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## NOISY DAYS AHEAD

### Bzzzy year for cicadas

Two broods due for 1st time since 1803

By **KEN JOHNSON**  
 University of Illinois Extension

JACKSONVILLE – Can you hear them? Probably not yet, but soon, Illinois will be awash in the songs of periodical cicadas.

This year is a big year for periodical cicadas in Illinois, where Broods XIII and XIV will be emerging throughout much of the state at the same time for the first time since 1803. Despite some talk of an impending insect apocalypse, cicadas don't pose a threat to humans (or pets).

While two broods will be emerging at the same time, they won't be emerging in the same places. Brood XIII will be emerging in the northern half of the



Periodical cicadas will be emerging across much of Illinois in 2024. Photo by Ken Johnson, University of Illinois Extension.

state. Brood XIV will be emerging in the southern half of Illinois.

There may be a few places in central Illinois, around Springfield, where the two broods will be emerging in the same area. However, they aren't expected to overlap to any great extent.

Periodical cicadas are among the longest-lived insects on the planet, living for 13 or 17 years. They spend the vast majority of that time living underground, feeding on tree roots. Once the soil warms enough in the spring,  
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### Elmwood senior wins Illinois VFW award

By **JEFF LAMPE**  
 For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – Her essay about the greatest attributes of our U.S. democracy has earned Elmwood High School senior Riley Malone an all-expenses-paid trip to visit the center of that democracy.

Malone was recently selected as the Illinois winner in the annual Voice of Democracy essay contest that since 1947 has been conducted nationwide by the VFW. Malone was picked from a field of 17 district winners in Illinois and an overall pool of 1,800 students who wrote and recorded a 3- to 5-minute patriotic essay.

In addition to a \$2,500 scholarship, Malone earned a March 2-6 trip to

Washington, D.C., and is in the running for a \$35,000 college scholarship that will be awarded to the national winner. Malone will attend Illinois State University this fall.



Malone

Elmwood will hold an assembly for Malone on Friday at 2 p.m. in the auditorium as a sendoff for her trip.

The daughter of Chris and Donna Malone, Riley Malone is the second Elmwood student to win the Illinois contest. Deanna Cantu also won in 2016. Both winners represented Elmwood's Archie Miles Post 4724.

Malone now joins arguably the most famous Voice of Democracy winner, the late CBS newsmen Charles Kuralt.

## Princeville save-the-pool group pursuing non-profit status

By **NICK VLAHOS**  
 For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – A group that wants to reopen the Princeville Aquatic Center is leaning toward a change in strategy.

Instead of forming a park district to oversee the shuttered swimming facility, the group seeks not-for-profit status, at least in the short term. That might allow for a village donation of the aquatic center.

Save-the-pool leaders Pat Stahl, Lynda Stone and Kathy Sullivan made that point in a letter to the Princeville Village

Board. Village President Jeff Troutman read it to the board when it met Feb. 20.

“Your gifting of the pool property will allow us to move forward with the not-for-profit status and plan towards providing a much-desired recreational source for the area’s children and families,” the letter stated.

Group members plan to seek board approval at its meeting March 5.

“It’s something to think about, something they wanted to put in you guys’ ears,” Troutman told trustees.

In January, the board deferred until mid-June a decision about whether to demolish the aquatic center, at the save-the-pool group’s request. Trustees voted last September to close the pool permanently.

Village officials have reiterated the aquatic center will not open again under municipal oversight. The pool-saving group was attempting to place on the November ballot a referendum that asks area voters to create a park district to operate the facility.

But attaining not-for-profit status is a quicker process, ac-

ording to the letter. It also would free the group from paying prevailing wages and allow the group to accept donations.

Group members toured the aquatic center Feb. 8. There, Princeville Public Works Superintendent Chad Gardner helped explain what work needed to be done to reopen the facility. Gardner has said a restart might cost between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

“We’ve spoken to park-district personnel from area pool-owning municipalities who’ve offered their experiences revamping a community pool, researched

grant opportunities, sought potential bids from pool architects ... and viewed different pool styles as well as splash pads,” the letter stated.

The letter stated a park-district referendum still is the long-term goal.

In other business, trustees approved a \$1,000 donation to the Princeville High School after-prom committee. The board also authorized spending up to \$600 to purchase a new laptop computer for the village president’s office.

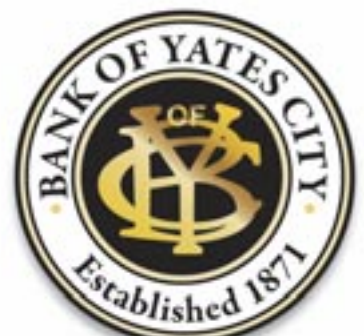
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# CIDADAS: Decaying bodies act as fertilizer

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they will begin to emerge, usually around late May or early June.

Periodical cicadas have black bodies with orange wing veins and red eyes. Male cicadas will start singing four or five days after they emerge. They gather in trees and sing together to attract females. Each species of cicada has a distinctive song.

After mating, female periodical cicadas will lay their eggs in woody plants. They prefer branches that are about the width of a pencil or a little larger. They will use their saw-like ovipositor to cut into branches and lay their eggs.

After about a month, the adult cicadas will begin to die. Large piles of cicadas can accumulate under trees and can smell rather unpleasant. However, their decaying bodies serve as fertilizer for plants.

## Noisy bugs

Depending on the number of cicadas around you, it may get loud. According to the National Institutes of Health, calls of male cicadas can reach over 90 decibels – as loud as a lawnmower, motorcycle or tractor.



Twigs and branches that have had eggs laid in them may sometimes break, which will cause everything past this damaged area to die. Fortunately, this will not kill healthy, mature trees. The same can't be said for small trees and shrubs, though.

Newly planted small trees and shrubs may have trunk diameters small enough for female cicadas to

lay their eggs in; if this happens, the trees can be killed. These smaller plants also have fewer branches on them, and egg-laying can cause significant damage. There are several things you can do to prevent cicada damage to trees and shrubs:

- Avoid planting trees and shrubs the year before a periodical cicada emergence or in the spring.
- Place netting around small trees and shrubs, making sure it is secured around the base of the plant to prevent cicadas from crawling up the plant from the ground.
- Insecticides are not recommended.

This year provides a once-in-a-multi-generation opportunity. Take some time to track down some cicadas and enjoy nature's symphony.

Learn more about periodical cicadas on the Good Growing Blog: [go.illinois.edu/GoodGrowing](http://go.illinois.edu/GoodGrowing).

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**This Week's Hot Picks**

• **MANNA Meal** – The monthly sit-down MANNA meal will be held today, Feb. 29, at noon at Elmwood United Methodist Church, 821 W. Main St. The meal features turkey and all the fixings. Entertainment will be provided by Jean Ann Plym and Micky Harmon. Cost \$8. Bring your own table service.

• **Fish Fry** – A Lenten catfish fry will be held Friday, March 1, at St. Mary of the Woods church in Princeville, 4:30-7 p.m. Shrimp offered.

**The Weekly Post Seven-Day Forecast**

Thursday	<b>MARCH</b>	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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**This Week's Events**

• **Teen Night** – Morrison & Mary Wiley Library in Elmwood offers a teen night today, Feb. 29, starting at 6 p.m. Play group games and enjoy snacks and fellowship. Kids 12 to 18 are welcome.

• **Missionary Conference** – Brunswick Community Church of Trivoli, 4027 S. Stone School Rd., has its 68th annual Missionary Conference Friday through Sunday, March 1-3. Services start Friday at 7:15 p.m. All are welcome.

• **Toddler Time** – Toddler play time held in the Elmwood Community Center gym every Friday when school is in session in Elmwood, 9-11 a.m. Cost \$1 per child.

• **Yoga** – Yoga classes Thursdays, 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4. Classes also on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. at Princeville's Lillie M. Evans Library.

**Future Events**

• **Fish Fry** – Brimfield Area Men's Club has fish fries on upcoming Fridays, includ-

ing March 8 and March 22 from 5-7 p.m. at Brimfield American Legion. \$13 for shrimp, \$15 for catfish, \$4 for hot dog. Carryout available.

• **Bingo** – Salem Township Library in Yates City has bingo on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 2 p.m.

• **Fish Fry** – A fish fry will be held March 15 and March 29 at Kickapoo Sportsman's Club. Hot dogs for kids.

• **Food Pantry** – Christ Alive Church in Kickapoo opens its food pantry the third Monday each month, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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• **Food Pantry** – Free food boxes given out the last Friday of each month at Elmwood United Methodist Church, 10-11 a.m. Call (309) 742-7221.

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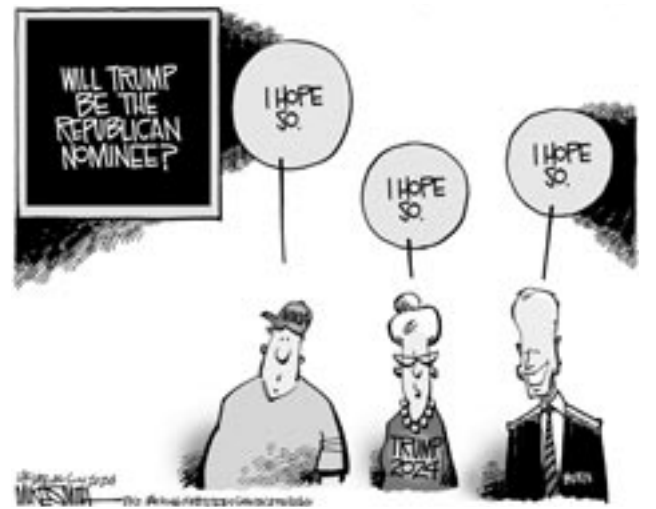
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- Rodney Dangerfield

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## GUEST VOICES



# Intention of gift was for a park, not solar

To The Editor:

The Village Board of Williamsfield is considering putting a 20-acre solar array in the Doubet-Benjamin Park. When Verla Scheeler donated her land to the Village of Williamsfield in 1991, she stipulated in her will that the land was to be used for a park, playground area and bicycle trail.

When the village received the land, all of it was in cropland. Some of the land has been developed and the remainder has been kept in crops as income for the park until such time as it can be developed. The new mayor, Robert Johnson, said that instead of crops a 20-acre solar array would just be another source of income.

I spoke last month and said 20 acres of glass, steel and concrete surrounded by a chain link fence in the Doubet-Bejamin Park is not acceptable and runs contrary to her wishes. Verla made a restricted gift. I will present a multi-use alternative of an orchard, bicycle path, scattered windbreaks of trees and a soccer field.

The orchard would be an organic feature of the park that would provide income. If you are a relative of Verla Scheeler or a resident of Williamsfield, please come to the next board meeting on Monday, March 4, before 7 p.m. and sign up to speak and give the board your input of using a park in the Village of Williamsfield for a solar array.

I believe the board also needs a



public meeting on this topic before they enter into a 30-year and possible 40-year agreement.

- Richard Smith, Williamsfield  
**Empathy a better rock for a solid foundation**

To The Editor:

I'd like to respond to Gene Vaughan's Feb. 22, 2024, letter to the editor, "Build Our Homes on a Solid Foundation." I'll focus on a small portion of Vaughn's opinions and intend no disrespect to the Crouch family mentioned therein.

The main idea alleges that children who don't come from a traditional nuclear family, don't regularly attend a "Christian church" and don't study the Bible lack some sort of grit and perfection that the author and his kind apparently exude.

"Often our culture includes one-parent homes, no parents, or homes where basic training is missing." This is a tired bit of rhetoric that shouldn't merit a response, but even where we think progress has been made, it obviously hasn't. Nor should we have to point out that there is nuance to the human con-

dition regardless of where biases would prefer to assign righteousness.

If "home-based training" includes impugning others for their upbringing and their faith, then consider me grateful to be the child of a single-parent, one who wasn't "train[ed] up ... in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Matthew 7:15, the wolf-in-sheep's clothing metaphor, is invoked as an example of wisdom that should be learned. In actuality, one doesn't need a Bible to receive this lesson. Instead, read Vaughn's words. Notice how the outside of his letter (the beginning and end) offer fluffy, white words of praise for a fellow human being and his family. But, if you look inside, there's biting, dark disdain for entire groups of people who don't live, think or believe exactly like the author.

Would you look at that - someone like me can be taught!

I read the Nov. 9, 2023, article about Ron Crouch, and I noticed a word used there that I consider the cornerstone for all basic training: empathy. Perhaps this is the rock that all things should stand upon. In fact, I'd suggest that the next time you are admiring your own "solid foundation," be careful you haven't built it upon the necks of others.

- Amanda Morse, Elmwood  
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# Elmwood council OKs road and sidewalk work

By **MOLLY RICHESON**

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – The Elmwood City Council approved bids for seal and fog coating of specific roads along with a bid for a sidewalk and curb project at its Feb. 20 meeting.

Porter Brothers of Rock Falls submitted the winning bids for roadwork paid for with Motor Fuel Tax funds as well as roadwork covered under the use of tax increment financing funds, both including oil chipping and fog coating.

The MFT roadwork will be completed on the majority of Ash Street, all of Harrison Street and a few streets connecting these two roadways, along with the majority of Poplar and Lynn streets. While the

engineer estimated work would cost a little over \$136,000, Porter Brothers submitted a bid for just under \$114,000.

The TIF roadwork includes all of Hurff Drive, all of Fairgrounds Way and a small portion of Maple Avenue. The cost was initially estimated at just under \$194,000. Porter Brothers submitted a bid totaling just under \$142,000.

Another project in the works involves sidewalk and curb improvement on Fremont Street, as well as curb improvement on a portion of Southgate Drive. Initially estimated to cost around \$96,000, Verardo Construction of Bartonville submitted the winning bid at \$72,600.

The council said there is plenty of

money in the aforementioned accounts to cover all the work.

Elmwood is also considering re-branding its town logo and/or tagline with several options presented to the council for consideration. A lantern could be incorporated to signify Elmwood's history, and it is possible that two logos could be ultimately chosen: one for letterhead of official business and one for marketing and vehicles.

The taglines "Elmwood: The Pioneer City" and "City of Elmwood: The Pioneer City" are being considered as well. Once chosen, Elmwood would own the image of the logo. The topic was tabled to allow time for another discussion with the graphic designer involved.

# New AC approved for part of Princeville school

By **NICK VLAHOS**

For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – During the expected heat of late spring and early summer, parts of Princeville Junior-Senior High School are to receive new air conditioning.

A Princeville School Board special meeting Monday night resulted in approval of a \$207,498 deal with CORE Construction of Peoria for acquisition and installation of two rooftop heating, ventilation and air-conditioning units. The board considered no other business.

CORE is construction manager for the HVAC project. One unit is for the

junior-high gymnasium, according to School Superintendent Tony Shinall. The other unit is to cover the library, art room and two other classrooms.

AAON Inc. of Tulsa, Okla., manufactured the new and existing units. "Typically, a (rooftop-unit) life cycle is about 20 years. These are well past their useful life," CORE Preconstruction Manager Levi Bauer told the board.

Installation of new units by J.A. Fritch & Sons Inc. of Peoria is to begin June 10 and be completed by July 19. Fritch was low bidder among three, according to Bauer. He also said the new units are equal to

the ones that are being replaced regarding function.

CORE offered an alternative – two American Standard-brand HVAC units for \$108,388. But those units have less capacity, higher maintenance costs and are not as efficient as the AAON units, according to Bauer.

"I think trying to go with the cheaper unit would bite us in the end," Board Member Grant DeBord said.

The district will have additional installation-related expenses of about \$11,200. A state school-maintenance grant is to cover \$50,000 of the total cost, Shinall said.

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**March 7<sup>th</sup>**

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# Brimfield school calendar changing

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

BRIMFIELD – The Brimfield School District calendar will look a little different in the 2024-25 academic year. The number of student-attendance days isn't changing (176). But some holidays and partial-attendance days will be re-worked.

Unlike previous years, Columbus Day is to be a school holiday. It's scheduled for Oct. 14. Spring Break 2025 is scheduled for March 24-28. There also are to be no classes March 21. This year, Spring Break is scheduled for April 15-19.

Moving Spring Break next year closer to the end of winter is by design, according to Brimfield Superintendent Chad Jones.

"We try to space our breaks that are best for everyone's well-being and social and emotional health," he said. "February and March are long, cold, usually dreary months, so we looked at a few more breaks that were kind of spaced out throughout the year rather than wait."

Also new are six days when early dismissals for teacher- and staff-improvement sessions will be at 11:30 a.m. Early dismissals usually are at 1:50 p.m., but the new time schedule will allow for better teacher-and-staff training before the school day ends between 3 and 3:30 p.m., according to Jones.

"Sometimes it's hard to get much accomplished in about an hour," he said.

The 11:30 a.m. school-improvement student dismissals are scheduled for Nov. 1, Dec. 6 and Dec. 20 in 2024 and Feb. 14, April 17 and May 9 in 2025.

Jones and a committee of school administrators and teachers devised the new calendar. The Brimfield School Board approved it when it met Feb. 21.

The first day of school in 2024-25 is to be Aug. 14. The last day is to be May 22, although weather-

emergency days might delay the end until June 2.

Bad-weather postponements resulted in the board voting to revise the current academic-year calendar. The last day of classes is to be May 23, two days later than first scheduled.

The board also affirmed its previous authorization of a bond issue expected to raise \$4 million to fund capital improvements. Among those might be a new baseball practice field, one or two new parking lots and a new bus barn that can accommodate up to 17 vehicles.

Midwest Engineering Associates Inc. of East Peoria will provide site-concept development, among other services, for \$12,000, a cost the board approved. A plan is expected by the end of May.

The board also approved a \$21,404 deal with Sungard Window Coverings of Peoria for window- and door-safety film installation at Brimfield High School and \$38,530 for Bradfield's Inc. of Peoria to provide Brimfield Grade School teachers with 41 laptop computers.

Regarding personnel, the board authorized the hiring of Chezney O'Connell as a

high school cafeteria worker and Brooke Norman as a grade-school special-education paraprofessional.

During public comment, two members of the high school cheerleading squad defended its two coaches against a parent's formal allegations of impropriety. The allegations were sexual and non-sexual in nature, according to sources. None of the parties was identified by full name during the meeting.

"I never once felt uncomfortable," senior cheerleader Celeste Shuster told the board regarding the coaches, both females. "I never heard a comment made. Never seen a touch ... nothing inappropriately. They have nothing but platonic love for us and respect."

The complaining parent has children who are cheerleaders, according to sources.

District officials are investigating the complaint, filed earlier this month.

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**Police reports**

• **TRIVOLI** – An apparent domestic dispute in Trivoli resulted in two people being arrested.

A Peoria County Sheriff's Office deputy was summoned about 10:45 a.m. Feb. 18 to a residence in the 18900 block of Illinois Route 116. What transpired wasn't clear. A sheriff's-office report was heavily redacted; an ongoing investigation was cited.

Emily N. Puckett, 46, of Trivoli was accused of aggravated battery/use of a deadly weapon and domestic battery/bodily harm. Aaron J. Puckett, 41, of Trivoli was accused of domestic battery/bodily harm. The report didn't specify how or if the Pucketts were related, although both listed the same address.

• **WILLIAMSFIELD** – Someone stole a pickup-truck bed topper from a vehicle parked in a Williamsfield driveway, according to authorities.

The apparent theft took place late Feb. 13 or early Feb. 14 in front of a residence in the 100 block of N. Poplar St., according to a Knox County Sheriff's Office report. The 56-year-old man who reported the incident

about 10 a.m. Feb. 16 said the pickup truck, a 2018 Ram 1500, belonged to his employer.

Per the report, the bed topper was a black tri-fold with yellow clips. The victim found no clues, and nothing else was reported missing. No suspect information was available.

• **GLASFORD** – A two-vehicle accident in Glasford left a Trivoli man uninjured. Shortly before 6:15 a.m. Feb. 15, Craig A. Whitby was driving a 2005 Chrysler 300 south on Glasford Road at Fourth Street when a 2022 Jeep Wrangler struck his vehicle. Benjamin A. Herren of Glasford was driving the Wrangler west on Fourth Street, stopped, then tried to turn left onto Glasford Road.

Herren said he didn't see Whitby's vehicle when he began to turn in front of it, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report. The front bumper of the Chrysler struck passenger-side doors of the Wrangler. Herren reported no injuries.

• **DAHINDA** – Law-enforcement authorities confiscated a shotgun from a Dahinda-area man whose Firearm Owners Identification Card was revoked.

The incident happened about 9 a.m. Feb. 14 at a residence in the 2000 block of Knox Road 1400 North. A

Knox County Sheriff's Office deputy accompanied a 35-year-old woman to the residence she shared with her ex-boyfriend, so she could retrieve belongings.

While inside the residence, the deputy noticed an antique George Fisher 10-gauge double-barrel shotgun lying on a pool table, according to a sheriff's-office report. The deputy knew the 40-year-old male resident's FOID card was revoked.

The deputy and a colleague transferred the shotgun and 38 rounds of .22-caliber ammunition to the man's 60-year-old father, who has a valid FOID card, the report stated. He said the shotgun belonged to his great-grandfather.

• **ELMWOOD** – Dalton L. Sander, 18, of Elmwood was arrested about 4:45 p.m. Feb. 19 and accused of domestic battery/bodily harm, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **GALESBURG** – These were among calls to which the Knox County Sheriff's Office responded between Feb. 11-17: two custody disputes, Dahinda; theft, Williamsfield; abandoned vehicle, Yates City; downed wires, Williamsfield; downed wires, Yates City; trespass, Yates City; suspicious person, Williamsfield.

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Rumors abound: one is that Wolf Carbon Solutions may refile for a state permit.

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- Hanna City Methodist Church, March 5, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Brimfield Public Library, March 6, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Elmwood Methodist Church, March 11, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Kickapoo Township Hall, March 12, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- In Fulton County, early voting is Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fulton County Courthouse in Lewistown until March 18. Also, March 9 and 16, 8 a.m. to noon.
- In Knox County, voters registered outside the City of Galesburg can vote at the Knox County Clerk's office, 8:30 a.m. to 4-p.m., Monday

through Friday until March 18. The office will also be open March 2 and March 16, 9 a.m. to noon.

**Farmington Food Pantry seeking food donations**

FARMINGTON – The Farmington Food Pantry will hold its annual PACK-A-TRAILER event March 10-17 to replenish its shelves. Donations can be placed in a trailer that will be at County Market in Farmington March 10-17. Needed are canned goods, non-perishable foods and monetary donations. Because of an increasing number of families using the monthly food pantry and a decrease in donations, organizers say the food pantry is in real need. The average number of families receiving food boxes has risen from 50 per month in previous years to 60 per month in 2023 to 74 per month so far

in 2024. The Farmington Food Pantry is a ministry of local churches (Presbyterian, Methodist, Christian, Catholic and Baptist) in Elmwood, Farmington, Trivoli and Yates City. Food is distributed on the third Wednesday of each month from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at New Hope Fellowship Church on Illinois Route 78. Each family receives soups, canned vegetables, canned fruits, pasta, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, spaghetti sauce, canned meals, tuna, cereal, bread, margarine, hot dogs and buns. These non-perishable foods are supplemented by the Midwest Food Bank of Peoria, which donates frozen items.

led by parent Kristen Strom. In personnel, the board approved Haley Davis as junior high girls track coach and Emma Vallas as an assistant junior high girls track coach. The board went into closed session and approved a three-year contract extension for Brugger with a salary of \$80,000 starting in the 2024-25 school year.

**College honors**

• **Nicolas Pullen** of Princeville was named to the University of Maryland Global Campus Dean's list (3.5 gpa or better) for the fall 2023 semester.

**Elmwood approves new reading curriculum**

By **JEFF LAMPE**

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – After two years of research into the subject by teachers and administrators, the Elmwood School Board on Monday approved changing to a new reading curriculum.

The board approved spending \$85,122 on the Wit & Wisdom English language arts curriculum for grades 1-6 for the 2024-25 school year. Superintendent Chad Wagner said the new curriculum came in well under the \$100,000 that had been budgeted.

Wit & Wisdom had been a subject of controversy in school districts across the country, including Brimfield CUSD 309, for what some parents said was not age-appropriate material or material that over-emphasized violence, murder and racism.

In the past few years, Wit & Wisdom has adjusted the curriculum to provide what it bills as non-controversial, age-appropriate and content-rich stories.

Elmwood School Board

Member Dustin Funk described Wit & Wisdom as "thorough" and "challenging."

Elementary School Principal Marcy Brugger said with the new curriculum, instead of spending just one week with a story – as students do in the Journeys reading program that is currently being used – students "stick with a story or book longer."

Brugger said Wit & Wisdom gives students more time to learn about the subject.

Brugger reported to the board, "Teachers were able to come to a 100% consensus on the recommendation for a new reading curriculum."

The board also approved creating an activity account for the new junior high/high school parents club that is being

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 Salem Township Cemetery Board

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 Elmwood Township Cemetery Board

**All graduates of Elmwood H.S. are invited to attend the Alumni Banquet on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> Elmwood G.S. multi-purpose room Dinner will be served at 6pm**

**Ticket price is \$25 per person and will be sold March 1<sup>st</sup> - March 28<sup>th</sup>**

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 College Plans: Attend Illinois State University and major in nursing  
 Future Plans: Become a nurse practitioner and move somewhere warm.  
 When Not Studying I Like To: Read, play guitar and spend time with friends.

**Scholastic Bowl** Elmwood Scholastic Bowl placed second at the Masonic Tournament on Feb. 17. Elmwood will be the host site for an IHSA regional on March 4.

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answer

The only way out of today's misery is for people to become worthy of each other's trust.  
— Albert Schweitzer

**Weekly SUDOKU**  
Answer

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1	8	2	4	9	6	7	5	3
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**OBITUARIES**

**Marian A. Smith**  
PRINCEVILLE – Marian A. Smith, 86, of Princeville, passed away at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2024, at her home.

Marian was born on Feb. 13, 1938, in Princeville, the daughter of Cecil and Florence (Swanson) Wilson. She married James L. "Homer" Smith, on Nov. 16, 1957. He preceded her in death on Nov. 10, 2011.



Smith

Surviving are one son, Jeffrey Smith of Princeville; one daughter, Robin Kitterman of Toulon; four grandchildren, Vanessa (Bill) Bohm, Michelle Smith, Amber Kitterman and Ashley Kitterman; four great-grandchildren, Alex, Sam, Grace and Addison; and one brother, Donald Wilson of Princeville. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

Marian and Homer's life in the military took them on many travels across the United States. She enjoyed seeing new places and working various jobs along the way. She loved being outside and in warm weather. Above all else, Marian loved her family and the time spent with them.

Her graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, March 8, 2024, at Princeville Township Cemetery. Rev. David Pyell will officiate. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Serv-

ices in Princeville is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans or the Akron-Princeville Fire Department.

Condolences for Marian's family may be left on her tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).

**Artis VanHouten**

FARMINGTON – Artis VanHouten, 84, of Farmington, passed away at 3:33 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2024, at her daughter's residence in Farmington.



VanHouten

She was born on Dec. 6, 1939, in Farmington Township, a daughter of Evan "Tick" and Lola (Miller) Welker. She married Kenneth VanHouten Sr. on June 14, 1958, in Farmington. He preceded her in death.

Also preceding her, in death were her parents; one son, Howard VanHouten; and one sister, Linda Payne.

Surviving are her children, Kenneth (Karen) VanHouten Jr. of Canton, Karen (Tracy) Bishop of Farmington and Francie (Eric) Baker of Pinckneyville; daughter-in-law, Debbie VanHouten of Farmington; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Artis worked at Kitchen Cooked Chips in Farmington for several

years.

A funeral service was to be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24, 2024, at Anderson-Sedgwick Funeral Home in Farmington, where visitation was to be from 10 a.m. until the time of the services. Rev. Kevin Van Tine was to officiate. Burial was to follow service at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Farmington. Memorials can be made to the Farmington Rescue Squad 1100.

To view Artis' DVD or to leave an online condolence please visit [www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sedgwickfuneralhomes.com).

**Diana L. Wagner**

BRIMFIELD – Diana L. Wagner, 64, of Brimfield, passed away at 8:36 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 23, 2024, at her home surrounded by loving family.

She was born on Jan. 22, 1960, in Peoria, the daughter of the late Russell and Gail (Pillman) Baysingar. She married Keith Wagner of Brimfield and they've spent the last 45 years together; he survives.

Further surviving Diana are six children; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother; and two sisters.

Diana worked at Bickford House in Peoria for 13 years. She loved being with family and will be dearly missed.

Services for Diana will be private. The family would like to thank Dr.



Wagner

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Condolences for Diana's family may be left on her tribute wall at [www.haskellfuneral.com](http://www.haskellfuneral.com).

### Robert M. Marquardt

KNOXVILLE – Robert M. Marquardt, 47, of Knoxville, died Feb. 19, 2024, in Marietta. He was born Aug. 14, 1976, in Peoria to Wesley A. Marquardt and Mary L. Alton.

Surviving is his father; brother Welsey Hall of Vancouver, Wash.; sister Jennifer (Rodney) Ferry of Killean, Texas; niece Taylor (Nick) Craig of Harker Heights, Texas; two step nieces and three step nephews.

Cremation rites were accorded by Oaks-Hines Funeral Home and Crematory in Canton. Per his wishes there will be no services.

Condolences can be left online at [www.oakshinesfuneralhome.com](http://www.oakshinesfuneralhome.com).

### Cora Quinn

PEORIA – Cora Quinn, 74, of Peoria, passed away at 7:04 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 2024, at her son's home in Rock Island.

Cora was born on May 20, 1949, in Peoria, the daughter of the late Daniel and Leona (Riggins) Mitchell. On Feb. 21, 1971, she married Robert "Bob" Quinn in Princeville. He survives.

Further surviving Cora are two sons, Nathan (Amanda Sweigart-

Quinn) Quinn of Millersville, Pa., and David (Angie McMeen) Quinn of Rock Island; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and sister Sharon (John) Barks of Peoria.

Services were Feb. 26, 2024.

### Lois M. Stodgel

GALESBURG – Lois M. Stodgel, 88, of Galesburg, passed away on Feb. 20, 2024, at Seminary Manor, Galesburg.

Lois was born on Feb. 3, 1936, in Elmore. She was the daughter of Clyde Anderson "Pete" and Golda (Lumberry) Yelm. She married Jackson "Jack" F. Stodgel II in Williamsfield in 1955.

Surviving Lois are her son, Gerry C. (Lisa) Stodgel of Galesburg; six grandchildren, Misty Stodgel, Steve Stodgel, Jackie Stodgel, Adrienne Stodgel, Carl Stodgel and Laine Hobbs; 10 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and siblings Bea Hefflin of Williamsfield, Ed Yelm of Williamsfield and Bill Yelm of southern Illinois.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Jack, sons Jack Stodgel and Greg Stodgel, sister Ilene Daniels and brother Dorence Yelm.

Lois was a graduate of Williamsfield High School.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. today, Feb. 29, 2024, at Hurd-Hendricks Funeral Homes and Crematory, Knoxville. Cremation rites will be

accorded after visitation. A burial of cremated remains will be 10 a.m. Friday, March 1, 2024, at the Williamsfield Cemetery.

Online condolences can be left at [hurd-hendricksfuneralhome.com](http://hurd-hendricksfuneralhome.com).

### Dixie G. Watters

FARMINGTON – Dixie G. Watters, 85, of Farmington, passed away at Feb. 19, 2024, at her residence.

She was born on Dec. 18, 1938, in Canton, a daughter of Dick and Ruth (Earhart) Elliott. She married Neal L. Watters on Oct. 19, 1958, in Farmington. He preceded her in death on Oct. 11, 2017.

Also preceding her in death were her parents.

Surviving Dixie are two daughters, Chris (the late Fred) McMaster, of Farmington and Cinda (Chris) Ohl of Orlando, Fla.; five grandchildren, Jami (Richard) Crawford, Ryan (Heather) McMaster, Lynsey (Ben) Vermillion, Alex (Angela) Ohl and Kelci Ohl; nine great-grandchildren, Jace and Landon Crawford, Haven and Aniston McMaster, Presley, Easton, Maddox and Trace Vermillion and Luca Ohl; and one sister Donna Blust of North Carolina.

Private family burial of ashes will take place at a later date in Oakridge Cemetery in Farmington.

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1. Is the book of Simon (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?  
2. How many chosen men of Israel did Saul take with him to the wilderness of Ziph to search for David? 12, 100, 200, 3000  
3. From 1 Samuel 3, whose voice did Samuel think it was when he first heard God calling him? Jonathan, Saul, Abiah, Eli  
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Two-edged sword, Wit  
5. From Genesis 26, where did Isaac stay when there was a famine in the land? Gerar, Endor, Sychar, Lydda  
6. What insect was a plague on the Egyptians? Wasp, Locust, Flea, Cockroach  
ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) 3000, 3) Eli, 4) Two-edged sword, 5) Gerar, 6) Locust  
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# PRINCES: 6-for-16 on free throws

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 this game.” Princeville Coach Tait Sennett said. “It was a hard-nosed battle, and it was anybody’s ball-game. We just came out on top. The third time we hit shots, and we hit shots, and we hit shots. And whatever they could do, we just countered it and hit shots.”

“Tonight we didn’t hit shots, and it turned into one of those battles like the first two games, and they came out on top.”

For the game, Princeville made only two 3-point attempts and missed at least a dozen. With 3:01 to play in the first quarter, Tucker Sennett made the initial 3-pointer. With six seconds left in the game, Tayshaun Kieser made the second. The Princes also were 6-for-16 on free throws.

Coach Sennett said it was among his team’s worst

shooting performances of the season. In the fourth quarter, Princeville was 2-for-6 from the line.

“We kind of worried about what kind of team would we become if the shots weren’t falling,” Tait Sennett said. “For whatever reason, I felt like the pre-game jitters just never went away and they never fully attacked the basket consistently.”

Princeville’s only two double-digit scorers – Kieser (17 points) and Zach Stalter (13) – worked mainly from inside.

Heights used a matchup-zone defense against Princeville instead of the man-to-man defense deployed previously. That prevented the Princes from having enough time to set up adequately behind the arc, according to Jordan.

“They had to make

quick-trigger decisions,” he said.

Meanwhile, Heights was hot from outside. All five of its second-quarter field goals were treys. Williams had four to help flip a seven-point Princeville lead into a 26-25 halftime deficit.

Williams has basketball bloodlines. Per the Peoria Journal Star, his mother is Sarah Pacheco, who helped lead Galesburg to fourth place in the 2001 Class AA state tournament. His great-great-grandfather was A.J. Robertson, legendary Bradley University coach and namesake of the school’s old field house.

A five-point third-quarter run gave Princeville its last lead, 37-36 at 1:31. Heights then scored the final six of the period. Princeville cut its deficit to 52-51 on a Kieser layup with one minute left, but Heights scored the next five.

Heights also was 5-for-6 on final-minute free throws.

This Princeville team joins the 1985 Class A Elite Eight qualifier and the 2019-20 squad in the 28-victory club.

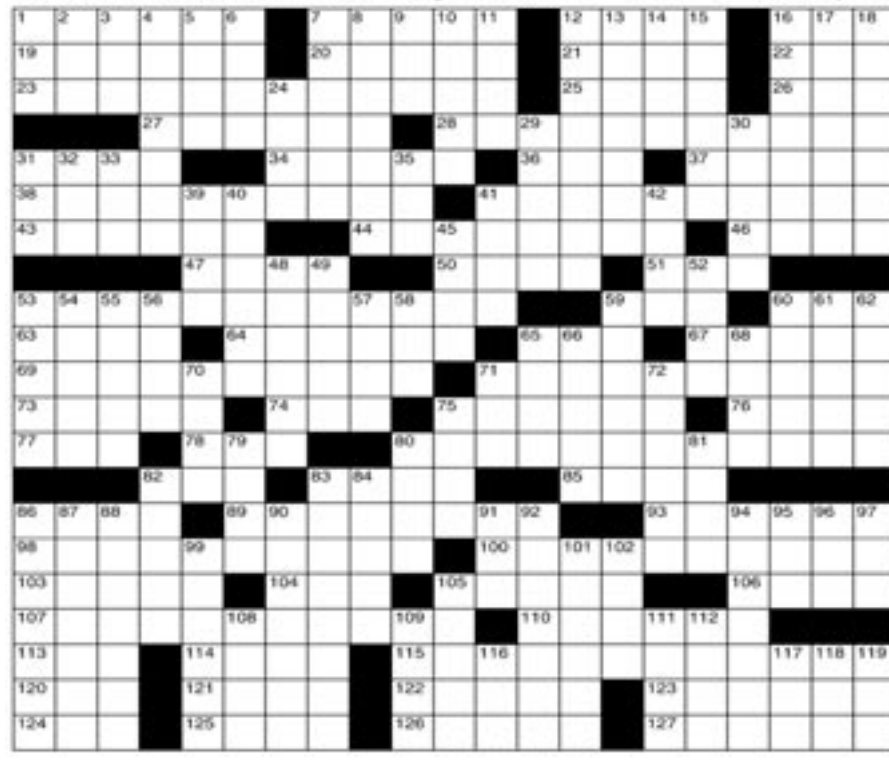
Princeville reached the final by beating Midland 66-54 in the semifinals on Feb. 21 behind 18 points from Jake Williams and 16 from Kieser. Midland (17-15) led early in the third, but Princeville scored 13 in a row to take control.

### Answers on Page 10

## Super Crossword

### INTERPRETING ALL THE SIGNS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Friendly and cheerful
  - 7 Custard apple relative
  - 12 Peevish state
  - 16 Air gun ammo
  - 19 With no secrecy
  - 20 Caribbean resort island
  - 21 Physiques, for short
  - 22 Suffix with east
  - 23 Door-bashing device
  - 25 Working hard
  - 26 Grazing field
  - 27 Politician
  - 28 Alexandria — Cortez
  - 28 Bud Light mascot
  - 29 Spuds MacKenzie, for one
  - 31 A verb often follows it
  - 34 Vex
  - 36 Winning tic-tac-toe row
  - 37 “Hoarders” channel
  - 38 “Full House” acting pair
  - 41 Sideways-moving arachnid
  - 43 Judo teacher
  - 44 Test taker
  - 46 Sailors, informally
  - 47 “The Villain” actor Jack
  - 50 Gain’s offset
  - 51 Ignited
  - 53 “If I Only Had the Nerve” singer
  - 59 “Ka-POW!”
  - 60 Me, in Lyon
  - 63 On — with (equal to)
  - 64 One of the Kennedys
  - 65 Org. with merit badges
  - 67 Learning
  - 69 Mother of Jesus
  - 71 Things to step on in washrooms
  - 73 Moon that’s home to the Ewoks
  - 74 Top-secret U.S. org.
  - 75 Dialect of Azamaic
  - 76 Ad biz award
  - 77 French article
  - 78 CEO’s deg.
  - 80 Flashy, diving soccer move
  - 82 Put a flaw in
  - 83 Dog in “The Thin Man”
  - 85 Hockey’s Phil, to fans
  - 86 Manufacture
  - 89 Leaned back
  - 93 Negev’s land
  - 98 “Fatal Attraction” Oscar nominee
  - 100 Feta, for one
  - 103 Official order
  - 104 Prevacation
  - 105 Spiral-shelled mollusk
  - 106 Rep on the street
  - 107 Luxury writing implement
  - 110 Eye ring
  - 113 Rhinoplasty doc
  - 114 Nastase of tennis fame
  - 115 Halibut, sole and flounder
  - 120 Beatified
  - 121 Madams’ counterparts
  - 122 Eldest of the Musketeers
  - 123 1998 Masters champ Mark
  - 124 One of the Kennedys
  - 125 Hug’s partner
  - 126 Century’s 100
  - 127 All 12 of its symbols are featured in this puzzle
- DOWN**
- 1 Dollop
  - 2 Clean air org.
  - 3 Court divider
  - 4 Charts
  - 5 Actor Baldwin
  - 6 Vega’s constellation
  - 7 Grill-marked sandwiches
  - 8 French forest region
  - 9 Brand of faucet filters
  - 10 Cry like —
  - 11 Bank bought by Chase, for short
  - 12 Govt. advances for mom-and-pops
  - 13 Opposite of destined
  - 14 “And When —” (1969 hit)
  - 15 Certain high-heeled feature
  - 16 Go-Go’s singer
  - 17 Offspring
  - 18 Ones entrapping
  - 24 “Vid,” in English
  - 29 “Slow” primate
  - 30 Bonnie of blues rock
  - 31 Artis’ votes
  - 32 Corrida cry
  - 33 Sailor’s org.
  - 35 It runs on a 52-Down
  - 39 — do-well
  - 40 Bill of tennis
  - 41 “Hurry it up!”
  - 42 Actress Ward
  - 45 Balm additive
  - 48 Female grad
  - 49 Chatty birds
  - 52 Apple buy
  - 53 Went spelunking
  - 54 Think aloud
  - 55 Prison units
  - 56 2012 Ben Affleck thriller
  - 57 Turkish money unit
  - 58 Bitterly cold
  - 59 Adherents of an Iranian religion
  - 60 Thousand: Prefix
  - 61 — acid (fat product)
  - 62 “There, there”
  - 65 Georgia politician Bob
  - 66 Michael of the band R.E.M.
  - 68 Small nail
  - 70 “— la Douce”
  - 71 Drink-related party abbr.
  - 72 Suffix with micro- or kaleido-
  - 75 Read quickly
  - 79 “I’m c-c-cold”
  - 80 Start to waka
  - 81 Light snack
  - 82 Small rodents, jocularly
  - 83 Gore feeling
  - 84 Slumber
  - 86 Star of “I’m No Angel”
  - 87 Slower than allegretto
  - 88 Like booties
  - 90 Cream-filled pastries
  - 91 Big head
  - 92 Contributor
  - 94 Covered anew, as a book
  - 95 — Lingus
  - 96 Suffix with Senegal
  - 97 Guided
  - 99 In harm’s way
  - 101 Transversely
  - 102 Those people
  - 105 100-buck bill
  - 108 Roman 1,052
  - 109 Auction website
  - 111 “The Wizard —”
  - 112 Celeb’s ride
  - 116 Radio host
  - 117 “Bali —”
  - 118 Epoch
  - 119 Small pouch



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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦**

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FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 10

### CryptoQuote

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### Trivia test by Phil Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: In the children's book, what is Doctor Dolittle's special talent?
- ART: Who painted the work titled "Starry Night"?
- FOOD & DRINK: Which vegetable is commonly used to make pickles?
- MUSIC: What is pop singer Taylor Swift's favorite number?
- MEDICAL: What is a common name for lachrymation?
- BUSINESS: When was the Chia Pet invented?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first American to win a Nobel Prize?
- HISTORY: The Aztec civilization emerged in which modern-day country?
- TELEVISION: Who played the character Michael Scott on TV's "The Office"?
- GEOGRAPHY: The volcano Mount Vesuvius overlooks which modern-day Italian city?

Answers

- He can talk with animals.
- Vincent van Gogh.
- Cucumbers.
- 13.
- Tears or crying.
- 1977 (Chia Guy).
- Theodore Roosevelt, the Nobel Peace Prize.
- Mexico.
- Steve Carell.
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### TOP 10 MOVIES

- Bob Marley: One Love (PG-13)
- Madame Web (PG-13)
- Argylle (PG-13)
- Migration (PG)
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- Wonka (PG)
- The Beekeeper (R)
- Anyone But You (R) I
- Lisa Frankenstein (PG-13)
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# R-W, Farmington lose in regional semifinals

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

The ROWVA-Williamsfield boys basketball season began with high hopes, underwent tumult almost immediately and ended with a 40-point defeat.

Seeded seventh in its Abingdon sub-sectional, R-W lost 85-45 to second-seeded Peoria Christian in a Class 1A Williamsfield Regional semifinal Feb. 21. The Cougars returned three starters from a 23-11 regional finalist and won seven of their first 10 games but finished 15-18.

Among those early victories was one Dec. 1 over Peoria Christian, 70-66. That was the last game R-W played before longtime Williamsfield Coach Bob Anderson announced his retirement. He coached only in the season opener before health issues sidelined him and helped lead to his departure.

The second Peoria Christian game was not like the first. Peoria Christian led 21-6 after the first period this time, then sophomore Trae Brickner had 21 second-quarter points as R-W trailed 58-18 at intermission. Brickner finished with a game-high 25 points. Teammate Malachi Persinger scored 24.

“They came out and played fast,” R-W Assistant Coach Jeff Hannam said. “We just had no answer for anything they were doing, and defensively they smothered us and we couldn’t get into an offense.”

Peoria Christian (23-11) beat third-seeded Abingdon-Avon in the regional title game Feb. 23 to advance to a sectional semifinal Wednesday against No. 1-seed Illini Bluffs.

Talan Hull had 13 points to lead R-W and Lewis Sams scored 12. Riley Danner scored only six. He led R-W this season with per-game averages of 16.6 points and 13.7 rebounds.

Following Anderson’s re-

tirement, R-W assistant Ryan Hart was named interim head coach. He wasn’t available for comment. Among changes Hart made post-Anderson was going from zone to man-to-man defense, Hannam said.

“With the change coming after the first week of the season, from Coach Anderson to Coach Hart, it kind of set us back a little bit,” he said. “A lot of changes for the kids. But they handled it well, and I’m proud of them because they bought into what we were doing. We did a lot of things well and just couldn’t finish out games at the end, and that’s what hurt us.”

Next season, R-W is expected to return starters Hull, Dawson Traphagan and Jaxson Strom. Hannam’s son Landon, a junior, saw more playing time as the season progressed.

**Farmington** – Hot first-quarter shooting by Macomb doomed the Class 2A regional hosts in a 59-48 semifinal defeat Feb. 21. Seeded second in its Canton sub-sectional, Macomb (26-5) led 21-5 after one quarter, 37-14 at half-time and 51-28 to begin the fourth quarter.

“I was told they missed one shot the first quarter, and I believe it,” Farmington Coach Marty Lozier stated.

Still, eighth-seeded Farmington (15-14) rallied to trail by eight with about two minutes to play. But the Farmers missed a few 3-point attempts and Macomb made enough free throws to seal the game.

“We played well all game, but Macomb was so hot the first half it was an uphill battle,” Lozier said.

Keauntrey Barnes had 21 points, including 17 in the

second half, in his final game for Farmington. He averaged 16 points and eight rebounds per game his senior season and scored 1,418 in his career.

Teammate Russell Poor scored 13 against Macomb, which on Feb. 23 beat third-seeded Sherrard in the title game to advance to a sectional semifinal played Wednesday against No. 1 Peoria Manual.

By the end of the season, Farmington started three sophomores, including Jack Gronewold, who averaged 10.8 points.

“We had some hurdles this season, but the kids did well,” Lozier stated. “We’ll definitely be reloading. I’m excited to get back in the gym.”



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# Weekly Post Sports

Thursday, February 29, 2024

## Princes fall in regional

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

BRIMFIELD – In four games against Peoria Heights this season, the Princeville boys basketball team won three. Unfortunately for the Princes, the loss came in the state tournament.

Winner moves on. Loser goes home.

A 59-54 defeat Feb. 23 to Peoria Heights in the Class 1A Brimfield Regional title game ended a stellar season for Princeville (28-6),

which tied a school record for wins. But Princeville players might wish for a do-over after this one, in which they struggled with shooting.

“It didn’t end how we wanted it to,” senior guard Parker Melick said. “We wish we could have gone farther, but it happened for a reason. I still haven’t had time to process it all.”

Melick spoke quietly in an almost-silent, almost-



Josh Hunt searches for space to take a shot last Friday in Princeville's 59-54 loss to Peoria Heights in the title game of the Class 1A Brimfield Regional. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

empty Brimfield gym that minutes earlier was filled with noise from a contingent celebrating Peoria Heights' first regional championship in 14 years.

“We said, ‘Four time’s a charm,’” said an emotional Jimmy Jordan, the Heights coach.

Camron Williams scored 31 to lead Heights, which advanced to an Abingdon

Sectional semifinal played Tuesday against second-seeded Camp Point Central. Princeville was top seed in its sub-sectional. Heights (19-13) was No. 4.

The Patriots' regional victory atoned for losses to Princeville by nine, three and 27 points.

“The first two times we played were exactly like  
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