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Pictured above is the Toulon-LaFayette High School Class of 1974 float at Toulon's Old Settlers parade on Saturday. The class celebrated its 50th reunion. Photo by John A. Ballentine.



Winners of the Old Settlers Kiddie Tractor Pull put on by the Toulon Lions Club last Friday show off their trophies. A total of 28 youngsters and six adults participated.



Pictured above (left to right) are Toulon's OSA pageant queens: Junior Miss Lexie Rowe, Miss Teen OSA Mia Hamilton, Co-Director Dayton Maubach, Little Miss Payton Newell, Co-Director Chelsea Sherbeyn and Mini Miss Addi Ince. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

Seeking grant

Wyoming will pursue OSLAD funding

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – If all goes well, Thomas Park could see substantial improvements in the next few years.

The Wyoming City Council held a special meeting Aug. 6 to gather input regarding an Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Several Wyoming residents attended the meeting to provide input on how a grant could be utilized. Ideas included a pollinator garden, a water bottle “filling” station opposed to a drinking fountain, ADA compliant playground equipment and trees for shade.

Thomas Park could also be improved with a me-

morial to veterans, a splash pad, a pickleball court, new restrooms and sidewalks that are American Disability Act compliant that would surround the park.

OSLAD grants are non-matching, so Wyoming would not have to pay anything. Each grant can only be used for improvements and upgrades in a single park. The council has chosen Thomas Park. A grant can be from \$600,000 to \$1 million, depending upon a grant writers’ narrative.

But the city could apply every year. Moving forward, Wyoming’s Northeast Park could receive lights for the ball diamond, playground equipment with shade and sidewalks/concrete pads from baseball dugout to dugout.

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End of grocery tax among Pritzker bill signings

By HANNAH MEISEL and JERRY NOWICKI

Capitol News Illinois

The formal repeal of a 1% tax on groceries is among the bills signed into law by Gov. JB Pritzker in the past week.

As part of state budget negotiations this year, lawmakers approved a plan to eliminate the statewide 1% grocery tax beginning in 2026. Pritzker signed that provision into law on Monday.

Revenue from the state grocery tax goes to municipal governments, rather than state coffers. To make up for those

lost revenues, the law allows counties and municipalities to levy their own 1% grocery taxes by passing an ordinance rather than needing a referendum.

It also gives non-home rule municipalities the authority to impose sales taxes up to 1% without a referendum.

• **Grocery tax** – Illinois’ first-in-the-nation law that allows residents to sue companies over the improper collection of their biometric information will be slightly less punitive after Pritzker signed a new law late last week.

Lawmakers this spring amended the

Biometric Information Privacy Act in response to an Illinois Supreme Court ruling last year that suggested lawmakers clarify the law. That ruling found fast food chain White Castle violated BIPA each time employees scanned their fingerprints in the course of performing their jobs, as the company never obtained employees’ permission to collect their fingerprints.

But under Senate Bill 2979, employees or customers whose fingerprints, retinal scans, voice samples or other

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Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker has been putting stress on his wrist in the past week, signing more than 50 bills into law.

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WYOMING: Wastewater projects OK'd

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Duryea Park could receive a new concession stand, concrete from dugout to dugout and new playground equipment.

In other business, the council approved four expenditure resolutions. The first for \$5,800 would provide materials and labor costs for the installation of two-level sensors at the wastewater treatment plant for chlorine feeds and for an inlet-screen level sensor.

The council also approved spending \$2,300 to modify pump wires in three wastewater treatment plant locations and \$3,800 to modify the wastewater treatment plant transfer switch by installing electrical modifications.

Finally, resolution four was to accept for \$2,500 a continued maintenance contract with Service Flex.

The council then went into closed session to discuss personnel issues.

BILLS: Local food grants permanent

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unique biometric information were collected by businesses without their permission can only claim one violation of BIPA instead of hundreds.

Using the old method of accrual, White Castle's attorneys estimated the company would be on the hook for up to \$17 billion in penalties, as the law provides for \$1,000 in damages for each "negligent" violation or \$5,000 for each "reckless" or "intentional" violation. White Castle earlier this year settled the case for \$9.4 million.

Business groups, however, argue that settlement and others like it represent the obvious outcome of the law unique to Illinois, which they argue has incentivized the creation of a cottage industry for ambitious attorneys.

Though technology took years to catch up with the law's aims, thousands of lawsuits have been filed – especially since they began to take off around 2018.

- **Developmental inspections** – The Illinois Department of Human Services Office of the Inspector General will be allowed to conduct unannounced site visits at state-run facilities serving individuals with developmental or mental disabilities.
- **Insurance coverage** – Senate Bill 773 requires state-regulated group health insurance policies that cover pregnancy to cover the diagnosis and treatment of infertility starting in 2026, including such options as in vitro fertilization. The measure also requires those plans to cover annual menopause health visits for those age 45 and older.
- **Mindful classrooms** – Senate Bill 2872 allows educators to provide students with at least 20 minutes of relaxation activities, like yoga and meditation, each week. It would also allow them to partner with an outside institution for the activities.
- **Food grants** – A pilot program that has given nearly \$2 million to local farms will become permanent after Pritzker's signature Friday on Senate Bill 3077. It creates a special fund for the Department of Agriculture to administer the Local Food Infrastructure Grant Program.
- **Garbage truck coverings** – Garbage trucks that lose trash because they are not properly covered will be subject to fines starting next year.

Senate Bill 857, signed last Friday, gives the OIG authority to conduct site visits to all community agencies in the state.

Senate Bill 2573 requires insurance plans to cover wigs for individuals who are losing their hair for medical reasons.

Grants go to select small farms for things like food processing and cold storage. Amounts could range from \$1,000-\$75,000 for individual projects and up to \$250,000 for a collaborative project.

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Traffic Citations

8-3 - Melvin Johnson - Unlawful use of cannabis, expired registration and improper traffic lane usage.

8-5 - Ian W. Bliss - Unlawful use of cannabis and improper traffic lane usage.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

7-29 - Jordan P. Jones, 32, Washington, cited for improper lane usage and operating an uninsured vehicle.

7-29 - Rachael D. Haiduk, 21, Peyton, Colo., cited for speeding 71 mph in a 55 zone.

7-30 - James S. Harlan, 47, Toulon, was arrested and charged with domestic battery. He was later extradited to the Bureau County Jail. The following day he was released per the request of the Stark County States Attorney with a notice to appear in court.

8-1 - A dog-bite incident was reported at the intersection of Elm and Seventh streets in Wyoming. A five-year-old Wyoming boy was injured and bitten by a loose dog. The youngster was transported by ambulance to the hospital where he was treated for his injuries. The incident remains under investigation and the canine was transported to the Stark County dog pound and placed under quarantine.

8-3 - Michael Courtway, 64, of Musselman Street in Toulon, at approximately 1 p.m. apparently passed out driving his pickup truck east on Main Street and went over the embankment at West Jersey Express colliding head-on with two semi trailers parked there, driving those trailers into two other trailers. Courtway sustained serious injuries and was transported to Kewanee St. Luke Hospital, where he was life-flighted to Peoria. Toulon Fire and Stark County Ambulance responded to the crash, as well as Toulon Police Chief Gary Bent.

8-4 - Izaak G. Toms-Smith, 20, Chadwick, cited for speeding 65 mph in a 55 zone and for driving while his license was suspended. The vehicle was towed to the impound lot and Toms-Smith was issued a court date to appear.

Peoria County Report

7-17 - Franziska J. Hurliman, 31, of Galva was arrested shortly before 4 a.m. and accused of armed robbery/no firearm, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

Galva Report

Officer dispatched:

7-29 - Officer was flagged down about an area of corn that had been knocked down just west of town along Bonham Road. There was a concern about an accident there. Records indicated a single-vehicle accident had occurred there the previous day.

7-29 - to the 300 block of NE 2nd Ave. for a utility wire laying across the roadway. The wire was removed and Frontier telephone was contacted for repairs.

7-29 - to the 00 block of NE 6th St, for a solicitor complaint. As the result, Logan Lambie, 21, St. Petersburg, Fla., was issued an administrative warning ticket for soliciting without a permit.



7-29 - to the 300 block of SE 2nd St. for a loose-dog complaint.

7-30 - While patrolling, officer noticed a semi-tractor/trailer parked in the 700 block of W. Division St. Officer spoke to the driver, who was waiting for a local business to open. The driver was told he needed to move to avoid blocking traffic.

7-30 - to assist Rux Funeral Home with traffic control for a large funeral procession that proceeded west from town.

7-30 - While patrolling, an officer noticed a train that stopped and blocked every railroad crossing in town for 52 minutes. BNSF was contacted.

7-30 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 400 block of W. Division St., Alan Edwards, 58, Galesburg, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released with a court date.

7-30 - to the 200 block of NW 1st Ave. to check the welfare of several animals. They appeared to be fine.

7-30 - Officer was flagged down about a car-vs.-deer collision several miles north of town. Henry County located the vehicle on County Highway 5 near 650 North.

7-30 - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. to remove an unwanted subject.

7-31 - to a residence on SE 6th St. to assist a citizen with questions about safely storing firearms.

7-31 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd St. for an unknown complaint. The subject was suffering from a mental-health crisis.

7-31 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd St. for a 911 hang-up call. The subject was suffering from a mental-health crisis.

7-31 - to the 700 block of SE 1st St. for a theft complaint.

7-31 - to the 300 block of E. Division St. to assist a resident attempting to remove a bat from the residence. Officer was not able to locate.

8-1 - to the 300 block of E. Division St. to assist a resident with attempting to remove a bat from the residence. The bat was found and removed.

8-1 - to the 100 block of NE 1st St. for a verbal disturbance involving neighbors.

8-1 - to the east edge of town to watch for a reckless driver coming from the Kewanee area. Officer located the driver and advised them of the complaint.

8-1 - to assist Henry County with a civil paper service in the 300 block of NW 3rd Ave.

8-2 - to a residence on SW 3rd Ave. for a suicidal subject threatening to harm himself. Family members were able to confirm the subject was out-of-state while making these threats.

8-2 - to the 1200 block of SE 2nd St. to assist a motorist with a dis-

abled vehicle.

8-2 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St., James Staggs, 37, Galva, was arrested for driving while license suspended. He was taken to the Galva Police Department for processing and then released with a required court date.

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

8-3 - to the 100 block of NE 9th St. for a complaint involving attempted forced entry into the residence. Officer was not able to locate anyone.

8-3 - to the 300 block of SW 3rd St. for a 911 hang-up call. The subject was suffering from a mental-health crisis.

8-3 - to the 500 block of NW 11th St. for a solicitor complaint. The subject was located and asked to cease their actions after it was determined they did not have a permit.

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

8-3 - to the railroad crossing on NE 6th Ave. for a crossing arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted.

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

8-3 - to the 700 block of NE 2nd Ave. for "a large fire complaint." It was a controlled burn.

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

8-3 - Josiah Daneels, 20, Mooseheart, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1000 block of N. Center Ave.

8-4 - to the railroad crossing on NE 6th Ave. for a crossing-arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted.

8-4 - A 17-year-old male was issued a citation for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

8-4 - Michael Barnes, 28, Van Buren, Mich., cited for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

Property Transfers

7-30 - Jamie Joos Wiegand to Jennifer L. and Ralph E. Joos - Pts Sect 35-13-6 SE - 306 N. 6th St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$51,000.

8-1 - Todd McClintic, Trustee to D.A.M. Good Homes, LLC - Henderson and Whitaker's Add'n - Block 8 Lots 7,8,9 - 309 and 319 E, Greenwood St., Toulon - Consideration = \$193,000.

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For example, despite only one mildly competitive race in any party's presidential primaries, all 2024 candidates combined – from Doug Burgum to Marianne Williamson – raised \$692 million for their campaigns, according to OpenSecrets.org, the authoritative, non-partisan group that tracks money in politics.



Alan
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That was just for starters. Outside groups raised another collective \$812 million for the presidential candidates to boost the total take to a pig-choking \$1.5 billion.

Equally remarkable is that more than half of the amount, or \$831 million, was raised by the Trump and Biden campaigns before either party's convention and long before the Nov. 5 general election.

But the Dem money machine kicked into overdrive when Biden chose to exit the race July 21. In less than 24 hours of him yielding to presumptive presidential nominee Kamala Harris, the party was showered with at least \$81 million in campaign money and another \$150 million in campaign pledges.

That small fortune is chicken feed when compared to what one high-tech billionaire, Elon Musk, re-

portedly pledged to contribute to the Trump campaign a week earlier: \$45 million per month through Election Day.

Musk has since downplayed the pledge, claiming he will still give millions, just not the \$180 million implied in his week-earlier pledge.

Agribusiness joined the 2024 White House cash dash, too. According to OpenSecrets, Big Ag has given the Trump 2024 presidential campaign \$7.4 million, almost seven times more than it gave Joe Biden, \$1.1 million, and the Dems.

In fact, ag's big political players gave Nikki Haley's not-going-anywhere White House bid \$1.7 million, or almost 50% more than incumbent Joe Biden's didn't-go-anywhere campaign.

Regardless of the candidate, no fatcat contributor writes five-, six-, seven- and now even eight-figure campaign checks without expecting some candidate love after a hoped-for win.

Musk, say political analysts, is simply making a very public, very big bet that a Trump White House will impose prohibitive tariffs on imported Chinese electric vehicles, a rising competitor to Tesla and Musk's \$73 billion stake in the company.

Likewise, Big Sugar has given \$4.9 million to many Senate and House ag committee members this election cycle. The reason is simple: With the 2024 Farm Bill still hanging fire, the aggressively political American sugar industry wants Congress to keep in place its long-time protective import tariffs and domestic loan price programs.

Sugar isn't alone. To date, 2024

campaign contributions from “agribusiness” to members of Congress – again according to OpenSecrets – totals \$42.2 million. The split between parties strongly favors Republicans, who were given \$29.4 million while Democratic members pulled in a comparatively small \$12.75 million.

Meanwhile, money spent by agribusiness to lobby Congress in 2023 was a knee-buckling four times greater, or \$178 million, reveals OpenSecrets. Overall, interest groups spent an unfathomable \$4.2 billion lobbying Congress in 2023.

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All that lobbying – meetings, favors, dinners and trips – takes time, of course, which may partially explain why Congressional “law-makers did not manage to pass much legislation” in 2023, reported NPR late last December. In fact, NPR continued, “Only 27 bills passed through both chambers.”

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TERMS: A non-refundable 10% deposit will be required auction day, with the balance to be pd. in full in approx. 30 days. A valid purchase agreement will be signed day of sale. This is an as-is auction. NOTE: Watch for the full ad of personal property at a later date.

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GALESBURG, IL REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

The following large ranch style home and personal property will be sold on location at 453 1/2 N Pleasant Ave. Galesburg, IL (Turn North on to Pleasant Ave. off of West Main St. and follow straight and slightly to the left to sale site), on **SUNDAY AUGUST 18th 2024 AT 12 NOON (R.E. SELLS FIRST)**

REAL ESTATE: See pictures and the full ad for more details online at www.folgersauctionservice.com. LIKE US ON FACEBOOK. This nice 1690 sq. ft. home includes 3 bedroom 2.5 baths, full basement, large cathedral dining room, living room, eat in kitchen, and much storage. There is a nice 2-stall attached garage. **TERMS:** A non-refundable 10% deposit will be required on the day of the auction, with the balance to be pd. in full in approx. 30 days at closing. **COINS:** 2005, 8, 10, 13 and 2014 mint proof sets—2010 US mint Pres. \$1 coin proof set—2010 US mint America the Beautiful quarter proof set—20 Australian coins from 5Cent to \$2—7 New Zealand coins—1973-76 American Revolution Bi-Cent. Coins—7 America First medals—buffalo nickel necklace—US Vice Pres. Medal coll. Volume I & II—coll. of 3 versions of state quarters—book of paper foreign money—wildlife of US coins—over 300 wheat pennies—17 steel pennies.

ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES: lg. coll. of vintage Sarah Coventry, Avon costume jewelry—Isabelle Bloom statues—vintage S&P coll.—framed old political Presidential pins—2 old blue Fenton birds, other Fenton—unique pink satin glass dresser lamp w/southern belle—coll. of animal and other old statues/figurines—One Room School Knox Co. book—History & Families Knox Co. book—nice set of vintage flatware in case—flatware, some sterling—China pieces—old bone handled carving set NB—set of gold trimmed China—Kachina dolls—nice tablecloths, linens—many unusual China and glass pieces—Noritake hand painted Japan Azalea set—sterling candlesticks—retro tea cart—pink depression cracker jar—milk glass—comingware/pyrex—retro plastic bread box—coll. of art glass and other paper wts.—vintage appliances and items—Garfield items—nice spinet Everett piano and bench—70's Sears Silvertone stereo cabinet w/stereo—nice Howard Miller Grandfather's clock—Penn State Pennant—Consumer Grain Supply thermometer—retro wooden chicken canister set—enamel top table w/white bottom—much misc.

FURNITURE/HOUSEHOLD/ ETC: Nice dining room table/6 chairs, lg. hutch—curios and lighted nice glass front wooden cabinets—ant Gentlemen's chair—nice white solid bedroom set, no bed—cedar chest—queen bedroom set—office desk, supplies—wood file—12 drawer jewelry cabinet—Penn. State University rocker and chair—ornate Oriental sm. table—rd. marble top stand table—sofa—tables, chairs, cabinets—sm. flat screen TV—kitchen table/chairs—Kitchen Aid refrigerator—Estate upright freezer—washer/dryer—power washer—pole saw—trash/utility carts—tools, ladders, yard tools, cat items, fold up cat house, table-top grill, yard chairs, seeder, folding saw horses, basic kitchen items, much more.

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KNOX COUNTY LAND AUCTION OF 136.55 +/- TOTAL ACRES

The following one-of-a-kind property will be sold in 2 tracts on location located at 1690 Kenny St. Dahinda, IL 61428 (turn north at the junction of Rt. 150 and 1720 E, then turn west at the Dahinda General Store to sale site), on **WEDNESDAY SEPT. 4th, 2024 AT 10 A.M.**

NOTE: This is a condensed ad of this beautiful property that will be sold in 2 separate tracts. This is a unique opportunity to buy hunting and/or farm ground with extra income possibilities. See pictures, drone video and maps online at www.folgersauctionservice.com. See the separate sale bill also online for the personal property list of farm, adv. signs, primitives, and more to be conducted onsite on SUNDAY SEPT. 8th at the same address at 11:00 a.m.

TRACT I: Tract I consists of 102.25 +/- acres in Persifer Township. FSA indicates 26.9 acres are in 5 fields of grass hay. 15.09 acres of fenced pasture and one acre of timber enrolled in CRP until 2036 at \$300.00 per acre. The balance of this tract is woodland and building site. This property offers an abundance of wildlife including massive deer. The building site is improved with a charming 1800's farmhouse. The 2-story home has been tastefully updated and decorated. A large timber framed 2 story 24'x36' pegged barn, formerly a Bed and Breakfast, sits south of the house. This barn is a primitive dream. The natural wood design, full-service kitchen, full bath, outdoor shower and loft sleeping quarters make for many opportunities for income such as an Airbnb, hunting lodge, etc. A whole farm generator has also been installed. A hand-built log cabin, garage and other outbuildings sit on the property. In the back field site sits a timber framed equipped hunter's cabin. The well is good on this property with an extra well for livestock. Kenny St. is a township-maintained road.

TRACT II: Tract II consists of 34.3 +/- acres in Persifer Township. 18.47 of the acres are very productive tillable land with a PI of 143. There are 8.5 acres of CRP tree buffer strips with maturing walnut trees at 300.00 per acre until 2036. The Tract sits along Court Creek allowing for additional hunting/fishing opportunities. Full possession of TRACT II will be given after 2024 crops are harvested. **TERMS:** A non-refundable 5% down will be required on auction day for both Tracts, with the balance to be pd. in full in approx. 30 days. 2024 taxes will be pro-rated. All statements and representation herein are believed to be correct. However, the sellers and auction firm make no warranties or guarantees expressed or implied. Folger's Auction Service serves solely as an agent for the seller and assumes no liability for the property being sold.

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HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS LAND AUCTION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2024 AT 1:00 PM CT



The Bjorling farm is located approx. 5 miles west of Galva, IL along Highway 34 and is further described as being located in Section 34, T14N - R3W, Weller Township, Henry County, IL.

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Items to be sold include: GE stand mixer, cookie jars, linens, LP records, 45s', hard back books, small kitchen appliances, pots/pans/dishes, Fire King bowls, Longaberger baskets, Isabelle Bloom pcs, statues, glassware, Pyrex bowls, 6qt butter churn, Santa Claus blow mold, patio set, cutter sleigh, curve front curio, Sony flat screen tv, fans, lamps, coolers, dog crate, quilt rack, recliners, roll top desk, end tables, pantry cabinet, cedar chest, dressers, chests of drawers, kitchen table and chairs, double beds, yard ornaments, much more as we are still unpacking.

We will also be selling 350+ pcs of Abingdon pottery. These will be listed for online absentee bidding at orwigauctionandeventcenter.hibid.com. Bidding will close Wednesday, August 14 at 6pm. If you have any questions on registering just let us know.

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Having no need for the listed items a public auction will be held at 134 N Peoria Street Bradford IL **Public Auction Saturday, August 10 @ 5 p.m.**

Photo Album will be added soon.

Items to be sold include: nice router table, jigs, Craftsman radial arm saw, long handle tools, wood lathe w/ knives, stackable tool chest, bench grinder, Craftsman bench vise, hand tools, power tools, cordless tools, garden cart, large bench vise, Delta 18x36 drum sander, scroll saw, Craftsman planer, pipe clamps, Jet benchtop oscillating spindle sander, John Deere 112 lawn tractor, air tank, hardware, shop vac, casters, horizontal air compressor, dolly cart, Craftsman miter saw, Adirondack chairs, heaters, school desks, lawn chairs, lamps, home décor, pots/pans/dishes, small kitchen appliances, flatware, hen on nests, figurines, lift chair, cookie jars, holiday decorations, end tables, 2 cushion couch, exercise bike, glassware, crossbow, linens, pictures, local items, kitchen table and chairs, much more.

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KNOX & HENRY COUNTY, IL LAND AUCTION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 AT 10:00 AM CT



Tract 1: From Woodhull, go east on State Route 17 approx. 4 miles to E 980th St., then south approx. 1 mile to the farm. Tract 1 is further described as being located in the NE 1/4 of Section 3, T13N - R2E, Ontario Township, Knox County, IL. Tracts 2 & 3: From Woodhull, go east on State Route 17 approx. 5 miles to E 1080th St., then north approx. 1/2 mile to the farm. Tract 2 is further described as being located in Section 26 & Tract 3 is further described as being located in Section 25, both in T14N - R2E, Clover Township, Henry County, IL. Woodhull is located approx. 20 miles north of Galesburg, IL or approx. 30 miles south of Moline, IL.

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Because I have moved a public auction of real estate will be held at 107 McKinley Speer II.

Real Estate Auction
Thursday, August 22 at 5 p.m.

Open House: Sunday, August 11 at 5 p.m.

Offering a 1,200 square foot 2 story frame home located on the west edge Speer. This property has a 22x22 detached garage, newer siding, windows and roof. There is a Generac whole house generator, well, septic and cistern. Inside there are 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, large family room, and a possible main floor laundry. This is a great home for the first time buyer or investor.

Terms: This home will sell in as-is condition with no warranties or guarantees of any kind. A \$2,500 non refundable earnest money deposit will be due at the conclusion of the auction with the balance being due at closing which will be on or around September 22. Possession will be given at closing and all taxes and fees will be pro rated to that date. Property will subject to seller confirmation and all buyers will be expected to do their own due diligence.

For pictures, updates and a virtual tour go to auctionzip or my facebook page.

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BRIEFS

Cambridge museum opens this Saturday

CAMBRIDGE – Cambridge Natural History Museum will hold a grand opening Saturday, Aug. 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 132 W. Center St.

The museum will showcase a collection of fossils, mineral, and Native American artifacts, all curated by Anderson Taylor, 9, a budding Cambridge paleontologist, is very excited to see his dream of opening a museum come true.

"I want to teach other kids, as well as adults who aren't able to go to museums in larger cities, about natural history and prehistoric life", he said. "Visiting the Staffin Dinosaur Museum in Scotland really inspired me to open my own museum. The owner of that museum started it when he was a teenager."

Anderson's study of fossils has brought him around the world. He has traveled to observe evidence of ancient life as far as the Isle of Skye in Scotland and the Morrison Formation in Colorado. He has hosted several public presentations on prehistoric life in Illinois and beyond. Anderson and his brother, Miles, also host a podcast on local history, called "Tot Cast".

"Much of what you see at the museum has been generously donated by friends, family, and strangers," Taylor said.

The grand opening will feature light refreshments and a special interactive dig for children. Young visitors will have the opportunity to participate in a mock excavation and take home a souvenir from their dig.

Newport named new CEO of FBFM

DeKALB – Scott Newport of DeKalb is the new chief executive officer of the Illinois Farm Business Farm Management. Newport has 35



The 2024 Panther Open golf outing at Hidden Lake Golf Club in Sheffield on July 13 raised \$2,300 for the Bradford High School Memorial Fund. Alumni interested in supporting the cause may send checks to the PNB Bradford Banking Center, 179 W. Main, P.O. Box 39, Bradford, IL 61421. Checks should be made payable to BHS Memorial Fund.

years of experience dedicated to serving regional cooperators. His recent tenure as regional vice president has further connected him with staff.

Mental health program Aug. 17 in Kewanee

KEWANEE – The Henry and Stark County Health Department, the Kewanee First United Methodist Church Health and Wellness Team, and First Choice Healthcare invite the public to a free mental health program at 10 a.m., on Saturday, Aug. 17, at the Kewanee First United Methodist Church community room, 108 E. Central Blvd.

Guest speaker Stephen Martell, behavioral health program manager with First Choice Healthcare, will present a program entitled "Mental Illness – You Are Not Alone" and will discuss local services that are available.

Knox County SWCD meeting Aug. 29

KNOXVILLE – The Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District's 80th annual meeting is Aug. 29 at 3:45 p.m. at the Nayborhood Farm, 1412 Barefoot Road.

Speakers will focus on pollinator



Jean Mann of 711 N. Center Ave. was chosen by the Galva Ready to Grow committee as Galva's August property pride winner. Mann said she has lived in the home for 54 years. She and her late husband, Roger, raised their daughter in the home, which underwent two additions and lots of remodeling. Photo by Carol Townsend.

habitat, CREP enhancements and beekeeping. Dinner is wood-fired pizza and meatballs and caprese bites for appetizers. Donations will be accepted in lieu of a fee.

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Toulon Public Library has plenty to offer

By SANDY BLAKEY

For The Prairie News

TOULON – My sister Janet recently passed away and was a 31-year employee of Toulon Public Library. She always said “I love my job.”

She saw and embraced many changes down through the years, from looking up books through a card file to finding books via a computer. She saw the building of a beautiful new library and helped with the move.

Michael Baumann, director of the library, said libraries are evolving past the walls and the books on

the shelves. The Toulon library now offerhoopla, which offers free Ebooks, videos, music and magazines. The library also has Libby and eRead Illinois for Ebooks and audio books.

The library subscribes to Newsbank for daily digital copies and back copies of the Peoria Journal Star and Kewanee Star Courier. There are archived copies of The Stark County News and The Prairie News available digitally, as well through the website.

Baumann said in the past year the library’s logo was updated and a new sign was constructed with the

help of funds from the City of Toulon.

A new website will be launching this fall that will offer more ADA accessibility and an updated look. Soon the library will also have access to a whole new suite of digital materials through the state.

The library also has programs for adults and children. The children’s section has a child-size table, chairs and books for all ages.

There are several comfortable reading areas for adults to sit, relax and read. A computer is available for use. Baumann and his staff will gladly help you find

what you are looking for.

The library also offers copying, scanning, laminating and a meeting room that can comfortably accommodate 8-10 people.

Illinois State Fair runs to Aug. 18

By FarmWeek

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois State Fair opened its 11-day run Thursday with the theme, “It’s Showtime.”

More than \$85 million has been recently invested in the fairgrounds to address deferred maintenance.

The coliseum will be used this year, but renovations are not fully finished. However, updates to other structures across the fair are complete.

Raspberry crunch is this year’s featured flavor of ice cream at the dairy barn, complete with fresh raspberries and granola on top.

The state fair will also be home to 14 entertainment stages – from the grandstand to the Village of Cultures.

Free entertainment is planned during the fair, starting with a performance by the Gin Blossoms today, Aug. 8, on the Grand Central Stage.

The grandstand features nine headline artists with tickets available through Ticketmaster: Keith Urban, Aug. 9; Mötley Crüe, Aug. 10; Jason Isbell and The 400 Unit, Aug. 11; Jordan Davis, Aug. 12; Lil Wayne, Aug. 14; Jonas Brothers, Aug. 15; Smashing Pumpkins, Aug. 16; Miranda Lambert, Aug. 17; and Sha-boozey, Aug. 18.

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Methodist i-Serve event offers aid to Galva, Bishop Hill homeowners

For The Prairie News

On Sept. 14, local United Methodist Churches will hold an eighth annual i-Serve event in and around Galva and Bishop Hill.

This annual event of Bishop Hill Community and Galva First United Methodist Churches grew out of a desire to celebrate with ministry outreach the 25th anniversary of former Pastor Ann Champion's ordination in 2013. The heart of the weekend is based on scripture: "We love because God first loved us." (1 John 4:19).

Volunteers will meet Saturday, Sept. 14, at 7:30 a.m. in Epworth Hall at the east entry of Galva First United Methodist Church. Anyone in the Galva or Bishop Hill area can ask for assistance in completing projects they cannot do on their own. Applications

are due by Aug. 19.

Volunteers will provide free help with yard work, painting, building repair, household cleanup and simple errands. Non-profit organizations can also receive assistance with projects on their property. Some financial help is available to purchase supplies for projects.

The churches will serve a lunch at 11:30 a.m. for all volunteers and for those being served that day. Many Galva residents and non-profit organizations have been helped in the first seven years of the i-Serve event.

Anyone who wishes to have a project completed by the i-Serve volunteers must complete a project application, available at both Methodist churches and at various local business and offices, including

Galva City Hall, Galva Library, Galva Senior Citizens Center, the Community State Bank in Galva, the State Bank of Toulon in Galva, Lincoln House, Galva and Bishop Hill post offices, the laundromat and Messiah Lutheran Church. The application is also offered on the City of Galva's website (galvail.gov) or the church website (neighbor-sinchrist.com) and will need to be returned to the parish office at 214 NW 2nd Ave. in Galva or emailed to galvafirst@gmail.com by Aug. 19.

Once applications have been received, organizers will be in contact to get details on the work and to visit the work site to confirm that volunteers will be able to complete the request. Flexibility is planned for some projects to be done earlier or later than Sept. 14, if needed.

Volunteers are welcome and work teams will be organized by the i-Serve planning team in early September. To volunteer, call the parish office at (309) 932-2460 or email galvafirst@gmail.com.

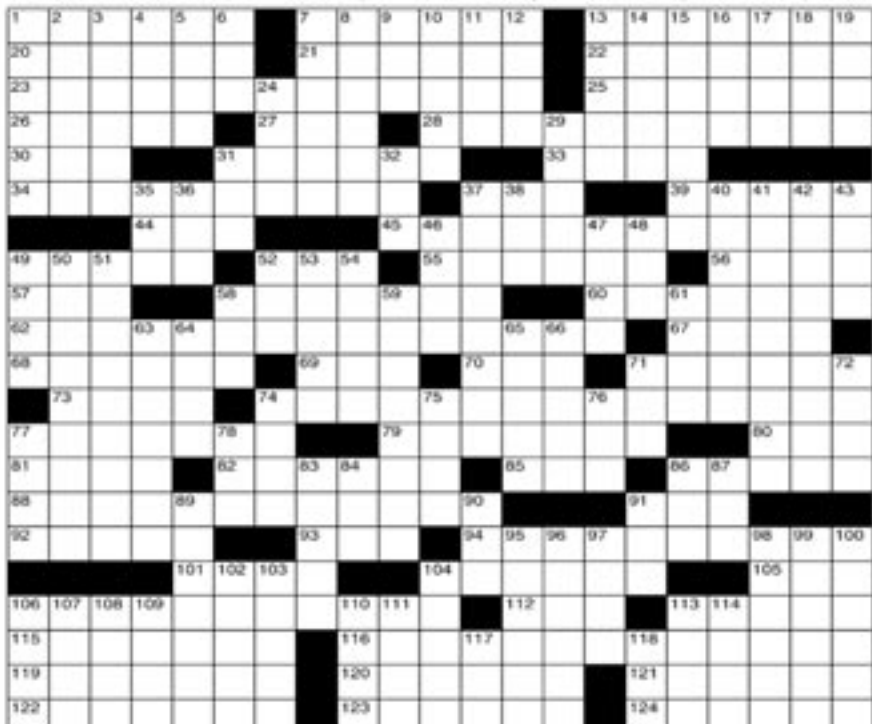
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 - 7 Morals
 - 13 Rich fabric with a silky finish
 - 20 "Bam!" chef Laganise
 - 21 Result in
 - 22 Went to the polls again
 - 23 1978 arcade classic
 - 25 Immemorial
 - 26 Gyro breads
 - 27 Sue Grafton's "— for Alibi"
 - 28 Its highest mountain is Denali
 - 30 "... good witch — bad witch?"
 - 31 Emphasize
 - 33 Healthy
 - 34 Bread sliced doubly thick
 - 37 College transcript no.
 - 39 Charge to pitch a product
 - 44 Mary a hospital delivery
 - 45 Bottled water brand
 - 49 "Tis a pity!"
 - 52 What a DJ talks into
 - 55 President before Sadat
 - 56 Not duped by
 - 57 Jungle beast
 - 58 Said "There, there" to, e.g.
 - 60 Raised fortification
 - 62 Song closing a Catholic service
 - 67 Kawai, e.g.
 - 68 Patch affixed with heat
 - 69 Many a hospital delivery
 - 70 Abbr. before an alias
 - 71 "To quote myself ..."
 - 73 Opposed to
 - 74 Colorado's nickname
 - 77 Big name in car parts
 - 79 "Evita" star
 - 80 Meadowland
 - 81 Copy a lion
 - 82 Old video game consoles
 - 85 Not just moist
 - 86 Yard uglifiers
 - 88 Anba is in it
 - 91 Barbecue serving
 - 92 "Gypsy" composer
 - 93 "Hip Hop Is Dead" rapper
 - 94 Annual game at Aloha Stadium
 - 101 Did perfectly
 - 104 Fliers' military branch
 - 105 He wrote "The Raven"
 - 106 Annual honor given by Sports Illustrated
 - 112 NYC subway line
 - 113 Twin sister of He-Man
 - 114 Of monarchs
 - 15 Coincide
 - 16 Coke, e.g.
 - 17 Truckloads
 - 18 China's — Xiaoping
 - 19 Border
 - 24 MI. alliance since 1949
 - 29 White birds
 - 31 Pig's digs
 - 32 Auto garage brand
 - 35 Lawyers' gp.
 - 36 Lay turf on
 - 37 Enthusiastic greeting
 - 38 Max' mates
 - 40 Stops, helping on the subject
 - 41 "As is" transaction
 - 42 Beseeched
 - 43 Acronym for four entertainment prizes
 - 46 Scott Turow memoir
 - 47 Actress Laura
 - 48 Sp. woman
 - 49 Dress of India
 - 50 Opulent, floor-length cloak
 - 51 Of lesser importance
 - 52 Parisian pronoun
 - 53 "You win"
 - 54 Religious law
 - 58 1040 ID
 - 59 Must-see
 - 61 It's south of Tenn.
 - 63 Become a participant
 - 64 Pollute
 - 65 "Get what I'm talkin' about?"
 - 66 Home to Augusta
 - 71 It's south of Tenn.
 - 72 Senate affirmatives
 - 74 Pigeon shed
 - 75 Alley
 - 76 Home pest
 - 77 Curved paths
 - 78 Hailed vehicle
 - 83 Brand of root beer
 - 84 Stranded cell stuff
 - 86 Nintendo game console
 - 87 Fall away
 - 89 Lighthouse signs
 - 90 Sushi tuna
 - 91 Border
 - 95 Noble sort
 - 96 Thawed
 - 97 Beginning painting class
 - 98 Accepting of
 - 99 Became tiresome
 - 100 Gets wiser
 - 102 Pop singer
 - 103 City in southeast Minnesota
 - 104 Fess up to
 - 106 Frying fat
 - 107 "The Time Machine" race
 - 108 — monster
 - 109 No-show GI
 - 110 Not fully shut
 - 111 Super review
 - 113 Food herring
 - 114 Cattle group
 - 117 Cochlea site
 - 118 W-2 pro.



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

OK, UNCLE LOU, IT'S 3RD AND NINE WITH TEN SECONDS LEFT IN THE GAME, SO GO LONG.

HUT! THERE HE GOES, AVOIDING THE DEFENSIVE BACK AND MAKING HIS WAY DOWNFIELD!

STILL GOING, DODGING THE SAFETY AND STILL GOING!

OOH, DIDN'T AVOID THE MOWER THE FARMER LEFT SITTING OUT IN THE YARD.

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

I'VE GOT IT PRETTY GOOD AROUND HERE.

I'M SPOILED ROTTEN!!

THAT WOULD EXPLAIN THAT SMELL.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

I GIVE UP. WE'VE OFFICIALLY SPENT MORE TIME LOOKING FOR A MOVIE WE CAN AGREE ON THAN IT WILL TAKE TO ACTUALLY WATCH IT.

GRIN & BEAR IT

"Here ... it's time for you to fix dinner."

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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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Trivia test

by Jifi Rodriguez

- MUSIC: Which folk-rock group produced many of the songs in the movie "The Graduate"?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which European capital is known as "The Eternal City"?
- LANGUAGE: What does the Latin prefix "acri-" mean in English?
- TELEVISION: Lenny and Squiggy are the annoying neighbors in which TV comedy?
- MONEY: What is the basic currency in Guatemala?
- CARS: What animal is found on the Porsche car logo?
- FOOD & DRINK: Which country is associated with the soup dish pho?
- LITERATURE: In which U.S. state is the novel "Their Eyes Were Watching God" set?
- MYTHOLOGY: What is the home of the Greek gods called?
- AD SLOGANS: What product is advertised with the slogan, "You're not you when you're hungry"?

Answers

- Simon & Garfunkel.
- Rome, Italy.
- "Sharp" (e.g. "acrimonious").
- "Laverne & Shirley."
- Quetzal.
- A horse.
- Vietnam.
- Florida.
- Mount Olympus.
- Snickers candy bars.

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Answers on Page 3

CryptoQuote

AXYOLBAAXH 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.

OM KXG AODN JX NTES
KXGV DECZTDD XV EZQTV,
DTTH JX NTES JNT DECZTDD
XV EZQTV XM XJNTVD.
— EZE BEDJOSSX

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TOP 10 MOVIES

- Deadpool & Wolverine (R)
- Twisters (PG-13)
- Despicable Me 4 (PG)
- Inside Out 2 (PG)
- Longlegs (R)
- A Quiet Place: Day One (PG-13)
- Bad Boys: Ride or Die (R)
- The Fabulous Four
- Fly Me to the Moon (PG-13)
- Raayan (NR)

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 The Henry County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for Telecommunicator until August 31, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.
 Three primary job duties are receiving incoming calls/radio traffic, prioritizing the collected information, and dispatching the appropriate services.
 Annual starting salary of \$47,756.80 (\$22.96/hour) and offers employee health, dental, & life insurance, paid holidays, paid vacation, and IMRF pension. We accept lateral transfers and can honor up to 10 years of prior service for those that meet the criteria.
 Applications may be obtained in person at the Henry County Sheriff's Office, 311 W Center St., Cambridge, IL or download the application from: www.henrycty.com (Sheriff's Office, then to Employment). Testing for applicants is required on Sept. 18, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. @ the Henry County OEM 4424 US Highway 34 Kewanee, IL. Lateral transfers are exempt from written testing. For questions, call 309-937-3614.
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 - Dispatch complaints & calls Police, Fire, Ambulance which includes Emergency E911
 - Filing & maintenance of confidential reports & records
 - Become familiar with the addressing system, landmarks, and geographic features of Henry County
 - Report writing

LEGAL ADS

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 ESTATE OF JACOB REWERTS, Deceased
 No. 2024-PR-13

NOTICE OF CLAIM DAY
 Notice is given to creditors of the death of Jacob Rewerts
 On July 12, 2024 Letters of Office were issued to Christopher Rewerts whose attorney of record is Anne C. Rennick, P.O. Box 90, Wyoming, IL 61491.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Stark County, Illinois, or with the Representative, or both, on or before (a) January 24, 2025 or (b) if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Representative is required by the provisions of Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before the aforementioned date(s) is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the Attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated July 17, 2024
 Anne C. Rennick
 Attorney for: Estate of Jacob Rewerts
 P.O. Box 90
 Wyoming, IL 61491
 Ph: (309)-695-4701
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 Email: acrennick@yahoo.com
 Published 7/26, 8/2, 8/9/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 UNION FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION (F/K/A FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION OF KEWANEE), Plaintiff, IN CHANCERY v.
 Case No. 2024CH1
 CHARLENE F. REBHOLZ; 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: Julie Gibbs, Corp. Secretary, Union Federal Savings & Loan Assoc. (f/k/a First Federal Savings & Loan Assoc. of Kewanee), 104 N. Tremont St., Kewanee IL 61443 / 309-853-3535.2
 2. The property is located in Henry County - common address: 828 Franklin St., Kewanee IL 61443.
 3. The legal description of the real estate is: The North Half (N 1/2) of Lot Twelve (12) in Block Two (2) of Hoffrichter's Addition to the City of Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. PIN: 20-32-482-009
 4. The real estate may not be inspected prior to sale unless arrangements are made.
 5. The date and time of the sale is: September 3, 2024, at 9:00 AM.
 6. The sale will be conducted by the Henry County Sheriff in the Henry County Courthouse, Cambridge, IL.
 7. 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.
 8. 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 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.
 Justin M. Raver (ARDC #6293618)
 Barash & Everett, LLC
 Attorneys for Plaintiff
 211 West Second Street,
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 ESTATE OF: JOAN VUJAKOVICH, No. 2024PR80
 Deceased.

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES AND CLAIM NOTICE
 To: George Vujakovich and UNKNOWN HEIRS
 Notice is given of the death of Joan Vujakovich.
 Notice is given to George Vujakovich and unknown, who are heirs or legatees in the above proceeding to probate a will and whose name or address is not stated in the petition to admit the will to probate, that an order was entered by the court on July 25, 2024, admitting the will to probate.
 Letters of Office were issued on July 25, 2024 to Nickolas Vujakovich as independent representative whose attorney is Barash & Everett, LLC, P.C., PO Box 165, Galva, IL 61434.
 Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court Cambridge, Illinois 61434 or with the representative, or both on or before January 25, 2025. Any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representatives and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
 Within 42 days after the effective date of the original order of admission you may file a petition with the court to require proof of the will by testimony of the witnesses to the will in open court or other evidence, as provided in 6-21 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/6-21).
 You also have the right under section 8-1 of the Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/8-1) to contest the validity of the will by filing a petition with the court within 6 months after admission of the will to probate.
 E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider.
 Visit: <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit: <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.
 Filings are to be made with: Henry County Circuit Clerk Courthouse, Cambridge, Illinois

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TAKE NOTICE
 Certificate # 7
 TO: Jake Alvis; any spouse; any unknown occupants all unknown interested parties;
 A Petition for a Tax Deed on the premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Stark County, Toulon Illinois as Case # 2024 TX 4
 The real estate is described as: 206 JACKSON ST, VILLAGE OF LAFAYETTE 40 E SD LOTS 1 & 2 BLOCK 6 40 X 132 PARCEL#(s) 03-18-306-006
 Said property was sold on 10/26/2021, for the general taxes for the year of 2020. The period of redemption will expire on 10/26/2024. On November 8, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. the petitioner will make application to such court in said county for an order for a Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed by 10/26/2024.
 JEREMY BENSON PARTNER FOR MB TAX PARTNERS
 Petitioner
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TAKE NOTICE
 Certificate # 17
 TO: Justin Young ; any spouse; any unknown occupants all unknown interested parties;
 A Petition for a Tax Deed on the premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Stark County, Toulon Illinois as Case # 2024 TX 5
 The real estate is described as: 417 E JEFFERSON ST. CULBERTSONS EASTERN ADDITION S 1/2 LOT 18 115.5 X 163 PARCEL#(s) 04-19-402-009
 Said property was sold on 10/26/2021, for the general taxes for the year of 2020. The period of redemption will expire on 10/26/2024. On November 8, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. the petitioner will make application to such court in said county for an order for a Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed by 10/26/2024.
 JEREMY BENSON PARTNER FOR MB TAX PARTNERS
 Petitioner
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BID NOTICE
 The Village of LaFayette is currently seeking bids to replace the ramp in front of the Post Office and the back door frame on the Village Hall. Contractor must provide proof of insurance. For further information contact **Chris Smith at 309-509-2522** or **Dean Rosebecke at 309-238-3600**. Bids must be submitted by **Monday, Sept. 9, 2024**.

BID NOTICE
 The Village of LaFayette is currently seeking bids for a new furnace and AC for the Village Hall. For further information contact **Chris Smith at 309-509-2522** or **Dean Rosebecke at 309-238-3600**. Proof of insurance is required. Bids must be submitted by **Monday, Sept. 9, 2024**.

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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
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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.
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The Gathering Church

Location: 105 N. 7th St., Wyoming, IL 61491
Sunday mornings @ 10:30 a.m.
Mail: PO Box 322, Wyoming, IL 61491
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1st Congregational Church of Toulon

(309) 286-4901
218 N. Henderson St., Toulon
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Email fcctoulon@gmail.com
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Contact: messiahlutherangalva@gmail.com
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Facebook: Messiah Lutheran—Galva, IL

Galva First United Methodist Church

Rev. Rebecca Gearhart
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preachinghope@gmail.com
galvafirst@gmail.com
Sunday Worship: 9:00

Holy Trinity Polish National Catholic Church

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716 N. Tremont, Kewanee, IL
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Wyoming United Methodist Church

Pastor Rebecca Klemm
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309-606-9027
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Bradford Leet United Methodist Church

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OBITUARIES

Francis A. Maertens

GALVA – Francis A. Maertens, 87, of Galva, died at 11:29 a.m., Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at his home. He was born Dec. 5, 1936, in Geneseo, the son of Arthur and Madeline (Stevens) Maertens. He married Kay L. Swan on April 1, 1956, in Bishop Hill and she preceded him in death on Dec. 26, 2010.



Maertens

Survivors include his three sons, Ron Maertens of East Peoria, Kevin (Patty) Maertens of Kentucky and Tracy (Kathy) Maertens of Covington, Ind.; his two daughters, Penny (Thomas) Wilson and Jody (Warren) Anthony, both of Galva; a sister, Alice (Richard "Dick") Strandberg of Woodhull; 20 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. He was also preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Emiel; his son, Rodney; and his daughter, Candy Huffman.

Francis had worked as the road commissioner for the Galva Township for 30 years. He was also a 35+ year volunteer of the Galva Fire Department. He was an avid collector of John Deere tractors and enjoyed working on them. He loved his family and cherished the time spent with them.

Funeral services were to be held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 6, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva with Pastor Re-

becca Gearhart officiating. A visitation was to be held from 5-7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 5 at the funeral home. The burial will be in Bishop Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Galva Fire Department.

Mary L. Sorensen

WEST JERSEY – Mary Lou Webster Addis Sorensen, 97, passed away peacefully at Brookdale Senior Living in California on July 27, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.



Sorensen

Born on the farm in West Jersey, Ill., on March 25, 1927, Mary had two brothers, Harold and Wallace, who are deceased. She also has a sister, June Orwig, who survives her. Mary also survived the tragic accidental death of her second son, Stephen and her first husband, Frank Addis, who died in a weather-related plane crash. Dick Sorensen, her second husband years later developed a neurological condition. Mary took care of Dick for 12 years until he passed away from cancer.

Mary received a bachelors' degree from Bradley University in Peoria and received a teaching credential in California. She was very involved in education as a teacher and a reading specialist both in LaGrange, Ill., Ogelsby, Ill., and Orange, Calif., for many years. Kids loved to be in one of Mary's classes, as she had the ability to make learning fun.

Growing up on the farm during the depression and all the sacrifices of World War II, Mary developed a strong sense of common sense and patriotism. She instilled those values in her children and grandchildren.

Mary was always the life of the party. She loved sports cars. One of her favorite things was to tool around town in her Datsun 240Z and 260Z with the sunroof open, enjoying the California sunshine. She had many other interests; playing bridge, painting, a love of music and dancing, reading, cooking and traveling. She especially enjoyed giving her family so much love and watching them grow into successful adults.

Mary, the beloved matriarch of her family, is survived by a son, Frank Addis; a daughter, Sharon Barth; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren with another due in November.

Mary's memory will remain in the hearts of her family, friends and all those who were honored to have had the privilege of knowing her. Her legacy will live on for generations to come.

Services will be held at Westminster Memorial Park in Westminster, Calif., on Aug. 11, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. Interment will be at the gravesite after the memorial service and she will be laid next to her first husband and second son's gravesites.

Several family members and friends of Mary have endured Lyme disease. So in lieu of flowers, the family requests online donations to LymeDisease.Org in Mary Sorensen's name.

THANK YOU
Dave Cox
for purchasing my steer at the Stark County Jr. Fair Sale of Champions. Your support is greatly appreciated.
 - Cole Kinsella

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- Brady Leezer 

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CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

- **Fall Help Needed:** Spoon River Valley Farms, located 3 miles North of Princeville is looking for a fall driver and / or Auger Wagon Operator. Class A CDL is required for driving position. Duties will include hauling out of the field to our grain setup, and to local elevators. Farm experience is helpful but not required. Would be needed from 2nd week of September to the end of October. Call/Text Nick @309-712-5468

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FOR RENT

- **TOULON:** Upstairs 2 bedroom apartment for rent in Toulon, 105 E. Main. Call (309) 678-1831
- **WYOMING:** 104 East Elm, Wyoming, 2 BR apartment, \$500 per month plus utilities, \$400 deposit, work and landlord references required, no smoking, no pets. Call (612) 940-5208.

GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale - Aug. 8, 9 and 10 506 North Galena Ave., Wyoming.
Garage Sale: Thursday, Aug. 8, 5 to 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 9, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 10, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at 506 North Galena Ave., Wyoming. Lots and lots of craft items, wreaths and silk flowers, brand new shoes, size 8 SAS and Skecher, purses, lots of clothes with tags small and medium, coats, set of dishes, pans, glassware, bedspread, much more good stuff! Cheap prices!

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SAMS: Aunt Wilma thwarted panther tattoo

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 life for sure. At the same time this was happening, there was a couple in Toulon, Edgar and Mildred Sams, who were finishing the adoption process in terms of the paperwork so they could adopt. And on April 27, 1940 I became a member of their family.

The family was a little different than a lot of families. There was my dad and his brother Wilbur and they farmed together for over 50 years. They married sisters Wilma and my mother Mildred. They lived about three-quarters of a mile from the house I have now.

The house we moved into when I was a baby was an older house. The back part was built in 1841. The front part was added in 1856. Wilbur and Wilma had one child, John, and he was two months older than I was. My mother and father just had one child. Four years later they adopted a daughter, so I had a sister. A year later Wilbur and Wilma had a baby, Steve, and he's in the audience.

If you want more history of the Nicholson family or anything to do with our place, Steve is our historian. My grandmother was a Nicholson and she married a Sams. There were several who came up from Tennessee about the same time and they were here before 1841. That's the only record we could find when we applied for Centennial status.

So that made us double-cousins. And John and I were together and once we were together, we were together almost all of the time – all of

the way through high school. There wasn't anything he was involved in that I wasn't involved with in the same way.

The farm was originally owned by Jonathan Minor and I have a certificate that he received that plot of land from a grant that was signed by John Tyler, who was president at that time.

Now I'm going to start the real meat of my story. It's just a few things when I look back are some of the things I remember. I'm going to use the pronoun "we" because it will refer to John and me. We did everything together. When we were older, one of our habits was drinking Pepsi with peanuts (in the bottle).

Our disciplinarians were our mothers. We knew that we had better not do anything bad enough to get our dads involved, so we were rather careful about that. My mother was kind of easy to get around with, sometimes. John's mother, Wilma, was not!

She worked for several years for attorney Gene Rennick. Wilma sure picked up some of the prosecuting attorney's traits when dealing with us.

We were told early on that we were going to college. We didn't know what college meant, but we knew we were going to go. That started one of the first involvements we had with selling sweet corn.

Summarized: John and I sold sweet corn to a big guy with a loud voice – Mr. John Leitch, the Toulon Grade School math teacher. He challenged us to do math by buying five or seven or nine ears of sweet corn and

asking us how much that would cost.

We spent time on Indian Creek in our younger days. We would get in the water and splash around. We explored down the creek and later camped out overnight for two days.

Around sixth grade we decided to start trapping animals to make money. The first year we caught two muskrats. We left two traps in the slough on the farm and one day we caught an animal and it turned out to be a skunk. We both got sprayed by the skunk when we tried to hit it with a 2x4 board. That just made him mad.

Wilma and Mildred laid out soap, a scrub brush and three jars of tomato juice for each of us. This was in November and the water was cold that we used to bathe in! Our clothes were thrown away.

John and I were at the pool hall when we heard that there was a tattoo artist at the high school. We decided to get a black panther that started on our back and came over our shoulder. We were going to be the toughest guys in school.

We were in line to get our tattoos when something clamped down on my shoulder like a vise. John yelled and we were led to a car away from the tattoo stand. Wilma had been told that we were in the tattoo line and she came to the school and got us before we could get the tattoos.

We got a tongue-lashing that lasted at least 30 minutes.

It was a wonderful life growing up on the farm near Toulon. Thank you very much for listening.



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Closing Date: August 31st, 2024

Minimum Qualifications: A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, preferably with major coursework in criminal justice, psychology, sociology, social work, or related social sciences.

Duties: To serve the court by monitoring and supervising a caseload of offenders, juveniles and adults; perform a variety of fieldwork such as conducting home visits and referring offenders to appropriate community agencies; work closely with the State's Attorney's Office, the Sheriff's Department and jail, all City Police Departments, the Courts, community agencies and treatment programs; complete written reports and notices required by State statute and to file such reports with the Circuit Clerk as required by statute; appear in Court and testify as needed. Maintain thorough and accurate records of all case activities; collect urine/saliva samples for drug testing; perform duties as assigned per an on-call schedule to handle after-hour calls, and/or emergencies; and to perform other duties as directed, including those mandated by the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

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DESCRIPTION & INFORMATION

Correctional Deputy

- Must have a Valid Drivers License
- Illinois Basic Correctional Officer certification is preferred, but not required
- Starting Salary \$48,360.00 (as of December 2024 +2.5% \$49,566.40)
- Uniforms furnished
- Benefits include health, dental & life insurance, paid holidays & vacation
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- Be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma
- Be able to present a positive and professional image on and off the job

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF TOULON

Notice is hereby given that on
December 2, 2024, at the Toulon Fire Station
at 6:00 p.m. a Caucus of the People's Party,
in the City of Toulon, County of Stark, in the State of
Illinois will be held for the purpose of nominating
candidates for the following offices:

Mayor - 4 year term
Clerk - 4 year term
Treasurer - 4 year term
Alderman Ward #1 - 4 year term
Alderman Ward #1 - 2 year term
Alderman Ward #2 - 4 year term
Alderman Ward #3 - 2 year term
Alderman Ward #3 - 4 year term

Anyone choosing not to attend the Caucus may
obtain nominating petition packets at the office of the
City Clerk - 122 N. Franklin St. Toulon, IL
Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 - 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Monday through Friday.
Completed petitions may be filed with the
City Clerk during the filing period,
November 12th - 18th, 2024.
Last day to file is November 18th. The City Hall
will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on
Monday the 18th for your convenience.

Barbara J. Cantwell
City Clerk
City of Toulon

Sams shares fond memories

OSA badge winner recalls his life around Toulon

Transcribed by JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – Good morning! It’s my pleasure to be here. I want to thank the OSA committee who selected me and for making a good choice – I guess that remains to be seen. It’s hot up here on the stage and I’m sure it’s hot for you folks out there.

Before I get started, I’d like to just recognize Toulon after being gone for a long time and moving back. A lot of organizations are trying to make Toulon a better place and I think they are doing an “OK” job.

We have the Lions’ Club, the American Legion, other organizations such as the OSA and a Civic Committee.

So, there’s a lot of people trying to keep Toulon viable and we all certainly appreciate that.

I’d be remiss if I didn’t say a few words about the (Stark County) Historical Society that was restarted several years ago. They had nothing but had some money to work with in the beginning. But the accomplishments that they have made to this day is just remarkable. And they need your support just as every other committee does. So, we can spread the dollars around and help these folks out.

If my mother was here, she would have

my name on the badge as Frederick. The only place I’ve seen that written down is on my birth certificate. The rest of my life I’ve used Fred. In school it was so much easier to write F-R-E-D than a whole string of letters.

As I look at the badge – you know I don’t know if I need any more pictures. You look at that badge and you think of the old saying, “You can’t make a silk purse out of a sow’s ear.” I think there’s

some truth to that at times. Anybody who is in this realm of 80s – you know there’s some changes.

It’s hard to condense 84 years, 7 months and 4 days into a few minutes. Before I start with a few stories, I’d like to mention my

family. I have four children, Brad is the oldest and lives in Richmond, Va., and was born in Toulon. Linda, my only daughter lives in Eureka and was born in Castleton. Mike lives in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and was born in Macomb. Brett lives in Bloomington and was born in Vermont, Ill. I have seven grandchildren and two of them are here today.



I was born Nov. 7, 1939, in Methodist Hospital, in Peoria. I was there for two to three weeks, then I was transferred for adoption. This is where God entered my

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