website at
<http://ilforeclosuresales.mrpllc.com>.
Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only -
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC,
Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn
St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602.
Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please
refer to file# 21-08050IL

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT
COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE
PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS
DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLEC-
TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A
DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PUR-
POSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required
to provide additional information
other than that set forth in this no-
tice of sale.

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••• IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY PEORIA, ILLINOIS

U.S. Bank National Association
PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Donna Sarver, as Independent Ex-
ecutor of the Estate of Dorrita Hoye;
et. al.
DEFENDANTS

2022-FC-0000120

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF
REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment
of Foreclosure and Sale entered in
the above cause on 09/12/2022, the
Sheriff of Peoria County, Illinois will
on January 4, 2023 at the hour of
1:00 PM at Peoria County Court-
house 324 Main Street, Courtroom
203 Peoria, IL 61602, or in a place
otherwise designated at the time of
sale, County of Peoria and State of
Illinois, sell at public auction to the
highest bidder for cash, as set forth
below, the following described real
estate:

LOT 44 IN SHORE ACRES SUBDI-
VISION SECTION 1, AS LAID OUT
ON PART OF THE SOUTHEAST
QUARTER OF SECTION 29, TOWN-
SHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST OF
THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERID-
IAN, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF
PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.
PIN 05-29-454-015
Improved with Residential
COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
17515 N Oak Lawn Ave
Chillicothe, IL 61523

Sale terms: 10% down of the
highest bid by certified funds at the
close of the auction; The balance, in-
cluding the Judicial sale fee for
Abandoned Residential Property
Municipality Relief Fund, which is
calculated at the rate of \$1 for each
\$1,000 or fraction thereof of the
amount paid by the purchaser not to
exceed \$300, in certified funds, is
due within twenty-four (24) hours.
The subject property is subject to
general real estate taxes, special as-
sessments, or special taxes levied
against said real estate and is of-
fered for sale without any represen-
tation as to quality or quantity of title

and without recourse to Plaintiff and
in "AS IS" condition. The sale is
further subject to confirmation by
the court.

If the property is a condominium
and the foreclosure takes place after
1/1/2007, purchasers other than the
mortgagees will be required to pay
any assessment and legal fees due
under The Condominium Property
Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and
(g)(4).

If the property is located in a com-
mon interest community, pur-
chasers other than mortgagees will
be required to pay any assessment
and legal fees due under the Condo-
minium Property Act, 765 ILCS
605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any rea-
son, the Purchaser at the sale shall
be entitled only to a return of the de-
posit paid. The Purchaser shall have
no further recourse against the

CLAIM NOTICE

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

In Re ESTATE OF
LARRY A. WAUGHOP, No. 2022-PR-0000307
Deceased.

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of LARRY A. WAUGHOP
on November 1, 2022. Letters of Office were issued by the above
entitled Court to CHAD D. JORDAN, of 425 East Ash Street, Elm-
wood, Illinois 61529, as Executor, whose attorneys of record are
WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD., 118 West Main Street, P. O. Box 368,
Elmwood, Illinois, 61529-0368. Claims against the Estate may be
filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria,
Illinois, or with the representative or both on or before the 16th day
of June, 2023, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the repre-
sentative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 2075, 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 be-
fore that date is barred.** Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk
must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative
and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed and
the claimant shall file with the Court, proof of any required mailing
or delivery of copies.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with lim-
ited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an
e-filing service provider. Visit [http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-
providers.htm](http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm) to learn more and to select a service provider. If you
need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit [http://www.illi-
noiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp](http://www.illi-
noiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp).

DATED This 23rd day of November, 2022.

CHAD D. JORDAN, Executor of the
Estate of LARRY A. WAUGHOP,
Deceased.

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WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD.
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and without recourse to Plaintiff and
in "AS IS" condition. The sale is
further subject to confirmation by
the court.

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and the foreclosure takes place after
1/1/2007, purchasers other than the
mortgagees will be required to pay
any assessment and legal fees due
under The Condominium Property
Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and
(g)(4).

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mon interest community, pur-
chasers other than mortgagees will
be required to pay any assessment
and legal fees due under the Condo-
minium Property Act, 765 ILCS
605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any rea-
son, the Purchaser at the sale shall
be entitled only to a return of the de-
posit paid. The Purchaser shall have
no further recourse against the
Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the
Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the
amount bid, the purchaser shall re-
ceive a Certificate of Sale, which will
entitle the purchaser to a Deed to
the real estate after Confirmation of
the sale. The successful purchaser
has the sole responsibility/expense
of evicting any tenants or other indi-
viduals presently in possession of
the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for
inspection and Plaintiff makes no
representation as to the condition of
the property. Prospective bidders
are admonished to check the Court
file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR
(HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE
RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION
FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN
ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN AC-
CORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-
1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court
file or contact Plaintiff's attorney:
Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030
North Frontage Road, Suite 100,
Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-
9876. Please refer to file number
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••• IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY PEORIA, ILLINOIS

U.S. Bank National Association
PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Holly M. Shields; et. al.
DEFENDANTS

No. 2022-FC-0000172
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF

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

In Re ESTATE OF
LARRY A. WAUGHOP, No. 2022-PR-0000307
Deceased.

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ADMISSION OF WILL TO PROBATE

NOTICE is given to: The Descendants of LARRY A. WAUGHOP,
Deceased, AND ALL OTHER UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LARRY A.
WAUGHOP, DECEASED, whose names, addresses and legal ca-
pacities are unknown.

This will give notice that LARRY A. WAUGHOP, a resident of Peo-
ria County, Illinois died on the 1st day of November, 2022, that
Letters Testamentary were issued on the 23rd day of November,
2022 to CHAD D. JORDAN, of 425 East Ash Street, Elmwood, Illi-
nois 61529, as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of the Es-
tate of LARRY A. WAUGHOP, Deceased, and that an Order was
entered in the above entitled Court on the 23rd day of November,
2022 admitting the Last Will and Testament dated August 27,
2018, of LARRY A. WAUGHOP, Deceased, to probate.

You are further notified that within 42 days after the effective date
of the original Order of admission, any Heir or Legatee may file a
Petition with the Court to require proof of the Will by testimony of
the Witnesses to the Will in open Court or other evidence, as pro-
vided in Par. 6-21 of the Probate Act of 1975, 755 Illinois Compiled
Statutes, Sec. 5/6-21.

You also have the right under Par. 8-1 of the Probate Act of 1975,
755 Illinois Compiled Statutes, Sec. 5/8-1, to contest the validity of
the Will by filing a Petition with the Court within six months after
admission of the Will to probate.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with lim-
ited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an
e-filing service provider. Visit [http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-
providers.htm](http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm) to learn more and to select a service provider. If you
need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit [http://www.illi-
noiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp](http://www.illi-
noiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp).

Dated this 23rd day of November, 2022.

CHAD D. JORDAN, Executor of the
Estate of LARRY A. WAUGHOP,
Deceased.

ASHLEE E. STABLER, ESQ.
WHITNEY & POTTS, LTD.
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Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the
Mortgagee's attorney.

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ceive a Certificate of Sale, which will
entitle the purchaser to a Deed to
the real estate after Confirmation of
the sale. The successful purchaser
has the sole responsibility/expense
of evicting any tenants or other in-
dividuals presently in possession of
the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for
inspection and Plaintiff makes no
representation as to the condition of
the property. Prospective bid-
ders are admonished to check the
Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR
(HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE
RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSES-
SION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY
OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-
1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORT-
GAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the
court file or contact Plaintiff's attor-
ney: Codilis & Associates, P.C.,
15W030 North Frontage Road,
Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527,
(630) 794-9876. Please refer to file
number 14-22-04273.
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••• IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY PEORIA, ILLINOIS

PHH Mortgage Corporation
PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Denise L. Scislowicz; et. al.
DEFENDANTS

No. 2022-FC-0000008
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF
REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment
of Foreclosure and Sale entered in
the above cause on 09/12/2022, the
Sheriff of Peoria County, Illinois will
on January 18, 2023 at the hour of
1:00 PM at Peoria County Court-
house 324 Main Street, Courtroom
203 Peoria, IL 61602, or in a place
otherwise designated at the time of
sale, County of Peoria and State of
Illinois, sell at public auction to the
highest bidder for cash, as set forth
below, the following described real
estate:

A PART OF LOTS 1, 3 AND 4 IN
COULSON-BURDETTE RESURVEY

OF LOTS 1 AND 6 WALKER'S SUB-
DIVISION, LOT 10 BURDETTE
PLACE, AND LOT 4 WILLIAM A.
HALL'S SUBDIVISION, AND ALSO
A PART OF LOT 2 IN WALKER'S
SUBDIVISION OF LOT 4 IN BALD-
WIN'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF
THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF
SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH,
RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH
PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ALL MORE
PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND
DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-
WIT: COMMENCING AT A POINT IN
THE NORTHWESTERLY LINE OF
GREENLEAF STREET, WHICH IS 65
FEET SOUTHWESTERLY OF THE
MOST SOUTHERLY CORNER OF
LOT 12 IN COULSON-BURDETT
RESURVEY; AND RUNNING
THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG
SAID NORTHWESTERLY LINE OF
GREENLEAF, A DISTANCE OF 65
FEET TO SAID SOUTHERLY COR-
NER OF LOT 12; THENCE NORTH-
WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH-
WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12,
113.15 FEET TO THE
MOST WESTERLY CORNER OF
SAID LOT 12; THENCE NORTH-
EASTERLY ALONG THE NORTH-
WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12,
10 FEET; THENCE NORTH-
WESTERLY IN A STRAIGHT LINE,
281 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE
MOST WESTERLY CORNER OF
LOT 4 IN COULSON-BURDETTE
RESURVEY; THENCE SOUTH-
WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH-
EASTERLY LINE OF GLEN OAK
AVENUE, 65 FEET; THENCE
SOUTHEASTERLY IN A STRAIGHT
LINE 402.55 FEET TO THE PLACE
OF BEGINNING; ALSO, LOT 4 IN
COULSON BURDETTE RESURVEY
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REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WILLIAMSFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION	
Following is the financial report of the Williamsfield Fire Protection District, an Illinois Municipal Corporation, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.	
Balance on hand as of May 1, 2021	
Ambulance Account	\$229,971.37
RECEIPTS	
Interest	156.48
Knox County Real Estate Taxes	196,985.55
Peoria County Real Estate Taxes	8,963.40
Miscellaneous (uncashed checks, refunds)	70.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$206,175.43
DISBURSEMENTS	
Bank of Farmington	80,000.00
BYE Ambulance Service	70,000.00
Corn Belt Energy	3,521.19
Emergency Medical Products	9,157.59
Galesburg Hospitals Ambulance Service	9,600.00
McKesson Medical Surgical	3,372.64
Reimbursements	3,141.24
Stryker Medical	14,818.02
Miscellaneous (under \$2,500)	14,859.54
Williamsfield EMS personnel	26,475.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$234,945.22
Balance on Hand April 30, 2022	\$201,201.58
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Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-20-02675. I3208329

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WILLIAMSFIELD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION	
Following is the financial report of the Williamsfield Fire Protection District, an Illinois Municipal Corporation, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.	
Balance on hand as of May 1, 2021	
Fire Department Account	\$252,676.42
RECEIPTS	
Compeer Financial Grant	8,993.00
Donations	10,100.00
Illinois Municipal League	5,213.64
Illinois State Fire Marshall Grant	26,000.00
Interest	193.41
Knox County Real Estate Taxes	247,042.64
Misc. (memorials, rental, reporting services)	255.00
Peoria County Real Estate Taxes	11,103.14
Refunds	2,247.50
State of Illinois Personal Property Replacement Tax	13,528.51
Transfer from Ambulance account	552.90
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$325,229.74
DISBURSEMENTS	
Alexis Fire Equipment	24,093.42
Ameren Illinois	7,308.29
Blucker, Kneer & Associates	3,255.00
Dinges Fire Company	21,759.02
Internal Revenue Service/U.S. Treasury	10,707.79
Lusk Fire and Safety	7,909.71
Michigan Rescue Concepts	14,104.80
People's National Bank	96,000.00
Reimbursements (Bruce Bush, Bobcat upgrades trustee training, misc. supplies)	11,332.77
Sandry Fire Supplu	15,540.77
Stevens-Campbell Insurance Agency	29,728.00
Supreme Radio Communications	2,571.55
University of Illinois	3,795.00
West Central FS	2,670.13
W.S. Darley	4,450.50
Miscellaneous (under 2,500)	30,533.45
Williamsfield Fire Protection District personnel	31,625.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$317,385.20
Balance on Hand April 30, 2022	\$260,520.96
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF PEORIA
PEORIA, ILLINOIS**

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.;
Plaintiff,

vs.
JODY D. KIMBRELL AKA JODY KIMBRELL; MICHAEL D KIMBRELL AKA MICHAEL KIMBRELL; MEISTER PLUMBING, INC.; REPUBLIC BANK OF CHICAGO;
TRI-COUNTY MASONRY & CONCRETE, LLC; FORESITE REALTY PARTNERS, LLC; FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS;
Defendants,
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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause the Sheriff of Peoria County will on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. in Room 203 of the Court-house, 324 Main St., Peoria, IL, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged

real estate:

PART OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP NORTH, RANGE EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS AND BEARINGS ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF DESCRIPTION ONLY: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD AT THE NW CORNER OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 18; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 41 MINUTES, 47 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE NW 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 18, DISTANCE OF 184.00 FEET TO RAILROAD SPIKE; THENCE SOUTH 603.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES, 41 MINUTES, 47 SECONDS WEST, 184.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD ON THE WEST LINE OF THE NW 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NW 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 18, DISTANCE OF 603.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. (EXCEPT THE COAL AND OTHER MINERAL RIGHTS UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL AND OTHER MINERALS. NOW KNOWN AS LOTS AND IN KIMBRELL CORNER, BEING SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION EIGHTEEN (18), TOWNSHIP EIGHT (8) NORTH, RANGE SEVEN (7) EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING OUT THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED 19-08066 NOVEMBER 13, 2012 AS DOCUMENT NO. 2012029986 IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGE 106, IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.I.N. 17-18-100-006, 17-18-100-007, 17-18-100-001.

Commonly known as 714 S. Edleman Rd., Hanna City, IL 61536. The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Ms. MyXuan Koski at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Illinois State Statutes and the permanent Zoning Ordinance of Peoria County, the Peoria County Zoning Board of Appeals will hold public hearings on **January 12, 2023**, as follows:

Case No. ZBA-2023-005 at 9:00 a.m. Hearing to be held in Room 403, of the Peoria County Courthouse, Peoria, Illinois.

Petition of **BENJAMIN EMERICK, acting on behalf of BENJAMIN AND KAYLA EMERICK, a VARIANCE** request from Section 20-6.2.2.1.a.1 of the Unified Development Ordinance, which requires a road setback of one hundred thirty-five (135) feet from the center of the right-of-way in the "A-1" Agricultural Preservation Zoning District. The petitioner proposed to construct a porch at a distance of 105 ft. from the center of W. State Route 90, resulting in a variance request of 31 ft.

A part of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 6 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, more particularly bounded and described as follows and bearings are for the purpose of description only: Beginning at an iron bolt at the Southeast corner of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 14; thence North, along the East line of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 14, a distance of 726.00 feet to an iron rod; thence North 89 degrees 49.2 minutes West, 300.00 feet to an iron rod; thence South 726.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 49.2 minutes East along the South line of said Section 14 and also being along the approximate center line of SIB Route #90, a distance of 300.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Situated in Peoria County, Illinois. **(Princeville Township 02-14-400-002)**

This property can be located by heading southeast on Main St toward SW Adams St. Turn right onto NE Washington St. Turn left onto the I-74 W ramp. Merge onto I-74 and continue for approximately 10 miles. Take exit 82 for Kickapoo-Edwards Rd and turn right onto Kickapoo-Edwards Rd and continue for approximately 1 mile. Turn left onto US-150 W. Turn right onto N Princeville Jubilee Rd and continue for approximately 10 miles. Continue onto S Cottage Grove Ave. Turn left onto IL-90W/W Spring St. Continue to 11809 W Route 90, Princeville, IL.

All pertinent written materials by either proponents or objectors pertaining to the above cases should be filed in the Department of Planning and Zoning, 324 Main Street, Room 301, Peoria, IL 61602.

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
BY: LINDA O'BRIEN
CHAIRPERSON**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

All personal property belonging to Shawna Arbogast, and any additional property, stored in unit D22 located at Kickapoo Storage, 7405 N Kickapoo Edwards Rd, Edwards, IL will be disposed of on or after December 28, 2022 if the balance due is not paid in full by December 27, 2022.

All personal property belonging to Sasha Wallick, and any additional property, stored in unit D23 located at Kickapoo Storage, 7405 N Kickapoo Edwards Rd, Edwards, IL will be disposed of on or after December 28, 2022 if the balance due is not paid in full by December 27, 2022.

All personal property belonging to Briana Ricketts, and any additional property, stored in unit C23 located at Kickapoo Storage, 7405 N Kickapoo Edwards Rd, Edwards, IL will be disposed of on or after January 10, 2023 if the balance due is not paid in full by January 9, 2023.

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LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois
60602. (312) 940-8580.
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY
PEORIA, ILLINOIS**

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R4 PLAINTIFF

vs.
Gail Zang; The Greater Peoria Sanitary and Sewage Disposal District; Capital One Bank (USA), N.A.; Peoria Heights Water Works; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS

No. 2022-FC-000302
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Gail Zang
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1409 East Samuel Avenue Peoria Heights, IL 61616 and which said Mortgage was made by:

Gail Zang
the Mortgagor(s), to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Peoria County, Illinois, as Document No. 05-10786; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Robert M. Spears
Peoria County Courthouse
324 Main Street, Room G-22
Peoria, IL 61602

on or before January 9, 2023, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
15W030 North Frontage Road,
Suite 100
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
(630) 794-5300
DuPage # 15170
Winnebago # 531
Our File No. 14-22-07675

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
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BOYS: Coach says Elmwood has to get on same page 'quickly'

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vulge their names. Sennett said the decision about their playing statuses was made hours before Princeville lost at home Dec. 9 to Illini Bluffs, 53-31.

"I don't know all the details and in the interest of the kids, families and everybody involved, I think it's wise that we just leave it as a discipline issue," Sennett said. "We're wishing the best for the kids."

Sennett said he hoped the missing players can return this week. Princeville was host Tuesday night to Midland, then plays Thursday night at Brimfield and Saturday at home against Delavan.

Against Elmwood, coach's son Tucker Sennett had a team-high 13 points and Jake Williams scored 11. Both are sophomores.

"We were just trying to find an offense that would work and a defense that would keep them off balance," the elder Sennett said. "They put us in positions we didn't like to be in, and we had to adjust on the fly. And our kids responded. It was a fun game."

It might have been more fun for Elmwood, but Fugitt believes his team can improve. A home game Tuesday night against Abingdon-Avon provided a chance for that. So will another game Friday night at Havana.

"We're still not clicking on all cylinders," Fugitt said. "We still don't have 6-7-8 guys that men-



Logan Morse scored a combined 46 points in three games for Farmington last week. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.

tally are really on the same page, and we've got to get there quickly. We have not looked or acted satisfied."

On Dec. 7 against Galva, Howerton had 19 points, all in the first three quarters. In Princeville's loss to IB, Tucker Sennett scored 16.

Farmington

After winning its first six games, Farmington lost twice in a row.

The initial defeat came Dec. 6 at Macomb, 45-33. Jack Duncan and JT Jeter each scored eight in the third quarter as Macomb expanded a two-point halftime lead to 10.

"They had a few off-balance shorts that made the score look worse than it was," Farmington Coach Marty Lozier stated. "We had excellent looks all night.

Just missed some easy opportunities."

Logan Morse had 12 points to lead Farmington, and teammate Keaunty Barnes scored 11.

A trip Dec. 8 to Aledo resulted in the second defeat, 44-41 to Mercer County. The Farmers trailed by six with about 90 seconds to go but missed a game-tying shot. Mercer County was 10-for-15 on fourth-quarter free throws. Morse had 20 points, Barnes 16.

Farmington returned home Dec. 9 and beat Abingdon-Avon 55-26. Morse had 24 points, including five 3-pointers. Of those, three came in the second quarter, when Morse scored 14.

The Farmers play Wethersfield at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the Great Western Shootout at Abingdon.

ROWVA-Williamsfield

R-W ended last week with two defeats following a road victory.

A nonconference trip Dec. 10 to rural Varna resulted in Midland beating the Cougars 70-51. Graham Wight had 17 points for R-W. The previous evening, Mercer County visited R-W in Oneida and won a Lincoln Trail game 64-44. Wight scored 16.

In an ICAC game Dec. 6 at Brimfield, R-W won 60-46. Wight had eight first-quarter points, and Riley Danner and Adam Kohl each hit a 3 as R-W led 16-12. Brimfield remained in striking distance until the fourth quarter, when Wight scored six and Kohl scored five.

Wight finished with 19 points. Jack Godsil scored 11, including three 3-pointers.

R-W is 6-4 overall, 2-1 in the ICAC and 0-1 in the LTC. The Cougars play on the road twice this weekend, Friday in the ICAC at Peoria Heights and Saturday in the LTC at Annawan.

Brimfield

Oliver Heinz had 18 points and Drew Kieser scored 17 as Brimfield won 69-44 on Dec. 9 at Havana. Brimfield led 15-9 after the first quarter behind seven points from Heinz.

Kieser was scoreless in the first period but hit five 3-pointers in the second half as Brimfield expanded a 28-23 lead.

Brady Johnson had 11 points, including seven in the second quarter.

On Dec. 6, ICAC visitor ROWVA-Williamsfield broke away in the fourth quarter to beat Brimfield 60-46. Heinz had 17 points and Johnson and Kieser evenly split 20. R-W led 45-39 after three periods.

Brimfield (4-5, 0-1 ICAC) played Tuesday night at home against Wethersfield. Princeville visits Thursday night, then Brimfield travels Friday night to the outskirts of Quincy to play Payson Seymour.

Brimfield participates next week in the Heyworth Holiday Tournament, a pool-play event. The Indians face Heyworth at 7 p.m. Dec. 20, then Peoria Quest at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 21. Fifth-place, third-place and title games are Dec. 23. The other pool consists of Champaign St. Thomas More, Moweaqua Central A&M and Normal Calvary Christian.

ALL-SPORTS ROUNDUP

Elmwood girls lose in sectional

BRIMFIELD – An impressive season for the Elmwood 8th grade girls basketball team ended in an unexpected 30-16 loss to Peoria Christian in a Class 8-2A sectional Dec. 7 at Brimfield Grade School.

Elmwood (22-4) had defeated Peoria Christian earlier this season, 45-15. But in the rematch, Elmwood struggled from the opening tip according to Coach Steve Herridge.

"It was literally 24 minutes of nothing going right. It happens

now and then and unfortunately it happened to us," Herridge said. "It was completely unexpected. We never could get started."

Elmwood had reached the sectional with balanced scoring in its regional win. Top scorers on the season were Brooke Allen and Giana Ramirez.

"Winning a regional is still a pretty big deal, but we felt like we could get there (to state)," Herridge said.

Amber Waves



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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- MOVIES: What was the name of the fictional kingdom in "Frozen"?
- HISTORY: How many people died as a result of the Boston Massacre of 1770?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the name of Scrooge's business partner in "A Christmas Carol"?
- TELEVISION: In what city is the long-running drama "Grey's Anatomy" set?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which two cities were the original endpoints of the Orient Express?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many legs does an ant have?
- LITERATURE: What is the title of Toni Morrison's first novel?
- MATH: How many minutes are in a week?
- BUSINESS SLOGANS: Which company's slogan is, "Expect more. Pay less"?
- EXPLORERS: What is the home country of Roald Amundsen, the first to reach the South Pole?

Answers

- Arendelle.
- Five.
- Jacob Marley.
- Seattle, Washington.
- Paris and Istanbul (Constantinople).
- Six.
- "The Bluest Eye."
- 10,080.
- Target.
- Norway.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

- Black Panther: Wakanda Forever (PG-13)
- Violent Night (R)
- Strange World (PG)
- The Menu (R)
- Devotion (PG-13)
- I Heard the Bells (NR)
- Black Adam (PG-13)
- The Fabelmans (PG-13)
- Bones and All (R)
- Ticket to Paradise (PG-13)

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CryptoQuote

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

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GIRLS: Brimfield struggles offensively in 41-35 loss to Eureka

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26 in the annual Princeville tournament.

Brimfield

Ranked ninth in Class 1A, Brimfield (8-3) battled against a long, tall Eureka team but was undone by poor shooting in a 41-35 loss Monday.

"They are tall and long and they played a 1-2-2 trapping defense and forced some uncharacteristic turnovers," Coach Josh McKown said. "But we had good looks and just couldn't knock them down."

Ava Heinz led with 12 points and 13 rebounds and Elly Doe scored 10, plus played strong defense against Eureka's standout Ellie Cahill.

"We played a box-and-one on her and Elly held her to four points," McKown said. "But another girl knocked down some shots down the stretch to beat us."

In their only other game last week, the Lady Indians won at Midwest Central, 58-43. Heinz led with 16 points, Doe had 15 and four treys and Olivia Kappes put up 13.

Brimfield's schedule has seen numerous changes to the next



Brimfield junior Kylee Vaughn dribbles against Eureka Monday night. Vaughn had three points in the game. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

few weeks, as Peoria Christian called off a game and a Bushnell-Prairie City contest is being rescheduled. So the Lady Indians do not play until Dec. 22 at home vs. North Fulton. Then it's on to the State Farm Classic in Normal starting Dec. 27 against El Paso-Gridley.

Farmington

Farmington (1-11) got a much-needed first win last Sat-

urday against Galesburg Christian, 52-18, in its first game at the Ridgewood Tournament.

"Oh my goodness, it was nice," Coach Brad Whitcomb said. "Galesburg Christian ran a lot of different zone defenses and the girls were communicating and were all on the same page. I just felt like we were connected as a team."

Whitcomb said Farmington has been working to improve against zone defenses and was happy to see balanced scoring and "lots of kick-back 3s" against Galesburg Christian.

Madilyn Hanlin led a balanced attack with 12 points, Anna Weibel tallied 10 and every Farmington player who got in the game scored.

Farmington dropped its second game in the tournament last Saturday to Illini Bluffs, 64-30. Kyleigh Miller led Farmington with 18 points, Emily Vallianatos scored 7 and Weibel had 5.

The Lady Farmers also lost at Peoria Heights on Dec. 7, 57-34. Mariah Hayden led with 13 points and Vallianatos had 12.

Monday's game against Abingdon-Avon was resched-

uled, as the Tornadoes had several players out sick.

Farmington returned to tournament play Tuesday against United and will play Thursday at Ridgewood against a foe to be announced, then faces fifth-ranked Havana on Monday, Dec. 19, before taking a long break until a Jan. 4 clash at Elmwood.

Princeville

Princeville (5-5) won its fourth straight last week, topping Ridgewood 49-35 at home on Dec. 7 to improve to a perfect 3-0 in the Lincoln Trail Conference.

Princeville got out to a fast start as Destinee Harwood racked up 12 of her team-high 22 points in the first half, boosting the Lady Princes to a 22-7 halftime lead.

Harwood finished with three treys, but Princeville also got nine points from Kinley McGinn, eight from Tessa Gazza and six from Brianna Brodie.

Princeville is at Lewistown today and is home Monday, Dec. 19, against Illini Bluffs be-

fore taking a week off to prepare for its Christmas tournament.

ROWVA-Williamsfield

After a fast 5-1 start, R-W (6-5) has lost four straight against strong competition.

"We've been battling in games but haven't had a great flow, especially on offense," Coach Michael Weitekamp said. "We dealt with illness and injuries over the Elmwood, (Illini Bluffs) and Princeville stretch but competed in all three games."

"All were back and fully healthy against (Mercer County) on Wednesday, we just didn't shoot or rebound well enough; too many second-chance opportunities. We've spent the last week of practice getting back to the basics and adding some things to get a bit more creativity and continuity in our offensive sets and to give us a few more variations."

R-W lost 50-39 at Mercer County. Carolyn German led the Cougars with 12 points. Avery Rigg and Ava Landon added nine apiece.

IHSA picks Hancock Stadium for football finals

NORMAL – The Illinois high school football championship games will be moving back to a renovated Hancock Stadium next fall.

Last week the Illinois High School Association Board of Directors approved a state final hosting contract with Illinois State University and the Bloomington-Normal Area Convention & Visitors Bureau to host the IHSA finals from 2023-2027.

"We appreciate all of the hosting bids that we received for the IHSA football state finals," said IHSA Executive Director Craig Anderson. "Seeing the passion that these university communities have for hosting the state finals and the amazing stadiums that each campus offers didn't make for an easy decision. Ultimately, the first-class facilities, amazing support from Illinois State University and the Bloomington-Normal communities, and the central location proved to be the biggest factors in returning to ISU for the next five years."

Hancock Stadium hosted the inaugural IHSA football state finals in 1974 and more than 100 state championship games from 1974 to

1998.

"Illinois State University and Illinois State Athletics have long valued their great partnership with the IHSA and take pride in our duties hosting IHSA events at our facilities," ISU Director of Athletics Kyle Brennan said. "It will be a pleasure for us to welcome the student-athletes, their families and spectators to campus and the Bloomington-Normal community each year and provide them with a top-notch experience at Hancock Stadium."

Hancock Stadium underwent a \$23 million dollar renovation in 2013 that included a new press box, a transformation of the east side of the stadium, new chair-back seating, suites and more stadium-wide upgrades. ISU broke ground on an indoor football practice facility adjacent to Hancock Stadium in April of 2022 that will be completed by the time the state finals are held there on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24-25.

Northern Illinois University in DeKalb and Southern Illinois University in Carbondale each submitted bids to host the state finals from 2023-2027. The University of

Illinois at Champaign-Urbana submitted a bid to host in 2024, 2026, and 2028.

"This decision wasn't made lightly, as Northern Illinois University and the University of Illinois have been incredible hosts for us through the years," Anderson said.

Only four venues have ever hosted the football state finals, which debuted in 1974. Hancock Stadium hosted the first six years of championship games. In 1980, the IHSA expanded from five classes to six classes, at which point the IHSA opted to keep the 1A through 3A games at Hancock Stadium, while moving the Class 5A and Class 6A contests to Dyche Stadium on the Northwestern University campus in Evanston. This arrangement lasted from 1980 to 1984.

All six classes returned to Hancock in 1985 and remained there through the 1998 state championships.

The University of Illinois has hosted the state finals since 1999, with the exception of odd years from 2013 through 2021, when the games shifted to Northern Illinois University's campus in DeKalb.



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Elmwood working to improve 'O'

By **JEFF LAMPE**
For The Weekly Post

After a tough loss to Havana last week, during which its offense struggled mightily, the Elmwood girls basketball team gained insight into areas in need of improvement.

In three lopsided wins since falling 27-21 to fifth-ranked Havana – albeit against lesser competition – Elmwood (9-2) proved it learned something, Coach Gregg Meyers said.

“Passing-wise we did a much better job,” Meyers said. “I’m hoping they had a little bit of a chip on their shoulder and now we know what we need to get better at.”

The first Elmwood victory was a 52-17 decision at Bushnell-Prairie City on Dec. 5. Next came two straight wins in the Ridgewood tournament Saturday against West Prairie (64-21) and the host team (67-35).

Elmwood players had 19 assists against Ridgewood and 15 vs. West Prairie, Meyers said.

“We did a little better job seeing the floor,” Meyers said. “They were hitting an open person. Sometimes layups are created” by a good pass.

Elmwood jumped to a 22-9 lead against Ridgewood and never looked



Ava Heinz splits two defenders for a shot attempt in Brimfield's 43-37 loss to Eureka on Monday. Heinz had 12 points and 13 rebounds. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

back as Liv Meyers led with 20 points, Lauren Rushing scored 15, Andrea Glenn had 10 and Melody Glenn and Bre Turner tallied 5 apiece. Turner led with four assists while Ainsley Faulkner had a team-high nine rebounds and five steals.

In the win over West Prairie, Meyers had 19 points and 10 rebounds to lead Elmwood, which also got 18 points from freshman Andrea Glenn and 12 from her senior sister Melody Glenn.

Against Bushnell, Liv Meyers scored 16 and tied Melody Glenn for the rebounding lead with 5, while Kaitlyn Noll paced the Lady Trojans with 5 assists.

Elmwood was to face West Central on Tuesday in Ridgewood tourney play. Today's foe was to be based on pool play, with Illini Bluffs a probably opponent for the Lady Trojans.

After that, Elmwood has 11 days off until it tips off against Galva on Dec.

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Elmwood boys top Princeville, 48-40

By **NICK VLAHOS**
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – Against Princeville, Brendan Williams might have been the Elmwood boys basketball team's version of Ric Flair. Without the bombast and the bleached hair, of course.

Williams had 16 points, including 10 in the fourth quarter to help the hosts pull away from Princeville for a 48-40 victory Dec. 10. Including a 73-24 beating of Galva earlier last week, the Trojans have won eight games in a row since losing their season opener.

Princeville (5-3) was shorthanded because of disciplinary suspensions, injury and illness. But the Princes recovered from going scoreless for more than seven first-half minutes, during which Elmwood took a 12-point lead.

Elmwood still led 25-21 at halftime, but Zach

Stalter's layup with 2:39 left in the third quarter cut the Princeville deficit to 27-26. Elmwood then scored 12 in a row, keyed by two Bo Windish baskets. Windish finished with 13 points. Teammate Zach Howerton scored 12.

Williams had all but four of the Trojans' final-period points, including two 3-pointers. Overall, Williams played well enough to earn what Elmwood Coach Josh Fugitt called the Trojan Toughman Award, a wrestling belt.

“(He) really stepped in and just made the right play,” Fugitt said. “It seemed like he was always in position. When we needed somebody, he was the one flashing open to catch it and settle us down. He shot the ball well. He defended well.”

The disciplinary suspensions cost Princeville two players, although Coach Tait Sennett wouldn't di-
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