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Wellness center plans unveiled

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – A wellness center on the north edge of town took one more step toward becoming reality last Thursday – though several larger leaps are still to come.

A crowd of more than 55 people gathered on a sultry morning to hear details about the proposed Community Wellness Center, which planners hope will open in 2025 on the west side of Illinois Route 78, adjacent to the Graham Medical Clinic.

The \$12.4-million, 33,000-square-foot facility will feature a

swimming pool, basketball courts, an indoor walking track, workout equipment, a community room and various programs coordinated by the YMCA, which is partnering with the Elmwood Community Foundation and Graham Medical to spearhead the joint venture.

At present, the site of the proposed center is planted in corn.

"It is a field of dreams," said Tony Hart, president of the ECF, which has been working on the project for nearly eight years.

"When we come back for the ribbon-cutting, I have one suggestion: Let's do it indoors in the air

conditioning," U.S. Rep Darin LaHood said, drawing a laugh from the sweaty crowd.

How soon that ribbon-cutting will happen depends on how well fundraising proceeds. Hart said the campaign is so far in the silent phase, with a public drive to start around Sept. 1.

So far, a total of \$5,250,000 has been raised, according to Andy Thornton, director of the Peoria YMCA, which will run operations at the new center.

That includes \$3.75 million in federal dollars that LaHood and former U.S. Rep Cheri Bustos

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Plans for a Community Wellness Center north of Elmwood were unveiled last Thursday, with an artist's rendering of the facility displayed in front of a cornfield currently planted on the proposed site of the facility. Photo by Jeff Lampe.

BEER WITH LOCAL ROOTS

Crafty duo Beer makers with local ties share passion for brewing

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

Nick Babcock and Matt Potts might represent opposite ends of the craft-beer business. But both men share local roots, as well as apparent bottomless enthusiasm for what they do.

Babcock is proprietor of Bearded Owl Brewing, located at 112 State St. in Peoria. Babcock, who resides between Oak Hill and Edwards, describes his 5-year-old business as a boutique craft brewery. It specializes in small batches of beer.

From its Warehouse District brewery and taproom, Bearded Owl also distributes its product to about 40 central Illinois restaurants



Nick Babcock prepares to sample one of his frothy creations at Bearded Owl Brewing in Peoria. Photo by Nick Vlahos.

and bars. Among Bearded Owl beers are pilsners, stouts and ales.

"I think people really appreciate our product and what we've created here," said Babcock, a Peoria native. "Even though we're small, I like to think we're small but mighty."

Potts is founder and CEO of Destihl, a Normal-based craft beer and restaurant company that employs about 175 and sells its products in 38 states. A 1987 graduate of Williamsfield High School, Potts homebrewed and operated

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Williamsfield to get more federal money

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – Federal money keeps coming for Williamsfield CUSD 210's nearly completed solar array and bus-electrification project.

Williamsfield Superintendent Tim Farquer learned last Thursday that a grant application he wrote, along with 19 other Illinois schools, had been selected to receive nearly \$15 million in federal funding through the Renew America's Schools Program. Williamsfield and its partners were among 24 recipients selected from a nationwide pool of 236 applicants.

"I didn't expect to get it, just because I knew it was going to be so competitive," Farquer said.

Farquer's bid was to install solar-powered microgrids on the campus of 20 public school districts, including Williamsfield, Stark County, Monmouth United, Wethersfield, Peoria and others.

Williamsfield will likely receive about \$500,000 from the grant total, because Farquer said the school district already has most components for its own microgrid already in place thanks in part to \$6.75 million in previous grants.

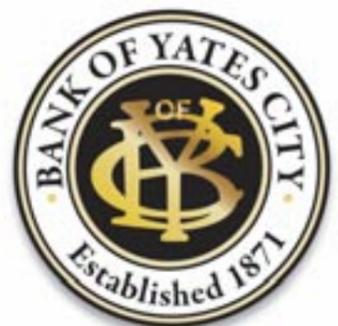
"We're ready to rock and roll. We've already got the engineering in place at our location," Farquer said. "My goal is still a full active microgrid here by the end of 2023."

Williamsfield is further ahead in planning than most
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WELLNESS: Building to cost \$12.4 million

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steered toward the project, a \$1 million donation from Graham Medical and \$500,000 from an anonymous donor. Not tallied yet are pledges from ECF members and others helping to promote the center. "I will defend these federal tax dollars any day of the week," LaHood said. "Because this is going to help rural America. Unfortunately, we don't bring a lot of federal dollars back to rural America. We had to work hard to get this money and part of it

was educating our colleagues. If we want to keep people in our smaller communities, you've got to build facilities like this wellness center.

"Young people want to have a place to work out and exercise and bring their families to and raise their kids. This is a perfect example."

Speakers last Thursday stressed that the wellness center expects to have a regional draw.

"It's not just for Elmwood, it's for all the communities around here,

Brimfield, Yates City, Maquon, Farmington," LaHood said. "This is not the federal government carrying all the weight, it's a collaborative effort that we're willing to step up and put this money forward towards. But it's going to have to be the community and others that step up for the rest."

Thornton said he was surprised to learn there are 18,000 people and 7,000 households within a 15- to 20-minute drive of the proposed facility. He said for the center to succeed, it will need about 15-20 percent participation by those surrounding community members.

"We will develop a menu of programs based on the

input of residents in the area," Thornton said. "This is a regional effort. We are here for everyone and the goal is to eliminate the barriers to this type of a facility."

Once established, Thornton said the facility could generate 50-60 jobs — many of them for "young kids."

Construction is estimated to cost \$12.4 million, according to Dick Taylor of the ECF, with another \$2 million to be raised for a permanent endowment to offset annual operating and maintenance costs.

"This will be a first-class facility here, not a government-run facility, that is going to benefit the community," LaHood said.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

This Week's Hot Picks

- **Animal Show** – Wildlife Prairie Park will bring animals for a free program to Salem Township Library in Yates City on Saturday, July 8, from 10-11 a.m.
- **Band Concert** – Elmwood's Municipal Band plays Sundays at 7:30 p.m. in Central Park until Aug. 6.
- **Blood Drive** – Farmington Area Public Library District has a blood drive on July 11, 2-6 p.m. Call (309) 245-2175.

The Weekly Post Seven-Day Forecast

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sunny	Partly Sunny	Partly Sunny	Storms	Storms	Partly Sunny	Partly Sunny
79 57 NNW 10 mph	78 59 ENE 9 mph	68 63 SE 8 mph	80 65 SSE 10 mph	79 59 NW 9 mph	79 59 NW 11 mph	76 61 WNW 10 mph

This Week's Events

- **Bible School** – Farmington First Presbyterian Church has free vacation bible school July 9-13, 6-8 p.m. each day, starting with a 5:45 meal. Call (309) 645-5010.
- The Baptist Church of Brimfield has vacation bible school July 22, 2-7 p.m. Classes, singing, crafts, games, wiener roast and more. Call (309) 678-2208.
- **Farmer's Markets** – Elmwood's weekly Farmer's Market is Friday, June 16, 4-6:30 p.m. at Central Park. Vendors welcome. Weekly through Aug. 25.
- Brimfield's Farmer's Market is Tuesday evenings from 6-8 p.m. downtown on Galena Street next to Brimfield Hardware Store.
- **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

- **Harvest Home** – Fundraiser dinner for the Harvest Home festival is July 20, 4:30-7 p.m. at Yates City Community Center.
- **Hunter's Safety** – A free hunter's safety class will be held at St. Mary of the Woods in Princeville on July 27-28 from 5-10 p.m. each night. You must attend both nights. Dinner will be provided both nights. The class is open to ages 9 and up, meaning student must be turning 9 by the end of 2023. To register, call (309) 229-4090.
- **Manna Meal** – The monthly Manna Meal is July 27 at Elmwood United Methodist Church at noon. Bring table service. Meals \$8.
- **Country Concert** – Elmwood Presbyterian Church encourages people to save the date for a free country/gospel concert with Dave & Daphne on Sunday, Sept. 17. Call (309) 264-4294 for details.

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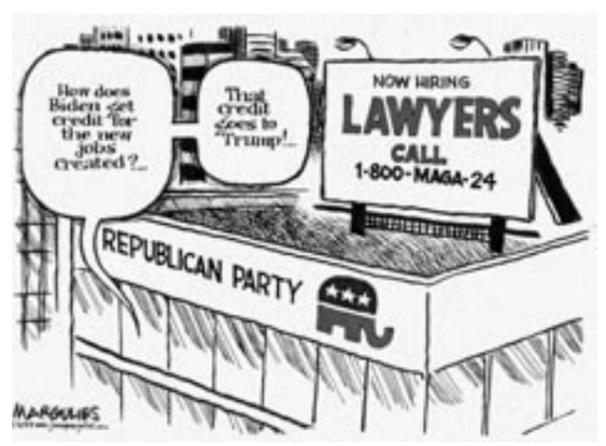
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Digging thistle to celebrate the end of a drought

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Then she just kept the faucets open, switching the fear from drought to flood in some spots (like my basement).

It's a tradeoff we had to take.

The difference following that first downpour was immediate. Moments after the rain stopped, crops looked better, humidity returned and ground was once again workable.

The last item was as important as the first for me, since we are in that sweaty time of summer when long hours are spent battling prickly foes.

Despite the drought, thistles have been rearing their pretty/ugly flower heads for over a week. But with ground like concrete, the only option had been to spray herbicides or to chop thistles down.

That changed last Friday morning, when a worrisome patch of Canadian invaders was dispatched fairly quickly by digging and pulling the prickly plants out of still-moist soil.

With every pull, a thistle pricked my hand through a hole in my gloves – and made me curse scheduling miscues that have haunted one of our two restored native wetland prairies.

Hey, you give **Matt Goedecke** and the folks at Nutrien Ag Solutions a chance to treat a field and they will slobberknock weeds. Plant prairie seeds after you harvest corn or beans, and the native plants have a decent chance of gaining the upper hand.

That's what we did on our prairie north of French Creek and the results have been much more satisfying. Fewer weeds means less frustration.

Unfortunately, thistles are just one issue plaguing our smaller south prairie, where weeds had a full growing season to gain a hold, even though we planted a thick stand of millet and Kelly Seed's Champion Buck Mix during the gap year.

Heading into this third summer of establishment, prairie plants should be booming but are still struggling to outpace weeds and the Kelly Seed mix of clover, alfalfa and chicory. That despite two summers of mowing and plenty of burning by my pyro wife. While alfalfa, chicory and some clover are tolerable, I lose sleep over cocklebur, horseweed and thistle.

So Friday was deeply satisfying, mostly because 1.5 inches of rain should keep trees alive and give row crops a chance to produce. But it also

allowed for the most effective form of thistle control there is: digging the damned things out of the ground.

While spray is effective, it also kills prairie plants and leaves open areas for weeds to invade. That's one way cocklebur invaded the south prairie. And most herbicides I've used don't kill all of a thistle's roots.

Merely chopping down thistles is not good enough, either, because you leave seeds behind. Anecdotes about people who bag thistle seedheads to remove them from a field once made me think, "Crazy." No longer. Friday's infested area is one where I chopped and left plenty of thistle last year. I also sprayed several plants, thinking that would do the trick. Now seedheads leave the field in a bucket.

People who say "work smarter, not harder" have it wrong when it comes to thistle in prairie. The surest way to victory is also the sweatiest. After a few more months of digging thistle, mowing cocklebur and another spring burn, I'm optimistic the prairie will gain control. Patience is a key.

Besides, what better way is there to celebrate a drought-breaking rain than to get soaked head to toe and covered in mud while dodging bees in a vanquished thistle patch?

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After 52 years of flooring, it's time to phase out

Pictured at right are four of the six Merrick Brothers on a flooring trip to Florida: Terry, Rodger, Joe and Tim. Although brothers Jack and Tom were not along on this trip, they worked with me as well.

When I opened Merrick Floorcovering, few people knew that Tim worked quietly in the background as vice president of the company, contributing sound advice on the business end of things.

I began working (in construction) in December of 1969, and worked for Dave Durham and Glen Heuermann at H&H riding stables for four years. Because I

was laid off every winter due to weather, Dave helped me get a winter job with Jack Sawyer at Contractor's Carpet Service.

I started with driving for loads of carpet from C.A. Dawson in Springfield and/or Tom Cloney in Decatur after school. As a flooring contractor, Jack had many employees and jobs all over. Jack started me as an apprentice helper. I was required to join Carpenter's Union 183, in which I am still vested. I was able to work with senior mechanics who liked me and helped me learn the trade.

I love to work, so it was easy. I worked for Jack for eight years and then gave Jack six-months' notice that I wanted to go off on my own. Jack had always been good to me, and after the six months asked me to stay and finish a HUD job in Pekin, which I did. Jack signed the contract over to me, which took six more months to complete.

After that, I worked for Sears in



Pictured are four of the six Merrick Brothers on a flooring trip to Florida. From left to right: are Terry, Rodger, Joe and Tim.

Peoria, traveling to jobs within a 50-mile radius of Peoria. In addition, I installed floors in Sears stores at night after closing.

Furthermore, I worked for Columbia Rug, Adam's Furniture, Ralph's Floorcovering, Model and Sears Commercial Sales as well as many new home builders, such as Custom Builders for whom I worked for nearly 20 years.

Time flies – I always had 6-10 full-time guys plus some part-timers because of all the work there was. In 1990, I opened our store in Elmwood. Many asked how I would make it, and I just smiled because I knew my customers would follow me, and they did.

When Ray Stuaan, known as the best installer in the area, told me he was retiring, I took the green light and never looked back.

I was smart enough to surround myself with good employees who helped make me look good. I knew I couldn't do it all. I had to take care of my customers, and they would take care of me. I never

could have succeeded without my family, friends, employees and a good banker who had faith in me.

Above all the rest, the most important factor in my success was the work ethic given me by my mother. She taught me to work and always told me to sit down, lace up my boots and get going.

If you do the math, I have completed 52+ years of flooring, from a kid, to an installer and then retailer. Therefore, it is time for me to phase myself out of the trade I love, my life's work, that I have done to the best of my ability for all those years.

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-v-
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Defendant
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Property Index No. 17-26-331-005

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

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WILLIAMSFIELD, IL KNOX COUNTY RURAL REAL ESTATE AUCTION

The following beautiful country home and approximately five acres will be sold at public auction on location at 2033 Snake Den Rd. Williamsfield, IL (approx. 5 miles SW of Williamsfield), on

WEDNESDAY JULY 12TH, 2023 AT 6 PM

REAL ESTATE DESCRIPTION: This amazing, updated quad level home is nestled among timber on 5 +/- acres along a peaceful country road. It totals approx. 1356 sq. ft. on the first 2 levels and another 1248 sq. ft. in the finished basement. A recent interior remodel includes all new contemporary country style kitchen cabinets, Travertine solid stone counter tops and island, all new appliances, garbage disposal, water purifier w/sink spicket, hard wood flooring on the 1st and 2nd levels, new indoor trim, solid oak doors, recessed lighting and much more. A very nice 2 stall garage w/2 automatic overhead doors lead to the first level of the house. The 1st level includes an open concept kitchen and dining room, pantry room, laundry room with 1/2 bath and ample closet space. The 2nd floor includes a master bedroom w/access to full bath and 2 more bedrooms (see floor plan online). The basement is full, with a large walk out family room, stone fireplace, remodeled full bath, and a large rec/bedroom area with much concealed storage. The exterior of the home was improved just a few yrs. ago with a new roof, soffit, vinyl siding, composite front deck, large back deck area off the dining room, front and back water access, and beautiful landscaping. There is also a 24'x32' barn/garage that was erected in 2004 to the east of the house with automatic overhead door and a full-size loft. The house was built in 1979 with concealing floor trusses, poured cement basement walls, a Nutone vacuum system and many extra features. Geothermal heat and air were updated 12 years ago, along with a reverse osmosis water softener. The septic has a 10 yr. old aeration system and the well is good. The water heater is 3 yrs. old. The house is situated below a NW hillside for winter protection. It also has had regular pest control checks (termites, etc.) yearly. If you are searching for a unique beautiful location, this is the property for you. Do not miss this opportunity to purchase your own little piece of the country. See pictures online at www.folgersauctionservice.com and LIKE US ON FACEBOOK.

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COLLECTIBLES: CROCKS: 2j #5, #8, Western, milk can, slaw cutter, Howard Miller Clock, Plated alarm clock, Bikes, Vintage paper items covered bridge, Implement Farming pamphlets, Wood Lures, Albums with old photos, TOYS: Daisy Red Ryder BB gun w/box, International Truck in box, Atlas Van Lines in box, U-Haul truck, US Army/Japanese war figures, Western Flyer Bike, New Belt Buckles 15 National Rodeo 80's/90's, Rogue Guitar Flatware in box, Gone w/Wind Plates, 8 Shirley Temple Cups, oil lamps, sleds.

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SUNDAY JULY 9TH, 2023 AT 11:00 A.M.

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LOCAL HISTORY AND ADV.: Williamsfield items including (1916 Rice Co. wooden calendar, Moon and Carrigan, 1917 First State Bank co., MFG Motor Sales, wooden school pins, IRA Rice grocery, Parker Twins postcards, Herk's Place and S.M. Parker, Weaver's Hatchery, Farmer's Co-op, Manta/ Parker Gen. Merchandise, Dutch's, 1914 Glee Club program, 1940's Elliot cards, Stodgel Chevrolet, 1974 letterman's jacket, Helen Mackie paintings—1945 grad., Bomber's 70's seat cushions, 1979 Krans calendar, 70's school sports programs, misc.)—Victoria, IL very old items including (Ives/Robinson war era letters, State Bank of Victoria, 1921 Senior program, 1800's diploma, 1925 Victor yearbook, very old emblem, 1883 Ives autograph book, 1919 Glee Club program, L.N. Walsh Coal card, Van Pelt & Cox Lumber metal calendar and more)—1919 Wilber Nat. Bank calendar—WCHS pin—Trask and Plain Galesburg tie bar—E.C. Snider Conf. & Pool Hall calendar Laura, IL—Chandler and Drury Peoria Livestock adv.—Cletrac job—1934/35 Knox Co. School Directories—old Cat leather fobs—2 1917 IH almanacs—1914 Knox Co. soil report—old Texaco pendant—1917 Parrett Tractor book—1800's Galva Baseball team and other cards—Sear's David Bradley Farm Equip. emblem—1922/23 GHS reflectors—Frazier/Wooters 1937 Centralia, IL calendar—J.H. Baird Galesburg book—1913 Princeville postcard—1953 Dale Doubet Knox Co. Oil x-mas card—local old DAR certificates—1926 Galesburg goat Cart card—1893 Altona, IL town hall dramatic reader program and old Altona tuition checks—Patterson Funeral Home adv.—Hub, Edelstein glasses—1926 Bowker/ Smith Co. adv.—Made Rite E.F. Robinson cards—Mr. Osgood Galesburg 5 cent token—Truro Township, other plats and maps—1922 Galesburg Robinson diploma—1937 Coca Cola calendar—Jumbo Peanut Butter old lb. jar—very old Case job—BBC job—feed/seed ledgers—primitives—2 Sweet Mist old tobacco tins—Magnolia Cotton Oil Co. Mammy Crusto book—1898 Knox Co nice Justice of the Peace History book.—Mayo Hospital Galesburg cards—Clark's Gum Vaseline glass dish—OT Johnson bag—IMC metal sign—cardboard Honegger Layers sign—huge coll. of 1800's pictures.

ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES/GUNS/COINS: Winchester 1897 12 ga. pump #244155—C. Sharps & Hankins 4 barrel pistol 30 cal. derringer #3490—Dekaib case—12 ga. ammo and rifled slugs, paper 410 shells, 22s and 32s—Nice local Indian points from 1/2" to 3 1/2" in size—1937 Marxchime Colony violin-uke 8955—Vagabond guitar—COINS: Indian head pennies, Mercury dimes, silver quarters, 1850 & 67 seated Liberties, silver Peace and Morgan dollars, GB 1948 penny, Shield nickels, Ikes, Kennedys—JEWELRY: 10k ant. men's ring, Dizzy Dean Winners ring, old gold class ring, 925 bracelet, S&Ps and more, 49 basketball pin—1928 Galesburg dog tax token—P.D. tin motorcycle whider, Louis Marx Co.—Doughboy Louis Marx & Co. NY metal tank w/soldier shooter, works w/box—Bull Rite set of cardboard Army toys—many old Valentines—farm toys, Ronald McDonald, Raggedy Ann, Green Ghost, Basketball, other board games, books, Barbies, FP, Hot Wheels, 1906 Meccano toy, Jarts, Tootsie—Chicago Bears Old Style Super Bowl XX plaque—old rug weaver—celluloid Donald Duck toy—black mem.—RR buttons—Midge Barbie, like new in orig. box—F.M. Robinson signed pictures—pictures and frames—scrapbooks of holiday, other postcards—8 Halloween postcards—hand stitched quilts—1800's doil and clothes—trunks—Indian tin type—Griswold #8 Dutch oven, combread pan and more—chum—milk bottles, jars, tins, canisters, planes, Sen's gallon milk bottle, crocks, enamelware, galvanized items, wooden crates and boxes, Dunlap blow torch, glass minnow trap, wooden bowling pins, carbide lights, retro early Sears Silvertone TV radio and phono, child's 1800's caned chair, 60's/70's records and 45's (Beatles), porch pillars, windows, woodwork—Red Jacket cistem pump, Crescent macaroni Co. carrier, sm. dinner bell, 1945 soybean plate, 1952 motorcycle plate, planter plates, metal wheels, wooden ammo box, Platte Valley whiskey jug, 4 gallon S, P Bump; S Co crock, plastic Pabst Blue Ribbon clock—women's B.F. Goodrich old bike—washbone dresser—china cabinet—rd. oak table—old sewing machines—2 part metal bin—old rocker/chairs—misc. furniture—70"x62" crank casement windows, 34.5" x 40" casement windows—new hospital bed and lift chair—2 NB electric ice cream makes—fish frying pan—basic household, dishes, etc.

FARM/OUTDOOR: Ferris zero turn mower, 25 HP Kawasaki engine, runs, steering motor out on one side—Kubota motor w/150 hrs., 3 cyl. Diesel, scored piston, rest in tact—ball hitch tilt 5x8' trailer, metal floor, no title—JD quick hitch and Pto cover—JD #1A grinder on stand—elbow for unloading auger on 1460 or 1660 IH combine—6 row corn reel off IH corn head—impl. tires on rims—good Stihl weed eater—Craftsman tool boxes, tools—Homelite chain saw—drill press—garden planter—cherry picker—20' fiberglass ladder—one bottom potato plow—wheel barrow—metal detector—steel wheels—floor jack, hand saw, leaf springs, cable, hooks, David White transit, elect. supplies, sawzall, battery drill, power hand saw, steel posts, barbed wire, elect. fence wire, lg. socket sets, impact sockets, misc. tools—new live trap—lg. PTO shaft and solid tire off of batwing—center couler for cultivator—Formost cattle head chute A25—3 pt. sprayer w/pump tank, leaks—lg. wooden blocks—farm primitives.

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BILLTOWN: Delivery of electric buses delayed

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of the other 19 schools who joined in the grant applications, Farquer said.

“We plan to use our specs and lessons learned for the other 19,” Farquer said. “As we developed plans and specs for electrifying our bus barn, we had the engineers put together the plan for a microgrid. And we were just going to plug in the components as we went along.”

“What we lack funding for is stationary battery storage and a microgrid controller.”

Those two components will complete Williamsfield’s microgrid and will provide the school district added flexibility during power outages, as well as a chance to possibly generate revenue down the road.

At present, Williamsfield can only use power from its solar array when the overall power grid is operating. By having its own microgrid and stationary power storage, the school can use its solar energy to keep the lights on even when an outage shuts down power elsewhere in town.

“And one thing I would still like to get done is to install some wiring at the local public library to we connect to the library to power their building when the grid is down,” Farquer said. “You get the added benefit of these energy assets in your community when the grid goes down.”

Eventually, Farquer hopes the school’s stationary power storage can also be sold to generate revenue during the summer months when e-buses are not running.

“The rules have to be changed for that to occur,” Farquer said.

Even without that, Farquer estimates Wil-

liamsfield will save \$90,000 per year based on typical spending of \$100,000 on electricity and diesel fuel for buses.

Of course, that requires the new electric-powered school buses to actually be delivered. An anticipated Aug. 1 delivery of seven buses to Williamsfield has turned into sometime between September and December, according to Farquer.

“They keep giving me the sales pitch that they’re working out all the kinks,” Farquer said. “It’s disappointing, but so it goes.”

The district still has its fleet of diesel buses to transport students in the interim. Once Lion Electric delivers the new electric-powered people movers, Williamsfield plans to sell most of its diesel buses as a discount to neighboring

school districts.

The other 19 schools that are part of the grant are in varying stages of electrification on their campuses. Stark County already has on-site solar power, as does Spoon River Valley.

“The goal is for everyone to have at least one electric bus,” Farquer said.

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Jury trial set for Oct. 2 in animal abuse case

• **PEORIA** – A jury trial is to be held Oct. 2 for a Princeville woman accused of animal abuse.

Stacy R. Mueller, 41, pleaded not guilty during an appearance June 29 in Peoria County Circuit Court. She was charged with felony aggravated cruelty to animals and three misdemeanor counts of cruelty to animals after a dozen dogs were found locked in a shed in May on her property.

One dog was found dead. Others were covered in feces and flies. In all, 21 living animals were removed from Mueller's property, according to authorities.

Mueller, a dog groomer, is free on bond and has a public defender. Mueller is to appear in court again Sept. 21. She also has been accused of 10 counts of failure to register a dog or cat and 10 counts of failure to inoculate a dog or cat for rabies. Those are ordinance violations.

Police Reports

• **PRINCEVILLE** – Neighboring businesses in rural Princeville were the locations of recent thefts, according to the Stark County Sheriff's Office.

Several farm-equipment items were reported stolen June 21 from Nutrien Ag Solutions, located along County Line Road north of Princeville. Also reported stolen the same day were several unidentified items from Spoon River Valley Farms, also located along County Line Road.

Both incidents are under investigation, according to the sheriff's office.

• **FARMINGTON** – A Henderson County woman was cited for possessing alcohol and cannabis in her vehicle.

Kaitlyn J. Wooters, 26, was driving a 2018 Kia when Farmington police stopped her at 3 a.m. June 17 at Bar-

low Road and West Street because a rear registration light was out, according to a report.

Inside the vehicle were found an opened 200-milliliter bottle of Paul Masson brandy, a roach clip and a marijuana cigarette. In Wooters' purse was a container of pot. Total weight was 16.6 grams.

Wooters was accused of illegal transportation of alcohol, possession of adult-use cannabis in a vehicle by a driver and no rear-registration light. She received a notice to appear July 21 in Fulton County Circuit Court in Lewistown.

• **PEORIA** – A Hanna City man avoided injury in a two-vehicle accident in Limestone Township.

At 12:30 p.m. June 11, Cash D. VanDyke was driving a 2004 Pontiac east in the 5400 block of W. Farmington Rd. when the vehicle rear-ended a 2008 Chevrolet Colorado pickup truck. Its driver was Joshua L. Ziegenhorn of Peoria.

Ziegenhorn had slowed to turn left, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report. VanDyke said his vehicle slid on wet pavement. Ziegenhorn reported no injuries, and neither vehicle was towed.

• **BRIMFIELD** – A residential garage in Brimfield was burglarized, according to authorities.

Several hundred dollars in tools were reported stolen June 26 from the garage in the 200 block of E. Knoxville St., according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

No other information was available. The sheriff's office cited an ongoing investigation in refusing to release a copy of the incident report.

• **ELMWOOD** – Shortly after 7:30 a.m. June 14, Elise M. Mefford of Elmwood was driving an eastbound 2014 Jeep Cherokee on Illinois Route 8 near Bell School Road when the vehicle struck a deer. Mefford reported no injuries, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office. Her vehicle sustained extensive front-right-bumper damage. A deputy fol-

lowed Mefford as she drove it to her residence.

• **HANNA CITY** – At 2 p.m. June 8, Dane A. Hitchcock of Trivoli was driving an eastbound 2013 Dodge Avenger on Illinois Route 116 near Greengold Road east of Hanna City when the vehicle struck a deer.

Hitchcock reported no injuries, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office. The vehicle sustained unspecified damage of more than \$1,500 and was towed.

• **BRIMFIELD** – Damone Chandler, 28, of Brimfield was arrested at 1 a.m. July 1 and accused of unlawful possession of a weapon, aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, possession of a stolen firearm and resisting a peace officer, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office. Chandler also was being held for the Illinois Department of Corrections.

• **ELMWOOD** – John E. Johnson Jr., 54, of Elmwood was arrested at 9 p.m. June 30 and was being held for another law-enforcement agency, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **EDWARDS** – Audie L. Huff Jr., 51, of Edwards was arrested shortly before 2 a.m. June 29 and accused of driving under the influence of alcohol, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **TRIVOLI** – Erick C. Luncsford, 33, of Trivoli was arrested about 10:30 a.m. June 28 and was being held for another law-enforcement agency, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **GALESBURG** – These were among calls to which the Knox County Sheriff's Office responded between June 18-24: stray dog, Dahinda; fight, Dahinda; well-being check, Dahinda; grass fire, Williamsfield; harassment, Yates City; fraud, Dahinda; damage, Dahinda; threats, Yates City; road hazard, Williamsfield.

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BEER: Destihl a top crafter brewer

Continued from Page 1
the old Elmwood Brewing Company before he started Destihl in 2007.

Now, Destihl can produce 150,000 barrels of beer annually and ranks among the top 2 to 3 percent of almost 10,000 U.S. craft breweries, according to Potts. Destihl's barrel-aged sours and canned wild-sour series of beers gained the brewery national attention.

"I just keep dreaming bigger and bigger. I don't really stop," said Potts, whose brews are consistent winners at the prestigious Great American Beer Festival. "Not being bigger for the sake of getting bigger, but we have a great team and are really passionate about what we're doing and growing the company."

Potts didn't begin his craft-beer odyssey until after he earned a law degree from DePaul University in Chicago and went to work for the family firm, Whitney & Potts Ltd. in Elmwood.

A glass of California-based Anchor Steam Beer during a mid-1990s meal at Landmark Café and Creperie in Galesburg began Potts' pivot toward pints.

In 1997, the old Odd Fellows lodge in Elmwood, located just down Main Street from the law office, came up for auction. Potts said he talked his wife, Lyn, into bidding on it. After considerable reconstruction, the building that now houses Uptown Café opened in late 2001 as Potts' first brewery.

Elmwood Brewing started distributing its beer

to other retailers, and business was good, according to Potts. But he still was working three or four days a week at the law office, as well as serving on the Knox County Board.

"At some point, something had to kind of give," said Potts, who does Destihl's legal work. "I wanted to go more all-in on the brewery side of my career while keeping my law license."

Real-estate developer Diane Oberhelman took note of what Potts was doing in Elmwood. She offered him an opportunity to open at a Normal shopping center she was developing.

Potts thus left Elmwood in late 2005 and began to develop Destihl. It has two locations in Normal, where Potts resides – a restaurant and a brewery/beer hall.

Babcock still serves two masters, employment-wise. His full-time gig is in information technology and cybersecurity. A former homebrewer like Potts, Babcock opened Bearded Owl in early 2018.

"We've run the gamut," Babcock said about his beer business. "The first year was kind of a honeymoon period and we kind of crushed it, to be honest. We introduced food, we had a full kitchen going and we were super-profitable the first year, even the second year."

Babcock and Potts acknowledged the COVID-19 pandemic was hard for their enterprises. State-mandated closures of restaurants sparked Bearded Owl to deactivate its

kitchen and sell beer beyond its facility. Destihl focused on canning beer for distribution to retailers.

Now both brewers are eyeing ways to proceed and expand.

For Potts, that entails continuing to pursue a 50-state strategy and brewing beer for other companies. For Babcock, that entails opening on Sundays and offering wood-fired pizzas, which he's making himself. Craft cocktails have joined the Bearded Owl menu.

"I've always got irons in the fire," said Babcock, who with his wife, Malinda, has three children in Elmwood schools. "We'd love to expand into a production facility where we can make more product and do more in that space. It has to happen – if I have my way, soon."

Potts probably can relate. He was there once, too, just a few years removed from playing drums in the Billtown pep band.

"You can always dream big when you're in this business, but I would say this would far exceed that," Potts said about what Destihl has become. "I love doing this every day."



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Starting Tuesday, July 11th, all RETURNING students can register on-line via Skyward Family Access. If you do not have access to a computer or internet, laptops will be available on July 20th. You may also use this time to pay registration fees, make lunch account deposits, submit physical forms, etc.

All NEW students to the District need to register online at our website under "Enrolling your Student". Please visit our website at www.dist265.com for a list of acceptable residency documents that are needed. Computers will be available at the school on July 20th.

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High School - \$135 (after August 16 - \$155)

PLEASE NOTE: All registrants will receive a \$20 per child discount if they pay fees by Wednesday, August 16th. We will again be offering a Family Maximum of \$250 per family*
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College graduates

- **Dale Crosman** of Edwards graduated from Missouri University of Science and Technology this spring with a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering.
- **Amber Z. Lannholm** of Edwards graduated this spring from Wichita State University with a master's degree in human resource management.

College honors

- **Emily Down** of Princeville has been named to the Dean's list (3.5 gpa or better) at Rockford University.
- **Laquetta J. Hairston** of Farmington was named to the Dean's list (3.5 gpa or better) this spring at Wichita State University.
- **Miranda Hursey** of Hanna City was named to the Monmouth College Dean's list (3.5 gpa or better)
- **Erin Maher** of Brimfield was named to the Dean's list (3.666 gpa or better) at the University of Minnesota Morris.
- **Emma Wagner** of Princeville was named to the Dean's list this spring at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Webel receives PEO scholarship

FARMINGTON – Farmington Central High School graduate Anna Webel was selected to receive a \$2,500 STAR Scholarship from P.E.O. Sisterhood. She was recommended by Chapter AE of Farmington.

The competitive STAR Scholarship



Part of this tree in Yates City fell last Thursday on the corner of Kellogg and Bishop streets and hit a power line. The trunk was still smoldering as of the next morning. Photo by Shelly Brodine.

is for women who exhibit excellence in leadership, academics, extracurricular activities, community service and potential for success.

Webel is the daughter of Emily and Joe Webel of Farmington. While attending Farmington, Anna participated in basketball, track and field, golf, FFA, FCA, Student-Athlete Leadership Team, ACES Team, National Honor Society and Spanish Club. She was an Illinois State Scholar and a Sterling Merit Award Recipient. She placed in the top 10 for two years in discus.



Webel

Anna won the State Agricultural Sales Contest in 2020. She will attend Lake Land College majoring in agriculture and participate on the livestock judging team. She plans to transfer to a four-year university to major in agricultural communica-

tions and continue judging livestock.

Peoria now offers free pet microchipping

PEORIA – Each year, Peoria County Animal Protection Services sees an influx of pets lost around the Independence Day holiday.

“Statistics show that more dogs are lost over the Independence Day holiday than any other time of year, and in past years our shelter has always seen an uptick in our lost pets in the days surrounding July fourth,” says Becky Spencer, Director of PCAPS. “A combination of microchipping and having a collar and tag on your pet at all times is highly recommended.”

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Illinois's rainy day fund increasing

By HANNAH MEISEL
Capitol News Illinois

As the start of a new fiscal year arrived last Saturday, Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza is celebrating a record-high \$1.94 billion in Illinois' "rainy day" fund and setting her sights on doubling that figure in the next decade.

"\$2 billion sounds like a lot of money, certainly in contrast to \$48,000," Mendoza said, citing one of her most frequently repeated stories about the fund's balance in August 2018 — when the state was still recovering from a two-year budget impasse between Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner and Democrats in the General Assembly.

The paltry sum would have only funded state government operations for 30 seconds, Mendoza said.

In contrast, nearly \$2 billion "gives us about 10 days' worth of operating reserves for our state," she said.

Despite achieving that high-water mark — and celebrating Illinois' eight recent credit-ratings upgrades from the three major finance agencies that determine public and private creditworthiness — Mendoza joked it's her job to be the "party pooper" or "Debbie Downer" of state government.

"The majority of states

in our country have about 40 days' or more worth of reserves for their state operation," she said. "So we're doing great, but we have a far path yet to trek through."

Mendoza said she'd settle for 20 days of reserves — which would be roughly 8 percent of Illinois' operating budget for a year. She said that's what the major credit ratings agencies have advised if Illinois is to receive future credit upgrades.

Mendoza has been pushing legislation to mandate that lawmakers put more into the state's rainy day and pension stabilization funds during

strong fiscal years, but it has never received a vote in either chamber of the General Assembly despite clearing a House committee unanimously. The comptroller said she plans to reintroduce the bill through allies in the General Assembly.

Mendoza said lawmakers should be able to increase the rainy day fund's balance to 8 percent of Illinois' budget in the next 10 to 15 years.

From there, she said, Illinois should focus on paying down its unfunded pension liabilities, which stood at \$139.7 billion at the end of Fiscal Year 2022.

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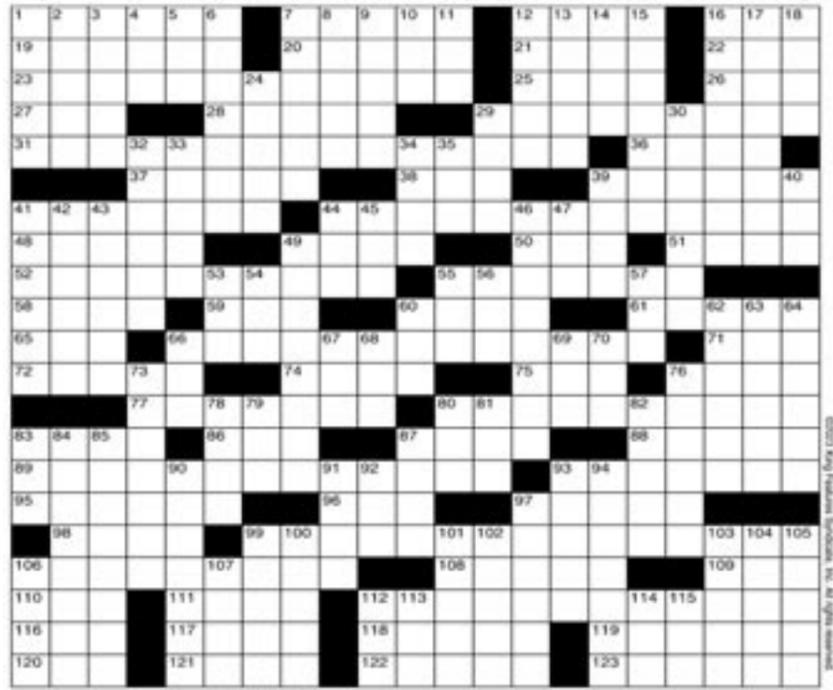
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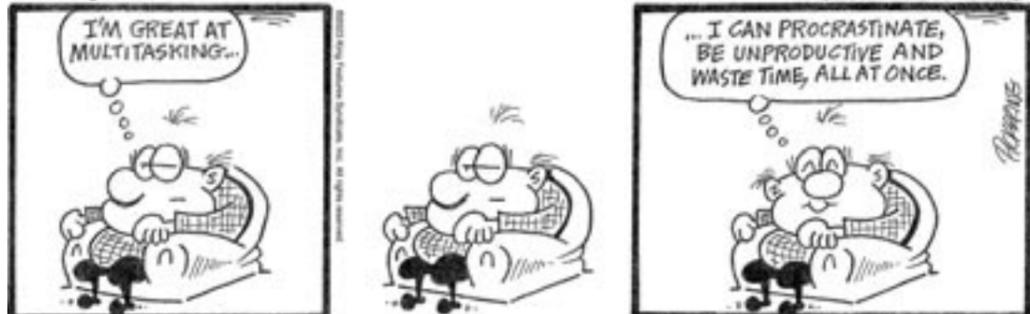
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: What is the name of Samantha's mother in the 'Bewitched' comedy series?
- MOVIES: What is the name of the shark-hunting boat in the film 'Jaws'?
- SCIENCE: What is the most lethal consumed plant in the world?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a female goat called?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who served as vice president in Abraham Lincoln's first term as president?
- FOOD & DRINK: What kind of alcohol is traditionally used in a drink called a sidecar?
- LITERATURE: What city is the primary setting for Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet'?
- ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system was the first to be explored by a space probe launched from Earth?
- MUSIC: In what year did MTV launch?
- GEOGRAPHY: Where is the famous St. Basil's Cathedral located?

Answers

- Endora.
- The Orca.
- Tobacco.
- A doe or nanny.
- Hannibal Hamlin.
- Brandy.
- Verona, Italy.
- Venus (Mariner 2).
- 1981.
- Moscow, Russia.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

- Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse (PG)
- Elemental (PG)
- The Flash (PG-13)
- No Hard Feelings (R)
- Transformers: Rise of the Beasts (PG-13)
- Asteroid City (PG-13)
- The Little Mermaid (PG)
- Guardians of the Galaxy Volume 3 (PG-13)
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OBITUARIES

Sara E. Rosecrans
EDWARDS – Sara Elisabeth Rosecrans, 25, of Durango, Colo., passed away on June 10, 2023, in a rafting accident on the upper Animas River near Durango, Colo. Sara is survived by her father and mother, Jeff and Jamie (Hansen) Rosecrans of Ed-



Rosecrans

wards, Ill.; brothers Ryan Rosecrans, Houston, Texas, and Jacob Rosecrans, Springfield, Mo.; grandparents Patricia and Ernest (Ernie) Rosecrans, Edwards; and aunt and uncle Angela (Hansen) and Daniel Campbell, Rock Island, Ill.; along with many great-aunts and great-uncles, second cousins and the family dog, Cato.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Daniel and Susan Hansen, her uncle Brian Rosecrans, and close friend Luke Wilhelm.

Sara was born Sept. 15, 1997, in Peoria, Ill. She grew up in Brimfield, Ill., and attended Brimfield schools where she excelled in athletics and art. Before her senior year in high school Sara moved with her family to Fayetteville, Ga. She graduated from Whitewater High School with honors in 2016.

After a semester at Georgia Southern University, she learned about a small university in Gunnison, Colorado. It took only one visit to Western Colorado University in the spring of 2017 for her to call Colorado home.

She graduated from Western Colorado with honors in 2020 with a degree in outdoor education and recreation and a minor in art.

While in college she worked on campus at Wilderness Pursuits, taking fellow students on outdoor adventures; in Crested Butte, Colo., as a barista at Camp4 Coffee; at Adaptive Sports Center in Mount Crested Butte as an intern; and as a ski instructor at Mount Crested Butte ski school. A natural athlete, she taught herself to ski and was offered a position with Crested Butte ski patrol. Before graduating college, Sara attended the National Outdoor Leadership School, where she took courses in mountaineering and wilderness emergency medicine in the Pacific Northwest and Canada.

During the spring and summer months, living in Crested Butte, she developed a love for rafting and fly fishing. Sara always looked forward to fishing with her father, whether it was on a river in Colorado or a lake in Illinois. She had many friends and was well-known in the community for her smile and kindness.

In the spring of 2021 Sara moved to Durango with her partner, Seth Trujillo, and their newly constructed tiny house. Sara and Seth built the tiny house themselves during the COVID pandemic. Her grandparents, Pat and Ernie, helped them tow the home from Illinois to Colorado. A few months later, she moved to Camp Wildwood in New Hampshire, where she served as a program coordinator for the summer.

Sara was interested in learning new things. Her curiosity led her to work at Coyote Family Farms in Pennngrove, Calif., in spring 2022. Ever health conscious, she took to the organic farming style at Family Farms where she helped cultivate and harvest vegetables and flowers. When the spring season ended, she

returned, once again, to Durango to pursue her passions, opting to raft, ski and create with the community she loved most.

In Durango, Sara worked at several outdoor recreational venues, including Mild2Wild Rafting, Adaptive Sports Association, OPUS Hut and on Dave's small farm in Mancos, Colo. Her work life and personal life were intertwined. She managed to make time for everyone. She was always up for live music, dancing, skiing or talking the night away with friends in a beautiful, remote location. She was certified as a Colorado raft guide, Wilderness First Responder, AIARE 1, Leave No Trace Master Educator, PSIA Level 1 ski instructor and for NOLS rock climbing.

Sara lived by a quote from naturalist John Muir: "The mountains are calling, and I must go..." though her passions extended past mountains into the rivers of the American west, southwest and through Mexico. She was drawn to the power and beauty of the currents as they cut through the land. In just a few years she traveled 15 of Colorado's most well-known rivers, including the Arkansas, Yampa, Colorado, San Miguel and Animas.

In Utah she traveled four: the Green, San Juan, Colorado and Virgin. In New Mexico she rafted the Rio Chama. In Idaho, the Main Salmon. She traveled to Mexico with Seth where she was one of just a few boaters permitted to take a run on the Rio Chocolja, Rio Santa Cruz and the Jatate River in Chiapas, Mexico.

In Arizona she rafted the Grand Canyon for three weeks, not once but twice. She was scheduled to go

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CryptoQuote
answer
You can say one thing about ignorance: there seems to be more than enough to go around.
— James Feibleman

Weekly SUDOKU
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on a third run for her birthday in September of 2023.

Sara was a gifted artisan interested in painting, beading, photography, journaling, and flowers. It brought her great pleasure to create for her family, friends and strangers alike.

She was an avid runner, and most days she would go for a "quick 6 miles" on a river or mountain trail. In March 2023, she completed her first ultra marathon in Monument Valley, Utah, finishing first in her age group.

She fulfilled a childhood dream of visiting the Eiffel Tower in Paris in April 2023. She also visited Germany, Switzerland and Italy, spending time in Cinque Terre on the coast of Italy. She shared this great adventure with her family.

Sara lived her life enveloped in love, happiness and the natural world. She shared a special bond with her mother. Of all her accomplishments she would tell you what mattered most to her were her relationships; she saw good in everyone she met.

Her family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to everyone who provided love and comfort during this very difficult time. Her generous spirit lives on in each of you, and in the mountains, rivers and deserts that she loved so much.

A private funeral mass for family only is scheduled for 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kickapoo, Ill., on July 8, 2023. Friends and family are invited to a relaxed indoor/outdoor celebration in Sara's memory at the Kickapoo Sportsman's Club in Kickapoo immediately following the mass until 2:30 p.m.

A celebration of Sara's life is also being planned for July 22, 2023, in Durango, with details to follow on Facebook and Instagram.

If you wish to honor her memory, you may make contributions to Adaptive Sports Association, Durango, Colo., or the Rock Island Public Library, Rock Island, Ill., in Sara's name.

Carol A. Tucker

BRIMFIELD – Carol A. Tucker, 81, of Brimfield and Peoria, passed away June 16 at Carle Health Methodist Hospital in Peoria after a battle with breast cancer.

She was born, Sept. 9, 1941, in Lewistown, to Murlea and Gaylon Welch. She married James L. Tucker in 1976 in Peoria; he survives. Carol is also survived by brothers Richard and Gary Welch.



Tucker

Carol graduated from Bradley University. She taught at East Peoria grade schools for over 20 years.

She was a member of DAR Colonial Dames, the Peoria and Brimfield Historical Society and the Peoria Women's Club. She volunteered at Jubilee State Historic Site.

Cremation has been accorded and private services will occur at a later date. Interment will be at Brimfield Cemetery.

Frida Christ

PEORIA – Frida Christ, 97, of Peoria, passed away at Apostolic Christian Skylines on June 27.

She was born Aug. 28, 1925, in Scheppach, Germany, the daughter of Christian and Luise Siegel Christ. She immigrated to America in October of 1952, with her sister, Martha. Surviving are two sisters-in-law, Doris Christ of Peoria and Gerlinda Christ of Germany. Also surviving are many nieces and nephews. Frida is the last of 13 children in her family. She was preceded in death by her parents; seven brothers, Karl, Christian, Eugen, Fritz, Hermann, Walter and Kurt; and five sisters, Johanna, Rosa, Martha, Luise and Else.

Services were June 30. Burial was to be at the Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery, near Edwards.

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BIBLE TRIVIA
By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Libitania (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Galatians 5:13, "Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through _____ serve one another." Friendship, Honesty, Love, Hope
3. From 2 Corinthians 3:17, "Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is _____." Hope, Freedom, Love, Liberty

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DOUGLAS
Douglas United Methodist Church

4. From John 8:36, "If the _____ therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Heart, Worship, Celebration, Son

5. From what book's 6:7 does it say, "For he that is dead is freed from sin?" Isaiah, Daniel, Mark, Romans

6. How many times is the word "independence" mentioned in the Bible? 0, 2, 11, 17
ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Love, 3) Liberty, 4) Son, 5) Romans, 6) 0
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Sat. Mass: 4 pm
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Sun. Mass: 9 am

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Zachary D. Kieser

PRINCEVILLE – Zachary David Kieser, 24, of Fort Wayne, Ind., grandson of Princeville residents, died unexpectedly on June 26 in Portland, Maine, while on a family vacation.

He was born in Auburn, Ind., to his surviving parents, David and Jodi Kieser of Fort Wayne.

Zac is also survived by his siblings, Hayli Kieser, Luke Kieser, Katie Kieser and Seth Kieser, all of Fort Wayne; maternal grandparents,

Al and Vicki Hartzler of Princeville; and paternal grandmother, Shirley Kieser of Roanoke.

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Daniel F. McDonough

BRIMFIELD – Daniel F. “Dan” McDonough, 60, of Morton, formerly of Brimfield, died June 27 at Apostolic Christian Timber Ridge in Morton. He was born Aug. 2, 1962, in Peoria to parents John and Marjorie (Shaw) McDonough.

Surviving are two brothers, Tom

McDonough of Brimfield and Chuck McDonough of East Peoria; one sister, Jean (Bill) Kenney of Peoria; and one brother-in-law, Donn Damos of North Henderson.

His funeral mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 7, 2023, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Brimfield, where he attended church as a child. The Rev. John Verrier will officiate. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in rural Brimfield.

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Notice is given of the death of **TED ALLEN RICHARDSON**, who resided at 2380 Knox Road 550 N., Elmwood, Illinois 61529. Letters of office were issued to **PAMELA E. RICHARDSON**, 2380 Knox Road 550 N., Elmwood, Illinois 61529, whose attorney is **BRIAN T. SCHURTER, TUMMELSON BRYAN & KNOX, LLP**, 115 N. Broadway Avenue, P.O. Box 99, Urbana, Illinois, 61866.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Knox County Courthouse, 200 S. Cherry Street, Galesburg, Illinois 61401, or with the representative, or both, on or before **December 22, 2023**. Any claim not filed on or before the date stated in this Notice is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorneys at their respective addresses stated below within ten (10) days after a claim has been filed.

PAMELA E. RICHARDSON

Executor of the Estate of **TED ALLEN RICHARDSON**, Deceased
c/o Brian T. Schurter, Attorney,
TUMMELSON BRYAN & KNOX
115 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 99
Urbana, IL 61803-0099
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CLAIM NOTICE

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

In Re ESTATE OF
KENNETH C. DOUBET,
Deceased.

No. 2023-PR-0000186

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **KENNETH C. DOUBET** on May 17, 2023. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to **LINDA E. DOUBET**, of 20424 West Claybaugh Road, Elmwood, 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 **5th day of January, 2024**, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. **Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.** Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the 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.

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DATED this 20th day of June, 2023.

**LINDA E. DOUBET, Executor of the Estate of
KENNETH C. DOUBET, Deceased.**

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CLAIM NOTICE

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

In Re ESTATE OF
SARA L. MALMBERG,
Deceased.

No. 2023-PR-0000176

NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of **SARA L. MALMBERG** on May 21, 2023. Letters of Office were issued by the above entitled Court to **LAUREN M. MALMBERG**, of 18608 West Bartholomew Lane, Elmwood, 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 **5th day of January, 2024**, or if mailing or delivery of a Notice from the representative is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that Notice. Every claim filed must be in writing and state sufficient information to notify the representative of the nature of the claim or other relief sought. **Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.** Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the 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.

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DATED this 14th day of June, 2023.

**LAUREN M. MALMBERG, Executor of the
Estate of SARA L. MALMBERG, Deceased.**

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS PEORIA COUNTY CHANCERY DIVISION

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,

vs.
S. LINN PERKINS, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MARY BROWN, MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, MELINDA MANNLEIN, AS GUARDIAN/SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MINOR HEIRS, L.H. AND Z.H., UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF CAROL A JAMES, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, 2022-FC-0000045
Defendant(s).

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Carol A James; Unknown Owners and Non-Record 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:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN COUNTY OF PEORIA, STATE OF ILLINOIS, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS: LOT 244 IN OAKLAWN SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 OF THE SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, IN TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1121E WILLCOX AVE, PEORIA, IL 61603
And which said Mortgage was made by: CAROL A. JAMES, the Mortgagor, to PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Peoria County, Illinois as Document No. LR 2014024780; 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, Peoria County Circuit Clerk

324 Main Street
Peoria, IL 61602

On or before July 24, 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.

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File #22-01051

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that this law firm is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION
Plaintiff,

-v.-
BRUCE EVANS, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Defendant
2023 FC 0000025

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on April 27, 2023, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on July 28, 2023, at the Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street (South Door), PEORIA, IL, 61602, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT 49 IN BROADMORE HEIGHTS, A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS, SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF FORMER GRANTORS TO ALL THE COAL UNDERLYING THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND WITH THE RIGHT OF MINE AND REMOVE THE SAME, BUT NO OPENING IS TO BE MADE ON THE SURFACE THEREOF

LEGAL NOTICE

All personal property belonging to Jesus G. Rodriguez and any additional property, stored in unit H118 located at Kickapoo Storage, 7405 N. Kickapoo Edwards Rd., Edwards, IL, will be disposed of on or after July 18, 2023 if the balance due is not paid in full by July 17, 2023.

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Property Index No. 17-26-331-005

The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$100,593.55.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, 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.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to

the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

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 this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport,

Princeville CUSD #326 is seeking bids for bakery, dairy and fuel for the 2023-2024 school year. Bid specifications may be obtained by contacting the Unit Office at 909 N. Town Avenue, Princeville IL 61559. Sealed bids are due to the Unit Office on or before Monday, July 10, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. Sealed bids should be marked as such and directed to Tony Shinall, Superintendent. Bids will be opened and read at 12:00 p.m. on July 10, 2023 in the Unit Office. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject all bids.

etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, contact CHAD LEWIS, ROBERTSON ANSCHUTZ SCHNEID CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, 205 N. MICHIGAN SUITE 810, CHICAGO, IL, 60601 (561) 241-6901. Please refer to file number 23-093823. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE

You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.
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TJSC#: 43-1818

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 2023 FC 0000025
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC,
PLAINTIFF,

vs.
GERALD NORDGREN, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF DANIEL I MCCARTHY, DECEASED; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; TERENCE MCCARTHY; PATRICK MCCARTHY; MICHAEL MCCARTHY; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DANIEL I MCCARTHY, DEFENDANTS.
NO. 2022-FC-0000155
114 EAST BRIARWOOD COURT
PEORIA, IL 61603
JUDGE
PRESIDING JUDGE

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LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Terrence McCarthy Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Daniel I McCarthy defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOT 9 IN KNOXVILLE COURT, A SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 N COMMISSIONER'S SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AS SHOWN ON PLAT RECORDS IN PLAT BOOK "M", PAGE 54 AND 55, SITUATED IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Commonly known as: 114 East Briarwood Court Peoria, IL 61603 and which said Mortgage was made by, Daniel I McCarthy Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Carington Mortgage Services, LLC Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Peoria County, Illinois, as Document No. 2020001702; and for other relief.

YOU MAY BE ABLE TO SAVE YOUR HOME. DO NOT IGNORE THIS DOCUMENT.

By order of the Chief Circuit Judge, this case is set for Mandatory Mediation Pre-Conference on August 10, 2023 at 2:30PM by Zoom, meeting ID : 593-480-2333, Password : Courthouse. A mediation coordinator will be present to discuss options that you may have and to pre-screen you for mediation.

UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case, on or before July 24, 2023, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You have been sued. To participate in the case, you MUST file an official document with the court within the time stated on this Notice called an "Appearance" and a document called an "Answer/Response". The Answer/Response is not required in small claims or eviction cases unless ordered by the court. If you do not file an Appearance and Answer/Response on time, the court may decide the case without hearing from you, and you could be held in default and lose the case. After you fill out the necessary documents, you need to electronically file (e-file) them with the court. To e-file, you must create an account with an e-filing service provider. For more information, go to ilcourts.info/efiling. If you cannot e-file, you can get an exemption that allows you to file in-person or by mail. You may be charged filing fees, but if you cannot pay them, you can file an Application for Waiver of Court Fees. It is possible that the court will allow you to attend the first court date in this case in-person or remotely by video or phone. Contact the Circuit Court Clerk's office or visit the Court's website to find out whether this is possible and, if so, how to do this. Need help? Call or text Illinois Court Help at 833-411-1121 or go

to ilcourthelp.gov for information about going to court, including how to fill out and file documents. You can also get free legal information and legal referrals at illinoislegaid.org. All documents referred to in this Notice can be found at ilcourts.info/forms. Other documents may be available from your local Circuit Court Clerk's office or website. ¿Necesita ayuda? Llame o envíe un mensaje de texto a Illinois Court Help al 833-411-1121, o visite ilcourthelp.gov para obtener información sobre los casos de la corte y cómo completar y presentar formularios.

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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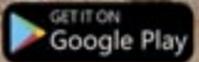


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