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Stark Co. Board split on vote to approve new road grader

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE For The Prairie News TOULON – The Stark County Board of Supervisors split the vote on the Highway Department Grader Resolution that was on their Sept. 12 meeting's agenda. County engineer Judd Giffin gave a presentation of why a new vice used grader "is needed."

"This is our (highway department's) number one piece of equipment," Giffin said. "It needs to run because it is our

most critical piece of equipment."

Giffin explained that purchasing a used grader would be buying someone else's grader that has problems.

The board's decision, according to Chairperson Kari Bush, is to pass the resolution for a bank loan.

"We've already approved this (the new grader's purchase). The bank needs the resolution approved to make a loan," Bush

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said. "The decision to purchase the grader was in March."

That cost was \$432,772 with attachments takes the total to

\$454,862. According to the road grader resolution, the total loan request is \$354,862 after applying

\$50,000 from the sale of the 1999 grader to Goshen Township, plus \$50,000 from the highway department's general highway fund.

Payments will be paid to the Speer Community Bank from the highway department's general highway fund.

Last month the resolution to authorize Giffin to secure a loan for the grader's purchase failed due to a lack of a second on a motion to approve. This month

the vote split 5-3 to approve the same resolution. Voting for the \$354,862 purchase loan were Chair Kari Bush, Vice-Chair Robin Nowlan, Bill Loane, Joe Orwig and Tim McMillen. Voting no were Adam Wilson, Tom Howes and Jamie Schaffer.

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Also approved during the meeting was a quick motion and second with no discussion approving the resolution for the "Hutchinson Engineering Continued on Page 2

Gun owners await registration rules

By The Center Square

Gun owners are anxiously awaiting rules to be released by Illinois State Police for a registry that is required as part of Illinois' new gun and magazine ban that is set to open Oct. 1.

In less than a month, ISP is expected to open the portal for gun owners to register certain semi-automatic firearms the state has labeled "assault weapons."

"There is no registration fee," ISP said on the agency's website.

As part of the state's gun and magazine ban called the Protect Illinois Communities Act enacted Jan. 10, those in possession of certain semi-automatic firearms from before then are required to register a sworn affidavit with the Illinois State Police by Jan. 1, 2024, or face criminal penalties.

Gun rights advocate Todd Van-

dermyde said rules to govern the registry are expected soon. The rules from ISP are to be filed with the bipartisan Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.



Toulon approves paving projects

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News TOULON - The Toulon City Council discussed at length numerous agenda items at its Sept. 11 meeting, but only passed three measures out of nearly 20 topics.

The council approved spending \$2,500 for three trash cans destined to be located in Toulon's City Park and \$45,500 for a Motor Fuel Tax project for skip-paving some city streets. Skip paving is the process of placing a single layer of asphalt over a deteriorated or problem area of a paved roadway.

Potter and Sons Blacktopping had the low bid of \$45,500 for the project.

The third agenda item approved was \$3,000 to blacktop part of the alley that runs east from Franklin Street past two apartment buildings the old Toulon meat locker and the old movie theater building. The eastern end of blacktopping will stop at the intersection of the northsouth alley, which runs from the school to



Vandermyde



The Galva Planning Commission voted against rezoning this property on the corner of S.Center and SE 2nd streets for a Family Dollar store. The matter goes to the City Countil on Sept. 25. Photo by Carol Townsend.

Family Dollar seeking site

Bv CAROL TOWNSEND For The Prairie News

The Galva Planning Commission last week voted against rezoning a residential property for Dollar General store.

The planning committee voted 7-0 not to change the zoning change after hearing opposition from neighbors.

"ISP is working with the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and the Secretary of State to file emergency and First Notice for a proposed rule," a Continued on Page 2

a proposed Family Dollar store. The board was considering action on the corner of South Center and SE 2nd Street for a proposed Family Dollar store. That property is just east of the

The matter will go before the Galva City Council at its Sept. 25 meeting.

A city official said there are several other sites the city would like to show Family Dollar.

Thomas Street.

Sidewalks on West Main Street, at Dollar General, to the Toulon Public Library and on North Henderson Street were discussed with no action taken. The council has no formal Continued on Page 2



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TOULON: Sidewalk projects have obstacles

Continued from Page 1 plan yet for replacing or installing new sidewalks on West Main Street.

The sidewalk to Dollar General has the council frustrated and the issue is still up in the air according to Toulon Mayor Larry Hollis. Crossing Main Street near Union Street would require Illinois Department of Transportation approval because Main Street is part of Illinois Route 17.

Crossing Route 91 that runs north-south would also require IDOT approval

Sidewalks to the Toulon Public Library could possibly have the south side of Main Street designated to replace sidewalks there, plus installing new sidewalks at the eastern end near the library. Utilizing Jefferson Street presents an American Disabilities Act challenge for the sidewalk just east on Jefferson Street that traverses a steep hill.

North Henderson Street sidewalks were discussed, but no action was taken. The council discussed

and recommended that the vacuum trailer owned by

the city be rented out at \$400 per hour to only local communities such as Bradford, LaFayette and Wyoming. The council and mayor stipulated that a Toulon city employee transport the VAC trailer plus operate the unit.

No action was taken on a \$13,000 estimate received to landscape City Hall. Also tabled for a month was a decision to hire for \$30,000 the economic development company of Hometown Consulting.

"It's a lot of money – is it worth the risk?" Hollis asked.

The ordinance regulating brush pick up had no change made to it by the council for the fees charged. The city picks up landscape waste and debris as a courtesy but will not pick up trees that have been cut down.

Finally, quotes are required from Tom Pearson concerning the repair of his building on Main and Franklin Streets. The building cornerstone was that accidentally dislodged in the past by the city while plowing snow from the sidewalks.

BOARD: Polling place relocated

Continued from Page 1 Agreement County Road 100N." This is for the construction of a new single-span structure on County Road 100N (TR 173) over a tributary to Spoon River. The agreement amount is \$60,812.

A resolution passed to approve relocating the East Toulon polling place to the Paramount Theater, in Wyoming. Essex Township polling place was previously relocated to the theater.

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GUNS: Low

Continued from Page 1 spokesperson for ISP told The Center Square. "ISP intends to meet the Oct. 1 deadline."

JCAR's monthly meeting is scheduled for Sept. 12. ISP's rules for the registry are not yet listed on the agenda.

Vandermyde predicts compliance with the new state "underwhelmed."

"From what I'm hearing out at the ranges and stuff, there are a lot of people who just aren't going to register anything," he said.



wind turbines in Stark and Marshall

any board action being taken from the

probation department, county engineer,

sheriff, state's attorney and the county

A presentation by Orion Energy repre-

sentative Reid Buckley highlighted the

Camp Grove wind farm. Buckley said it

County and that there are currently 100

has been 16 years since Orion first

started its wind operations in Stark

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compliance?

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PUBLIC RECORD

Traffic citations & Ordinance violation

8-31 - Wyatt H. McCormick -

- Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
- **8-31** Kareem C. Dixon Speeding 26-34 mph over limit.
- **9-1** Estela P. Carr Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
- **9-1** Cody J. Leech Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
- **9-1** Micah K. Reader Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
- **9-2** Peggy A. Lewis Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
- **9-3** Rebecca J. Sutton Operating an uninsured vehicle.

9-3 - Skylar M. Sauer - Operating an uninsured vehicle.

9-3 - Michael C. Dougherty Jr. -Driving on a revoked license, expired registration and improper traffic lane usage.

9-5 - Courtney E. McNutt - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.

9-5 - Concedcion Herrera - Driving 15-20 mph abaove limit.

9-9 - Deandre A. Mason Coleman - Operating vehicle with suspended registration, uninsured vehicle, expired registration and head/tail/sidelight.

Misdemeanors & Felonies

9-7 - Criminal misdemeanor -Thomas R. Stoecker Jr. - Cause or allow open burning.

9-8 - Ordinance violation - Stahl Lumber Company, Inc. - Maintaining a nuisance.

9-8 - Criminal felony - Christian E. Sander - Possession of methamphetamine.

Incidents & Accidents

8-31 – A two-vehicle accident occurred at the intersection of Jackson and Timber streets in LaFayette. The drivers involved were Chelsea L. Hunt, 19, LaFayette and Thomas R. Stoecker Jr., 27, of Wyoming. According to the accident report Stoecker was traveling east on Jackson Street and Hunt was southbound on Timber Street. Hunt reportedly failed to yield at the intersection and struck the rear driver's side and rear axle of Stoecker's trailer. No injuries were reported or citations issued.

9-4 - A theft and possible break-in was reported from a rural farm property located in the area of the Knox/Stark County line. Stolen was a 15-pound cylinder grill drum and a pole saw from a rural farm. The incident remains under investigation.

9-5 - An employee from the Wyo-



9-7 - William D. Ware, 29, Champaign, was arrested for armed violence and cited for speeding 81 mph in a 55 zone, driving an uninsured vehicle, and illegal transportation of cannabis in a vehicle. He was taken into custody and transported to Stark County Jail. He posted \$250 bond and was released with a court date.

9-9 - An incident involving possible criminal damage to property was reported from a rural Wyoming residence on the Modena Blacktop.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

9-4 - to assist Galesburg Police Department with a child custody dispute in the 300 block of NW 3rd Ave.

9-4 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 900 block of SE 2nd St., Rhonda Blakey, 53, LaFayette, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration is suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle. She was released with a court date.

9-4 - After a traffic stop in the 200 block of SE 3rd Ave., Yahil Gonzalez-Tirado,18, Kewanee was arrested for possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor vehicle. He was released with a court date.

9-5 - to the 100 block of NE 1st St. for a loose dog that chased a subject and was barking and growling. The owner was spoken to and advised the dog got out by mistake.

9-5 - to the 00 block of Wallace St. for a theft complaint. Stolen items were recovered by the Kewanee Police Department during a search warrant. Charges pending.

9-5 - to the 200 block of NE 6th St. for a wild animal complaint involving an ill red fox. The fox displayed a fear of humans and ran away.

9-5 - Jesse Cantu, 29, Galesburg, turned himself in at the Galva Police Department on several Knox County warrants for criminal damage to property, driving while license suspended and aggravated domestic battery. He posted bond and was released with a court date. **9-5** - Ian Davis, 27, Galva, was cited for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

about an overweight vehicle parked on the roadway. It was moved to the municipal truck parking lot.

9-6 - to the 300 block of SW 6th Ave. for a city ordinance violation involving junk (furniture) being stored within public view.

9-6 - After a traffic stop in the 400 block of NW 1st Ave, Brian Ince, 49, Kewanee, was arrested for driving while license suspended. He was released with a court date.

9-6 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd St. to check on a subject screaming late at night. The subject appeared to be having a mental health crisis.

9-7 - After a traffic stop in the 700 block of W. Division St., Timothy Fletcher, 44, Galva was arrested for driving while license suspended. He was released with a court date.

9-7 - to the 100 block of Exchange St. for a disturbance complaint. It turned out to be a complaint involving a suicidal juvenile being restrained by a friend. A juvenile was taken to the hospital for evaluation.

9-7 - to assist Stark County with a traffic stop near Black Hawk College involving a subject who had a gun.

9-8 - to Wiley Park to deal with two juveniles fighting.

9-9 - to the 200 block of SE 2nd St. for a wild animal complaint involving a red fox being witnessed killing a squirrel. This is part of nature.

9-9 - along with the fire department, to the area of SW 3rd St. and SW 3rd Ave. for an odor of natural gas. Two gas leaks were located.

9-9 - Amanda Criner, 43, Washington, was cited for speeding in the 1200 block of SE 2nd St.

9-9 - Dawn Steele, 55, Monmouth, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St. **9 9** Michael Kelso, 63 Operida

9-9 - Michael Kelso, 63, Oneida, was cited for following too closely in the 1000 block of SE 2nd St.

9-9 - Lori Lynch, 46, Maquon, was cited for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

9-10 - to the 1000 block of SE 2nd St. to check the welfare of an elderly subject walking and carrying a dog. The subject was attempting to get to Kewanee. He was given a ride.

9-10 - to a residence on NW 4th Ave. to check the welfare of a subject sending suicidal text messages.

9-10 - to the 500 block of East Division St. for a report of several juveniles breaking into the residence. This case is pending.

9-10 - to the 100 block of SE 3rd St. for a city ordinance violation.
Property Transfers
9-5 - Scott M. Evans to Melanie
McCullough and Jennifer L. Slichenmyer - Pt Lts 5 Sect. 24-14-7
SW - 111 W. Main St., Bradford -



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ming Veterinary service in Wyoming reported criminal damage to property. Evidence was found where an unknown individual spun a vehicle in the parking lot and sprayed gravel on the building. A window was also discovered broken.

9-6 - Officer spoke to a resident in the 1000 block of NW 7th Ave.

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Reform of commodity checkoffs long overdue

checkoff-pusher swore would raise

GUEST VOICES

It's been years since this weekly effort has used any time, muscle or brain cells to write, or, frankly, even care about any of the 21 costly, largely ineffective, and virtually bulletproof federal commodity checkoff programs.

The reason is simple: In three decades of reporting on congressionally-

ployee or checkoff farmer-director

tionable activities or the checkoffs'

In fact, the third column I ever

wrote, way back in June 1993, out-

completely-in-place federal soybean

'questioned costs' which the ASA" -

Soybean Association - "had charged

USB," the newly-formed checkoff's

And, I added, "... the sum could be

Those two observations - disputed

costs and incomplete audits - would

become themes of many columns

over the next 30 years. Another fa-

vorite was the clear failure of most

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its main contractor, the American

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chartered, federal checkoffs-often documenting illegal use of farmer and rancher money for lavish travel, spying on

fellow farm groups and funding outlawed political activities rare is the checkoff, checkoff em-

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farm prices. For example, a May 1998 column

revealed that the federal dairy checkoff had spent "about \$2.5 billion" in dairy promotion money from 1987-96 even as "U.S. milk and dairy product consumption dropped a solid 4 percent."

The column went on to outline how U.S. cattle producers had "dumped \$874 million into their beef checkoff" between 1986 and 1996 as American "per capita beef consumption dropped by 5.4 pounds and consumers cut beef expenditures by \$8 billion."

It also showed how the pork checkoff and its "The Other White Meat" campaign had spent \$417 million in non-refundable checkoff cash to raise per capita pork consumption a tiny 0.4 pounds, from 45.6 pounds in 1986 to 46 pounds in 1997.

That rounding-error increase in pork consumption cost rural America more than checkoff millions, though. During that same decade, "60 percent of producers, or more than 200,000, left the pork industry."

Given this early, awful performance of federally-chartered checkoffs, the following facts won't come as breaking news: Over the subsequent 25 years, federal checkoffs - spending an estimated \$900 million to \$1 billion a year on generic commodity advertising - were even less effective.

For example, after an estimated \$30 to \$35 billion – that's billion with a "b" – in collective ag commodity checkoff spending since 1987, American per capita consumption of fluid milk is one-half today what it was 40 years ago, beef has fallen from 73.7 pounds per year to 57.4 pounds, and pork remains flat,

48.8 pounds in 1987 and now only 50 pounds.

Meanwhile, U.S. per capita consumption of chicken increased from 56.6 lbs. in 1987 to an estimated 101.8 lbs. in 2023, or nearly double over the same period.

And here's the too-funny-to-befunny part about the rise of the allconquering chicken: it became "what's for dinner" not by spending checkoff billions to tell Americans it was "the original white meat" or ask if they "got" chicken.

In fact, chicken didn't put even one of its eggs in any costly, producerfunded checkoff basket because chicken doesn't have a state or federal checkoff. Instead, it seized the American dinner plate by investing in quality and convenience while avoiding every checkoff fight.

Now a long-overdue, new checkoff reform effort is underway in Congress. It's led by Utah Republican Mike Lee and Democrat (and vegan) Cory Booker of New Jersey, who say reform is needed because of the "unlawful use of checkoff program funds (that) benefit some agricultural producers while harming others."

Most of the groups that have been deeply enriched by federal checkoffs - like the soybean gang, the National Pork Producers Council, the National Milk Producers Federation, and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association - are fighting all reforms.

Why? Because commodity checkoffs are really about gravy, and this gravy train has been running for 35 years.

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The Voice of Stark and eastern Henry Counties

Copays paused for noncitizens on state plan

By PETER HANCOCK

Capitol News Illinois SPRINGFIELD – The state has paused a new policy requiring certain noncitizens enrolled in a Medicaidlike health insurance plan to pay copayments for certain services, instructing health care providers to refund any such payments they have already collected.

Omar Shaker, the interim chief of administrative rules at the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, told a legislative oversight committee Tuesday that the department ultimately plans to reinstate the copay policy, but it doesn't yet have the systems in place to properly administer it.

"I was informed recently that there were some programming issues with regards to that," he told the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, or JCAR, at its monthly meeting in Chicago.

IDHFS originally published notice in June that customers enrolled in the Health Benefits for Immigrant Adults program and the Health Benefits for Immigrant Seniors program would be required to pay co-pays for certain services, effective July 1.

Those programs are for noncitizens over age 42 who would otherwise qualify for Medicaid if not for their immigration status. Those programs offer coverage similar to Medicaid. But unlike regular Medicaid, which is jointly funded with state and federal money, the immigrant health care programs are funded almost entirely with state dollars due to federal reimbursement limitations for that population.

The state first began covering immigrant seniors aged 65 and over in 2021. The program was later expanded to include adults aged 42-64.

The programs were originally estimated to cost about \$220 million for the current fiscal year but because of rapid growth in enrollment, cost estimates soared to more than \$1.1 billion. That prompted lawmakers to pass legislation giving the administration rulemaking authority to control those costs, and the Pritzker administration responded by requiring copays and capping enrollment.

The rules that went into effect July 1 required enrollees to make a \$250 copay for inpatient hospital stays, \$100 for emergency room visits and 10 percent of the Medicaid reimbursement rate for outpatient ambulatory surgery.

But on Sept. 5, IDHFS published another notice advising providers to stop charging copays and to refund any money collected so far.

Shaker told JCAR Wednesday that there was a problem with charging

copays for emergency room services because that is one service for which the federal government does offer reimbursements, even for immigrants not lawfully present in the country.

"Until we had the ability to completely have the system work and function appropriately as it should, and to draw in as much federal matching as possible in these situations, we decided to suspend it and instruct the providers that if there were any copays that were taken, that they needed to repay them," he said.

IDHFS spokesperson Jamie Munks told Capitol News Illinois in a separate email that the agency also needs to reprogram its computer systems that manage reimbursements to account for the new copay requirements and it needs to publish official guidance telling providers when and when not to charge them.

Shaker said he could not estimate a timeline for reestablishing copays. "We don't have the reimplementation process completely fleshed out yet," he told the committee. "We are anticipating a provider notice with sufficient time notifying them that on a specific date the copays would reinitiate as well as we would be notifying the actual recipients and advising them what their responsibilities would be as well."



books, glassware, some small furniture, jewelry, clothing, toys, etc., etc., etc. Something for everyone! 205 N Galena Ave, Wyoming • SEPTEMBER 15 Garage Sale: Multi-family garage sale Friday. Sept. 15: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 20.

Garage Sale: Multi-family garage sale Friday, Sept. 15; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 205 N. Galena Ave., Wyoming. 36" screen with fold up legs, complete crib set, vintage



PUBLIC AUCTION OF QUALITY FIREARMS AND AMMO

The following collection of over 60 guns and a variety of ammo will be sold at the Knoxville American Legion located at 749 Henderson Rd. Knoxville, IL 61448 (across from Knox Co. Fairgrounds), on

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2023 AT 12:00 NOON (Doors will open at 10 a.m.)

NOTE: All guns will be held and handled by Phil Albertson, Princeville, IL. FOID is required to purchase. A \$12.00 handling fee per gun will be charged. Backgrounds checked. Guns sell in order of the catalog w/ammo and misc. to follow. Come hungry as the SAL will be serving pork chops, brats, hotdogs, homemade desserts and drinks.

GUNS: This is vague list of over 70 guns. The printable catalog is online at www.folgersauctionservice.com Colt handguns including Police Positive 38 cal., 22 w/scope and 2 mags, 2 Colt Challenger automatics, Diamond Back and other 22LR-Ruger single 6 handgun-Beretta Nano BU9 9mm handgun-Hi-Point model C9 9mm Luger w/ clip in case-Hi Point model 995 9mmx19 w/clip nylon stock-Ruger 22 cal single six revolver w/leather holster--2 Ruger M77 rifles w/scopes-Savage 93R17 and Axis rifles w/scopes-Springfield Meteor .22 LR-2 Stevens .22LR rifles-Am. Gun Co. 410 double barrel shotgun-Bayard Belgium double barrel 12 ga. shotgun-Benelli 12 ga. shotgun-G Goulcher 12 ga.-Marlin Firearms model 55 12 ga. goose gun-New Eng. Tracker 12 ga.-Remington 12 ga. shotguns including (870 Express Mag, 870 Wingmaster, Model 1100, Model 31 and model 742 w/scope, 870 Express Mag pump action, Sportsman 58)-Remington .22 SR/ LR rifle-Charles Daly 12 ga. double barrel-Remington model 700 ML 50 cal. muzzle loader w/scope-Buck Hunter Pro 50 cal .-- Knight 50 cal. muzzle loader-Stevens single shot 410--Stevens model 67 12 ga.-Stevens .22LR rifles-Stevens model 1915 .22LR octogen barrel rifle-Winchester model 12 and model 1912 12 ga. shotguns-New Haven 46m bolt action 22 rifle w/barrel load-Repeating Arms FN Herstal patrol bolt action 308 win w/scope, clip-Remington 11-87 Premier semi auto, never shot-Glock 68-Sig 365-Ruger LCR22-Ruger LCP II 22LR-Ruger LCP II 380-Ruger SP101 357-Ruger Security 0 compact-Ruger Max-9 9mm-Brownings including (2000 12 ga. w/slug barrel, Superposed 20 ga. 28" F/M, Superposed 20 ga. Ltng 28" F/M, two Superposed 20 ga. Ltng 26" IC/Ms)-Beretta model 92F 9mm-Colt Model 1911 WWII Comm. 45 w/box and grips-H&R model 929 9 shot pistol-Thompson Contender 17 cal. HMR-Ruger Mark II 22 cal. pistol-Beretta A391 Extreme 2 12 ga.-Browning Sporter Ultra Plus 12 ga. over/under-Browning 22 Takedown Gallery, rare, Belgium 22 shot only-Belgium 22 Takedown LR-Daisy Model 2203 22 LR only-new Marlin lever action model 1895 S5 cal. 45/70 govt .- Model 1894 Marlin 12 ga .- Marlin Golden orig 39 m lever action

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Garage Sale – Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023. 8:30-12:30 pm. 209 N. 4th St. Wyoming. Circular saw, sawzall, Black and Decker 2 gal air compressor, cordless weed trimmer, electric weed trimmer, electric leaf blower, new automatic battery float charger, lizard cam, 5 gal air tank, ATV/lawn mower lift, new tool shop air impact wrench, new fender cover work mat, air power metal saw, electric jigsaw, solder gun, torque wrenches, wooden rocking chair, round tables, iron and ironing board, kitchen items (dishes, utensils, rags/towels, pots and pans), lamps, cookbooks, men's clothing, quilts, heaters, paper shredder, magazine rack, end table, Kirby sweeper, office supplies, recliner, computer chairs, misc. Cash only and no early sales.

14043 State Route 17, Wyoming • SEPTEMBER 14, 15 & 16 Garage Sale: Moving and Downsizing Sale: Thursday, Sept. 14, Friday, Sept. 15, Saturday, Sept. 16, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 14043 State Route 17, Wyoming. Come find what you need from housewares, furniture and tools to decorations, yard accessories and much, much more! Not responsible for accidents. Many large items so please provide transportation and loading help.

111 N. Miller St., Toulon • SEPTEMBER 15, 16 & 17 Annual Fall Festival Garage Sale. 111 N. Miller St., Toulon (by water tower) Sept. 15, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sept. 16, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sept. 17 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Lg. grain (Toledo) scale, lg. fire extinguisher (antique), folding chairs, bicycles, Alamo 228 wood burning stove, small patio table, Kobalt weed trimmer, square coffee table, Victrola with 78' records, 3 jukeboxes (all filled with 45 records), extra 45' records, men's & women's clothing, lots of misc. to much to list.

202 N. Galena, Wyoming, IL • SEPTEMBER 16

Garage Sale: 202 N. Galena, Wyoming, IL on Saturday, September 16, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Home decor; bedding; cookbooks; kid's ceiling fan; men's and women's clothing - all sizes; shoes; purses; and lots of misc. CASH ONLY.

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Kickapoo native seeks 10th judicial circuit seat

PEORIA – Associate Judge Sean Donahue has announced he is running for the 10th Judicial Circuit Seat vacated by Judge Kevin Lyons. The next primary election is March 19, 2024, with a general election Nov. 5, 2024.

A lifelong Kickapoo resident, Donahue graduated with an associate's degree from Illinois Central College, a bachelor's degree from the Univer-



sity of Illinois and a law degree from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in 2004. Prior to attending law school, Donahue joined the Laborers Local 165 and worked as a union laborer prior to and dur-

ing the summers of law school.

"I hired Sean as a prosecutor, I've judged cases with him in the courtroom as a lawyer, and I've been his colleague as a judge. He is the very finest of human beings and

I support him 100%," Lyons said. He also has endorsements from Illinois Sen. Dave Koehler, Peoria County State's Attorney Jodi Hoos and former Democratic Party Chair Billy Halstead.

College graduate

• Jenna Bibb of Wyoming graduated from The University of Alabama this spring with a degree as an educational specialist.





Bradford residents Sheila and Tom McMahill were recently presented with a Flag Award " In Recognition of exemplary patriotism in display of the American Flag of the United States of America" by the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), while serving at the American Legion Fish Fry. Submitted photo.



Pictured above is the 2023 Galva High School homecoming court. Senior court: (front row, from left to right) Queen candidates Kendall Rogers, Chloe Ruhl and Ava Anderson; junior attendant Addie Moore; sophomore attendant Ella Ingels and freshman attendant Addy Yepsen. Senior court: (back row, I to r) King candidates are Summit Ouart, Braxton Rylander and Caden Rachel; junior attendant Cole Baulch, sophomore attendant Cyrus Hurd and freshman attendant Reid Harris. The king and queen were crowned last Tuesday at the coronation, pep rally, skits and bonfire. The parade will be Friday at 2 p.m. The game will be Friday at 7 p.m. against Aldon-Hebron. The homecoming dance will be Saturday, from 8 -10:30 p.m. Photo by Carol Townsend.

We would appreciate your input for our upcoming Central Illinois Farmer section that will be published Sept. 28 in The Weekly Post and Sept. 29 in The Prairie News. Specifically, we want stories and anecdotes about memorable harvests.

Harvest Stories

Tell us about the time the combine caught on fire.

Tell us about the time a bear ran out of the last row of corn, or more likely a flock of pheasants.

Tell us about the transition from corn pickers to combines.

If you can remember that far back,





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Stark seeks bond for new gym and track

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News WYOMING – The Stark County School board held a building and finance committee meeting on Sept. 7 to discuss appropriating funds to build a new gymnasium and all-weather track at the Toulon campus.

The board is seeking bonding up to \$6 million, which is the maximum that can be borrowed to pay for these projects.

According to School Superintendent Brett Elliott, "This is a three-month process requiring three board resolutions starting in September. There will be a taxpayer information meeting Tuesday, Sept. 19 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Stark County High School library."

Elliott wrote in an email that taxpayers may bring their tax bill (or bring an online version) to see what the \$6 million bond will cost them.

Elliott displayed renderings options for both the gymnasium and track, plus a variety of funding options for both projects.

This was the fourth public meeting discussing these projects with the upcoming tax workshop as the fifth meeting. Elliott has provided updates in his weekly parent community update over the past month, posted each on a Facebook page for the public, posted all pub-

lic meeting agendas and had numerous legal ads in The Prairie News.



Pictured above is an artist's rendering of the proposed all-weather track at the Stark County's Toulon Campus. Submitted photo.

Bradford Public Library District 111 S. Peoria St. Bradford, IL 61421

September 28th is National Good Neighbor Day. This national holiday was signed into law in 1978 by President Jimmy Carter. Since then, people have been celebrating this holiday in big and small ways around the country. And yet, the holiday isn't widely known. We are inviting you to help us change that!

"The public library is where place and possibility meet." Stuart Dybek, American author

The Bradford Public Library District is your good neighbor. The library is a safe, important and central public space. It is a place to explore, to play games, to learn, to have fun, to make friends, and to build community.

We invite you to join us for an OPEN HOUSE Thursday, September 28, 2023 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

to see the completed renovation project, partially funded thorugh the generous donations of our community and an American Library Association grant. remarks by Library Board President and others wil take place at 5 p.m.)

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PUBLIC TAX WORKSHOP

The Stark County CUSD #100 Board of Education is pursuing Working Cash Bonds up to \$6 million for potential new gym and/or all-weather track projects. On Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. the public may bring their latest tax bill for an estimated future tax impact due to the new Working Cash Bonds. The Public Tax Workshop will be held at the Stark County High School Library at 418 S. Franklin St., Toulon, IL. 61483.



Pictured above (left to right) are Bradford Jr. High students Logan Guerry, Rylee Calder, Jake Primo, Ian Cresto, Silas Smith, and Joe Atkins.. They are students in Mrs. Hoffert's exploratory class who have recently published the first addition of the Bradford Jr. High Newsletter, which they delivered to the Jr. High students and staff. They did all the work on the paper, including interviewing classmates, deciding on stories, taking surveys, attending and reporting on a sporting event, editing, formatting, stapling and distributing the newsletter. The newsletter is planned to be printed every two weeks. Congratulations to all the newsletter staff on all your hard work. Submitted photo.



Pictured above are Bradford NJHS members who recently helped complete Bradford CUSD #1's annual "Painting of the Paws". Photo by Becki Hoffert.

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE CITY OF GALVA 2014 Ford Taurus For Sale

2014 Ford Taurus Police Interceptor with APPROXIMATELY 118,955 miles and 17,489 hours. 3.5L V6, dual overhead cams. Front Wheel Drive, 6-speed automatic. Pwr window, locks, AM/FM/CD, A/C, cruise, electric mirrors, and more. Police specific equipment, including decals, have been removed. Vehicle is currently road worthy and will be sold AS-IS. WHERE IS. with NO WARRANTY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED.

Bidders may schedule an inspection of the vehicle by contacting the Galva Police Department during normal working hours at (309) 932 - 2555. Inspections must be made prior to 22 September, 2023, during normal working hours

1. Each bid shall be submitted in figures and words. In case of any discrepancy in the amount bid, the prices expressed in written words shall govern

2. The bid must be delivered to the City Clerk, City of Galva, 311 N.W 4th Street, Galva, IL, on or before 4:00 PM, prevailing time, 25 September, 2023. Proposals received after this time will not be considered.

3. Bids will be publicly opened at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Galva City Council to be held at 6:00 PM on 25 September, 2023 in the Council Meeting Room located at 311 NW 4th Avenue, Galva, IL 61434

4. The proposal shall be submitted in an opaque, sealed envelope on or before the time stated and shall bear the name of the individual, firm, or corporation submitting the bid.

5. By submitting a bid, the bidder understands and agrees that if that proposal is accepted and the bidder fails to enter into a contract forthwith, the bidder shall be liable to the Owner for any damages the Owner may thereby suffer.

6. Bids may not be modified after submittal. Bidders may withdraw proposals either personally or by written request at any time before the hour set for the bid opening, but may not resubmit them. No

East of the Fourth Principal Meridian; Henry County, Illinois. More particularly bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of said Section 34; thence in an Easterly direction, along the South line of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of said Section 34. a distance of 1103.4 feet to an iron rod at the Southeast corner of the Galva Park District; thence in a Northerly direction, along the East line of said tract, 1247.7 feet to an iron rod on the South line of SE 6th Street in said City; thence in an Easterly direction, along said South line, 989 feet, more or less, to the East line of SE 6th Avenue; thence in a Northerly direction, along said East line, 30 feet, more or less to the South line of said SE 6th Street: thence in an Easterly direction, along said South line, 535 feet, more or less to the West line of SE 8th Avenue: thence in a Southerly direction, along said West line, 1290 feet, more or less, to the South line of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of said Section 34: thence in a Westerly direction, along said South line, 1500 feet, more or less, to the Place of Beginning.

Said parcel includes 44.43 acres, more or less.

Bids for the cash rent lease of the parcel identified above are hereby invited and will be received by the Citv Clerk at 311 N. W. 4th Avenue. Galva, Illinois, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM until 25 September, 2023. Said proposals shall be contained within an opaque envelope addressed to: **Mayor and City Council**

City of Galva c/o City Clerk 311 N W 4th Avenue Galva, IL 61434

and shall bear the legend: Cash Lease Rent.

The parcel identified above will be cash leased for three (3) years and the City reserves the right to enter into a contract with the successful bidder that includes an option for two (2) one year extensions. Bids should take the form of "I am bidding for the cash lease of farm

LEGAL ADS

STARK COUNTY TOULON ILLINOIS ESTATE OF Linda D. Brown, Deceased No. 2023PR72 CLAIM NOTICE (Publication) Notice is given of the death of Linda D. Brown. Letters of Office were issued on August 31, 2023, to Timothy Boswell as Independent Representative 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 March 11, 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. Visit:http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/ser vice-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit: http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/ge thelp.asp, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Barash & Everett, LLC Attorney for Executor 211 W. 2nd St Kewanee, IL 61443 (309) 852-5555 Published 9/8, 9/15, 9/22/23 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF Dusty A. Drawyer, Deceased

No. 2023PR61 CLAIM NOTICE (Publication) Notice is given of the death of Dusty A. Drawyer. Letters of Office were issued on August 4, 2023, to Tracy A. Draywer as Independent Executor 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 February 29, 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. Visit: http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/serviceproviders.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble efiling, visit: http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/g ethelp.asp, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Barash & Everett, LLC Attorney for Executor 211 W. 2nd St. Kewanee, IL 61443 (309) 852-5555 Published 9/8, 9/15, 9/22/23 TAKE NOTICE

Certificate # 43

TO: Douglas Johnson any spouse; any unknown occupants all unknown interested parties; A Petition for a Tax Deed on the premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of

Stark County, Toulon Illinois as Case # 2023 TX 6 The real estate is described as: 524 N. Galena; CASTLES ADDITION, **CITY OF WYOMING**

PART BLOCK 11 155 X 49.5 PARCEL#(s) 04-36-301-004 Said property was sold on 10/27/2020, for the general taxes for the year of 2019. The period of redemption will expire on 10/27/2023. On November 17, 2023 the petitioner will make application to such court in said county for an order for a Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed by 10/27/2023. JEREMY BENSON PARTNER FOR MB TAX PARTNERS Petitioner Published 9/8, 9/15, 9/22/23

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Toulon Community Fire Protection District of Stark County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2024, will be available to public inspection at the Toulon Fire Department, 420 N. Franklin Street, Toulon, Illinois, in said Fire Protection District, from and after the 25th day of September 2023.

Notice is further given that a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance will be held at 5:00 o'clock P.M., on the 31st day of October 2023, at the Fire Station, Toulon, Illinois, and that final action on said ordinance will be taken by the Board of Trustees of the Toulon **Community Fire Protection District** in Stark County, Illinois, at a meeting to be held at the Fire Station. Tou-Ion. Illinois on said 31st day of October 2023, at 5:15 o'clock P.M. By order of the Board of Trustees of said District. Dated this 7th day of September,

A.D. 2023 Toulon Community Fire Protection District

3. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot Four (4) of Executor's Subdivision of Lot One (1) of Little's Subdivision of Lot Twenty-one (21) of Elliott's Addition to the City of Kewanee, subject to a common driveway easement over the South four (4) feet of Lot Four (4) and over the North four (4) feet of Lot Three (3), and dated September 4,1971, and recorded September 10,1971 as Document 71R3472 in the Office of the Recorder, Henry County, Illinois, all lying, being and situated in the County of Henry, State of Illinois.

4 A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 614 S. Chestnut St., Kewanee, IL 61443.

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, all Defendants, Non-Record Claimants, and Unknown Owners, file your answer to the Petition for Order of Demolition in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein. with the Henry County Circuit Clerk, 401 E 3rd St, Kewanee, IL 61443, on or before 30 days after the date of this publication, or a default may be entered

/s/ Terilyn A. Motley **Circuit Clerk** Barash & Everett, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 211 W 2nd St Kewanee, IL 61443 Phone: 309/852-5555 Published 9/15, 9/22, 9/29/23 ...

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS CITY OF KEWANEE, ILLINOIS, AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPO-RATION,

Plaintiff,

IN CHANCERY Case No. 2023CH10

CHAD M. PETTY; FRANCES A. PETTY; UNKNOWN OWNERS; AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,

Defendants. **NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY** PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, all Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants in the above-captioned cause, that the above-captioned foreclosure action was filed on September 7, 2023, and is now pending

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5. An identification of the Memorandum of Judgment sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

a. Names of Respondents: CHAD M. PETTY and FRANCES A. PETTY b. Name of Claimant: CITY OF

KEWANEE, ILLINOIS c. Date of Memorandum of Judg-

ment: June 23, 2023 d. Date of Recording: June 29,

2023

e. County Where Recorded: Henry County, Illinois

f. Recording Document Identification: 20-2302824

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

/s/ Terilyn A. Motley Henry County Circuit Clerk Barash & Everett, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 211 W 2nd St Kewanee, IL 61443 Phone: 309/852-5555 justin@barashlaw.com Published 9/15, 9/22, 9/29/23 ... Annual Report of Receipts and Disbursements Wyoming Public Library District Annual Report of Receipts and Disbursements Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023 Receipts: July 1, 2022 through June 30.2023 Real Estate Taxes: \$123,835 Disbursements Salaries under \$25,000: Best, Christine McCauley, Mary McGinnis, Vicki

proposal may be withdrawn or modified after the bid opening except if the award of contract has been delayed for a period of more than 45 days.

7. The City of Galva reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all bids and to accept any bid deemed most favorable and in the best interest of the City after all bids have been examined and tabulated.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Invitation To Bid for The Cash Rent Lease of Farm Ground

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the corporate authorities of the City of Galva will receive sealed bids for the cash rent lease of the following real property:

Parcel Identification Number: 24-34-176-001

A tract of land located in a part of vacated Wiley, Fleming & Davis Addition to the City of Galva, a part of Outlot 3, and a part of Outlots 1 and 2 in the Subdivision of a part of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Fourteen (14) North, Range Four (4)

ground in the amount of \$XXX.XX PER ACRE for a total of \$XXX.XX over three years.

All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regular meeting of the corporate authorities of the City of Galva to be held at 6:00 p.m. on 25 September, 2023. A THREE YEAR CONTRACT may be awarded to the highest, most responsible bidder whose bid is found to be in the best interests of the City of Galva, said contract taking the form of a cash lease agreement for three years, beginning the 1st day of March, 2024 and ending the last day of February, 2027. The corporate authorities reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bidding. The corporate authorities further reserve the right to review and study any and all bids and to make a contract award within 45 days after the bids have been opened and publicly read should they so choose.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE **TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

/s/ William S. Foglesong William S. Foglesong, Secretary Published 9/15/23

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS CITY OF KEWANEE, ILLINOIS, an IIlinois Municipal corporation, Plaintiff.

> IN CHANCERY Case No. 23-0V-55K

MAURICIO BARRAGAN TELLO Defendant NOTICE OF PROPERTY CLEAN-UP BY PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Mauricio Barragan Tello, all Non-Record Claimants, and all Unknown Owners, Defendants in the above-entitled cause, that the above-entitled property clean-up action was filed and is now pending.

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

2. The name of the titleholder of record: Mauricio Barragan Tello

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

2. The names of the titleholders of record are: CHAD M. PETTY and FRANCES A. PETTY 3. A legal description of the real

estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: The East Twenty-five and fourtenths (25.4) feet of Lot Two (2) in Block Four (4) of Doye's Subdivision of Lot Sixteen (16) of Lot Six (6) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32), in Township Number Fifteen (15) North, Range Five (5) East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, situated in the County of Henry and State of Illinois. PIN: 20-32-409-008 4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows:

1105 Roseview Avenue, Kewanee IL

Meaker. Mary Reynolds, Taylor Scholl, Jane

Expenses Building Mtn: \$1,723.84 Contingencies: \$7,750.00 Miscellaneous: \$2,181.38 \$339.00 Gifts: Legal Fees: \$1,540.00 \$15,586.38 Library Materials: Library Supplies: \$1,733.08 Memberships: \$85.00 Postage: \$98.39 Programs: \$1,873.71 Public Relations: \$751.71 Telephone: \$699.01 Travel: \$346.24 Utilities: \$4,526.39 Disbursement to Vendors: \$2,558.00 State Farm: RSA: \$3,713.07 \$14,112.32 Amazon: Advantage Archives: \$7,750.00 Prepared by: Jane Scholl, Librarian/Bookkeeper Certified by: Suz Howard, Treasurer, Wyoming Public Library District Published 9/15/23 ...

We Cover The News of West-Central Illinois With A Passion

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Used farm equipment inventory up

By DANIEL GRANT FarmWeek Greg Peterson, the used farm equipment guru known as Machinery Pete, has a simple answer when asked about the meteoric rise in market values in recent years.

There just hasn't been a lot of equipment for sale in the wake of the pandemic.

But that is starting to change, said Peterson, who was the keynote speaker at the Illinois Wheat Association's Summer Forum in Sparta.

"Obviously, the last two years it's been the hottest market ever. Just unbelievable," Peterson said of used equipment. "It's not inflation. It's a supply issue."

The pandemic created all sorts of widely reported supply chain issues, which

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impacted production of new equipment. Labor shortages also slowed equipment output.

Many farmers seemed to respond by holding on to more of their used equipment and bidding up prices for anything that was available.

"The summer of 2022 was the absolute bottom for the used equipment inventory," Peterson said. "There was nothing for sale and everybody was shopping."

Peterson noted many of the sale prices he saw at used-equipment auctions the past two years often broke records by anywhere from \$20,000 to more than \$70,000.

Since bottoming a year ago, the used equipment inventory has rebounded, according to Peterson. But, so far, it hasn't slowed bids at most auctions.

Peterson has tracked the volume and value of more than 1.5 million pieces of used equipment at auctions the past 34 years and currently has about 100,000 sale listings at his website,

MachineryPete.com. And his used value index for high horsepower tractors is still strong at 9.9 out of 10.

"Four-wheel-drive tractors are hot," he said.

Other hot spots in the market include tillage equipment, used planters, self-propelled sprayers and skid steers.

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 ANIMAL KINGDOM: Is a rhinoceros an herbivore, omnivore or carnivore?
 GEOGRAPHY: Which city in India is home to the Taj Mahal?

 MOVIES: What is the title of the first James Bond movie?
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5. TELEVISION: What was the product featured in the first TV advertisement? 6. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which French fashion designer is credited

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Toulon, LaFayette & West Jersey United Methodist Church

Rev. Pablo Marty 229 W. Main St., PO Box 538, Toulon, IL 61483

229 W. Main St., PO Box 538, Tourion, IL 61483 (217)425-5707 Sunday Worship: LaFayette - 9 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sunday (Pastor), 2nd & 4th Sunday (Lay Speaker); West Jersey 9 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sunday (Lay Speaker), 2nd & 4th Sunday (Pastor); Toulon Sunday School: 9:15 a.m., All Ages. Sunday. Worship: 10:30 am Check us out on Facebook @ Toulon United Methodist Church

Elmira United Presbyterian Church

Rev. Art Blegen 7874 State Route 93, Toulon, IL 61483 (309) 896-3481 Services each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. https://www.facebook.com/Elmirachurch1852

The Gathering Church Location: 105 N. 7th St., Wyoming, IL 61491 Sunday mornings @ 10:30 a.m. Mail: PO Box 322, Wyoming, IL 61491 email: info@thegathering.life web: https://www.thegathering.life/ https://www.facebook.com/thegatheringchurch.life

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James H. Hickey

CAMP GROVE - James "Jim" Henry Hickey, 76, formerly of Camp Grove, Ill., passed away at his home in Bellingham, Wash., on April 23, 2023.

Jim is the son of John and Helen Hickey of Camp Grove.

He is survived by his wife Peggy, daughter Yarrow, son Stefan, grandson



Hickey

Sterling, brother Dennis Hickey and sisters Rosemary Welch and Kathleen Czarniewski. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Philip Hickey and Bernard Hickey.

A memorial service and inurnment ceremony will take place at St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery in rural Camp Grove on Saturday, Oct. 7, at 12:30 p.m.

A luncheon and celebration of life will follow the cemetery service at Shallowbrook Farm in Bradford. All attendees are invited to the luncheon.

Please RSVP for luncheon attendance by contacting Dennis Hickey or Valerie Hickey, 425 Enterprise Dr. Bradford, Ill., or by phone, text or email.

OBITUARIES Gary W. Jackson

MANCHESTER, Iowa - Gary Willard Jackson, 89, of Manchester, Iowa, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023, at the Good Neighbor Home in Manchester. Visitation was

to be held from 4-7 p.m. Sept. 13, 2023, at Bohnenkamp-Murdoch Funeral Home. In accordance with his wishes the casket will remain closed at all times. Private family services will be held.



Jackson

Gary was born on Dec. 30, 1933, in

Princeville, Ill., the son of Willard

and Naomi (Herrmann) Jackson. He

graduated from Toulon High School

United States Army where he proudly

served our country and was honor-

able discharged. Gary married Betty

Louise Ankrom on Nov. 23, 1957, in

Jacksonville, Ill. Three children were

born to this union. The couple moved

Gary entered into a long-time part-

nership with his brother-in-law Char-

lie Ankrom. He and Charlie spent

most of their lives working on the

in the fall. Gary and Charlie were

good stewards of the land, making

farms doing tillage, mowing ditches

and waterways and harvesting crops

to the Manchester area where they

raised their family.

in Illinois. Gary entered into the

sure the farms would be there for future generations. Gary passed away four years to the day Charlie had passed.

He served on the Good Neighbor Home and Oakland Cemetery Boards, was a 4-H leader, was involved with FFA and was a member of the First Presbyterian church. He enjoyed mowing and always kept his lawn immaculate, traveling the countryside and loved spending time with his family. Gary will be missed by all those who knew and loved him.

Gary is survived by his wife of 65 years, Betty Jackson; children, Melanie (Dennis) Glew of Riverdale, Pam (Larry) Murley of Aurora and Gary (Roxie) Jackson of Manchester, all of Iowa; grandchildren, Nick (Erica) Glew, Abby (Paul) Hovey, Melissa (Ed) Ludt, Kelly (Markie) Murley, Mark (Christa) Murley, Jeremy (Gina) Jackson, Jennifer (Christopher) Clayton, Tyler (Mindi) Jackson and Wesley (Aubrey) Jackson; and 29 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Willard and Naomi Jackson; sister, Gladys Webster; and greatgranddaughter Hope Rose Jackson.

Memorials in memory of Gary may be directed to the Presbyterian Church, Good Neighbor Society and Care Initiatives Hospice, all of Manchester. Share a memory of Gary at www.murdochfuneralhome.com under obituaries.

ALL SPORTS ROUNDUP Freshman Smith 15th at First to Finish

By The Prairie News

PEORIA - Stark County freshman Dusti Smith proved she's ready for any stage this cross country season.

Racing Saturday on the state course at Detweiller Park, Smith earned a medal by placing 15th in the field of 403 runners with a time of 18:19.6.

Smith was the second-fastest freshman in the race, placing behind only Jadyn Gerardi of Anna-Jonesboro (7th, 17:52.10).

Smith's fast race helped the Stark County girls place 18th overall in a race won by Tolono Unity.

Other scoring runners for Stark County were sophomore Cheyenh Smith (105th, 21:26.7), sophomore Paytin Terwilliger (141st, 22:02.9), junior Alexis Martinez (149th, 22:12.5) and junior Sarah Kraklow

– Jeff Lampe • Galva volleyball – Galva (3-6) prevailed in a three-set non-conference match at Abingdon Avon 25-18, 19-25, 25-16 on Sept. 6.

Ava Strom was busy with four aces, nine kills, two blocks and 12 assists. Kendall Rogers recorded four aces and two kills. Maddie Bates scored on three ace serves. Addison Yepsen had two aces, a huge 36 assists, 14 digs and three kills. Reese Sumner blocked two. Addie Moore blocked two. Kayla Gale dug 11. Chloe Ruhl recorded eight digs in the balanced win.

The Lady Wildcats came up short in a 25-18, 25-22 decision at Lincoln Trail opponent ROWVA-Williamsfield on Sept. 5.

Strom assisted on scores 21 times, had four digs, two kills and two aces. vite, winning one of four games. The win was over LaMoille.

"We played our best volleyball of the season so far, competing in every contest," SCHS coach Mary Jo Groter.

Sophie Finnegan led the Lady Rebels in blocks on the day. Finnegan and Claire Bowser paced the team in kills. Madison Bambalough was the aces leader for Stark County.

SCHS fell to non-conference opponent Knoxville 25-8 and 25-16 at home on Sept. 6. Payten Hillier recorded two ace serves and one kill. Reagan Calder had seven digs along with one kill. Bowser, Kimmie Salisbury, and Tori Hawley each scored on one kill.

The Lady Rebels are next on the

Galva First United Methodist Church

Rev. Rebecca Gearhart 214 NW 2nd Ave., Galva, IL 61434 (309) 932-2460 preachinghope@gmail.com galvafirst@gmail.com Sunday Worship: 9:00

Wyoming United Methodist Church

Pastor Rebecca Klemm 302 North Main Street PO Box 287 Wyoming, IL, 61491-0287. 309-606-9027 Email: WyomingUMCPastor@gmail.com Service is held at 10:30 Sunday morning.

The Oaks Community Church

1868 Congregational Road, Dahinda, IL (309) 879-2042 Pastor Marty Briney and Pastor Dean Lane Worship Service 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Website www.theoakscommunitychurch.com Facebook:www.facebook.com/TheOaksCommunityChurch

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(219th, 23:44.0).

Charlotte Farmer (209th, 23:25.9) was the top Galva's girls runner.

In the boys race, Galva sophomore Ian Pacheco was 186th in 18:32.7 and freshman Bryant Jeffrey was 270th in 19:30.8. Stark County's Ethan Grinnell was 446th in 22:31.8. Stark County runs Saturday at the Dale Donner Invite in Walnut. Varsity girls run at 10 a.m., boys at 10:40.

Ruhl ace served twice. Yepsen recorded four kills, 17 assists and six digs. Sumner scored on three kills to go with four digs. Rogers had two kills and seven digs. Bates assisted on six scores in the effort.

Next up for Galva is a spot in ROWVA's Fall-E-Ball Tournament on Saturday in Oneida.

– Phil Johnson • SC volleyball – Stark County (1-9) competed in Saturday's Midland In-

road today (Thursday) versus Lincoln Trail rival ROWVA-Williamsfield.

- Phil Johnson

• SC golf – At Kewanee's Boiler Open Saturday at Baker Park, Stark County posted a team total of 411 strokes: Jimmy Langdon 50-58-108, Adam West 50-50-100, Will Rumbold 48-52-100 and Timmy Giesenhagen 57-48-105.



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FOOTBALL: PAT a highlight for Galva in loss

Continued from Page 12 following the hosts' only touchdown is believed to be the first such successful kick in the Wildcats' 8-man football history, according to Coach Mark Jeffrey.

"I think the whole place erupted," he said. "We said, 'If we score, we're kicking it. We're not going for two.' We just normally don't kick extra points because there are so many things that have to go right to get them."

The PAT following Braxton "Moose" Hulstrom's 10-yard scoring run was one of few things that went according to script for Galva. It fell to 0-3 and remained in last place in its six-team 8-man division.

Bushnell-Prairie City (2-1) scored 30 in the first quarter. Overall, Lane Huffman ran for four touchdowns and 123 yards.

"If they had a poster boy for 8-man football, it would have his picture on it," Jeffrey said. "When he gets out in space, it's pretty much a wrap. There's no two or three people who can stop him."

Galva was missing freshman Kaden Snider because of a shoulder injury and lost junior Alec Gustafson because of a head-to-head hit, according to Jeffrey. He said several other players were benched for disciplinary reasons that might extend into the Wildcats' home game Friday against Alden-Hebron (1-2).

"The process of building this thing is long and it's tedious and it is what it is," Jeffrey said. "You don't wallow in it. You regroup and you go right back to work. You don't sulk. We knew it was going to be a hard season."

-Nick Vlahos **ROWVA-Williamsfield 38. United 18**

- 35

Yds per carry

Comp-Att-Int

Passing yds

MONMOUTH -- In a battle of unbeaten football teams, R-W started on the right foot. Then it used the right foot of Kole Miller to help distance itself from Monmouth United. Miller kicked a 30-yard field goal and five extra points Sept. 8 as R-

Stark County 35

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Scoring Summary

First Quarter

Third Quarter

SC - Rewerts 54 run (kick failed)

SC - Bowser 40 punt return (Orwig

SC - Rewerts 16 run (Manzano-Garcia

SC - Barnwell 9 run (Manzano-Garcia

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won a LincolnLand Conference small-division game, 38-18.

Riley Danner passed for three touchdowns, including one to Lewis Sams that allowed the Cougars to erase a 12-7 first-half deficit. But the initial Danner-Sams TD connection, for 12 yards in the first quarter, gave R-W (3-0, 2-0) the early lead.

"I think that was the first time they'd been trailing on the season," R-W Coach Grant Gullstrand said about United. "That was something we talked about being important to do ... put them in a position they hadn't been in yet and go from there."

Sams' 69-yard second-quarter catch from Danner started a string of four R-W scores, capped by Talan Hull's 44-yard third-quarter interception return. That helped put the game out of the Red Storm's reach.

United (2-1, 1-1) had extra-point chances early and late but couldn't convert. Meanwhile, Miller was flawless, including his first field goal.

"He's a weapon for us," Gullstrand said. "When we get a touchdown, most of the time we don't think about going for two, because we know we're going to get seven out of it."

Danner completed 15 of 22 pass attempts, for 219 yards. Bryan Bertlshofer ran for 120 of his team's 156 rushing yards. That included a 46yard third-quarter TD run.

Gullstrand praised his all-rookie offensive line of Max Main, Luke Nelson, twins Ayden and Cayden Sanders and Jackson Strom.

"They're doing a fantastic job of protecting Riley and opening up holes," Gullstrand said.

The line and the others are likely to receive another test Friday night at Princeville (2-1, 2-0), which is tied with R-W for second place in the league.

Princeville quarterback Logan Carruthers has been out with injury, but con-

"If he's not the best running back in the conference, he's right up there with the rest of them," he said. "Our kids are going to have to be focused on their assignments, because they're going to try to move him around the field to try to get him the ball."

Nick Vlahos Knoxville 41, Princeville 8 KNOXVILLE – The Princes (2-1,

2-0) struggled on both sides of the ball in a crossover game against LincolnLand large-division leader Knoxville (3-0, 2-0).

Knoxville did not punt in the first half and led 28-8 at halftime.

"They're a little bigger than I thought they were on film and they were fast off the line," Princeville Coach Jon Carruthers said. "If you can't get that offense stopped, they'll just keep grinding it."

Princeville was without quarterback Logan Carruthers, who dislocated his shoulder last week but could return this Friday against R-W.

In his place, Jake Williams started and "threw some nice balls" according to Coach Jon Carruthers.

Coach Carruthers also praised sophomore Kaiden Sarnes for a strong second half at middle linebacker.

-Jeff Lampe

Elsewhere

Dillon Horrie ran for two scores and passed for another and Zeb Rashid ran for a 44-yard TD as Annawan-Wethersfield (2-1, 2-1) broke a 14-14 halftime tie to top Rushville-Industry (0-3, 0-3). R-I ran for 356 yards and had the ball for more than 11 minutes in the first quarter, with Tanner Gray accounting for 167 yards. ... Mercer County (2-1, 1-0) started its first and final season of LincolnLand play with a 47-0 win over LVC, scoring all its points in the first half. Tannen Whitehall carried the ball 11 times for 196 yards and four touchdowns. ... Elmwood-Brimfield (1-2, 1-2) got its first win, 24-14, by defending 54 passes against West Hancock and throwing none.



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I would like to thank everyone for the beautiful cards, gifts,

emails and flowers I received for my 90th Birthday. It was so

nice to be remembered and thought of.



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JoAnn Stroup

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Individual Statistics

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The Prairie News Sports

Rebels shut out A-Town

Stark Co. improves to 3-0 for first time since 2015

By The Prairie News

WYOMING – There were no fireworks at halftime in the Stark County lockerroom last Friday. Ahead just 7-0 against a winless Abingdon-Avon team, Coach Jade Noard had a simple message.

"When you're expected to be good, you still have to play the game," Noard said. "We were just sloppy all around in the first half."

The Rebels showed they understood immediately, scoring 28 points in the third quarter to post a convincing 35-0 win over A-Town in a LincolnLand small-division game. The victory boosts Stark County to 3-0 for the first time since 2015 – a memorable season that ended with the Rebels finishing second in Class 1A.

The win also moves Stark County to 3-0 and into first place in the LincolnLand small division heading into today's game at Havana (0-3, 0-3).

The Rebels put up points quickly in the third quarter after losing two fumbles and throwing one interception in the first two quarters and managing just one score on a 9-yard run by Chris Barnwell.

"You turn the ball over three times in a half and it's hard to score many points," Noard said.

The opposite was true after intermission, as Stark County held onto the ball and scored plenty. The first came on a 54-yard run by Luke Rewerts. Moments later after forcing a three-and-out, Matthew Bowser took a punt return 40 yards to paydirt. Stark County also converted a fumbled kick return into a 16-yard Rewerts TD run and got a 4-yard score from Nolan Orwig to close the scoring.

"We just didn't make the same mistakes," Noard said.

Rewerts finished with another solid, balanced game, running for 68 yards on just 6 carries and completing 5 of 10 passes for 84 yards. The Rebels ran for 255 yards overall with Nolan Orwig leading the ground game with 118 yards on 11 carries, good for 10.7 per rush.

On defense, Stark County yielded 183 total yards and just 65 on the ground and 2.1 yards per carry. The Rebels did yield a long play that allowed A-Town to get into the red zone, but then shut the scoring threat down.

"We bounced back quickly after they got in the red zone, which we've done all season," Noard said.

Charlie Holmstrom led with seven tackles and Avery Gerber added six for Stark County.

Next up is today's trip to Havana, which has been outscored 93-40 and has struggled since losing to ROWVA-Williamsfield in the opener, 29-20.

"They played ROWVA tough but I don't know what's been going on since then," Noard said.

– Jeff Lampe

Bushnell-Prairie City 57, Galva 7 BUSHNELL – Amid another dreary re-

sult for Galva was a positive accomplishment. The extra point Cyrus Hurd kicked *Continued on Page 11*



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September 1	6th Saturday
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	pull, age groups 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12)
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