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BUSY AS A FARRIER

Shoeing for a living

Farmington man has enjoyed career of working with horses

By JEFF LAMPE
 For The Weekly Post
 FARMINGTON – William Jones is a rarity. One notable way is that he owes his career to his mother-in-law – and admits that fact.
 Then, too, there’s the matter of Jones working as a farrier, making him one of about 25,000 people in the U.S. who earn a living caring for the feet of horses.
 For the past 17 years, Jones has traveled central Illinois trimming and shoeing horse hooves. He enjoys the work and does plenty of it, having had to



Jones

establish a policy of not taking on new customers. But it’s not a career he planned for growing up. “The honest truth is, I was standing around one day waiting for one of the farriers to come do our horses and my mother-in-law (Kate Beckman) said that’s something you ought to do,” said Jones, who at the time had a job framing houses. “She printed a bunch of paper-work on all the horseshoeing schools in the U.S. for me.”
 At first, Jones tossed the papers onto the floorboard of his truck. But curiosity

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William Jones of Farmington works on a hoof of Boo, a pony owned by Rachel Landau of rural Brimfield. Photo by Jeff Lampe.

OB desert

Stark among Illinois counties with limited maternal care

By TAMMIE SLOUP
 FarmWeek
 Stark County residents had the sixth-longest drive in the state to receive care at a birthing hospital according to a recent report by the March of Dimes.
 The average drive for Stark County residents to receive maternal care was 38.7 miles according to the March of Dimes. That’s not unusual in rural areas across Illinois, where 35.5% of women live over 30 minutes from a birthing hospital compared to 3.5% of women living in urban areas.
 And in 21 counties, pregnant women must travel 28.4 miles or more to the closest birthing hospital.
 The data comes from a new March of Dimes report that takes a deep dive into maternal care with a state-by-state analysis. The Aug. 1 report, “Where You Live Matters: Maternity Care Deserts and the Crisis of Access and Equity,” is a new collection of reports that shows more than 5.6 million women live in counties with no or limited access to maternity care services.
 The research shows that for millions of

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U of I Extension responding to ag survey

By Illinois Cooperative Extension
 URBANA – Using feedback received from farmers and other agricultural stakeholders through a 2022 survey, the University of Illinois Extension is currently implementing changes and staffing additions.
 Throughout 2022, Extension’s Assistant Dean and Agriculture and Agribusiness Program Leader Travis Burke and a team of Extension educators initiated a statewide survey on agricultural needs to gain insights on the current and expected

programming, educational and training needs across agricultural topics. More than 300 survey respondents shared priorities for research and education along with their preferences for programming format, timing and content.
 “We heard loud and clear that agricultural stakeholders throughout Illinois would like a greater presence



Curry

from Illinois Extension, and so we have hired seven new commercial agriculture and local foods and small farms systems educators, with plans to fill at least 10 positions by the end of the 2023-24 fiscal year,” Burke said.
 Among those seven new hires is Rachel Curry, who will work in Henry, Mercer, Rock Island and Stark counties and focus on commercial agriculture.
 Curry was part of a field day held Wednesday in Galva noon at the

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BACK ON THE JOB



After taking a few months off to focus on fishing, including this stringer caught last week in the Spoon River by Danielle Robine (right), Danny Blake of Toulon (left) is back delivering The Prairie News. Welcome back.

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FARRIER: Horseshoes changed every 4-6 weeks

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took over and he eventually enrolled for three months of training at Midwest Horseshoeing School in Macomb. While such schooling is not required, Jones said most horse-shoers have at least worked as an apprentice.

"If nothing else, I figured I could shoe my own horses," said Jones, who worked part time as a farrier for two years. "It got to where I was working every night and every week-end and it was either quit taking shoeing work and keep framing, or quit framing and go to work for myself."

Jones chose the latter because he enjoys working with horses and with metal. At first, he would travel all over Illinois to visit stables. Now he limits his range to about a 40-mile radius of his house south of Farmington, where he lives with wife Kayla, two children and five horses.

"There's not a shortage of horses, there's a shortage of horseshoers," he said.

That's also why shoeing is not a career one typically works at until retirement age. With that future in mind, Jones also runs a snowplow business, owns rental houses and is considering taking his mobile coffee shop off the road in Bartonville and into a building somewhere.

But for now, he's content to keep trimming and shoeing. Trimming is the first step in hoof care and involves using various knives, nippers and rasps to get a hoof into proper form.

"We're looking at the balance of the foot, the angle of the foot and toe lengths," Jones said. "The difference between a farrier and a horseshoer is that a farrier has a bit more vet-type experience."

Some equine clients require only a trim. Others also need new shoes.

"If you are riding on rocks or up and down a road, (horseshoes) are a protection thing," Jones said. "For barrel racing and roping, the shoes give them traction."

Jones charges \$40 for a trim and \$130 for four shoes. Shoeing is done every four to six weeks and trimming can be pushed to eight weeks if the horse has not been shod.

Jones previously made his own shoes but found it was not cost-effective. Now he buys steel or aluminum shoes from Anvil Brand, a nationally

known hoofcare store located in Lexington.

Jones said it takes about an hour and a half to shoe most horses. A full day of work, he said, entails shoeing four horses or trimming 10-12.

"It doesn't matter to me if it's a \$50 horse or a \$50,000 horse," Jones said. "The job I do is the same for all of them. These horses have to be on their feet when you are done with them and I just feel like taking a little extra time is the right way to do it."

Jones has been around horses all his life and said he is very comfortable with them. Even so, he is often asked if horses kick while being shod.

"That's what everybody thinks, but that's the last thing on a (horse's) mind," he said. "The first thing on their mind is just to get away if they are afraid."

The key, he says, is to keep horses calm.

"Horses can read your body language. If you're rushing around they get kind of nervous," he said. "If they start getting nervous, just rub them and talk to them. A lot of times if you just talk to them you can calm them down."

Besides, who doesn't like getting a new pair of shoes?

EXTENSION: Soil health and quality a priority

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Brian Corkill Farm. Curry shared insights into the role of cover crops in nutrient loss and in the Illinois Nutrient Loss

Reduction Strategy. Dennis Bowman, an Extension specialist in digital agriculture, was also scheduled to seed a field with cover crops by drone and robot.

Beyond hiring, Extension educators are now developing programs based on the responses to last year's survey, particularly with respect to row crops, specialty crops and livestock management.

"Soil health and quality emerged as a top outreach priority for both row crop and specialty crop pro-

ducers," said Talon Becker, commercial agriculture educator.

A field day is planned for this fall and work is being done to provide an update on research being done at the U of I on estimating and measuring carbon sequestration.

Local Foods Educator Bronwyn Aly has incorporated specialty crop producer needs into upcoming education and research.

"Our research and education will continue to focus on identified priority areas such as plant nutrition needs, pest identification, biological controls and cover crops," she said.

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PUBLIC RECORD

Traffic citations & Ordinance violation

8-29 - Corey A. O’Laughlin - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
8-30 - Martin Martinez - Driving 11-14 mph above limit.
8-30 - Chelsea L. Nelson - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.

Incidents & Accidents

8-28 - Lori and John Nelson, Bradford, reported the theft of a homemade trailer from a rural farm address along East Osceola Road.
8-29 - Edward L. Hufnagel, 55, Toulon, was arrested for driving while his license was revoked. He posted \$250 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear.
8-29 - Meliton Mercado-Men-chaca, 45, Peoria, was cited for driving without a valid driver’s li-cense, speeding 63 mph in a 55 zone, and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was issued a court date.
8-31 - Tommy Stoecker Jr., 27, of Wyoming, reported he had been the victim of a hit-and-run accident when his vehicle was side-swiped by an unidentified driver at the corner of Jackson and Timber streets in LaFayette.

9-1 - Patricia A. Fritz, 43, Her-nando, Fla., was cited for improper lane usage.
9-2 - Serena J. Brenning-Scott, 20, Peoria, was cited for speeding 84 mph in a 55 zone, driving on a suspended registration and driving with no vehicle insurance. She was issued a notice to appear.
9-3 - Michael C. Dougherty Jr., 29, Toulon, was ticketed for driving on an expired registration, driving on a revoked driver’s license and improper lane usage. He was issued notices to appear.
9-3 - Skylar M. Sauer, 19, Galva, was cited for driving without ve-hicle insurance.
9-3 - Rebecca J. Sutton, 40, of Russiaville, Ind., was issued notice to appear for driving an uninsured vehicle.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:
8-28 - to the 300 block of SE 1st St. to assist the Galva Street Depart-ment get a vehicle moved from the edge of the roadway for road re-pairs.
8-28 - to the 100 block of NW 3rd St. for a possible water-main break. It was determined to be a water service line to a residence. The Galva Water Department was con-tacted to shut the water off.
8-28 - to a residence on Swank Street to follow up on a social media complaint involving a juve-nile.
8-28 - to the 300 block of SW 1st Ave. for a disabled electric wheel-chair in the roadway. Officer was able to push the subject back to the Lincoln House to recharge the wheelchair.
8-29 - Officer spoke to a subject by telephone about a social security scam reported last week.
8-29 - to the 1000 block of NW 7th Ave. for a complaint involving an aggressive dog that got loose a few days earlier and ran after a neighbor. The dog owner was warned about the Illinois leash law.
8-29 - to the 500 block of SE 5th Ave. for an abandoned bicycle com-plaint. The bike was in very poor condition and was disposed of.
8-29 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd



St. to remove an unwanted subject.
8-29 - to the 00 block of Wallace St. for a loose-dog complaint. The owner was looking for the dog in the area. It was returned to her.
8-30 - to the 00 block of NW 2nd St. for a 911 hang-up call. It was determined to be a misdial.
8-30 - to the 300 block of Market St. for a possible theft complaint. Upon further investigation, the item in question had been given to the subject and was not stolen.
8-30 - to the 500 block of NW 7th St. for a city ordinance violation for burning on a non-burn day. The small fire was put out.
8-30 - to meet a subject at the Galva Police Department to report a two-vehicle accident with damage only that occurred about three weeks earlier. The subjects were not able to work out payment arrange-ments between themselves and needed a crash report for insurance purposes.
8-30 - to the 1000 block of SE 2nd St. for an audible panic alarm. It was a false alarm.
8-31 - to the 00 block of NW 4th Ave. for a complaint involving a neglected dog. The dog appeared healthy.
8-31 - to the 00 block of SW 2nd St. in reference to threats and ha-rassing phone calls and text mes-sages.

9-1 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 600 block of SE 2nd St., Katherine Bricker, 47, Galva, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration was suspended for no insurance and operating an unin-sured vehicle. She was released with a required court date.
9-1 - to the 500 block of NE 2nd St. for a 911 misdial call. A resident was having phone problems.
9-1 - Officer was flagged down by a subject in the 1100 block of NW 3rd Ave. in reference to a juve-nile refusing to return home with a parent. Crisis intervention was con-tacted and responded to find a res-olution.
9-1 - to the 700 block of NW 2nd St. for a verbal domestic distur-bance.
9-1 - Officer assisted Henry County with a single-vehicle roll-over accident with injuries about two miles east of town on Route 34.
9-1 - Officer checked on a suspi-cious vehicle that was parked in the 00 block of NW 3rd St. The subject was having car problems.
9-2 - to the 1100 block of SE 2nd St. for a 911 hang up call. It was determined to be a misdial.
9-2 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 400 block of W. Division St., Aaron Aultman, 24, of Washington, Ill., was arrested for possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor ve-hicle. A passenger, Rafael Hernan-

dez-Ramirez, 23, also of Washing-ton, was arrested for possession of adult-use cannabis in a motor ve-hicle and illegal transportation of alcohol by a passenger. Both sub-jects were released with required court dates.
9-2 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a loose-dog complaint. Of-ficer located the owner nearby and the dog was returned.
9-2 - to the Galva Cemetery for a suspicious vehicle complaint. The subject was visiting a gravesite.
9-2 - to the 300 block of NW 2nd St. for a complaint involving a dog that bit a subject walking past.
9-3 - to the 400 block of SE 1st St. for a domestic disturbance and child-custody dispute. The children were exchanged without further in-cident.
9-3 - to the 100 block of SE 2nd St. for a theft complaint.
9-3 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St., Tonya Rose, 55, Galesburg, was ar-rested for speeding 26-35 mph over the posted limit. She was released with a court date.
9-3 - to the 500 block of SE 2nd St. for a traffic complaint involving open alcohol and drugs being seen. Officer was not able to locate the suspect vehicle.
9-3 - to the 100 block of NW 7th Ave. to check a vacant residence that had lights on. Officer checked the residence, not finding anyone. The officer secured the doors.
9-2 - Lindsey Marshall, 40, Vic-toria, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.
9-2 - Tiana Calhoun, 44, Gales-burg, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.
9-2 - Rebecca Heaton, 85, LaFay-ette, was issued a citation for speed-ing in the 1000 block of SE 2nd St.
9-2 - Cornelius Stanley, 53, Ga-lesburg, was issued a citation for not having valid registration in the 1000 block of SW 2nd St.

Peoria County Report

8-25 – An Edelstein-area man re-quired hospital attention after a riding mower fell on him. The accident hap-pened about 7 p.m. at a farm in the 4600 block of W. Illinois Route 90, according to a Peoria County Sher-iff’s Office report. The 64-year-old victim was aboard the mower when it slid alongside a creek. Someone at-tached a chain to a field tractor to pull out the mower.

When the tractor accelerated, the mower rolled and the victim fell off it, the report stated. The mower’s roll bar landed across one of his hips. The victim said he didn’t feel severe pain, but an ambulance transported him to Carle Health Methodist Hospital in Peoria as a precaution.

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Court ruling makes Clean Water murky

In the bitterly divided, highly partisan world of Washington, D.C., few institutions are more divided and more partisan than today’s Supreme Court.

The court showcased that split again this spring when it significantly narrowed the federal government’s authority to protect wetlands under the 51-year-old Clean Water Act (CWA) in Sackett v. Environmental Protection Agency. The 5-4 decision was as groundbreaking as it will be water-polluting, say environmental advocates.

The facts of the case are clear: In 2007, an Idaho couple, the Sacketts, planned to build a home near a lake. As construction began, EPA ordered it halted “because their lot contain(ed) wetlands protected by the CWA, which bars the discharge of pollutants, including rocks and sand, into ‘navigable waters,’” explained the independent, peer-reviewed SCOTUSblog.

The Sacketts didn’t file suit over the fact that a wetland was on their property; everyone agreed that there was. Instead, the fight ensued over whether the wetland drained into a “navigable water” as defined under the Clean Water Act.

EPA ruled it did; the Sacketts disagreed, noting that the wetland first drained into an unnavigable creek before it drained into the indisputably “navigable” lake. Despite court loss after court loss, the couple pursued the case until it rose, appeal after appeal, to the high court.

The court, unsurprisingly, accepted the case because previous Supreme Court rulings in Clean Water Act cases seemed to muddy

the complicated law “as property owners and the federal government wrestled with how far to extend its protections against polluting the navigable waters of the country,” Roll Call recently explained.

Farm and ranch groups joined the Sacketts in the fight. After decades of tiptoeing through legal and legislative fights over what constitutes a “navigable water,” everyone – even environmental groups – wanted someone, be it Congress, the courts, or the White House, to arrive at a clear, workable clean water rule.

Previous attempts centered around WOTUS, or the broadly interpreted, EPA-empowering Waters of the United States rule.

To most farmers, WOTUS was a “I-can’t-tell-you-what-it-is-until-I-see-it” EPA trap that had not kept up with agriculture’s rapid industrialization under the aging Clean Water Act. The courts agreed and, as such, WOTUS went through several updates and revisions under succeeding administrations.

The May 25 Sackett decision, however, ended that bitter, decades-long fight by starting another bitter, probably decades-long fight.

Justice Samuel Alito (he of recent Alaskan water fame) wrote that the Sacketts had been right from the get-go: “In sum, we hold that the CWA extends to only those ‘wetlands with a continuous surface connection to bodies that are ‘waters of the United States’ in their own right’...”

In fact, Alito added, “...they are ‘indistinguishable’ from those waters.”

The decision, joined by Chief Justice John Roberts, Justice Clarence Thomas, Justice Amy Coney Barrett, and Justice Neil Gorsuch, “significantly shrank the reach of the federal clean water protections, dealing a major blow to President Joe Biden’s efforts to restore pro-

tections to millions of acres of wetlands and delivering a victory to multiple powerful industries,” reported Politico.

That’s an understatement; most land developers, farmers, and ranchers were elated after the razor-thin decision was handed down.

Also understated are the ruling’s long-term consequences, notes DemocracyNow, a left-leaning news organization. The court’s action “ends protections for about half of all wetlands in the contiguous United States, jeopardizing access to safe drinking water for millions.”

In a curious twist, the court’s other four justices agreed that the Sacketts had been right from the start but strongly disagreed with their colleagues’ solution: knee-capping the Clean Water Act by appointing themselves “as the national decision-maker on environmental policy.” That was Congress’s job and, in fact, it had done that job when it “drafted the CWA.”

Justice Brett Kavanaugh went further in his dissent. Writing for his three colleagues, Kavanaugh, a Trump appointee, noted that the “court’s new [WOTUS] test is ‘sufficiently novel and vague’ and that it will create precisely the kind of regulatory uncertainty that the majority criticized.”

In short, the split decision only further muddies the law and rural America’s increasingly dirty waters—navigable or unnavigable.

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OB CARE: Maternity units closing nationwide

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women in the United States, it's more difficult to access maternity care. One of the largest analyses on maternity care access, the report offers insight into factors that impact pregnancies.

"A person's ability to have a healthy pregnancy and healthy birth should not be dictated by where they live and their ability to access consistent, quality care but these reports show that, today, these factors make it dangerous to be pregnant and give birth for millions of women in the United States," said Dr. Elizabeth Cherot, March of Dimes president and chief executive officer. "Our research shows maternity care is simply not a priority in our health-care system and steps must be taken to ensure all moms receive the care they need and deserve to have healthy pregnancies and strong babies."

Hospital closures and a shortage of providers are driving changes in maternity-care access, especially within rural areas. Data shows that in Illinois, 34.3% of counties are defined as maternity-care deserts.

Care deserts are defined as counties without any obstetric providers or a hospital or birth center that offers obstetric care. Across the country, 6%

of counties have less access to maternity care than they had in 2018, the first year March of Dimes issued a report on maternity care.

Mapping software calculated the average distance to the closest birthing hospital throughout Illinois to help identify areas where resources are needed to improve access to care. Overall in the U.S., women travel 9.7 miles to their nearest birthing hospital, with Illinois women traveling an average of 6.8 miles. However, women living in counties with the highest travel times could travel up to 47.8 miles and 59 minutes, on average, to reach their nearest birthing hospital, and 4.6% of women in Illinois had no birthing hospital within 30 minutes.

Of the 21 counties where women must travel 28.4 miles or more to the closest birthing hospital, Hardin County in southeast Illinois (the least populous county in the state) had the highest mileage at 47.8 miles.

The report also looked at availability of family planning services, disparities in prenatal care, chronic health conditions and preterm birth, and policy solutions and actions.

Other nationwide findings include:

- The loss of obstetric units in hospitals was responsible for decreased maternity care access in 369 counties

since the 2018 report.

- Seventy additional counties have been classified as maternity care deserts due to a loss of obstetric providers and obstetric units in hospitals, since the initial report in 2018.
- More than 32 million reproductive-age women are vulnerable to poor health outcomes due to a lack of access to reproductive healthcare services.
- States with the highest rates of maternity care deserts include Alaska, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma and South Dakota.

The report comes during a critical time for hospitals struggling with maternity unit closures, recruitment and staffing.

Even before the pandemic, hospitals started closing maternity units because of low birth volume and rising costs. According to the American Hospital Association, more than 50% of births in maternity care deserts are reimbursed by Medicaid, which have lower reimbursement rates – forcing hospitals to make cuts that leave patients without access to care.

In addition, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has reported obstetrics to have one of the highest burnout rates across medical specialties, making it difficult to recruit and retain providers.

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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on August 4, 2023, Steven V. Sloan will on October 4, 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: Commonly known as 526 North Oak Street, Toulon, IL 61483 Parcel Number(s): 03-24-400-007 The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence. Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certi-

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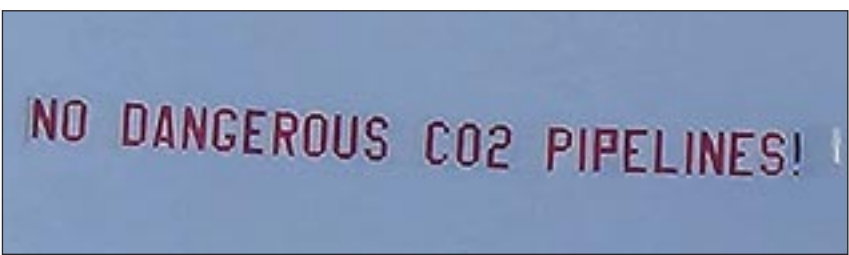
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The benefit begins with a lunch at the Colony School, located at 405 West Main Street, Bishop Hill. Lunch will be by free will donation. Bluegrass music will be provided by the Tap Root Wranglers. A live auction and raffle will also take place at the Colony School at 2 p.m. .

Since the start of this benefit, the community has raised more than \$120,000 for the Quad Cities Chapter of the Honor Flight Network. Area veterans will be provided with a free trip to Washington, D.C. to visit their memorial.

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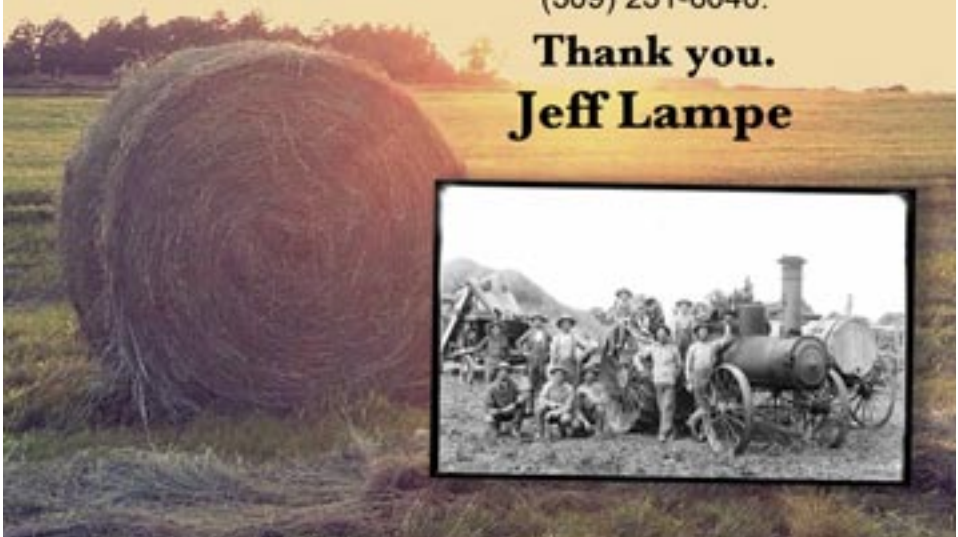
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Parcel Number(s): 03-24-400-
007

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).

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

For information call Plaintiff's
Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski
LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250,
Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number:
312-651-6700. Attorney file
number: 22-004727.
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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
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) 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 City 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 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
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.

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and to select a service provider. If
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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
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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
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provider.

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circuit clerk's office.
Barash & Everett, LLC
Attorney for Executor
211 W. 2nd St.
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Stark County C.U.S.D. #100
Board of Education directed its
superintendent to prepare a budget
for the 2023-2024 school year.
This action was taken at a regular
meeting on June 20, 2023. This
budget will be on display beginning
Tuesday, August 22, 2023 in the
Office of the Superintendent, 300
W. Van Buren, Wyoming, Illinois.

The Public Hearing on this
Budget will be held Monday,
September 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in
the Stark County Elementary
Cafeteria, 300 W. Van Buren,
Wyoming, Illinois.

Emily Leezer, Secretary
Board of Education
Stark County CUSD #100
Published 9/8/23

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF STARK) SS.
CERTIFICATE

I, Hollie Scott do hereby certify
that I am the duly appointed,
qualified and now acting Secretary

| OSCEOLA TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2023 | | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Town Fund | | | | |
| Cash Receipts | | | | |
| Property tax \$70,153, state replacement tax \$7,596, interest \$206, TOIRMA refund \$1,008, and miscellaneous income \$1. Total cash receipts \$78,964. | | | | |
| Cash Disbursements | | | | |
| Internal Revenue Service \$8,116, TOIRMA \$6,769, transfers out \$32,000, Compensation under \$25,000 (R. Moodie, K. Logsdon, M. Chamberlain, J. Ellis, C. Joos, S. Ehnle, W Ringger) \$20,514, cash disbursements under \$2,500: \$13,559. Total cash disbursements \$80,958. | | | | |
| | Town Fund | General Assistance | Cemetery Fund | TOTAL |
| Balance March 31, 2022 | \$52,402 | \$45,129 | \$10,646 | \$108,177 |
| Cash Receipts | 68,768 | 7,554 | 2,642 | 78,964 |
| Cash Disbursements | (77,439) | (1,990) | (1,529) | (80,958) |
| Balance March 31, 2023 | \$43,731 | \$50,693 | \$11,759 | \$106,183 |
| Road & Bridge District | | | | |
| Cash Receipts | | | | |
| Property tax \$58,049, state replacement tax \$8,992, interest income \$573, transfers in \$32,000, other income \$500. Total cash receipts \$100,114. | | | | |
| Cash Disbursements | | | | |
| Ameren \$2,794, Purtscher Oil \$5,988, Compensation under \$25,000 (A. Koelling, D. Ehnle) \$309, cash disbursements under \$2,500: \$13,715. Total cash disbursements \$22,806. | | | | |
| | Road & Bridge Fund | Building & Equipment | Bridge Construction | TOTAL |
| Balance March 31,2022 | \$86,129 | \$18,631 | \$164,516 | \$269,276 |
| Cash Receipts | 57,377 | 4,372 | 38,365 | 100,114 |
| Cash Disbursements | (17,911) | (4,895) | | (22,806) |
| Balance March 31, 2023 | \$125,595 | \$18,108 | \$202,881 | \$346,584 |
| Subscribed and sworn to this 30th day of August 2023, I, Martha Chamberlain, Supervisor of Osceola Township, County of Stark, State of Illinois, do certify that the above is a true copy of the annual treasurer's report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023. | | | | |
| Martha Chamberlain, Supervisor | | | | |
| Published 9/8/23 | | | | |
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of the Bradford Public Library
District in the Counties of Stark,
Marshall and Bureau and the State
of Illinois; that attached hereto is a
true and correct copy of the Annual
Budget and Appropriation
Ordinance No. 23-3 for the fiscal
year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

I further certify that the Annual
Budget and Appropriation
Ordinance was duly passed by the
Board of Trustees of said Library
District at a meeting thereof held
on the 21st day of August 2023;
that said Ordinance was duly
passed by yea and nay vote thereon
with at least a majority of all the
Board of Trustees having voted yea
on the adoption and passage
thereof and approved in
accordance with the laws of the
State of Illinois pursuant to the
notice and publication thereof as
required by law.

I further certify that said Annual
Budget and Appropriation
Ordinance, contains an estimate of
revenues, by sources, anticipated
to be received by the Bradford
Public Library in the fiscal year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
signed my name in my official
capacity as the Secretary of the
Board of Trustees of the Bradford
Public Library, at Bradford, Illinois,

this 21st day of August 2023.
Hollie Scott
Secretary
Bradford Public Library District
Published 9/8/23

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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 AD-
DITION, 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 appli-
cation 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
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High school sports participation up

INDIANAPOLIS – Participation in high school sports eclipsed 7.8 million in the 2022-23 school year, reflecting a sharp increase from the previous year, according to the National Federation of State High School Associations.

A total of 7,857,969 participants competed in high school sports in 2022-23, an increase of nearly 240,000 and up more than 3 percent from 2021-22. That includes 4,529,789 boys and 3,328,180 girls, according to figures obtained from 51 NFHS member state associations, including the District of Columbia.

This year’s total marks the first upward movement in participation since the record of 7,980,886 in 2017-18, which was fol-

lowed by the first decline in 30 years in 2018-19 and a two-year halt in data collection due to the pandemic.

“Perhaps the most encouraging news with this year’s survey is that most every sport for boys and girls registered an increase from the previous year. Certainly, that is the goal of these programs – to meet the needs of as many students as possible. We salute coaches, administrators and everyone involved in school-based sports the past few years for their efforts in keeping these programs alive,” said Dr. Karissa Niehoff, NFHS chief executive officer.

The top 10 sports remained the same for both boys and girls. For boys,

basketball is first in number of programs while football is tops in number of participants. Outdoor track and field is second in both categories.

For girls, basketball is tops in number of programs at schools and outdoor track leads in number of participants.

The top 10 sports remained the same for both boys and girls, with boys tennis leapfrogging boys golf as the eighth-most popular sport, and girls basketball and girls competitive spirit each moving up a spot on the girls side. On the boys side, eight of the top ten sports registered increases in participation, while nine of the top ten sports on the girls side added participants.

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Super Crossword

SCALE MODELS

ACROSS

1 Buccolic

9 Break away formally

15 Lazes about

20 Out of prison conditionally

21 Brand of infant formula

22 "— vinot amor" ("Love conquers all")

23 Try to get the job done

24 "The Grass Is Singing"

26 Falco of "Or"

27 Bonding stuff

29 Peevish

30 O or E, e.g.

31 Original host of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire"

35 In a calm way

37 Bellhop's employer

38 Ultimate

40 Actress Hagen

41 They suffer for what they believe in

45 First lady who wrote "American Grown"

52 Self-confident declaration

53 Zlich

54 Ugly plants

55 Stuff oozing down a trunk

56 She sang "I'll Be Missing You" with Puff Daddy

60 Skewed view

61 Unicycle part

62 Trout feature

63 "— go brag!"

64 Makes taboo

65 Sister chain of Marshalls

67 Art collector who founded a Manhattan museum

72 Daisy parts

74 Nets or Nats

75 Daily opinion page

76 The Monkees' "— Believer"

79 Since

80 Like lingerie

81 She played Kerry Weaver on "ER"

84 Hertz offering

85 Actress Keanan of "Step by Step"

87 Transmitted

88 This plus that

89 George C. Scott's "Taps" co-star

92 Certain stream of particles

95 N, S, E or W

96 — de mer

97 Utility bill info

99 Walish supermodel

104 Creator and star of FX's "Atlanta"

110 Wall St. hedger

111 Remove a collar from, e.g.

113 Musk of SpaceX

114 Co. transfer

115 Luminaries like the eight featured in this puzzle? (hint: look at their first few letters)

118 Took off on

121 Pacific island nation

122 Dubbed

123 Greatness

124 Some female singers

125 Refugee

126 Goes along with humbly

4 George who played Sulu

5 Singer Rita

6 Get decayed

7 Touches down

8 Leave alone

9 Second half of a single

10 "— Bess"

11 City about 50 miles west of Athens

12 Arab leader

13 Casino chips, e.g.

14 J.R. Ewing's mother

15 California city near San Jose

16 Meditation syllables

17 Japanese cartoon art

18 Ultimate

19 Drooping

25 Invested (with)

28 Funny Tracey

32 Timid

33 "— favor"

34 Old Andean

36 Eatery bill

39 Chopping with an ax

41 Peeve

42 Brazilian berry

43 Cloudburst

44 Blasting aid

46 Passports, e.g.

47 Rent

48 The, in Paris

49 Area south of the Black Sea

50 Karl with a manifesto

51 Zenith

53 Manipulation of matter on a tiny scale

57 Satan's home

58 God of love

59 Livelihood

60 Satchel, e.g.

61 "Eww, no more!" in texts

64 Lazy type

65 Ellington's "Take — Train"

66 Yoda is one

68 Kutzy type

69 Medication for acid reflux

70 Part of LGBT

71 "Fresh Air" ainer

72 Postwar deal

73 Morales of the screen

77 Prefix with analysis

78 Pallid

80 Put in words

81 Feline sign

82 Occurring every year

83 Clippers' org.

85 Provocation

86 Ruler's seat

87 WWII battle city in France

90 Pindar poem

92 Sullied reputation

93 Yolk's place

94 Business card no.

96 Slanted

99 Iota-lambda link

100 "That's — shame"

101 Fastening rod with a crosspiece

102 Lazy type

103 Bulgarian capital

105 Essentials

106 Arrangement

107 Leaf features

108 Vote in

109 Floping event

112 Being seen via the small screen

116 Kung — shrimp

117 Wallet bill

119 Discharge from service, informally

120 Wallet bill

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

THAT'S ME AT A DANCE... AND THAT'S ME WITH SOME FELLOW CLASSMATES.

EVERYBODY LOOKS SO SERIOUS. DIDN'T ANYBODY SMILE IN THE OLDEN DAYS?

YEAH, POPS. WAY BACK THEN, WHAT WAS THERE TO WORRY ABOUT?

DINOSAURS.

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

ARE YOU IGNORANT OR JUST APATHE TIC ?

RUB RUB RUB

I DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T CARE.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

A GOOD EVENING? WELL, I'VE TIPPED VALET, COAT CHECK AND A GUY IN THE BATHROOM ALREADY, SO NOT REALLY.

GRIN & BEAT IT

"I got so sentimental when I found one of your old ransom notes!"

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

| | | | | | | | |
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| 9 | | | | 8 | | 2 | |
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| 4 | | | 8 | | | 7 | |
| | | 2 | | 3 | | | 1 |
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| 5 | | | 2 | | 4 | 6 | |

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 3-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Answers on Page 3

CryptoQuote

ANYOLNAKH is LONGFELLOW

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

T SOBGRC RTC BH T OCKKOL

FGAFJEAL JTPL TF QHLTK TA

EAUOGLASL BA YTAC

SBAFKEKGKBEAF TF KJL YBFK

HLTO NOLFFEAQF BH UBHKGALF.

— WBFZLJ TRREBFA

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Trivia test

by RFI Rodriguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What does the acronym "IPA" stand for in a beer?

2. LITERATURE: Who is the author of "The Hunger Games" series?

3. U.S. STATES: Which state has the most lighthouses?

4. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of New Zealand?

5. GAMES: What is a perfect score in bowling?

6. SCIENCE: What does an auxanometer measure?

7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a female donkey called?

8. MOVIES: Which holiday is celebrated at the end of "When Harry Met Sally"?

9. TELEVISION: Which entertainer has hosted "Saturday Night Live" the most?

10. ANATOMY: What is the anatomical name for the kneecap?

Answers

1. India Pale Ale.

2. Suzanne Collins.

3. Michigan.

4. Wellington.

5. 300 points.

6. Plant growth.

7. A jenny.

8. New Year's Eve.

9. Actor Alec Baldwin, 17 times.

10. Patella.

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TOP 10 MOVIES

1. Gran Turismo (PG-13)

2. Barbie (PG-13)

3. Blue Beetle (PG-13)

4. Oppenheimer (R)

5. Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem (PG)

6. Strays (R)

7. Meg 2: The Trench (PG-13)

8. Patribution (R)

9. The Hill (PG)

10. Talk to Me (R)

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Toulon, LaFayette & West Jersey United Methodist Church

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

1st Congregational Church of Toulon

(309) 286-4901
218 N. Henderson St., Toulon
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Email fcctoulon@gmail.com
website: firstcongregationaltoulon.org

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Sunday Worship: 11:00
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OBITUARIES

Robert C. Brown
PRINCEVILLE – Robert C. “Bob” Brown, 79, of Princeville, formerly of Shabbona, peacefully passed away at 10:11 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2023, at home surrounded by his loving family.
Born on Jan. 24, 1944, in Sterling, he was the son of the late Gerald and Juanita (McDonald) Brown. On Aug.



Brown

23, 1969, he married Mary Piatkowski in Streator; she survives.
Also surviving are a son, Robert C. (Michele) Brown, Jr.; grandson, Clark Brown; sister, Donna (Larry) Oncken; brother, Gerald Brown; and several nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by one sister, Sandy Marshall.

Robert was a corporal in the United States Marine Corps, working as a radio operator. He served from 1962-66, and was deployed to Vietnam. He was later employed as an audio-visual engineer at Northern Illinois University for 33 years, retiring in 1999.

He enjoyed electronics, woodworking, and fishing. Bob had a great sense of humor, recently writing a note to his grandson, “Clark, I will be watching over you from heaven on your first home. If that doesn’t work out, I will be in the basement.”

His funeral with military honors will be on Friday, Sept. 8, 2023, at 11 a.m. at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville. Visitation will be two hours prior, beginning at 9 a.m. Burial will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers and memorial gifts, contributions may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.
To leave online condolences for Bob’s family please visit www.haskellfuneral.com.

Lila Baker
PRINCEVILLE – Lila “Fern” Baker, 93, of Princeville, passed away peacefully at 9:45 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, 2023, at the Arc at Chillicothe.
Fern was born on May 4, 1930, in Calhoun County, Miss., to Richard and Iris (Clark) Mooneyham. She married Leland C. “Butch” Baker on June 14, 1953, in Starkville, Miss. He preceded her in death on Dec. 9, 1982.

Survivors include one daughter, Leanna (Tom) Flanagan of Princeville; two sons, Curtis (Rena) Baker of Orange City, Iowa, and Paul Baker of Morton; four grandchildren, Weston (Heidi) Wolven, Wyatt (Melissa) Wolven, Amanda (Gary) Leunsmann and Will (Katy) Baker; eight great-grandchildren, Grayce, Ethan, Olivia, Mathias, Maxwell, Faith, Malachi and Jase; two sisters, Ruby Bell of Princeville and Sue Willingham of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Clark Mooneyham; and one sister, Nancy Potter.

Her funeral service was to be Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023, at Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Princeville. David Spillman was to officiate. Burial was to follow at Princeville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be

made to Akron-Princeville Ambulance Service or the Lillie M. Evans Library.
Condolences for Fern’s family may be left on her tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Lynda L. Oakes
LAURA – Lynda L. Oakes, 80, formerly of rural Laura passed away Aug. 29, 2023, at Seminary Manor Nursing Home in Galesburg, with her family by her side.
Lynda was born Dec. 30, 1942, in Johnson City, Tenn., the daughter of Jesse and Ruth (Presley) Sullivan. She married the love of her life, David H. Oakes, on Aug. 21, 1965, at the Smithville Bible Church in Hanna City.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, David; her children, Charlotte (David) Lindsey of Oneida, Ill., and Robert D. (Mary) Oakes of Chicago; one sister, Mary Ann Hitchcock of Maylene, Ala.; and four grandchildren, Elizabeth (Taylor) Roberts, Timothy Lindsey, Zachary Oakes and Delaney Oakes.

She is preceded in death by her parents and her twin sister, Wilma Munson.

Lynda graduated from Limestone Community High School in 1960. After marrying David, she proudly took on her new position as a farmwife, helping in the field and with the livestock operation. Lynda was selected as “Farmwife of the Year” in 1980 by the Farm Bureau after being nominated by her husband, David. Funeral services were to be Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023. Burial was to be in French Grove Cemetery.

Galva volleyball sweeps past Peoria Manual

By The Prairie News

The Galva volleyball team swept Peoria Manual 25-7, 25-4 on the road last Tuesday in a non-conference contest.

Ava Strom served huge on the night for Galva (2-5) with 14 aces to go with eight attacks, six assists and two digs. Addison Yepsen challenged Strom with 10 aces, eight attacks, leading the team with 12

assists and adding two digs. Addie Moore was the GHS kills leader with five, also recording seven attacks.

The Lady Wildcats are home versus Lincoln Trail opponent Annawan-Wethersfield on Monday for their next matchup.

• **SC volleyball** – Stark County (0-6) fell to Henry 25-13 and 25-15 last Tuesday at home in non-confer-

ence play.
Kenna Newton battled with 11 digs. Payten Hillier assisted on five scores. Hannah Allen, Emily Deme-treon, and Carlyn Ferneti each contributed three kills in the effort.
Next up for the Lady Rebels is a spot in the Midland Invitational at Varna on Saturday.

– Phil Johnson

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FOOTBALL: Galva foe shows up one hour late

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Rewerts also connected with Joos on a 53-yard scoring pass in the third quarter after Cole Kinsella of the Rebels blocked a field-goal attempt.

Joos, who scored his first varsity touchdown in last year’s playoff loss at ROWVA-Williamsfield, now has three TD receptions on the season.

And while Rewerts completed just 4 of 13 passes, two went for scores and he managed 122 passing yards.

Stark County’s second score came on a 6-yard sweep around the right end by senior wideout Avery Gerber. But after grabbing a 14-7 lead and then stopping A-W, the Rebels fumbled a punt return and gave the Titans possession at the Stark County 27-yard line.

“We felt like we were about ready to take control of the game, but we let them back in,” Noard said.

A-W scored a few plays later on a 16-yard run by Tommy Covington. Both other Titans scores were on runs by Horrie, one a 9-yarder and the other from 7 yards in the fourth quarter. That last score set up the dramatic conversion attempt.

“I thought we did a good job on the interior all night and we made the stop when we needed to,” Noard said, singling out praise for defensive lineman Ben Siebenthal and Kinsella. “Our front seven as a group did a really good job of swarming to the football. Their running back and quarterback, there’s a lot of times one guy can’t bring them down. And we usually had a lot of guys there.”

Beyond that, Noard was pleased with how well his team responded to temporary setbacks in a game against an A-W team that was a preseason favorite in the small division.

“We’ve been in two down-to-the-wire games and we had some situations where we could have quit. And we just kept battling and made big plays to win,” Noard said. “I thought we had a chance to do this. But I thought we would have to play more mistake-free than we did. That

makes me feel good, too.”

Next up for the Rebels is a home game Friday against Abingdon-Avon (0-2, 0-2), which has been outscored 43-13 so far this season.

— Jeff Lampe

Rockford Christian Life 36, Galva 0

GALVA – With low numbers in an 8-man format, Galva Coach Mark Jeffrey has learned to roll with the punches. But he probably wasn’t expecting what happened before his team faced Rockford Christian Life.

Their game last Friday night began almost one hour late because of Christian Life tardiness, according to Jeffrey. He said the Christian Life contingent didn’t appear initially in Galva until about 6 p.m., the scheduled kickoff time.

“They thought it started at 7,” Jeffrey said. “They didn’t take a bus. They drove separately. A couple of guys got there at 6, a couple got there at 6:10. It was crazy. Every day, something happens that makes you kind of reset and reorder everything. Just an exercise in fluidity.

“Our warmup was at an all-time high. The weather was perfect, everything was right. At 5:45, we went into the locker room and I was kind of thinking, ‘Where are these guys?’ I gave the pregame speech and we had to sit for 45 minutes.”

Once the game began, Christian Life showed little effects from the delay, nor from their 130-mile trip. Galva was breaking in a new quarterback, senior Andrew Mille, who never had played football, according to Jeffrey. Mille had five fumbles in the first half.

Mille’s travails weren’t decisive, in Jeffrey’s view. They’re part of a long learning curve for the Wildcats.

“We’re playing Detroit Lions ball,” the coach said. “We’re having sustained drives and getting stops on defense, but we get a stop and they pop a 48-yard pass. We’re getting first downs, and then we have a fumble.”

Freshman fullback Braxton Hulstrom approached 100 yards rushing

for the game, according to Jeffrey. He also cited good performances from lineman Cole Baulch and cornerbacks Bryant Jeffrey and Jared O’Brien.

“They were gunslinging, and he broke up four or five deep plays to keep them from getting in scoring position,” Coach Jeffrey said about his son.

The Wildcats’ first road game of the season is Friday night at Bushnell-Prairie City. A game that was to be played at 7 p.m. Sept. 29 at Orangeville has been rescheduled to 1 p.m. Sept. 30, according to Jeffrey. Kickoff time Oct. 14 at Martinsville is set for 1 p.m., two hours earlier than first planned.

— Nick Vlahos

Elsewhere

What should have been a sweet victory for Princeville developed a sour taste partway through the second quarter. Ahead by 24 points against Havana and playing some of its best football in years, Princeville lost starting quarterback and defensive back Logan Carruthers to a dislocated shoulder in his throwing arm. While the Princes won 36-14 to tie for the lead in the LincolnLand Conference small-division, Carruthers is out for at least a few weeks. ... Against Lewistown-based LVC, R-W did most of its work in the first half. The Cougars scored six times before intermission and their starters rested afterward. Bryan Bertlshofer might have needed the break. He ran for three touchdowns and a game-high 182 yards on only eight carries. ... United continued its unexpected strong start by running over Rushville-Industry, 34-22. United scored on five of seven possessions, with two halted only by the clock. United got 151 yards and two TDs from Jake McElwee and passed for 143 yards and two scores. R-I had 239 rushing yards on 43 carries. ... Abingdon-Avon had first-and-goal inside the 5 twice and did not score in a 13-0 loss to South Fulton.

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| Scoring Summary First Quarter SC - Joos 46 pass from Rewerts (Joos kick) | | | | | Team Statistics RCL G Rushes-Yds 21-87 22-138 Yds per carry 4.1 6.3 Comp-Att-Int 8-20-1 0-7-1 Passing yds 214 0 | | | | |
| Second Quarter AW - Horrie 9 run (Sauer kick) | | | | | Individual Statistics Rushing – G: Hulstrom 11-80, Gustafson 4-49, Mille 6-7, Rachel 1-2. Passing – G: Mille 0-7-1-0. Tackles – G: Baulch 7, Rachel 6. die 2-14, Sams 4-13, Bertlshofer 1-9. | | | | |
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| Individual Statistics Rushing - SC: Orwig 9-17, Barnwell 6-24, Rewerts 14-60, Bowser 1-10, Gerber 1-6. AW - Rashid 13-18, Horrie 15-129, Covington 5-9. Passing - SC: Rewerts 4-13-0 122. AW: Horrie 12-21-2 194. Receiving - SC: Joos 2-99, Bowser 1-11, Orwig 1-12. AW: Hornback 6-59, Rashid 2-51, Thurston 1-(-3), Sauer 2-60, Gillespie 1-27. Tackles - SC: Barnwell 6, Siebenthal 5. AW: Rashid 11. | | | | | Third Quarter P - Kieser 62 run (conversion failed) Fourth Quarter H - Foster 8 run (Green run) | | | | |
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| Scoring Summary First Quarter RCL - 32 pass (conversion good) | | | | | Individual Statistics Rushing - H: Nichols 12-72, Barner 10-53, Green 5-32, Boggs 3-4, Brooks 4-3, Foster 3-16. P: Kieser 15-187, Carruthers 3-14, Primera 3-19, Williams 1-5, Geiger 1-0. Passing - H: Barner 6-14-0 79, Brooks 3-4-0 36. P: Carruthers 8-9-0 | | | | |
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| 210, Williams 1-8-0 9. | | | | | Third Quarter | | | | |
| Receiving - H: Green 2-42, Pethel 2-30, Nichols 1-(-4), Brooks 1-35, | | | | | LVC - Fumble recovery (run good) | | | | |
| Stuhmer 1-3, Boggs 1-3, Shaw 1-6. P: Kieser 3-165, Johnson 2-31, Williams 2-8, Sarnes 1-12, Hunt 1-3. | | | | | Fourth Quarter | | | | |
| Tackles - P: Cunningham 7, Hunt 7, Kieser 6, Carruthers 5. | | | | | R-W - DeJaynes 7 pass from Schroeder (Miller kick) | | | | |
| ROWVA-Williamsfield 47 | | | | | Team Statistics | | | | |
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| Scoring Summary | | | | | Comp-Att-Int - 10-12-0 | | | | |
| First Quarter | | | | | Passing yds - 132 | | | | |
| R-W - Bertlshofer 47 run (Miller kick) | | | | | Individual Statistics | | | | |
| R-W - Cordle 8 run (Miller kick) | | | | | Rushing – R-W: Bertlshofer 8-182, | | | | |
| R-W - Brown 5 run (kick failed) | | | | | Hertz 5-61, Traphagan 6-37, Cordle 3-19, Brown 2-8, Davis 3-3. | | | | |
| Second Quarter | | | | | Passing – R-W: Danner 7-8-0-94, | | | | |
| R-W - Bertlshofer 7 run (kick failed) | | | | | Schroeder 3-4-0-38. | | | | |
| R-W - Brown 3 run (Miller kick) | | | | | Receiving – R-W: Hull 2-37, Bertlshofer 2-32, Miller 1-21, Brown 1-14, | | | | |
| R-W - Bertlshofer 26 run (Miller kick) | | | | | Sams 2-11, Powell 1-10, DeJaynes 1-7. | | | | |
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Rebels upset A-W

Defense makes big stop on late conversion attempt

By The Prairie News

KEWANEE – It’s not quite “Wake up the echoes” stuff. Not yet.

As Jade Noard said, “We’re a play or two from being 0-2.”

But after two weeks against traditionally strong football programs, Stark County has started 2-0 for a second straight year. And if the season-opening win over an unfamiliar foe didn’t wake some echoes, last Friday’s 21-20 defeat of Annawan-Wethersfield did. This edition of the Rebels is different, more akin to teams of old than to recent squads that fell short of the playoffs.

The win over perennial power Annawan-Wethersfield snapped a seven-game losing streak in the series and came despite Stark County not playing a perfect game. The victory also stamped the Rebels as contenders for the title in the new LincolnLand Conference small division with a 2-0 league mark.

“Our coaches remember when we had a nice run against (A-W). But our kids don’t remember that,” Noard said. “All they remember is the last seven. So getting this one was nice for the kids.”

Certainly there were chances for Stark County to fall short, right up to the last seconds. With 2:42 remaining, A-W scored on a 7-yard run by quarterback Dillon Horrie to pull within 21-20. But after having a 27-yard field goal blocked earlier in the second half, A-W opted to go for the win instead of kicking for a tie.

But as they had been for most of the evening, the Rebels were ready for a handoff to A-W running back Zeb Rashid. Rashid was stopped well short on the conversion, continuing a theme on a night when he gained just 18 yards on 13 carries and was tackled for a loss five times.

“Overall, I thought the biggest thing was we really kept Rashid in check,” Noard said. “Everybody knows he’s a ton, a really good running back. And he got a few yards, but I thought our defense did a really good job of not letting him hurt us.”

While A-W quarterback Dillon Horrie ran for 129 yards and passed for 194, the Rebels came up with two interceptions, including one by Braden Lindley in the closing seconds that cinched the win.

A-W had started deep in Rebels’ territory on that final drive thanks to a Stark County punt that went straight out of bounds. After getting one first down and one incomplection, A-W took a shot at the end zone that Lindley intercepted at the 2-yard line to preserve the narrow win.

“It was so close down there we had to be very careful at the end of the game taking a knee,” Noard said.

Offensively, Stark County relied on a big-play attack that included a 46-yard scoring pass from Luke Rewerts to senior Lane Joos on the Rebels’ first offensive snap.

“He was wide open,” Noard said. “It was a good start.”

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| 7 a.m. to Noon: | Lion's Pancake Sausage Breakfast / East Pavilion (handicap accessible) |
| 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Park Opens - food and craft vendors |
| 10 a.m. | Alpacas - Kathy Albert Face Painting / Free by playground - Katie Gibler Obstacle course with pedal tractors / Basketball court - Schott Schaffer (register for the pedal tractor pull now for the 3:30 pull, age groups 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12) |
| 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. | Petting Zoo - Stark County FFA |
| 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. | Corn Fritters - Chamber of Commerce |
| 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Inflatables - south end of the park by restrooms - MEK Pig Races with Prizes - Melody Anderson Rivertown Whiskey - live at the bandstand |
| 12 p.m. | Bingo - at East Pavilion (handicapped accessible) - Chamber of Commerce |
| 1 p.m. | Kids games - south end of park by restrooms - Stark Co Queens |
| 2 p.m. | Register for Doggie Pageant by bandstand - Nicole Largent |
| 2 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. | Doggie Pageant - bandstand - Nicole Largent |
| 3 p.m. | Lil Mr. and Miss Stark Co Fall Festival Announcement - bandstand |
| 3:30 p.m. | Pedal Pull Competition - 5 Divisions/trophy for each age group - basketball court (if enough adults are interested, they can compete too! Open pull) |

September 17th Sunday

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| 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. | Biscuits and Gravy etc - East Pavilion (handicapped accessible) - Cozzi Ranch |
| 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. | Park Opens - food and craft vendors and exhibits |
| 10:30 a.m. | Community Church Service - bandstand - Methodist, Nazarene, The Gathering Church - sharing the pulpit, praise and music teams, God's word! |
| 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. | MC Music and open mic - Roger Royer Midwest Arm Fighters exhibit - East Pavilion - Jeremy Welsh |
| 1 p.m. | Bag's Tournament - basketball court - Wyoming Fire Dept. |
| 2 p.m. | Belegarth (Medieval Combat exhibit) - baseball backstop - Exile |

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