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STARK COUNTY HISTORY

Local museum brings the past to life

By **JIM NOWLAN**
For The Prairie News

TOULON – History came alive June 8 at an open house of the Stark County Historical Society’s impressive three-building campus.

The 10 exhibit spaces include those featuring Native Americans, a frontier cabin, multiple carriages, the original 1840s office of the first physician between Peoria and Rock Island, a lovingly restored Victorian home, farm equipment, interactive opportunities for youngsters and more.

Each exhibit also featured a knowledgeable docent in period attire. There were also videos to accompany several exhibits.

The hundreds, maybe thousands, of items on display date back to the 1600s. Correct that: The spectacular collections of arrowheads and Native American tools of nationally known collector/appraiser Gary Hulin of Modena date back thousands of years.

Near a replica covered wagon is a priceless piece of 1850s farm equipment – invented by a 14-year-old Elmira resident. James Armstrong of Elmira invented and built from wood a mechanical corn planter. Armstrong patented the planter, which was later mass produced. His descendants, the Wilkinsons, still live in the county.

At the open house, youngsters helped Marian Purtscher make, roll and bake old-fashioned biscuits from scratch, as well as hand-crank butter. And they typed on – guess what? – a typewriter, though not on the 1800s typewriter owned by The Stark County News, which is also on display.

Local historian Don Schmidt



Keith Schleiffer, of Spring Grove, a mechanical engineer, explains how some of the Stark County Historical Society’s antique farm equipment works.



Anne Castagna, left, and Jeanne Ryan, co-presidents of the Stark County Historical Society, welcome visitors to the Society’s open house held this past Saturday.



Marian Purtscher watches as “young Abe Lincoln” rolls out the biscuit dough they have made from scratch.

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held forth on Stark County in the Civil War. With a population of 10,000 at the start of the war (twice its present total), Stark County provided 1,000 men for the horrendous conflict, in units such as the Elmira and LaFayette Rifles, as well as the 112th Regiment of the 33rd Division. A minister lamented that, “There wasn’t an able-bodied man left in the

Residents respond

County asked to go elsewhere for building site

By **JEFF LAMPE**
For The Prairie News

TOULON – A group of Toulon residents made it clear to the Stark County Board of Supervisors Tuesday that they do not want a county maintenance building at the end of their street.

The county has spent several years searching for a new location to house heavy equipment, trucks and other items. At its May meeting, the board began discussion but took no action on purchasing 7 acres of farm land at the south end of South Union Street for a new county highway building.

Residents who attended Monday’s meeting say their quiet, narrow street is not suited for a building that

will bring heavy vehicles and commotion to the neighborhood – particularly when other options exist.

“There’s a lot of better places to build a showcase county garage where everyone can see where their tax dollars are going rather than tucking it into a small neighborhood,” said Andy Colgan, who lives at 227 S. Union St. “We’re asking you to abandon the idea of purchasing this property on a quiet street that is not made for heavy truck traffic.”

Other residents voiced similar concerns.

Whether their wishes will be heeded is unclear. After a 25-minute closed session, the board took no action be-

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Betas celebrate 50 years

Sheila McMahill honored for service

By **ANGIE STANGE**
For The Prairie News

BRADFORD – The Sigma Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi celebrates its 50th anniversary this year and recently honored a member who has been part of the group for all five of those decades.

On March 13, 1974, the new Beta Sigma Phi chapter of the Ritual of Jewels was formed in Bradford and has initiated many changes in the community. The object of the organization was to unite fellowship, friendship and cultural development



Sheila McMahill of Bradford holds a certificate recognizing her 50 years of service to Bradford’s Sigma Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

among women accepted into the organization.

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COUNTY BOARD: Progress slow on MFT work

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fore adjourning.

After the meeting, Chairman Kari Bush said only, “No decision was made. Most likely it will be on the next agenda. I’m not certain.”

Among the South Union Street residents who spoke was Bill Price, who noted that the sewer lines running under the street are clay tile that could break under a heavy load.

Colgan, who is also Toulon’s fire chief, said a water line dead ends at the end of South Union Street and the hydrant there is inoperable.

Colgan said the City of Toulon was not aware of the possible purchase.

“We take pride in our neighborhood, which I think is one of the best in town,” Colgan said. “This would completely upend the south side of Toulon.”

Added Kenny Lane, who lives on the corner of South Union and East Jefferson streets, “There’s quite a few little kids that play on the street. I don’t want to see heavy equipment going up and down that road.”

In other business, the board approved paying bills and heard various reports from officials.

Chief Deputy Chuck Demetreon gave the Sheriff’s report and said the office will move forward on a bid from Saw-N-Logs to spend \$950 to remove a tree next to the new E911 communications center.

Demetreon introduced the county’s new K-9 officer, Hunter, and Officer Caleb Ingels and K-9 Alex. Ingels said that just prior to the meeting, Alex had located 8.7 grams of methamphetamine in a vehicle during a traffic stop.

“We have made a lot of drug arrests” together, Ingels said. “We’re going to try to clean the streets and to do our best.”

Demetreon was also asked why the sheriff’s secretary had 13 hours of overtime one pay period and 17 on another in May. He said he would ask Sheriff Steve Sloan.

Bush reported that the new First Choice Healthcare office in Toulon will help the school district resume

drug testing in the junior and senior high schools for students in sports and other activities. Bush said drug testing went by the wayside during the COVID pandemic.

County Engineer Judd Giffin said he is waiting to move forward with Motor Fuel Tax work but continues to have problems in getting answers from the Illinois Department of Transportation. Giffin said he has reached out to Peoria County Engineer Amy McLaren for assistance.

Bush asked that she and Robin Nowlan be included on all future correspondence with IDOT.

Board Member Tom House suggested Giffin enlist the help of State’s Attorney Austin King. Giffin said he would “use that as a last resort.”

Treasurer Paula Leezer reported the county has collected about 60-65 percent of real estate taxes which are “in the bank earning interest.”

Board Member Bill Loane asked Demetreon to tell Sloan to report back on a column in the front of the courthouse that Loane said is rotting.

BETAS: Donate to several Bradford entities

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Sheila McMahill is the only member of the Bradford Beta chapter who has been a part of this organization since its founding. In recognition of her years of service, she was recently honored with a Beta Sigma Phi 50 Year Circle Badge and certificates.

From its beginnings, the Betas hosted various activities within the sorority and

for the public. Some events have lasted throughout the years such as Breakfast with the Bunny and the Easter Egg Hunt, A Visit with Santa and the Labor Day Kiddie Tractor Pull. Betas have added a Senior Citizen Christmas Dinner to coincide with the annual Bradford Christmas Walk and started a Princess Tea instead of the Little Miss Bradford Pageant.

Although the organization was founded on the ideas of furthering cultural and social lives, service has always been an equal priority. The sorority has held various fundraiser over the years.

Replacing its long-time Bazaar, the Betas started a Trivia Night Fundraiser and a Family Game Nite. The Betas also have an annual bake sale at the Lions Club pancake breakfast.

Betas have helped with community requests through donations to the Bradford Library, the Bradford Fire Department, the Bradford Swimming Pool, the Bradford Community Scholarship Fund and toward Christmas lights for the town.

The group has also donated playground equipment to Elsie Hodges Park and to Bradford Grade School. Betas continue to

make contributions to the Illini Girls State Program and Red Cross blood drives. They annually buy and take donations of school supplies to help defray those costs for parents. Betas sponsor the annual Christmas Tree Tag Program for Christmas presents for needy children of the community.

The Betas are also willing to help individuals and families in need of food or other assistance during an illness or after a disaster. There is an account for Betas at the Bradford Banking Center, where donations are accepted and much appreciated.

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6-2 - Nolen J. Felten, 31, Galva, was cited for operation of an uninsured vehicle. He was issued a court date to appear.

6-7 - Michael C. Hunter, 51, Bradford, was cited for driving with no vehicle insurance and for driving while his license was revoked. He was issued a court date to appear.

6-9 - Khadijah S. Stuckey, 29, Peoria, was cited for driving on a suspended vehicle registration due to mandatory vehicle insurance. She was issued a court date to appear.

Misdemeanors & Felonies

6-8 - Lucia M. Reyes, 50, Kewanee, was arrested and charged with domestic battery. She was taken into custody by authorities from the Stark County Sheriff's Office and later extradited to the Bureau County Jail awaiting a court appearance.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

6-3 - to the 100 block of NW 3rd Ave. for an attempted burglary complaint.

6-3 - to a residence on NW 4th St. to check the welfare of a subject that had been involved in a telephone scam and was very upset.

6-3 -to the 800 block of SE 1st St. for a two-vehicle hit-and-run accident with damage only. The suspect car was not located.

6-3 - to the east edge of town to watch for a reckless driver reportedly heading towards Galva. Officer saw the suspect vehicle, but did not observe any violations.

6-3 - to the 200 block of NW 2nd St. for a downed tree branch.

6-3 - to assist the Kewanee Police Department with a large fight involving officers at Fairview Homes.

6-3 - to an illegally parked vehicle in the 500 block of SE 8th Ave.

6-3 - to the 800 block of NE 2nd St. for a barking-dog complaint.

6-4 - to the 800 block of NW 3rd Ave. for a physical domestic disturbance and a standby to retrieve personal property.

6-4 - to the 500 block of NE 5th St. for a tree that had fallen across the roadway. The Galva Street Department moved the tree onto the terrace.

6-5 - to the 300 block of SE 3rd Ave. for a large tree limb that fell onto a neighbor's car.

6-5 - to the 500 block of SW 6th



Ave. to assist a citizen.

6-5 - to the 200 block of NW 6th Ave. to assist the Galva Water Department shut off a water service.

6-5 - to the NE 6th Ave. railroad crossing for a crossing-arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted for repairs.

6-6 - to Wiley Park to meet a complainant in regards to juvenile mischief. A citizen wanted to report a group of juveniles knocking on doors and then running away.

6-6 - to the 700 block of NW 2nd St. for a telephone-harassment complaint.

6-6 - to the 200 block of SW 3rd St. for an online scam and threats through electronic communications.

6-7 - to the 300 block of Main St. for a burglary complaint.

6-7 - to the 200 block of NE 1st Ave. for an animal-abuse complaint. The complaint was unfounded.

6-7 - to the 00 block of Chester St. for a burglary and criminal damage to property complaint.

6-7 - While patrolling, officer located a solicitor in the 300 block of SE 6th St. The solicitor did not have a city permit and was asked to either obtain a permit or leave the area.

6-7 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. to remove a wheelchair that had rolled into the roadway.

6-7 - to a residence on NE 9th St. for a welfare check.

6-7 - to the 100 block of SW 3rd St. for a loose-dog complaint.

6-7 - to the 700 block of SE 1st St. for a theft report.

6-7 - to the 1300 block of SE 2nd St. to remove a tree branch that was in the lane of traffic.

6-7 - to the 300 block of Market St. for an open-door complaint after business hours. An employee arrived and the door was secured.

6-8 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd St. for a disturbance complaint. The subject was suffering from a mental-health crisis.

6-8 - to the 400 block of SW 3rd St. for a hit-and-run accident involving a parked vehicle. The suspect vehicle is unknown.

6-8 - Officer was flagged down by a citizen in the 200 block of NW 8th Ave. on a trespassing complaint.

6-8 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd St. for a subject having a mental-health crisis.

6-8 - to a residence on NE 5th Ave. for a welfare check. The subject was transported by ambulance.

6-8 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 1000 block of SW 2nd St., Jorgan Baugher, 22, Moline, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration is suspended for insurance. He was released with a court date.

6-8 - to assist the Kewanee Police Department with crowd control during a death investigation.

6-9 - to the 700 block of NW 3rd Ave. for a loose-dog complaint.

6-9 - to the 300 block of Front St. for a theft complaint. Complaint was unfounded.

6-9 - to the 100 block of E. Division St. for a harassment complaint.

6-9 - to the 300 block of SE 4th St. for a reckless-driving complaint. Officer did not locate a suspect vehicle.

6-9 - Bonnie Mercer, 39, Cambridge, was issued a citation for having expired registration in the 300 block of James B. Young Road.

Property Transfers

6-3 - Maher, V Gail, Oberlander, Joni L Carter, Quiring, Janet L to Oberlander, Joni L - Pt Sect. 7-13-7 SW and Pt Section 12-13-6 SE - Consideration -\$155,000.

6-3 - Erin M. Breese, Ryan M. Breese to Chelsea M. Stage, Colton S. Stage - Block 3 Lot 10 - 300 W. Williams St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$75,900.

6-3 - Arthur C. Nutzhorn, Jennifer L. Nutzhorn to Chance Cochran, Makenzie Snyder - Arrowhead Sub-division, Lot 8 - 8 Arrowhead Dr., Toulon - Consideration = \$160,000.

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6-3 - Mary B. Groter to John Ratcliff, Rhonda Ratcliff Block V - 103 E. Henderson St., Wyoming, Consideration = \$66,000.

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First reaction: The new eight-lane track is beautiful. The bleachers look great and there’s even a fancy throwing ring for discus and shot put. Track and field is the Rebels most successful spring sport and this new facility will only add to that.

Not far away, the concrete walls of a new gym are going up, right next to the still-new school building.

With these newest additions, the Stark County school facilities truly rank second to none in the area. Yes, I realize taxpayers are footing the bill for all this and paying more each year. That’s not ideal. I dislike raising taxes.

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Nature can be so captivating and so cruel. Monday afternoon, moments after catching a few feisty small-mouth bass and celebrating the first emergence of catkins in our young chestnut trees, I found two dead bluebird babies in a nearby nest box. Last time we had checked them, the nestlings were covered in gnats – a significant killer of bluebird babes. What a hopeless feeling. The good

news is that **Mama(s) Bluebird** had at least two successful hatches before the last one. Still, it’s hard to ever root for a bug over a bird.

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In case you have not seen our ad, please note that we will not publish a paper on July 5. That one was expected. What we didn’t plan very well for was Juneteenth – the June 19 holiday that commemorates the 1865 date on which 250,000 slaves in Texas were declared free by the U.S. Army. As a result of the post office being closed on Wednesday, your paper will probably arrive one day late. ... Perhaps you have heard about the invasive **Joro spiders**, which may be spreading across the country and are large and scary looking. Don’t worry about them. We have a much worse problem: egg-eating, garden-wrecking raccoons. Illinois needs to open year-round trapping for them. ... Parting shot: Want a chance to win an excellent four-man Mississippi River duck hunt this fall? Contact **Dean Westergreen** at (309) 241-6055 for a \$100 raffle ticket. All proceeds benefit Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Galesburg.

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Jeff LAMPE

Land of 8,500 units of local government


To The Editor:

Illinois is the land of 8,500 units of local government, by far the most in the nation. This is extreme tax waste which does not need to be on the backs of over-taxed families.

Example One: Stark County’s population of just 5,345 encompasses all or parts of 40 taxing districts, about one for every 133 citizens.

Example Two: Dolton residents pay taxes to the village, Thornton Township, Thornton Township Road District, as well as a park district, a public library, a water reclamation district, a forest preserve, a mosquito abatement district, five school districts, a community college district and Cook County.

Layers upon layers of unnecessary layers of government are draining



taxpayers dry. Illinois has the highest overall tax burden of all 50 states.

Forty-Six states function with fewer than 2,500 units of local government. How does Illinois compare? If Illinois eliminated 5,000 units of local government, it would still have 1,000 more units than 46 states!

Illinoisans are forced to fund a nation leading local government system designed for the 1800s, a bygone era.

Travel is now by car, not horse and buggy.

Members of Illinois’ General Assembly, you have ignored the inefficient local government problem far too long. I have an idea for you. Make government consolidation a priority, doing away with the township form of government should be at the top of the list. Townships are antiquated, spend a lot of money and are full of blatant examples of cronyism, nepotism, patronage and tax-waste.

– **Bob Anderson**, Wonder Lake

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BRIEFS

Ham presents women’s suffrage history June 22

TOULON – Floyd Ham of the Stark County Genealogical Society will present a discussion on women’s suffrage on Saturday, June 22, at the Toulon Public Library Community Room, 617 E Jefferson St.

Ham’s discussion he calls “Petticoat Government” is based on facts and stories about the history of women’s suffrage in Illinois with a special emphasis on the first elected female office holders in Stark and adjacent counties.

The public is welcome.
Bishop Hill has benefit for QC Honor Flight

BISHOP HILL – Bishop Hill will once again host a benefit for Honor Flight of the Quad Cities, this year honoring Linda Spring, long-time supporter/volunteer of the program.

The benefit auction will be held on Saturday, June 15, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Colony School in Bishop Hill.

Auction items can be donated at the Prairie Arts Center and Galva Pharmacy. Donations can be mailed to Cathy Nelson, PO Box 210, Bishop Hill, IL 61491.

Bradford Auxiliary has busy month of May

BRADFORD – Reva Young, member of the Bradford Auxiliary Unit #445 visited the Bradford Grade School K-5th grade classes on May 8 to present information on Memorial Day and flag etiquette.



Mitch Hulsey (left) was sworn in as a new alderman for Ward 1 on the Toulon City Council at Monday’s meeting. Hulsey replaces Art Nutzhorn, who has moved out of state. Submitted photo.

On May 25, Bradford Auxiliary members participated in Poppy Day, collecting over \$900 to be used for veterans in need.

Henry Co. Health Dept. has booth at County Fair

CAMBRIDGE – The Henry County Health Department and First Choice Healthcare will have an outreach display June 20-21 from 2-5 p.m. in the Merchant’s Building on the Henry County Fairgrounds in Cambridge.

Adult tetanus booster (18 yrs+) will be offered June 21 only, from 2-4 p.m. for a special cash price of \$25, while supplies last.

Staff will also offer free blood pressure checks, giveaways, promotions and some screenings.

College honors

• **Levi Nusz** of Wyoming was named to the Iowa State University Dean’s list (3.5 gpa or better) for the spring 2024 semester.



Betty Grant of 304 SE 6th Street was chosen for the June Property pride award by the Galva: Ready To Grow committee. Grant grew up in the country and worked hard on the family farm as her parents raised and sold produce. She has a large yard and likes to work with her lawn and flowers. She has lived in the home for 14 years. Photo by Carol Townsend.

Et cetera

• The Peoria County Highway Department will close a section of Duncan Road starting Monday, June 17, for bridge rehabilitation. The closure will be located 2.5 miles north of Illinois Route 90. A detour will be posted on Streitmatter Road, Princeville Cemetery Road and County Line Road. Work is expected to last until October, conditions permitting.

• **PEORIA** – Longtime Peoria County Farm Bureau Manager Patrick Kirchhofer, who was also previously Stark County manager, has retired from the local position he has held since 1995. Kirchhofer stepped down on May 31 and told Tim Alexander of Chronicle Media that he plans to return to his family farm in Effingham County to spend more time raising crops and livestock.

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51+ people: \$150
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GALVA'S CLEAN UP 2024

NOTE: Proof of residency will be required.

The City of Galva will be having a clean-up week beginning June 17 and ending June 22 for Galva residents only.

All residents are asked to bring items to Galva's Maintenance Yard (use the driveway located between Preferred Home Health Care and Mary's Family Dining and Lounge) to be placed in a roll off which will be provided by Eagle Enterprises.

Anyone who is handicapped or not able to take their items to the maintenance yard can call City Hall and someone will assist them. Assistance will only be available from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday June 17, Tuesday June 18, Thursday June 20, and Friday June 21. We will only come to your residence one time for pick up.

Items not accepted are shingles, anti-freeze, LP tanks, yard waste, paint, or any hazardous material. Tires will be accepted for a fee depending on their size.

Televisions and electronic components will be accepted for a fee at Eagle Enterprises during their normal business hours. Their number is 932-2936 if you have any questions.

The maintenance yard will be open extended hours June 17-20 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to allow better response to clean up. June 21 the yard will be open until 3:00 p.m. June 22 the yard will be open from 7:00 a.m. to noon.

If you have any questions, you can call City Hall 932-2555 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Gardening for a hummingbird's travels

By **NANCY KREITH**
University of Illinois Extension

URBANA – Hummingbirds are unlike any other bird. Spanning the Americas with over 330 species, hummingbirds belong to Trochilidae, the second-largest bird family in the world.

However, only the ruby-throated hummingbird (*Archilochus colubris*) inhabits the Midwest. This hummingbird migrates south in late summer, with the males migrating first, typically in August. Before the non-stop flight to over-

wintering sites, this bird needs abundant food sources to fuel its journey to Florida, Texas, Central America or Mexico.

Often, hummingbirds prefer open habitats along forest edges or areas with scattered trees, including urban areas. So it is possible to have them visit any urban or suburban property if the locations have plants they prefer. Once a hummingbird detects those plants, it often returns around the same time each year.

They typically nest in

trees or other protected areas, though some have been spotted nesting on top of a wind chime. Moss and lichens are used to camouflage nests made of hairs, spider silk and plant fibers.

Planting for Hummingbirds

There are many ways to support hummingbirds. A container of their preferred plants will invite them to a patio or balcony. Growing plants vertically, including vines, can maximize any space. If you have space, plan to incorporate a steady supply of nectar blooms during each season, especially during migration. Plant species in clumps of at least three so hummingbirds will recognize the blocks of color.

With their long beaks, hummingbirds feed on the

nectar of tubular flowers. They have a preference for red, orange and pink blooms but can be seen visiting other types of flower structures and colors. For instance, black and blue salvia is a favorite tubular flower, although it is purple. Also, remember that all flowers are not created equally. Double flowers and some cultivars do not produce valuable nectar.

A few suggested plants native to Illinois and the U.S. that they prefer include red columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*), cardinal flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*), trumpet honeysuckle (*Lonicera sempervirens*) and Bee Balm (*Monarda didyma*).

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Year-round work makes lavender season bloom

By **NANCY KREITH**
FarmWeek

Lavender season is here. It's something sisters, Kim Hansen and Kris Straub, work for all year at Tenderloin Farms Lavender in Edwardsville.

Hansen said over the winter they made 200 Farm in a Jar items (aromatic and textural collections of farm items including lavender, pinecones and sometimes soybeans), 300 candles and 700 bottles of lavender ex-

tract.

Last year the sisters added culinary items including lavender extract and syrup, which was a hit with visiting culinary-school students. The sisters also share recipes that feature their food-grade lavender grown using organic principles.

Near their busy store in a reclaimed dairy barn stands a greenhouse where they grow 1,500 plants for sale this time of year.

The sisters grow about



Pictured above, sisters Kris Straub and Kim Hansen have seen their lavender business bloom in three years. Photo by Phyllis Coulter of FarmWeek.

50 varieties of the potential 450 lavender varieties available. The selected 50 are constantly changing as they find the best for the

growing conditions in southwestern Illinois.

The main attraction is the aromatic plants featuring vivid purple blooms. At the U-pick farm, visitors can pick their own bouquets.

Straub and Hansen took over the farm in 2016 after their father died. They farm about 300 acres, with corn and soybeans as their

mainstays.

Visitors often ask why the fields are not all planted with lavender. The sisters explain corn and soybeans provide the largest part of their income. Lavender, not a traditional Midwest crop, takes a lot of management but works well as an income supplement.

The lavender crop is about three weeks early, but the sisters were still able to get their field crops planted and the farm ship-shape for opening in mid-May.

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HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of BEVERLY A BAUGHMAN, deceased
No. 2024PR54

Notice is given of the death of BEVERLY A BAUGHMAN. Letters of Office were issued on May 21, 2024 to Candace S Mueller, 138 W. 5th Ave., Woodhull, IL 61490, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Michael E. Massie, of Massie & Quick, 115 NW 3rd Avenue, Galva, IL 61434.

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

Massie & Quick, LLC
Attorneys for Estate
115 Northwest Third Avenue
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Published 5/31, 6/7, 6/14/24

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

CITY OF KEWANEE, ILLINOIS, AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
IN CHANCERY Case No. 2023CH10 v.

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

NOTICE OF COURT SALE
[Code Civ. Proc. §15-1507]

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the Court in the above-captioned matter, the property hereinafter-described, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Gary Bradley, City of Kewanee, 401 E. 3rd St., Kewanee IL 61443 / 309-852-2611 x 2322

2. The legal description of the real estate: The East Twenty-five and four-tenths (25.4) feet of Lot Two (2) in Block Four (4) of Doye's Subdivision of Lot Sixteen (16) of Lot Six (6) of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Thirty-two (32), in Township Number Fifteen (15) North, Range Five (5) East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, situated in the County of Henry and State of Illinois.

PIN:20-32-409-008
Common address: 1105 Roseview Avenue, Kewanee IL 61443

3. The real estate may not be inspected prior to sale unless arrangements are made.

4. The date and time of the sale is: July 2, 2024 / 9:00 AM

5. The sale will be conducted by the Henry County Sheriff at: Henry County Courthouse, 307 W. Center St., Cambridge IL 61238

6. The terms of the sale are: This is an "as is" sale for "cash." The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds at time of sale with balance to be paid, by certified funds, in full, within 24 hours from the time of sale upon delivery of possession and warranty deed. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. Real estate taxes to be prorated to date of closing. Any statements made at time of sale will supersede any previously advertised or announced.

7. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, 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.

If you are a Respondent to the Memorandum of Judgment in this matter, 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 Foreclosure Law.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTORNEY

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure [735 ILCS 5/1-109], the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that he verily believes the same to be true.
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TAKE NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

CASE NO. 2024TX3

To: Estate of Gary Clinebell, deceased; Anne Rennick; John Clinebell; Sarah Clinebell; Connor Speciale; St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral; Unknown Heirs/Devises of Gary Clinebell, deceased; Heather Hollis, Stark County Clerk; Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property, unknown owners or parties claiming any right, interest or title in the described real estate:

Property located at: Toulon Township Farmland, No 911 Address, Stark County, IL
Property Index No.
04-27-400-003
Tax Sale Certificate No.
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This property was sold on October 26, 2021, for delinquent general taxes for the year of 2020. A Petition for Tax Deed for this property was filed on April 16, 2024.

Your right to redeem the property from the sale will expire on October 9, 2024. If you fail to redeem by that date, the court may enter a judgment granting petitioner a tax deed.

This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Toulon, Illinois on October 25, 2024 at 9 AM before Judge Bauer, or whomever may be sitting in his or her stead.

JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
Angela L. Tucker, Esq.
JICTB, Inc.
1701 Broadmoor Dr. Ste 100
Champaign, IL 61821
Published 6/7, 6/14, 6/21/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

STATE BANK OF TOULON, Plaintiff,

vs.
THOMAS M. MADSEN; KYLE WHITMARSH; STEPHANIE WHITMARSH; PARTIES IN POSSESSION; INTERESTED PERSONS; UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants.

CASE NO. 2024 FC 30

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

(735 ILCS 5/2-206, 5/2-207, 5/2-413, 5-15-1501(c)

5/15-1502 AND 5/15-1503)

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to Interested Persons, Unknown Owners, and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above captioned action, pursuant to the provisions of 735 ILCS 5/2-206, 5/2-207, 5/15-1502 and 5/15-1503, that the above captioned action has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Illinois, seeking to foreclose mortgages covering the following described real estate situated in Henry County, Illinois, to wit:

1. Legal description:
Lot 4 of Subdivision of Lot 4 of the Original Town, now Village, of Cambridge, Henry County, Illinois
PIN: 18-07-329-003
2. Common address or location of the mortgaged premises:
205 W. Court Street, Cambridge, IL 61238
and for such other relief. Summons were duly issued by the Court as provided by law and this action is now pending.

Unless you file your answer to the Complaint in this action or otherwise

make your appearance in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Illinois on or before July 7, 2024 default may be entered against you.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.

2. The Court in which the action was brought is identified above.

3. The names of the titleholders of the estate is as follows: Thomas M. Madsen

4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 205 W. Court Street, Cambridge, IL 61238

5. Identification of the mortgages sought to be foreclosed are as follows:

(a) Name of Mortgagor: Thomas M. Madsen
(b) Name of Mortgagee: State Bank of Toulon
(c) Date of Mortgage: June 28, 2021
(d) Date of Recording: July 1, 2021
(e) County where recorded: Henry County, Illinois
(f) Recording Document Identification: Document No. 20-2104113
Dated: June 4, 2024

/s/ Terilyn A. Motley
Clerk of the Circuit Court

BARASH & EVERETT, LLC
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211 W. 2nd Street
Kewanee, IL 61344
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Published 6/7, 6/14, 6/21/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

COMMUNITY STATE BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.
ROBERT E. BROOKS; TRACY L. WARNER N/K/A TRACY L. BROOKS; BLUE WORLD POOLS, INC.; PARTIES IN POSSESSION; INTERESTED PERSONS; UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendants.

CASE NO. 2024 FC 24

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

(735 ILCS 5/2-206, 5/2-207, 5/2-413, 5-15-1501(c)

5/15-1502 AND 5/15-1503)

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to Interested Persons, Unknown Owners, and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants in the above captioned action, pursuant to the provisions of 735 ILCS 5/2-206, 5/2-207, 5/15-1502 and 5/15-1503, that the above captioned action has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Illinois, seeking to foreclose mortgages covering the following described real estate situated in Henry County, Illinois, to wit:

1. Legal description:
A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW ¼) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE ¼) OF SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN (27), TOWNSHIP FOURTEEN (14) NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST OF THE 4TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN
DESCRIBED:

COMMENCING AT THE CENTER POINT OF SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN (27), THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE ¼) SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN (627) FEET, THENCE EAST FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT (528) FEET, THENCE SOUTH THREE HUNDRED (300) FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD, THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT- OF-WAY OF THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 5.62 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN GALVA TOWNSHIP, SITUATED IN HENRY COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.
PIN: 24-27-200-65

2. Common address or location of the mortgaged premises:
21084 Trolley Road, Galva, IL 61434
and for such other relief. Summons were duly issued by the Court as provided by law and this action is now pending.

Unless you file your answer to the Complaint in this action or otherwise make your appearance in the Circuit Court of Henry County, Illinois on or before July 7, 2024 default may be entered against you.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and

the case number are identified above.

2. The Court in which the action was brought is identified above.

3. The names of the titleholders of record are: Robert E. Brooks and Tracey L. Warner n/k/a Tracey L. Brooks

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5. Identification of the mortgages sought to be foreclosed are as follows:

(a) Name of Mortgagor: Robert E. Brooks and Tracey L. Warner n/k/a Tracey L. Brooks
(b) Name of Mortgagee: Community State Bank
(c) Date of Mortgage: May 24, 2016
(d) Date of Recording: May 31, 2016
(e) County where recorded: Henry County, Illinois
(f) Recording Document Identification: Document No. 20-1603085
Dated: June 4, 2024

/s/ Terilyn A. Motley
Clerk of the Circuit Court

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF
ORDINANCE NO. 24-2

AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY AND ASSESS A TAX FOR TOULON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF STARK, AND KNOX, STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025.

BE IT ORDAINED, that the Toulon Public Library District of the Counties of Stark and Knox, State of Illinois, shall levy a tax of .02 percent of the value of all taxable property within said District, for building and maintenance purpose, subject to the right of the electors in said District to petition and require an election concerning the imposition of such additional tax, pursuant to 75 ILCS 16/35-5.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that within fifteen (15) days from the date of adoption of the resolution by the corporate authorities, it shall be published in the Prairie News, a newspaper of general circulation in the Toulon Public Library District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunder set our hands in Toulon, Illinois this June 10th, 2024 to be effective immediately upon adoption.

1. The specific number of voters required to sign a petition requesting that the question of adoption of the ordinance be submitted to the electors of the District is 140.
2. The petition must be filed on or before July 19, 2024.
3. The referendum would be held April 1, 2025.

Roberta Cinnamon
Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Toulon Public Library District
c/o Toulon Public Library District
617 E. Jefferson Street
Toulon, IL 61483

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ATTEST:
Roberta Cinnamon, Secretary
Published 6/14/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
KNOX COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Estate of
MIRIAM ROSALIE MATTHEWS, deceased
No. 2024-PR-77

Notice is given of the death of MIRIAM ROSALIE MATTHEWS.

Letters of Office were issued on June 6, 2024, to KRYSTAL LOHREI of 374 Loverly Way, Franklin, NC 28734, and KAROLE TEDIN, of 309 Lillie Avenue, Altona, IL 61414 as Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney is Michael Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Knox County Circuit Clerk, Knox County Courthouse, 200 S. Cherry, Galesburg IL 61401, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.
Massie & Quick, LLC
Attorneys for Estate
P.O. Box 205
Galva, IL 61434
(309) 932-2168
Published 6/14, 6/21, 6/28/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF,

VS.
ANGELA CECIL A/K/A ANGELA I CECIL; ED'S HEATING, AIR CONDITIONING, PLUMBING & ELECTRIC, INC.; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.

NO. 23 FC 1
217 EAST SOUTH STREET TOULON, IL 61483

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO
JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by the Court in the above entitled cause on April 12, 2024, Sheriff of Stark County will on July 24, 2024, in THE FRONT DOOR OF THE COURT HOUSE, 130 W. Main St., Toulon, IL 61483, at 2:30 PM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of Stark, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

LOT SIX (6), BLOCK THIRTY-ONE (31) IN HENDERSON & WHITAKER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TOULON; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF STARK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 04-19-342-008
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 217 East South Street
Toulon, IL 61483

Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a one car garage. The garage is detached. The exterior is aluminum siding. The color is white. The property does not have a fence. The property is occupied.

The Judgment amount was \$43,859.96.

Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 10% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the bid amount, 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 property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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

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

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (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: Visit our website at <http://ilforeclosuresales.mrpilc.com>.

Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 N. Dearborn St., Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602. Tel. No. (312) 346-9088. Please refer to file# 22-136591L

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

I3242598
Published 6/14, 6/21, 6/28/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for The Galva Park District of Henry County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2024, and ending April 30, 2025, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the office of Barash & Everett, LLC, Lawyers, 110 Exchange Street, Galva, Illinois, from and after June 20, 2024.

Notice is further given that a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance will be held at 6:00 o'clock P.M., August 14, 2023, at the Galva City Hall, 311 NW 4th Ave., Galva, IL 61434, and that final action on said ordinance will be taken by the Board of Commissioners of The Galva Park District, Henry County, Illinois, at a meeting to be held at the Galva City Hall, 311 NW 4th Ave., Galva, IL 61434, at 6:15 o'clock P.M., August 14, 2023.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of said District.
Dated this 7th day of June A.D. 2023.

The Galva Park District
Henry County, Illinois
By: Peter VanDeVelde, President
Published 6/14/24

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Fungicides help treat corn tar spot

By RHIANNON BRANCH
FarmWeek

Tar spot was first discovered in the U.S. in 2015, making this the 10th season farmers and researchers have battled the corn disease.

In the beginning, there were a lot of unknowns, Jim Donnelly, technical agronomist with DEKALB/Asgrow based in Lee County, told the RFD Radio Network “One thing that that we’ve learned and researched is that fungicides work. They work very well and especially some of the

newer fungicides with multiple modes of action,” Donnelly said. Fast forward to today, Bayer researchers can artificially inoculate tar spot in field test plots, which will advance research in both crop protection and genetic tolerance.

“We need the disease in our trials so that we know which ones are good and which ones are bad and to date it’s been hard to get that consistent disease level,” he said.

“With this we can consistently deliver it where we want it and that essentially

speeds up our ability to characterize and deliver new products to the market.”

He said while there is good potential for genetic tolerance, farmers are still reliant on fungicides.

“I think that it will allow us to select products that are close to commercial availability and allow us to prioritize those,” he said.

This story was distributed through a cooperative project between Illinois Farm Bureau and the Illinois Press Association. For more food and farming news, visit FarmWeekNow.com.

CLASSIFIEDS

-FOR SALE

• **Cannonball King Bed** with remote control head and foot raise plus massage \$800.00. Entertainment Center has two tall units connected by bridge with 3 lights and TV stand \$700.00. Electronic lift chair \$75.00 12 tan metal folding chairs \$5.00 ea. 2 Black office chairs - \$15.00 ea. All items are in excellent condition/ Call (309) 238-7121

FOR RENT

TOULON: Large upstairs one bedroom apartment, Toulon, IL, \$675/month, \$675/deposit, includes water. Call (309)678-1831 or (309)286-7220.

SERVICES

• **SALVAGE:** Buying junk autos, farm equipment, grain bins, and also doing total farm clean up. Call Doug Lofgren at Spoon River Salvage (309) 299-8531.

• **MORE HEAT. LESS WOOD:** Classic Edge Titanium HDX EPA certified OUTDOOR WOOD FUR-

NACE. 26% Tax Credit. Prices start as low as \$9,525! Call today (309) 565-4300.

• **REMODELING & REPAIR:** Most types of quality home remodeling and repairs including doors, thermopane vinyl replacement windows, interior painting and electrical, by Denny Miller. Over 25 years of experience. We also do kitchens, baths, decks, steps and more. Small jobs welcome! Call me at (309) 995-3364.

• **BAYSINGER’S ANTIQUES:** Always wanting to buy older wood

furniture, any condition. Check out Baysinger’s Antiques on Facebook. 1135 Railroad Ave., Rt 34 in Kewanee. (309) 883-0164.

FREE AD

If you are a Toulon or Wyoming business that hasn’t placed an ad in any 2023-2024 Prairie News issues, you can enter a drawing for a free black and white 2x2 ad to appear in an issue of your choice for the rest of 2024. (Value \$25.) Email Lori Herold at theherolds1@gmail.com by June 14.

GARAGE SALE

Huge Indoor Garage Sale - 3967 Duncan Road - Toulon

Huge Indoor Garage Sale - 2 Miles South of West Jersey, IL on Rt 78 Turn Left on Duncan Road One Mile Down on Left. Friday June 21 8am-6pm, Saturday June 22, 8am-6pm, Sunday June 23 8am - 4pm. Lots of Nice Clothing: Girls, Boys, Junior, Misses, & Men's, Name Brands: Miss Me, Silvers, Vigoss, AE, North Face, Pink, Maurices, HD, etc., Shoes, Jewelry, Lots of Authentic Purses: Coach, Kate Spade, Michel Kors, etc., Bath&Body, Barbies, Disney, Monster High, Rainbow High, Nickelodeon, LOL, Tupperware, Thirty-One, Lots of Pioneer Woman, Lots of Home Decor, Hearth & Hand, Kitchen Items, Longaberger, Vanity, DVD's, Book Bags, Way too much to mention. A lot of The Items are New! Come Check Us Out Well Worth the Drive. Not responsible for accidents.

Answers on Page 3

Super Crossword

SUITABLE ACTIVITIES

ACROSS
1 Saudi, say
5 Raptors' gp.
8 In a stupor
13 GMC cross-over SUV model
19 Reduces the worth of
21 Lead-in to a bit of bad news
22 What "I" and "J" are, for short
23 Capital of South Australia
24 Actress Dennis leaps?
26 Boxer Marciano begins?
28 — Canals
29 Thurman of film
30 Saloon
31 "I could — horse!"
33 Newspaper based in McLean, Va.
37 Racing driver Wallace does some hammering?
42 Singer Benatar replies?
44 This, in Lima
45 Dancer Charisse

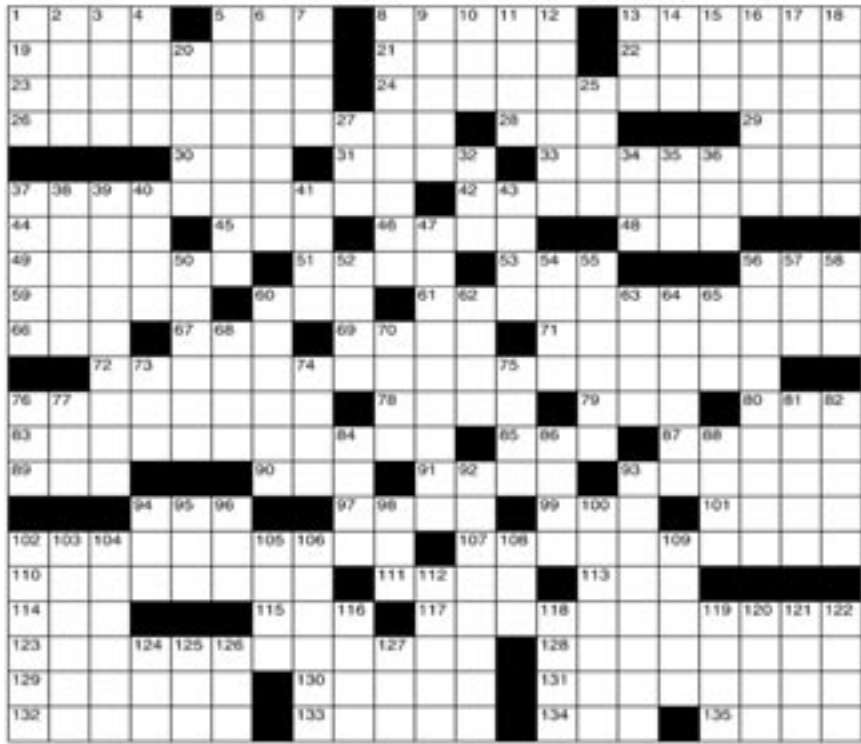
46 Waterproof garnish cover
48 — out an existence
49 Founder of Taoism
51 Hair removal brand
53 Gmail competitor
56 Teeny
59 Yosemite peak, in brief
60 — my brother
61 Quarterback Bradshaw dries himself off?
66 Reindeer kin
67 Jurists' org.
69 Emmy winner Baldwin
71 Like whiteboards
72 Actor Slater goes on vacation?
76 Most thickest
78 Huge hero
79 Sink down
80 Free TV spot, for short
83 Comedian Buttons gains a lot of weight?
85 "True — I" ("Yep!")
87 Heroic tales
89 Ending for duct or infant

90 Lead-in to glistis or Pen
91 Stadium level
93 Employed for the purpose of
94 "Help us!"
97 Light in signs
99 "Son of," in 1-Across names
101 Russo of "Big Trouble"
102 Architect Gehry speaks?
107 Singer Alken wows someone?
110 Helicopter or glider
111 Whittle down
113 Lovey
114 Tatty cloth
115 "ology" kin
117 Dancer Rogers loses control?
123 Singer Gayle plays tenpins?
128 Niagara River source
129 Orator of adulation
130 10th-century German king
131 Ester in plastics
132 Money in the form of coins
133 Reveals
134 JFK guest

135 Agenda unit
1 Jewish month
2 Totally fix up
3 With, in Paris
4 Pitcher's goof
5 Pain in the neck
6 Accessory for a meal fit for a queen?
7 Far offshore
8 Mid aversion
9 Make — buck
10 Buddhist branch
11 Actor George of "CSI"
12 Dehydrate
13 iPhone extra
14 Freeway sight
15 Actress Meyers
16 Make bare
17 Filmmaker Bergman
18 Analyzes
20 Put away for the future
25 Sluggish
27 Islam, e.g.: Abbr.
32 Fourth mo.
34 Meth- ending
35 "Bad boy"
36 Have debts
37 Gen. at Gettysburg

38 "Heaven help —!"
39 Security locker symbol
40 "Clair"
41 " — baked a cake"
43 On — with
47 Takes care of
50 Ancient Greek city
52 Morales of "Rapa Nui"
54 Baseball's Hershiser
55 Greek harp player of yore
56 "Crawling" internet bot
57 Kay-em link
58 Ending for Peking
60 Pain in the neck
62 Cave effect
63 "Look what I just did!"
64 Missouri tribespeople
65 System
68 Jessica of "7th Heaven"
70 Reclined
73 Wheel center
74 Sporty auto roof
75 Ye — Shoppe
76 — Lankan
77 Phone no.

81 Deficient
82 Donkeys
84 Sow's sound
86 Opera song
88 Lima's land
92 Very troubled
93 Opened, as a wine bottle
94 — cone
95 Approved
96 Sow's home
98 Psychic skill
100 From memory
102 Outrageous comedies
103 Rise on the hind legs
104 Sock pattern
105 Indigo dye
106 Sappho's Greek island
108 Writer Deighton
109 Opening
112 Shining
116 Cane pest
118 Pasty stuff
119 Classic soda brand
120 "I smell —!"
121 Fir relative
122 Appear
124 Part of SSN: Abbr.
125 — Fridays
126 Vote in favor
127 Global commerce gp.



Amber Waves



The Spats



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN & BEAR IT



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 10

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAR 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.

KR UNH IULP ENTPJIKMS
GMO KJ EHDDPPOE, UNH'ZP
G SPMKHE, KJ BGEM'J IULP;
KR UNH IULP KJ GMO KJ
RGKCE, JIPM KJ'E XHEJ G
IULP. — MPKC ANSGZJ

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Trivia test

- HISTORY: Who was the first female chancellor of Germany?
 - GEOGRAPHY: Which European capital used to be called Christiania?
 - MOVIES: What are the names of the elderly couple in the animated movie "Up"?
 - ANATOMY: How much blood is in the average human body?
 - SCIENCE: What do ohms measure?
 - TELEVISION: Al Borland is a sidekick in which 1990s TV sitcom?
 - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What does an hCG test determine?
 - U.S. STATES: Which state is named after a French king?
 - LITERATURE: Who are Nancy Drew's best friends in the children's mystery novel series?
 - FOOD & DRINK: What fruit is used to make Worcestershire sauce?
- Answers
1. Angela Merkel.
2. Oslo, Norway.
3. Carl and Ellie Fredricksen.
4. 1.2 to 1.5 gallons.
5. Electrical resistance.
6. "Home Improvement."
7. Pregnancy.
8. Louisiana (Louis).
9. Bess and George.
10. Tamarind.
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TOP 10 MOVIES

- The Garfield Movie (PG)
 - Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (R)
 - IF (PG)
 - Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13)
 - The Fall Guy (PG-13)
 - The Strangers: Chapter 1 (R)
 - Haikyuu!! The Dumpster Battle (PG-13)
 - In a Violent Nature (NR)
 - Ezra (R)
 - Summer Camp (PG-13)
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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Toulon Methodist Church

229 W. Main St., P.O. Box 538, Toulon, IL. 61483
Phone (309) 286-2224
Pastor Glenn Corby Phone (309) 286-2224 or (217) 778-1591
Toulon Sunday School 9:15 a.m., all ages & Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

LaFayette Methodist Church

Illinois Highway 17, P.O. Box 147, LaFayette, IL. 61449
Phone (309) 995-3371
Pastor Glenn Corby Phone (309) 995-3371 or (217) 778-1591.
LaFayette Sunday Worship: 9 a.m.

West Jersey United Methodist Church

Illinois Highway 78, West Jersey, IL. Rev. Pablo Marty
Phone (217) 425-5707
Sunday Worship: 9 a.m.

Elmira United Presbyterian Church

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

The Gathering Church

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

1st Congregational Church of Toulon

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

Galva Congregational Church

Pastor Marshall Jones
211 N.W. 3rd Avenue, Galva, Illinois 61434
(309) 932-3733
Service Time 10 a.m.

First Baptist Church

"faith in truth"
211 NW 4th Ave GALVA
Main Service: Sun 10:30
Rev. Bryan Griem, Pastor
(309) 932-2713 • GalvaBaptistChurch.com

Wyoming Nazarene Church

517 N Madison Ave. Wyoming, IL 61491
309-695-4523 leave message
Sunday School: 10:00, All ages
Sunday Worship: 11:00
Wednesday Night TBD
Check us out on Facebook: Wyoming Naz

First Congregational Church

204 N. 7th St., PO Box 35, Wyoming, IL 61491
(309) 695-4091
Sunday Worship 9 a.m.
Check us out on Facebook
First Congregational Church of Wyoming, Illinois

Toulon First Baptist Church

110 W. Jefferson St. Toulon
(309) 286-4611
Sunday School 9 a.m. • Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday Youth Group 5-7 p.m.
Wednesday Kid's Club 5:30-7 p.m.
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Duane O. Bell

GALVA – Duane O. Bell, 85, has no more cart to move around or office chair to miss, as he has for the past six months. He has taken his final load to the streets of gold in heaven, where he was greeted by his parents and son, Ron, on the morning of June 7, 2024, from the Knox County Nursing Home.



Bell

He was born in Galva (the house is gone now but was located behind the Ford garage) on Oct. 30, 1938, the son of C.S. and Marjorie Bell. Graduating from Galva High School in 1956, he married the love of his life, Suzanne Armstrong on Nov. 17, 1957. Together they had four healthy sons. They first lived east of Galva and then in 1975 moved to Duane and Sue’s dream farm west of town.

Duane’s entire life was spent as an employee, driver, mechanic and owner of Bell Trucking Co., which his father started in 1933 and which this past September proudly celebrated its 90th year in business.

Duane loved Galva, the friendly face and the place he called home. He was very proud of how the town grew and flourished and every sports team and activity he so kind-heartedly supported.

He loved the family he left behind, Suzanne and his three sons; Steve (Susan) of Galva, Richard (Jane Doss) of Fort Meyers, Fla., and Chris (Tricia) of Broken Arrow, Okla.; his daughter-in-law, Georgia Bell of Galesburg; his sister, Jean Oehlman of Harland, Iowa; grandchildren Rebecca, Daniel, Remington, Wendy, Kerry, Tracy, CeCe, Chloe, Molly and Jonah; and ten healthy great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Jack and son Ron.

A visitation was held June 12 at Rux Funeral Home in Galva. Grave-side services were to be held at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 13, at Galva Cemetery, where military rites were to be accorded by the Galva Fusiliers. Pastor Katie Gallagher was to officiate. Coffee and Duane’s favorite Geneseo donuts were to follow the service at the Messiah Lutheran Church in Galva.

Memorials may be directed to the Messiah Lutheran Church, Galva American Legion or to the Galva Park District for a bench.

Peter J. Johnson

WYOMING – Peter “Pete” J. Johnson, 89, of Denver, Colo., formerly of Wyoming, passed away at 11:14 p.m. Friday, May 17, 2024, at Highpoint Assisted Living in Denver.

One word that describes Pete is commitment. He stood behind his family, his community and his sports teams.

Pete was born on Oct. 3, 1934, in Kewanee, Ill., to Joel A. and Mabel F. (Magnuson) Johnson. He married Carol (Seid) on Feb. 5, 1960, in Des Moines, Iowa. She preceded him in death on Dec. 25, 2022.

Surviving are two daughters, Jennifer (David Paschke) Johnson of Minneapolis, Minn., and Ingrid (Joe Chapo) Johnson of Denver, Colo.; four grandchildren, Anna, Michael, Katharine and Greta; and one step-grandchild, Theresa. He was also preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Philip Johnson.

Pete attended the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy in Chicago. He graduated with a bachelor’s degree in pharmacy from Drake University. He owned and operated Johnson’s Drug Store in Wyoming, Ill., from 1960 to 2014.

Pete was a member of the First Congregational Church of Wyoming and the Wyoming American Legion. He was an avid sports fan and supported the Chicago White Sox, Illini nation and the Stark County Rebels. From the 1970s into the 1990s, Pete wrote a historical sports column for the local newspaper. He loved having a press pass. It made his frequent visits to sporting events even more interesting.

His funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 22, 2024, at the First Congregational Church of Wyoming. Pastor Ross Wyman will officiate. Burial will be in Wyoming Cemetery. Celebration will follow at The Spoon River Bowl in Wyoming, from noon to 3 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Memorial contributions may be made to The First Congregational Church of Wyoming. Haskell Funeral & Cremation Services in Wyoming is assisting the family with arrangements. To leave condolences for Pete’s family please visit www.haskellfuneral.com.

Vicky L. Rosenberg

CRYSTAL LAKE – Vicky Lynn Rosenberg (née Bloomberg) died June 6, 2024, at Advocate Christ Medical Center after years of valiantly fighting both heart failure and breast cancer. She was 76.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, James Rosenberg; their two daughters, Amanda (Whit) Chaiyabhat and Katherine (Kirk) Douglas; her sister Tracy (Charlie) Jaco; six grandchildren; her niece Rachel Bloomberg; and nephews Donovan and Dustin Jaco.

Vicky was born in Kewanee on May 3, 1948, to parents Richard Bloomberg and Mildred Scott. Vicky was the first of three Bloomberg girls, big sister to Gail Bloomberg and Tracy Jaco. As a child, she lived a rural life in Toulon, Ill., some of it on a farm. She often lamented the hour-long bus rides to and from school and decided she wanted to raise her family in a larger town.

She got her wish after she began attending Illinois State University where she met Jim Rosenberg. The couple was married Nov. 22, 1969, and the following year Jim accepted a teaching position at Crystal Lake Central High School and the couple moved to the northwest Chicago suburb, where they made their home the remainder of her life. Later Vicky would finish her studies at Northern Illinois University, from which she graduated with a bachelor of science in education in 1971.

She gave birth to her first child, Mandi, at the age of 30, on Mother’s Day 1977. Three years later the family welcomed Kate.

An ever-dedicated mother, she chose her jobs and the location of their home specifically to maximize time together as a family. The girls could walk to all of their schools from K to 12 and they never came home to an empty house – in fact, most friends who visited the girls after school were met with delicious homemade baked goods. She loved to cook for her family to show her love, which she continued to do even throughout her illness. Not a single special occasion ever passed without a special meal, treat, or a thoughtful gift or card sent cross country.

Her first professional job was working as a teller at Home State Bank but she also spent time working at Thunderbird Nursery School while her girls were enrolled and volunteered at Husmann Elementary School. She then worked as a librarian at the Fox River Grove Children’s Library, where she frequently took the girls on the weekends. She later worked as an assistant librarian at McHenry County College, which her daughters also attended, until she retired.

Although she wasn’t a natural traveler, with Jim by her side she pushed herself out of her comfort zone so the pair could see the world together. They traveled everywhere from Spain’s Canary Islands to Budapest, Vienna, Berlin, Paris, Dublin, Prague and Krakow among countless other globe-trotting adventures. When her daughters were young the family also took multiple vacations each year, driving all across America (with the girls bicker-



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ing in back).
Once they were grown, she also made frequent visits to see her children as they moved around the country to places including Washington D.C., Arizona, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, California, Texas and Florida. She witnessed the birth of all six of her grandchildren: Mackenzie Chaiyabhat (19), Carter Chaiyabhat (18), Kayleigh Chaiyabhat (15), Cameron Chaiyabhat (6) and twins Alexandria and Andrew Douglas (9).

She was preceded in death by her parents Dick and Millie Bloomberg and her sister Gail Bloomberg – the mention of whom as she was gravely ill made Vicky smile for the last time; she was at peace thinking of reuniting with her sister in heaven.

Fierce, pragmatic, logical and determined, Vicky was always athletic, strong and capable. She played basketball in high school and took judo classes as a young wife. She handled home renovations including demolition and building a deck on her own. She wasn't often openly emotional, which belied the fact she was the most loving and thoughtful person you'd ever encounter. Of the grief we all are feeling, she would offer the warmest of hugs, a kiss on the cheek and simply say, "This too shall pass."

Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, June 14, 2024, at Querhammer and Flagg Funeral Home, 500 W Terra Cotta Ave, Crystal Lake, IL 60014.

Agnes E. Snyder

GALVA – Agnes Elora Snyder, 98, of Galva, Ill., formerly of LaFayette, passed away at 9:55 p.m., on Friday, June 7, 2024, at her daughter's residence in Woodhull.

She was born March 20, 1926, to Harry and Alma (Lindzey) Runyon in Tri-voli, Ill. She married Carl "Ted" Snyder Sr. on Dec. 12, 1942, in Cahokia, Mo. He preceded her in death on March 10, 1985.

Agnes is survived by three children, Carl "Sonny" (Lauretta)



Snyder

Snyder Jr. of Yates City, Linda "Joni" (Larry) Henikoff of Virginia and Judy (Todd) Kaiser of Woodhull; one daughter-in-law, Cheryl Snyder; eight grandchildren, Clarissa (Jay) Price, Nathan (Susan) Henikoff, Cynthia (Jason) Chasteen, Scott Snyder, Bart (Amy) Snyder, Danny (Gill) Snyder, Ethan Kaiser and Elias Kaiser; and nine great-grandchildren.

Agnes is also preceded in death by her parents; one son, Robert Snyder; three brothers, Gene Runyon, Robert Runyon and Kenny Runyon; and four sisters, Mary Bantz, Phyllis Bock, Ruth Aiello and Betty King.

Agnes attended the LaFayette United Methodist Church. She was a former treasurer for the United Methodist Women at the church and the Debra Circle. Agnes was a member of the Red Hats as well as the Stark County Farm Bureau.

A graveside service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at Elmwood Township Cemetery. A food and fellowship open house to celebrate Agnes's life will be held from 4-7 p.m. at the Elmwood United Methodist Church following the service.

Memorials may be made to Stark County Ambulance, BYE Ambulance or LaFayette United Methodist Church. To leave online condolences, visit oakshinesfuneral-home.com.

Oaks-Hines Funeral Home and Crematory in Elmwood is in charge of arrangements.

Sharon M. Winter

JOELTON, Tenn. – Sharon Mae (Vaughan) Winter, 83, of Joelton, Tenn., passed away on Friday, June 7, 2024, at the Waters of Gallatin in Gallatin, Tenn.

She was born in Rock Island, Ill., on Feb. 28, 1941, to the late John L. Vaughan and Maxine Mae (Caton) Vaughan. She worked as an assistant manager at Opryland Hotel.

Sharon was preceded in death by her husband, E. Dean Winter; daughter, Deanna Winter; and brothers, John Vaughan and Richard Charles Vaughan.

She is survived by her daughter, Christine Winter; son, Mark Alan Winter (Lisa); and many nieces and nephews.

Sharon will be interred at Middle

Tennessee Veteran's Cemetery in Nashville, Tenn., at a later date.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Cheatham County Funeral Home, (615) 792-2552, and condolences can be left online at cheathamcountyfh.com.

Linda S. Raley

GALVA – Linda Sue Raley, 74, of Galva, died at 4:50 p.m., Monday, June 10, 2024, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born May 5, 1950, in Kewanee, the daughter of Joney and Sadie (Hughes) Yelm. She married Terry Raley on Feb. 2, 1979, in Kewanee.



Raley

Survivors include her husband of Galva; her three children, Samantha (Brian) Robbins of Powell, Ohio, Jake (Kenda) Kitner of Lincoln, Ill., and Eli Raley of Charleston, S.C.; her siblings, Ann (Duane) Barlow of Pinehurst, N.C., Kenneth (Jane) Yelm of Hamilton, Ohio, and David (Cindy) Yelm of San Bernadino, Calif.; five grandchildren, Trevor Robbins, Blayne (Sam) Robbins, Kaitlyn Nelson and Brooke and Colt Kitner; and three great-grandchildren, Owen and Liam Robbins and Charlotte Groff. She was preceded in death by her parents, and sister, Alice Collinson.

Linda worked at Community State Bank in Galva for 31 years, serving in many capacities and last holding the title of vice president. She enjoyed flower gardening, reading, crocheting, trips to the beaches of South Carolina and shopping with her daughter. Most of all she loved her family and cherished the time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A public visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m., Friday, June 14, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva. Private services will be held at the funeral home with Deacon Michael Crummer officiating. A celebration of life luncheon for the public will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 15, at the Galva American Legion. Memorials may be directed to OSF Hospice.

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Shot clock coming in 2026-27

IHSA changes state hoops schedule, moves bass finals

By The Prairie News

BLOOMINGTON – The Illinois High School Association will require shot clocks for varsity basketball starting with the 2026-27 season.

The IHSA Board of Directors approved that at its Monday meeting and also approved a new schedule for the state boys basketball tournament and a new venue for the state bass-fishing tournament.

A 35-second shot clock will be used in varsity girls and boys basketball games, but use of the shot clock for lower-level (freshman, sophomore, junior varsity) contests will be determined by conferences and via mutual agreement by teams in nonconference games.

“The IHSA has allowed the shot clock to be used in tournaments and shoot-outs the past two seasons, and the overwhelming feedback we have received from coaches is that it is time to embrace the shot clock in all varsity contests,” said IHSA Executive Director Craig Anderson. “We believe the two-season lead time will provide our schools with ample opportunity to

install the shot clocks and get comfortable with them from both a coaching and game administration perspective.”

The board also approved a recommended schedule change from the basketball advisory committee to guarantee each semifinal team a two-day experience at the state finals.

High school bass anglers will next spring be fishing Lake Shelbyville for their state championship after spending the past 15 years

on Carlyle Lake. The IHSA is committed to Lake Shelbyville for five years, from 2025-29.

The bass final has been at Carlyle Lake since 2009, though windy conditions often make fishing challenging on that fairly wide-open body of water.

The board of directors also approved rules for the 2024 girls flag football season. State finals will be held at Willowbrook High School in Villa Park this fall.

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