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After two years of delays, Toulon lift station finally functional

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE
For The Prairie News
TOULON – Nearly two years after a sanitary sewer project began here, the lift station is finally operational. Five residences are now connected to the sewer line, which means those residents can quit paying to have their septic tanks emptied every month. One res-

ident said they paid approximately \$6,500 for the two years of emptying their septic tank. An alarm is required for the lift station unit to indicate that it is at full capacity, which hopefully does not occur otherwise sewage would back up into the residences' sewer lines. The council approved purchasing an alarm for \$7,250.

A quote for underground boring of \$115,540 from Laverdiere Construction was approved to have a sewer line for the Dollar General building installed under the Routes 17 and 91 junction and tied into the Union Street sewer line. Additional costs will be incurred to hook the entire sewer line from Dollar General to the city's sewer system.

The council approved \$8,254 worth of "diamond dirt" for the two diamonds owned by the city located east of the Stark County High School. In addition, the city received a \$118,870 quote from Bob's Concrete for for steps and a "wall" at the diamonds. The council decided to obtain other quotes for this concrete project. Several donations were ap-

proved by the council. The Stark County After Prom event received \$1,500, the Stark County 4H Equine program received \$250, the Rampage Softball organization received \$500 and Stark County High School Hope Week received \$250. A culvert replacement at Ag View for their new buildings will
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Crowded meeting

2 trustees resign from Bradford board

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Prairie News
BRADFORD – A crowd of nearly 40 people attended Monday's meeting of the Bradford Village Board, during which the board accepted the resignation of two members and heard public comment on behalf of the Bradford Betterment Committee. During the meeting, the six-member village board accepted the resignation of trustees Brenda Colgan and Steve Scott. Scott said he is moving out of Bradford. Filling the two vacancies is expected to be listed on the agenda for the board's next meeting, scheduled for March 13 at 6 p.m. Several in attendance voiced support of the BBC, a group of citizens that has held activities and performed civic-minded duties in Bradford since 2019. At Monday's meeting, the board voted to approve the BBC's Music in the Park events scheduled to start June 11 at the village's Elsie Hodges Park.

There was no vote on a request from the BBC for a Saturday Market to start May 13 at Elsie Hodges Park. The BBC had also requested to be allowed to remove hostas from square plantings in the downtown area. The plantings previously included trees that have been cut down. Community members donated the hostas. The village did not vote on that request, with President John Cler saying that the music event was all the board was approving on Monday. The board had previously passed a resolution that no "outside organizations" were to do landscaping on village property. In responding to another speaker, Cler said BBC members had in the past performed activities beyond what they said they said they were going to do. Liability concerns have also been raised previously regarding BBC activities on
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NEW BOOK



Funeral Director Nicole Reed of Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services recently published "In the Event of My Death," a detailed funeral pre-planning and information guide.

Questions lead to book

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post
Since starting work at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services, Nicole Reed has frequently fielded questions from family members and friends about funerals and funeral service. "I kind of joked that I needed to make a guide for my family," Reed said. "I realized how much it could

help other people to have a guide and answer a lot of questions and concerns people have about funerals." So Reed did just that, self-publishing a 68-page book entitled "In the Event of My Death." A licensed funeral director since 2018, Reed started with a series of fill-in-the-blank questions to help prepare for the funeral
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Galva school board hires new principal

By CAROL TOWNSEND

GALVA – Adam Norway was unanimously hired as Galva's new elementary school principal at Monday night's Galva school board meeting. Norway currently serves as dean of students at the high school and also works as Galva's athletic director. He will start as principal on June 30. He replaces Mary Kelly who is retiring. Superintendent Jerry "Joe" Becker had another year added to his contract, extending it to June 30, 2026. The board approved the 2023-24 school calendar with a start date of Aug. 18, 2023. Other employees hired included:
• Nicole Sterling as cafeteria manager/head cook.
• Mariann Coakley as elementary school head cook. Kelly reported that 60 students contacted the school about Pre-K screening for 2023-24. She said there will be 26 openings when those students enroll in kindergarten. Several board members asked if more students could get into Pre-K, but Kelly said there was not another room available and the grant only allows so many children each year. Becker said East Moline Glass is not finished with the window project, but shades are ordered. He expects work to be done on spring break. He also reported that the new outdoor restroom should be done for the first track meet on April 6.



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REED: Book helps ease concerns

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process and then added a section of frequently asked questions on funerals, cremation and other death-related matters. Illustrations in the book were done by her brother, Alexander Evans of Wyoming.

to get through this and then you never have to worry about it again," Reed said. "This takes the grief off your loved ones when it's the last thing they want to think about."

Reed said she has sold about 130 copies so far, "more than I ever antici-

pated I would sell."
"In the Event of My Death" is available on Amazon for \$14.99. The Kindle version costs \$9.99. Copies can also be purchased at the Haskell funeral home offices in Princeville and Wyoming.

Stark sheriff's office orders new car

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE
For The Prairie News
TOULON – The Stark County Sheriff's Office applied for and will receive in four to six weeks a 2023 Dodge Durango squad car to replace one of the older models currently in the fleet.

The board approved spending \$46,792, with \$1,792 coming out of the county's vehicle fund and the remainder to be paid with American Rescue Plan Act money.

Bill Loane presented the sheriff's report and said prices range from \$1,200 to \$2,300 to equip sheriff's vehicles with protective cages. Loane said more re-

search will be done.

The board heard that the E911 design is ever changing due to inflationary pricing, and there will be no K-9 purchase made this year, but possibly in 2024.

Committee Chair Robin Nowlan said the highway department is planning to trade in for a new John Deere grader that costs \$432,772 before the trade-in value of \$40,200 is deducted for a 1999 model. A vote is expected next month.

The board passed a resolution to change the Essex voting precinct voting location from the Essex Township building to the Paramount Theater in Wyoming.

BRADFORD: Bonita Ave. discussed

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village property. To alleviate those concerns, BBC member Jacqui Grant said the group in September purchased a liability policy from Toulon's Leezer Insurance.

In December, the village board informed the BBC of concerns about the group's legal standing as a non-profit organization, since the BBC was collecting donations. A letter also cautioned BBC members to use village property

only with prior approval and to not exceed authorization.

Grant said the BBC has filed articles of incorporation as a nonprofit with the Illinois Secretary of State, and added the BBC never claimed to be a tax-deductible organization.

In other business, the board heard discussion about maintenance work

on the water tower and on North Peoria Street.

Local police are reportedly monitoring Bonita Avenue, where at least one resident has complained about speeding. In discussion, speed bumps and signs were mentioned as possible solutions, though any work – should it be approved – would have to wait for warmer weather.

TOULON: Road work OKd

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cost the city \$1,206. Ag

View agreed to pay the other half of the cost.

Motor Fuel Tax projects were approved to asphalt and sealcoat Franklin, Miller and Vine streets and Arrowhead Drive. Asphalt would be laid on Jefferson and Union, Franklin and Main, plus Turner and Henderson streets.

The council extended the 2023 cemetery mowing contract to Bock's Lawn Care at a cost of \$24,900.

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PUBLIC RECORD

Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

2-3 - Kayla M. Jones - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
 2-2 - Evan B. Brady - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
 2-3 - Jesse T. Cobbs - Driving 11-14 mph above limit, operating uninsured vehicle, no valid registration.
 2-6 - Terry A. Rummerfield - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

2-6 - Sam J. Faass, 25, Peoria, was cited for driving without vehicle insurance and speeding 61 mph in a 45 zone. He was issued a notice to appear in court.
 2-7 - Charles A. Rice, of rural Toulon, reported his 2009 Mercury Sedan had been stolen.
 2-9 - Tracy D. Williams, 28, Speer, was arrested by Stark County Sheriff's authorities on a pending Fulton County warrant. Unable to post \$1,000 cash bond he was extradited to Fulton County Jail in Lewiston.
 2-10 - Breeanna E. Olson, 21, Toulon, reported her 2003 Red Ford Escape had been stolen. The incident remains under investigation.
 2-11 - Justin C. Potter, 32, Wyoming, was arrested on a no-bond Stark County warrant in conjunction with a 2020 burglary. He was taken into custody and awaits a court appearance.

Peoria County report

2-8 - Teresa L. Shoen, 48, of Galva was arrested at 10 a.m. Feb. 8 and accused of driving on a suspended license, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:
 2-6 - to the 100 block of NE 3rd St. for a low-hanging utility wire. Officer was able to move it higher until Frontier could respond to repair it.
 2-6 - to the Exchange Street railroad crossing for a crossing arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted.
 2-6 - to a residence on NE 2nd St. for a juvenile who was out of control.
 2-7 - to the 200 block of Front St. to assist Illinois DCFS with an interview.

2-8 - to the Exchange Street railroad crossing for a crossing arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted.
 2-8 - Officer was flagged down near the intersection of NW 5th St. and N. Center Ave. for a traffic crash involving damage only. A motorist went over the curb and struck a guide wire. Ameren was contacted.
 2-9 - to assist Henry County with a civil paper service in the 00 block of SW 4th St.
 2-10 - to the intersection of NE 6th Ave. and NE 4th St. for a two-vehicle accident with damage only. A crash report was completed.
 2-10 - near Washington Park for a complaint involving a resident finding a hypodermic needle with an unknown substance in it. The needle was collected for destruction.
 2-10 - to the 300 block of Front St. to investigate a "burning smell." Officer determined the smell was caused by a vehicle that had spun its tires moments earlier when it left.
 2-10 - to assist a citizen who was highly intoxicated in the 00 block of SW 4th St.
 2-10 - to a residence on NW 7th Ave. for a domestic disturbance between a father and son.
 2-11 - to the 700 block of SE 1st St. for a complaint involving a broken water pipe. The Galva Water Department was contacted to shut water off.
 2-11 - Officer was notified that several local campaign signs had recently been stolen in different locations around town. As a reminder, taking campaign signs is considered theft. Destroying signs could result in a criminal offense called criminal damage to property.
 2-12 - to the Exchange Street railroad tracks for a crossing arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted.
 2-12 - to the 100 block of SE 6th Ave. for a reckless driving complaint.
 2-11 - Ciara Aguilar, 18, Kewanee, was issued a citation for operating an uninsured vehicle in the 500 block of NE 3rd St.
 2-12 - Kayla Garms, 33, Galva, was issued a citation for having expired registration in the 1000 block of SE 2nd St.
 2-12 - Tracey Ramos, 44, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speed-

ing in the 300 block of N. Center Ave.
 2-12 - Monica Sanchez, 35, Kewanee, was issued citations for operating a vehicle with suspended registration and operating an uninsured vehicle. She was released with a required court date.

Property Transfers

2-6 - Daniel E. and Donetta Berchtold to Daniel E. Jr. and Trisha J. Berchtold - Original Town of Wyoming - Block 3 lot 11, block 12 lots 6-10, block 13 lots 1-7 - 506 W. Smith St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$0.
 2-6 - Derek J. and Jamie C. Gray to Todd C. Frisby and Tammie Holmes - Giles C. Dana's Add'n - Pt block R lots 6-8 - 211 N. Main Ave., Wyoming - Consideration = \$112,000.
 2-9 - Harold H. and Karyl A. Schieler to Karyl A. Schieler, TR. - Pts sect 4-14-6 NW, SE, NE - Consideration = \$0.
 2-9 - Harold H. and Karyl A. Schieler to Linda S. Clough, TR, Mary Ann Gossmeier, TR and Karyl A. Schieler, TR - Sect 4-14-6 NW Und 1/2 Int Pts, Und 1/2 Int Sect 4-14-6 NE and Sect 4-14-6 SE Und 1/2 Int Pt - Consideration = \$0.
 2-9 - Harold H. Schieler to Linda S. Clough, TR, Mary Ann Gossmeier, TR, and Karyl A. Schieler, TR, - Und 1/2 Int Pt Sect 4-14-6 NW - Consideration = \$0.
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Musselman does not deserve letters of support

To the Editor:

I'm writing in reference to a list of suggestions that was handed/sent to business leaders and others in Stark County.

This list of suggestions is in reference to asking "pillars of the community" to write letters to Judge James Shadid in support of Jason Musselman, who has admitted in court that he photographed young women of high-school age in various stages of undress.

He also pleaded guilty to producing, distributing and possessing child pornography.

The fact that "pillars of the community" would even give a second

thought to writing a letter supporting this man, let alone write the letters, speaks to their lack of character and lack of good judgment.

Many names have been reported as having written letters in support of Musselman. Some have reportedly withdrawn their letters, but only after intense public pressure. In my opinion, too little, too late. By initially writing letters of support, they've shown their true colors.

We know who they are. They are dads, grandpas and local business people, and yet they would write letters in support of leniency to a man who spent years grooming the

young women of Stark County to trust him. He stole their innocence. He betrayed our tight-knit community.

He does not deserve leniency and the "pillars of the community" who made the decision to write letters in support of leniency do not deserve our business, our trust, our respect.

- Mary Canaday-Gray, Toulon

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OBITUARIES

Joseph A. Silvaggio V

KEWANEE – With deep sorrow, we announce that Army Specialist Joseph Anthony "Tony" Silvaggio V, 23, of San Antonio, Texas, formerly of Kewanee, died Monday, Feb. 6, 2023, at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio.

A public visitation was to be held from 12-2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 16 at Rux Funeral Home in Kewanee.

Funeral services followed at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Mara Ahles-Iverson officiating. Military rites were to be conducted by the Illinois Army National Guard

Military Funeral Honors following the services at the funeral home. A celebration of life will be held from 4-7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 17, at Sunset Hills Golf Course & Eatery in Pekin, Ill. Memorials may be directed to his family.

Tony was born on Aug. 31, 1999, to Joseph Anthony Silvaggio IV and Seana Silvaggio in Las Vegas, Nev. Surviving is his wife, Kaitlyn, of Pekin, and one daughter, Victoria; his mother, Seana Silvaggio of Kewanee; two brothers, Michael (Sydney) Silvaggio, Michael and Sydney's son, Mason Silvaggio of Cambridge, and Dominic Silvaggio of Kewanee; grandparents, Dean and Candy Corn of Kewanee and Phyllis Silvaggio of Las Vegas, Nev., and great-grandparents Pat and Ida Lee Corn of Bradford and Clea Riggins of Duncan, Ill. He is also survived by friends who he considered brothers.

He was preceded in death by his

father, Joseph Anthony Silvaggio IV, and his grandfather, Joseph Anthony Silvaggio III.

On Nov. 10, 2021, Kaitlyn and Tony married. Five short days later, Tony went active duty and was sent to Fort Sill, Okla. Expecting a daughter and being newlyweds, they were excited for what the future held. Every chance they had, they made time to see one another.

The Christmas of 2021 they announced they were not only married, but were expecting a little girl. His daughter, Victoria "Tori" Grace Silvaggio, born on May 24, 2022, was the light of his life. Her little smile kept him sane. The minute her little hand wrapped around his finger he was hooked. All Tony wanted in this world was to bring her joy. He once stated, all of his selfish wants of viewing the world had dissipated once Tori came into his life. All he wanted was to be there to hear his little girl giggle, see her smile, and hold her every night.

On Feb. 11, 2022, Tony was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL). He received vigorous treatments and ran into numerous complications. On his last round of chemotherapy before entering maintenance, Tony contracted pseudomonas and went septic. Unable to fight off the bacteria, due to treatment, vital organs began to shut down. Surviving off life-support machines, enough damage was inflicted making recovery impossible.

Through it all, he had a smile on his face. Even when he was having the harsh side effects that come along with chemotherapy, he found the time and strength to talk to his wife and daughter every morning and night. Through the most challenging parts of treatment, Tony was

still his loving, energetic and charismatic self.

Before going on active duty, Tony was part of the Army National Guard. Tony spent five years as a member of the National Guard. He was activated at various points in those five years for duties such as flood prevention and recruiting. He then decided to join the active Army forces in November of 2021. His training was cut short upon finding out his diagnosis of leukemia. He was sent from Fort Sill in Oklahoma to the Brooke Army Medical Center on Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio to undergo treatment.

This obituary may be viewed and private condolences left at www.ruxfuneralhome.com.

Esther M. Streitmatter

PEORIA – Esther M. Streitmatter, 98, of Peoria, formerly of Bradford and Edelstein, passed away Feb. 11, 2023, at Apostolic Christian Skylines in Peoria.

Esther was born April 26, 1924. She married LeRoy H. Streitmatter on June 1, 1947. He preceded her in death on July 25, 2008.

Surviving are two sons, Rex Streitmatter of Edelstein and Tex (Mary) Streitmatter of Syracuse, Utah; one daughter, Emmy (Jack) Stuckel of Farmington; 6 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and 1 sister-in-law, Joan Ehnle of Cambridge. Esther was preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Beverly A. Drinnin; one son-in-law, Lloyd Miller; four brothers, Albert, David, Ben and Willis Ehnle; and two sisters, Caroline Haworth and Frieda Feucht.

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SPORTS: Girls teams fall

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On Feb. 10, Stark County lost in overtime to Annawan, 56-49. The host Rebels trailed by 15 in the fourth quarter but closed the gap behind five 3-pointers. Jack Colgan had all eight of his points in that period.

A Luke Rewerts basket was all Stark County managed in OT. He had a team-high 15 points.

Stark County is host to-night to Abingdon-Avon in the regular-season finale.

The Rebels earned the fourth seed in Bushnell Sub-Sectional A and play No. 11 Wethersfield at 6 p.m. Saturday at Toulon in a Princeville Regional opener.

Regional semifinals at

Princeville and United are at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Feb. 22. Title games are at 7 p.m. Feb. 24. Peoria Christian is the top seed in this Bushnell sub-sectional.

• **Stark County girls** – Top-seed Annawan defeated the Stark County girls on Saturday in the first-round of the Wethersfield Regional, 52-31.

• **Galva girls** – Galva's girls basketball season also ended Saturday in a 49-36 home loss to ROWVA-Williamsfield in the first round of the Wethersfield Regional.

Kendall Rogers led Galva with 13 points, Kali Yelm added 9 and Ava Strom scored 8.

LEGAL ADS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
STATE BANK OF TOULON,
Plaintiff,
IN CHANCERY
v.

Case No. 2023FC6
STEPHEN A. MOONEY (DECEASED);
PAULA M. MOONEY (DECEASED);
UNKNOWN OWNERS; AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above-captioned cause, that the above-captioned mortgage foreclosure action was filed on February 2, 2023, and is now pending.

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

2. The names of the titleholders of record are: Stephen A. Mooney; Paula M. Mooney

3. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:
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4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows:
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a. Names of Mortgagors: Stephen A. Mooney; Paula M. Mooney
b. Name of Mortgagee: State Bank of Toulon

c. Date of Mortgage: December 8, 2018
d. Date of Recording: December 18, 2018

e. County Where Recorded: Henry County, Illinois
f. Recording Document Identification: 20-1806918

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint for Foreclosure in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, Henry County, Illinois, Henry County Courthouse, 307 W. Center Street, Cambridge, Illinois, on or before March 13, 2023, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a Judgment for Foreclosure may be entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint for Foreclosure.

/s/ Terilyn A. Motley
Circuit Clerk

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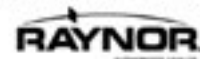
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Galva boys double win total

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GALVA – Just before the Class 1A state tournament began, Galva doubled its boys basketball victory total for the season.

The host Wildcats (2-29) defeated DePue, 66-55, in a nonconference game Monday night. Carter DeVenney had 20 points to lead four Galva players in double figures. J.P. Sloan and Jaxson Willer each had 14 points, and Jaxson Meier scored 10. Willer also had 14 rebounds.

DeVenney was 9-for-11 on free throws and Willer was 8-for-10 as Galva was 23-for-30.

Galva's first victory came Jan. 18 at Lowpoint-Washburn.

"It felt just as good as the first one," Galva Coach Jake McClintic said. "We played a very solid game and made the shots we needed to. I'm glad the players were able to get another win this season."

Galva returned to Lincoln Trail Conference play Tuesday night at home against Mercer County, which won 72-35. Blake Stahl made five 3-pointers on his way to a team-high 17 points. On Feb. 10 in the LTC, ROWVA-Williamsfield beat Galva 71-32. Sloan had 13 points and DeVenney scored 10.

Galva (0-10 LTC) is scheduled to finish its regular season tonight (Feb. 17) with a conference game at Knoxville. On Saturday at 6 p.m., the Wildcats play



Lexi Stone became Galva's all-time leading scorer in girls basketball with a 3-point shot during a 66-59 overtime win over Knoxville on Feb. 8. Stone had 23 points in that game to boost her to 1,180 points, bettering the former mark of 1,177 set by Kelly Volkert. Submitted photo

their Monmouth United Regional opener, against R-W at Williamsfield. Galva is seeded 16th in Bushnell Sub-Sectional A. R-W is seeded second.

• **Stark County boys** – Daniel Kieser had 18 points Tuesday night, but Stark County lost 49-40 in a Lincoln Trail game at United. Stark County (16-13, 7-3 LTC) was behind 33-32 entering the fourth quarter, when Abel Wilson scored 12 of his game-high 28 for United.

"We could not contain their best player," Rebels Coach Dusty Browning said. "Along with not hitting shots on the road, (that) leads to trouble winning."

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