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## Toulon selects projects for possible grant

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – Toulon City parks could see an upgrade if a \$750,000 grant application is approved.

The council met Monday for a special meeting and voted 4-2 to use the \$750,000 to refurbish Toulon's city park and add a splash pad for children. An alternate site for the grant money were the city's baseball fields, located east of the Stark County High School property.

After discussion, the council approved directing the grant money from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, if awarded, to the city park. Connie Jacobson, Art Nutzhorn, Brandon Simpson and Michael Schott voted "yes" while Donna Lefler and Ryan Kelly voted "no."

The council also passed a motion to give permission to Mayor Larry Hollis to accept

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## SALE OF CHAMPIONS



Kylie Gillespie shows her Grand Champion steer Monday during the Sale of Champions at the Stark County Junior Fair. The steer weighed 1,310 pounds and was auctioned for \$1.75 per pound to the State Bank of Toulon. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

## Big bucks for livestock at Stark Jr. Fair

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – The Stark County Junior Fair and 4H event concluded Monday evening with the sale of champions and other livestock by young participants. Auctioned was a wether sheep, beef, steers and pork, two turkeys, plus seed corn, Queens' pies and a cooler full of items.

Sold was the Kaizer Down's champion wether to The State Bank of Toulon, which began the evening's auctioning. Also auctioned was Kylie Gillespie's Grand Champion Beef that weighed 1,310 pounds for \$1.75 per pound purchased by The State Bank of Toulon.

In addition, Tate Horsley sold his 250-pound Grand Champion barrow

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## Officers' actions 'justified' in Williams death

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – The actions of officers in the shooting death of Rodney G. Williams on Feb. 18 were "legally justified, reasonable and necessary" according to Stark County State's Attorney Caroline Borden Campion.

In a July 28 press release, Borden Campion outlined the events prior to Williams' subsequent shooting and death by law enforcement officers in the early hours of Feb. 18. According to Illinois State Police press releases in February, Williams was killed when "officers from the Henry County Special Operations Squad" attempted to arrest and execute a search warrant at 500-A N. Olive St., in Toulon.

"The following statement details the investigation and the determination that the shooting of Williams, done while Williams was striking an officer with a machete, was legally justified by officers of

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# Appointments needed soon at 44 driver services facilities

By ANDREW ADAMS

Capitol News Illinois

Many Illinois drivers who need to renew their license at a Secretary of State facility will have to make an appointment to ensure service starting this fall.

Starting Sept. 1, 44 driver services facilities in medium- to large-sized cities around Illinois will require appointments for driver services – things like renewing a license, updating a license to meet Real ID requirements or taking a driving test. Customers without an appointment may not be guaranteed service.

Vehicle services, like title registration and license-plate sticker renewals, will still be offered to walk-ins.

The facilities impacted by the move to appointment-based service are in some of the state's most high-traffic locations. These include Peoria, Galesburg and others.

Many facilities in smaller communities will still allow walk-ins for all services. Those include Canton, Havana, Kewanee and

Wyoming.

The change in policy is accompanied by a standardization of hours at driver services facilities. All driver services facilities will operate from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Sixteen locations will offer Saturday morning hours from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., including Peoria.

"Our goal is to change the stereotype of dealing with government offices," Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias said, noting he hopes customers have a "positive experience."

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Giannoulias

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website at [ilsos.gov](http://ilsos.gov) or by calling (844) 817-4649.

Giannoulias said the cost of the changes falls within the existing secretary of state's budget.

"This is sort of the first major step in implementing the rest of

our modernization goals," Giannoulias said.

Giannoulias also encouraged Illinoisans to make use of online services, including driver's license renewal and ordering license-plate stickers.

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# WILLIAMS: Family questions use of deadly force

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 the Henry County Special Operations Squad to prevent death or great bodily harm to others," the press release says.

A wellness check on Williams was performed Feb. 10 at the request of family members.

"Deputies entered Williams' apartment and determined Williams was in his bedroom. Williams would not come out and began swinging a machete out of his bedroom near where emergency personnel were located," according to the press release.

On Feb. 17 charges for aggravated assault were filed against Williams in Stark County Circuit Court, stemming from a Feb. 13 incident. Williams allegedly threatened his landlord Paul E. Porter according to

previous court documentation. Williams had displayed a machete at that time, also.

On Feb. 18, the Henry County Special Operations Squad arrived at approximately 6 a.m. at Williams' apartment to execute the arrest warrant. Williams could be seen in the apartment "through the glass porch front door. He was yelling and holding a machete in a cocked back position," according to the press release.

Police entered the apartment with "a no-knock authority" and found Williams was in a room with a closed door. Police breached the door and Williams allegedly charged at an officer who was standing in the doorway with a shield.

Williams allegedly attacked the Henry County police officer and

damaged the shield with a machete. Williams pulled the shield down, "exposing the deputy's upper torso and attempted to slash him again. At this point, shots were fired by this deputy, another Henry County deputy and a Kewanee police officer."

Williams was taken to Saint Luke Hospital in Kewanee, where he died from multiple gunshot wounds. Williams' family members have stated, "other forces besides lethal forces could have been used that could have prevented this and he'd still be here with us."

Borden Campion wrote in the press release, "Overall, the officers' actions were legally justified, reasonable and necessary to protect the health and safety of the officers, the community of Toulon and citizens of Stark County."

# JR. FAIR: Queens' pies part of auction process

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 to Quality Cable, of Wyoming for \$4 a pound. The young livestock

owners usually get to keep their livestock plus receive the proceeds from the sale of their animals.

The Stark County Junior Fair was begun in 1956 and continues today as a way to involve young

people in farming, continuing into the veterinarian field or other related fields.

Finally, the Queens' pies were auctioned to various successful bidders. The retiring Queen's caramel apple pie was auctioned off twice and was presented by Vada Edwards.

# TOULON: MFT bids opened

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 bids regarding the Motor Fuel Tax program. This gives Hollis the authority to open bids and decide which bid to accept for the sealcoating and chipping of designated city streets this year. Bids were to be opened Thursday, Aug. 3.

Finally, the council donated \$1,700 to the Toulon Old Settlers' Association for this year's celebration.

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7-15 - Michael E. Chizmar - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
 7-16 - Raife A. Hammons - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.  
 7-21 - Aaron M. Harmon - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
 7-21 - Scott T. LaFore - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
 7-22 - Christopher M. Morrow - Operating uninsured vehicle, unlicensed, and no valid registration.  
 7-25 - Morgan Dee Ann Miller - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
 7-26 - Nathan Scott Qatoum - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
 7-26 - John C. Kern, Jr. - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.  
 7-26 - Wayne T. Bell - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.

**Incidents & Accidents**

7-16 - Percy I. Payton, 48, Peoria, ticketed for speeding 76 mph in a 55 zone and driving with no insurance.  
 7-23 - An abandoned motorcycle was found along Sharkey Highway south of Wyoming. Authorities had the 1988 Harley Davidson towed and impounded until the owner is located.  
 7-25 - December R. Tracy, 18, Toulon, was cited for failure to wear a seat belt and driving an uninsured vehicle and issued a notice to appear.  
 7-27 - Felicia P. Warner, 36, Kewanee, cited for driving on expired registration and issued a notice to appear.  
 7-27 - A domestic battery incident was reported from the 500 block of N. Culbertson St. in Toulon. The incident is being investigated.  
 7-27 - Two Toulon residents in the 200 block of S. East Street reported being victims of an identity theft.  
 7-27 - Miriam C. Bonilla, 30, Kewanee, was cited for driving on a suspended registration and without vehicle insurance. She was released with a notice to appear.  
 7-28 - A Wyoming business reported to the Stark County Sheriff's Office of being a victim of a cyber-attack. The incident remains under investigation.  
 7-28 - Jacob D. Tramutolo, 22, Bradford, was arrested for domestic battery. He was taken into custody and transported to Stark County Jail.  
 7-28 - Beatrice L. Morales, 39, Kewanee, was cited for speeding 70 mph in a 55 zone and for driving a vehicle with a suspended registration due to non-insurance.  
 7-29 - Allannah M. Kieswetter, 22, Sheffield, was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, il-

legal use of cannabis by a driver, illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver and driving too fast for conditions.

7-29 - Kasey H. Main, 30, LaFayette, was cited for possession of a cellphone in his hand while driving and driving an uninsured vehicle.  
 7-30 - Jerome L. Tuckson, 26, St. Louis, Mo., was cited for improper lane usage, driving while license suspended and for a counterfeit registration plate. He posted \$250 cash bond and was released with a court date.

**Peoria County Report**

7-20 - A Stark County man grabbed a Peoria County Sheriff's Office deputy by the arm during a domestic dispute in Elmore, according to authorities. Charles K. Rice, 36, of Wyoming was arrested about 5:30 p.m. July 20 at a residence in the 24300 block of W. Adams St. A woman there asked two deputies to stand watch while she and at least two children left.

Rice became increasingly agitated, according to a sheriff's-office report. He challenged one deputy to a fight, then grabbed the other deputy. The deputies pulled Rice down and handcuffed him. Rice was accused of obstructing police and resisting arrest.

**Knox County Report**

7-6 - A Galva woman was arrested after she broke into a residence and took her 3-year-old daughter without the father's permission, according to a witness. Franziska J. Hurliman, 30, was accused of criminal trespass to real property in connection with the incident, which happened shortly before 9 a.m. July 6 in the 1900 block of Knox Road 2900 North, according to the Knox County Sheriff's Office.

A custody order was not in place, the report stated. The child was with Hurliman when a deputy located her at a campground near Victoria. After Hurliman was arrested, a relative took custody of the child.

**Galva Report**

**Officer dispatched:**

7-24 - to the 300 block of NE 9th St. for a dog-bite complaint. A local medical facility had called and advised a subject who had been bitten by their own family dog.  
 7-25 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 300 block of N. Center Ave., Justin Smith, 19, Wataga, was arrested for operating a vehicle when registration was suspended for no insurance and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released with a court date.

7-26 - to transport a 46-year-old male to a nearby town.  
 7-26 - to 100 block of S. Center Ave. for a theft complaint. A 51-year-old reported the loss of \$100.  
 7-27 - to the 900 block of W. Division St. for a city ordinance violation. Complainant advised bags of household trash was accumulating in the backyard. Officer spoke with a 38-year-old female resident who said she would have the trash removed soon.  
 7-27 - Officers handled a child custody dispute complaint at Sentry Estates. A 38-year-old female was requesting the return of her daughter from the daughter's father. The exchange was completed peacefully.  
 7-28 - to the 400 block of NW 5th St. for a report of a dog outside without shelter or water. Galva was under a heat advisory. Officer located a black dog confined in a side yard with no shelter. Contact was made with a resident and the dog was immediately taken inside.  
 7-28 - to W. Division St. and SW 9th Ave. for a tree down causing a road hazard; and to 500 block of SE 4th St. for a report of downed utility lines and tree limbs.  
 7-28 - to the 100 block of NE 9th St in the early morning hours for a domestic dispute between a 36-year-old male and his 62-year-old mother.  
 7-29 - Officer on patrol discovered a citizen burning unauthorized items in the 300 block of SE 7th Ave. The citizen was warned of the violation.  
 7-30 - to the Galva Park District for a report of juveniles operating motorcycles on the park grounds. It was discovered that one of the juveniles crashed a motorcycle into a fence causing minor injury to the juvenile. The motorcycle was removed from the park prior to the officer's arrival. Contact with juvenile's parent/guardian was made and a warning issued.  
 7-25 - Austin Zerfass, 24, Peoria, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.  
 7-25 - Adam Karlosky, 30, Standard, was issued a citation for having expired registration in the 500 block of SE 2nd St.  
 7-25 - Emma LaFollette, 20, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1000 block of SW 2nd St.  
 7-25 - A 17-year-old Galva resident was issued a citation for speeding in the 1000 block of SE 2nd St.  
 7-25 - Leah Anderson, 25, Galva, was issued a citation for operating uninsured vehicle on Chester Street at Commercial Street.

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The deadline to submit a work request form is Friday, Aug. 15. Applications are available at banks, local churches, Galva Public Library, city hall, the laundromat, senior center, Galva and Bishop Hill post offices, area restaurants, the Lincoln House and online at [www.galvail.gov](http://www.galvail.gov).

Applications will be reviewed on Aug. 22 and accepted applicants will



A large crowd of people turned out for Toulon's National Night Out event Tuesday at Toulon's City Park. Food and entertainment was provided free of charge by the sponsor of the event, the Toulon and Auxiliary Police Department. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

be contacted.

To volunteer, contact the Galva First United Methodist Church at (309) 932-2460 or email [galva-first@frontier.com](mailto:galva-first@frontier.com). For more information about volunteering visit [www.neighborsinchrist.com](http://www.neighborsinchrist.com).

### Farm event Aug. 8 in Galva's Veteran's Park

**GALVA** – Illinois Extension will hold Farm in the Park on Tuesday, Aug. 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Galva's Veteran's Park.

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 Princeville CUSD #326  
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 Or email all application materials to Tony Shinall, [tshinall@princeville326.org](mailto:tshinall@princeville326.org)  
 Please contact Julie Bayless, [jbayless@princeville326.org](mailto:jbayless@princeville326.org), and/or Wilber Schierer, [wschierer@princeville326.org](mailto:wschierer@princeville326.org), for more details.

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 Princeville CUSD #326  
 909 N. Town Ave.  
 Princeville, IL 61559  
 Please submit your materials ASAP. Please see Luisa Horton-Meza (309-385-2213, ext. 1943) [LHorton-meza@princeville326.org](mailto:LHorton-meza@princeville326.org) for more details  
 Application deadline: ASAP.



# Stark Co. committee discusses gym

By JOHN A BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – The Stark County School board of education’s building and finance committee met July 31 to discuss adding a new gym to the Junior/Senior High School campus.

The gym would be built next to the library and across the new corridor and would connect to the existing gym and locker rooms.

The building or resurfacing of an athletic track for the Junior/Senior high school was also discussed, according to the unofficial minutes of the meeting.

According to the minutes, the board directed Superintendent Brett Elliott to ask for renderings and pricing to be generated for the August board meeting for future consideration and discussions.

The committee ap-

proved increasing the 2023-24 athletic officials’ rates. Elliott presented a three-year projection for increasing said rates.

The committee discussed purchasing the Toulon Fitness Center property, south of the high school, to utilize as storage, athletic usage and/or additional parking. Elliott was directed to place a bid for the property.

After Executive Session, the committee approved:

- Seth King as Junior High social studies and high school elective teacher and Junior High School head football and head track coach for 2023-24.

- The resignation of school nurse Laura Lee.
- The retirement of Amy Wise as Junior High ELA teacher effective at the conclusion of the 2026-27 school year.

- The resignation of Christy O’Bryant as elementary school cook.



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# AUCTIONS & REAL ESTATE SALES

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY TOULON ILLINOIS**

MidFirst Bank  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Dedre Dennison; Lonny Dennison, AKA Lonny E. Dennison; The United States of America, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development  
Defendants.  
Case No. 2022FC6  
405 North Washington Street, Toulon, IL 61483  
Judge James A. Mack

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on March 24, 2023, Steven V. Sloan will on August 23, 2023, at the hour of 10:00AM at the Stark County Sheriff's Office, Stark County Court-house, 130 West Main Street, Toulon, IL 61483, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following

described mortgaged real estate: Commonly known as 405 North Washington Street, Toulon, IL 61483  
Parcel Number(s): 04-19-307-005

The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.

Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property 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. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

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

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# OBITUARIES

## Leland Hultgren

GALVA – Leland “Pete” Hultgren, 82, passed away peacefully in his home in Tucson, Ariz., on Jan. 3, 2023, surrounded by his family.

He was born to our beloved grandparents, Raymond Hultgren and Olivia Hultgren (Johnson), on Nov. 4, 1940, and grew up in Galva, Ill. He was



Hultgren

blessed with a large and loving circle of extended family and friends.

Leland’s funeral service is scheduled for Aug. 12 at 10 a.m., at the Messiah Lutheran Church, 317 SW 3rd St., Galva. The service will be followed by a graveside ceremony and military honors at Bishop Hill Cemetery, 308 Christina St., Bishop Hill. Immediately following the interment, family and friends are welcome to join us at the Messiah Lutheran Church for a celebration of life lunch in honor of Leland.

To read Leland’s full obituary and for additional information about the funeral services, please call or visit the website of Rux Funeral Home, Galva, (309) 932-2400, [www.ruxfuneralhome.com](http://www.ruxfuneralhome.com).

To share a memory of Leland or send a condolence to his family, please visit [www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/tucson-az/leland-hultgren-11094579](http://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/tucson-az/leland-hultgren-11094579).

## Blair E. Whitman

GALVA – A Celebration of Life for Blair E. Whitman will be held Sunday, Aug. 6, from 3-7 p.m. at the Galva American Legion.

Memorials may be directed to his family for a memorial to be established. Rux Funeral Home in Galva is in charge of arrangements.



Whitman

## Connie R. Thuline

GALVA – Connie R. Thuline, 78, of Galva, died at 8:50 p.m., Mon-

day, July 31, 2023 at Toulon Rehabilitation and Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Aug. 4, at 11 a.m. at Rux Funeral Home in Galva with Pastors Katie Gallagher and Randy Swanson officiating. Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in Galva Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the Galva American Legion or to the family for a memorial to be established.

She was born May 12, 1945 in Rushville, the daughter of Charles and Olive (Lawler) Wheelhouse. She married Lowell K. Thuline on Sept. 22, 1963, in Galva. Survivors include her husband of Galva; her four children, Tami (Jeff) Svoboda of Galva, Keith (Stacey) Thuline of Paducah, Ky., Michael Thuline of Galva and Jeanie (Geoffrey) Horack of Bradford; nine grandchildren; one granddaughter-in-law; and three great-grandchildren.

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## LEGALS

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
 ESTATE OF CHERYL ENDRESS,  
 Case No. 2023-PR-4  
 Deceased.

**CLAIMS NOTICE**  
 Notice is given of the death of CHERYL ENDRESS, deceased, City of Wyoming, Stark County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 30, 2023, to Ronald M. Endress, 619 Park St., Lacon, Illinois, 61540, and Robert D. Endress, 612 Monroe St., Henry, Illinois, 61537, whose attorney is Ryan J. Anderson, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry, IL 61537.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Stark County Courthouse, P.O. Box 426, Toulon, Illinois 61483 on or before January 13, 2024, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the claimant to the representative within 10 days after it has been filed and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Court.

Dated: July 13, 2023.  
 Ronald M. Endress and Robert D. Endress  
 Independent Co-Executors of the Estate of Cheryl Endress, deceased  
 Ryan J. Anderson  
 Attorney for the Executor  
 611 Second Street, PO Box 174  
 Henry, IL 61537  
 (309)364-2354  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HOWARD W. FIELD,**  
 Case No. 2023-PR-6  
 Deceased

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
 Notice is given of the death of HOWARD W. FIELD of 8020 State Road 93, Toulon IL 61483. Letters of Administration were issued on **JULY 7th 2023** to **BRIAN D. CAMPBELL**, as Independent Representative, whose attorney is The Rennick Law Firm, P.C., P.O. Box 430, Toulon, IL 61483. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Stark County Clerk, Stark County, Stark County Courthouse, 130 West Main Street, P. O. Box 426, Toulon, IL 61483, or with the Representative, on or before **JANUARY 14th 2024** and any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act of 1975 (IL Rev. Stat., Ch 755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. You may obtain a copy of a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration form from the Clerk of Court at the above address.

Dated this 7th day of July 2023.  
 BRIAN D. CAMPBELL,

Independent Representative  
 By: /s/ Robert H. Rennick.

Sr.  
 Robert H. Rennick, Sr.,  
 Attorney for the Estate  
 of Howard W. Field  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY TOULON ILLINOIS**

MidFirst Bank  
 Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 Dedre Dennison; Lonny Dennison,  
 AKA Lonny E. Dennison; The  
 United States of America, Sec-  
 retary of Housing and Urban Devel-  
 opment  
 Defendants.  
 Case No. 2022FC6  
 405 North Washington Street, Tou-  
 lon, IL 61483  
 Judge James A. Mack

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on March 24, 2023, Steven V. Sloan will on August 23, 2023, at the hour of 10:00AM at the Stark County Sheriff's Office, Stark County Courthouse, 130 West Main Street, Toulon, IL 61483, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Part of Block Fifteen (15) in Henderson and Whitaker's Addition to the Town, now City of Toulon, and part of Lot Two (2) of A.F. Stickney's Subdivision of Lot One (1) of the Assessor's Subdivision of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Nineteen (19) in Township Thirteen (13) North, Range Six (6) East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, all being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot No. Three (3) in said Block Fifteen (15), and running thence North to the Northwest corner of said Lot Three (3); thence North 4 degrees 30 minutes East to a point One hundred and Twenty-eight (128) feet North of the South line of said Block Fifteen (15); thence East to a point on the East line of said Lot Two (2) on the West line of Washington Street, One Hundred and Twenty-three and one-half (123 1/2) feet North of the Southeast corner of said Block Fifteen (15); thence South to the Southeast corner of Block Fifteen (15); and thence West on the North line of Commercial Street to the place of beginning; situated in the County of Stark and State of Illinois.

Commonly known as 405 North Washington Street, Toulon, IL 61483

Parcel Number(s): 04-19-307-005

The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.

Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property 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. The prop-

erty will NOT be open for inspection.

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For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 22-038161.  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Estate of MARY J. SPIVEY, deceased  
 No. 2023PR58

Notice is given of the death of MARY J. SPIVEY. Letters of Office-Independent Executors were issued on July 17, 2023 to Stephanie J. Giertz, of 5212 Knoxville Rd., New Windsor, IL 61465, Steven P. Spivey of 5528 Knoxville Rd., New Windsor, IL 61465, and Teresa M. Mrocka of 4247 Sundance Mdws., Howell, MN 48843 as Independent Executors, whose attorney is Michael E. Massie, of Massie & Quick, 115 NW 3rd Avenue, Galva, IL 61434.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Henry County Circuit Clerk, Courthouse, Cambridge, Illinois 61238, or with the representatives, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Massie & Quick, LLC  
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Estate of DAVID L. ANDERSON, deceased  
 No. 2023PR53

Notice is given of the death of DAVID L. ANDERSON. Letters of Office-Independent Executor were issued on July 11, 2023 to Laurie Schmidt, of 24 NE 3rd St., Galva, IL 61434, as Independent Executor, whose attorney is Michael E. Massie, of Massie & Quick, 115 NW 3rd Avenue, Galva, IL 61434.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Estate of MICHAEL J. TARLETON, deceased  
 No. 2023PR56

Notice is given of the death of MICHAEL J. TARLETON. Letters of Office-Independent Administrator were issued on July 11, 2023 to Debra L. Tarleton, of 302 NE 4th St., Galva, IL 61434, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Michael E. Massie, of Massie & Quick, 115 NW 3rd Avenue, Galva, IL 61434.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Henry County Circuit Clerk, Courthouse, Cambridge, Illinois 61238, or with the representatives, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SHANNON M. PRICE and HEIDI J. PRICE**

Case #2023AD12  
 Petitioners, To adopt REMI JO PRICE, a Minor  
 V  
 UNKNOWN FATHER and ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,  
 Respondent

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
**ADOPTION**

Take notice that a petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Henry, County, Illinois, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, for the adoption of a child named Remi Jo Price. Now, therefore, unless you, and all whom it may concern, file your answer to the Petition in said suit or otherwise file your appearance therein, in the said Circuit Court of Henry County, Circuit Clerk's Office, Henry County Courthouse, in Cambridge, Illinois, on or before the 28th day of August, 2023, a default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition.

Dated: July 20, 2023 at Kewanee, Illinois.

Barash & Everett, LLC  
 Attorneys for Petitioners  
 Barash & Everett, LLC  
 Attorneys at Law  
 211 West Second Street  
 Kewanee, IL 61443  
 Telephone: 309/852-5555  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

ESTATE OF VERNON J. VANCIL, Deceased  
 No. 2023PR55

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
 (Publication)

Notice is given of the death of VERNON J. VANCIL. Letters of Office were issued on July 11, 2023, to Mark Vancil as Independent Admin-

istrator whose attorneys are Barash & Everett, LLC.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk of court, Henry County Courthouse, Cambridge, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before January 22, 2024. Any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider.

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 Attorney for Executor  
 211 W. 2nd St.  
 Kewanee, IL 61443  
 (309) 852-5555  
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**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Stark County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as SMICE CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATIONS located at 575 State Route 91, Princeville, IL 61559  
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/s/ Heather Hollis  
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