

LOOK INSIDE
SAVE UP TO \$15,000 OFF MSRP

ED MORSE
AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

CHEVROLET GMC CHRYSLER DODGE Jeep RAM

Backed By **Morse**

Thursday
 September 19, 2024
 Vol. 11 No. 32

The Weekly Post

PRSR. STD.
 U.S. POSTAGE PAID
 Elmwood, Illinois
 Permit No. 13

Carrier Route Presort
 RURAL BOXHOLDER
 LOCAL P.O. BOXHOLDER

Hot news tip?
 Want to advertise?
 Call (309) 741-9790

"We Cover The News of West-Central Illinois With A Passion"
 Serving the fine communities of Brimfield, Dahinda, Douglas, Duncan, Edwards, Elmore, Elmwood, Farmington, Kickapoo, Laura, Monica, Oak Hill, Princeville, Williamsfield and Yates City

FREE!
 Compliments of
 Our Fine Advertisers!

Pay raises?

Farmington City Council may increase pay rates

By **JEFF LAMPE**
 For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – Future members of the Farmington City Council may soon be receiving raises.

At a meeting Monday night, Mayor Kenn Stufflebeam made a pitch to raise the pay for mayor, council members and city treasurer.

Stufflebeam called the current \$200 per year paid to City Treasurer Charles Fischbach "highway robbery" and said he would like to see the \$4,500 mayor's salary at least doubled.

Stufflebeam noted that any raises would not be for the current elected officials but rather for the new administration elected next spring. Stufflebeam said he is not planning to run for mayor again, unless nobody else comes forward to campaign.

As part of informal discussion, council members also discussed raising their pay from \$50 per meeting to \$100 per meeting.

Stufflebeam proposed paying the cit-

Continued on Page 10

AG DAY FUN



Who needs a sandbox when you can play in corn kernels, as youngsters (above) were able to do at Williamsfield's Ag Day event on Sept. 7 at Doubet-Benjamin Park. A record crowd of more than 1,200 turned out for the annual event. More than 80 children ages 6-12 competed in a pedal-pull, which was one of 30 activities for children and adults. Another was a morning tractor drive, at right. Photos courtesy of the Williamsfield FFA Alumni Group.



Billtown considers bond to aid budget

By **NICK VLAHOS**
 For The Weekly Post

WILLIAMSFIELD – An extra \$1 million might not solve all the Williamsfield School District's financial ills, but it wouldn't hurt.

Interim Superintendent Rolf Sivertsen suggested the Williamsfield School Board authorize a \$1 million working-cash bond issue, mostly to cover a projected operating-funds budget deficit of \$405,232 for the 2025 fiscal year. The board approved the budget Monday night.

A bond issue also would bolster district reserves. They are projected to be fewer than two months of expenses, which run about \$450,000 a month, according to Sivertsen. The Illinois Association of School

Inside

- Multiple vehicle thefts reported in Princeville. **Page 7**
- Princeville schools are facing a budget deficit and pondering a bond issue. **Page 10**

Boards recommends districts have at least six months' worth of expenses in reserve.

"There is no margin in this budget," Sivertsen told board members. "It's a very, very tight budget, and it's based on actual costs and actual revenue."

In addition to the bond issue, Sivertsen suggested the board investigate ways to save money, raise capital and recapture lost revenue.

Continued on Page 2

Wandering fugitive finally caught in Iowa

By **NICK VLAHOS**
 For The Weekly Post

The manhunt for Victor Farris that began earlier this month in northern Peoria County ended earlier this week in southeast Iowa. By way of Kansas, apparently.



Farris

Victor Farris was arrested Monday in Albia, Iowa, according to law-enforcement authorities there and in Peoria. The Ohioan had been on the run after he was accused of stealing a vehicle

in Peoria in which a 3-year-old child was inside. That incident, which ended with the child found safe, happened Sept. 4.

Twelve days later, Farris turned up in Albia. The city of about 3,700 is located 64 miles southeast of Des Moines and almost 200 miles west of Peoria.

According to Albia Police Chief Jacob Miller, Farris took a circuitous route to get there. It included a stop in El Dorado, Kan., which is near Wichita and more than 350 miles southwest of Albia.

That the Peoria County Sheriff's Of-

fice wanted Farris for multiple felonies appeared to surprise Miller.

"They go, 'We've been looking for this guy,'" he said Tuesday about his contact with Peoria authorities. "One of our officers looked up their press releases, and this guy's all over their website and news media. We had no idea who we were dealing with."

About 9 a.m. Monday, a man later identified as Farris was spotted on a BNSF Railway freight train stopped next to Albia High School. Miller said Farris was using a washroom in the caboose or locomotive. When a con-

Continued on Page 7

BLACKOUT



Elmwood-Brimfield cheerleaders hoist a \$3,000 check to Easterseals last Friday at halftime of E-B's annual Blackout game. Photo by Trojans Game pics.

FARMERS STATE BANK

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY!

PORK CHOP SANDWICHES AND CHIPS PROVIDED!

\$100 Christ Orchard Giveaway!



05
 October

BARNYARD DISCOVERIES
 PETTING ZOO!

11AM-1PM



WE APPRECIATE OUR
 CUSTOMERS EVERYDAY!

WE WILL HAVE SEATING IN OUR DRIVE THRU PARKING LOT!
 S. MAGNOLIA ST. | ELMWOOD

FDIC FDIC-insured - Backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government

Starts Friday, Sept. 20
Dennis Quaid
REAGAN

Ends Thurs. Sept. 26
 PG-13
 Movie gets out at 9:21pm

Wed. 7pm • Thur. 7pm • Fri. 7pm • Sat. 7pm
 Sun. 2:30 & 7pm (Doors open half hour prior to showtime)
 Note: Movies Start at 7pm Not the Trailers
 Admission: \$6 Evening, \$5 Matinee & \$3 Thurs
 Tickets available online at elmwoodpalace.com

Coming Soon: (Movies subject to change)
Saturday, Sept 28 Smarty Pants Trivia Game
 See our Facebook page for details.

FREE POPCORN
WEDNESDAY 7PM ONLY
 Bring Your Own Bowl
 Admission Ticket Required
 (3 Scoops - No Refills)
\$3 Thursday \$3 Admission



FSB
 Farmers State Bank

Mobile Deposit

DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP TODAY!

DEPOSITING A CHECK FROM YOUR PHONE IS AS SIMPLE AS SNAPPING A SELFIE!



PO Box 620 ELMWOOD, IL 61529
 309.742.3711 | www.fsbilwood.com
 FIND US ON FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM!

BILLTOWN: Board OKs buying 2 gas buses

Continued from Page 1

“If you do that and have a working-cash bond, you will see the district recover almost immediately,” Sivertsen said. “If you do not make any cuts and leave the cost structure and tax structure as it is, you’re going to go through that working-cash bond and any reserves relatively quickly.”

“This district cannot incur losses similar to what it had last year and expect to be solvent. You need to reconfigure the cost structure. That’s a very important part of this plan.”

Sivertsen alerted the board last month regarding the district financial situation. No members of the public commented during a 30-minute budget hearing Monday, during which Sivertsen made his presentation. The hearing was held immediately before

the board’s regular meeting. The fiscal year began July 1.

Operating-funds revenues for 2025 are estimated at \$5,401,870, and expenses are estimated at \$5,807,102. A 10% increase in employee health insurance and a 6% increase in salaries are among the cost increases.

The district’s current maximum working-cash bonding amount is about \$3,760,000, according to Tom Crabtree, a St. Louis-based representative of Stifel Financial Corp.

“If you’re thinking about reconfiguring the budget, possibly making cuts, if you know that you need a little extra revenue, the working-cash fund is available to move funds over to a fund in need,” Crabtree told the board.

Bond-issue implementation usually takes about

three months, according to Crabtree. He suggested the board signal its bond-issuing intent in December and consider final approval in February.

In other business, board members approved a \$144,000 deal with Central States Bus Sales, Inc., of Oswego to purchase two used gasoline-powered buses – one with 71 seats, the other with 29. Sivertsen said he accounted for the bus expense in the budget.

Also approved was a \$30 increase in daily pay for substitute teachers, who now will earn \$130. Sivertsen proposed a per diem of \$120, but Board Member Brian Howard moved to approve an extra \$10.

Board Member Brittany Byrd noted the rates most neighboring districts pay substitutes are higher than Williamsfield’s. According to district documents, the daily rate is \$150 in Brimfield, \$140 in Elmwood and Princeville and \$135 in Stark County. Knoxville and ROWVA each pay \$100 a day.

“We have run into some situations where we’ve been having a hard time getting subs,” Williamsfield Principal Zack Binder

said.

The board accepted the resignation of physical-education teacher Joe Newman. It also OK’d a one-year memorandum of understanding with the Billtown teachers’ union regarding the appointment of one of its members, Jeff Hannam, as dean of students.

Hannam’s work as dean will be limited to student discipline and teacher evaluations, per the memo. He will not have the authority to discipline union members. The union will continue to represent Hannam in his teaching roles but not in his dean role, according to Binder.

Regarding the search for a permanent district superintendent, the board agreed informally to interview candidates Oct. 29 and 31. The state school-boards group, which is leading the search, might offer as many as six candidates, according to Sivertsen. The application deadline is Oct. 9.

Sivertsen replaced Tim Farquer, who left June 30 for Aledo Mercer County. His departure was by mutual agreement between him and the Billtown board.



Edward Jones
Maggie Connell
 Financial Advisor
 8 S Main St., Suite 100
 Canton, IL 61520
 Bus. 309-647-0076
 Mobile 309-264-6513
maggie.cecil@edwardjones.com
edwardjones.com/maggie-cecil

Fall into higher earnings with our money market accounts!

3.55% APY*
 Minimum \$250,000.00

3.35% APY*
 Minimum \$100,000.00

2.75% APY*
 Minimum \$50,000.00

TALK TO US TODAY!

www.p-s-b.com

*Annual Percentage Yield (APY) accurate as of September 6, 2024. Unlimited personal withdrawals. Electronic withdrawals are limited to 6 per month. Deposit money at any time. Tiered product with \$1,000.00 minimum to open and obtain the APY in the first tier. Fees could reduce earnings. 50-\$999 0.00% APY \$1,000-\$4,999 0.20% APY \$5,000-\$9,999 0.30% APY \$10,000-\$99,999 2.75% APY \$100,000-\$249,999 3.35% APY \$250,000+ 3.55% APY. The interest rate and annual percentage yield is subject to change daily. Contact an employee for further information about fees and terms.





PRINCEVILLE STATE BANK
 Forward Thinking. Forward Banking. Member FDIC

142 E. Main St.
 Princeville, IL 61559
 309.385.4375

4924 W. American Prairie Dr.
 Peoria, IL 61615
 309.693.9494

BRIMFIELD
Family Dentistry

Sophisticated care.
 Normal people.

Smile, Differently

We're Ready For You!

Call or book online
 (309) 396-6111
brimfieldfamilydentistry.com
 232 E Knoxville • Brimfield 61517

THE WEEK AHEAD

This Week's Hot Picks

- **Park Jam** – The Hanna City Park Jam event is Saturday, Sept. 21, from 4-11 p.m. at the Hanna City Park District, 600 N. Main St. The event includes a bags tournament, food trucks, inflatables for kids, balloon creations, a cruise-in and live music by Taylor Bruninga and Cole Hollow. Learn more at www.hannacityparkdistrict.org.
- **Final Mass** – The final Mass at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Farmington will be Sunday, Sept. 22, at 11 a.m.

The Weekly Post Seven-Day Forecast

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Hello Fall	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
88 65 SSE 8 mph	89 62 SW 6 mph	84 63 S 7 mph	79 58 NNW 8 mph	74 55 S 9 mph	76 56 S 9 mph	73 53 NNW 9 mph

This Week's Events

- **Ladies Night** – Make a chalk paint vase at Morrison & Mary Wiley Library in Elmwood during a Ladies Night Out program today, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p.m. All materials provided.
- **Yoga** – Yoga classes Thursdays, 6 p.m. in Brimfield Library Activity Room. \$4. Classes also on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. at Princeville's Lillie M. Evans Library.

- **Farmers Market** – The final Williamsfield B52 Farmers and Makers Market is Sept. 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Benjamin-Doubet Park.
- **Candidate Forum** – Candidates for Peoria County States Attorney, Jodi Hoos and Robert Boucher, are scheduled to attend a League of Women Voters of Greater Peoria candidate forum on Sept. 28 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Peoria North Branch Library.

Publicize Your Event

Email information about your upcoming event to us at news@wklypost.com.

- **Food Pantry** – Christ Alive Church in Kickapoo opens its food pantry the third Monday each month, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- **Food Pantry** – Farmington has a drive-thru food pantry the third Wednesday each month, 12:30-1:30 p.m. at New Hope Fellowship Church on Illinois Route 78. Call (309) 231-8076.
- **Food Pantry** – Elmwood United Methodist Church has a food pantry the last Friday each month, 10-11 a.m.

Future Events

- **MANNA Meal** – The monthly MANNA meal at Elmwood United Methodist Church, 821 W. Main St., is Sept. 26 at noon. Meal is hamloaf or meatloaf, potato, vegetable, salads and desserts. \$8. Bring your own table service.
- **NRA Banquet** – Spoon River Friends of the NRA banquet is Sept. 26 at 5 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus hall in Galesburg. Call Kurt Kraft at (309) 221-

416 W MAIN, ELMWOOD Great project house gutted & ready to finish! Extra land on separate tax ID - over 1 ACRE total. **\$47,000**

DANIEL ST, ELMWOOD **SOLD**

1519 W QUEENS CT, PEORIA **SOLD**

104 WALTERS ST, YATES CITY **SOLD**

921 ELMHURST AVE, PEORIA **PENDING**

501 W BUTTERNUT ELMWOOD **PENDING**

7709 W JARMAN, ELMWOOD **PENDING**

LARGE BUILDING LOTS IN FAIRGROUND ACRES!

8320 N. JACKSON ST., KICKAPOO, ZONED CI
\$189,000

EVERYTHING I TOUCH TURNS TO SOLD!

Jim Maloof
LEADING REALTY

EILEEN HUBER
Broker, GRI

309.635.2633
ehuber@maloofofrealty.com

Blankenship Summer Special
SEAMLESS GUTTERS
SOFFIT • FASCIA • SIDING & WINDOW REPLACEMENT
Free Estimates • Fully Insured
MOST MAJOR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED
Call 309-358-1681 or 309-231-7480

THE HANDY MAN
OVER 23 YEARS AS A CONTRACTOR

- Doors
- Hard Wood Floors
- Windows • Decks
- Dry Wall
- Kitchen & Bath Remodel
- Roofing

I Do It All!
309-221-4796 • Yates City

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who participated, helped with and attended our recent Dave & Daphne Concert. With the generosity of everyone involved, including over 100 individuals, we are able to make the following gifts:

\$280 to each of the Midwest Food Bank, the Elmwood Ministerial Alliance and the Elmwood American Legion. Additional gifts of \$330 each are being made to each of the Elmwood Fire Department and the BYE Ambulance Service.

Thank you all.
Elmwood Presbyterian Church and the Adult Sunday Church Class.

ELMWOOD CUSD #322
JOB OPENING!
Elementary Secretary

The Secretary is responsible for all aspects of the school office and is the customary first contact for students, parents, staff, school district personnel and the public.

Performance Descriptors: Communicate effectively both orally and in writing; establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others; determine appropriate actions within clearly defined guidelines; work independently; meet schedules and timelines; compose correspondence and written materials independently; operate a variety of office machines and adept at using technology platforms; answer the phone and greet visitors in a courteous manner; prepare correspondence, records and documentation; duplicate and mail information to parents, teachers and administrators as needed. A complete job description and application may be found at elmwood322.com/page/employment.

Applicants must possess a High School Diploma. Two years of clerical experience or equivalent is desired.

For further information, please contact -
Marcy Brugger, Elementary Principal
mbrugger@elmwood322.com
309-742-4261

CORNER INN
Call to Order 309-741-1032
118 S. Magnolia • Elmwood

Closed Mondays • Tue-Thur. Open 11am-9pm
Fri-Sat. Open 11am-10pm • Sun. Open 11am-9pm
Fri & Sat Kitchen Closes at 10pm, Sunday 9pm

Daily Specials

Tuesday Cooks Choice	Friday Catfish w/ 2 sides \$12.50 Wings \$1
Wednesday Tenderloin w/ side \$9 \$1 Pabst or Miller Light Drafts \$3 Blue Moon, Guinness or Leinenkugels 16oz	Saturday Ribeye Sandwich w/1 side \$12.50
Thursday Livers & Gizzards \$5.50 Tenders w/ side \$9	Sunday Pizza 1/2 Price Dine in Only

\$13 Buckets Everyday
Domestic Only

Bartenders, Dishwashers & Cook Wanted

HSY Hitchcock Scrap Yard, Inc.

Certified Semi Truck/Heavy Equipment Mechanic

- Salary Dependent on Ability
- Competitive Benefits Package
- Full Time Monday - Friday
- Apply in Person

22501 North State Highway 78 • Canton, IL 61520

WE BUY SCRAP METAL!

HSY Hitchcock Scrap Yard, Inc.

CALL FOR CURRENT PRICING!

- Aluminum cans
- Unprepared Iron
- Prepared Iron
- Shredder material
- Copper
- Copper Wire

Located on Illinois Route 78, 1.5 miles south of Canton • Hours: Mon-Fri 8 am - 4 p.m. • (309) 668-3217 • hitchcockscrapyard.com

The Weekly Post

The Weekly Post is published every Thursday (except July 4 and Dec. 26) by Lampe Publications LLC, 115 W. Main St., Elmwood, IL 61529. All phone numbers listed are area code (309).

Postmaster - Send address changes to The Weekly Post, P.O. Box 745, Elmwood, IL 61529

Phone - 741-9790 **Email** - news@wklypost.com

Office Hours - Mon-Tues 9-5, Wed 9-3, Fri 9-3

News - Jeff Lampe 231-6040, jeff@wklypost.com

Classifieds - Shelly Brodine 741-9790 **Advertising** - 741-9790

Subscriptions - Subscriptions \$50 for 50 issues.

Deadlines - News due Tuesdays by noon. Ads due Mondays by noon.

Quotable - "It disturbs me no more to find men base, unjust, or selfish than to see apes mischievous, wolves savage, or the vulture ravenous."

- John-Paul Sartre

Illinois Press Association Member

SCATTERSHOTS



Oak Run area a hotspot for deer dying of disease

One thing you do not want to see this time of year is a kettle of turkey vultures soaring low over your deer-hunting spot. Yet that was the scene greeting me Saturday morning in Knox County, northwest of Oak Run. That and swarms of flies and the smell of death.

Before the day was over, we located two rotting deer corpses along the small creek that runs through the farm. Based on the smell, I suspect there are a few more corpses out there, but finding two was depressing enough.

Other deer hunters and landowners in Illinois have been experiencing the same thing in recent weeks. And as harvest heats up, numbers of deer found dead will surely increase.

Cause of death at this time of year for whitetails is generally epizootic hemorrhagic disease, sometimes incorrectly called blue tongue. The disease is spread by biting midges that carry the virus and live near the edge of water. EHD is usually most pronounced during dry, warm con-

ditions. Receding water levels around ponds, lakes and streams create muddy areas from which the midges can hatch. Because deer congregate around limited water supplies during dry conditions, the disease is more likely to be transmitted.

EHD first showed up in Illinois in the 1970s and generally occurs somewhere between August and October. Most years, some areas are hit worse than others. A few years ago, landowners east of Elmwood reported substantial numbers of dead deer. Folks west of town did not.

That hit-and-miss pattern seems to be the case this year, though anecdotal reports stretch from one end of the state to the other.

A hotspot locally is around Oak Run. There you'll hear plenty of stories of deer being found dead near ponds, creeks and in fields. There are also reports from the Edwards-Kickapoo area, though not as widespread.

My fear is that another dry, hot week will only kill more whitetails.

A hardcore deer-hunting friend of mine told of a 2007 outbreak of EHD that devastated his Adams County farm. In all, 170 deer died during that hot summer. The smell was so bad that he and his wife left their house for two weeks.

Worse still, at least from a hunter's

viewpoint, is that the disease seems to have a larger impact on adult deer, in particular mature bucks. That same Adams County friend said that of 16 big bucks on his farm, 15 died from EHD.

To some it might seem ironic to fret about a disease killing deer that we hope to shoot after this fall. But the hope of a big buck walking past makes cold mornings easier to endure. And for me, more of the enjoyment derived from deer hunting comes from managing for whitetails - seeing them interact and thrive. That a little biting insect can bring those healthy critters down so easily is humbling.

About all we can do now is hope for rain, cooler temperatures and a hard frost that will kill the midges ... until the next hot, dry summer.

• • •

Parting shot: Smiles were everywhere at last week's Elmwood-Brimfield football home opener. And why not? The team raised \$3,000 for Eastersals through its annual Blackout fundraiser and also won 71-36. Somehow, even the E-B cheerleaders kept smiling through it all, despite having to do 386 jumping jacks to celebrate the Trojans' scores.

Contact Jeff Lampe at (309) 231-6040 or jeff@wklypost.com

F.W. BOLAND
FRED & PHILIPPE BOLAND
309-261-1075
Residential Commercial Remodeling

FOR SALE
Newell's
REALTY & AUCTIONS
358-1218

Newell's Auction & Farm Realty
Ph.: (309) 358-1218
Debbie Newell - Broker/Sales
Ron Newell - Broker/Auctioneer

PENDING! 1463 Knox Rd. 1600E, Dahinda
SOLD!! 21511 N Washington, Laura

Color Photos at www.newellsrealty.org

DIVA florist
Flowers is what we do best!

63 East Fort Street **OPEN**
Farmington, IL 61531 **Mon, Wed, Fri • 9 to 5**
309-245-4328 **Also by appointment**

Shop Local • All freshly made in store • Local delivery • Fresh flowers & gifts

Eagle Enterprises Recycling, Inc.

Roll-off Dumpster Service
Family Owned, Reasonable Rates
20, 30 and 40 yd. dumpsters
Call 888 932-2936

CHRIST ORCHARD
Fresh Picked or You-Pick Apples
 Many Varieties Including Gala

Fresh Pressed Apple Cider, Plums, Produce, Hardy Mums and More!

Mon-Sat 8-8 • Closed Sunday
christorchardonline.com
(309)446-3324

AD DEADLINE: Monday at noon

MID ILL. CONTRACTORS INC.
M.I.C.
208-6707
CONCRETE FINISHES

Mid Illinois Contractors Inc.

- Concrete, Excavating
- Stamped Concrete
- Pole Buildings
- Trucking

Free Estimates
Jason Sparks (309)208-6707
www.midillinoiscontractors.com

Got Lady Bugs?

Central Illinois Pest Management Inc.
Termite and Pest Control Experts
309-267-PEST (7378)
www.centralillinoispest.com

WELDING
Tiber Creek
 welding
MOBILE IN-FIELD REPAIR
309-231-6986
Kevin McCarthy-Owner
517 N. Magnolia St. Elmwood 61529

Thank You Mr. Tannock
for gravelling my driveway and to Yates City Chief Benson for the free ride.

Next time, don't forget the handcuffs.
Mr. Doubet

We're your Shield. We're your Shelter.

SHELTER INSURANCE
AUTO • HOME • LIFE

Eric Donath
 12127 W. Farmington Rd.
 Hanna City, IL 61536
 309-884-5033
ShelterInsurance.com

Brimfield Mini Storage
8'x10' and 10'x 24' Size Units Available
24/7 Access • Secure
brimfieldministorage.com
P.O. Box 602 • Brimfield
309-303-8703

GUEST VOICES

Merger of grain giants betrays prairie origins

As American grocery buyers await a Federal Trade Commission verdict on Kroger's two-year-old, \$24.6 billion bid to buy competitor Albertsons, the European Commission took just 35 days to give its blessing to the merger between two of the world's largest grain merchandisers, Bunge and Viterra.

The mega-deal, valued at about \$34 billion at the time of its June 2023 announcement, isn't a slam dunk, though. Canada, where both companies own substantial export facilities in Vancouver, is holding up approval as it evaluates the deal's impact on western Canada's grain markets.



Alan
GUEBERT

And for good reason.

Bunge, the world's fifth-largest grain merchant, operates in 40 countries and has about \$57 billion in annual revenues. It's the "world's largest oilseed processor" and is "globally dominant in soybeans, canola and corn," notes a recent 92-page report on the deal by SOMO, an Amsterdam-based independent agency that examines corporate power in business, politics, and culture.

Viterra is no slouch, either. Owned by mining giant Glencore, it has extensive grain processing and export facilities in 38 countries and, in 2023, had revenues of \$53 billion.

Together, however, the pair would challenge industry cornerstones.

"The proposed transaction ... will create a global grain giant to rival

Cargill and Archer Daniels Midland, further contributing to the consolidation of the crucial commodity trading and logistics segment of the global food value chain," explains SOMO.

That type of latent market power, notes Canada's National Farmers Union, belies Viterra's deep roots in the nation's "prairie co-operatives that built Canada's grain handling system over the course of nearly a century."

Those co-ops – founded, funded, and fueled by "remarkable" farmer members – developed an "elevator system to gain control of the (local grain) trade" and "operated as profitable farmer-run businesses that handled nearly 60% of Canada's grain from country elevator to port terminal."

When the North American Free Trade Agreement went into effect in the mid-1990s, however, the prairie co-ops and the nation's single-desk export agent, the Canadian Wheat Board, lost political favor with the newly installed, Conservative Harper government.

Shortly thereafter, explains the NFU, the "Harper government stripped the CWB of its authority" which quickly "led to restructuring that ultimately and controversially converted these farmer-created co-operatives into the corporation that rebranded as Viterra in 2007."

But now, "If Bunge is allowed to buy Viterra, it will get billions of dollars worth of revenue potential created by and for Canadian farmers to counter the very exploitation of private grain traders like Bunge visited on them a century ago," warned NFU in a Sept. 3 press release.

It's not idle speculation. A March 2024 "preliminary" report on the Bunge-Viterra deal by three University of Saskatchewan ag economists showed that "by any measure the grain industry in Canada is already very concentrated and will only become more concentrated with a BV merger."

The trio then tested their hypothesis. A "merger simulation indicates that Vancouver export basis will increase by about 15% ... while canola crush margins will increase by 10%." When added together the total impact of the proposed Bunge-Viterra deal "reduces grain producer income by approximately \$770 million per year."

And outside of Canada, says SOMO, the merger is equally troubling: "It will significantly contribute to the consolidation of the global agribusiness sector by creating the world's largest grain trader (that can) undermine the resilience of food supply chains, economic democracy and food security and sovereignty."

It's a story almost as old as agriculture itself: Companies accumulate market power to squeeze otherwise unobtainable revenue from their market's least protected, most vulnerable players.

And who's less protected and more vulnerable to predatory global grain giants than farmers?

© 2024 ag comm

The Farm and Food File is published weekly throughout the U.S. and Canada. Past columns, supporting documents and contact info are at farmandfoodfile.com.

To the person who tore down my yard sign Friday

To the Editor:

I'm curious. I have questions. Was it what was written on the sign that caused your rage?

I'm assuming you can read. By the way, you're not getting the same benefit of the doubt when it comes to your impulse control.

Or is it just yard signs in general that cause you to lose control? Should people here in our small community beware when posting signs in their front yards for garage sales and items for sale?

Like I said, I'm curious about your motive.

Was your attack on my defenseless sign some feeble attempt to "Make America Great Again?"

Was it some misguided effort to show that "When We Fight, We Win?"

Did my poor sign put up much of a fight Friday night?

I have to admit I'm a little worried about you, too. You know there's only 40-some days left until the election in November. I would guess that between now and then there will be more signs appearing in more yards. So, if you get the urge again to do more damage, pace yourself. I'd hate to see you overdo it.

Just so you know, my sign will be making a comeback in the near future.



I thought about closing with some inspiring quote from some historically important person of great wisdom. But the more I thought about it, the more I thought that the words of Forrest Gump would be more fitting. Forrest's quote for me is "Life is like a box of chocolates – you never know what you're going to get."

For you, my poor, misguided vandal, the most appropriate quote from Forrest is "Stupid is as stupid does."

– Bob Koll, Elmwood

Don't cast votes based on religious faith

To the Editor:

When I was 12 years old, our church minister was guilty of theft by deception. I could not understand why a man of God who was trusted to follow the teachings as set out in his Bible could do such a thing.

Later in life, I read that "men of God" persecuted, killed and burned

alive at the stake people who did not agree with their beliefs. Trusted priests abused and molested children. Televangelists bilked contributors out of millions of dollars.

These were, and are, people who believe in religious words recorded in ancient manuscripts during a time of widespread ignorance and superstition. Much of the ignorance has been overcome – the sun does not revolve around a flat earth, our moon is not self-illuminated, etc.

Much of the superstition persists. Tyrants and zealots use this superstition as a tool for rule.

In my experience, a life choice of love, respect, ethical and moral existence does not depend nor require belief in any mystical supernatural entity.

In the coming election, please vote at the city, township, county, state and federal levels for candidates who will uphold the laws of protection, the Constitution of the State of Illinois and the Constitution of the United States of America, and not for tyrants and zealots who use religious faith as a tool for rule.

– David Courson, Elmwood

The Weekly Post welcomes

letters to the editor:

Email to jeff@wklypost.com

or mail to: The Weekly Post,

PO Box 745, Elmwood, IL 61529

We reserve the right to edit letters.

We Cover The News of West-Central Illinois With A Passion

Great time to list your home, inventory is low, give me a call!

LISTINGS

2402 N Sheridan Rd Peoria \$45,000
5816 N Old Hickory Lane \$143,500
123 S W Jefferson Peoria \$144,900
422 W Jefferson St Toulon \$100,000
1816 S Main Street Princeton \$199,900

LOTS AVAILABLE IN

FAIRGROUND ACRES, ELMWOOD

Lot 79 Hurff Drive .66 Acre - \$28,500
Lot 80 Hurff Drive .71 Acre - \$28,500

Oak Run

Lot #190 Timberline Court Dahinda \$4500

Jim Maloof
LEADING REALTOR

Janet McKown
ROSECRANS
www.jmrse.com
janetrosecrans@gmail.com or (309)678-9010

Dale Plack Trucking

DOT#: 4024382
MCR#: 119927

Brimfield
309-472-0598

Advanced Stump Grinding

Fully Insured,
Free Estimates
309-351-3539

Got Stink Bugs?

Central Illinois Pest Management Inc.
Termite and Pest Control Experts
309-267-PEST (7378)
www.centralillinoispest.com

HELP WANTED **Nutrien**
Ag Solutions

Seeking Part-time seasonal, CDL drivers
Class A or B for the 2024 fall season
and Full time Custom applicator
Interested candidates can apply online at
www.nutrienagsolutions.com/careers
or in person at 1285 Carter Street, Fairview,
IL 61432 or 1871 South Depot St., Yates
City, IL 61572 or Contact Matt at
309-358-1439.

Stewart Seed Company

12512 West Mendell Road; Princeville, IL 61559
PH: 309-385-4832 FAX: 309-385-2644
Email: cntrland@frontier.com
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 - 4:30

In stock seed mixes & materials including:
Waterways Lawn Seed Pastures
IDOT mixes Fertilizer Erosion Control Blanket
Special orders to customer specifications including
CRP Prairie Grasses Wildflowers Filter Strips

TRI-COUNTY MASONRY LLC

- Brick - Block - Stone
- All Phases of Concrete
- Complete Basement Repair
- Fully Insured

Call 309-645-5839
Travis Fiser Owner
tri-countymasonry@hotmail.com



FOOSE EXCAVATING

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

Zack Foose - 309-678-6228

Stitchindipity

Unique Longarm Quilting & Other Services by Appointment Only

309-397-2300 Scan for Pictures

Denise Witthoft - Princeville
Stitchindipity123@gmail.com
Edge to Edge - Custom-Borders - Text



Dawson Chiropractic

- Neck and back pain
- Extremity complaints
- Blue Cross, Medicare Provider

309-742-8921
116 N. Magnolia St. • Elmwood, IL



TANNOCK ELECTRIC INC.

RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL
P: 309.742.4403 C: 309.303.2412

Yates City Community Center Rental

For Reservations contact:
Neely Carr (309) 369-5597
Wayne Wrage (309) 635-1723
Elba Salem Park District

Curb Appeal

POWER WASHING

We Specialize In Exterior Surfaces.

(309)696-3558
Call For Summer Specials

Veteran & Senior Discounts



PUBLIC RECORD

NOTE: Charges are merely an accusation. All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Police reports

• **KICKAPOO** – A fire destroyed a barn west of Kickapoo. At least \$100,000 in damage was reported.

The blaze began about 6:45 a.m. Sept. 11 at the northeast corner of Princeville-Jubilee Road and U.S. Route 150, according to the Brimfield Community Fire Protection District. Fire consumed the 140-by-30-foot barn, which contained between 110 and 170 round bales of hay.

It took firefighters about 10 hours to extinguish the flames. No injuries were reported, although the barn was a total loss. The cause was undetermined. The hay bales were valued at about \$80 each, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

Akron-Princeville, Chillicothe, Dunlap, Elba-Salem, Elmwood, Limestone, Timber-Hollis, Toulon and Wyoming-Speer firefighters assisted. The American Red Cross also responded.

• **EDELSTEIN** – A Princeville female sustained a lacerated left leg when her vehicle flipped in an accident south of Edelstein.

Shortly before 4:30 p.m. Sept. 1, Lindsey F. Day was driving a 2011 Honda Civic north on Illinois Route 40 when she attempted a left turn at Lake Shore Drive. A northbound 2017 Chevrolet Equinox driven by Steven D. Roberts of Peoria then rear-ended Day's vehicle as he was passing another.

Roberts' vehicle left the pavement to the east and rolled several times, according to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report. Day's vehicle landed on its top at the northwest corner of the intersection.

An ambulance transported Day, who said she also had back and neck pain, to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. Roberts complained about leg pain. An ambulance transported him to Carle Health Methodist Hospital in Peoria. Both vehicles were towed.

• **VICTORIA** – A pair of Elmwood residents required hospital attention following a crash between all-terrain vehicles near Victoria.

The accident happened shortly after 7:30 p.m. Sept. 1 at the intersection of two trails at Hook and Bullet Conservation Club, 2153 Knox Highway 28, according to a Knox County Sheriff's Office report.

Christopher M. Simpson, 32, of Elmwood was piloting an eastbound 1995 Kawasaki ATV when a northbound Polaris Trail Boss ATV collided with it. The other driver was Matthew A. Lowe, 48, of St. Charles, Mo.

Simpson drove himself and his passenger, a 9-year-old boy, to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peo-

ria. Lowe drove himself and his passenger, a 12-year-old boy from St. Charles, to OSF Saint Mary Medical Center in Galesburg. All appeared to sustain minor injuries, according to the report.

• **KICKAPOO** – No injuries were reported following a two-vehicle collision west of Kickapoo.

The accident happened about 5:15 p.m. Aug. 31 at U.S. Route 150 and Philander Chase Lane. According to a Peoria County Sheriff's Office report, a 2017 Toyota sedan Megan E. Kemp was driving struck a 2019 Ram van Derick L. Muh was driving. Both drivers are from Peoria.

Kemp said she was eastbound on Route 150 and attempting to pass Muh's vehicle but did not realize Muh was turning left onto Philander Chase Lane. The front driver's side of Muh's vehicle was damaged, as was the rear bumper and rear passenger side of Kemp's.

• **WILLIAMSFIELD** – Someone stole an enclosed cargo trailer from a Williamsfield residence, according to authorities.

The 2009 American Hauler 8½-by-28-foot red triple-axle trailer was reported missing about 1 p.m. Aug. 27 from the 100 block of N. Oak St., a Knox County Sheriff's Office report stated. The 73-year-old victim said he last saw the trailer the previous night.

No suspect information was available, although a deputy noticed several footprints near where the trailer was parked. The trailer, which contained tools, was valued at \$20,000.

• **KNOXVILLE** – A 10-year-old Dahinda-area girl required hospital attention following a two-vehicle head-on crash northeast of Knoxville.

The accident happened shortly before 6 p.m. Aug. 25 at Mine and Knox Station roads, according to a Knox County Sheriff's Office report. The girl was a passenger in a vehicle driven by Chad B. Dunbar, 36, of Knoxville.

A 2002 Chevrolet sedan and a 2008 Jeep collided, although the report did not specify who was driving which vehicle. The girl and Dunbar were transported to OSF Saint Mary Medical Center in Galesburg. No information was available regarding their conditions.

Dunbar was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, improper lane use and driving with a suspended license.

• **WILLIAMSFIELD** – An Elmwood teenager was cited for passing a stopped school bus near Williamsfield. The 16-year-old girl was driving a dark-gray Chevrolet Impala that passed the bus about 3:15 p.m. Aug. 22 in the 1300 block of Illinois Route 180, according to a Knox County Sheriff's Office report. The bus lights were flashing and the bus stop sign was deployed.

A deputy spoke with the driver, who admitted she passed the bus but was unaware that was illegal. She was cited for improper approaching, overtaking or passing a school bus. Her parents said she will receive discipline and remedial driver's education, the report stated.

• **OAK RUN** – An Oak Run man received multiple citations after he left the scene of a one-vehicle accident.

Shortly before 7 a.m. Aug. 20, a Knox County Sheriff's Office deputy was summoned to the 1300 block of Knox Highway 7 west of Oak Run. The deputy found an unoccupied 2011 Ford F-150 pickup truck that left the pavement and overran a fence and a small tree.

According to a sheriff's-office report, the deputy tracked down the vehicle owner, 35-year-old Rayvone D. Taylor. He said he was driving about 9 p.m. the previous night when he swerved to miss a deer.

Taylor was cited for expired vehicle registration and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. He also received a notice to appear in Knox County Circuit Court in Galesburg for failure to report an accident. The vehicle was towed and impounded.

• **DAHINDA** – Shortly after 1:15 a.m. Aug. 28, Lacy L. Strickfraden, 19, of Williamsfield was driving a 2000 Toyota Camry east in the 1800 block of U.S. Route 150 near Dahinda when the vehicle struck a deer. Strickfraden was uninjured, according to a Knox County Sheriff's Office report. The vehicle sustained front-end and windshield damage.

• **WILLIAMSFIELD** – At 5 a.m. Aug. 12, Timothy E. Millard, 58, of Galesburg was driving a 2015 Nissan Altima east on Interstate 74 south of Williamsfield when the vehicle struck a raccoon that ran in front of it. Millard was uninjured, according to a Knox County Sheriff's Office report. The vehicle sustained front driver's-side damage but was drivable.

• **YATES CITY** – Joshua R. Bateman, 32, of Yates City was arrested shortly before 3:15 p.m. Sept. 7 and accused of failure to appear in court, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **BRIMFIELD** – Braden D. Wagner, 27, of Brimfield was arrested shortly before 11:45 p.m. Sept. 6 and accused of unlawful possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.

• **YATES CITY** – Chief Randy Benson reported the following Yates City Police Department activity for August: 21 reports, nine traffic stops, three citations, eight warnings, one open door and two ordinance violations.

WHITNEY & POTTS

Robert L. Potts
Stephanie F. Schmiege
Ashlee E. Stabler

Areas of Practice:

- Wills, Trusts & Powers of Attorney
- Trust & Estate Administration
- Real Estate Transactions
- Agricultural Law
- Local Government
- Business Planning & Formation

118 West Main Street • P.O. Box 368
Elmwood, Illinois 61529 • (309) 742-3611

SNIPS

Hair Studio

309-245-4510
116 E. Fort St. • Farmington, IL 61531

FUGITIVE: Farris was sitting on a park bench

Continued from Page 1
 ductor confronted Farris, he jumped off the train and fled on foot.

Within about 15 minutes, on the Albia city square, Monroe County Sheriff Dan Johnson and other law-enforcement personnel located a man who matched the description of the man aboard the train.

"He was sitting on a park bench in front of a storefront," Miller said. "He was pretty relaxed. The square was bustling with activity. When we approached him, he claimed not to understand why we were approaching him. He was very nonchalant about the whole thing."

"He didn't have an ID on him. He said, 'What are you bothering me for? I haven't done anything wrong.'"

Farris, a 45-year-old

from Cincinnati, dropped his identification and cell-phone after he was spotted Sept. 5 on the Rock Island Trail south of Princeville. He disappeared into a cornfield before authorities could apprehend him.

To the law-enforcement officials in Albia, Farris offered the name and birthdate of a real person in Maryland, according to Miller. But a photo of him didn't provide a close-enough match with the suspect.

County dispatchers did some digging and discovered Farris' true identity.

Among items Iowa authorities found was evidence Farris visited a doctor's office Sept. 7 in El Dorado. By then, a massive search for Farris in northern and western Peoria County had been futile and was about to go dormant.

"He was telling us in his roundabout way that he's been jumping trains all over the country for the last couple of days," Miller said. "He was trying to get to Des Moines."

Instead, Miller was awaiting a court appearance in Albia. Officials there charged him with trespassing, interference with official acts and malicious prosecution, all misdemeanors. The malicious-prosecution accusation is connected to the incorrect name Farris provided.

Peoria County prosecutors have charged Farris with aggravated vehicular hijacking, kidnapping and unlawful possession of a stolen vehicle.

Farris' extradition to Illinois might take a while, according to Miller. But he said Farris eventually was cooperative and nobody from the public was in any danger.

Everything happened so quickly the high school didn't need to take precautions.

"For such a small town, we worked really well together to bring this to a peaceful and swift conclusion," Miller said. "Hopefully we helped Peoria with their charges and their investigations, and we apprehended somebody who needed to be apprehended."



Friday, September 20th & Saturday, September 21st

Farmington/Elmwood Council of the Knights of Columbus & The Men of Sigma Phi Epsilon from Bradley University

will be accepting donations in Farmington at the intersection of Illinois Routes 116 and 78, and in Elmwood at the intersection of routes 8 and 78.

Advanced Tree Service

P.O. Box 534, Canton, IL 61520

- Tree Trimming • Tree Removal
- Tree Topping

(309)647-6315

Owner: Jeremy Pierson
 advancedtreeservice123@gmail.com

Fully Insured • Free Estimates



Multiple vehicle thefts reported in Princeville

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – Multiple vehicle thefts and burglaries were reported last week in Princeville.

The incidents took place in the early-morning hours Sept. 11, according to Peoria County Sheriff's Office reports.

About 6 a.m., a 2017 Nissan Rogue sport-utility vehicle was reported missing from a residence in the 300 block of E. North St. Security video revealed two vehicles driving to the residence and one passenger running to the SUV, but nothing more.

The owner of the vehicle said she usually puts its key fob in her purse before she exits but must have dropped it accidentally under or next to the driver's seat, a sheriff's-office report stated.

Not long after the owner reported the theft, the vehicle was involved in a rollover accident at McClure Avenue and Linn Street in Peoria. The occu-

pants fled and the vehicle was towed, according to Peoria police.

Another Princeville woman said Peoria police found her stolen wallet in a wrecked, stolen vehicle, but it wasn't clear if that vehicle and the Rogue were the same. At least three vehicle burglaries were reported that day in Princeville, according to Peoria County Sheriff Chris Watkins.

The second vehicle theft was reported about 6 a.m. at a residence in the 20600 block of N. Larson Lane. The owner of a 2008 Chrysler Town & Country minivan said he left his keys in the vehicle, a sheriff's-office report stated.

After a deputy received a tip, he found the van abandoned near Cutter's Grove Park in Princeville. The keys were found in an adjacent field.

No suspect information was available regarding any of the reported burglaries and thefts.

Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC



Backed By Morse We have your back during AND after the sale!

CHEVY SUMMER DRIVE

<p>2024 CHEVROLET TRAX CT POWER PACKAGE • BLIND SPOT 32+ MPG BEST SELLERS!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$24,785 REBATE...\$1,500 EMAG.....\$1,286 SALE PRICE \$21,999</p>	<p>2024 CHEVROLET EQUINOX LS POWER EQUIPMENT • 30+ MPG BEST SELLER LAST ONE!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$30,380 REBATE...\$2,000 EMAG.....\$1,803 SALE PRICE \$26,577</p>	<p>2024 CHEVROLET 1500 4X4 • AUTO POWER PACKAGE 1.9% APR</p>  <p>MSRP...\$44,440 REBATE...\$2,250 EMAG.....\$3,613 SALE PRICE \$38,577</p>
<p>2024 GMC YUKON XL DENALI • 4X4 • 22" WHEELS MEDIA SYSTEM SAVE \$8,036!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$89,815 REBATE...\$1,500 EMAG.....\$6,536 SALE PRICE \$81,779</p>	<p>2024 CHEVROLET 2500 CREW CAB • FULL POWER 4X4 • BEST VALUE INCOMING ONLY!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$52,105 REBATE...\$1,500 EMAG.....\$3,606 SALE PRICE \$46,999</p>	<p>2024 CHEVROLET 1500 4 DOOR • 4X4 • FULL POWER BEST SELLER LAST ONES!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$47,095 REBATE...\$7,000 EMAG.....\$4,096 SALE PRICE \$35,999</p>
<p>2024 GMC 2500 CREW CAB DENALI • 4X4 • LOADED DURAMAX SPECIAL MSRP</p>  <p>MSRP...\$91,635 REBATE...\$1,500 EMAG.....\$7,136 SALE PRICE \$82,999</p>	<p>2024 CHEVROLET TAHOE LS 3RD ROW SEAT • 5.3 • BEST VALUE LAST ONE!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$58,195 REBATE...\$1,500 EMAG.....\$3,696 SALE PRICE \$52,999</p>	<p>2024 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 3500 4X4 • FULL POWER • CREW CAB HEAVY DUTY SAVE \$6,000!</p>  <p>MSRP...\$60,685 REBATE...\$1,500 EMAG.....\$4,500 SALE PRICE \$54,685</p>

ED MORSE CHEVROLET • GMC

FREE DELIVERY!
309-853-4436

REBATES ADVERTISED ARE SPECIFIC TO CERTAIN AREAS. CONTACT DEALER TO ENSURE ACCURACY. PICTURES ARE FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY. DEALERS DO NOT GUARANTEE PICTURE, DESCRIPTION OR AVAILABILITY AT TIME OF PRINT. SALE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY DEALER-ADDED ACCESSORIES, APPLICABLE SALES TAX, TITLE, LICENSE, VIT OR DOC FEE. *CCAP/SUBPRIME FINANCING OAC. SEE DEALER FOR DETAILS. OFFERS END OCTOBER 3, 2024

Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC • Ed Morse Chevrolet • GMC

Sean Morrissey Enterprises LLC

DRIVER NEEDED

2 years experience required
 Regular work hours with the opportunity for overtime
 Local hauling
 Contact information
(309) 251-9768

THE PUMPKIN PLACE
Open Now
Your One Stop Fall Shop
8am-6pm through Halloween
We have 285+ varieties of pumpkins, gourds, corn & squash!



Find us online  **21416 N Holmes Rd. Princeville, IL 61559**

S & S FENCING, LLC
 Robert M. Smith & John R. Stone - Owners
647-7868
 Fax: 647-3886
 1021 S. MAIN, CANTON, IL

FOR ALL YOUR FENCING NEEDS FREE ESTIMATES

- SWIMMING POOLS FENCING • YARDS
- TENNIS COURTS • PRIVACY FENCE
- DOG RUNS • KENNELS • FARM FENCE
- HIGH-TENSILE POWER FENCE SYSTEMS
- NO MAINTENANCE FENCE • PVC FENCING
- POLYVINYL FENCE SYSTEMS

(LIFETIME WARRANTY)
 COLOSSIANS 3:23

AT THE MOOSE LODGE THIS WEEK!

Sept 19 Queen of Hearts Drawing 7:30pm
Jackpot \$24,277.50 WINNER TAKES ALL!
 Maid-Rite and Apps.
 5:30-7:30pm
 \$2.50 Domestic \$3 Ultras

Sept 20 Walleye & Shrimp 5-7pm
 Streaming Farmers Football

Sept 22 Beer & Pizza Special

Sept 23 Tendrelains 5-7pm
 Bingo 6:30 (Doors open at 4:30)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 28 Karaoke 8pm-Midnight

FARMINGTON MOOSE LODGE 1571 1001 E. FORT ST.
 (309) 245-2318 • Visit our Facebook Page!

RKE
 Roy Keith Electric Company
 24001 W. Farmington Rd.
 Farmington, IL 61531
309-245-9911

24 HOUR SERVICE

- Commercial • Design Build • Power
- Industrial • Lighting • Farm Repair
- Residential • Generators • Solar

SCAPECCHI'S
Where Friends Meet ... TO EAT!

Open Wednesday through Saturday
 4:30 - 8:30 4:30 - 9:00
 Please make reservations for 6 or more.

Wednesday Special
 1/2 Chicken \$12.95
 Pork Filet \$12.95

Thursday Special
 8-oz Sirloin Steak \$14.95
 Each meal comes with 2 sides.

309-245-1663
 22338 E. State Route 116 • Farmington, Illinois

Princeville schools facing budget deficit

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

PRINCEVILLE – A bond issue might help the Princeville School District close a budget deficit, but such a move might not be necessary.

Just in case, however, the Princeville School Board has received more information about how to do it.

The budget board members approved Sept. 10 for the 2025 fiscal year has a shortfall of \$542,004, almost all from the educational fund. Operating fund expenses are projected to be \$9,145,016, and revenues are projected to be \$8,603,012. The overall fund balance is projected to be \$7,077,494.

Superintendent Tony Shinall said rising costs of goods and services are the prime deficit contributor. The district also has had unexpected costs regarding technology, but Shinall hopes that will flatten soon.

“I worry about the cost of everything going up,” Shinall told the board. “This budget is our best educated guess and can always be amended. Last year, this is about the balance we had and it turned out OK.”

Shinall also said he doesn’t believe the district will need to issue working-cash bonds to cover the deficit. But the district has that ability, should the board deem it necessary.

The district has about \$3.6 million in working-cash bonding capacity, according to Kendall King of Kings Financial Consulting Inc. in Monti-

cello. King presented bonding possibilities to the board after it conducted a budget hearing, held before the regular meeting. The hearing elicited no public comment.

King said the district could issue bonds and come close to maintaining its tax rate. The rate has fallen by about 15 cents over the past five years.

“It would be lower than it was five years ago but higher than last year,” King said about the rate. “The most important thing for residents is people value consistency in their tax rates. They don’t want to see that thing jumping up and down.”

The board took no action regarding a bond issue but might revisit it. Members said it depends on interest rates, estimated assessed property valuation and ramifications of the presidential election in November. Authority to issue bonds is good for three years once established, according to King.

In other business, the board hired Summer Rice to be the district technology assistant. Last month, the board approved creating that position, an upgrade from the previous technology-aide job. The new job is to feature additional responsibilities and hours.

Rice also is to devote part of her time helping to sponsor the school newspaper and yearbook staffs.

The board also approved a job description for Princeville Grade School principal. Current Principal

Julie Bayless intends to retire at the end of this academic year.

Among other items, board members:

- Agreed to a \$74,721 contract with Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc., of Kankakee for a 2020 28-passenger school bus. The district and the Special Education Association of Peoria County are expected to split the cost.

- Authorized a \$15,774.24 deal with Heart Technologies Inc. of East Peoria for a new computer firewall and core-fiber switch.

- OK’d a two-year deal with Mansfield Energy of Gainesville, Ga., to provide natural gas at 46 cents per therm.

- Approved FFA overnight trips to the national convention Oct. 23-25 in Indianapolis and a conference Nov. 25-26 in Normal.

- Authorized a high school chess co-operative program with Brimfield, which is to be the host.

- Accepted a \$138,607 quote from the Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust for property and casualty insurance renewal.

- OK’d hiring Alexa Frazelle as a daycare aide.

- Received a donation of \$2,300 from the local chapter of the Knights of Columbus following its recent Tootsie Roll drive.

Shinall also announced the resignations of daycare aides Alexis Hernandez and Jesenia Horton-Meza.

FARMINGTON: Planning, zoning boards merger

Continued from Page 1

city treasurer an additional \$100 per month for oversight on financial matters. That is one of the few city matters that has consistently shown up as a shortcoming, according to auditors who conduct annual reviews of the city.

“This would help us with separation of duties,” Stufflebeam said.

The council is expected to consider pay-related changes on Oct. 7.

Stufflebeam also asked the council to approve a merger of the seven-member Planning Commission and the seven-member Zoning Board of Appeals. The council approved a new combined board that will have seven members and two alternates with voting authority.

“We’ve been having a little trouble getting people to (volunteer) for the commissions,” Stufflebeam said.

In other business, the council ap-

proved an ordinance for a \$29,925 payment to Dana Cardenas for acquisition of the building at 88 E. Fort St. that has housed the Tri-County Senior Center.

Cardenas is planning to open a restaurant in the space. As part of the ordinance agreement, she must repay the city if the business is not open for at least four years.

The council also agreed to spend up to \$400 on an oak tree to be planted in memory of former mayor Cyril “Bud” Stobaugh Jr., who passed away on Sept. 6.

The police department is seeking permission to seek a replacement for Officer Austin DeWester, who is leaving. The matter will be discussed Oct. 7.

That’s also the next likely time for discussion on vacating a portion of Adrienne Street on the city’s far west side. That matter was tabled on Mon-

day to allow more time to examine legal documents pertinent to the vacation.

“We want to make sure we are dotting all our I’s and crossing all our T’s,” Stufflebeam said.

City Administrator Bettina Bohanan reported that the Sept. 7 renewal of Italian Fest in town went “pretty good.”

“We still have a lot of things to iron out,” said Bohanan, who noted that the event generated a small profit that will benefit the Farmington Community Center.

The event will return in 2025 on Sept. 6, she said.

Herb Stufflebeam reported that work is continuing at Oak Ridge Cemetery, where a new roof is going on the mausoleum, bases for some stone monuments are being repaired and volunteers will start working to clean some monuments.

The Farmington Central CUSD #265 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION INFORMATION

The April 1, 2025 Consolidated Election is fast approaching. We have three (3) seats to be filled in the School Board Election. The first day to file nominating petitions is Tuesday, November 12 and the last day of filing is Monday, November 18. All paperwork can be picked up in the Peoria County Elections Commission Office.

Peoria County Election Commission
 4422 Brandywine Drive, Suite 1
 Peoria, IL 61614
Election Commission: 309-324-2300
Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Petition Filing Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Please visit www.dist265.com Board of Education page for a link to the Illinois Association of School Boards webpage for more information.

DeGise Orthodontics

SUMMER SPECIAL

\$500 Off New Patient Full Treatment
 (Only one discount per family)
 Coupon Must Be Presented at Initial Exam

Braces For The Smile of Your Life ...
 A radiant, confident smile can improve your appearance and self-esteem, no matter what your age. You can have that smile of your life with the help of Dr. Brian R. DeGise, who has more than 20 years of experience and outstanding credentials you can trust.

PEORIA OFFICE:
 1318 W. Candletree Drive
 Peoria, IL 61614
 (309) 691-9171

CANTON OFFICE:
 350 N. Main St.
 Canton, IL 61520
 (309) 647-2655

www.DeGiseOrthodontics.com

Yates City OKs 1% grocery tax

By MOLLY RICHESON

For The Weekly Post

YATES CITY – The Yates City Village Board at its Sept. 11 meeting approved a new ordinance that would maintain a 1% grocery tax effective Jan. 1, 2026.

Although the ordinance is not due until Oct. 1, 2025, the board wanted to begin discussion early. Illinois is discontinuing the current 1% grocery sales tax on Jan. 1, 2026, and giving local municipalities the authority to impose it themselves if they so choose.

The tax will still be handled through the Department of Revenue, collected at the state level and returned to the village. Because none of the sales tax is itemized, the board is unsure how much revenue would be lost if this ordinance was not approved.

Moving forward, any village property valued at less than \$1,000 can be disposed of in a reasonable manner by the village president, according to another new ordinance passed at the Sept. 11 meeting. Any village property over \$1,000 but less than \$2,500 has to go to the board for a motion before sale. The sale of property valued over \$2,500 or the sale of a

titled vehicle would require an ordinance. Property cannot be sold to village officials. Village employees may be sold village property as long as the purchase is done through a sealed bid process.

Brian Kinsel & Sons Excavating Inc. of Canton was hired to repair a broken tile line at the water-treatment plant at an amount not to exceed \$7,000. A bid will have to be put out for the repair of the other galvanized line that needs to be replaced.

The board also approved buying a specialty Kamstrup Water Radio Head in an amount not to exceed \$600. And, although a plumber has not been consulted, the installation of various water meters were approved in an amount not to exceed \$1,200. In addition, Birkey's Farm Store has agreed to repair a hydraulic line on the tractor

free of charge.

P&W Builders of Peoria has started construction of a new house on Williams Street, but board members heard that the builders did not call JULIE prior to starting and are running over a water line. As it stands, the construction company is liable for any damage caused. Village employees say they have attempted to talk to a project manager about the situation, but their concerns have been dismissed.

"Well, I hope they understand that they can keep telling us to pound sand, but we can also refuse to hook up their water," Trustee Ron Smith said.

Village President Mark Hostetler said he will attempt to talk to the builders but said the option to serve a cease-and-desist order to protect the line is also available to the village as a last resort.

Get convenience, attractive rewards!

Apply online for a Hometown Banks Platinum VISA credit card today!

www.HometownBanks.com

A Division of Morton Community Bank
Member FDIC

Offer of credit is subject to credit approval.

See **What's Possible!**

NewView FURNITURE

117th W. Second St.
Kewanee, IL

FREE DELIVERY
within 40 miles
from Kewanee, IL
& we can haul the old away!

Mon - Fri 9 -5 and Sat 9 - 4
**Check Out our website
to take a virtual tour!**
www.newviewfurniture.com

FREE LOCAL DELIVERY

LOCALLY PRODUCED ART & DECOR

Standard Heating & Cooling
 www.standardheat.com
 309-671-5417
 906 SW Adams St. • Peoria, IL 61602

Setting the Standard in Comfort Since 1939



NEW 000 Ratliff Rd, Chillicothe, IL 61523
 Looking for a great opportunity to build or just own some acreage that could produce income? You don't want to miss this. Located down a dead end road, this 3.85 acres offers a flat spot to build on with great views of the farm and timber ground to the south. The wildlife viewing is abundant in this area as well, while only being a couple miles to town. **\$48,500**

000 Evans Mill Rd, Edwards, IL 61528
 This parcel of land includes a farm with mostly warsaw loam and proctor silt loam soils. This farm offers 50 +/- acres of tillable ground with a PI of 120.8. Also offered on this property is world class whitetail hunting along with turkey hunting. With Kickapoo Creek access as well, this is an amazing property that has great return. **\$745,056**

000 Knox Rd 750 E, London Mills, IL
 Located just west of London Mills, these two tracts add up to 99.08 +/- acres of tillable land. West tract is 47.08 acres and a PI of 132.4. East tract is 52 acres and a PI of 124.5. The 2 tracts can be separated. **\$1,337,680**

000 90th St, Monmouth, IL 36.49 acres consisting of 14 acres tillable, pasture ground and timber. This property offers a little bit of everything. The layout of this property would make for a great building site, while allowing income from row crops or cattle. **\$251,781**

000 Knox Rd 1350 E, Dahinda, IL 61428 PRICE REDUCED
 10 acres consisting of grass and timber with 2 buildings already on property. Great property to build a home and enjoy everything the outdoors have to offer. **\$230,000**

000 Bartholomew LN, Elmwood, IL PRICE REDUCED
 Great sloping pasture offers great build sites with opportunity to make an income with hay or livestock. Lake on property offers water year round that had been used for bird hunting in the past. **\$777,443**

000 N. RT. 8 & RT 78, Elmwood, IL 13.61 acres bordering the Elmwood Country Club. Parcel subdivided into 18 separate lots for a subdivision offering country feel along the golf course. **\$220,000**

2515 US HWY 67, Monmouth SOLD

000 Whittaker Rd, Brimfield PENDING

12325 N Deford Rd, Dunlap PENDING

LAND FOR SALE LANDGUYS
 Andrew Huber 309-403-1183
 Don Wagner 309-335-2894
 Andrew@landguys.com

Specimen planters performing very well

By **RON DIETER**
 For The Weekly Post

Located on our porch and patio and in the surrounding gardens are 73 flower pots and planters. Two-thirds are a mix of annuals and perennials, known in the horticulture trade as combination planters. The others are specimen planters, each holding just one plant, or several plants of a single variety.

Let me tell you about four specimen planters I'm particularly pleased with. I know. You're not supposed to end a sentence with a preposition. Winston Churchill once said to an opponent, "That is an insult I will not put up with." When the fellow reminded him he shouldn't end a sentence with a preposition, Churchill responded, "Would you rather I said, 'That is an insult up with which I will not put?'"

Now where was I? We have four specimen planters with which I am especially pleased. They hold plants that are fairly uncommon in these parts.

The first one is a large 14-inch hanging basket containing a Bougainvillea 'Raspberry Ice.' It's probably 25 years old and right now it's smothered with blossoms. The "flowers" are actually specialized leaves called bracts that surround tiny white



flowers. Its rich cream and green variegated foliage make it an attractive plant even when not in bloom.

We overwinter it in our house in a bright sunny window. It gets very angry when we bring it inside and proceeds to drop every single leaf. Then, naked as a jaybird, it sits there and pouts for several weeks before reluctantly manufacturing new foliage.

If you have visited the Pirates of the Caribbean at Disney World, you have surely seen the huge bougainvillea plants adorning the balconies of the shops near the entrance.

Number two on the list is Xanthosoma aurea 'Lime Zinger.' Its huge leaves give rise to its common name "elephant ear." This hybrid cultivar produces large chartreuse leaves that spring up from the base of the plant. Literature says 'Lime Zinger' can grow up to 6 feet high and wide with "ears" 2 feet long in tropical climates. Our specimen is only 4 feet tall

and wide. I'm sure that's because it doesn't like spending the winters indoors. Most of the foliage dies back by the time spring rolls around, so the plant must start from scratch.

To many plants, especially tropical ones, the brightest spot in your house is darker than the shadiest spot outside. The comparatively low light in our sunny windows triggers leaf drop of both bougainvillea and elephant ear. Your results may vary.

The next specimen is another tropical plant, cape plumbago, Plumbago auriculata, a South African native. It's sometimes called blue plumbago or skyflower because of the beautiful phlox-like blossoms that cover the plant from mid-summer onward. I'm a sucker for true blue-flowered plants but very often, flowers touted as blue are actually a pale purple. A clear sky-blue color like that of cape plumbago flowers is rare.

It looks great when mixed with golden-flowered lantana 'Samantha.'

Cape plumbago is actually a woody shrub in Florida and similar climates. In fact, you may have seen it planted in highway medians on your way to Disney World. It hibernates in our garage and even in low light it maintains most of its foliage.

We're fortunate to have a garage we can keep above freezing. In the fall, before lethal frosts and freezes do their dirty work, we cut back our specimen planters and move them into the garage. There's hardly any light in there and, by spring, some plants look pretty sad. But sunshine and warm temperatures bring most of them back to life. Most of them.

Finally we have three large 15-inch pots filled with the 4-foot-tall burgundy grass Pennisetum purpureum 'Prince.'

You're probably thinking, "A pot with just grass? Sounds pretty boring." And you would be right. But place P.p 'Prince' next to combination planters of Dragon Wings pink begonias, white Euphorbia 'Diamond Frost' and trailing variegated Swedish ivy. Arrange these pots by your front door or in a corner of your deck and you've created a right pretty little scene.

Do it Best
BRIMFIELD HARDWARE INC.
WE CAN HANDLE ALL YOUR HARDWARE NEEDS!

We Have Welding Supplies & Gases!
 Oxygen, Acetylene and Argon!
 Welding Tanks!

WE ARE A PROPANE FILLING STATION!
 We Can Fill Any Size Tank!

107 W. Knoxville St. • Brimfield, IL
309-446-3631

We Can Fix Your Window Screens

Next Level Healing
Cutting Edge Therapy in Kewanee

REGENERATE, RECOVER with HBOT (Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy)

VWC
 VANDELDE WELLNESS CENTER

Kewanee, IL
(309) 852-3939
 vandewellnesscenter.com

F&M Investment Services: Client-Focused Investment Planning

When it comes to managing your money, F&M Investment Services takes a slightly different approach from some firms. Rather than focusing on a specific type or category of investment, the emphasis is where it belongs: on you.

Call us to schedule a consultation — 309-343-0002, ext. 21506.

Tom Dunker, Vice President, Senior Wealth Advisor; Adam Turner, Assistant Vice President, Wealth Advisor; Todd McKee, Wealth Advisor; Jennifer Pittman, Operations Manager; Hailee Meyer, Investment Operations Associate

F&M Investment Services
 Located at F&M Bank
 1230 N. Henderson St., Galesburg
 phone: 309-343-0002, ext. 21506
 e-mail: thomas.dunker@ipl.com

Securities and advisory services offered through LPL Financial (LPL), a registered investment advisor, Member FINRA/SIPC. Insurance products offered through LPL or its licensed affiliates. F&M Bank & F&M Investment Services are not registered as a broker-dealer or investment advisor. Registered representatives of LPL offer products and services using F&M Bank, and may also be employees of F&M Bank. These products and services are being offered through LPL or its affiliates, which are separate entities from, not affiliates of, F&M Bank or F&M Investment Services. Securities and insurance offered through LPL or its affiliates are:

Not Insured by FDIC or Any Other Government Agency	Not Bank Guaranteed
Not Bank Deposits or Obligations	May Lose Value

CARLSON'S

JEWELRY, LTD

READY TO SELL?

Bring your valuables to the Nation's leading estate buyers.

We buy gold, silver, diamonds, coins & more!

3 DAYS ONLY

SEPTEMBER 23 - 25

Monday - Wednesday | 10am - 5pm

4701 N Prospect Rd, Peoria, IL 61616

Call for directions: **(309) 688-6484**



WHAT WE BUY

Fine Jewelry

Coins & Currency

Rarities

Diamonds

Watches

Fine Art & Luxury Goods

Scrap Gold & Silver

Sterling Silver

& Much More

RECEIVE A 20% BONUS

When you trade for store credit*

Receive immediate payment! No appointment necessary.



It's easy to sell your valuables.
SCAN QR CODE HERE
for full buying event details.

Over 1,000 5-Star Reviews!

"Last week I sold some jewelry I no longer wanted and my husband sold a coin. Don and John were very professional and pleasant to deal with. They immediately put one at ease. I thought the prices we got were very fair. Great experience!" -Kathleen G.



NATIONAL RARITIES
TRUSTED ESTATE BUYERS

Call (888) 787-1112 or visit NationalRarities.com
for any item-related questions.

*A free evaluation will be provided, but there is no obligation to purchase your items. Exclusions Apply. **We are not an authorized Rolex dealer nor are we affiliated or endorsed by Rolex, Rolex USA, or any of its subsidiaries.

**LAWN
AERATION**
309-208-1426

**MERRICK
FLOORCOVERING INST., INC.**
116 E. Main St. Elmwood
**Carpet, Hardwood,
Luxury Vinyl Plank & Tile**
Professional Installation
Merrick Floorcovering Inst., Inc.
hours by appointment.
Call to set up a time 309-742-8608
116 E. Main St., Elmwood 61529

Lights By H&H
Go Green!
H&H LIGHTING
SIGNS • LIGHTING MAINTENANCE • ENERGY EFFICIENCY
**We Are Here For All Your Lighting,
Electrical & Generator Needs**
H&H Industries, Inc.
110 W Main - Elmwood, IL
309-742-8674
www.lightsbyhh.com

EXCAVATING
**TERRY'S BERRIES
EXCAVATING**
Dozer Work
Trackhoe
Bobcat w/Backhoe
• Concrete Removal
• Waterways
• Site Preparation
• Drainage
• Land Clearing
• Ponds
• Terraces
Jarid Bedwell • Elmwood, IL
309-678-4310

**B52
Farmers
& Makers
Market**
WILLIAMSFIELD
**June 29th
through
September 28th**
The 2nd and last Saturday
of every month
8am- 1pm
**Benjamin-Doubet
Park**
156 N. Park Road
• \$25 fee per vendor
• No fee if you live in
Williamsfield School District
Fees Collected will be returned to our community.
Items to sell are limited to Hand Made or Home Grown Products
Rebecca Doubet 309-657-0870 • Patricia Smith 309-922-5004
Katelynn Doubet 309-229-9455

BRIEFS

**Knox Co. radio club
holding testing session**

GALESBURG – The Knox County Amateur Radio Club will have a VE testing session for anyone wishing to get their ticket into amateur radio, or for those who want to upgrade their class of license.

The next test will be Saturday, Sept. 28, at 1 p.m. at the Galesburg Public Library, 264 W. Main St., F&M Room.

The club uses the ARRL VEC as its coordinator. There is a \$15 charge for the exam session. You must have an FCC registration number for this session.

Bring a photo ID. If you are upgrading, bring a copy of your current license.

For more information, visit w9gfd.org or contact Rick Lotz at AC9AH@outlook.com.

**Peoria Co. contest will
redo 'I Voted' sticker**

PEORIA – While it's hard to improve upon the classic "I Voted!" sticker from your local polling place, you can be the artist who designs the next one. The Peoria County Election Commission will hold an "I Voted" Sticker Design Contest.

The Commission will accept submissions until Nov. 1 for a sticker design to be distributed during the 2025 election cycle.

"Peoria County will mark two significant milestones next year: the 10th anniversary of the Peoria County Election Commission and the county's bicentennial," said Jessily Joseph, assistant executive director of the Peoria County Election Commission. "To honor these occasions, we're looking for a unique sticker design in celebration."

There's both a youth and adult cat-

egory for submissions, with the winning designs to be featured on the commission's website, recognized by the Board of Commissioners with a plaque during the December 2024 meeting, and – most importantly – distributed to voters during the 2025 consolidated elections. Designs can be submitted online or on paper using an official entry sheet.

Rules are relatively simple, such as the requirement that the sticker says "I Voted" and the design being able to fit in a 2-inch-by 2-inch circle. Sticker entries may not contain obscenity, copyrighted imagery or advocacy for any parties or candidates, among other specifications.

The full list of rules, the digital submission form and a printable submission form can all be found on the Peoria County Election Commission website at peoriaelections.gov/248/I-Voted-Sticker-Contest.

Stark County E911 center up and running

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Weekly Post

TOULON – After a decade of waiting, Stark County finally has E911 service.

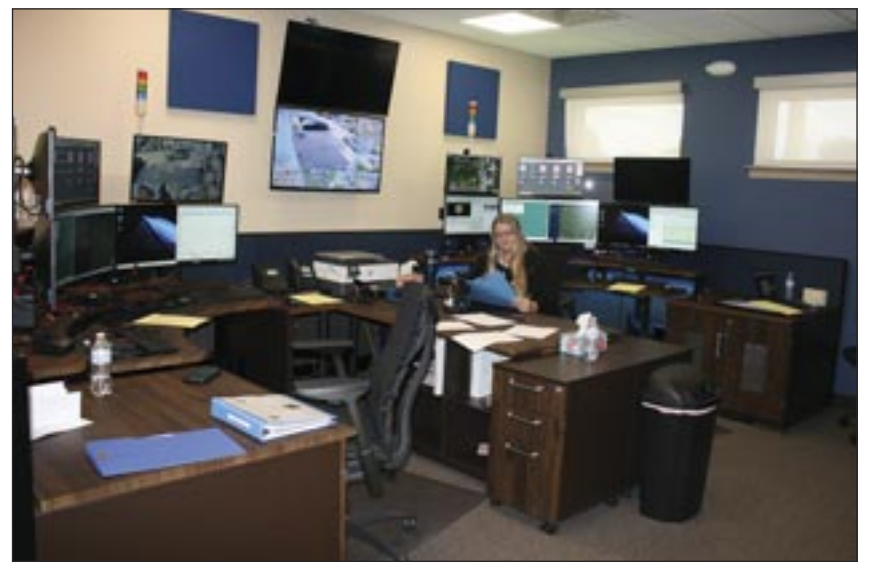
That was the announcement made Monday by state and local county officials in front of Stark County's historic courthouse. Stark County is the last of Illinois' 102 counties to gain the enhanced emergency service.

On hand to celebrate that were Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly, Illinois Statewide E911 Administrator Cindy Barbera-Brelle, Stark County Sheriff Steven Sloan and Peoria-Stark County Joint Emergency Telephone System Board Chairman David Tuttle.

Kelly said the Illinois Legislature in 2015 assigned the Illinois State Police the challenge of getting all counties E911 service. As a result, all counties were mandated that Enhanced 911 service be provided to the public for safety reasons.

Stark County entered into an agreement with Peoria County to create a Joint Emergency Telephone System Board so that Stark County residents and those traveling through the area can quickly and efficiently receive emergency services.

Before this partnership, Stark County residents had to call a specific, 10-digit number for emergency services, such as the sheriff's



Stark County Sheriff's Office staffer Heidi Shimmin studies a file in the new E911 call center in Toulon. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

office or fire department. People traveling through Stark County who didn't know which number to call had to be routed and sometimes re-routed to Henry, Bureau, Marshall, Knox or Peoria counties.

Routing delayed responses by police, fire and emergency ambulance services. Now, a call to 911 by people in or traveling through Stark County will go directly to Stark's new dispatch center and pinpoint the caller's location.

It took over 10 years for Stark to obtain E911 because various neighboring counties rejected Stark's appeal to partner with them due to the costs incurred.

Through Sloan's efforts and Barbera-Brelle speaking with counties,

Peoria County finally agreed to partner with Stark to bring the county "into the 21st century," according to Sloan.

A grant for the E911 system ensured that Stark would finally obtain the E911 service.

"Peoria County has been fantastic to work with, as they have so much knowledge on 911," Sloan said.

Asked if texting was possible, the answer was "not yet, but it is being worked on."

One of the improvements the new E911 center brings to the county is a new communication tower that dwarfs the old radio tower in height. This allows countywide radio coverage without dead zones that deputy sheriffs had dealt with in the past.

National Alpaca Farm Days
Experience the Farm, the Fleece & the Fun
September 28th 10am-4pm
September 29th 1pm-4pm
Meet Our Suri Alpacas
Shop A Full Line of
High-Quality Alpaca Products
Games • Activities • Prizes
Pumpkins • Antiques
**Heartland "Criations"
Alpacas LLC**
2512 Knox Road 500 East
Rio, IL 61472
309-368-7354
www.hcalpacas.com

ADM carbon sequestration site suffered leak

By **ANDREW ADAMS**

Capitol New Illinois

DECATUR – Agribusiness giant ADM violated federal regulations, a federal permit and the Safe Drinking Water Act earlier this year when a monitoring well at their carbon sequestration site in Decatur leaked liquified carbon dioxide into “unauthorized zones,” according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

In an August notice, the federal regulatory agency also alleged the company failed to follow proper emergency response and remediation plans after it identified the leak.

ADM’s carbon-injection facility is the first and only project of its kind in the country. It stores more than 4.5 million tons of carbon dioxide, generated from industrial processes, at a company facility in Decatur more than a mile underground. The project began operation in 2011.

The leak was first detected in March, according to an Aug. 22 letter to the EPA from the company, although the company had known about corrosion in tubing at the well since October 2023.

In the original notice of violation, EPA’s director of enforcement and compliance for the region, Michael Harris, told ADM that the issue could be grounds for an “enforcement action, including ad-

ministrative and civil judicial penalties” and that ADM’s permit for the project could be terminated.

ADM spokesperson Jackie Anderson said the company is now working with the EPA to address the issue.

“That monitoring well was plugged, is not in use, and none of the other wells were impacted,” the company said in a Friday statement. “At no time was there any impact to the surface or groundwater sources or any threat to public health.”

Roughly 8,000 metric tons of liquid carbon dioxide and other ground fluid was leaked. This is equivalent to about three days’ worth of injection, according to Anderson.

The leaked carbon dioxide stayed about 5,000 feet below ground, well below groundwater in the area, which is about 200 feet beneath the surface, according to a company document.

The Illinois Clean Jobs Coalition, a group of labor organizations and environmental advocates, were quick to criticize the company recently for failing to notify the public of the problem.

“There are significant risks at every step of the CCS (carbon capture and sequestration) process, and it’s not a matter of if carbon sequestration facilities leak, but rather when,” the coal-

ition said in a statement. “Neither ADM nor the USEPA have released any details about the nature of the leak or its impacts on the local community, groundwater, or the environment, and we are anxious to learn more.”

The coalition also characterized the lack of public disclosure as “unacceptable and dangerous.”

Anderson noted that the company reported the situation to the EPA “in accordance with our permit requirements when there is no potential endangerment to an underground source of drinking water, which was the situation here.”

Other critics of the technology said the risks of carbon capture outweigh the potential benefits.

“This leak is a wake-up call. It’s a stark reminder that carbon capture is not the climate solution it’s sold as, but a dangerous gamble with our drinking water,” Pam Richart, co-director of Eco-Justice Collaborative, said in a statement.

Last week, Rep. Carol Ammons, D-Urbana, filed a bill that would prevent other carbon sequestration projects from being built in areas where the sole source of drinking water is an underground aquifer.

This legislation follows a law passed earlier this year that lays out a state-level regulatory framework for CCS projects.

Despite being praised by its proponents as a nation-leading piece of legislation, the law passed earlier this year does not contain any specific protections for large sources of drinking water.

ADM’s project is not subject to the new requirements outlined in that bill, and the company supported it when it was being considered.

This was the subject of heated legislative debate as several lawmakers called for more protections for the Mahomet Aquifer, which serves areas around Rantoul, Champaign, Clinton, rural Tazewell County, Mason County and more.

That legislation, House Bill 5874, could be considered when lawmakers return to Springfield this November.

FARMINGTON 



New Name, New Look, Same great people!

694 N. Main Farmington, IL 61531 (309) 245-4712

Mon. - Fri. - 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat. - 8 a.m. - noon
Closed Sundays

Davis Landscape Service

SEE US FOR ROCK, MULCH & DELIVERIES 

309-208-1426

Concrete • Mowing
Edging • Planting • Retaining Walls
Seeding • Sodding • Patios • Walks

R.E. Arends Orchard 

Apples **309-446-3034**

Fall Varieties of Apples available including Honey Crisp, Apple Cider, Concord Grapes and Pumpkins. U-Pick pumpkins available.

R. E. Arends Orchard
22001 Rt. 78, Laura, IL
(2 miles north of Laura on Rt. 78)
Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Daily

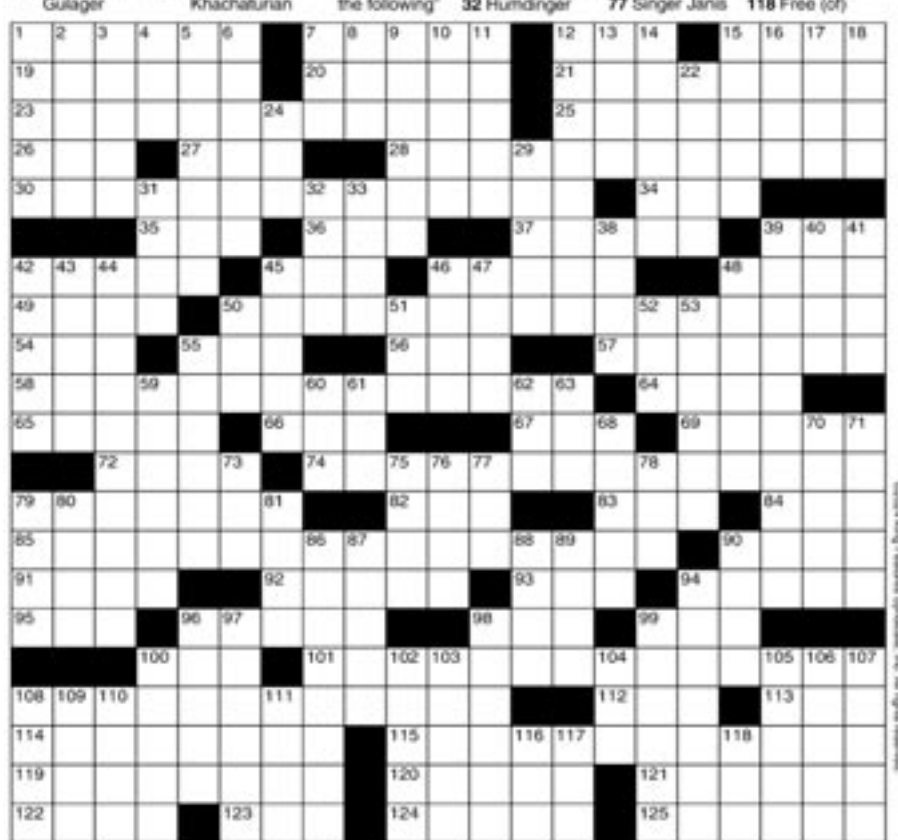
Answers on Page 16 **Super Crossword** **DISORDERLY CREATURES**

ACROSS

- 1 Old-time crooner
- 7 James — Garfield
- 12 Taxing org.
- 15 Old news-paper section
- 19 On cloud nine
- 20 Having fine granules
- 21 Refilled to the brim
- 23 Nocturnal burrower wearing clothes?
- 25 “Rocky” star
- 26 French “a”
- 27 Taking after
- 28 Semaquatic reptile that’s really zealous?
- 30 Big spotted cat released from jail early?
- 34 Doc treating laryngitis
- 35 Orig. texts
- 36 Sports official
- 37 Interprets
- 39 Antifraud org.
- 42 1990s Toyota coupe
- 45 “McQ” actor

DOWN

- 46 Ready- (precooked)
- 48 Region
- 49 Tesla’s Musk
- 50 Lobe-finned swimmer
- 54 Pioneering email co.
- 55 One-eighty
- 56 Mini-guitar
- 57 Elizabeth — Browning
- 58 Spiny ant eater on a leash?
- 64 Put in very hot water
- 65 Solid ground
- 66 Actor Wallach
- 67 Seat winners
- 69 Florida city
- 72 Quark’s place
- 74 Very small monkey from the red planet?
- 79 Rhine siren
- 82 “Silver” writer Levin
- 83 “Erma” has two of these
- 84 Slalom, e.g.
- 85 Whip-tailed marine menace going off course?
- 90 Bard
- 91 Composer Khachaturian
- 92 Fix up, as an old house
- 93 Hard wood
- 94 Address Blair
- 95 Kid’s amuser
- 96 Eighth Greek letter
- 98 Mil. bigwig
- 99 Irish dance
- 100 Waterloo marshal
- 101 Wheel-spinning rodent that’s a Bay State college mascot?
- 108 Large lizard from northern South America?
- 112 Dialect suffix
- 113 Penny prez
- 114 Electric circuit component
- 115 Mimicking bird that’s predatory?
- 119 Classic typewriter brand
- 120 TV show blocking device
- 121 Text alterer
- 122 Trait carrier
- 123 Enevate
- 124 Latin abbr. meaning “and the following”
- 125 Sailor’s morning warning
- 1 Starting boost
- 2 Actress — De La Garza
- 3 More scarce
- 4 Gambling parlor, in brief
- 5 “Look here, too,” in a reference
- 6 Befuddles
- 7 Doc’s gp.
- 8 Shut-eye site
- 9 Dust picker-upper
- 10 Take — of faith
- 11 Actress Loy
- 12 “Agreed!”
- 13 Campus mil. gp.
- 14 Zoned (out)
- 15 Ignited again
- 16 2004-11 Laker Lamar
- 17 Bluefin, e.g.
- 18 Unbox, e.g.
- 22 Schemes
- 24 With 31-Down, it doesn’t bode well
- 29 Like the verb “go”; Abbr.
- 31 See 24-Down
- 32 Humdinger
- 33 Aussie birds
- 38 “... three men in —”
- 39 She starred in “Room”
- 40 — Actress (award for 39-Down)
- 41 Thai currency
- 42 Serenity
- 43 “H,” in Hilo
- 44 Nonpolluting power source
- 45 Bonnie’s pal
- 46 — torch
- 47 Linear, briefly
- 48 Sahara’s land
- 50 Agent’s cut
- 51 “Say what?”
- 52 Seize
- 53 Spruces up
- 55 Sinful
- 59 Group of PC gurus
- 60 Hard wood
- 61 Covert org.
- 62 Actress Long
- 63 Actress Jillian
- 68 Fajita meat
- 70 Was keen on
- 71 Singer O’Day
- 73 “Don’t tell — can’t!”
- 75 Singer Coolidge
- 76 Chi-Town daily paper
- 77 Singer Janis
- 78 Novelist Tan
- 79 Future atty.’s exam
- 80 Other, in Oaxaca
- 81 Pertaining to
- 86 “Return to reality”
- 87 SeaWorld whale, once
- 88 Leaves
- 89 Vent vocally
- 90 Sty animals
- 94 Greenish citrus drink
- 96 All wound up
- 97 “Regency” hotels
- 98 Pie charts, e.g.
- 99 Quartz type
- 100 Easily duped
- 102 Presnell of “Fargo”
- 103 Legislate
- 104 That girl
- 105 Petite pies
- 106 Kindle buy
- 107 New attempt
- 108 Sailor’s quaff
- 109 700-mile-long Congolese river
- 110 “The check — the mail”
- 111 Ninth Greek letter
- 116 Game draw
- 117 Trio before R
- 118 Free (cf)



St. Mary’s of Kickapoo

Annual Famous Sausage Dinner

St. Mary’s Gymnasium, Kickapoo

Sunday, October 6th • 11am-3pm

Adults... \$20
Children 5-12... \$10
Children 4 & Under... FREE
Children’s Hot Dog Plate... \$10



Buffet Style Menu
Kickapoo Sausage
Real Mashed Potatoes
Sauerkraut
Applesauce
Desserts* Free Will Donation

All You Can Eat Buffet! Carry Outs Available!
Hummingbird Carving Raffle & Lottery Ticket Boards Raffle

Order forms & Payments can be mailed to:
St. Mary’s Church,
9910 W. Knox Street, Edwards, IL 61528
ORDERS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

Raw Sausage
Pick Up 10/05/24
Saturday, Noon-2pm

Raw Bulk Sausage - 5lb. Pkg. @ \$30 each x _____ = \$ _____
Raw Link Sausage - 5lb. Pkg. @ \$30 each x _____ = \$ _____
*Cooked Links - 3lb. Pkg. @ \$30 each x _____ = \$ _____
*Cooked Links available for pickup on day of dinner only * Scan code to order

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

NAME _____ PHONE _____



This Month's Showcase Monument

Come Browse Our Indoor Showroom!



FAMILY SONS MONUMENTS

Mon-Fri 9-4 • Sat 9-Noon

149 W. Main Street, Galesburg • 343-8692
Donna Brewer Local Representative (309) 742-4661

Princeville (309) 385-4414
or
Wyoming (309) 695-3131

HASKELL

Funeral & Cremation Services
"Respecting Tradition & Embracing Change"

Bert Haskell - Owner/Funeral Director/Pre-Need Agent
Veronica Haskell - Pre-Need Agent/Celebrant
Nicole Reed - Funeral Director/Pre-Need Agent/Celebrant
Cassandra Springborn - Funeral Director

Notice

Please Remove
Grave Decorations by October 1st
Yates City, Douglas,
Uniontown, or Blakeslee Cemeteries
Salem Township Cemetery Board

GOT SPIDERS

Call
Central Illinois Pest Management Inc.
Termite and Pest Control Experts
309-267-PEST (7378)

MANNA Meal
Elmwood United Methodist Church
821 W. Main
Thursday, Sept. 26th • 12:00pm

Hamloaf or meatloaf, potato,
vegetable, salads, and desserts.

Sit Down Meal • 742-3303 • Meals \$8
Remember to bring your own table service

OBITUARIES

Richard Dwyer
KICKAPOO – Richard "Dick" Dwyer, 81, passed away at 2:38 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2024, at Carle Health Methodist Hospital in Peoria with his family by his side. He was born Sept. 8, 1943, in Peoria, a son to Paul and Mildred (Stenger) Dwyer. After graduating from Spalding Institute, Dick went on to attend barber college and later began work at Caterpillar Inc.



Dwyer

On May 2, 1964, he married Sharon McCombs in Peoria, and together they cherished 60 years. Dick opened and happily operated a barber shop in Kickapoo for 50 years. He loved to jog and was a member of the Kickapoo Sportsman's Club. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother who was deeply loved and will be greatly missed. Survivors include his wife, Sharon, of Kickapoo; three children, Brad (Colleen) Dwyer of Peoria, Shananne (Joe) Buehler of East Peoria and Raegan (Daniel) Saldino of Kickapoo; nine grandchildren, Josh, Morgan, Kelsey, Mallory, McKenzie, Lakin, Max, Phelan and Madyson; 12 great-grandchildren, with one on the way; one brother, Dave Dwyer of Brimfield; two sisters, Janet Lay of Bloomfield, Iowa, and Diane (Ray) Secker of Kickapoo; as well as two fur babies. Dick was preceded in death by his parents and one great-grandchild. Visitation was at St. Mary's Cath-

olic Church in Kickapoo on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Monday, Sept. 16, 2024. The Rev. Jim Pankiewicz officiated, with The Rev. David Heinz and The Rev. Joseph Dondanville co-officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Kickapoo. Preferred memorials in Dick's memory may be made to Barth Syndrome Foundation, P.O. Box 419264, Boston, MA 02241-9264, or via www.barthsyndrome.org. Friends and family can log onto www.wrightandsalmon.com to sign the online guestbook, submit photos and share Dick's memorial page via social media.

Funeral arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Wright & Salmon Mortuary.

Marian N. Hopper
PEORIA – Marian Ness Hopper, 91, of Peoria, formerly of Princeville, passed away at 6:25 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, 2024, at Liberty Village of Peoria Hawthorne Inn. Marian was born on July 28, 1933, in Platteville, Wis., to Robert and Phyllis (Gillespie) Blakely. She married Carter Ness in October of 1954; he preceded her in death on June 9, 1987. She later married James Hopper in 2001; he preceded her in death on Dec. 10, 2006. Surviving are three sons, Carter (Lynette) Ness Jr. of Houston, Texas, Colin (Connie) Ness of Seattle, Wash., and Kyle (Lynn) Ness



Hopper

of Monticello, Ill.; one daughter, Coral (Lynn Ann Boon) Ness of Edwards, Ill.; and six grandchildren, Seth Harwood, Savannah Harwood, Carter Ness, Olivia Ness, Emelia (Luke) Cheng, and Zoe (Sie-Ce) Ness. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Margaret Sorenson; and infant granddaughter, Haley Harwood. Marian worked at Stewart Hybrids/Central Landscaping from 1973 until her retirement. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Peoria, where she was involved with various missions. Marian was previously a longtime member of the Princeville Presbyterian Church, where she was a choir director for many years and served as an elder and deacon. Marian spent much of her life volunteering and being part of many missionary efforts. She found great fulfillment in her grief-counseling work and was dedicated to increasing the quality of life for all. She took her last mission trip to Africa when she was a spry 82. She was passionate about her faith and was always there for anyone to lean on in times of crisis or just for a friendly chat. Marian didn't need to know your name to provide you comfort, words of encouragement or a quick one-liner to bring out a smile. Marian was an avid reader and game player. Playing bridge was a favorite but she was always ready for a game of dominoes, Rummikube or cribbage. She loved spending time with family and friends and keeping up on how everyone was doing. She especially enjoyed calls from her nieces, Peggy, Joy

FRESH MEAT FOR SALE WE ACCEPT EFT!

ELMWOOD LOCKER
214 S. Magnolia St. • (309) 742-8929
Daily 7am-6pm • Saturday 8am-4pm
Beef From Area Farmers!
Meat Case Open Wed-Fri • 8-6 - Sat 8-4

BBQ Sauce - \$7/bottle
Selling 1/4 & 1/2
Beef & Hogs
Also Offer Butchering & Processing

~ SPECIAL ~
10% OFF FROZEN
Winner - Karen Lee
If you purchase \$10 in store you can sign up to win a \$25 IN STORE GIFT CERTIFICATE!
We Also Sell Gift Cards!

Wags and Whiskers
Veterinary Services, P.C.
Dr. Janelle McFarland

Ask Us About Our Referral Program

New Patients Welcome!

Williamsfield M, T, Thur 7:30am-5pm
Elmwood W, F 7:30am-5pm
Open Select Saturdays 7:30am-noon
(Open August 3, 10, 31, Sept 14)

Call or Text
113 W. Main St. • Elmwood • (309) 742-3800
111 E. Gale St. • Williamsfield • (309) 639-2255

CLASSIFIED ADS - (309) 741-9790

GARAGE SALES
HUGE INDOOR GARAGE SALE
Fri., Sept. 27 & Sat., Sept. 28
8 am to 6 pm
Sun., Sept. 29 - 8 am to 4 pm
3967 Duncan Rd., Toulon 61483
(4.7 miles north of West Jersey, on Route 78, turn right on Duncan Rd., 1 mile down on left)
Lots of nice clothing: girls, boys, junior, misses, & mens (Miss Me, Silvers, Vigoss, AE, Pink, Maurices, Under Armour, Nike, Addidas, Abercrombie, etc.), shoes, jewelry, Bath & Body, authentic purses: Coach, Kate Spade, Michael Kors, etc.), Barbies, Disney, Rainbow High, Nickelodeon, LOL, Nintendo DS lite w/ case, DVD's, Vanity, Tupperware, Thirty-One, Pioneer Woman, home décor, Hearth & Hand, kitchen items, small desk, Longaberger, Vanity, book bags, electric space heater (fireplace), and much more. Lots of new items. Stop by and do some early Christmas shopping. Not responsible for

accidents.
Huge Downsizing Yard Sale
Ludolph Rd., Edwards
Sept. 19-21 (Thurs. - Sat)
8 am to 5 pm daily
Harley items, dog kennel, golf clubs, fishing poles/tackle, propane fish cooker, many tools, charcoal grill, horse tack trunk, collectibles, Christmas and more. You don't want to miss this!

SERVICES
• **GIACOBBAZZI'S INCOME TAX INC.**: Est. 1990 In Person or Remote Services (309) 685-8003 or email office@giacobbazzitax.com. Office in Peoria or drop-off location in Farmington.
• **More heat. Less wood.** Classic Edge Titanium HDX EPA certified OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACE. 26% Tax Credit. Prices start as low as \$9,525. Call (309) 565-4300.
• **SALVAGE**: Buying junk autos farm equipment grain bins and also doing total farm clean up. Call Doug Lofgren at Spoon River Sal-

vage (309) 299-8531.
• **TAILGATE AUCTION**: Marcy's Wednesday Tailgate Auction 9:30 am at 34825 N Diamond Point Rd., Farmington. (309) 251-4528, www.marcysauction.com or Facebook.
FOR SALE
• **HAY**: Square grass hay bales, no rain, on racks, \$5 per bale (309) 635-4575.
• **BOW**: Alpine Bow, 28" draw, 40 lb. pressure, comes with case, grips, and arrows, \$150. (309)351-2351.
FOR RENT
• **AUTO STORAGE**: Auto \$65 per month, jet skis \$35, boats \$4 per foot, outside RV's & boats \$30 per month. (309) 696-5201.
• **APARTMENT**: Beautiful lower-level apartment, large open concept, 1 BR, office and laundry. Private entrance, large covered patio, 1 stall garage. 1 to 2 adults only, Bartonville area near airport, utilities paid, \$1,500 per month rent plus

PUZZLE ANSWERS

Super Crossword

Answers

LAROSA ABRAM IRS ROTO
ELATED MEALY TOPPEDUP
GARBEDBADGER STALLONE
UNE ALA MANIACCAIMAN
PAROLEDLEOPARD ENT
PASEO CLU TOEAT AREA
ELON FLUSHINGLUNGFISH
AOL UEY UKE BARRETT
CHAINEDECHIDNA BOIL
EARTH ELI INS OCALA
ATOM MARTIANTAMARIN
LORELEI IRA EMS SKI
STRAYINGSTINGRAY POET
ARAM REHAB OAK LINDA
TOY THETA GEN JIG
NEY AMHERSTHAMSTER
GUIANAIGUANA ESE ABE
RESISTOR RAPTORPARROT
OLIVETTI VCHIP EDITOR
GENE SAP ETSEO REDSKY

CryptoQuote
answer
I feel that the greatest reward for doing nothing is the opportunity to do more. — Jonas Salk

Weekly SUDOKU
Answer

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

LEGAL ADS - Call (309) 741-9790

VILLAGE OF PRINCEVILLE ZONING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board for the Village of Princeville, Peoria County, Illinois, will conduct a public hearing at 7:00p.m. on the 26th day, September 2024, at the Princeville Village Hall, 206 N. Walnut Avenue, Princeville, Illinois, on the Village's petition to amend the Zoning Code for the Village of Princeville to address and regulate the construction of carports and the roofing material for carports, to ensure the safe and durable construction and use of carports in the Village.

Continued from page 18
ARY 16, 1956 IN PLAT BOOK "V", PAGE 92, IN PEORIA COUNTY ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 14-31-378-001
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 2608 West Westminister Avenue Peoria, IL 61604

Description of Improvements: The property is a single family. The property has a one car garage. The garage is attached. The exterior is vinyl siding. The color is tan. The property does not have a fence. The property is occupied.

The Judgment amount was \$52,453.36.

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 in-

spection. 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://lforeclosuresales.mrpllc.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# 22-13195IL.

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT

NOTICE OF SALE

of Property Owned by the City of Farmington, IL and Invitation to Bid Thereon
99 E Vernon St., Farmington, IL 61531

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Mayor and City Council of the City of Farmington, IL will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the successful bid, of the fee simple interest in the following real property:

Lot 2 of Chapman Reeds Addition, being in the City of Farmington, Fulton County, IL

which property is generally located at 99 E Vernon St., Farmington, IL and is currently a vacant lot.

Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest in the above-described property are hereby invited and will be received by the City Administrator through October 7, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. for the opening of bids. Said proposals shall be addressed to:

City Council
City of Farmington
c/o City Administrator
322 E. Fort St.
Farmington, IL 61531

and shall bear the legend "PROPOSAL - SALE OF 99 E Vernon St." and the name and address of the bidder.

Property is currently vacant residential lots zoned R-1. All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Farmington at 6:00 p.m. on October 7, 2024.

A contract may be awarded to the highest bidder whose bid is found to be in the best interests of the City. The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bidding. The Mayor and City Council further reserve the right to review and study any and all bids and to make a contract award within 30 days after the bids have been opened and publicly read.

Copies of the bidding documents may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk.

/s/ Bettina Bohanan
City Administrator

Published 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3/24

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.

I3245918
Published 9/19, 9/26, 10/3/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL

CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE ASPEN G TRUST, A DELAWARE STATUTORY TRUST, PLAINTIFF, VS.

MONICA PATTON; RONALD E DOUGLAS A/K/A RONALD DOUGLAS; NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS.
NO. 23 FC 0000242
19205 PRINCEVILLE JUBILEE ROAD PRINCEVILLE, IL 61559

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CITY OF ELMWOOD will be accepting sealed bids until 4:00 p.m. on October 22, 2024, at City Hall, 201 West Main Street, Elmwood, Illinois 61529, for the sale and purchase of the property described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Numbered Eleven (11), in Block Numbered One (1), in Phelps' Subdivision of Outlots Seven (7) to Seventeen (17), both inclusive, in the Town of Elmwood, as laid out by William J. Phelps, now a Part of the City of Elmwood; situated in the County of Peoria and the State of Illinois;

Parcel Identification No.: 11-07-426-010;

Parcel Address: 313 West Hawthorne Street, Elmwood, Illinois 61529;

which is an unimproved, vacant lot (hereinafter "the Property"). For additional information about the Property or to make an appointment to examine the Property, call City Hall by phone at (309) 742-8000. The sale shall be made on the terms and conditions set forth in the Bid to Purchase forms available at City Hall at the address set forth above, which terms and conditions include, without limitation, the following:

1. Sealed written bids shall set forth the total purchase price and the name and address of the bidder and shall be signed by the bidder.

2. Property is sold "as-is".

3. A minimum down payment of \$1,000.00 in the form of a cashier's check made payable to "Whitney & Potts, Ltd. Client Trust Account" must accompany each bid.

4. The written bids shall be final, and no further bids will be considered after the deadline for acceptance of bids. Seller reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Envelopes containing a bid with a cashier's check in the amount of \$1,000.00 shall be clearly marked "Bid for Purchase of City Property" and shall be received at City Hall, 201 West Main Street, Elmwood, Illinois 61529, on or before 4:00 p.m. on October 22, 2024. Sealed Bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the CITY OF ELMWOOD scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on October 22, 2024, at the City Hall.

John D. Hulslander, Mayor
City of Elmwood
Peoria County, Illinois

Published 9/12, 9/16, 9/26/24

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 July 3, 2024, will on October 28, 2024, in ROOM 203 OF THE COURTHOUSE, 324 MAIN STREET, PEORIA, IL 61602, at 8:30 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the

Continued on page 20

Amber Waves



The Spats



Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN & BEAR IT



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

9x9 Sudoku grid with numbers 4, 9, 2, 7, 3, 1, 5, 8, 3, 8, 6, 1, 9, 5, 6, 6, 4, 8, 5, 9, 4, 6, 1, 7, 2, 4, 9.

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!

© 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 16

CryptoQuote

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

D TSSN XLGX XLS WFSGXSKX
FSMGFY TZF YZDHW HZXLDHW
DK XLS ZCCZFXRHDXU XZ
YZ JZFS. - EZHGK KGNV

©2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

Trivia test by M Rodriguez

- 1. GEOGRAPHY: Mount Vesuvius overlooks which modern Italian city?
2. MYTHOLOGY: What kind of creature is half bird and half woman with an alluring song?
3. SCIENCE: What is a common name for iron oxide?
4. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of pastry is used to make baklava?
5. MOVIES: What is the name of Elle's chihuahua in "Legally Blonde"?
6. MEDICAL: What is a common name for bruxism?
7. LITERATURE: Prospero is a character in which of Shakespeare's plays?
8. ASTRONOMY: How many stars make up the Big Dipper?
9. U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is The Sunflower State?
10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: Which is the only continent without bees?

Answers

- 1. Naples.
2. Siren.
3. Rust.
4. Phyllo or filo.
5. Bruiser.
6. Teeth grinding.
7. "The Tempest."
8. Seven.
9. Kansas.
10. Antarctica.

TOP 10 MOVIES

- 1. Beetlejuice Beetlejuice (PG-13)
Michael Keaton, Winona Ryder
2. Deadpool & Wolverine (R)
3. Reagan (PG-13)
4. Alien: Romulus (R)
5. It Ends with Us (PG-13)
6. The Forge (PG)
7. Twisters (PG-13)
8. Blink Twice (R)
9. Despicable Me 4 (PG)
10. The Front Room (R)
(c) 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

Elmwood's Powers is girls medalist in Prairieland

MACOMB – Elmwood junior Addi Powers shot a 99 Monday to finish as medalist at the Prairieland Conference golf tournament at Macomb Country Club.

Powers led Elmwood (468 strokes) to a third-place finish behind winner Macomb (414) and Illini West (430). Brimfield's girls took fourth and Farmington was fifth.

Aside from Powers, Elmwood got rounds of 119 from Addi Thrasher, 121 from Corinne Colgan and 129 from Emily Anderson.

Brimfield's girls placed fifth behind Nicole Detmers (114), Rachel Fell (125), Kennedy Hoerr (125) and Ellie Barnes (128).

Macomb also won the Prairieland boys competition, with 316 strokes. Brimfield (349) was third, Elmwood (397) was sixth and Farmington (471) was eighth.

Nick Hainline was fifth overall and shot 80 to lead Brimfield, whose other scoring golfers were Weston Smith (88), Alex Jenkins (90) and Kaeden Schatsiek (91).

Junior Kuper Bolton was seventh overall and led Elmwood with a round of 83. Other top-scoring Trojans were Quinton Johns (102), Rory Conklin (104) and Logan Howard (108).

• **ROWVA-Williamsfield:** The R-W boys team took first in a showdown of three of the top teams in the Lincoln Trail Confer-



Elmwood junior Addi Powers was medalist Monday in the Prairieland Conference golf invite in Macomb.

ence on Sept. 11 at Oak Run Golf Course.

R-W's top four combined for a score of 158 to edge Bureau Valley (160) and Ridgewood (165).

Leading the Cougars was junior Preston Lafary, who shot a 1-under-par round of 35 on the front nine. Landon Hannam was next for R-W with a 38, Kaden Dewitt shot 40 and Mason Sornberger fired a 45.

"Lots of birdies on a dry and scoreable Oak Run course," R-W Coach Andy Fritz said. "Lafary challenged a good 1A state golfer from Bureau Valley (Wyatt Novotny, who was medalist with a 34).

"I'm thrilled our guys are peaking at the right time, especially with conference tournaments looming in the next couple of weeks."

In girls action that day, Ridgewood won with a 189, Elmwood (202) was second, R-W (218) was third, Princeville (220) was fourth and Farmington (233) was fifth.

Elmwood's top scorers

were Powers (40), Colgan (50), Thrasher (52) and Anderson (60).

R-W's top four were Ella Erlacher (53), Ava Johnson (54), Addison Courtright (55) and Bella Dennis (56).

Paisley Schock (49) led Princeville, whose other top golfers were Leah Vaughn (52), Mekaya Cihla (58) and Brie Ehnle (61).

Farmington's squad was Kate Anderson (48), Megan Turner (59), Jaycee Emery (60) and Addison Ludwig (66).

The R-W boys upped their head-to-head record to 17-2 on Monday, shooting 163 at par-36 Edgewood Park Golf Course in McNabb to edge Roanoke-Benson (166) and Henry-Senachwine (174).

Hannam, Lafary and Dewitt all carded 40s and Trent Stiers shot 43.

• **Elmwood:** The Elmwood boys lost to Delavan on Sept. 9 at par-35 Maple Lane Country Club, 158-191. Bolton led the team with a 41. Other scoring golfers were Johns (47), Howard (50) and Conklin (53)

The Elmwood girls dropped a pair of matches last week, falling to United on Sept. 10 at Gibson Woods in Monmouth, 160-232. Thrasher (51) led Elmwood and other scorers were Colgan (54), Anderson (58) and Taylor Johns (69).

The girls finished behind Eureka, 196-213, at Maple Lane Country Club on Sept. 9. Thrasher led

with a 47 and was followed by Brielle Putney (53), Powers (54), Colgan (59) and Anderson (59).

• **Princeville:** The Princes boys tallied 187 strokes on Sept. 11 to top Elmwood (193) and Farmington (203).

Scorers for Princeville were Logan Reuter (44), Tucker Sennett (46), Ryan Lehmann (48) and Caleb Christianson (49).

Elmwood got a 39 from Kuper Bolton and its other scorers were Conklin (53), Johns (54) and Karsyn Bolton (54).

• **Farmington:** The Farmers lost to Peoria Christian on Sept. 9, 173-218. Scorers were Brady Nickel (51), Cole Blackhurst (52), Parker Crow (54) and Anthony Zotto (61).

A & L
APPLIANCE
Sales • Service • Parts



Reconditioned Appliances
Starting at \$100
Service All Major Brands

Bill Clayton 635-2809

Washers, Dryers, Microwaves, Stoves, Refrigerators, Window AC

New and Used Parts

1 year warranty on repairs and sales over \$100

MANNHARDT'S
FURNITURE
New Amish Furniture
Repairing & Refinishing

Tuesday-Friday 9-5 • Saturday by appointment only
(309) 289-6469
139 N. Public Sq. • Knoxville, IL 61448

ATTENTION FARMERS!

HELP GROW THE FUTURE BY SUPPORTING THE
NEW COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER & YMCA
FOR RURAL PEORIA, KNOX AND FULTON COUNTIES

How? With a GIFT OF GRAIN
to the Elmwood Community Foundation

1. Email ECF of your intended gift of grain at Info@elmwoodcf.org to ensure we have an account at the elevator of your choice.
2. Please designate the amount of grain you wish to donate to the account of the **Elmwood Community Foundation - YMCA**
3. Your gift of grain will also be eligible for a matching gift from **The Doug and Diane Oberhelman Family Foundation!**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT
Learn more at: imaginecwc.org

Farmers No. 3 in first AP prep football poll

The Associated Press released its first poll for the 2024 IHSA football season on Sept. 11.

Farmington was the highest-ranked local team, tied for third in Class 2A with Momence. Maroa-Forsyth was No. 1 in Class 2A and Bloomington Central Catholic was rated second.

Others receiving votes in Class 2A were Knoxville, which was 0-2 at the time, and Decatur St. Teresa.

Stark County was No. 8 in Class 1A. Other local schools receiving votes in 1A were Princeville and ROWVA-Williamsfield.

Polls are scheduled to be released each Wednesday.

• **IESA softball:** Princeville was to play for an IESA 1A regional title Tuesday evening at Brimfield against Cambridge. The Lady Princes upset Brimfield on Saturday, 9-7.

For All Your Building Needs See Us
Phone 800-858-5562

 **Buildings & Lumber**



"Service Beyond Expectations"
Since 1960

Help Wanted

Writers needed
to cover sports
and local
board
meetings for
The Weekly Post
Call (309)231-6040





- BOOKLETS
- MAGAZINES
- NEWSPAPERS
- TABLOIDS

One stop source for printing, binding, stitching and mailing

P&P PRESS
6513 N. Galena Road
Peoria IL 61614
309-691-8511
www.pppress.com

Visit our P&P Press Design Studio at www.peoriadigitalprinting.com

Scan here to create an order, upload your own design, or create a custom design from over 10,000 templates

Banners • Brochures • Business Cards • Envelopes • Flyers
Invitations • Letterhead • Notebooks • Notepads • Note Cards
Photo Cards • Postcards • Posters • Thank You Cards

Elmwood volleyball defeats Princeville

By PHIL JOHNSON

For The Weekly Post

The Elmwood volleyball team picked up a win over nonconference rival Princeville on Sept. 12 at home.

Elmwood (5-13) won 25-17, 17-25, 25-19 as CeCe Conklin served five aces, Gianna Ramirez scored on six kills and Cheyenne Burge knocked down six kills.

The Lady Trojans fell to Brimfield 25-15, 25-5 on Sept. 10 at home in Prairieland Conference and ICAC action. Conklin collected two ace serves. Burge scored four kills on the night.

Elmwood next takes on Abingdon-Avon on the road tonight, Sept. 19, in Prairieland action.

• **Brimfield** – Brimfield (11-1) defeated ICAC opponent Peoria Christian 25-18, 24-26, 25-18 Monday night at home.

Chloe Fabry led the Lady Indians with 17 kills. Ava Heinz recorded 4.5 blocks. Kylie Frail set for 21 assists. Anja Nelson had 20 digs and scored three ace serves.

BHS had a good day at the Midland Invite on Saturday. Wins came over Henry-Senachwine (25-17, 17-25, 15-13), Spring Valley Hall (25-

20, 25-19) and Lowpoint-Washburn (25-10, 15-19). Tournament host Midland (11-4) topped Brimfield at the end of the day 25-23, 25-14.

“Chloe, Anja and Ava led the way all day,” Brimfield Coach McKenna Weaver said. “Kylie controlled the pace with assists on the day.”

Next up for the Lady Indians is a home nonconference matchup today against Kewanee Wethersfield.

• **Farmington** – Farmington (4-4) won a Prairieland match on the road on Monday over Bushnell Prairie City 25-17, 25-6. Alayna Keefer scored on nine kills while digging eight and assisting on 11 kills.

FHS got another Prairieland win over Peoria Heights 25-23, 20-25 and 25-19 last Thursday at home. Keefer led the Lady Farmers with 16 kills, five ace serves and 22 digs. Kayleigh Toombs recorded three aces in the win.

Farmington next takes on Prairieland rival Brimfield at home on Monday.

• **Princeville** – Princeville (3-9) took Wethersfield to three close sets but couldn't break through, 29-27, 21-25, 23-25 in a Lincoln Trail Conference matchup in Princeville

on Monday.

Carly Cox slammed 13 kills, Harper Francis had four ace serves while blocking five and Mazie Streitmatter set 29 assists.

PHS battled at nonconference opponent Elmwood last Thursday but came up short 17-25, 25-17, 19-25. Harper Francis scored eight kills.

Jameson McGinn had seven kills and three aces. Streitmatter tallied three aces.

The Lady Princes fell in three tough sets, 26-24, 22-25, 21-25 at LTC foe West Central on Sept. 11. Francis recorded 13 kills and two blocks. McGinn collected 10 kills. Claire Sutherland blocked two. Cox served two aces. Streitmatter led in assists with 27.

On Sept. 10, Princeville lost to Midland 25-22, 25-22 at home in nonconference action. Francis had seven kills and two blocks. Streitmatter had 15 assists. Cox recorded four aces and two blocks.

PHS is at nonconference rival Hartsburg-Emden tonight.

Services Offered:

- Drainage Tiling • Excavation
- Trucking and Gravel Delivery
- Central Boiler Repairs and Parts

D BROOKS

Dennis Brooks, Sr., President

dennis@dbrooks.com - (309) 565-4300

Elect **JOHN SPEARS**

FOR JUDGE

Fair · Honest · Dedicated

Make Your Vote Count!

If you don't vote by mail or early, go to your polling place and vote on November 5th to elect John Spears for Judge



X-COUNTRY: E-B boys take 6th, Princes 20th

Continued from Page 24
in the Class 1A race, the Trojans have to close the gap between those top four and No. 5.

E-B senior Reed Florey (26th, 16:04.2) was top area finisher in the boys race, but was just a few strides ahead of junior teammate Aiden Faulkner (27th, 16:06.5). And Faulkner was just a few strides ahead of junior teammate Darwin Herman (28th, 16:07.2). Not far back from them was senior Mika Nelson (35th, 16:24.3).

Well back from the pack, though, was E-B's No. 5, freshman Kai Nelson (127th, 17:28).

“It was a fast day and we had our top four runners run faster than any other of our top four from past years in this race. Our gap from 1-4 was 20 seconds, which is great.” E-B Coach Gregg Meyers said. “Our gap from 1 to 5 stayed around 83 seconds. The key for us is for our top four to keep improving and our 5-7 runners to cut that gap down to 70 seconds by the beginning of October.”

As for the E-B girls, they have a stable of talented young runners but are battling some ailments and need more experience in big races and consistency to move past their 21st-place finish Saturday.

Freshman Bristol Schmidgall (75th, 20:22.8) led the way and was followed by freshman Riley Kelly (123rd, 21:28.6), freshman Mya Hill (152nd,



Senior Reed Florey was top finisher for Elmwood-Brimfield on Saturday at the First to the Finish Invite. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.

22:02.7), junior Addy Turner (170th, 22:15.7) and sophomore Callie Wright (183rd, 22:36.4).

For Princeville, the boys team showed once again it has real aspirations for a state berth. The Princes placed 20th overall and were led by senior Tucker Sennett (57th, 16:38.3), who posted his fastest time of the season.

The next three Princeville runners were junior

Taylor Hess (101st, 17:13), sophomore Jacob Bosch (152nd, 17:42) and freshman Hunter Keyster (164th, 17:51).

“All three of them ran lifetime bests, so that was really exciting to see,” Princes Coach Jeremy Melick said. “They owe some of their success to senior Matthew Bowers. Matthew got off to a solid start, but then had his hips tighten up on him as the race went on.

“While his final time wasn't what he had hoped for, his controlled start helped Taylor, Jacob and Hunter get off to a start that left them stronger and fresher for the second half of the race than they had been earlier this season.”

Bowers (178th, 18:02.5) was No. 5 for Princeville.

The lone Princeville girls runner is sophomore Bethany Sennett (32nd, 19:12.4), who should see this course again come fall.

“She did a great job of getting out quick, but under control, in the first

half mile and then she moved up a few spots as the race went on,” Melick said. “Her time of 19:12 was her fastest of this season and was roughly 90 seconds faster than the time she ran at this meet last year.”

And for Farmington, Dax Ulm remains the standard bearer. The junior placed 78th in 16:57.3. Top girls finisher for the Farmers was freshman Camryn Emmons (118th, 21:19.7).

Top finishers for ROWVA-Williamsfield were junior Emily Hilman (178th, 22:24.5) in the girls race and sophomore Jonas Carlson (149th, 17:40.4) in the boys race.

Eureka was Class 1A boys winner with 167 points, edging Aurora Central Catholic (169 points). Williamsville (181) won the Class 1A girls race.

LLC
BLACKHAWK
BMC

309-208-3469

Bob Koelling-Owner
BlackhawkBMConstruction@yahoo.com
Blackhawk-BMC.com

General Contractor • Commercial/Residential

EIS

Elmwood Insurance Services, LLC
ALL FORMS OF INSURANCE

Ethan Jehle
Producer

Scot Jehle
Owner/Producer

Proudly Representing these Companies:

- Auto Owners Insurance • Pekin Insurance
- La Prairie Mutual • Progressive Insurance
- Madison Mutual

124 E. Main St. • Elmwood, IL 61529 • www.elmwoodinsurance.com
(309) 742-2141

Hot news tip? Want to advertise? Call (309) 741-9790

Weekly Post Sports

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Text Your Scores To (309) 231-6040 or email news@wklypost.com

Rallying to a rout

Farmers overcome start in 42-18 win

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

FARMINGTON – As starts go, Friday’s was about the worst the Farmington football team could have imagined.

As finishes go, though, it was the best of the season. And that finish more than made up for the start, as the Farmers improved to 3-0 with a 42-18 nonconfer-



Wheelwright

terback Lane Wheelwright was intercepted. St. Teresa returned the ball to the Farmington 1-yard line and punched it in on the next play for a 12-0 lead.

“They jumped into (a defense) I didn’t expect,” Vallas said. “It wasn’t on Lane. That’s really on me.”

Somewhere in the midst of all that, promising junior two-way starter Miles Addison suffered a knee injury that sidelined him for the game.

But after falling behind 12-0 in the first quarter, No. 3-ranked Farmington outscored the visitors 42-6 the rest of the way.

Wheelwright also bounced back, completing 11 of his final 15 passes for 266 yards and five touchdowns – three to tight end Carter Lambin and two to wideout Jack Gronewold.

Wheelwright also ran for 128 yards and a touchdown in what Vallas called “the best game he’s played.”

“I felt like Lane took a big step up,” Vallas said.

The coach also had high



Carter Lambin hauls in one of his three touchdowns in Farmington’s 42-18 win over Decatur St. Teresa last week. Photo by Dave Giagnoni.

praise for some generally unsung defensive players, Griffin Ulm (leading tackler for the Farmers), Cole Passmore, Landon Crusen and Brody Evans.

“Those are four of the hardest-working kids we’ve had in our program,” Vallas said. “We’ve always had great players. Now we’ve got guys who put in the work to be there with them. They did a great job defensively.”

Their efforts helped pick up any slack left by the loss of Addison at linebacker. After suffering a torn ACL in his first day of practice as a sophomore, Addison was slated for a major role this season.

Vallas said he thinks this knee injury is not as serious and that the junior should return.

Next up for Farmington is another home game, this

Continued on Page 22

First to the Finish reinforces XC trends

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Weekly Post

PEORIA – The annual First to the Finish Invite is generally a good measuring stick for high school cross country teams.

Contested on the state course at Detweiller Park, the invite attracts top teams from all corners of Illinois. So after you run, you have an idea where you stand.

So what did Saturday’s First to the Finish reveal about local teams? More than anything else, the race underlined trends from the past few weeks.

For instance, the Elmwood-Brimfield boys team has a top-four pack most coaches would envy. But for E-B to rise above its sixth-place finish Saturday

Continued on Page 23

R-W mastering art of late-game heroics

By NICK VLAHOS

For The Weekly Post

ONEIDA – ROWVA-Williamsfield is becoming adept at last-second football escapes.

For the second time in their first three games this season, the Cougars won in heart-stopping fashion. On Sept. 13, they beat Monmouth United 42-36 in overtime. Drake DeJaynes passed 7 yards to Talan Hull for the winning score.

That play, followed by a

stop on the subsequent United overtime possession, lifted R-W (3-0) to 2-0 in LincolnLand Conference small-division games headed into a showdown at home Friday (Sept. 20) against undefeated Princeville.

United (0-3, 0-2) tied the game with 14 seconds left in regulation, but R-W defender Carter Smith

stopped the ensuing two-point conversion to force

Continued on Page 22

\$25 OFF!
TIMBERLAND BOOTS & SHOES
Assorted variety. (Vendor 6841)

FARM KING

Your Family Store With More Since 1959

65 YEARS OF SERVING YOU

Since 1959

50% OFF!
1 GAL. RV & MARINE ANTI-FREEZE
Burst protection to -50°F. Great for Winterizing RVs, Vacation Homes, Trailers, Boats & more. (CH121402/5195001) Reg 6.49

69.99 SAVE \$10
YOUR CHOICE MEN'S ITASCA VICI NEOPRENE BOOTS
With side handle pull on and 200 grm thinsulate insole. (Vendor 6722/1314300-307) Reg 79.99

DON'T MISS OUR FALL SPECIALS SALE

SAVE \$2
8.99
YOUR CHOICE 10 PK. BIRD SUET
Choose from High Energy, Peanut & Berry, or woodpecker packs. (Vendor 6738/988328, 1177638, 1177639) Reg 10.99

19.99 SAVE \$5
YOUR CHOICE 40 LB. RANCHER'S CHOICE DOG FOOD
Choose from Active Dog Formula OR Adult Dog Maintenance Formula. (Vendor 4249/1009754) Reg 24.99

10% OFF!
ALL IN-STOCK MILWAUKEE HEATED GEAR JACKETS & HOODIES
Sizes M-XXXL. Powered by M12 battery. Carbon fiber heating elements. One-touch LED controller. (Vendor 8337)

SAVE \$8
21.99
YOUR CHOICE SPRUCE -OR- PINE TREE
Choose from White Pine, Norway Spruce, Black Hills Spruce, Meyers Spruce OR White Spruce. #3 pot. (760C-03P/1035713, 1045465, 1210048, 1307192, 1023484) Reg 29.99

9.99 SAVE \$3
YOUR CHOICE 50 LB. RANCHER'S CHOICE PREMIUM WHOLE CORN FEED
Choose from Whole or cracked corn. (Vendor 4249/1301583, 1301584) Reg 12.99

SAVE \$100
469.99
GREAT PRICE 9MM SAR SUA SAR9X PISTOL
Black. 17+1 capacity. 4.4" barrel length. (Vendor 8452/1316028) Reg 569.99

SAVE \$2
9.99
15 LB. JURASSIC MINERAL ROCK
A year-round mineral supplement. (JR12/1245631) Reg 11.99

Macomb, Monmouth, Canton, Galesburg, Kewanee & West Burlington
•Monday to Saturday: 8AM – 8PM •Sunday: 9AM – 6PM

PRICES GOOD: September 17-30, 2024

Visit FarmKing.com for Hot Deals, Products and More!