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Trash talk

Farmington residents clear air on new garbage rules, pickup system

By **JEFF LAMPE**

For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – The waste-management world is evolving. Some Farmington residents have spent the past few months as unhappy witnesses to the change.

Monday evening, a crowd of nearly 30 residents and city officials gathered in the gym at the Farmington Community Center for a question-and-answer session designed to clear the air.

Last October, the Farmington City Council agreed to a five-year contract with Waste Management, Inc. Nothing new there, as WM had been picking up trash in town since 1993.

What is new, according to Dave Schaab of Waste Management, is a shift to mechanized garbage trucks and specific rules designed to maximize efficiency. Most notably, instead of two workers, each garbage truck is manned by only one driver who does not get out of the vehicle to dump containers.

“We’re to the point, because of the scarcity of labor for these jobs, that it had to be mechanized,” said Schaab, a WM sales representative. “The whole industry has gone towards automation. It’s not just us doing the change.”

Unfortunately, details of the new pickup rules



Mechanized arms lift garbage containers to dump trash over the side of trucks in Farmington. Photo by Jeff Lampe.

were not spelled out when the contract with WM took effect on Jan. 1. Farmington officials say informational pamphlets promised last December were only recently delivered. They

will soon be sent with sewer bills to residents.

Schaab said the lack of pamphlets was due to delays in WM’s editing and design process. Farmington Mayor Kenn Stuffle-
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Trainer co-op?

Brimfield, Elmwood weigh A.T. options

By **NICK VLAHOS**

For The Weekly Post

BRIMFIELD – For years, the Elmwood and Brimfield school districts have joined forces to field athletic teams. The districts soon might join forces to field certified athletic trainers, too.

OSF Multi-Specialty Group of Peoria has proposed providing Elmwood and Brimfield with trainers up to six days a week during varsity athletic seasons. The deal includes varsity practices and all football games, home and away. Evaluation and treatment of summertime injuries also would be covered.

Among other terms of the deal, OSF would be permitted to embroider its logo on school apparel. The cost would be \$25,500 for the 2024-25 academic year, \$28,050

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for 2025-26 and \$30,855 for 2026-27. Elmwood and Brimfield, who are co-op partners in most sports, would split the expense.

Brimfield Superintendent Chad Jones suggested the contract is pricey but might be worth it. Brimfield does not have trainers on duty during varsity contests.

“Having an athletic trainer on our staff would be a good thing for our athletes,” Jones told the Brimfield School Board when it met March 20.

“For me, it’s mostly cost.
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Bus drivers, custodians and paraprofessionals are now members of the Elmwood Teachers Association union after the school board ratified a memorandum of understanding at Monday’s meeting

Elmwood teachers union adds new members

By **NICK VLAHOS**

For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – It was a long trip, but bus drivers and some other non-teaching personnel in the Elmwood School District now are represented by a union.

Under an agreement the Elmwood School Board approved Monday night, five bus drivers as well as paraprofessionals and custodians will be under the Elmwood Teachers Association umbrella for the rest of this academic year and the ensuing two.

Negotiations took about a year, according to union official Jenny Wil-

liams. “It’s exciting to button things up,” she said.

Employees already approved the deal, affirmed through a memorandum of understanding the board ratified without discussion.

For the rest of the current school year, hourly bus-driver pay will range from \$20 to \$36.07, depending on seniority. The scale is to rise to between \$20.69 and \$37.32 in 2024-25 and \$21.15 to \$38.14 in 2025-26.

Hourly pay for custodians ranges from \$15 to \$27.06 in 2023-24, \$15.52 to \$27.99 in 2024-25 and \$15.86 to

\$28.61 in 2025-26. Corresponding hourly pay for paraprofessionals is \$15 to \$20.86, \$15.52 to \$21.57 and \$15.86 to \$22.05.

During an open session that lasted less than 10 minutes, Board Member Dustin Funk said he and his colleagues will return to square one regarding a solar farm that was proposed for construction on school property.

Earlier this month, the Elmwood Zoning Board of Appeals denied a variance request that would have allowed the solar project to proceed.

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BRIMFIELD: School will add grade-school art teacher

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That’s a lot of money.”
Elmwood has a less-expensive contract with another medical organization, but Jones suggested his counterparts aren’t pleased with it.
Brimfield board members recommended Jones investigate other medical firms in addition to OSF. The board is expected to revisit the topic in April.
Regarding decisions made last week, the board authorized a \$18,540 one-year contract with Pain in the Grass Lawn Service of Edwards for mowing and trimming of all district-owned lawn areas.
Grade School Assistant Principal Nicole Loser was approved for an activity account, to help track a \$750 grant she received. Among items the grant might fund is a school-wide book-reading event next academic year.
The board also authorized Jones to hire a Brimfield Grade School art teacher. This would allow the grade school to resume the art curriculum, according to Jones.
In other personnel moves, the board OK’d the appointments of Brett Cahill and Jeff Peterson as Brimfield High School volunteer bass-fishing coaches, David Doe and Todd Johnson as high school volunteer assistant baseball coaches, Jeremy Pryzbylo and Steve Updyke as high school volunteer assistant softball coaches and Kristin Wagner as part-time certified staff.

Accepted were the resignation of Heather Rumbold as a grade-school paraprofessional and the retirements of Jeannine Jones as a third-grade teacher and Carol Gilles as a grade-school paraprofessional and before- and after-care director.
Gilles might not be replaced in full, Jones suggested. The before-care program begins about 6:30 a.m. on school days and has only two or three participants most mornings.
“Finding somebody to work at 6 o’clock in the morning isn’t easy to do,” Jones said. “That might have to go away.”

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• **Fish Fry** – A fish fry (pollock served) will be held Friday, March 29, at the Kickapoo Sportsman’s Club, 4:30-7 p.m. Hot dog meals offered. Carry-out available.

This Week's Events

• **Bingo** – Salem Township Library in Yates City has bingo on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 2 p.m., including March 28.

• **MANNA Meal** – The monthly MANNA meal will not be held today, March 28, at noon at Elmwood United Methodist Church. Meals will resume in April.

• **Story Time** – Story time on “Hippity Hop” for children ages 1-8 and their caregivers today, March 28, at 6 p.m. at Elmwood’s Morrison & Mary Wiley Library. Stories and crafts focus on rabbits.

• **Blood Drive** – A Red Cross blood drive will be held March 30 from 7-11 a.m. in the parish hall at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Kickapoo. For appointments, visit redcrossblood.org.

• **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,

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It turns out we don’t need the troopers, just their weapons. Scientists are developing ways to use lasers to knock out pesky insects and weeds. In fact, lasers are already commercially available to producers willing to adopt the new technology.

Carbon Robotics, an agricultural technology company headquartered in Seattle, sells a robotic weeder designed for use on large-scale farms that produce specialty crops such as vegetables and certain fruits. Called the Laserweeder, the implement uses high-resolution cameras and artificial intelligence to identify weeds and zap them using a precisely focused laser beam.

How does it work? As the machine moves through the field, its 42 high-resolution cameras capture the image of every plant. A computer analyzes the images using Nvidia artificial in-

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According to the company, the Laserweeder outperforms a crew of 75 hand-weeding humans and can operate 24 hours a day. The rig is 20 feet wide and mounts on the three-point hitch of a medium-sized tractor. The Laserweeder is already in use by such large-scale vegetable growers as Grimmway Farms, the producer of those baby carrots everyone loves.

The laser company says producers have been eager to adopt the new technology because it saves labor, reduces tillage and eliminates the need for chemical weed control.

Laser technology applied to field-crop production has the potential to greatly improve the microbial health of field soils by minimizing the use of chemicals in crop production. Healthy soil organisms help produce crops with higher nutritional value.

Wageningen University and Research in the Netherlands is investigating the use of lasers to control insects in greenhouse crops. Currently, greenhouse operators introduce beneficial insects into their greenhouses to devour destructive aphids and thrips. That means insecticide use is limited.

By placing lasers at the ventilation intake vents, researchers were able to kill insects before they reached crops inside the greenhouse. In a different and more complicated application, scientists developed lasers that move through the greenhouse crop. The machines, using AI, zap destructive insects while leaving the beneficial predators untouched. The lasers can

even kill insects on the backside of plant leaves without harming the plants.

The University of Rhode Island, along with Cornell Extension, is working on yet another laser application to protect outdoor crops, such as sweet corn, cherries and blueberries. It’s a simple application with no need for cameras or AI. Mounted on a pole and powered by a small solar panel, the rotating laser shoots a green beam just above the crop.

Farmers and orchardists will tell you birds quickly become accustomed to most scarecrow options such as reflective tapes, air cannons and balloons imprinted with big eyes. However, birds are wary of the laser beams and actually become more so as time goes by. Researchers point out that it’s important to have the lasers in place and operating before the birds get a taste of the crop.

If your patio is plagued with hordes of mosquitoes, someday there may be a laser app for that, too. Such a device would kill mosquitoes while allowing bees and butterflies to flutter about unharmed. To date, several attempts have been made to produce such a device but none have come to market. Noah would have appreciated the device, which supposedly would be able to tell a male mosquito from a female.

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TRASH: 10 garbage-related calls, visits per day

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beam said some problems might have been alleviated if pamphlets went out before garbage collection started.

Instead, the lack of information has helped fuel a stream of nearly 10 garbage-related calls or visits per day to the city office, according to City Administrator Bettina Bohanan.

Items of contention include a requirement of up to 12 feet of space around waste containers, as well as rules requiring cans to be placed at the curbside by 6 a.m. with handles and wheels facing the house. Consistency of pickup has also been an issue, Bohanan said, as have additional charges for bulk-item pickup.

Schaab said space and alignment requirements allow a mechanical arm on the garbage truck to grip and lift a container.

Stufflebeam said the same system would have been required by GFL, the only other operator to bid on the garbage service.

“We contacted every waste hauler in the area,” Stufflebeam said. “We would have gone to this new system one way or the other.”

Stufflebeam said WM offered a spring cleanup, consisting of a dumpster at the city building. GFL did not offer that.

“We took the best deal we thought we had for the city,” Stufflebeam said. “We’ve all been human through this thing. We’ve stumbled and we’re trying to right this.”

Here are other details gleaned from the one-hour sanitation summit.

- Residents can request a second garbage container for an extra \$6 per month. Two residents at the meeting, however, said they were being charged \$9 per month for the extra container. Schaab promised to change the incorrect fees.

Schaab said cans will be available at the Farmington

municipal building. Bohanan said one shipment of containers has already been stolen. “So we have to lock them up now,” she said.

- Smaller 64-gallon containers that are easier to get to the curb are available upon request, Schaab said.

- Elderly and disabled residents who have difficulty moving waste containers can receive extra assistance, Schaab said. But he said determination of eligibility for the service is up to the city, not WM.

- Yard-waste pickup will start April 11, not March 9 as is printed in the brochure. Yard waste will be picked up every other week through Nov. 28.

And unlike what is printed in WM’s brochure, burning yard waste is allowed from March through June and in October and November.

- After being asked by a resident at the meeting, Schaab said WM takes recycling items from Farmington to its facility in East Peoria and then to Midwest Fiber in Normal, where it is “certified as recycled. We are adamant about that,” he said.

- Pickup of bulky items that do not fit in WM containers must be scheduled for an extra fee. Call 1-800-964-8988 or visit www.wm.com/us/en/home/bulk-trash-pickup. Items in loose bags or boxes will not be picked up.

- Customers attempting

to sign up for an online account with WM have encountered problems because they do not have individual account numbers, since they are under the Farmington contract. Schaab said a customer number is not required to sign up for online billing.

Schaab also said WM is creating an email address

to field questions from Farmington residents.

- WM receives \$19.45 per month from about 940 residences in Farmington. Schaab said that equals \$3 per stop, adding, “It’s a very expensive service to run for \$3 a stop.”

- Bulk items covered in fabric must also be covered in plastic to be picked up by WM.

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Princeville sets annual fee for food trucks

By **NICK VLAHOS**
For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – Food-truck vendors now can pay one fee to park in Princeville daily for a year.

A license will cost \$250 and be valid annually from date of issue, according to terms the Princeville Village Board approved March 19. Food trucks won't be allowed less than one block from established businesses. The board's license committee discussed terms immediately before the full board met.

The owners of Top That,

a Toulon-based food truck, had asked the board earlier this month to consider establishing an annual permit. The only previous option was a \$50-a-day license, but that isn't feasible for Top That financially on a regular basis.

An initial food-truck foray into Princeville following that meeting appeared to be worthwhile, according to Village Trustee Rick Pope. That might have boosted the annual-permit cause.

"They had a very good draw," Pope said. "They

did very well and the weather was not ideal that day. I think it would be good for the community if we've got something."

Because of the distance restriction, the area around Stevens Square Park probably will be food trucks' Princeville base.

Those trucks won't be allowed to operate during the village's annual Heritage Days festival, because of contracts with existing vendors.

The board also approved charging civic and fraternal organizations and other entities \$100 for a permit to operate beer tents and similar temporary outlets. An additional daily charge of \$15 also would be applied. That is the current daily fee. The current permit fee is \$40.

A stipulation that requires event organizers to provide professional security personnel also was

adopted.

In other business, the board authorized a \$3,000 donation to the Princeville Civic Association for its oversight of Heritage Days. The festival this year is June 27-29.

"I think you've been donating \$2,500 to us, but last year you gave us \$3,000 and we were just tickled pink," PCA representative Sue Hofer told the board. "Any amount you could donate would be wonderful for us."

The board also approved spending up to \$175,000 in motor-fuel tax money for street maintenance this year, including sealcoating.

A building permit was issued for a porch demolition at 526 W. Main St.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY PEORIA, ILLINOIS
Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Sergio Medina; et. al.
DEFENDANTS
No. 2023-FC-0000171
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 01/17/2024, the Sheriff of Peoria County, Illinois will on April 24, 2024 at the hour of 1:00 PM at Peoria County Courthouse 324 Main Street, Courtroom 203 Peoria, IL 61602, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Peoria and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
PIN 18-03-102-004
Improved with Residential
COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
1802 N Wisconsin Ave
Peoria, IL 61603

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If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The

successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Cordilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-23-04587. I3239644
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF PEORIA PEORIA, ILLINOIS
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF BRADY SLATER DECEASED
; S. LINN PERKINS, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR BRADY SLATER, DECEASED;
ASHLEIGH SLATER; DANIEL SLATER; COREY SLATER;
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants,
23 FC 127

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., Andrew D. Cassidy, Cassidy & Mueller, 416 Main Street, 323 Commerce Bank Building, Peoria, Illinois 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
P.I.N. 18-05-469-024.
Commonly known as 809 N. Garfield Ave, Peoria, IL 61606.
The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY PEORIA ILLINOIS
Citibank, N.A., not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for New Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 2016-3
Plaintiff,
vs.
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Jeffrey C. Ribak, deceased; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants; Dean Ribak; Ginger Light; Joel Knosher, as special representative for Jeffrey Ribak, deceased
Defendants.
Case No. 2023-FC-0000098
3536-38 Northeast Monroe Street, Peoria, IL 61604
Judge Bruce P. Fehrenbacher
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on January 3, 2024, Chris Watkins will on April 24, 2024, at the hour of 1:00PM at the Peoria County Sheriff's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street (Courtroom 203), Peoria, IL 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
Commonly known as 3536-38 Northeast Monroe Street, Peoria, IL 61604
Parcel Number(s): 14-35-134-003
The real estate is improved with a Multi-Family Residence.
Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or cer-

tified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

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

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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: 22-018382.

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Marvin Schmit; et. al.
DEFENDANTS
No. 2023-FC-0000218
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 03/13/2024, the Sheriff of Peoria County, Illinois will on May 8, 2024 at the hour of 1:00 PM at Peoria County Courthouse 324 Main Street, Courtroom 203 Peoria, IL 61602, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Peoria and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:
PIN 17-26-252-018
Improved with Residential
COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
1012 Collins Ct
Bartonville, IL 61607
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tation 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.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are

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Elmwood OKs new crime dog

By MOLLY RICHESON
For The Weekly Post

ELMWOOD – As Elmwood prepares to wish K-9 Rebel a happy retirement, the city is also preparing to welcome his successor.

At the March 19 Elmwood City Council meeting, the council approved covering Rebel’s medical expenses during his retirement and allocating up to \$14,000 for a new K-9 police officer.

Discussion included the fact that there is plenty of money in the K-9 fund to cover the costs of a new dog, including its training.

Officer Mike Darrah told the council he has already selected a 14-month-old black Labrador retriever to replace Rebel. The council unanimously agreed with his selection. Cedar Creek Kennels, a state-certified K-9 training facility in Monmouth, will provide both the dog and its training for \$12,500.

Elmwood’s newest addition to the police force will be in school with his handler for five weeks upon adoption, as required by state law. Darrah said that a lot of the training can also be done at home

Still to be determined is a name for Elmwood’s newest officer.



Elmwood K-9 Officer Mike Darrah (left) brought the city’s retiring K-9 officer, Rebel, to the March 19 Elmwood City Council meeting. At the meeting, the council unanimously approved buying and training a new K-9 officer for \$12,500 from Cedar Creek Kennels of Monmouth. Photo by Molly Richeson.

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For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff’s attorney: Cordilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-22-03973.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF PEORIA PEORIA, ILLINOIS

TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2020-3, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE Plaintiff,

vs.

DIANA L. RYAN; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants,
23 FC 191

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Fore-

closure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., Andrew D. Cassidy, Cassidy & Mueller, 416 Main Street, 323 Commerce Bank Building,, Peoria, Illinois 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 14-32-180-017.

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Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Chad Lewis at Plaintiff’s Attorney, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 205 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 23-135516 INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION intercountyjudicialsales.com 13241123
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Police reports

• **DUNLAP** – A 13-year-old boy brought a stolen, loaded gun to a Dunlap school last week to show it off to friends, according to authorities.

The unidentified student at Dunlap Valley Middle School was being held in the Peoria County Juvenile Detention Center after he was taken into police custody March 19. He was accused of burglary, aggravated unlawful use of a weapon and unlawful possession of a stolen firearm.

A school-resource officer received word the boy might have a gun at school, according to the Peoria County State’s Attorney’s Office. The student admitted stealing the weapon, which was reported missing earlier this month from a vehicle in Peoria.

The boy said he brought the gun to school three times and showed it to peers. No other weapons were found at his residence. An ongoing investigation determined there was no plan to shoot anybody at school and no students and faculty were targeted.

• **TRIVOLI** – A Farmington man sustained what appeared to be serious injuries in an all-terrain-vehicle accident southwest of Trivoli.

Travis J. Shinnefield was driving a 2013 Honda TRX400X east about 7:15 p.m. March 16 on a dirt trail near the 700 block of N. Stone School Rd. when the ATV struck a ditch. Shinnefield’s passenger told him he was driving too fast, according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report.

Shinnefield attempted to slow down but was thrown from the ATV when it struck the ditch and rolled multiple times. His passenger rolled to the ground. Shinnefield was unresponsive initially and was treated at the scene by Advanced Medical Transport and Logan-Trivoli Fire Protection District personnel.

A helicopter transported Shinnefield to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. There was no word about his condition. The ATV sustained disabling damage and was towed.

• **YATES CITY** – A Peoria woman’s blood-alcohol level was more than three times the legal limit following a single-vehicle accident north of Yates City.

Shortly after 7:15 p.m. March 17, Maire K. Ritchie, 26, was driving a northbound 2018 Chevrolet Equinox on Knox Highway 18 when the vehicle failed to negotiate a curve at Knox Road 750 North. The vehicle overturned in a ditch and rolled sev-

eral times, according to Knox County Sheriff’s Office reports.

Ritchie said she had four or five drinks at a bar in West Peoria, then left for a location in Peoria. Following the accident, Ritchie said she believed she was in Peoria, one report stated. Ritchie was transported to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria, where her BAC was measured at .252. The legal limit is .08.

In addition to driving under the influence of alcohol, Ritchie was accused of improper lane use and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. She is to appear May 1 in Knox County Circuit Court in Galesburg. Ritchie’s vehicle, a total loss, was towed.

• **LAURA** – A Laura woman accused of biting her boyfriend was wanted for other alleged crimes.

A Peoria County Sheriff’s Office deputy was dispatched about 8 p.m. March 15 to a residence in the 20800 block of W. Maple St. in Laura regarding a domestic dispute. Serenity M. Lopeman, 20, was arrested there and transported to the Peoria County Jail, according to a redacted sheriff’s-office report.

Lopeman was charged with domestic battery/physical contact. She also was accused of failure to appear in court regarding a no-bond Peoria County warrant for drunken driving, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to reduce speed.

• **OAK RUN** – Police helped an Oak Run man avoid becoming the victim of an online scam that would have cost him more than \$37,500.

The 71-year-old alerted the Knox County Sheriff’s Office about 5 p.m. March 12 about the incident, which happened earlier that day. He reported his home computer became locked and a subsequent message requested him to call a toll-free telephone number.

Someone who answered told the man an out-of-country purchase for \$37,543.29 was made from an account at his bank, which the other person represented. The potential victim was told to obtain a cashier’s check for that amount and send it to a New York address, a sheriff’s-office report stated.

A deputy was able to retrieve the check from a Galesburg parcel-shipping business and return it to the man.

• **HANNA CITY** – A Hanna City driver clipped the rear of a parked flatbed semi-trailer truck as he was attempting to pass it.

Jay B. Sibley was behind the wheel of an eastbound 2006 Cadillac Escalade about 10:45 a.m. March 6 in the 7400 block of W. Smithville Rd. south of Hanna City when his vehicle struck the truck. It was parked on the

south side of the road, according to a Peoria County Sheriff’s Office report.

The truck driver said he was preparing to unload building materials for a nearby residence. Sibley said he did not move far enough left to avoid the truck. No injuries were reported. The passenger side of Sibley’s vehicle sustained major damage from front bumper to rear.

• **FARMINGTON** – Jeremy D. Funches, 38, of Peoria was arrested shortly before 5 p.m. March 5 in the 1000 block of E. Fort St. on two Peoria County no-bond warrants for domestic battery, according to a Farmington police report. An officer transported Funches to the Fulton County Jail in Lewistown

• **PRINCEVILLE** – Ronald L. Potter Jr., 37, of Princeville was served a warrant about 8:45 a.m. March 5 for failure to appear in court on charges of forgery and deceptive practices, according to a Knox County Sheriff’s Office report. Potter already was being held in the Knox County Jail in Galesburg regarding another case.

• **FARMINGTON** – Justin F. Kling, 39, of Farmington was arrested shortly before 7 p.m. Feb. 27 in the 100 block of N. Oak St. on an unspecified Fulton County warrant. Kling said he didn’t have \$1,000 to post bond, according to a Farmington police report. Kling was transported to the Fulton County Jail in Lewis-

town.

• **EDWARDS** – Paul M. Trainer, 45, of Edwards was arrested at 6:30 a.m. March 22 and accused of eavesdropping without consent/first offense, according to the Peoria County Sheriff’s Office.

• **LAURA** – Zachary D. Robertson, 35, of Laura was arrested shortly after 4 p.m. March 20 and accused of criminal trespass to state land, resisting/obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct, according to the Peoria County Sheriff’s Office.

• **ELMWOOD** – Zachary D. Bien-tema, 39, of Elmwood was arrested at 6:30 p.m. March 20 and accused of battery/bodily harm, according to the Peoria County Sheriff’s Office.

• **PRINCEVILLE** – Jaclyn M. Connolly, 34, of Princeville was arrested shortly after 11:15 p.m. March 16 and accused of driving under the influence of alcohol, according to the Peoria County Sheriff’s Office.

• **GALESBURG** – These were among calls to which the Knox County Sheriff’s Office responded between March 10-16: dispute, Williamsfield; fight, Yates City; fraud, Oak Run; disturbance, Yates City.

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BRIEFS

Local students part of Springfield event

SPRINGFIELD – Elmwood students Josephine Griffith and Walter Lampe and Farmington students Kennedy Koenig and Alina Mowen participated in a Youth Day event co-ordinated by electric and telephone cooperatives from around Illinois.

On March 20, more than 200 students from across rural Illinois represented 25 co-ops during Youth Day, including the four local students and seven from Mid Century Communications.

“Youth Day gives students across the state an up-close look at democracy in action as they meet their elected representatives in Springfield,” said Bridgette Northern, director of marketing at Mid Century.

State Rep. Norine Hammond met with students representing Mid Century. Students also heard from Illinois Department of Natural Resources Director Natalie Phelps Finnie.

Students also learned about the role of electric or telephone cooperatives in their communities and toured the Illinois State Capitol.



Farmington Rotary President Lisa Ward (right) presents that group's Service Above Self Award to Farmington Moose Lodge 1571 representatives Bryan Carpentier (left) and Rachel Kenney, lodge administrator, during the recent Rotary banquet. In addition to funding various local charities and serving as a meeting space for local group and clubs, the Moose Lodge was praised for raising more than \$36,000 at last year's Jaxson's Jamboree event and for the third annual rummage sale that raised \$1,100 for Farmer's Closet and the Farmington Food Pantry.

Et cetera

• CANTON – Graham Health System is hosting a free vascular screening clinic at Graham Medical Group in Canton on April 9. Screenings are held from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Those interested in participating are

encouraged to reserve a time by calling (309) 647-0201.

Screenings are primarily for those over 50 but are beneficial to anyone with a personal or family history of vascular or vein disease. Results will be reviewed immediately.

ELMWOOD: Hirings OK'd

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According to Funk, the project size – almost 47,000 square feet – was the main reason for rejection, although others were cited. He said the district will separate itself from a solar deal with Clean Energy Design Group of Metamora.

“It’s still my opinion that it’s in the board’s best interest to try to maximize the amount of money going to the education of students,” Funk said. “Trying to reduce utility costs is a big part of that.”

After closed session, the board authorized hiring Kevin Faulkner for three years as a technology integration specialist. His annual pay starts at \$80,500.

Earlier, the board approved hiring Nicole Foster as a high school English teacher and junior-class sponsor; Brett Grant as senior-class sponsor; Jared Harkness as JH assistant boys track coach; Jacob Higgins as JH science teacher and Lego

League coach; Cooper Hoffmann as a HS assistant boys track coach; Kendall Malmberg as a special-education teacher; Ashley Miller as a JH English teacher; Emma Vallas as JH girls basketball coach; and Derek Vawter as bass-fishing coach.

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Thank you, Bobbi Emerick & family

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• Maundy Thursday worship service, March 28, at the Trivoli UMC at 7pm, open holy communion will be served to all who wish to receive it.

• Good Friday worship service, March 29, at the Hanna City UMC at 7pm.

• Easter egg hunt, Saturday, March 30, at the Hanna City UMC at 1:30 pm.

• Easter Sunday Sunrise Worship Service, March 31, at the Trivoli UMC at 7 am, with a light breakfast immediately following.

• Regular Easter Sunday worship service, March 31, at the Trivoli UMC at 9:30 am.

• Regular Easter worship service, March 31, at the Hanna City UMC at 11 am. Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 6, 10 am, at the Trivoli UMC.

• Regular Sunday worship service, April 7, 9:30 am., at the Trivoli UMC, with open holy communion being served to all who wish to receive it.

• Regular Sunday worship service, April 7, 11 am at the Hanna City UMC, with open holy communion being served to all who wish to receive it, and the choir will be singing at both churches that day.

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OBITUARIES

Albert J. Dorich

ELMWOOD – Albert J. Dorich, 99, of Peoria, formerly of Elmwood, passed away at 7:58 a.m., on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at Bickford of Peoria.

He was born March 27, 1924, in Dunfermline, Ill., to John and Johanna (Golic) Dorich. He married Evelyn Gregory on Jan. 3, 1948, in Canton. She preceded him in death on May 15, 2023.

Albert is survived by four children, Linda Hamm (Allan Christy) of Astoria, David Dorich of Elmwood, Denise (Dale) Kemper of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Daryl (Valerie) Dorich of East Peoria; 10 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren and one on the way.


Albert is also preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Pauline Spargo and Mary Miller Scott.

Albert served in the Navy for three years during World War II. He was stationed in the Pacific Theater onboard a landing craft tank and the U.S.S. Mindoro. He was a coal miner for 40 years, retiring in 1985. He was a lifetime member of the Elmwood United Methodist Church.

Albert enjoyed woodworking, gardening, traveling and was a lifelong Cubs and Bears fan.

A funeral service was to be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at Oaks-Hines Funeral Home in Elmwood. A visitation was to be held one hour prior to the service from 10-11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial with military honors was to immediately follow the service at Elmwood Township Cemetery. Food and fellowship was to follow at Elmwood United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may



Dorich

Phillip W. Miles

ELMWOOD – Phillip W. Miles, 71, of Peoria, formerly of Elmwood, passed away at 3:40 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, in Peoria. He was born Jan. 18, 1953, to Alfred and Elizabeth (Silzer) Miles.

He is survived by two children, Gabrielle (Justice) Willie-Doe of Joliet and Abigail (Joven) Wood of Bartonville; and one sister, Janet (William) Mason.


He is preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Alfred “Grant” Miles.

Phillip was a tile, terrazzo and granite setter for many years. One of his projects included the memorial at the Peoria riverfront. He enjoyed showing Gordon setter dogs, driving cars and watching the Chicago Bears.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to National Alliance on Mental Illness Tri-County Chapter.

To leave online condolences, please visit www.oakshinesfuneral-home.com. Oaks-Hines Funeral Home and Crematory in Elmwood is in charge of arrangements.



Miles

Donald S. Paul

DUNLAP – Donald Sherwood “Tug” Paul, 98, of Dunlap, passed away on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at Proctor Place in Peoria.

Tug was born on Dec. 26, 1925, in Peoria, to the late Edward and Janet (Rae) Paul. On Aug. 31, 1947, he married Evelyn Wieland. She

be made to B.Y.E. Ambulance.

To leave online condolences, please visit www.oakshinesfuneral-home.com. Oaks-Hines Funeral Home and Crematory in Elmwood is in charge of arrangements.

preceded him in death on Nov. 18, 2008.

He is survived by a son, Dr. Roger L. Paul of Dunlap; three granddaughters, Monica Paul, Lauren Paul and Corinne Olson; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Tug was preceded in death by a son, Brian Paul; twin granddaughters, Shawna and Shelley; one brother, William Paul; and one sister, Lorene Jones.


Tug graduated from Dunlap High School and attended Illinois Wesleyan University and Bradley University. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in aviation medical research and was honorably discharged in 1948.

From 1948 to 1968, he farmed in the Edelstein area and operated a painting and contracting business. He then became a farm manager and was vice president of agricultural services at The First National Bank of Peoria. He was there for 22 years, retiring Feb. 15, 1990.

Following banking, he became a self-employed real estate broker, operating Paul Realty and Management, dealing primarily in farmland acquisitions.

He was a charter member of Arrowhead Country Club and a member of its men’s golf association. He shot his age several times and had one hole-in-one, three short of Evy!

He was a board member of the Princeville Unit School District 326 and a charter member of The Peoria Area Civic Chorale. He was a member of the Downtown Rotary Club in Peoria and the American Society of Farm Managers & Rural Appraisers. Tug was an active member of Arcadia Avenue Presbyterian Church in Peoria, where he




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OBITUARIES

served as an elder and was a choir member for 17 years. He remained with United Presbyterian Church when the churches merged and he frequently attended The First Presbyterian Church of Knoxville in Knoxville, Ill. Pastor Kenn Shedenhelm was a best friend.

In addition to golf, Tug had several hobbies including woodworking, fixing anything that needed fixing and travel. His many travel destinations include Hawaii, Alaska, Fiji, Australia and several places in Europe.

He touched many, many lives with his honesty, integrity and sense of humor.

Visitation was March 22, 2024, at the United Presbyterian Church of Peoria. Tug’s funeral service was March 23, 2024, at the church. Burial was at Swan Lake Memory Gardens in Peoria.

Memorial contributions may be made to Children’s Home, 2130 N. Knoxville Ave., Peoria, IL 61603. Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services in Princeville is assisting the family with arrangements.

Condolences for Tug’s family may be left on his tribute wall at www.haskellfuneral.com.

Robert C. Howard

HANNA CITY – Robert Clay Howard, 89, of Hanna City passed away on March 16, 2024, at Carle Health Methodist Hospital in Peoria.

He was born on Oct. 19, 1934, in Peoria to Orville and Louise (Newell) Howard. He married Laura “Jan” Braden on April 13, 1954. She passed away on March 28, 2023.

Robert was also preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Larry Howard; and one nephew, Larry Dean Howard.

He is survived by his children,

Denny (Debbie) Howard, Diane (Barry) Adkins and Betsy (Bill) Irving; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Sally Yocum; and two sisters-in-law, Kate Badgerow and Carol Howard.

Robert led a life marked by service, commitment and passion for his community. He served honorably in the U.S. Navy. He was also an active and devoted member of the Hanna City Presbyterian Church.

After many years of service, Robert retired from his role in security at Caterpillar Inc. He joined the local volunteer fire department, where he selflessly responded to countless emergencies and helped protect his neighbors. His commitment to education and community development led him to serve as a member of the school board.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024, from 9-10:30 a.m. at Hanna City Presbyterian Church, with a celebration of life to follow starting at 10:30 a.m. Inurnment will immediately follow services at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Hanna City.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.davison-fulton-bartonvillechapel.com.

Lyle Koller

GALESBURG – Lyle Koller, 74, of Galesburg, father of a Dahinda woman, passed away on Saturday, March 9, 2024, at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center, Peoria.

Lyle was born on Oct. 25, 1949, in Avon, the son of Ray and Betty (Clayberg) Koller.

Surviving Lyle are his daughter, Kimberly (Joe) Groeper of Dahinda; and a brother, Dennis (Beverly) Koller of Springfield.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Verl.

Lyle served in the U.S. Army dur-

ing the Vietnam War. Lyle was a truck driver for over 40 years.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, March 30, 2024, at the Linwood Cemetery. A celebration of life will follow graveside services starting at noon at the Harry E. Philbald American Legion Post 749, Knoxville.

Condolences can be made online at hurd-hendricksfuneralhome.com.

Donald W. Purchase

CANTON – Donald W. Purchase, 69, of Canton, passed away on March 17, 2024, in Glasford.

He was born on Sept. 17, 1954, in Elmwood, a son of Ralph W. “Speck” and Marion (Blodgett) Purchase. He married Louanna McDams on Jan. 11, 1986 in Elmwood. She survives.

Also surviving are his two daughters, Kim Purchase of Canton and Krissy (Jack) Taff of Oakley; five grandchildren, Jace Kelly, Trevor Taff, Payton Coon, Dominic Coon and Jay Taff; one brother, Steve Purchase of Elmwood; and one sister, Ruth Nott of Maquon.

Preceding Donald in death were his parents, and one granddaughter, Colleen Taff.

Donald worked many years as an over-the-road truck driver and retired in 2016 from the Boilermakers Local Union 60 in Peoria. Donald was a great storyteller and enjoyed tinkering in the garage with his buddies, but most of all was the time he spent with his grandchildren.

Per Donald’s wishes, there will be no services. Cremation rites will be accorded through Sedgwick Funeral Homes & Crematory. Memorials can be made to his family.

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1. Is the book of Iscariot (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Matthew 28:2, who rolled back the stone from the door of Jesus’ tomb and sat upon it? Simon, An angel, Villagers, Disciples
3. When Mary Magdalene and “the other Mary” came upon the risen Jesus, who did He ask them to inform? Priests, Disciples, No one, Villagers
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could see the wounds? Peter, Andrew, Thomas, Thaddeus
5. How long did Jesus remain after His resurrection before He ascended into heaven? Instantaneously, 1 hour, 7 days, 40 days
6. According to the apostle Paul, more than what number of people saw the risen Christ at one time? 100, 300, 500, 1,000
ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) An angel, 3) Disciples, 3) Thomas (called Didymus), 4) 40 days (Acts 1:3), 5) 500 (1 Cor 15:3-8)
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Sat. Worship: 5 p.m.
Sun. Worship: 10 a.m.
Youth Sun. School: 9 a.m.
Adult Sun. School: 8 a.m.

FARMINGTON
Farmington Bible Church
Pastor Tony Severine
497 N. Elmwood Rd.
Farmington
(309) 245-9870
Sunday School: 9:30

Worship Service: 10:30

Farmington Methodist Church
Pastor Rick Atchley
187 W. Fulton St.
Farmington
(309) 245-4310
farmingtonmethodist61531@gmail.com
Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Farmington
Pastor Cindy Bean
83 N. Cone Street Farmington
(309) 245-2914
firstpresfarmington.com
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Live on Facebook also
Fellowship: 11:30 a.m.

New Hope Fellowship Assembly of God
Pastor Tom Wright
1102 N. Illinois Route 78
Farmington
(309) 231-8076
Sun. Worship: 10 a.m.
Wed. Worship: 7 p.m.

PRINCEVILLE
Princeville United. Methodist Church
Pastor David Pyell
420 E. Woertz Princeville
(309) 385-4487
princevilleumc@mediacombb.net
Sun. Worship: 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church
Father Corey Krenghel
119 Saint Mary St. Princeville
(309) 385-2578
Sat. Confession: 3-3:45 p.m.
Sat. Mass: 4 p.m.

Sun. Confession: 8-8:45 a.m.
Sun. Mass: 9 a.m.
Tues. Thurs. Sat. daily Mass: 8 a.m.

TRIVOLI
Brunswick Community Church
4027 S. Stone School Rd Trivoli
Pastor Terry England
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
(309) 403-4626

WILLIAMSFIELD
St. James Catholic Church
Father John Verrier
Legion Road Knox Road 1450 N
Williamsfield
(309) 446-3275
stjameswilliamsfield.org
Sun. Confession: 7:30-8 a.m.
Sun. Mass: 8 am (8:30 a.m. in the summer)

Williamsfield United Methodist Church
Pastor Zoila Marty
430 N. Chicago Ave.
Williamsfield
(309) 639-2389
Sun. School: during worship
Hospitality (coffee & finger foods): 10:30 a.m.
Sun. Worship: 11 a.m.

YATES CITY
Faith United Presbyterian Church
Reverend Marla B. Bauler
107 W. Bishop St. Yates City
(309) 358-1170
Worship: 9 a.m.
Sun. School: 10:15 a.m.
Thurs. Choir: 7 p.m.

LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY
PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. PLAINTIFF

Vs.
Sergio Medina; et. al.
DEFENDANTS
No. 2023-FC-0000171

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 01/17/2024, the Sheriff of Peoria County, Illinois will on April 24, 2024 at the hour of 1:00 PM at Peoria County Courthouse 324 Main Street, Courtroom 203 Peoria, IL 61602, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Peoria and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

THE SOUTH SIXTY (60) FEET OF EVEN WIDTH OF LOTS 10, 11, 12, 13 AND THE SOUTH SIXTY (60) FEET OF THE WEST TEN (10) FEET OF LOT 14 ALL IN BLOCK 3 IN BEN-TON RIDGE A SUBDIVISION OF LOT 12 IN HALL'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

PIN 18-03-102-004
Improved with Residential
COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
1802 N Wisconsin Ave
Peoria, IL 61603

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-23-04587. I3239644

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

COUNTY OF PEORIA
PEORIA, ILLINOIS
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC,
Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF BRADY SLATER-DECEASED
; S. LINN PERKINS, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR BRADY SLATER, DECEASED;
ASHLEIGH SLATER; DANIEL SLATER; COREY SLATER;
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,
Defendants,
23 FC 127

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., Andrew D. Cassidy, Cassidy & Mueller, 416 Main Street, 323 Commerce Bank Building, Peoria, Illinois 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
Fifty-five feet of even width off of the Northwesterly end of Lot 1 in Anderson and Whiting's Resurvey and Subdivision of Lot 14 in Moss Addition and Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 in the Board of School Inspector's Addition to the City of Peoria, situated in Peoria County, Illinois.
P.I.N. 18-05-469-024.

Commonly known as 809 N. Garfield Ave, Peoria, IL 61606.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Vincent Chavarria, Esq. at Plaintiff's Attorney, Lender Legal PLLC, 1800 Pembroke Drive, Orlando, Florida 32810. (407) 730-4644. ILS11482-IL IJSC INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, an Illinois state bank, Plaintiff,
v.
QUENTIN P. MCCLERNON a/k/a QUENTIN MCCLERNON; NORMA D. MCCLERNON; STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; CAVALRY SPV I, LLC; "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and "NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS," Defendants.
No. 2024FC0000053
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
124 East Orchard Place
Peoria, Illinois 61603

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to QUENTIN P. MCCLERNON a/k/a QUENTIN MCCLERNON; NORMA D. MCCLERNON; STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; CAVALRY SPV I, LLC; "UNKNOWN OWNERS" and "NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS," Defendants in the above-entitled suit, that said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Peoria County, Illinois, by Plaintiff, HEARTLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, against you and other defendants praying for foreclosure of a Mortgage covering the premises described as follows to wit:

TRACT 1:
THE WEST HALF OF LOT 4, AND, THE EAST 40 FEET OF LOT 5 IN ALBERT FULTON'S SUBDIVISION, SECTION TWO, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, SITUATED IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TRACT 2:
10 FEET OF EVEN WIDTH OFF THE ENTIRE WEST SIDE OF LOT 5 IN ALBERT FULTON'S SUBDIVISION, SECTION TWO, A SUBDIVISION IN RICHWOODS TOWNSHIP, IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, SITUATED IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TRACT 3:
15 FEET OF EVEN WIDTH OFF THE EAST SIDE OF LOT 6 IN ALBERT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON TOWNSHIP BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Town of Brimfield in the County of Peoria, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2025, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the Village Hall, Brimfield, Illinois, from and after 9:00 o'clock A.M., April 12, 2024.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 6:00 P.M., May 14, 2024, at the Brimfield Township Building, 315 S. Adams St., Brimfield, Illinois, in this Town of Brimfield and that final hearing and action on this Ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at the regular meeting of the Township Trustees at 6:00 o'clock P.M. on May 14, 2024.

DATED: April 8, 2024.
/S/ Michele D. Karl
Town Clerk

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FULTON'S SUBDIVISION, SECTION TWO, BEING PART OF THE SOUTH-EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, SITUATED IN PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Common Address: 124 East Orchard Place
Peoria, Illinois 61603
Permanent Index No: 14-28-451-003
which Mortgage was made by Quentin P. McClernon, as Borrower, in favor of Heartland Bank and Trust Company, as Lender, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Peoria County, Illinois, on September 27, 2012, as Document No. 2012025492.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the above-named Defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit, or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Peoria County, Illinois, on or before April 22, 2024, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint.
Tina M. Jacobs, Esq. - ARDC
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Joy Pinta, Esq. - ARDC 6278250
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY
PEORIA ILLINOIS
Citibank, N.A., not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for New Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 2016-3
Plaintiff,
vs.
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Jeffrey C. Ribak, deceased; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants; Dean Ribak; Ginger Light; Joel Knosher, as special representative for Jeffrey Ribak, deceased
Defendants.
Case No. 2023-FC-0000098
3536-38 Northeast Monroe Street, Peoria, IL 61604
Judge Bruce P. Fehrenbacher

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on January 3, 2024, Chris Watkins will on April 24, 2024, at the hour of 1:00PM at the Peoria County Sheriff's Office, Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street (Courtroom 203), Peoria, IL 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
Part of Lot 5 in the subdivision of the North half of fractional Section 35, Township 9 North, Range 8 East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the most Northerly corner of Lot 7 Van De Venters Addition to the City of Peoria, thence in a Northeasterly direction along the Southeasterly line of North Monroe Street 164.83 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along the Southeasterly side of North Monroe Street 51 feet to the most Westerly corner of Lot 3, Block 7 of Luthy's Addition to the City of Peoria; thence Southeasterly and parallel to the Southerly side of said of said Lot 3, Block 7 in said Luthy's Addition a distance of 148 feet; thence Southwesterly and parallel to the South-easterly line of North Monroe Street a distance of 51 feet; thence Northwesterly to the point of beginning, situate, lying and being in the City of

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF PEORIA
PEORIA, ILLINOIS

TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2020-3, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE
Plaintiff,
vs.
DIANA L. RYAN; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS
Defendants,
23 FC 191

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., Andrew D. Cassidy, Cassidy & Mueller, 416 Main Street, 323 Commerce Bank Building., Peoria, Illinois 61602, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:
LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN CITY OF PEORIA IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA, AND STATE OF IL AND BEING DESCRIBED IN A DEED DATED 04/17/2002 AND RECORDED 04/23/2002 AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 02-16699 AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY AND STATE SET FORTH ABOVE, AND REFERENCED AS FOLLOWS: A PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. MORE PARTICULARLY

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on March 15, 2024, a Certificate of Ownership of an Assumed Name Business was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Peoria County, Illinois, stating that JAMES GARNER intends to conduct and transact business under the name of ONE SHOT TRANSPORTATION at the address of 2215 W. Willow Knolls Dr., Peoria, IL 61615.

Dated this 15th day of March, 2024.
Rachael Parker
Peoria County Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Road Purposes of the Town of Brimfield in the County of Peoria, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2025, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the Village Hall, Brimfield, Illinois, from and after 9:00 o'clock A.M., April 12, 2024.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 6:00 P.M., May 14, 2024, in the Brimfield Township Building, 315 S. Adams St., Brimfield, Illinois, in this Town of Brimfield and that final hearing, and action on this Ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at the regular meeting of the Township Trustees at 6:00 o'clock P.M. on May 14, 2024.

DATED: April 8, 2024.
/S/ Michele D. Karl
Town Clerk

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NOTICE OF LETTING

Sealed proposals will be received and publicly opened and read on April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. for the following items, Sections PER-SIFER-24-NONMFT: Aggregate (Furnish and Spread/Stockpile): 4,600 tons various aggregate. Aggregate Hauling (Quotations): From various sources, one (1) or more tons, delivered to various location in Persifer Township.

Proposals shall be submitted on forms furnished by Persifer Township which may be obtained at the Persifer Township building, and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and appropriately labeled for the items being bid.

Bidders shall comply with the prevailing wage rates established by the U.S. Department of Labor, and the Equal Opportunity requirements. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities.

By order of Persifer Township.
Milo Gibbs
Highway Commissioner

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BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: STARTING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF GIFT AVENUE, 214 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF GIFT AVENUE AND UNIVERSITY STREET; THENCE WEST 44 FEET ON SAID GIFT AVENUE, THENCE SOUTH 135 FEET AND PARALLEL WITH SAID UNIVERSITY STREET, THENCE EAST 44 FEET; THENCE NORTH 135 FEET AND PARALLEL WITH SAID UNIVERSITY STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN THE CITY OF PEORIA, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF PEORIA AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.
P.I.N. 14-32-180-017.
Commonly known as 1318 W. GIFT AVE., PEORIA, IL 61604.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Mr. Chad Lewis at Plaintiff's Attorney, Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC, 205 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (708) 668-4410 ext. 52109. 23-135516
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
PEORIA COUNTY
PEORIA, ILLINOIS

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust c/o U.S. Bank Trust National Association
PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Marvin Schmit; et. al.
DEFENDANTS
No. 2023-FC-0000218
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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Historically low turnout for Illinois primary

By **PETER HANCOCK**
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – With only a few exceptions, incumbent officeholders in Illinois cruised to easy victories in primary elections on March 19 that were marked by historically low voter turnout.

Preliminary returns from many of the state’s larger counties showed turnout hovering in the range of 20-25%. That compares to a statewide average of 47% in 2016, when the White House was an open race, and 28% during the pandemic-impacted primaries in 2020.

That may have been due to the fact that there were few truly competitive races for voters to decide, especially at the top of the ballot. Democratic President Joe Biden and Republican former President Donald Trump had both secured enough delegates to win

their respective party nominations a full week before polls even opened in Illinois.

In a race to replace retiring Sen. Win Stoller in the 37th Senate District, former Dixon Mayor Li Arelano Jr. got 48% of the vote in the Republican primary against Henry County Board member Tim Yager (36%) and Chris Bishop (15%), a former teacher and high school wrestling coach who now works in crop insurance.

In the Republican primary for the U.S. Congressional seat in Illinois District 17, Joe McGraw garnered 67.6% of the vote to Scott Crowl’s 32.4%.

Presidential voting showed 94.7% of Peoria County voters selecting Biden in the Democratic slate. Trump collected 75.8% of the votes from Republicans, while Nikki Haley re-

ceived 18.9%. Biden and Trump delegates swept their elections.

In Knox County, Biden had 94% of the vote, Trump had 80.4% and Haley had 14.8%.


In Fulton County, Biden garnered 90.7%, Trump was at 85.5% and Haley collected 10%.

Another race in the state that proved competitive was the 12th Congressional District race in southern Illinois, where incumbent Republican Mike Bost of Murphysboro survived a challenge from former state Sen. Darren Bailey, the unsuccessful GOP candidate for governor in 2022.

Bost is a former state legislator who was first elected to Congress in 2014. Bailey had served only one term in the state House and half a term in the state Senate before running for governor.

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Looking for an experienced farm worker to help on a grain production farm. Must have CDL, Health insurance available. Call (309)238-6148




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will be flushing hydrants
April 4 & 5
May see discoloration of water.

FOOSE EXCAVATING

Demolition of Houses and Concrete Foundations - Site Preparation
Land Clearing - Retaining Walls
Farm Clean-Up
Rock Driveways - Food Plots
Zack Foose - 309-678-6228



Elmwood CUSD #322

is taking applications for:
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Elmwood Elementary School
501 N. Morgan St. • Elmwood, IL 61529



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in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.
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Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).
If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).
If the sale is set aside for any rea-

son, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.
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For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-22-03973.
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Amber Waves

WOW, MOM IS SURE UPSET WITH ME FOR THE MESS I MADE.

I NEED TO THINK OF SOMETHING TO REALLY DISTRACT HER.

I COULD MAKE HER A CARD OR PICK HER SOME PRETTY FLOWERS.

NAH, WITH ANY LUCK DAD WILL DO SOMETHING AND I'LL BE OFF THE HOOK.

The Spats

JEFFY, YOU SHOULD NEVER TALK TO STRANGERS.

GRANDPA, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT

...I DON'T KNOW ANY STRANGERS.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

I GET AN OVERWHELMING FEELING THAT IN ABOUT 30 SECONDS I WON'T BE AS HAPPY TO SEE YOU.

GRIN & BEAT IT

"I'll tell you the same thing my father told me. ... Go ask your mother."

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 10

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW
One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X 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.

XBUMSJSOCQ OR CVSBQ
LCS KOSGCMS IBXOS JOE
NCRS KOSGCMS VJMNS.
- BOLNORG UXCZBX

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Seychelles islands located?
- TELEVISION: In which sitcom is the catchphrase "Hello, Newman" used often?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is a cornichon?
- HISTORY: According to a WWII government slogan, what should citizens do after they "Keep calm ..."?
- MOVIES: What is the name of John Wayne's character in "True Grit"?
- LANGUAGE: The Latin word "genu" refers to which part of the human body?
- U.S. STATES: How many states begin with the letter "R"?
- MEDICAL: The first vaccine was created to protect against which disease?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of Helen Keller's teacher, who taught the blind and deaf girl how to communicate?
- ANATOMY: What is the smallest organ in the human body?

Answers

- Indian Ocean.
- "Seinfeld."
- A small pickle.
- "... and carry on."
- Rooster Cogburn.
- The knee.
- One: Rhode Island.
- Smallpox.
- Anne Sullivan.
- Pineal gland.
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TOP 10 MOVIES

- Kung Fu Panda 4 (PG)
- Dune: Part Two (PG-13)
- Arthur the King (PG-13)
- Imaginary (PG-13)
- Cabrini (PG-13)
- Love Lies Bleeding (R)
- Bob Marley: One Love (PG-13)
- One Life (PG)
- The American Society of Magical Negroes (PG-13)
- Ordinary Angels (PG)
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ELMWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN
OPEN HOUSE

For next year's parents and students

Thursday, April 18th

Time slots available:

5:30-6:00 pm

6:15-6:45 pm

7:00-7:30 pm

Elmwood Elementary School Gym

Children must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2024 in order to register for class.

We are asking parents to bring the following:

• Copy of your child's birth certificate

• Physical / Dental / Vision / Immunization records if complete

• Emergency phone numbers

• Any information regarding medication, doctor orders, allergies, etc.

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ALL-SPORTS ROUNDUP

Hart named R-W boys basketball coach

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

“Interim” has been removed from Ryan Hart’s ROWVA-Williamsfield boys basketball job title.

During its meeting March 19 in Oneida, the ROWVA School Board decided to hire head-coach Hart on a more-permanent basis. The R-W assistant took the top job early in the 2023-24 season after longtime Coach Bob Anderson retired, in part because of illness.

Also hired was ROWVA physical-education teacher James Sams to be head coach of the R-W girls program.

The R-W boys finished 15-18 in Hart’s interim season. The year began with Anderson coaching only the season opener, but R-W recovered enough to win seven of its first 10 games. Hart is Anderson’s stepson and teaches physical education at Williamsfield. He did not respond to a request for comment.

In two seasons as head coach at Galesburg, Hart finished 29-4. In his first season, 2019-20, Galesburg won the Western Big Six Conference title and finished fourth in The Associated Press Class 3A state rankings.

Among those on the R-W boys staff last season was Sams, who played for Anderson and is a 2014 Billtown graduate. This is his first head-coaching job. Sams also was an assistant at North Fulton.

“I am nervous, don’t get me wrong, but I think running the whole program, I’m glad it’s happening now, so I’ll have all summer to get what I need done,” Sams said. “I’ve already talked with some of the girls, trying to get their feeling on things. ... They all seemed really excited.”

Among returning regulars from a R-W team that finished 7-21 in 2023-24 are incoming seniors Addysen Link and Erin Welch and incoming junior Ella Rigg.

Sams replaced Mike Weitekamp, who resigned.

Stark County boys – Part of what attracted Kane Mastin to Stark County as a teacher also attracted him to its boys basketball head-coaching job.

“This place is a diamond in the rough that’s overlooked,” Mastin said last week. “My job as a coach is to make sure we’re not overlooked anymore.”

Stark County administrators and school-board members didn’t overlook Mastin’s job application. During its meeting March 18, the board authorized Mastin to fill the vacancy created when Dusty Browning resigned following the 2023-24 season, his eighth.

Mastin assisted Browning the past two seasons and also was head coach of the Rebels’ junior varsity. A 2004 Knoxville graduate, Mastin arrived at Stark County in 2022 from Manito

Midwest Central, where he was head coach the previous four seasons.

All-star games – Lauren Rushing of Elmwood had nine points for the North as it won 96-45 in the girls Kiwanis Club of Canton All-Star Game. Boys and girls games were played March 16 at Spoon River College.

Other area seniors on the North squad were Brianna Brodie of Princeville (five points), Ava Strom of Galva (four) and Ava Simpson of Brimfield, who was scoreless.

Game MVP Julia Sollberger of Dunlap had a team-high 19 points.

The North boys lost 93-88 to the South despite 18 points from Farmington senior Keauntrey Barnes.

ROWVA-Williamsfield’s Riley Danner had 11 points and Jackson Magee of Dunlap scored nine. Scoring four each were Drew Kieser of Brimfield and Tayshaun Kieser of Princeville. Brady Clark of Kewanee had a team-high 24 points. South Fulton’s Ben Sherrod had 20 points for the South and was the game’s MVP.

Barnes and Rushing were runners-up in the 2-ball Hot Shot competition, with a total of 73 points. South players Nic Huston and Tommi Gorsuch, both of South Fulton, scored 75.

Farmington softball starts strong

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

As of earlier this week, Farmington had played one softball game so far. But that game might have given Farmers Coach Jeni Fauser optimism regarding the ones that remain.

Lydia Overcash struck out 13 Monmouth United batters, Kiley Vallas and Emily Vallianatos had RBI and Kennedy Koenig was 2-for-3 in a 2-1 win March 21 at Farmington.

Fauser wasn’t happy with three errors and only two runs on six hits from a team relatively thin on experience. But Overcash helped cover the blemishes.

“To only give up one run,

I was very happy with that,” Fauser said about the junior pitcher. “She was hitting her spots well. For her first time out, I thought she had good command of her pitches.”

Also in command was Koenig, a sophomore whom Fauser called the Farmers’ player of the game. In addition to her hits, Koenig also threw out a baserunner and threw out some intangibles.

“She’s not afraid to be a leader,” Fauser said. “She’s ready for this, I think.”

Farmington’s runs came in the fourth inning. Izzy Nordwahl scored on Vallianatos’ single. Following a first-out strikeout, Vallas’

single brought home Madi-lyn Hanlin, who pinch-ran for Vallianatos.

“We kind of started this way last year and got hot toward the end,” Fauser said. “I wouldn’t be surprised if that happened this year.”

Farmington is to play today (March 28) against ROWVA-Williamsfield (1-1), then is to travel Friday to Canton and Saturday to Limestone.

Brimfield-Elmwood – CJ Troxell’s two-run homer highlighted a seven-run third inning in Brimfield-Elmwood’s 13-1 victory March 20 at Putnam County. Troxell also drove in a run in the first. Kylee Vaughn was 3-for-4 with two RBI, and Brooke Sumner allowed two hits in five innings for the Indians (3-1).

Kierra Johnson had a triple and two doubles in three at-bats March 19 in a 15-0, four-inning beating of Peoria Notre Dame. Troxell had four RBI. Sawyer Drury allowed one hit and struck out six.

B-E was to play Tuesday against Abingdon-Avon and Thursday at Midwest Central-Illini Central.

Princeville – A rainout Monday against Brimfield-Elmwood will not be re-scheduled, according to Princeville Coach Brian Holt. Princeville (2-1) was to play Wednesday at Chillothe IVC.

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Super Crossword

HAVING A
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ACROSS

1 Is worthy of
9 Ice cream
shop treats

15 Glaringly
sensational

20 Clear out of
21 Riga's land

22 "Nadia" title
role player

Löwensohn

23 Start of a
riddle

25 Fuzz-covered

26 Floyal

Middleton

27 Inflated head

28 Glimpse

29 Urge (on)

31 It may
contain
coffee

32 — cone
(joy treat)

33 More of the
riddle

38 Chess
pieces, e.g.

39 Seating tier

40 Officer led by
Capt. Kirk

41 Equilibrium

45 Urge on

49 Novelist —
Stanley
Gardner

51 More of the
riddle

57 Pipe bend

58 Prefix with
byte

59 Mardi — (Big
Easy bash)

60 Hi-tech
special FX

61 — rock
(music genre)

62 — Blu
Dipinto di
Blu" (1958
hit song)

63 Q-tips, e.g.

65 Jockeys' garb

67 Like Mass
officiants

69 More of the
riddle

73 Really hungry

76 Really high

77 Twangy, as
a voice

81 Yes, to Sartre

82 U.S.
immigrants' course

83 "Gross!"

84 Cookbook
q.tys.

87 Subdue with
a stun gun

88 And the rest:
Abbr.

89 More of the
riddle

93 Departs

95 "Ad — per
aspera"

96 Wash and
iron

97 Attempt to
convey

101 Stephen of
"Online"

104 Hypothetical
cases

105 End of the
riddle

110 Cloaked

113 Inferior mag

114 Tiki bar
necklace

115 Ending for
pay or plug

116 Response to
"Are you?"

117 Roseanne of
"Roseanne"

118 — Gold
(1997 Peter
Fonda film)

120 Riddle's
answer

125 Pasta variety

126 — Alex (2005
Belmont
Stakes
winner)

127 Pupa-dating
alkaloid

128 Comic
Johnson and
Angels owner
Moreno

129 Puts it forth
as fact

130 Tailor

5 Regret

6 Jumbo tub

7 Early
anesthetic

8 Pete of folk
music

9 St. Pete loc.

10 Ranch rope

11 River romper

12 With — to (in
hopes of)

13 It may
contain
coffee

14 Most wise

15 Running time

16 Ending with
form

17 Undertow

18 Alongside
each other

19 "Tell It to My
Heart" singer

24 Chanel of
perfumery

30 Wildebeest

33 Fender faw

34 Disguised,
for short

35 Small branch

36 German for
"everyone"

37 Be litigious

38 Ghastly

41 Tiny pieces

42 Some

43 "The
Practice"
co-star —
Flynn Boyle

44 Blunder

46 Dirt-digging
journalist

47 Hog heaven

48 — tu
(Verdi aria)

50 — May
(one of TV's
Clampetts)

52 Ship poles

53 "Dream on!"

54 Deform

55 Et — (and
others)

56 Unyielding

64 Muscle
power

66 Like plunging
necklines

67 Rival of
Coke

68 Lipitor and
Zocor, e.g.

70 "Jimmy!"

71 Luau dance

72 Jabba

73 Filmmaker
Nicolas

74 Salesperson
in a car lot

75 Deputy ruler

78 Anti-DUI gp.

79 Tennis great
Arthur

80 Look of lust

83 Mensa stats

85 D.C. VIP

86 Slowpoke

90 Jacques of
French film

91 Delhi dress

92 Beer on "The
Simpsons"

94 Test, as tea

96 Triple-time
dances, in
Paris

99 Ending for
Siam or
Milan

100 Big Japanese
dogs

102 Kuwaiti
ruler

103 Yoga poses

105 Big-band
drummer

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106 In a high-
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107 Singers'
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TRACK: Princes 4x400 relay 6th at Top Times

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this year should be no different.
The boys quartet of senior Hunter Darsham, junior Jake Martin and sophomores Ethan Martin and Kyle Miller placed 13th at Top Times in 1:38.47, led by Jake Martin’s fast split of 23.5. Jake Martin was also 12th in the 200 (24.2). The Farmers sent their 4x200 and 4x400 to state last spring and also sent Brayden Morse in pole vault. Morse was 10th at Top Times, clearing 12 feet.
The girls relay of senior Mariah Hayden and juniors Paige Stevens, Averie Gilstrap and Lily Swanson placed 11th at Top Times in 1:54.24. They were state qualifiers in the 4x100 last year and three of the runners also went in the 4x200. Promising sophomores on an 18-member team are jumper Halie Whitby and pole vaulter Jojo Rohrer.
Those athletes will all be building

blocks for what looks to be a promising spring season.
“Last year we took a big step forward for the program, as we were able to compete as a team and win several meets,” boys Coach Brad Whitcomb said. “The expectation this year was to compete and defend those titles ... and look to build off them with a potential sectional title.”
Other expected top performers for the Farmers are sophomore Dax Ulm (800, 1,600), senior Chandler Whisenand (high jump), senior Caden Mowen (discus, shot) and sophomore Treyen Haroldson, who looks strong in the 400 and possibly the 800.
Princeville – Just like last spring, the Princes have a strong boys 4x400 relay. The quartet of seniors Parker Melick, Tayshaun Kieser and Joey Bosch and junior Jack Lied placed sixth at Top Times in 3:39.57.
Princeville also has three runners

back from a state-qualifying 4x800 (junior Tucker Sennett, Melick and Bosch). Bosch was also an outdoor qualifier in the 800 while Kieser made state in the 400 last year.
Brianna Brodie headlines the girls in the discus and shotput. She placed second in Class 1A discus last year with a throw of 126-4.25 and has signed with Illinois State.
ROWVA-Williamsfield – Sophomore Taven Ostrander was seventh in the high jump at Top Times (5.8 feet) and junior Jack Cordle, an outdoor state qualifier in the 400 last spring, was 14th in the 200 (24.36). Those two are expected to be among the top contributors on a R-W roster of 28 boys athletes.
Coach Chris Campagna lists Mercer County as favorite in the Lincoln Trail Conference this spring, though he said the conference has many talented athletes.

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BASEBALL: Farmers top United, Stark County

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and it’s paying off in the last couple of games,” Coach Justin Begner said. “Our pitchers have been mostly efficient.”
The Farmers topped Stark County 9-2 March 19 on the road. Easley aided the offense with four RBI and Crawford collected two RBI to go with two hits.
Carter Lambin pitched to eight strikeouts and just one walk. Atchley threw 2.1 innings in relief and fanned three while giving up just one hit.
Farmington is home today vs. Mercer County.
Princeville – The Princes (3-4) had a week of extremes, first beating Kewanee 11-1 in five innings at home on March 19.
Princeville tallied five in

the first. Hunter Johnson pitched three innings, whiffing four hitters, and Jett Benningfield threw two frames, also striking out four. Logan Olshawsky and Trent Buffum each drove in two runs while Parker Dickinson doubled.
“It was a good win for us. Jett Benningfield and Hunter Johnson threw really well,” Princeville Coach Brett Williams said. “It was very good to see multiple players driving the ball to different parts of the field.”
Things didn’t go as well on March 20, as the Princes lost 14-4 at North Fulton. The hosts scored in all but one inning and had 17 hits. Johnson drove in two runs for Princeville and Jake Williams had two hits.
PHS is at Abingdon-Avon today.
ROWVA-Williamsfield – R-W won its only game in the last week, a 9-3 non-conference victory at home vs. Erie-Prophetstown. The Cougars helped themselves with four runs in the third and three in the fifth.
“We put the ball in play a ton, only striking out twice, which forced E-P to have to make plays and make mistakes,” R-W Assistant Coach Mike Weitekamp said. “We were clean

in the field and turned two nice double plays early to set the tone.”
Preston Schroeder went 4-for-4 with two RBI and Lewis Sams was also very busy at the plate, with three hits and two RBI. Kole Miller also had two RBI.
Sams tossed 1.2 innings, fanning two. Schroeder struck out two in 4.1 frames from the bump. Jaxson Strom fanned three in one inning.
The Cougars host Peoria

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E-B's first indoor champ

Pole vaulter sets meet record as spring track nears

By JEFF LAMPE
For The Weekly Post

BLOOMINGTON – After months of setting records at indoor track meets across the country, Mya Strahm did it again last Friday at the Indoor Top Times event at Illinois Wesleyan University.

The Brimfield junior won the Class 1A pole vault at the indoor “state” meet, clearing 13 feet, 3 inches, posting a record for Class 1A in the process.

Strahm, who competes for the Elmwood-Brimfield track team, already owns the state record of 13-7.5 and had cleared 13 feet in five of six meets coming into the weekend. She also recently earned all-America honors at the New Balance Indoor Nationals in Boston after clearing 13-7.25.

“Her goal was to set a new meet record and she accomplished that,” E-B Coach Kyle Anderson said. “I think she was hoping for a higher mark, but it’s tough to be disappointed with what she accomplished on Friday.”

Strahm is also the defending champion in Class 1A outdoor track and it will be interesting to see how high she can fly this spring. Though technically a junior, she will graduate in December and has committed to the University of Tennessee.

She will be a headliner for an E-B girls track team that has other talent in a sizable roster of 29 participants.

Junior Chloe Howerton is back in the sprints and relays and qualified for Top Times in the 60 and 200. She will be joined in the sprints by sophomore Emma May, who will also score in the long jump. Both were state qualifiers last year.

Senior Addie Symonds returns to run the 3,200 after reaching state last year and junior Olivia Stage and sophomore Natalie Babcock are two returnees on a 3,200 relay that reached state last spring.

“We believe with what we have from last year plus the promise of some underclassmen that we can be very competitive in a sectional meet,” Anderson said.

Top newcomers include freshmen Taylor Forney, a top 1,600 runner in eighth grade who ran 5:52 at Top Times, and Ella Helms, who just missed making Top Times in the 400.

E-B almost had another state champ in the boys 800, but senior Isaiah Hill (1:57.13) was nipped at the finish by senior Josian Hortin of Tuscola (1:57.04). Both finishes were personal records.

“He led from 1½ laps on and the kid just caught him in the last step,” E-B Coach Gregg Meyers said. “He ran a good race.”



Mya Strahm is the first Elmwood-Brimfield track athlete to win a title at the annual Illinois Top Times indoor state meet.

The same was true for E-B’s 4x800 relay of Hill, Reed Florey, Aiden Faulkner and L.J. Higgs, which placed fourth in 8:31.49. Higgs is seeking to fill the fourth spot on a relay that was fifth at state last year, but figures to have competition.

Hill and the 3,200-relay figure to be strengths this spring for E-B, which has 40 athletes out for track, including plenty of distance runners like junior Mika Nelson, 13th in the 3,200 at Top Times (10:18.13).

“We can’t all fit on one bus, so it’s going to be interesting,” Meyers said.

Here’s a look at other local teams and how athletes fared at Top Times.

Farmington – The Farmers are traditionally strong in sprint relays and

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B-E starts fast

Indians improve to 4-0 in light week

By PHIL JOHNSON
For The Weekly Post

A “frozen tundra” at Cuba on Saturday and a frigid close to March canceled one game and limited Brimfield-Elmwood (4-0) to one game in the past week.

The Indians made the most of their opportunity, topping Fieldcrest, 6-4, on March 19 at home.

B-E knocked 10 hits and Landon Binder went deep for a two-run home run. Brady Sumner, Cleve Bizzosky and Brady Johnson each recorded two hits.

Drew Kieser pitched six innings, striking out six, walking none and yielding five hits. Trailing 6-2 in the sixth, the visitors threatened with two scores, but Kieser and the defense halted further damage. Reliever Sean Crowe slammed the door in the top of the seventh.

“Drew and Sean both pitched well. Landon’s home run was big,” B-E coach Kevin Kreiter said. “We thought the weather was going to be an issue

for awhile. We told the kids to be patient, keep working hard, and there will be good baseball weather ahead.”

B-E is scheduled to be at home today, March 28, vs. Illini Bluffs.

Farmington – The Farmers (2-4) picked up two wins last week thanks to good pitching and hitting.

Farmington bested Monmouth United 5-1 last Thursday on the road. Lane Wheelwright pitched four innings, striking out seven, giving up just one hit and working around four walks. Landon Crawford relieved and worked around five walks in three frames while whiffing six United hitters.

Bronson Atchley doubled and recorded one RBI, Jacob Evans and Henry Easley each drove in a run and Ben Marvel doubled.

“We know that starting the season against bigger schools hurts our win-loss record, but that competition eventually helps us,

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