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GALVA MURAL

Galva historian Swank honored

Galvaland publisher depicted in new mural

By **CAROL TOWNSEND**

For The Prairie News

GALVA – For decades, George Swank reported on the comings and goings and history of this town. Now his smiling face will gaze out forever on the downtown he knew so well.

A new mural depicting Swank was painted and installed on Sunday by Tom Washburn of The Walldogs. The latest mural is on the east side of the building at 517 W. Division St., which is owned by Kevin Rohrig.

The artwork was a project of the Galva: Ready to Grow committee. The group held fundraisers and took donations for the mural.

Washburn said he did a lot of research

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Tom Washburn (right) painted and installed the above mural depicting George Swank, long-time publisher of Galvaland magazine. The mural was a project of the Galva Ready To Grow committee and is located on the east side of a building at 517 W. Division St. in Galva. Photo submitted by Rebecca Duytschaver.

Wyoming raid nabs drugs, stolen items

By **JOHN A. BALLENTINE**

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – Quietly, the Stark County law enforcement vehicles loaded with police personnel rolled into position on the evening of Oct. 11 in downtown Wyoming.

A combined force of law enforcement officers

wound up arresting two people and recovering a cache of drugs, weapons and stolen goods.

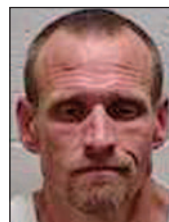
Law enforcement included Stark County Sheriff Steven Sloan and deputy sheriffs, the Toulon, Wyoming and Brad-

ford police departments, the Wyoming Fire Department, the Stark County Ambulance Service, the State of Illinois Secretary of Police bomb squad, the Peoria Police Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit and the Henry/Stark SWAT team.

Armed with several search warrants, officers entered a Wyoming apartment above the State of Illinois Motor Vehicle Office at 111 E. Williams St. There they found numerous drugs, an explosive device, ammunition, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Also found were items stolen from various locations.

Arrested was Caleb A. Deck, 47, for aggravated

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Deck

Wyoming building is focus of council's concern

By **JOHN A. BALLENTINE**

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – The Wyoming City Council is worried about the condition of a building at 104 E. William St.

The façade of the downtown building has for many years been unstable and requires repair or restoration. Shortly after Curry's Pizza moved into the building a few years ago, the façade began to show that it was unstable and could possibly collapse onto the street and sidewalk below.

Curry's Pizza relocated to a new building but fear of a collapse remained to such an extent that barricades have been in place for years.

Marcus Wilson, formerly of Kewanee,

purchased the problematic building and indicated that he would have it repaired or reconstructed. Years have passed since and the city council is seeking a resolution to this predicament.

On Sept. 8, 2023, City Attorney Justin Raver sent Wilson a letter stating that the "building is unstable and a danger to the public safety." Wilson was given 15 days to abate all nuisance conditions.

A letter was sent this year on June 25 to Wilson from Jacob & Klein, Attorneys at Law, who serve as attorneys for Wyoming's TIF districts. The letter stated that an agreement between Wilson and Wyoming was entered into with Wilson to complete the repairs and reconstruction of

the building's façade on or before January 17. Attorneys noted in the letter that Wilson received a \$13,000 grant to help finish the project, adding that if the project was not completed within 30 days, Wilson must return the money.

Additional letters were sent to Wilson without positive results. Subsequent research showed Wilson had moved to Bowling Green, Ky.

Wyoming, based on a court order, is authorized to enter the property and restore it to required zoning requirements, plus put a lien on the property.

During its Oct. 15 meeting, the council passed a resolution approving the city to proceed with restoring the building and

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Pictured above is the unstable building facade at 104 E. Williams St. in Wyoming. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

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RAID: Drugs, stolen property recovered

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assault of a police officer, theft of \$500 to \$10,000, burglary, criminal trespass to state-supported property (Wyoming's Illinois Department of Transportation depot), possession of meth/drug paraphernalia, possession of ammunition by a felon, two counts of felony possession of a weapon/firearm and explosive device/pipe bomb.



Powell

Charges were made related to stolen power tools and a club that was in the apartment. Also arrested was Amanda L. Powell, 44, who was charged with possession of meth/drug paraphernalia and possession of an explosive device/pipe bomb. She and Deck were transported to the Bureau County Jail.

posed of by the Peoria bomb squad, according to a Stark County Sheriff's press release.

Stark County Ambulance was staged and the Wyoming Fire Department blocked traffic during the downtown Wyoming raid.

Charges related to the IDOT facility are burglary, theft and criminal damage to state-supported property.

Officers also located other alleged stolen property at Wyoming storage facilities. The items are recovered that are believed to have been taken during various burglaries in Stark County.

Law enforcement had this raid in the works for some time prior to last Friday but were tight-lipped about it in order to preserve security and the element of surprise.

Deck had previously lived at the Wyoming Horse Sale Barn until its destruction by fire last year. He has a 2019 felony conviction for driving DUI on a revoked/suspended driver's license plus a 2023 dismissed felony charge for methamphetamine possession.

Powell has a Marshall County criminal history. She has been charged with a 2023 felony aggravated discharge of a firearm count, a criminal misdemeanor for possession of a firearm and a felony charge of possession of a stolen firearm. She has a scheduled court appearance in Marshall County on Oct. 30 for the stolen firearm charge. Powell also has a dismissed battery with bodily harm misdemeanor charge. She was released from the Bureau County Jail with a notice to appear.

MURAL: Magazine printed for 37 years

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on Swank. He said he likes to "put his best foot forward when doing a mural," adding that he likes to get to know the person he is painting.

The building in the mural is on South Exchange Street and was erected in 1855. As such, it is the oldest standing structure in Galva.

Swank started Galvaland magazine in 1958 and continued printing monthly until December 1995. George died on Jan. 25, 1996.

The magazine was typically filled with old pictures and stories on the history of Galva and surrounding towns.

The original price of Galvaland was 15 cents per issue, which changed to 25 cents with the 100th issue.

The Galva Historical Society has copies of all Galvaland magazines, and issues have also been scanned and are now sold on a disc along with an index.

Swank started working for The Galva News in

1929 when he was 20 years old. He married his wife Florence (Lindquist) in 1945.

Swank was also the author of several books and wrote all the historical material for the Galva Centennial in 1954. He served in World War II.

Swank was a founding member of the Galva Historical Society and made it possible for the group to purchase the home of Galva's founder, William and Kate Wiley. The museum remains there today at 906 W. Division St.



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PUBLIC RECORD

Traffic Citations

- 9-29 - Karl E. Griffin - Speeding 26-34 mph over the limit.
- 10-10- Stephanie Garza - Driving 15-20 mph above the limit.
- 10-14 - Samantha N. Reatherford - Driving 21-25 mph above the limit.

Misdemeanors & Felonies

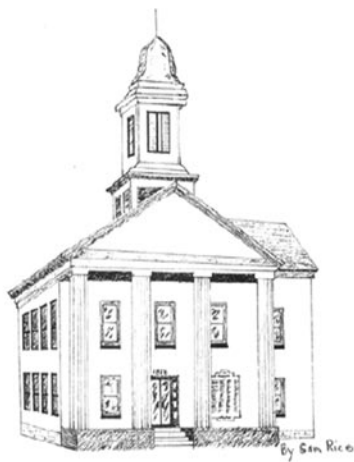
- 6-8 - Criminal felony - Charles D. Slightom Jr. - Failure to register a new residence in three days.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

- 10-7 - Payton M. Rose, of rural Kewanee, reported her 2018 Dodge truck with a homemade trailer was stolen. The incident remains under investigation but the vehicle was later reported as recovered.
- 10-7 - Cassidy Baxter, 24, Bradford, cited for speeding 52 mph in a 40 zone.
- 10-10 - A 17-year-old Princeville teen cited for speeding 75 mph in a 55 zone.
- 10-10 - Kyle J. Bird, 21, Princeville, cited for driving on an expired registration. He was issued a court date.
- 10-10 - Reese G. Miller, 30, Walnut, cited for driving on an expired registration and issued a court date.
- 10-10 - Olivia P. Winter, 19, Peoria, was cited for speeding 71 mph in a 55 zone.
- 10-11 - Art Witte, Toulon, reported being a victim of an identity theft.
- 10-11 - Mercedes S. Strong, 23, Peoria, ticketed for driving on a suspended driver's license. She was issued a court date.
- 10-12 - Zachary D. Diehl, 23, Milledgeville, ticketed for speeding 84 mph in a 55 zone. He was issued a court date.

Peoria County report

- 10-11 - Travis C. Kelly, 28, of Speer was arrested shortly before 10:30 a.m. and accused of domestic battery/bodily harm, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.
 - 10-11 - Robert Turnbull, 38, of Toulon was arrested shortly before 8:30 p.m. and accused of domestic battery/physical contact, according to the Peoria County Sheriff's Office.
- Galva Report**
- Officer dispatched:**
- 10-8 - to the 200 block of SE 4th St. for a fraud/internet scam complaint.
 - 10-8 - to the 200 block of NW 7th Ave. for a theft complaint.
 - 10-8 - to the Galva Park District for a complaint involving a depressed juvenile trying to harm himself.
 - 10-9 - to assist the ambulance with a medical emergency on Exchange Street.



change Street.

- 10-9 - to meet with a complainant at the Galva PD in reference to a scam she fell victim to in reference to booking a flight with American Airlines.
- 10-9 - to assist Henry County with a physical altercation between students on a Galva school bus on County Highway 5 at 650 North.
- 10-9 - along with the ambulance to the 300 block of NW 4th Ave for a choking victim. The item was dislodged before help arrived.
- 10-9 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 200 block of SW 3rd St., Alan Gardiner-Atkinson, 69, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration was suspended for mandatory insurance and operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released with a court date.
- 10-9 - Officer was notified about a vehicle repossession taking place at Sentry Estates. The vehicle was removed without incident.
- 10-10 - to the 300 block of Main St. for a two-vehicle accident with damage only. The drivers exchanged insurance information after their vehicles suffered minor damage.
- 10-10 - to the 1100 block of NW 5th Ave. for a loose-dog complaint. The dog was impounded and found to belong to a subject from rural Bishop Hill. The dog was returned to its owner.
- 10-10 - to assist Henry County with a suicide by handgun at a rural address several miles east of town.
- 10-11 - to the 300 block of Front St. for a domestic disturbance.
- 10-11 - to the 00 block of NE 9th St. for a theft complaint of items from a garage sale.
- 10-11 - along with the fire department to the 600 block of SE Industrial Ave. for a grass fire.
- 10-11 - to the 200 block of NE 2nd St. for a juvenile complaint involving kids throwing rocks at houses. Officer was not able to locate them.
- 10-11 - to the Galva Cemetery for a domestic disturbance in a passing vehicle that had pulled into the cemetery. Knox County was advised of the complaint.
- 10-12 - to speak with a subject by telephone about a Medicare scam she received by telephone.
- 10-12 - to the 300 block of Front St. for a harassing phone calls/social media complaint.

- 10-12 - to the 00 block of SW 4th Street for a theft complaint.
- 10-13 - to the 100 block of SW 7th St. to meet a subject requesting a civil standby to retrieve property.
- 10-13 - to the 200 block of NE 1st St. for a criminal damage to property complaint involving broken windows.
- 10-13 - to the 700 block of NW 1st Ave. for a neighbor dispute.
- 10-13 - to the 400 block of NW 2nd Ave. for a barking-dog complaint. As a result, Courtney Turner, 31, Galva, was issued an administrative warning ticket for allowing a dog to bark.
- 10-13 - Brian Dennis, 19, Altona, cited for speeding in the 1000 block of SW 2nd St.
- 10-13 - A 17-year-old Galva juvenile was cited for speeding in the 1300 block of SE 2nd St.

Property Transfers

- 10-7 - Paula Gillespie to Casey Joseph and Paula Gillespie - Pts Sect. 23-14-7 SE - 426 W. Main St., Bradford - Consideration = \$0.
- 10-7 - Marlene Alltop to Thomas Oquendo and Paulette Willette - Original Town of Wyoming - Pt Block 15 Lots 7,8,9,10 - 306 W. Agard St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$145,000.
- 10-7 - Toni Nowlan to Keegan J.R. Gerard and Penny L. and Russell C. Schierer - B.D. Sweet's Add'n Lot 4, Lt 16 Assr's Sect. 24-13-5 SE - 425 W. Vine St., Toulon - Consideration = \$60,000.
- 10-8 - Dixie M. King, Estate and Jeffrey D. King, Ind. Exec. to John Phillip and Marianne L. Dixon, Trustees, and Rudy P. and Lindsey R. Dixon - Pt - Sect 24-12-6 SE - Consideration = \$211,700.
- 10-8 - Lori T. Lombera to Lori T. Lombera, Trustee - Original Town of Wyoming - Pt Block 7 Lots 4 and 5 - 211 W. Williams St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$0.
- 10-9 - Jeremy and Kelsy M. Haselbacher to David Hamilton - Pt Sect. 35-13-6 SE - 206 N. 6th St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$78,000.
- 10-10 - Anthony Wade Franklin to Zerla Properties LLC - Pt Sect. 28-14-6 SW and Pt Sect. 33-14-6 NW - Consideration = \$140,667.
- 10-10 - David G. and Mary C. Cox to David G. and Mary C. Cox, Trustees - Und. 1/3 Int. Pt Sect. 2-12-6 SW and Pt Sect. 11-12-6 NW - Consideration = \$0.
- 10-11 - John R. Kitterman, Estate, Michelle McGinn, Ind. Co-Rep and Joni Oberlander, Ind. Co-Rep to One Schott Properties, LLC - Greene's Add'n Pt Lot 7 - 411 S. 6th St., Wyoming - Consideration = \$68,000.

Marriages

- 10-7 - Andrew Michael Yount, Metamora and Michelle Christine Wolley, Peoria.

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GUEST VOICES



Massive Nebraska feedlot not what we need

Like farmers and ranchers, veterinarians love to pour concrete. Many build customized facilities dedicated to their animal health mission: examination rooms, operating theaters, cattle chutes, holding pens and loading docks.

Three Canada-based vets, however, are pouring enough concrete in far-southwestern Nebraska to cover what they say will be a square mile – 640 acres – of a “beyond state-of-the-art,” 150,000-head cattle feedlot.



Alan GUEBERT

The concrete, they’ve explained in interviews, is the key to that “beyond” statement. With it, “tons” of “clean,” or dirt-free, cattle manure are “to be used by biodigesters to produce methane” that will offset some of the carbon footprint of the feedlot’s cattle.

Maybe, but concrete is one of the dirtiest, most CO2-intensive products known to mankind and that intensity defies any claim of “green” by any concrete-heavy construction.

That’s science, not opinion. According to concrete engineers, on average, one ton of concrete produces 1,650 pounds of CO2, mostly because its cement, concrete’s hardening agent, requires so much fossil fuel (heat) to make it.

If, as feedlot experts suggest, the 640-acre Nebraska feedlot uses 5-inch-thick concrete – a requirement

to collect the “clean” manure for its proposed methane digesters – it will then pour an estimated 428,000 cubic yards of concrete.

By itself, this 857,600 tons of concrete – with a CO2 bill of 1,650 pounds per ton – will give the feedlot a 1.4-billion-pound carbon footprint before one steer steps onto it.

More so, the feedyard holds other not-so-green elements. For example, according to published reports, a typical feedlot animal produces 11 tons of manure per year. As the feedlot gears up, its initial 50,000 head will produce 550,000 tons of manure per year. Later, when the feedlot reaches its 150,000-head capacity, it likely will handle 1.65 million tons of manure per year.

Not all of that massive manure pile can be fed into the feedlot’s yet-to-be-built manure digesters. As such, one of its owners claims it has “contracts with local farmers to spread the manure as fertilizer.”

Fine, but as the University of Nebraska calculates, if farmers were to spread 30 tons of manure per acre, the feedlot would need upwards of 55,000 acres to hold its annual manure production prior to any digester being built.

And then there’s the question of water. Western Nebraska, on average, receives about 19 inches of rainfall per year, or about half the U.S. national average.

Despite that dryness, the feedlot’s owners say they’ve acquired enough water through the purchase of 13 nearby irrigation wells. Those wells,

they calculate, will supply the 1,262 acre-feet – or 411 million gallons – of water the enterprise requires annually. Critics aren’t so sure, especially with the increasing impact of climate change.

All these environmental concerns, however, skate right past the bigger issue in today’s cattle industry: Is a new, 150,000-head feedlot even needed today when the U.S. beef herd is at a 63-year low?

Moreover, who stands to pay the price for its entrance into this low-margin sector of U.S. agriculture? Smaller competing feedlot operators in the region? Local residents who soon will have 150,000 water-using, manure-making cattle as neighbors?

“Worse,” says Mike Callicrate, whose Kansas-based Callicrate Cattle Co. is less than an hour’s drive south of the new feedlot, “everything COVID taught us that we were doing wrong – big feedlots, big meatpackers, too-long supply chains – we’re now doing again.”

Instead, “We should be doing the opposite: hundreds of small feedlots, dozens of small-sized meatpackers, more vibrant communities. We should be building resilience, not monuments to the failing past.”

And especially not monuments made of concrete.

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Police chase, catch alleged auto thief

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

WYOMING – Bradford police and Stark County Sheriff's deputies apprehended an alleged car thief on Oct. 8 after a chase with vehicles and on foot.

Stark County Chief Deputy Sheriff Charles Demetreon radioed he was in pursuit of a stolen Volvo vehicle and that the driver was speeding away from a traffic stop. The driver of the Volvo crashed into a farm drainage ditch in a farm field east of Wyoming. Demetreon, who followed the vehicle, exited his police cruiser to pursue the driver, who had exited the alleged stolen vehicle and was attempting to escape on foot.

Demetreon was injured as he tried to apprehend William K. Skog, 19, of



Pictured above is the Volvo that William K. Skog crashed into a ditch during pursuit by a Stark County Sheriff's deputy on Oct. 8. Submitted photo.



Skog

the Camp Grove area. Demetreon suffered a leg injury and was transported to OSF for medical treatment.

Bradford police arrived on scene and observed Skog fleeing on foot eastbound across a corn field. The Bradford police made an intercept position at that point and arrested Skog without further incident.

Skog is suspected of multiple vehicle thefts in Stark and Henry Counties. Skog has been charged with two counts of felony possession of a stolen vehicle (the 2003 Volvo

and a 2021 side-by-side UTV), resisting a police officer, aggravated fleeing/bodily injury, aggravated fleeing of two traffic control devices and theft less than \$500 (a wallet and a purse).

Skog was transported to OSF St. Luke Hospital for DUI testing and was then transported to the Bureau County Jail.

Skog was also found wanted on a Henry County warrant.

Skog's next court appearance is scheduled for Nov. 1.

ESTATE AUCTION OF KEWANEE REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

The following 48'x32' block building, firearms, coins, tools, antiques, car, advertising and more will be sold on location at 613 N Chestnut St. Kewanee, IL 61443, on **SUNDAY OCTOBER 27th, 2024 at 12:00 NOON (R.E. SELLS FIRST)**

NOTE: Guns/car will sell around 1 p.m. See all of the details on property and the full personal property ad online at www.folgersauctionservice.com and **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK.**

REAL ESTATE: This 48'x32' block building sits on a 150'x66' lot and includes the 150'x25' lot next door. The building is equipped with 3 overhead doors and a walk-in door. There are 2 natural gas hanging heaters, florescent lighting, good cement floors, a floor hoist, a heavy-duty upright air compressor and a bathroom. This has much potential for many business opportunities or personal options. Both lots will be sold as one unit. **TERMS:** A non-refundable 10% deposit will be required on auction day, with the balance to be pd. in full in approx. 30 days. This is an As-Is live auction.

GUNS/CAR/COINS: #1. Henry Repeating Arms 22 lever action barrel load—2. Fic double barrel 20 ga. Borto, Brazil—3. Hunter Arms Hunter Special 12 ga.—4. Mossberg 500A 12 ga. pump—#5. Crossman 766 pellet gun—3 12 ga. barrels—Winchester 12 ga. shells, 38 casings, Federal 33 Special shells, Winchester 357 bullets, Mag Tech 38 Special, Federal 20 ga., S & W 38 Special, boxes of 22s, Peter paper 12 ga. shells in box, Remington 410 shells, 30-06 Winchester and Springfield bullets, targets, head gear, cases, camo gear, new/old cleaning kits—**CAR:** 1988 Buick LaSabre w/77,800 miles, 2 door vinyl top, LE, good shape, needs fuel pump so not running. **COINS:** 1987-2008 US Mint proof sets—two 2003 U.S. Mint silver proof sets—1943 steel pennies—silver dimes—1902 and 06 Shield nickels—1868 \$2 piece—1995 American Eagle silver dollar—1940-69 Jefferson nickels—1929 red note \$20 bill—1953 and 1928 \$2 bills—1957 A silver cert. star note \$1 bill—2 1957B \$1 bills—1950's silver cert. \$1 bills—rare Dom. Of Canada .25 note—foreign coins—1837 1/2 penny bank token, Canada—1892 Centavo Mexico—other old Canadian coins—wheat pennies—15.00 Alexander Fleming and other coins.

ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES: Very old working cast iron nickel slot machine, bell-O-Matic "Mills", Chicago, IL—vintage 7-Up full size pop machine, rough but complete and works—1920's chalkware Hills Bros Coffee statue—swan radiator cap cover—old AP Muffler sign—Dr. Grabow Royal Duke display—2 vintage Old Style lighted signs—vintage Kool standing ashtray—nice old Dead End sign—Wolf's Head lube dispenser, clock, motor oil cans, display cabinet, jackets, etc.—Dewey Ave./Dodge St. sign—Brewer Circle St. sign—United Delco Brake Service metal box—Wagner Lockheed Brake shoe cabinet—GE min. light bulb holder—Renault metal sign—Forsythe Service Dept. Chrysler sign—Motor Tune up Delco remy parts cabinet—Five Star sign—Interstate Battery sign—long green 4 racecar sign—Stop, Speed Limit signs—oval Pennzoil signs—Pepsi bottle cap and Coca Cola signs—Niehoff Tune up cabinets—Pabst plastic take home sign, glasses and misc., Budweiser mirror and old steins, J.B. Scotch sign—other signs—Busch plastic born before calendar, Chicago Bears items including 1987 schedule poster, 84 and 85 pennants, misc. Bears—full cans of Mash, Harley and illini beer, beer glasses of all kinds, aluminum Pepsi and other old coolers, beer trays, Cubs 84 pennants, programs, jersey, porc. Cubby, other Cubs-Saint's pennant—old metal shop rag can—1962 Foleys Trucking piece—Wix metal oil filter cabinet—Macsen O.P. Kewanee old milk can—Stiver's & Son's vintage calendars—many adv. pens/pencils—gauges in boxes—Frostie, illini 83 Champs, old pop and other bottles—pop cases—cartoon glasses—oil and gas cans—lg. swirl and other marbles—retro toys—2 red dot FK bowls—very nice albums, still w/plastic covers (Molly Hatchet, Rolling Stones, Beatles, Foghat, Cars, REO, Iron Butterfly, Lennon, many more)—red globe lantern—1905 Kewanee book—Intellivision game system w/many games in boxes—wooden race cars—Batman/Robin Society pin, other pins and badges—Kewanee Legion hat and badges—Castle Films cartoon reels in boxes—Stan Musial signed picture—NB Bellevue's Big Steel safe—ashtrays/lighters—NB Zippo—old hanging telephone bells—Cerwin Vega speakers, VS speakers—cast iron skillets—Pontiac mirror—M.F. Jones ruler—Jack Daniels, other pictures—casserole, glass and basic antiques—art glass desk lighter—old lures—nice flatware sets—Am. Waltham WC pocket watch w/fob and knife—Dueber Hampden pocket watch w/fob—sterling spoons, rings, costume jewelry—ornate wood ant. bedroom set—B.W. Kewish old safe—Grandfather's clock—much misc.

OUTDOOR AND TOOLS: Ariens GT20 60" lawn mower, has PTO, wts., chains—yard roller—4' snow plow for mower—mower wts.—6.5 Hp Troy Bilt Super Bronco rear tine tiller—Bass Pro smoker—coolant system pressure tester—Robinson AC compressor, service tools—many air and power tools, hand tools and hardware—elect. ignition analyzer—1650 PSI elect. pressure washer—HK140 parts washer—work benches, toolboxes, shelving—electric chain saw—Makita hammer drill, new 18v drill—set Snap-On wrenches—sm. accet. torch set on cart—2 cherry pickers—1635 McCullough chain saw—new oils, fluids—chains—air cond. tools and Freon—much fishing equipment of all types—Titleist, other balls—nice golf clubs and bags—Keller 24' alum. ladder—8 new 6' steel posts—new post driver—5.5 HP Ariens self-propelled push mower—new Fiskars trimmers—tarp straps—torch supplies—new Coleman lanterns—garage items too numerous to list all.

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FOR SALE – Online Auction

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TOTAL ACRES: 79.5
FSA TILLABLE ACRES: 77.68
PI: 122.8

LEASE: Farm is open for 2025 crop year.
OWNER: Kraklow Family Irrevocable Trust
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WYOMING: Three may run for mayor in 2025

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 placing a lien on it for the costs incurred. The council asked city engineer Justin Reese, of Giffin-Reese Engineering, to look at the structure to see what construction is required. Council member Jim Mercer said, as water/sewer committee manager, a part-time employee may be hired to do weekend water samplings. "Everything is looking good" at the water and sewer plants, Mercer said. He also informed the council that

Melvin Rodriguez, city maintenance employee, is joining the U.S. Army and will not be available to work for the city any longer. Mercer told The Prairie News he is running for election next April to become Wyoming's mayor. Current Mayor Pat Maher said Wednesday he is also running for reelection. A third possible candidate for mayor could be Chris Babb. The council passed a TIF resolution authorizing the city to grant BO/GAR

Enterprises \$2,350 toward the \$4,700 cost to power-wash and apply two coats of finish to its building front on south Illinois Route 91. Also passed was a resolution to grant Stahl Lumber \$5,000 toward the \$15,000 cost of replacing the roof of an apartment building located at 504-506 Kennedy Court. Finally, the council passed a resolution to pay a contract agreement with Ferguson Waterworks for \$3,078 to maintain hardware and software.

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at 9 AM
77.8 MW Acres of Bureau County Pattern Tiled Farmland and 209.66 MW Acres of Peoria County Farmland
FOR SALE – Online Auction

Location: Bureau County, approx. 7 miles East of Kewanee, IL on the South side of Kentville Rd or approx. 9 miles Northwest of Bradford, IL.
TOTAL ACRES: 77.8
FSA TILLABLE ACRES: 72.52
PI: 136

Location: Peoria County, 1/2 a mile North of Princeville, then East on Streitmatter Rd, located on the North side of the road.
TOTAL ACRES: North: 104; South: 105
FSA TILLABLE ACRES: North: 98.05; South: 99.77
PI: North: 107.4; South: 111.3
 ~Possible Wind Contract~

LEASE: Farm is open for 2025 crop year.
OWNER: CKA Simons Legacy, LLC
REGISTER TO BID: www.leezerfarmland.com – Select "Online Auction" Box

BROKER:
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Leezer FARMLAND SALES **Nov 20, 2024**
at 9 AM
165.64 Acres Stark County, IL Farmland
- Whittaker Farm -
FOR SALE – Online Auction

Location: South of West Jersey, IL 1 mile than East on 200N. The farm is 1 mile on the North side.
TOTAL ACRES: 165.64
FSA TILLABLE ACRES: 152.29
PI: 134

EAST AND WEST TRACTS
TOTAL ACRES: East: 59 West: 107
FSA TILLABLE ACRES: East: 50.61 West: 101.68
PI: East: 135.7 West: 133.1
 ~Possible Wind Contract~

LEASE: Farm is under Cash Rent until Nov. 1, 2026.
OWNER: Estate of Paul Whittaker
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One fatality in Route 91 crash

For The Prairie News
WYOMING – One person died and three juveniles were injured in a two-vehicle accident on Oct. 9 southeast of Wyoming on 1400E and 500N.

Wyoming Fire Department, Stark County Ambulance, Wyoming Police Department and OSF Life Flight all responded and arrived on the scene after receiving an emergency 911 call at 4:55 p.m.

At 5:05 p.m., Stark County Sheriff Steve Sloan, also the county coroner, pronounced Mary Lou Boettger, 77, of Peoria, deceased at the scene. Boettger was the driver of one vehicle.

A 10-year-old boy, a relative traveling in Boettger's vehicle, was transported by Stark County Ambulance to OSF

Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria. The driver of the second vehicle was a 16-year-old rural Wyoming teenager. She was also taken by ambulance to OSF Saint Francis to be treated for injuries.

Upon arrival firefighters battled a blaze after the teen's vehicle caught on fire following the impact. The driver and a passenger had managed to exit the vehicle.

Life Flight emergency personnel transported a 15-year-old passenger identified as a sister of the teen driver to OSF Saint Francis.

Sheriff Sloan stated in a press release that all three juveniles were reported to be in stable condition. An accident reconstructionist from the Illinois State Po-

lice assisted in the investigation of the accident. Authorities and emergency personnel remained on the scene for several hours.



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NOVEMBER 5, 2024

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STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 5, 2024
STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

County Clerk
Stark County, Illinois

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Table with 5 columns: STATEWIDE ADVISORY QUESTION, CONGRESSIONAL, COUNTY, COUNTY BOARD, JUDICIAL. Contains various ballot questions and candidate lists.

LEGAL ADS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
CITY OF KEWANEE, ILLINOIS, an Illinois Municipal corporation, Plaintiff, IN CHANCERY Case No. 2024-MR-34K vs. EBONIE DAVIS and HENRY COUNTY TRUSTEE, Defendants
NOTICE OF PROPERTY CLEAN-UP BY PUBLICATION
The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Ebonie Davis, all Non-Record Claimants, and all Unknown Owners, Defendants in the above-entitled cause, that the above-entitled property clean-up action was filed and is now pending.
1. The names of all Plaintiffs, the Court in which this action was brought, and the Case Number are identified above.
2. The name of the titleholder of record: Ebonie Davis
3. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: Lot Three (3) in Block Nine (9) of the Original Town, now City of Illinois, Henry County, Illinois.
4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 411 W. 4th St., Kewanee, IL 61443.
NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, all Defendants, Non-Record Claimants, and Unknown Owners, file your answer to the Petition for Order of Demolition in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, with the Henry County Circuit Clerk, 401 E 3rd St, Kewanee, IL 61443, on or before 30 days after the date of this publication, or a default may be entered.
/s/ Terilyn A. Motley
Circuit Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
CITY OF KEWANEE, ILLINOIS, an Illinois Municipal corporation, Plaintiff, IN CHANCERY Case No. 2024-MR-35K vs. THOMAS STERLING and HENRY COUNTY TRUSTEE, Defendants

NOTICE OF PROPERTY CLEAN-UP BY PUBLICATION
The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Thomas Sterling, all Non-Record Claimants, and all Unknown Owners, Defendants in the above-entitled cause, that the above-entitled property clean-up action was filed and is now pending.
1. The names of all Plaintiffs, the Court in which this action was brought, and the Case Number are identified above.
2. The name of the titleholder of record: Thomas Sterling
3. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: 23 The South Sixty-five (65) feet of the West Half (W 1/2) of Lot Three (3) of Gunther's Subdivision; and a part of Lot Three (3) of Gunther's Subdivision of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32) in Township Fifteen (15) North, Range Five (5) East of the Fourth Principal Meridian; more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the West line of said Lot Three (3) Ninety (90) feet South of the Northwest corner thereof and running thence East One Hundred Seventeen (117) feet, thence south Forty-five (45) feet, thence West One Hundred Seventeen (117) feet, thence North Forty-five (45) feet to the place of beginning, situated in the City of Kewanee, in the County of Henry, in the State of Illinois.
4. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 340 5th Ave., Kewanee, IL 61443.
NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, all Defendants, Non-Record Claimants, and Unknown Owners, file your answer to the Petition for Order of Demolition in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, with the Henry County Circuit Clerk, 401 E 3rd St, Kewanee, IL 61443, on or before 30 days after the date of this publication, or a default may be entered.
/s/ Terilyn A. Motley
Circuit Clerk

PEORIA COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Estate of CASSIE L. BOORN, deceased No. 2024-PR-0000250
Notice is given of the death of CASSIE L. BOORN. Letters of Office were issued on September 30, 2024, to LEIGH BOORN, 101 CHURCH ST., POTOSI, WI, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is Michael Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Peoria County Circuit Clerk, Peoria County Courthouse, 324 Main Street, Room G-22, Peoria, IL 61602, or with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of first publication, the BAR DATE, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.
MASSIE, MASSIE & QUICK, LLC Attorneys for Estate P.O. Box 205 Galva, IL 61434 Telephone: (309) 932-2168 Published 10/11, 10/18, 10/25/24
CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF DOROTHY A. MORRISSEY No. 2024-PR-15 Deceased
NOTICE OF CLAIM DAY
Notice is given to creditors of the death of Dorothy A Morrissey. On September 22, 2024 Letters of Office were issued to William R. Morrissey and R. Joseph Morrissey, whose attorney of record is Anne C. Rennick, P.O. Box 90, Wyoming, IL 61491.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Stark County, Illinois, or with the Representative, or both, on or before (a) April 18, 2025 or (b) if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Representative is required by the provisions of Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before the aforementioned date(s) is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the Attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
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create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit: http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp or talk with your local circuit clerk's office Dated October 8, 2024 /s/ Anne C. Rennick
Anne C. Rennick Attorney for Estate of Dorothy A. Morrissey P.O. Box 90 Wyoming, IL 61491 309-695-4701 Fax: (309)-695-2119 Email: acrennick@yahoo.com Published 10/11, 10/18, 10/25/24
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF TRACY LYNN WARNER BROOKS, No. 2024PR105 Deceased
CLAIM NOTICE (Publication)
Notice is given of the death of Tracy Lynn Warner Brooks. Letters of Office were issued on October 10, 2024, to Robert E. Brooks as Independent Executor whose attorneys are Barash & Everett, LLC.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court, Henry County, Cambridge, Illinois or with the representative, or both on or before April 10, 2025. Any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing provider. Visit efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp. Or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Name Barash & Everett, LLC Attorney for Executor Address P.O. Box 165 City Galva, IL 61434 Phone (309) 932-2001 Email: everett@barashlaw.com Published 10/18, 10/25, 10/31/24

LaFayette Community Fire Protection District Annual Treasurer's Report FY 23-24
Balance 9/1/2023 101,755.56\$
REVENUE
Real Estate Taxes 81,013.65\$
PPRT Income 1,942.77
Other Income 255.00
Interest Income 131.57
Total Revenue 83,342.99
Total Funds Available \$185,098.55
EXPENDITURES
Accounting/Legal 2,729.20\$
Trustees & Sec 525.00
Firefighter Expenses 3,000.00
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Buildings & Grounds 1,000.00
Telephone Services 1,739.08
Utility Fee 5,496.62
Equipment Acquisition 7,963.42
Gas & Oil 739.78
Supplies 1,588.54
Misc. 281.50
Ambulance Fee 31,008.00
Insurance Expense 1,518.00
Total Expenditures (67,670.79)
Balance 8/31/2024 \$117,427.76
Expenditures in Excess of \$2,500:
Ameren \$5,496.62
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Danko Emergency Equipment \$7,963.42
LaFayette Fire Protection District \$8,357.01
LaFayette Firemen \$3,000.00
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All Other Disbursements Less than \$2,500.00 \$8,257.77
Total Expenditures \$67,670.79
CERTIFICATION: I, D. Mark Compton, Accountant for the LaFayette Community Fire Protection District, Stark, Knox, & Henry Counties, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the LaFayette Community Fire Protection District Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024. D. Mark Compton, Accountant Published 10/18/24
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Estate of ANITA G. SHERMAN, deceased No. 2024-PR-97
Notice is given of the death of ANITA G. SHERMAN. Letters of Office were issued on September 6, 2024, to Patricia L. Sherman, 2549 IL Rte 180, Galva, IL 61434, as Independent Administrator, whose attorney is

Michael Massie, Massie & Quick, LLC, P.O. Box 205, Galva, IL 61434.
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Massie & Quick, LLC Attorneys for Estate P.O. Box 205 Galva, IL 61434 Telephone: (309) 932-2168 Published 10/11, 10/18, 10/25/24
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ESTATE OF NADINE D. SWANSON, 2024PR109 Deceased.
CLAIM NOTICE (Publication)
Notice is given of the death of Nadine D. Swanson. Letters of Office were issued on October 11, 2024, to Tamra L. Dynes as Independent Executor whose attorneys are Barash & Everett, LLC.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk of the court, Henry County, Cambridge, Illinois or with the representative, or both on or before April 11, 2025. Any claim not filed by that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.
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229 W. Main St., P.O. Box 538, Toulon, IL. 61483
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Pastor Glenn Corbly Phone (309) 286-2224 or (217) 778-1591
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Illinois Highway 17, P.O. Box 147, LaFayette, IL. 61449
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email: info@thegathering.life

web: <https://www.thegathering.life/>

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(309) 286-4901

218 N. Henderson St., Toulon

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Email fcctoulon@gmail.com

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OBITUARIES

D. JoAnne Anderson

ORION – D. JoAnne Anderson, 91, formerly of Orion, passed away Wednesday Oct. 9, 2024, at Hillcrest Home in Geneseo.

Private family services will be held. Burial is at Western Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to her family for a fund to be established. Esterdahl Funeral Home, Orion, is assisting the family.

Anderson

JoAnne was born on July 10, 1933, in Swedona, Ill., the daughter of Arndt and Dorothy (Anderson) Magnuson. She married Russell D. Anderson on Feb. 6, 1954, at Swedona Lutheran Church. He preceded her in death on Sept. 23, 2019.

She worked as the former assistant to the Orion High School principal. JoAnne was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She will be greatly missed.

Survivors include her children, Bruce (Angela) Anderson of Orion, Jeff (Vicky) Anderson of Osco, Larry (Kris) Anderson of Orion, Dorene (Troy) Smith of Harvard, Ill.; 10 grandchildren, Brad (Aubry) Anderson, Christopher (Jessica) Perley, Todd (Allison) Anderson, Stacey (Drew) Jorgensen, Travis (Megan) Anderson, Curt (Jessica) Anderson, Haley Anderson, Carlie Smith, Josh Anderson and Molly Anderson; and great-grandchildren Aidan Jorgensen, Will Maher, Landon Jorgensen, Brynley Anderson, Mason Jorgensen, Emmy Anderson and Leo Anderson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; grandson, Craig Anderson; and sister, Lois Miller.

Memories may be shared online by visiting esterdahl.com.

John R. Carrasca

GALVA – John R. Carrasca, 81, of Galva, died at 8:05 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 10, 2024, at his home.

He was born Aug. 1, 1943, in Chicago, the son of Lupe and Florence (Harpman) Carrasca. He married Ermal M. Davis on Feb. 24, 1963, in Moline. Survivors include his wife of Galva; his children, Tammy Carrasca of Galva, Lisa

Carrasca

(Sam) Purlee and Robert (DaiLynn) Carrasca, both of Alexis, and Diane Carrasca of Galva; his siblings, Fred (Annie) Carrasca of California, Rita (Richard) Wheelhouse of Kewanee, Cathy (Richard) Staker of Williamsfield and Bob (Sammie) Carrasca of Oregon; 10 grandchildren, Samantha Carrasca, Corey Purlee, Tiffany Fisher, Rene Carrasca, Gabe Carrasca, Michael Carrasca, Sarah Hansen, Naomi Purlee, Rachel Purlee and Rhiannon Carrasca; and 24 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Ronald Carrasca; two sisters, Edna Young and Beverly Anderson; and a great-granddaughter, Makenzie Traff.

John graduated from Galva High School in 1961, and from Carl Sandburg College in 1996, with a degree in auto-body technology. He worked in the shipping department at Lily Tulip and was a pattern maker at the Galva Foundry for 25 years until it closed. He then was a janitor at Galva High School for 25 years, while teaching auto body classes at Carl Sandburg College for 15 years.

He was an active member of the Oddfellows for over 30 years and his interests included building and inventing things. He enjoyed camping and fishing and, of course, using his own doughball bait. He also enjoyed motorcycles, golfing and baseball, having played throughout high school and in various leagues.

Funeral services were to be at 11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 17, at Rux Funeral Home in Galva with Chaplain Jordan Knight officiating. Visitation

will be one hour prior to the services at the funeral home. Burial will be in Galva Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Geneva M. Morse

TOULON – Geneva M. Morse, 91, of Toulon, passed away at 6:05 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, at the Knox County Nursing Home in Knoxville. Born on June 22, 1933, in Galva, she was the daughter of the late Albert and Marie (Horkstrom) Riesebieter. On Jan. 28, 1955, she married Robert J. Morse in Cambridge. He preceded her in death on July 16, 2018.

Survivors include three children, Pam Wulf of LaFayette, Joyce (Rick) Rumbold of LaFayette, and Robert L. (Sherrrie) Morse, Jr. of DuQuoin; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; a sister, Martha Johnson of Kewanee; a sister-in-law, Phyllis Riesebieter of Sherrard; and a brother-in-law, Francis Morse of Tiskilwa. She was preceded in death by a sister, Ilene (Bill) Swank; brother, Raymond Riesebieter; and son-in-law, Aaron Wulf.

Geneva was a homemaker who enjoyed being in her garden, birdwatching and spending time with her family and her friends at Courtyard Estates.

Funeral services were to take place on Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024, at Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services – Wyoming, at 11 a.m. Visitation was to be at the funeral home one hour prior, from 10 a.m. until the service. Burial was to follow in Toulon Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Stark County Ambulance Service. Haskell Funeral and Cremation Services in Wyoming is assisting with arrangements. To leave condolences for Geneva's family please visit www.haskellfuneral.com.



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Voting hours are
Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
We will also be open Saturday October 26th from 8-11 and Saturday November 2nd from 9-12 p.m. for early voting.

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FOOTBALL: No late comeback for Rebels

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against its southern neighbor.

On the initial Princeville play, with 11:44 remaining in the first quarter, quarterback Jake Williams rolled right and passed to wide receiver Jett Benningfield for a 45-yard touchdown. It was the second play from scrimmage overall, following the Stark County fumble.

The second of three Williams-Benningfield touchdown connections was less dramatic but just as effective. Following the Stark County kickoff-return turnover, Princeville took 13 plays before a 2-yard pass made it 13-0 with 5:39 left in the quarter.

"That's not like us. We just didn't come out ready to play," Stark County quarterback Dillon Steelman said. "I think we got a little too ahead of ourselves and thought we were going to come out of here with an easy win, and they put it to us right away."

A pair of Stark County penalties on the same play negated a big gain on the ensuing drive, then a fumble pinned the Rebels at their 17-yard-line. Princeville followed with another sustained possession, which ended with a 21-yard Williams-to-Benningfield scoring play.

The touchdown gave Princeville a 21-0 lead 12 seconds into the second quarter. All of it reminded Noard of early deficits his team faced against Princeville in two victories last season, including in the first round of the 1A playoffs. But this time was different.

"Last year when we played them, in both games we got off to a bad start. Not that bad," Noard said. "That was just an avalanche. We couldn't stop the momentum."

After it fell behind 33-7 midway through the third quarter, Stark County showed some life.

Nolan Orwig had 15- and 16-yard rushing gains to set up his 7-yard touchdown run with 2:36 left in the third. In the fourth, Steelman had consecutive passes of 26 yards to

Connor Daum and 46 yards to Orwig, then Chris Barnwell set the final score by running in from 9 yards with 7:09 remaining.

"I'm not going to lie to you, I was nervous," Princeville coach Jon Carruthers said. "Their running backs can break something anytime, and their running game is very tough to stop."

Noard suspected the late flurry might have jangled Princeville nerves: "But you can't put yourself down 33-7. You just can't, and we probably were lucky it wasn't worse."

Steelman passed for 106 yards, and Orwig ran for 89. Williams didn't pass for more than 200 yards, like he did in his previous two games. But he did pass for 176 yards, to six different receivers.

West Prairie 60, Galva 20

SCIOTA – After staying close through one quarter, West Prairie outscored the Wildcats 40-0 in the middle two quarters to take control.

Galva was down just 12-6 part-way through the first quarter after a 5-yard scoring run by Cyrus Hurd. But West Prairie (1-6) scored 48 unanswered points to post its first win of the season in 8-player action.

"We got the Columbus Day curse," Galva Coach Mark Jeffrey said. "Every year when we have a game where the kids have a Friday off ... I don't know what happens, but it's never good."

"We were just totally off." It didn't help the Wildcats' cause any to lose wideout Alce Gustafson on the first play to a shoulder injury or to be without Cam O'Brien, who was sidelined with the flu.

Galva yielded 324 rushing yards to West Prairie.

"As well as we played the last three weeks, we were off in every way possible for this game," Jeffrey said. "And they were on and had a really good gameplan."

The Wildcats scored twice in the fourth quarter after the game was decided on runs of 50 and 45 yards

by Blake Stahl.

Next up for Galva is today's Senior Night game at home against Bushnell-Prairie City (2-5). BPC has lost four straight, but also owns a 44-0 win over Peoria Heights and a 36-8 victory against West Prairie.

Rushville-Industry 42 ROWVA-Williamsfield 34

ONEIDA – Whatever margin for error R-W had regarding postseason qualification is gone.

After starting with three wins, he Cougars have lost four consecutive games, including this LincolnLand small-division contest, in which R-W trailed from the start.

R-W must win its final two games to be eligible for state-playoffs consideration. The Cougars play Friday at Kewanee against Annawan-Wethersfield and Oct. 25 at home against Abingdon-Avon. The pre-season league favorite, A-W appears to have righted itself.

"I'm thinking our conference is pretty good," R-W Coach Grant Gullstrand said. "There's not going to be an easy game in our conference, as we've found out. We will have to be prepared."

According to Gullstrand, R-W was prepared as well as possible for the R-I Wing-T/Wishbone offense. R-W attempted a couple of onside kicks to throw R-I off its game, but those were unsuccessful. Neither were efforts to force a turnover.

"They're the only team that runs that style of offense in our division," Gullstrand said. "Last year we were able to match up better with it, because we had some bigger bodies. (Last week) they were getting three-four-five yards a carry, and that adds up to first downs and moving the chains."

"We knew we were going to have to score every time we had the ball. We had seven possessions and scored on five of them, but unfortunately that was not enough."

• **Elsewhere** – Abingdon-Avon (3-4, 3-4) outscored Havana 24-6 in the second half of a 36-34 road victory.

SCOREBOARD

Princeville 33 Stark County 22

Stark County 0 7 7 8 - 22
Princeville 13 14 6 0 - 33

Scoring Summary
First Quarter
P - Benningfield 45 pass from Williams (Athen kick)
P - Benningfield 2 pass from Williams (kick failed)

Second Quarter
P - Benningfield 21 pass from Williams (Benningfield pass from Williams)
P - Garza 1 run (kick failed)
SC - Steelman 10 run (Frihetsli kick)

Third Quarter
P - Johnson 23 pass from Williams (pass failed)
SC - Orwig 7 run (Frihetsli kick)

Fourth Quarter
SC - Barnwell 9 run (Orwig run)

Team Statistics

	SC	P
Rushes-yds	30-128	46-185
Yds per carry	4.3	4.0
Comp-Att-Int	7-11-2	12-21-1
Passing yds	106	176

Individual Statistics
Rushing - SC: Orwig 15-89, Steelman 8-45, Barnwell 4-(minus-1), Holmstrom 1-(minus-1), C.Daum 2-(minus-4). P: Geiger 20-113, Christianson 8-38, Lied 6-19, Williams 11-14, Garza 1-1.
Passing - SC: Steelman 7-11-2 106. P: Williams 12-21-1 176.
Receiving - SC: Orwig 2-44, C.Daum 2-28, Barnwell 2-27, Brown 1-7. P: Benningfield 3-68, Johnson 3-58, Day 2-17, Christianson 2-16, Blunier 1-9, Lied 1-8.
Tackles - P: Benningfield 8, Harmon 7.

West Prairie 60, Galva 20

Galva 6 0 0 14 - 20
West Prairie 20 24 16 0 - 60

Scoring Summary
First Quarter
WP - 31 run (conversion failed)
WP - 18 run (conversion failed)
G - Hurd 5 run (conversion failed)
WP - 5 run (conversion good)

Second Quarter
WP - 12 pass (conversion good)
WP - 9 run (conversion good)
WP - 42 run (conversion good)

Third Quarter
WP - 11 run (conversion good)
WP - 8 run (conversion good)

Fourth Quarter
G - Stahl 50 run (kick failed)
G - Stahl 45 run (conversion good)

Team Statistics

	G	WP
Rushes-yds	18-209	36-324
Yds per carry	11.6	9.0
Comp-Att-Int	8-20-2	3-5-0
Passing yds	134	52

Individual Statistics
Rushing - G: Stahl 8-156, Hulstrom 8-45, Hurd 2-8.
Passing - G: Stahl 7-19-2 132, Hurd 1-1-0-2.
Receiving - G: Herr 4-81, J.Smith 3-51, Baulch 1-2.
Tackles - G: Stahl 8.5, Baulch 7, B.Burris 7.

Rushville-Industry 42 ROWVA-Williamsfield 34

Rushville-Ind. 0 14 8 12 - 42
ROWVA-Will. 6 14 14 8 - 34

Scoring Summary
First Quarter
R-I - Reimolds 23 run (extra point failed)

Second Quarter

LincolnLand - Large

	Overall	Conf
	W	L
Farmington	7	0
Elmwood-Brim.	6	1
Macomb	5	2
Illini West	4	3
Bureau Valley	3	4
Knoxville	2	5
West Hancock	1	6
LVC	0	7

Last Week
Elmwood-Brim. 31, Macomb 28
Farmington 8, Annawan-Weth. 6
Illini West 34, Bureau Valley 7
Knoxville 80, West Hancock 52
Macon Meridian 61, LVC 24

Friday, Oct. 18
Elmwood-Brim. at Abingdon-A., 7 pm
Farmington at LVC, 7 pm
Illini West at West Hancock, 7 pm
Bureau Valley at Macomb, 7 pm
Knoxville at Fulton, 7 pm

R-I - Downs 12 run (Bartlett run)
R-W - Hull 24 pass from DeJaynes (Hull run)
R-I - Reimolds 1 run (conversion failed)
R-W - Hull 45 pass from DeJaynes (conversion failed)

Third Quarter

R-I - Downs 33 run (conversion failed)
R-W - Cordle 11 pass from DeJaynes (DeJaynes run)
R-I - Reimolds 6 run (Reimolds run)

Fourth Quarter
R-W - Smith 2 pass from DeJaynes (extra point failed)
R-I - Reimolds 13 run (Bartlett run)
R-W - Hull 14 pass from DeJaynes (extra point failed)

LincolnLand - Small

	Overall	Conf
	W	L
Princeville	7	0
Stark County	6	1
Rushville-Industry	6	1
Annawan-Weth.	4	3
Abingdon-Avon	3	4
ROWVA-Williamsfield	3	4
South Fulton	2	5
Havana	1	6
United	0	7

Last Week
Princeville 33, Stark County 22
Rushville-Ind. 42, ROWVA-Will. 34
Farmington 8, Annawan-Weth. 6
South Fulton 34, Monmouth United 7
Abingdon-Avon 36, Havana 34

Friday, Oct. 18
Princeville at Rushville-Ind., 7 pm
ROWVA-Will. at Annawan-Weth., 7 pm
South Fulton at Stark County, 7 pm
Havana at Monmouth United, 7 pm
Elmwood-Brim. at Abingdon-A., 7 pm

Team Statistics

	R-I	R-W
Rushes-yds	53-336	19-67
Yds per carry	6.3	3.5
Comp-Att-Int	0-1-0	22-28-0
Passing yds	0	279

Individual Statistics

Rushing - R-I: Downs 23-143, Reimolds 18-115, McGinnis 11-74, Bartlett 1-4. R-W: Cordle 4-42, Hull 9-28, Schroeder 2-4, DeJaynes 2-(minus-3), Jones 2-(minus-4).
Passing - R-I: Bartlett 0-1-0-0. R-W: DeJaynes 21-28-0 274.
Receiving - R-W: Hull 11-177, Tra-phagan 3-56, Cordle 6-38, Smith 2-8.
Tackles - R-W: Cordle 7.5, Schroeder 7.

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Too deep a hole

Early fumbles hurt SC in 33-22 loss

By NICK VLAHOS

By The Prairie News

PRINCEVILLE – For the Stark County football team, the script was familiar: Fall behind early against Princeville, then come back to win.

This time, however, there was a plot twist. The Rebels preferred the previous endings.

Princeville became alone atop the LincolnLand Conference small division Oct. 11, when it beat Stark County 33-22 in a meeting of undefeated teams. Princeville scored after Stark County fumbled on its first play from scrimmage, then again after it fumbled the ensuing kick-off return.

Stark County, which was fourth in the Class 1A state rankings, fell to 6-1 and 5-1 in the conference, in a second-place tie with Rushville-Industry. The victory kept Princeville (7-0) perfect in six league games.

The Rebels probably are favored in their final two regular-season games. They play tonight (Oct. 18) in Wyoming against South Fulton (2-5), then on Oct. 25 against winless United. Like Princeville, Stark County is assured a state-playoffs bid.

“These kids are too young to remember, but some of our better playoff runs were off of 8-1 and 7-2 seasons,” Stark County



Cole Kinsella (75) and Chris Barnwell (1) combine to tackle Princeville's Noah Geiger last Friday. Princeville won the battle of unbeaten, 33-22. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

Coach Jade Noard said. “Sometimes (a loss) can wake you up. Sometimes it can humble you, and you can get redirected. Hopefully that's something that we can do.”

Stark Co. girls win Lincoln Trail XC title

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Prairie News

KEWANEE – The Stark County cross country teams brought home plenty of hardware from last Saturday's Lincoln Trail Conference finals at Midland Golf Club.

In addition to four all-conference medals for boys and girls runners, the Lady Rebels won a fourth LTC title after edging Ridgewood, 29-35.

Leading the girls was a trio of all-conference runners. Dusti Smith placed third in 18:48, Cheyenh Smith was fifth in 19:43 and Alexis Martinez took seventh in 20:33.

“Alexis has been target-

ing all-conference for some time and it was fitting that she earned it in her senior season; she is the epitome of hard work pays off and I just cannot say enough about this young lady's dedication,” Stark County Coach Bob Rennick Jr. said.

Other scoring runners for the Lady Rebels were Paytin Terwilliger (13th, 21:46) and Sarah Kraklow (14th, 21:54).

“The girls were locked in and once again our depth paid off, complementing the outstanding performances by Dusti, Cheyenh and Alexis,” Rennick said.

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