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## Bishop Hill celebrating new fence

By JEFF LAMPE

For The Prairie News

BISHOP HILL – In addition to the arrival of its annual Julmarknad festival, which continues this weekend and Dec. 7-8, there is another reason to celebrate in this quaint Henry County community.

Recent completion of a new white picket fence around the village park gives hope for the future of the Bishop Hill community while also honoring the past.

“This project was personal to several of us as descendants,” said Joella Krause, a Bishop Hill preservation advocate and a descendant of colonists. “Originally,

there was a ravine in the park where our ancestors lived, died and were born the first winter in Bishop Hill. The park was always a place to gather, socialize, and remember the founding day. This collaborative project has restored the fence back to a respectable beauty.”

State Rep. Travis Weaver (R-Edwards) and other state and community partners will celebrate completion of the fence Monday, Dec. 2, at the Colony School during an event hosted by the Bishop Hill Old Settlers’ Association. The school is scheduled to open at 12:30 p.m., with officials arriving around 1 p.m.

for a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The fence project came about thanks to a collaboration between the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center, Rotary Community Corps and the Rotary Club of Galva. With coordination by Rotary groups, the project involved more than 50 inmates who created materials and fencing to be put up around the park. Inmates also helped put up the fencing.

“The Bishop Hill community has gone above and beyond to advocate for their beloved properties,” Weaver said in a press release. “We’re all inspired to see



New picket fencing surrounds the park in the center of Bishop Hill thanks to a public-private collaboration. Photo courtesy of the Bishop Hill Heritage Association.

the great partnership among the IDNR and IDOC in fixing up the Bishop Hill Park, and we’re hopeful to see this partnership

continue to flourish.”

The old picket fence in the village had fallen into disrepair, as

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## OSCEOLA GROVE HISTORY

### Facelift needed

#### Community House fundraiser underway

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

OSCEOLA GROVE – Tucked away down a secluded gravel lane south of Illinois Route 93, a white building is snuggled among the trees adjacent to a cemetery.

Entry to the lane is almost one mile east of the Osceola Spur on Route 93 and is marked only with a small sign that says “Cemetery.”

The building located next to the cemetery is the Osceola Grove Community House, which was

constructed by volunteers 107 years ago for approximately \$2,000. Orlando Dunn donated the one acre of land where the building was constructed by a newly formed Country Research Club.

The Country Research Club still exists today and is seeking donations and possibly a grant to refurbish the Community House.

Plans include painting the inside and outside of the building, replacing some wooden siding, installing new windows, repairing or replacing entry



Pictured above is the Osceola Grove Community House with the adjacent cemetery in the background. Photo by John A. Ballentine

doors and steps up to those doors and installing a new threshold. Additionally, foundation work will be required.

“Our goal is to keep the building intact and to do what repairs are required,” said Lorie Watson, president of the club. “This building is part of our history and we still

hold events there.”

Other club members are Vice President Dylan Thompson, Secretary Marjie Loudenburg and Treasurer Kiersten Howard

The 2025 Memorial Day service will be the 109th time it has been held in Osceola Grove

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## Deck released by Marshall Co. judge

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

A man facing several felony charges in Stark County was released from jail after a ruling Monday by Marshall County Circuit Judge James A. Mack.

Caleb A.

Deck, 47, has been released from jail with GPS monitoring and under the condition

he must stay in his Wyoming apartment on West Williams Street from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Deck is also to seek medical attention for an inguinal hernia.



Deck

Deck had been in the custody of the Stark County Sheriff’s Office in the Bureau County Jail since his Oct. 11 arrest in downtown Wyoming. He was arrested during a Stark County multi-task police raid on preliminary charges of criminal trespass to state-supported property, theft and burglary, possession of meth and drug paraphernalia and possession of ammo by a felon.

Deck appeared in Stark County Circuit Court on Nov. 22 with his public defender, Robert M. McBride. This was Deck’s third court appearance after his arrest and arraignment.

McBride filed a late motion just prior to Deck’s *Continued on Page 2*

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# OSCEOLA: Funds sought for historic building

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since the Country Research Club was formed by local farm women in 1915.

Their purpose was to encourage better farm-home conditions, improve educational and spiritual well-being of farm mothers and children and promote neighborhood sociability among members. Over the years, events held at the Community House include funerals, chicken suppers, chili suppers and weddings.

The club continues to hold a Memorial Day service every year. The program consists of musicians, singers and a keynote speaker. After-

wards, there's a short walk to the adjacent cemetery for a salute to veterans interred there.

The Bradford Legion conducts the salute and then people are invited for a luncheon back at the Community House. Loudenburg's son, Jason, is in charge of the separate cemetery.

To help keep that tradition alive and to refurbish the building, club members are asking for \$50 donations to place names on a memorial board. Watson said any donation is welcome because the club has no source of income other than donations, memorials and fundraisers.

There is no charge for the use of

the building, but donations are accepted. Inside the Community House are rows of pews and a raised platform for speakers. Behind the pews is a small food preparation area.

Seeking grants is a new idea being pursued with the help of State Rep. Travis Weaver, who has agreed to speak at the 2025 memorial service.

To make a donation, schedule an event or learn more, contact Watson (815) 303-7886. Donation checks should be made payable to: The Osceola Grove Country Research Club and mailed to: Lorie Watson, 10980 Township Road 200E, LaFayette, IL 61449.

# FENCE: Partnership aids preservation

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have many of the buildings in the Bishop Hill community. Weaver and State Sen. Neil Anderson (R-Andalusia) have been pushing for the state to

fund repairs in the historic site.

"Partnerships like these are vital to villages like Bishop Hill," Anderson said. "It's incredible to see the work that can be ac-

complished when communities rally together and advocate for projects that are not only aesthetically pleasing but also help preserve the rich history within this community."

# DECK: Release had been denied twice

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cases being heard by Circuit Court Judge Paul E. Bauer. The motion was for Deck's pretrial release from custody. Also, McBride said Deck requires surgery for his hernia.

McBride requested that Deck's release motion be heard in Lacon's Marshall County Circuit Court. This was after Stark County State's Attorney Austin King requested time to present a written response to the release motion.

Stated reason for the temporary change of venue was to have the motion acted upon by a circuit court judge before the Thanksgiving holiday and to possibly obtain a surgery date for Deck.

Deck was previously denied release from

custody by Bauer on Nov. 1 and Nov. 8 because King said Deck could potentially build another explosive device like the one discovered in his apartment on Oct. 11. King has suggested and Bauer agreed that Deck is a possible threat to the public.

Charges filed against Deck are a Class 4 felony for aggravated assault of a peace officer, two Class 3 felonies of a felon in possession of a weapon/firearm and two Class 2 felonies of burglary and theft. He also faces a Class A misdemeanor for criminal trespass to state land and 10 violations ranging from fleeing or attempting to elude police to two driving on a revoked license charges.

Deck could face up to 27 years in prison for the charges if convicted.

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**Traffic citations & Ordinance violations**

**11-25** - Alexandra L. Burgess - Driving 15-20 mph above limit, driving on a suspended license, uninsured vehicle and transport/carry alcoholic liquor.

**Misdemeanors & Felonies**

**11-18** - Domestic Violence - Laura L. Crump, Domestic battery with physical contact.

**Incidents & Accidents Stark County**

**11-15** - A two-vehicle accident occurred at the intersection of North Galena Avenue and East Henderson Street in Wyoming. Drivers involved were Kaiden S. Libby, 19, Wyoming, and a 15-year-old Bradford resident. According to the accident report, Libby was traveling east on East Henderson Street when he failed to yield at the intersection and struck a mini-van traveling north on North Galena Avenue. No injuries were reported to either driver or a passenger in the van, identified as Tracy Kieser, of Bradford. Both vehicles were towed with estimated damages reported at over \$,1500. Libby was cited for disobeying a yield sign, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and for driving a vehicle with an expired registration plate and or sticker. He was issued a court date.

**11-19** - Caleb J. Barnett, 20, of Kewanee was involved in a deer-related accident on Castleton Road about one-half mile from Illinois Route 93. No injuries were reported but estimated damage to the vehicle was estimated at over \$1,500.

**11-19** - Troy D. Calhoun, 61, of Canton was involved in a deer-related accident on Illinois Route 78. No injuries were reported but estimated damage to the vehicle was over \$1,500.

**11-19** - Nicholas Romak, 48, of Morris was involved in a deer-related accident on Route 93. Estimated damage to the vehicle was reported at over \$1,500.

**11-19** - Samantha R. Collins, 24, Galva, was cited for driving on an expired registration.

**11-19** - Zheng Yonglian, 38, Renton, Wash. was cited for speeding 75 mph in a 55 zone.

**11-20** - Victoria L. Reuschel, 25, Normal, was arrested by Stark County Sheriff's deputies on an outstanding McLean County warrant. She was transported to the Bureau County Jail.

**11-20** - Viola M. Ouart, 29, of Wyoming was involved in a deer-related accident occurred on Wallace Highway. No injuries were reported but estimated damage to the vehicle was reported at over \$1,500.

**11-20** - Margaret E. Steen, 30, Kewanee was involved in a deer-related vehicle accident on 1215E, approximately one-half mile north of 950N. No injuries were reported but estimated damage to the vehicle was reported at over \$1,500.

**11-21** - A rural Princeville resident reported finding an unwanted individual in her garage. The man had been reported as missing in Peoria and was assisted to his proper location by authorities.

**11-22** - Brittany N. Beach, 34, Pekin, was ticketed for speeding 79 mph in a 55 zone.

**11-23** - Camron M. Rohrig, 25, of Bradford was involved in a deer-related vehicle accident on Route 93 and 1300E. No injuries were reported but estimated damage to the vehicle was reported at over \$1,500.

**Galva Report**

**Officer dispatched:**

**11-19** - As the result of a traffic stop in the 700 block of SE 2nd St., Michael Durnil, 38, Kewanee, was cited for operating a vehicle with registration suspended for operating an uninsured vehicle. He was released with a court date.

**11-19** - to the 00 block of SW 4th St. for a complaint involving an assault with a motor vehicle.

**11-19** - to the 100 block of NW 8th Ave. for a complaint involving harassment involving several juveniles.

**11-19** - to the 300 block of SW 4th St. for a domestic disturbance. As a result, James Staggs, 37, Kewanee, was arrested for domestic battery and criminal damage to property. He was taken to Henry County Jail.

**11-20** - along with the fire department and Stark County Medic to a single-vehicle accident with unknown injuries on Route 34 about 1 mile east of town. Henry County also responded and handled the creport.

**11-20** - to the 1000 block of N. Center Ave. for an animal complaint

involving a cat trying to get into the building.

**11-20** - to the 100 block of Morgan Rd. for a two-vehicle accident with damage only.

**11-21** - As the result of a traffic stop in the 700 block of SE 2nd St., Tasia Thompson, 38, Geneseo, was cited for operating a vehicle when registration suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle. She was released with a court date.

**11-21** - to the 500 block of SW 3rd St. for a loose-dog complaint. The dogs belonged to the resident and were taken back inside.

**11-21** - Terry Stenros-Freeman, 34, Kewanee was cited for speeding in the 800 block of N. Center Ave.

**11-21** - Arley Szdloski, 37, Galesburg, cited for speeding in the 1100 block of SE 2nd St.

**11-22** - to the 900 block of SE 2nd St. for a disorderly conduct complaint.

**11-22** - to the 300 block of SE 1st Ave. for a child-custody dispute.

**11-22** - Refugio Armenta-Andrade, 40, Moline, cited for expired registration in the 400 block of N. Center Ave.

**11-22** - Tondalai Coleman, 35, Peoria, cited for speeding in the 900 block of N. Center Ave.

**11-22** - Teresa Morgan, 55, Kewanee, cited for expired registration in the 300 block of NE 5th St.

**11-23** - to the 300 block of Front St. for a telephone-harassment complaint.

**11-23** - to the 500 block of NW 8th Ave. for a theft over \$500 and criminal damage to property complaint at a rental property.

**11-24** - to the 800 block of NE 3rd St. for a dead animal complaint after a squirrel was found in a plastic bag in the complainant's driveway.

**11-24** - to a residence on NE 6th St. to check the welfare of a subject. The subject was located and taken by ambulance for treatment/evaluation.

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## GUEST VOICES



## Just how expensive is U.S. food?

Nearly every autopsy of Vice President Kamala Harris's stinging White House defeat begins with some variation of the phrase, "Voters pointed to the rising price of food as their chief concern."

True or not – and more on that later – the Trump campaign tied that tin can so tightly to Harris that everywhere she went complaints like "the high price of eggs," "failed Bidenomics," and "wouldn't change a thing" got there long before she did.



Alan GUEBERT

Try as she might, the Harris campaign didn't mount an effective response – either in person or through its unprecedented \$1.4 billion advertising budget – to counter the damaging claims.

And the complaints had traction; for a month they rolled right over Harris.

The Trump campaign wasn't wrong about rising food costs in the Biden years; it was wrong, however, to blame it entirely on Biden Administration policies. The stage was set for higher prices – and not just in food – during the first Trump Administration's painfully slow initial response to the COVID-19 pandemic that took root in Jan. 2020.

At least that's what the best food price analysts on the planet, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service, noted in

their latest "Food Prices and Spending" report on Nov. 1.

According to ERS, "From 2019 to 2023, the all-food Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose by 25.0% – a higher increase than the all-items CPI, which grew at 19.2% over the same period." While food prices increased less than transportation costs, "(T)hey rose faster than housing, medical care, and all other major categories."

So, yes, food prices soared during the Biden Administration but the rise wasn't because Democrats lived in the White House, the ERS report continues. Instead, "Food price increases in 2020-21 were largely driven by shifting consumption patterns and supply chain disruptions resulting from the Coronavirus pandemic," explains ERS.

Recall the spring of 2020 when COVID hit the food market like a meteor. It knocked everything – production, delivery, sales, worker safety – miles from any semblance of normal. Hoarding then quickly undermined the food sector even more.

Then two big shocks, neither related to American politics, slammed the slowly recovering food sector in 2022: an outbreak of deadly avian influenza (which, to date, has killed 71 million egg-laying hens and 14 million turkeys in the U.S.) and Russia's invasion of Ukraine, a global leader in food exports.

"In 2022, food prices increased faster than any year since 1979," given the impact of both events, "which compounded other economy-wide inflationary pressures," ERS

says. Afterwards, however, "Food price growth slowed in 2023 and wholesale food prices and these other inflationary factors eased."

So, according to ERS, food prices spiked 25% between President Trump's second to last year, 2019, and President Biden's second year, 2022, due to a human pandemic, a poultry pandemic and a bloody regional war between a global food superpower, Ukraine, and a global nuclear superpower, Russia.

And that's just one side – the grocery side – of a fluid, worldwide ag commodity market that "regularly rises or falls by more than 10% from one year to the next," explains ERS's food-price report.

For example, "In 2023 the production-weighted price" of corn, soybeans, and wheat "fell by 12.1%, while food prices increased by 5.8%."

In other words, food sellers boosted their prices by almost 6% while the collective price for "the top three U.S. field crops (that) comprise the majority of field crop inputs" in U.S. food dropped more than twice that amount.

If the Trump campaign knew these facts, they simply ignored them and, instead, wisely began stockpiling tin cans and string.

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## Live nativity near Bradford worth experiencing

To the Editor:

I will be one of many attending the live nativity on Saturday, Nov. 30, several miles northeast of Bradford. I want to remind members of our community to set aside this special evening to commemorate our Christian heritage.

This is the greatest story ever told and it is a chance for each of us to

witness the story of the birth of our savior and the true reason for our Christmas celebrations each year.

The Boyd's Grove Church in Milo Township will once again present its Live Nativity of Jesus. Please join fellow Christians on Saturday as we celebrate Advent and the coming of Jesus in our lives.

The world needs this time to reflect

on our Christian values. So take advantage of a great opportunity to visit an event within our community that reminds us why we are Christians.

– Angie Stange, Bradford

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Petitions are available at the **City Hall, 311 NW 4th Ave.** The City Hall hours are **Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** You can reach City Hall at **932-2555** if you have any questions.

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# Boyd's Grove Church receives recognition

BRADFORD – Worship Master Joseph Tracy of the Stark County Masonic Lodge recently presented a check to Pastor Danny Wright at Boyd's Grove United Methodist Church in rural Bradford.

The award was in support of the church's Weekend Snack Pac Lunches, which are currently provided to 38 PreK-5th Grade Bradford School students each week. The check was matched by a check from the Grand Lodge of Illinois,

which was also presented.

The snack program was co-founded in this area by two Boyd's Grove Church members in 2012 after inquiring about the need for such a program in the Bradford School District.

The service is funded privately by a caring community of individuals, organizations, area businesses and Boyd's Grove Church members. The program is free of charge, voluntary and requires no long-term

commitment from students or parents/guardians. The program provides one free sack lunch to students on weekends.

The food items are distributed confidentially on Friday afternoons to be taken home for the weekend. Parents are offered this service at registration time at the Bradford schools.

For more information on this program contact Bradford Grade School at (309) 897-4441.

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## Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for the City of Galva, Henry County, Illinois

• A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the City of Galva for tax year 2024 will be held on 2 December 2024 at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 311 N.W. 4th Avenue, Galva, Illinois 61434. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Debbie VanWassenhove, City Clerk, 311 N.W. 4th Avenue, Galva, IL 61434 phone number (309) 932 – 2555.

• The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for tax year 2023 were \$69,516. The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for tax year 2024 are \$84,006. This represents a 21 percent increase over the previous year.

• The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission lease for tax year 2023 were \$182,777. The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for tax year 2024 are \$154,290. This represents a 14 percent decrease over the previous year.

• The total property taxes extended or abated for tax year 2023 were \$709,882. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for tax year 2024 are \$843,697. This represents a 19 percent increase over the previous year.

• Any notice which includes any information not specified and required by this Article shall be an invalid notice.

All hearings shall be open to the public. The corporate authority of the taxing district shall explain the reasons for the proposed increase and shall permit persons desiring to be heard an opportunity to present testimony within reasonable time limits as it determines.

Published 11/29/24

**Galva Area Chamber of Commerce presents:**  
*Ol' Fashioned Christmas*  
 Saturday, November 30, 2024

9:00am to 11:00am – Galva Arts Council - 130 N Exchange St  
 – Kids Make and Take Christmas Crafts

9:00am to 7:00pm – Galva Arts Council - 130 N Exchange St  
 – Festival of Wreaths and Mini Trees

11:30am to 1:00pm – Galva Arts Council - 130 N Exchange St  
 – Chili and soup luncheon

11:30am until sold out – Galva Arts Council - 130 N Exchange St  
 – Bake Sale benefiting the Galva Jr/Sr High Drama Club

12:30pm to 2:30pm – Galva Senior Citizens Center - 106 Front St  
 – Entertainment by The Nice List at 1pm, Hot Chocolate and Cookies provided 12:30pm-2:30pm

1:00pm to 4:00pm - Market Street  
 – Free Pony Rides sponsored by the City of Galva and Community State Bank of Galva

1:00pm to 4:00pm – Veterans Park - Front St  
 – Galva Girl Scout Troop LoveTree ToyDrive –collecting unwrapped gifts for newborns to age 15

1:00pm to 4:00pm – Veterans Park - Front St  
 – Santa Claus in the Gingerbread House - Sponsored by Community State Bank of Galva

1:00pm to 4:00pm – Veterans Park - Front St  
 – Free Horse Drawn Carriage Rides sponsored by State Bank of Toulon

4:00pm – Parade Line-up  
 – Stackhouse-Moore Parking Lot 117 E Division St

4:00pm – Road Trip - 327 Market St  
 – Fundraising Benefit for our neighbor, Lynn Yelm

4:00pm to 6pm – Hathaway's Ace Hardware & Fresh Market - 316 Market St  
 – Wine and Beer Tasting

5:00pm – Downtown Galva- Front St, Exchange St, Market St  
 – Lighted Christmas Parade around the downtown square

5:30pm – Veterans Park - Front St  
 – Lighting of Veterans Park – Join Santa as he leads the countdown to turn on the lights!

After the Parade - Allenia Space - 330 Front St NEW BUSINESS - CHECK IT OUT!  
 – Family Sing-a-Long of "The Sound of Music" led by Allenia Space owner, Astrid Haryati

7:00pm to 8:30pm – Galva Arts Council 130 N Exchange St  
 – Christmas Coffeehouse feat. Greg Percifield

**Business Open Houses**

9:00am to 12:00pm The Rambling Rose @ 328 Commercial St (refreshments and giveaways)

9:00am to 5:00pm PollyAnna's @336 Front St Suite C (Make & Take Craft and giveaways)

1:00pm to 4:00pm Allenia Space (NOW OPEN at 330 Front St) Screening of Holiday Movies and giveaways!

4:00pm to 7:00pm Special Kneads Bakery @ 326 Front St (refreshments available) also open regular hours

# Bradford board OKs truck purchase

By MOLLY RICHESON

For The Prairie News  
BRADFORD – The Bradford Village Board approved the purchase of a new village maintenance truck at its meeting on Nov. 20.

Cost of the truck is estimated at \$66,200 with a snow plow setup expected to cost between \$7,000

and \$9,000.

The board heard that using a \$600 state credit for the purchase of new vehicles makes the purchase more affordable than by going through an actual dealership.

Money from Bradford's TIF will pay for 57% of the total cost, with the village expected to pay as

little as \$31,500 with the plow package.

Maintenance Supervisor James Chadwick said there is also a program through the Illinois Motor Fuel Tax fund that allows for a \$20 per hour reimbursement if the new truck is used for work involving city streets, water, or sewer as long as the work is documented and turned in.

The board also approved \$15,000 toward the purchase and installation of a new water pump for the water and sewer plant.

Normally, there are two pumps at the plant in Bradford, but recently, one gave out. This purchase will provide the village with two high-service pumps so that if one pump fails, there is a backup. TIF will pay 100% of the costs associated with this project.

Labor and material is estimated to cost \$12,500, but that value does not include freight, so the village added another \$2,500 to the allocation.

Work is expected to be completed by late February.



## Annual Beta Senior Citizen Christmas Dinner

Saturday, December 7th, 2024

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# Watchdog finds \$7.2M in PPP fraud

By **AMALIA HUOT-MARCHAND**

*Capitol News Illinois*  
CHICAGO – A state watchdog has identified at least \$7.2 million in fraudulent claims and more than 275 instances of misconduct by state employees accused of bilking a federal program designed to help businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since 2022, the Office of the Executive Inspector General has been investigating allegations that state employees fraudulently claimed Paycheck Protection Program loans for small businesses they didn't disclose or entirely fabricated. State workers may engage in secondary employment, but only if it's disclosed and permission is granted.

Employees from 13 different state agencies are involved in the fraud and have illegally taken these federal public funds, according to the OEIG, which is charged with investigating allegations of misconduct within state government. As of April, more than 60% of those implicated to date worked for the Illinois Department of Human Services, which operates mental health hospitals and developmental centers across the state.

PPP was an initiative es-

tablished by the federal CARES Act in 2020. The Small Business Administration oversaw the implementation of the PPP to provide forgivable loans to cover payroll costs or other expenses for small businesses struggling during the COVID-19 pandemic. By October 2022, the program gave out \$786 billion in loans and forgave 93% of them, according to the SBA.

Quickly, PPP loans led to "unprecedented fraud levels," according to the SBA inspector general. Applicants self-certified their small business status and income. The OEIG is investigating only public employees who received more than approximately \$20,000 from the program. To receive a \$20,000 loan, businesses investigated by the OEIG typically declared \$100,000 or more of net profit or gross income on the loan application.

The OEIG could not comment on whether this investigation was close to the end. Due to the sheer size of this fraud, investigations involve many different agencies. In May 2023, the Illinois legislature passed House Bill 3304, which allows criminal prosecutions for COVID-19 related fraud to

start up to five years after authorities discover the fraud.

Rep. Fred Crespo, D-Hoffman Estates, who filed the bill, said most routine checks such as cross-referencing data on the loan forms with other agency databases were suspended for PPP.

A large issue was also the lack of personnel. According to Crespo, between April 2020 and April 2022, the fraud hotline of the SBA received millions of calls, of which a large number went unanswered.



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Save the Date

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF DORIS J. ANGEL, No. 2024PR117 Deceased.

CLAIM NOTICE (Publication)

Notice is given of the death of Doris J. Angel. Letters of Office were issued on November 6, 2024, to Michelle Edmund 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 6, 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.

www.illinoiscourts.gov /FAQ/gethelp.asp Or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Barash & Everett, LLC Attorney for Executor Address P.O. Box 165 Galva, IL 6143 Phone (309) 932-2001 Email: everetr@barashlaw.com Published 11/15, 11/22, 11/29/24

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

- CHANCERY DIVISION CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. AMY SIGHTS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF TIMOTHY L. SIGHTS, DECEASED; JAYCE SIGHTS; SARAH BETH MILLER; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No.: 2024FC3 Property Address: 124 South St, Bradford, IL 61421

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

TO THE FOLLOWING, JAYCE SIGHTS defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to

wit: THE WEST SEVENTY-FIVE (75) FEET OF LOT THIRTY-FOUR (34) IN THE VILLAGE OF BRADFORD, STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 124 South St, Bradford, IL 61421 Names of the titleholders of record: HEIRS AND/OR LEGATEES OF TIMOTHY L. SIGHTS, DECEASED. Date of the Mortgage: November 21, 2008. Name or names of the mortgagors: TIMOTHY L. SIGHTS, now deceased. Name of the mortgagee: Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp.. Date and place of recording: November 25, 2008; Office of the Recorder of the Deeds of Stark County, Illinois. Identification of recording: Document No. 2008-94787.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case, on or before December 22, 2024, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT. E-filing is now mandatory with limited exceptions.

To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a

service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://illinoiscourts.gov/self-help or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. If you cannot e-file, you may be able to get an exemption that allows you to file in-person or by mail. Ask your circuit clerk for more information or visit www.illinoislegalaid.org. For information about defending yourself in a court case (including filing an appearance or fee waiver), or to apply for free legal help, go to www.illinoislegalaid.org. You can also ask your local circuit clerk's office for a fee waiver application.

PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Lender Legal PLLC 1800 Pembroke Drive, Suite 250 Orlando, Florida 32810 Tel: (407) 730-4644 Service Emails: dreyes@lenderlegal.com EService@LenderLegal.com LLS13631-IL- SIGHTS \_s/ David Reyes, Esq., David Reyes, Esq. Counsel of Record for Plaintiff ARDC # 6340981 Published 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/24

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STARK COUNTY - TOULON, ILLINOIS Nationstar Mortgage LLC PLAINTIFF

Vs. Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Norma R. Williams; Gwen Williams; Betty Williams; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS No. 2024FC5

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Norma R. Williams Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 213 S Washington St., Toulon, IL 61483 and which said Mortgage was made by: Norma R. Williams the Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagor, as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Stark County, Illinois, as Document No. 89396; and for other relief; that

summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Julie A. Kenney Stark County Courthouse 130 West Main, Box 426 Toulon, IL 61483

on or before December 23, 2024, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-24-06200

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. 13255746 Published 11/22, 11/29, 12/6/24

GALVA CUSD 224 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by November 30, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

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Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website at www.isbe.net.

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2024

Table with 11 columns: Local Sources, Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District, State Sources, Federal Sources, Total Direct Receipts/Revenues, Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures, Other Sources/Uses of Funds, Beginning Fund Balances without Student Activity Funds - July 1, 2023, Other Changes in Fund Balances, Ending Fund Balances without Student Activity Funds - June 30, 2024, Ending Fund Balances (all sources) with Student Activity Funds - June 30, 2024. Rows include Educational, Operations & Maintenance, Debt Services, Transportation, Municipal Retirement/Social Security, Capital Projects, Working Cash, Tort, and Fire Prevention & Safety.

Table with 6 columns: GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL, (CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000, (CONT.) Salary Range: \$25,000.00 - \$39,999.99, (CONT.) Salary Range: \$40,000.00 - \$59,999.99, (CONT.) Salary Range: \$40,000.00 - \$59,999.99, (CONT.) Salary Range: \$60,000.00 - \$89,999.99. Lists names of personnel such as Nance, Heather; Peck, Krista; Price, Rachel; Maertens, Jennifer; Stinson, Benjamin; Wangelin, Holly; Wigant, Rachel; etc.

Table with 6 columns: GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL, (CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000, (CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000, (CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000, (CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000, (CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000. Lists names of personnel such as Cramer, Ashton; DeJesus, Madelin; Engles, Kandy; Fischer, Beverly; Fontana, Robert; Forsythe, Julie; Gregory, Patricia; Gustafson, Darci; Hamilton, Linda; Hammer, Lisa; Hodge, Laurel; Jackson, Bradley; Jackson, Brooke; Jeffrey, Mark; Jones, Chance; Klavohn, Susan; Lamb, Lynne; Larson, Drew; Lewin, Robert; McClintic, Jake; Meier, Timothy; Olson, Ellynah; Olson, Jett; Patty, Brynn; Peters, Lorraine; Porsche, Jonas; Raley, Tracy; Richards, Jessica; Robinson, Nathan; Ruhl, Joyce; Russell, Daniel; Saunders, David; Stone, Kelsey; Swanson, Darcy; Townsend, Sarah; VanDeVelde, John; VanDeVelde, Peter; Warner, Catherine; Weston, Alexandria; White, Van; Wigant, Rebecca; Wilson, M Gloria; Wolf, Jon; etc.

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Table with 8 columns: Person, Firm, or Corporation, Aggregate Amount, Person, Firm, or Corporation, Aggregate Amount, Person, Firm, or Corporation, Aggregate Amount, Person, Firm, or Corporation, Aggregate Amount. Lists various vendors and their payment amounts, such as Amazon Capital Services (7,624), Ameren Illinois (9,951), Apple Inc (20,700), Employee Benefit Systems (289,490), EnCompass Iowa LLC (36,818), ENGIE Resources LLC (33,463), I Print Technologies (7,833), IMRF (97,198), Ill Dept. Revenue (119,861), Ill State Board of Education 2 (20,964), Illinois State University (5,070), IMPREST 2 (21,665), IMRPEST 1 (9,165), K12 Insight LLC (7,500), Lucas-Voice Enterprises CPR (2,516), Mark's Plumbing Parts (3,891), Martin Bos Dist (141,484), Menards Kewanee (3,007), Midland Golf Club (2,995), Midwest Carpets (8,000), Miller, Hall & Triggs (20,843), Nichols Diesel Service (2,694), Office Specialists Inc (4,218), Pacific Life (5,900), PowerSchool Group LLC (4,203), Primergy Solar Illinois (10,971), R.A. Oldeen Inc (2,844), Richard L Johnson Associates (26,156), School Specialty LLC (7,890), Stalker Sports Floors (4,675), Staples (8,238), State Bank of Toulon VISA (10,050), State Disbursement Unit (2,835), THIS (32,047), Tarleton Service Inc (8,398), TASC (31,911), Teacher Retirement fund (210,273), UMB Bank N.A. (397,047), Varsity (3,754), Verizon Wireless (2,588), Waste Management (8,167), Wessex Texas (4,158).





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**BRADFORD CUSD 1 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024**

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by November 30, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

<b>Bradford CUSD 1</b> School District/Joint Agreement Name	<b>115 High St. Bradford, IL 61421-5087</b> Address	<b>309-897-2801</b> Telephone	<b>8:00 am - 4:00 pm</b> Office Hours
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Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net. SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2024

	Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000 2,993,470	478,247	0	227,323	117,372	0	62,330	234,445	46,752
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000 0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000 325,578	0	0	124,098	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000 344,702	441,092	0	29,135	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Direct Receipts/Revenues</b>	<b>3,663,750</b>	<b>919,339</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>380,556</b>	<b>117,372</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62,330</b>	<b>234,445</b>	<b>46,752</b>
<b>Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures</b>	<b>2,708,560</b>	<b>828,174</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>209,192</b>	<b>73,493</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>179,774</b>	<b>46,012</b>
Other Sources/Uses of Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Beginning Fund Balances without Student Activity Funds - July 1, 2023</b>	<b>4,637,988</b>	<b>1,239,730</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>918,551</b>	<b>148,675</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>391,040</b>	<b>492,031</b>	<b>96,494</b>
Other Changes in Fund Balances									0
<b>Ending Fund Balances without Student Activity Funds - June 30, 2024</b>	<b>5,593,178</b>	<b>1,330,895</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>1,089,915</b>	<b>192,554</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>453,370</b>	<b>546,702</b>	<b>97,234</b>
<b>Ending Fund Balances (all sources) with Student Activity Funds - June 30, 2024</b>	<b>5,603,522</b>	<b>1,330,895</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>1,089,915</b>	<b>192,554</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>453,370</b>	<b>546,702</b>	<b>97,234</b>

GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL	(CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000.00 - \$39,999.99	Salary Range: \$40,000.00 - \$59,999.99	(CONT.) Salary Range: \$40,000.00 - \$59,999.99	Salary Range: \$60,000.00 - \$89,999.99
Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	LOEB, COLTON B	MATTINGLY, JORDAN	BAUMANN, SHAYNA	KRIDER, TOSCA A	BROWN, LISA C
BAUER, HEATHER L	MEAKER, CAITLIN	PIERCE, JULIE A	BOSCH, STEPHENIA L	MARROQUIN, MEGAN	HEIDER, MARLIE S
BIGGER, MICHAEL S	PADILLA, KRISTLE		BROWN, TRISHA K	MILLER, SAM T	Salary Range: \$90,000 and Over
GOODELL, CYDNEY M	SEPIC, BRIAN		GIBLER, CATHRYN M.	NANNINGA, KRISTIN A	GRIPP, CHAD A
HARDEE, JENNIFER E			HOFFERT, REBECCA M	NELSON, PATRICIA A	
			KAZUBOWSKI, HEIDI K	STEVENSON, ABIGAIL	

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL	(CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	(CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	(CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	(CONT.) Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$40,000.00 - \$59,999.99
Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	CADE, TAYLOUR	GOFORTH, SHEILA R	RISCH, APRIL	WALKER, DAVID ANTHONY	ATCHLEY, KRISTIN A
ATKINS, ANNETTE L	CALDER, TRACY	HOLMBERG, BRENDA	ROUSE, JANET D	WALL, LANA J	BARRY, PAUL E
BLACK, GARY	CARSTENS, TIM	HOWELL, KRISTINA L	SMITH, NANCY	Salary Range: \$25,000.00 - \$39,999.99	COBB, PAUL J
BOWEN, SHAUNNA	CHURCH, ALEXZANDRA	KELLY, DEBORAH	STAHL, JILL I	CHADWICK, BOBBI JO	SWITZER, RYAN T
BROOKS, NEOMI	COLEMAN, MORGAN	NULL, CARRIE M.	TAPIA, SAYDE	IODER, KEVIN	Salary Range: \$60,000.00 and Over
BRUECKS, SARAH M	FEHRENBACHER, MARY KAY	PAINTER, NICOLE KATHERINE	THIEBEN, MASON	STREITMATTER, MEGAN	NONE
	GENTLE, ROBYN	PETERSON, BROOKE			

**PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES**

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount	Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount	Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount	Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
ACCELERATE LEARNING	\$3,013.41	FRONTIER	\$16,589.74	JAMES ROBISON	\$2,520.00	PURTSCHER OIL CO.	\$14,390.19
AMERICAN CAPITAL FIN SERV	\$5,828.40	GEORGIA STAGE LLC	\$4,200.00	JARED CODE	\$5,075.00	QUILL CORPORATION	\$2,837.58
AMERICAN EXPRESS	\$9,016.08	GORENZ AND ASSOCIATES	\$15,750.00	KOHL WHOLESALE	\$31,083.10	R.A. OLDEEN, INC	\$462,672.70
ARDUINO. LLC	\$5,322.00	GREAT MINDS	\$13,021.18	KREILING ROOFING CO.	\$45,969.28	REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUC.	\$3,815.00
AXA EQUITABLE LIFE INS CO	\$15,307.06	GUSTAFSON FORD	\$30,173.00	LEXI CHURCH	\$4,400.00	SCHOOL SPECIALTY, LLC	\$4,579.29
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	\$189,774.79	HD SUPPLY FORMERLY		MANGIERI REFINISHING LLC	\$3,996.00	STARK COUNTY CUSD. NO 100	\$361,304.76
BLUUM OF MINNESOTA, LLC	\$42,354.07	HOME DEPOT PRO	\$7,667.88	MARY JANE PETERSON-		TARA BLUNDY	\$6,950.00
BRADFORD REVOLVING FUND	\$18,291.72	HENRY-STARK SPECIAL	\$244,848.58	THORNTON	\$9,829.15	TEACHER SYNERGY LLC	\$4,775.00
BUREAU VALLEY COMMUNITY	\$181,324.00	HODGES 66 INC	\$3,698.96	MENARDS	\$3,925.27	TEACHER'S RETIREMENT-FED	\$3,798.20
CDW GOVERNMENT INC.	\$13,255.70	HUMANA DENTAL	\$5,775.58	MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIP.	\$56,145.72	TEACHER'S RETIREMENT-NEC	\$5,251.23
CHEMSEARCH	\$3,627.80	IEA/NEA - BEO ASSN.	\$10,424.30	MURPHY'S CONTAINER SERV.	\$2,623.72	TEACHER'S RETIREMENT-REG	\$82,253.31
CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY	\$16,257.30	IL. ASSOC. OF SCHOOL ADMINS	\$2,749.71	NEVCO SPORTS, LLC	\$6,143.00	TEACHERS HEALTH	\$13,786.99
EMS LINQ INC	\$9,904.58	Illinois Department Of Revenue	\$71,230.90	OFFICE MACHINE CONSULTANT	\$18,264.53	TEAM REIL INC.	\$60,121.00
ENGIE RESOURCES LLC	\$14,370.13	ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL	\$40,541.70	OTTO BAUM CO, INC.	\$32,114.00	VILLAGE OF BRADFORD	\$2,614.59
ENTEC SERVICES INC.	\$5,484.45	ILLINOIS SCHOOL DIST AGEN	\$63,624.00	PARALLEX	\$5,985.39	WESTON SCHUPP	\$3,690.00
EPS OPERATIONS, LLC	\$5,316.68	IRS USA TAXPYMNT F	\$105,354.63	PETRARCA, GLEASON, BOYLE		WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$16,695.00
FAIRCOM	\$10,000.00	IRS USA TXPYMNT M	\$28,252.39	& IZZO, LLC	\$15,210.00		
FARNSWORTH GROUP INC	\$42,927.96	IRS USA TXPYMNT S	\$84,049.40	PRAIRIE FARMS PEORIA DIV	\$10,148.65		
FRITZ ASPHALT SERVICE	\$6,500.00	JAMES CHADWICK	\$2,800.00	PRIMERGY SOLAR ILLINOIS	\$9,808.51		



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**Expecting progress**

New coach expects improvement from Stark Co. boys BKB

**NICK VLAHOS**  
For The Prairie News

Kane Mastin's expectations aren't terribly high right now for his Stark County boys basketball team. But he'll be expecting more as the season progresses.

The first-year Stark County head coach realizes most of the productivity from a 2023-24 team that finished 19-13 no longer is on the roster. But Mastin plans to build around two returning starters, seniors Ross Saner and Dillon Steelman, and some promising underclassmen.

"I think once we learn to effectively communicate and collaborate in real time, we could be really fun to watch and really dangerous to play against," Mastin stated.

So far, the Rebels have gone 0-2 in the Wally Keller Invitational at Kewanee.

In the season opener Monday, Bureau Valley defeated Stark County 78-50. On Tuesday, Stark County led host Wethersfield by four points after three periods but lost 46-44 despite 13 points from

Saner and 12 from Steelman. A potential tying layup for Stark County rolled out at the end.

Mastin was an assistant coach last season, when Stark County tied for third in the Lincoln Trail Conference. He ascended when Dusty Browning resigned following the season. Leading scorer Luke Rewerts (13.8 ppg) and rebounder Will Rumbold (5.6 rpg) were among the graduates.

Saner averaged 9.4 points, 4.8 rebounds and 1.2 steals last season. Joining him and Steelman as starters this season are junior guards Connor Daum and Ben Browning. This season, Daum had a team-high 17 points vs. Bureau Valley.

"It's only natural to have a slow start," Mastin stated. "You have a new system and players with limited varsity experience. I do believe that when players get used to our style of play and buy into what we are trying to accomplish, we have the

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- Strolling Santa in Square
- Princeville Lion's Club food table featuring pork chops, pork burgers, & hotdogs 4:30-6pm in Square
- Masons selling donut holes, hot cider, & coffee in Square
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